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# **Liner shipping markets, networks and strategies.**

The implications for port development on the West Coast of South America

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## To create opportunities we need to be able to differentiate

- symptom/'sɪmptəm/  
*a feature which indicates a condition of “disease”, an indication of an undesirable situation.*
- cause/kɔːz/  
*a thing that gives rise to an action, phenomenon, or condition.*

**Real opportunities are those who tackle the cause of the current challenges. Curing symptoms and not eliminating the cause of the challenge will only provide short term relieve**



## Objective

- Analyse the evolution of symptoms of change in the liner shipping industry
- Identify causes and drivers of change
- Discuss direct drivers for port infrastructure and port system development
- Reflect on habitual and perceived challenges for port development in Chile



# Outline

**Liner shipping network evolution**

**Critical moments in port development**

**LAC and WCSA port system development**

**Liner shipping technological change**

**Liner shipping market structures**

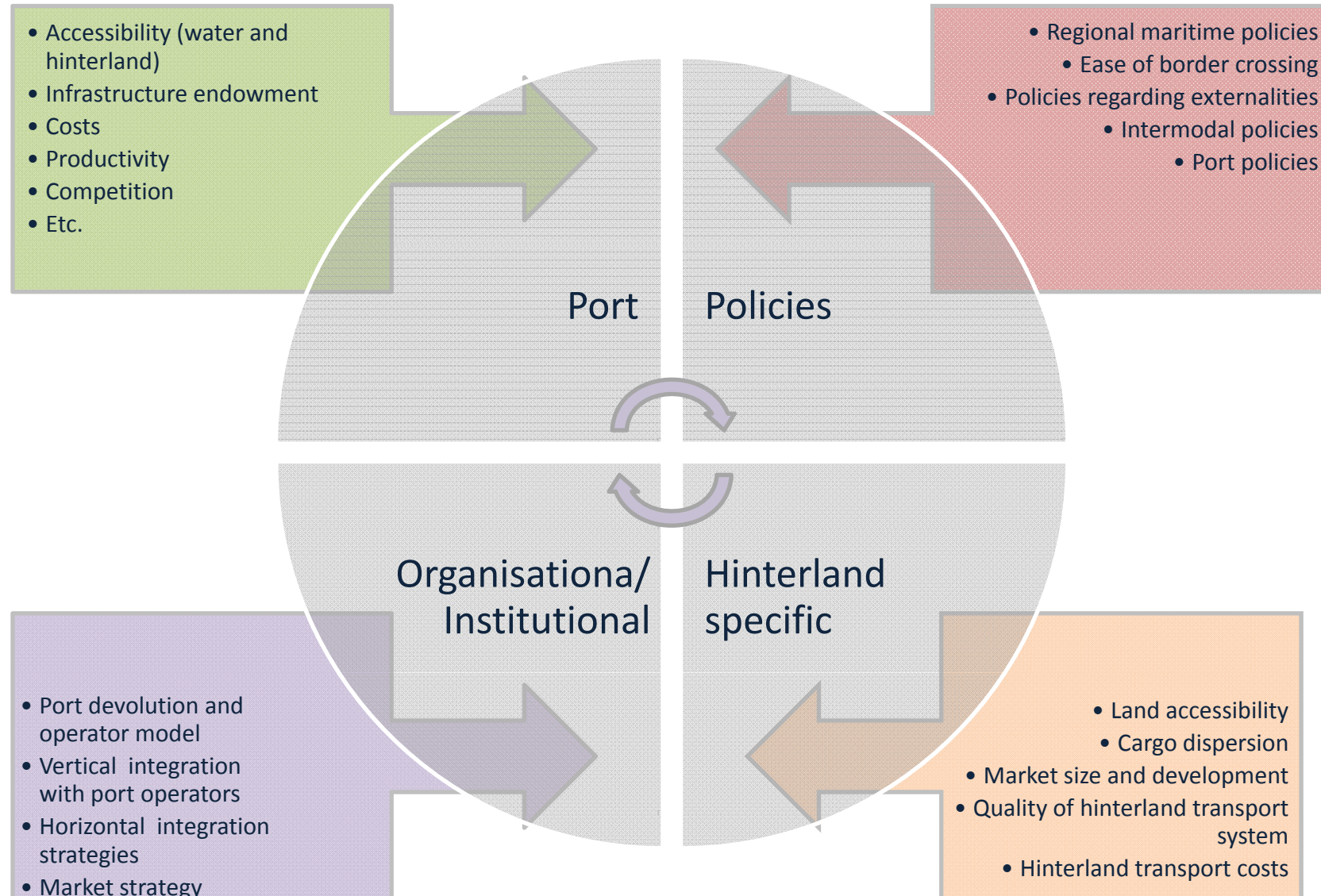
**Discussion topics**

Network evolution

# LINER SHIPPING

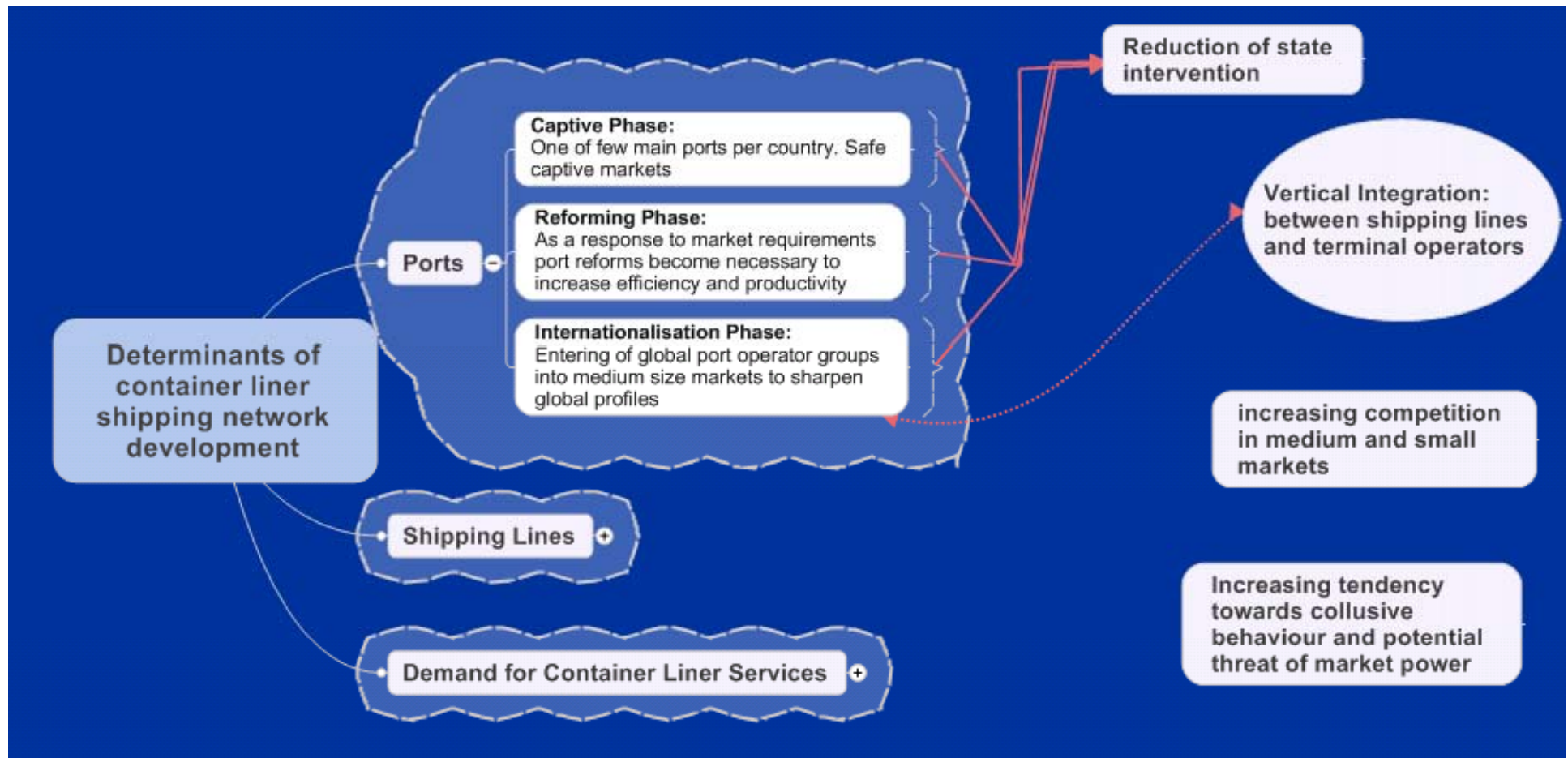


## Relevant factors in liner network configurations



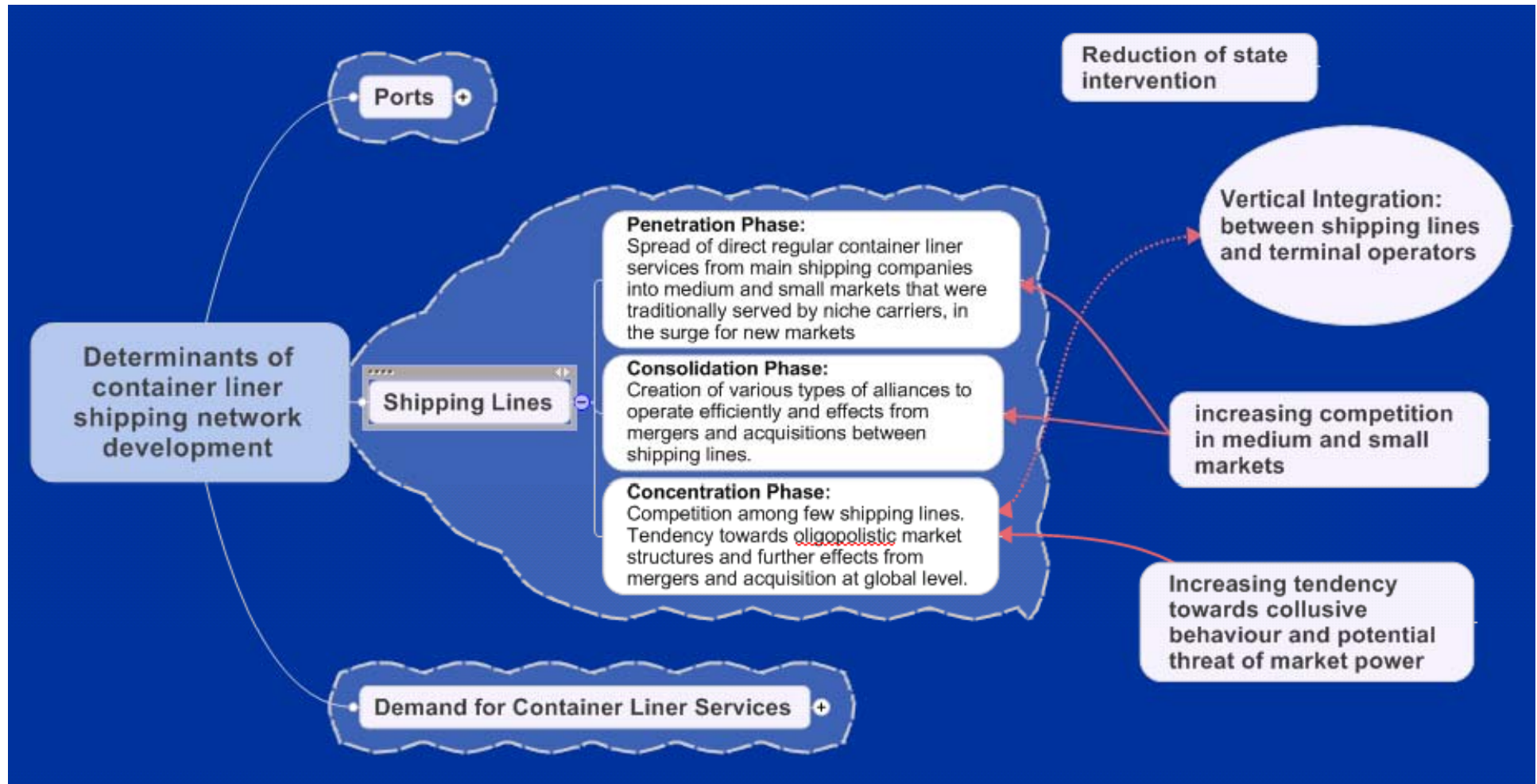


## Evolutionary patterns of liner shipping network configuration (1)





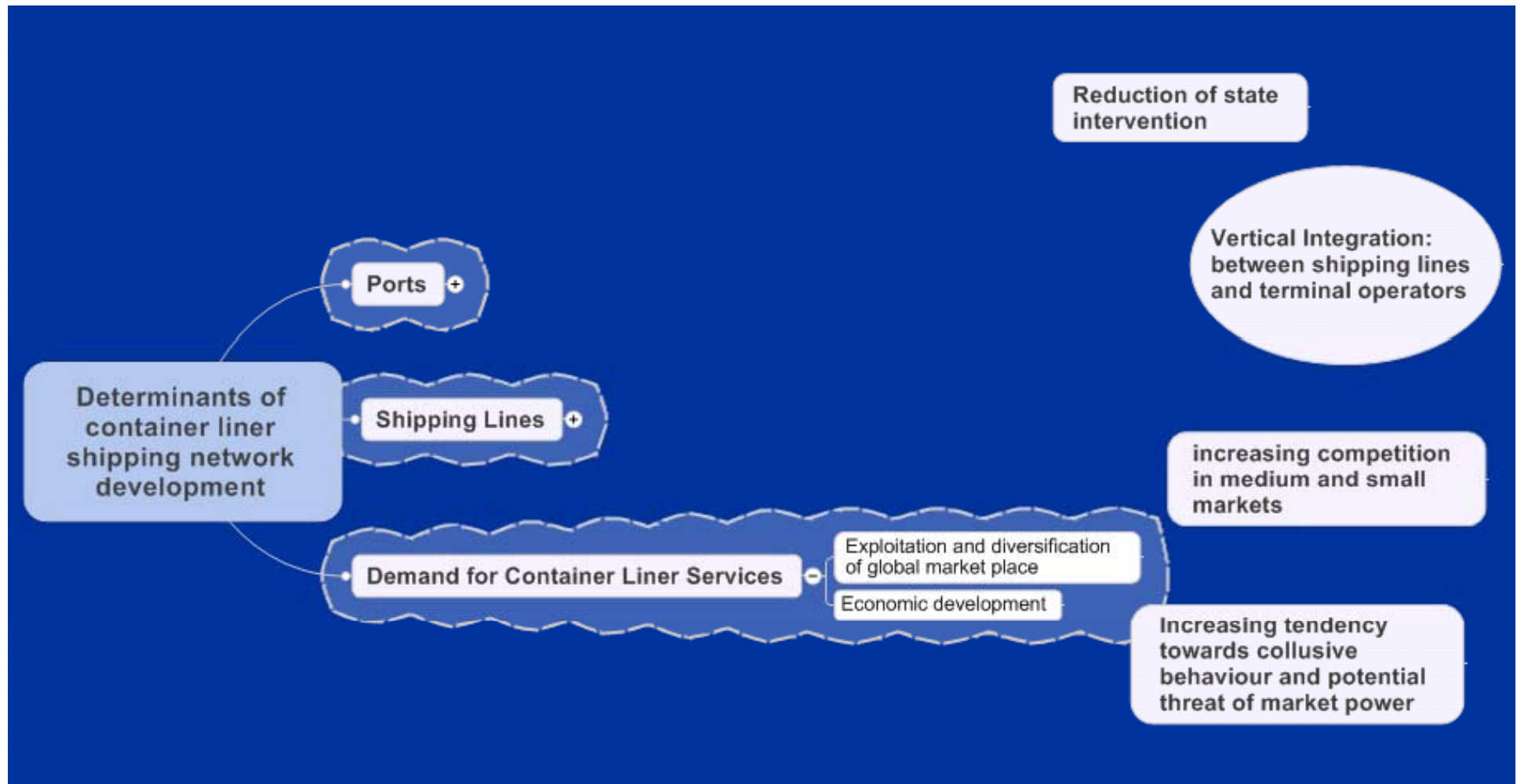
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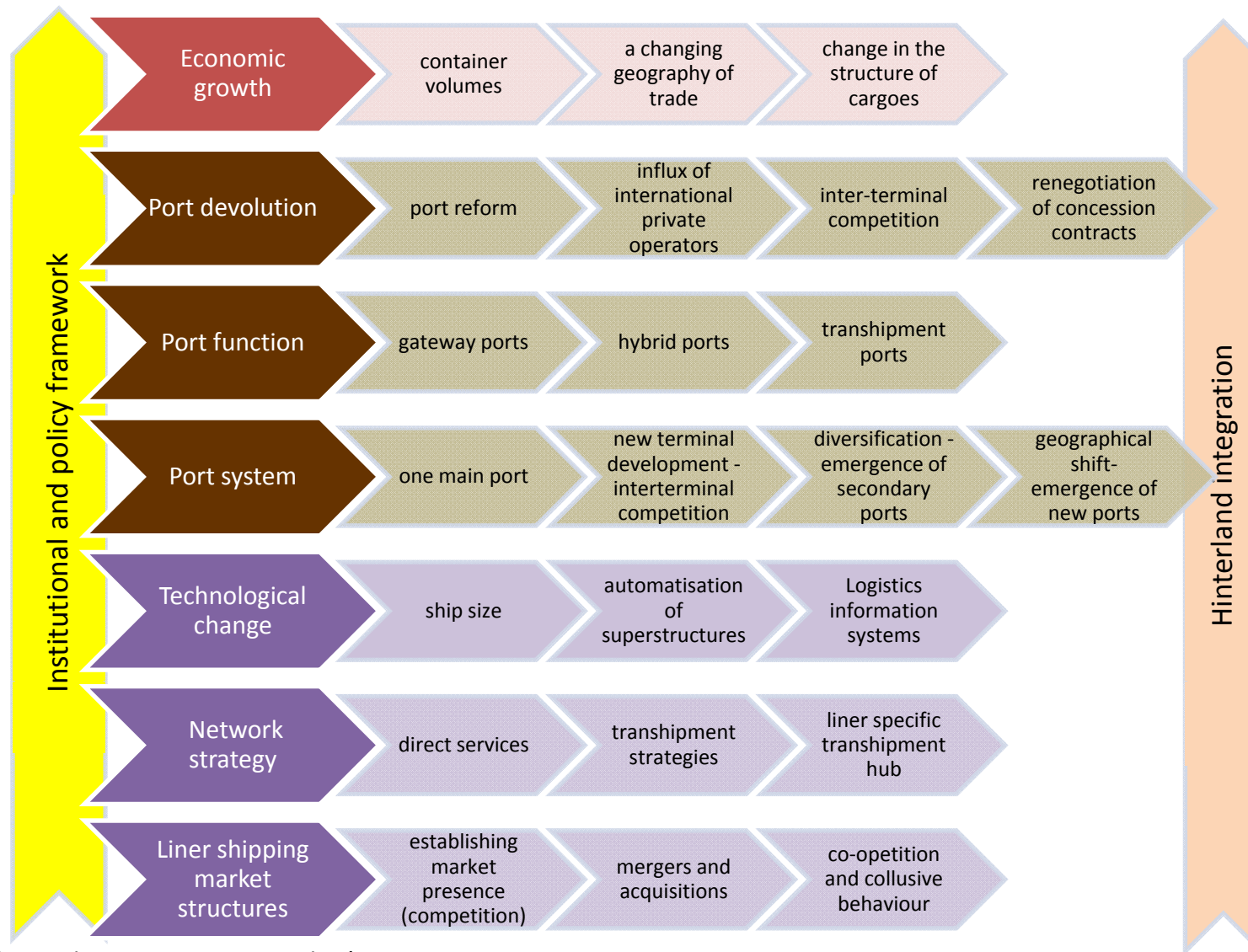


Critical moments

# PORT SYSTEM



# Critical Moments in LAC port development between 1990 and 2013



Source : based on Wilmsmeier, Monios and Pérez 2013

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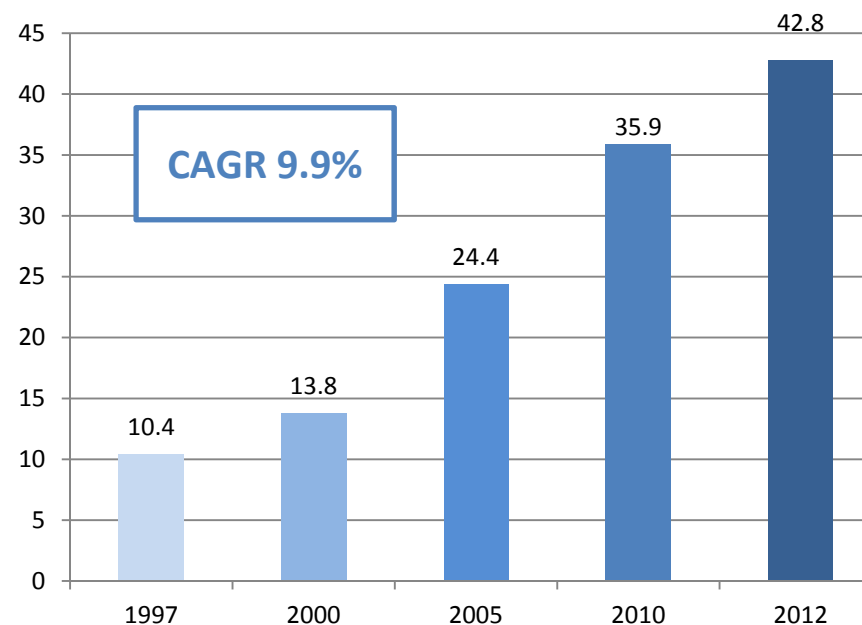
# PORT SYSTEM



## LAC container market

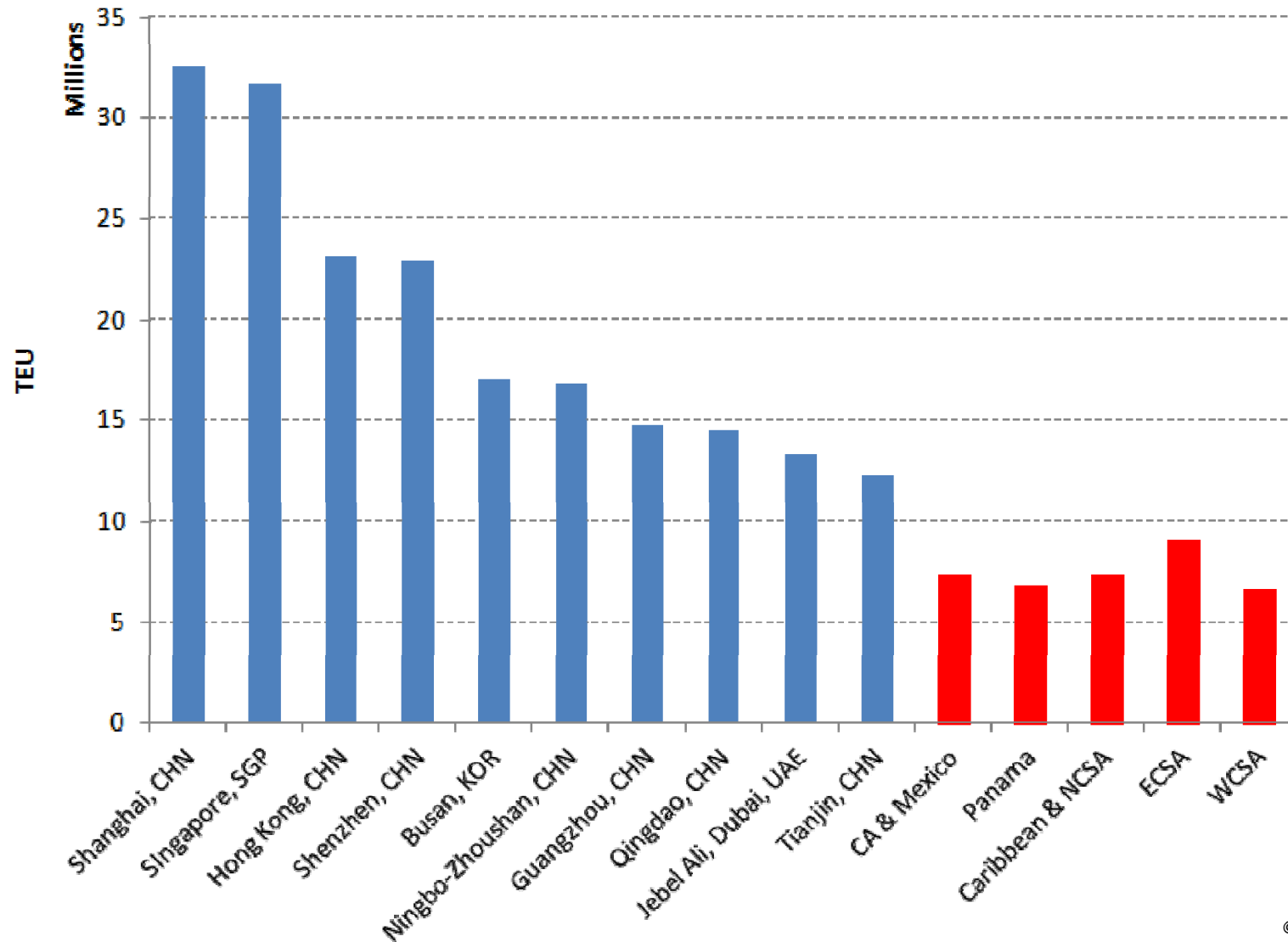
- Port throughput:
  - 1997 - 10.4 million TEUs
  - 2012 - 42.8 million TEUs
  - equivalent to just above 7% of all global port movements.
- 5 top countries in container throughput:
  - One fifth of all containers in LAC are moved in Brazil
  - Panama (16%)
  - Mexico (10%)
  - Chile (8%)
  - Colombia (5%)

Total Container Throughput in LAC ports



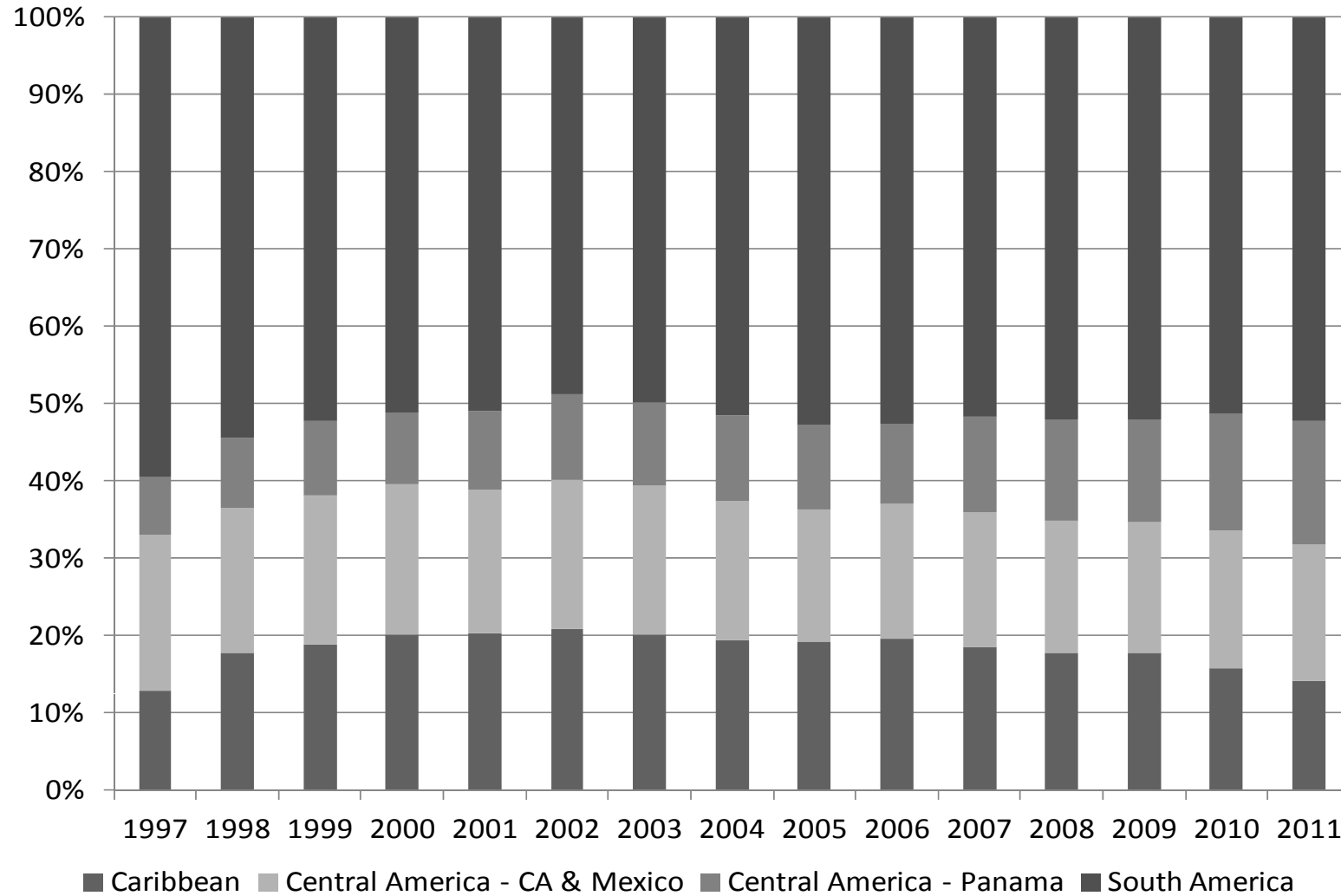


## Comparison top 10 container ports and LAC regions, 2012





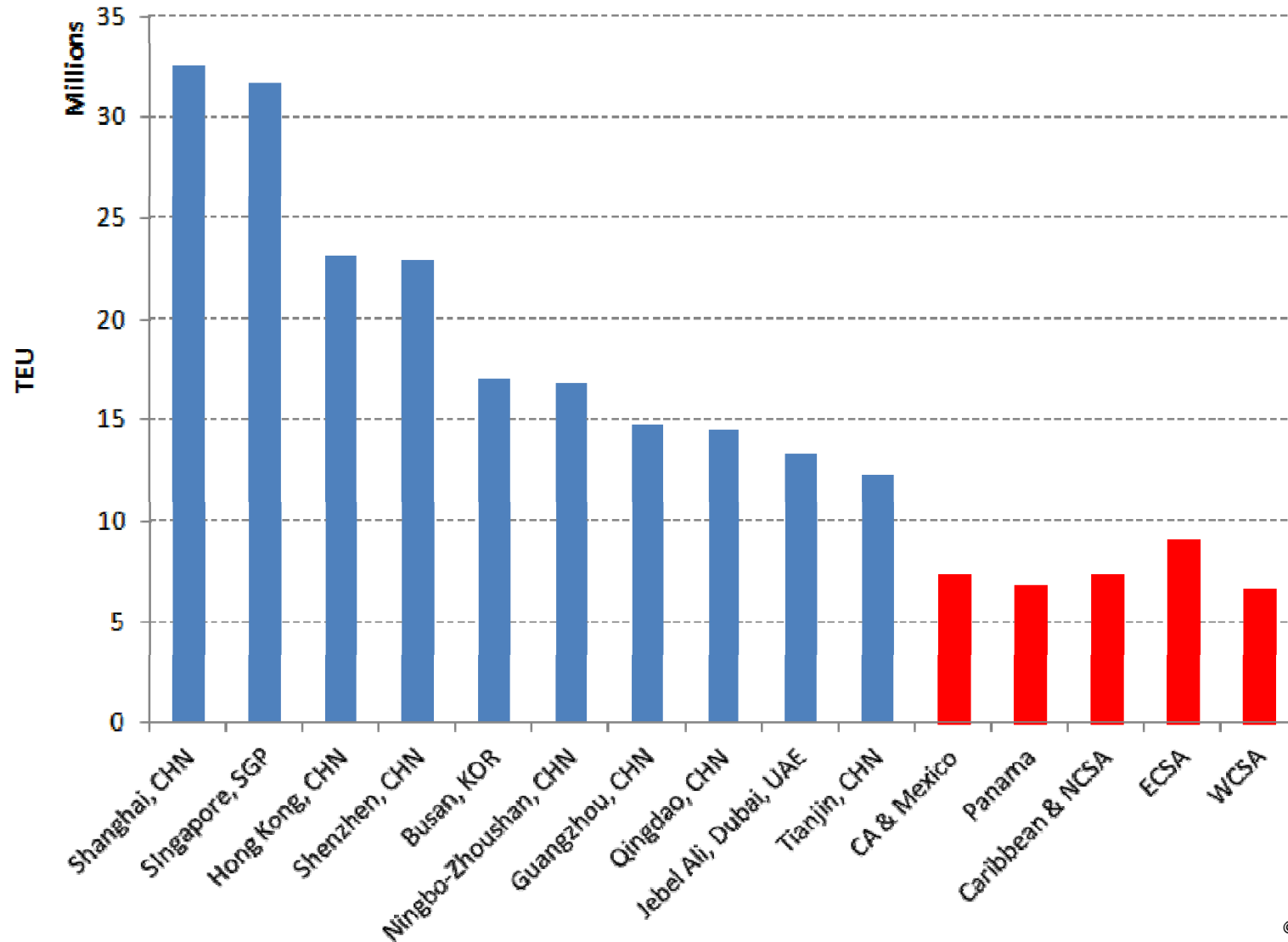
## Sub-regions' shares in container throughput in LAC, 1997 to 2011



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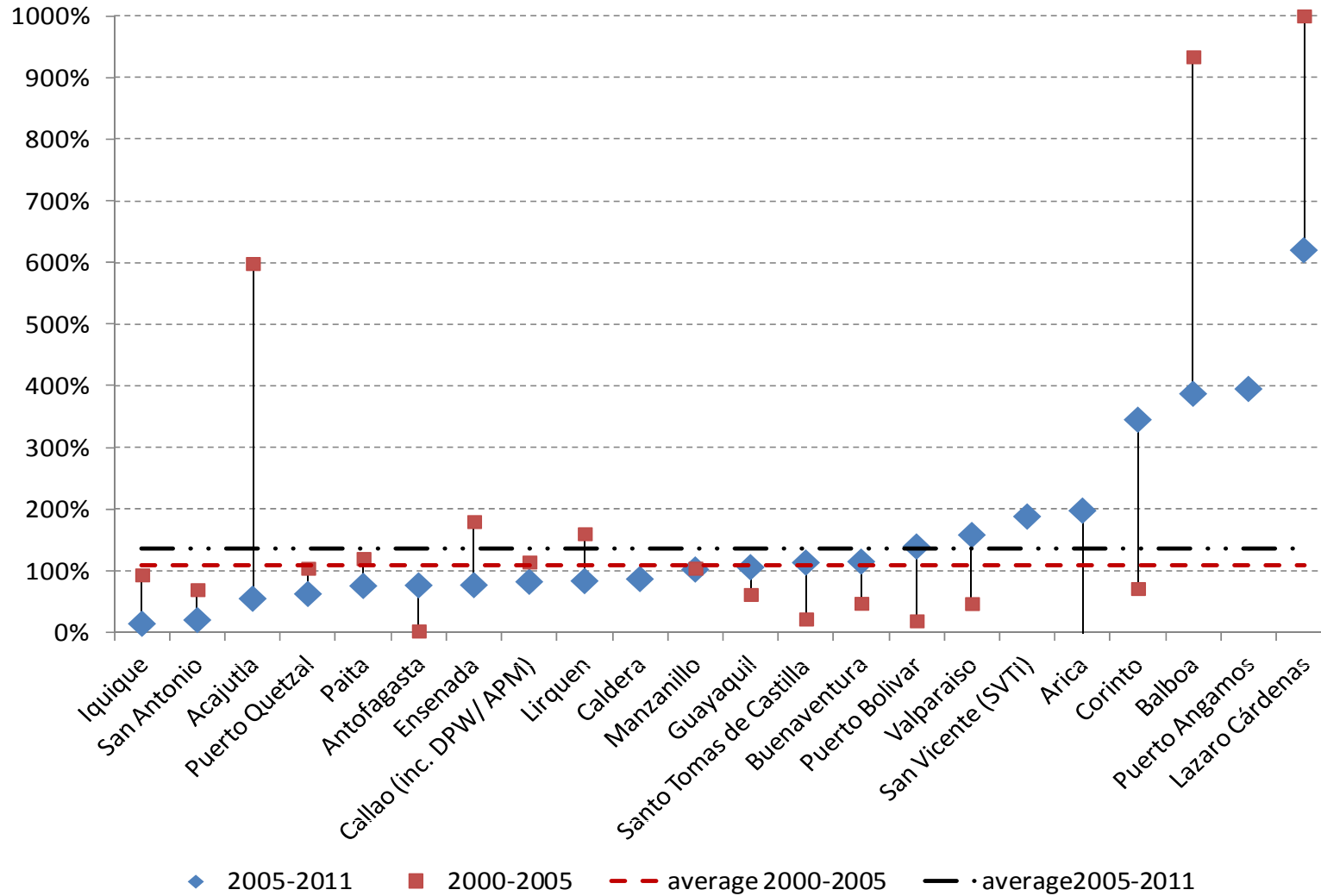
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## WCSA and WCCA growth rates of container ports, 2000 to 2011



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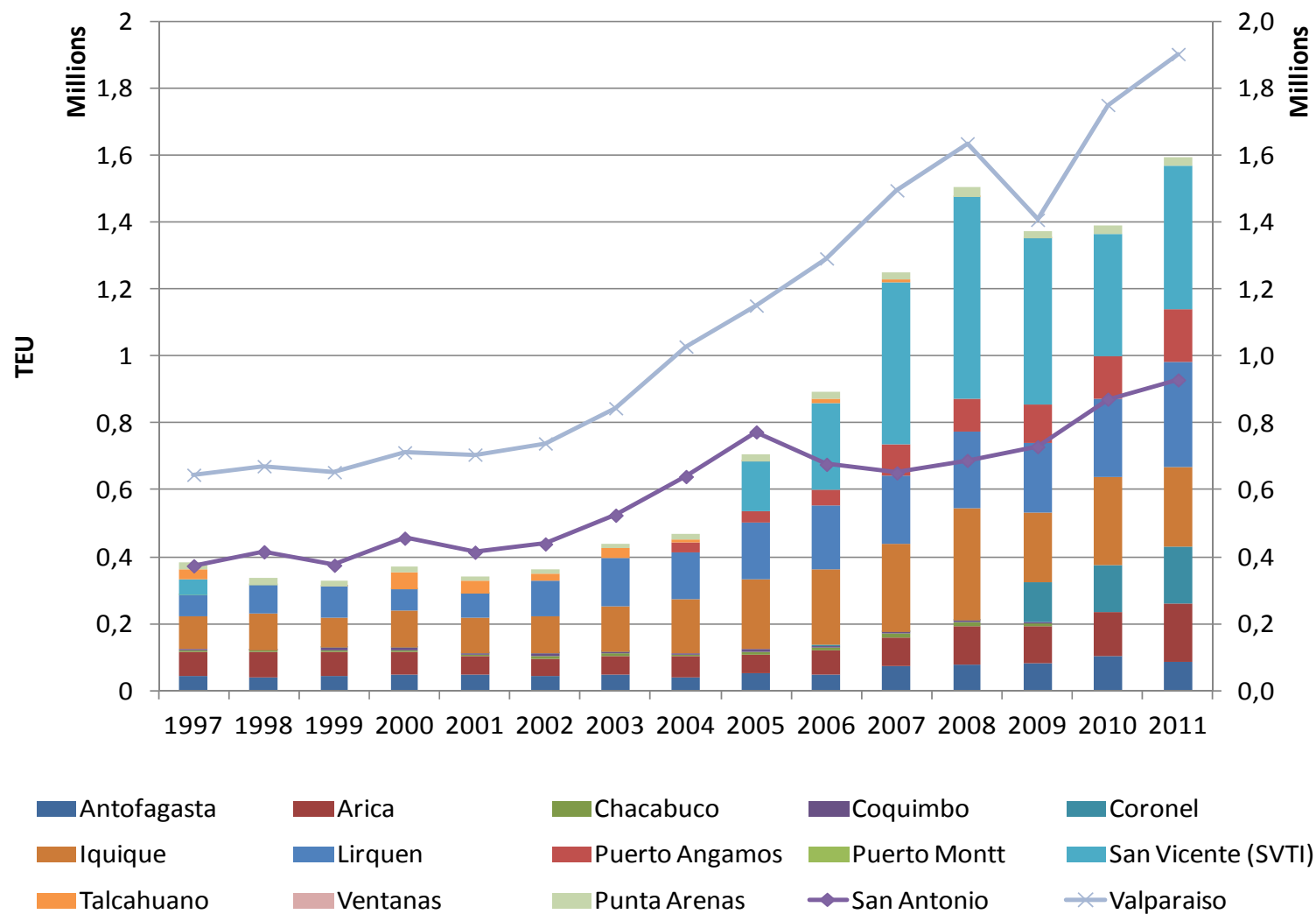
## The usual questions

- What happens after the Panama Canal expansion?
- Will Callao be the hub port on the WCSA?
- Will Chile be served only by feeder services in the future?
- The more important question is:

**What is the future development of the Chilean port system?**



## Shares in container throughput in Chile, 1997 to 2011



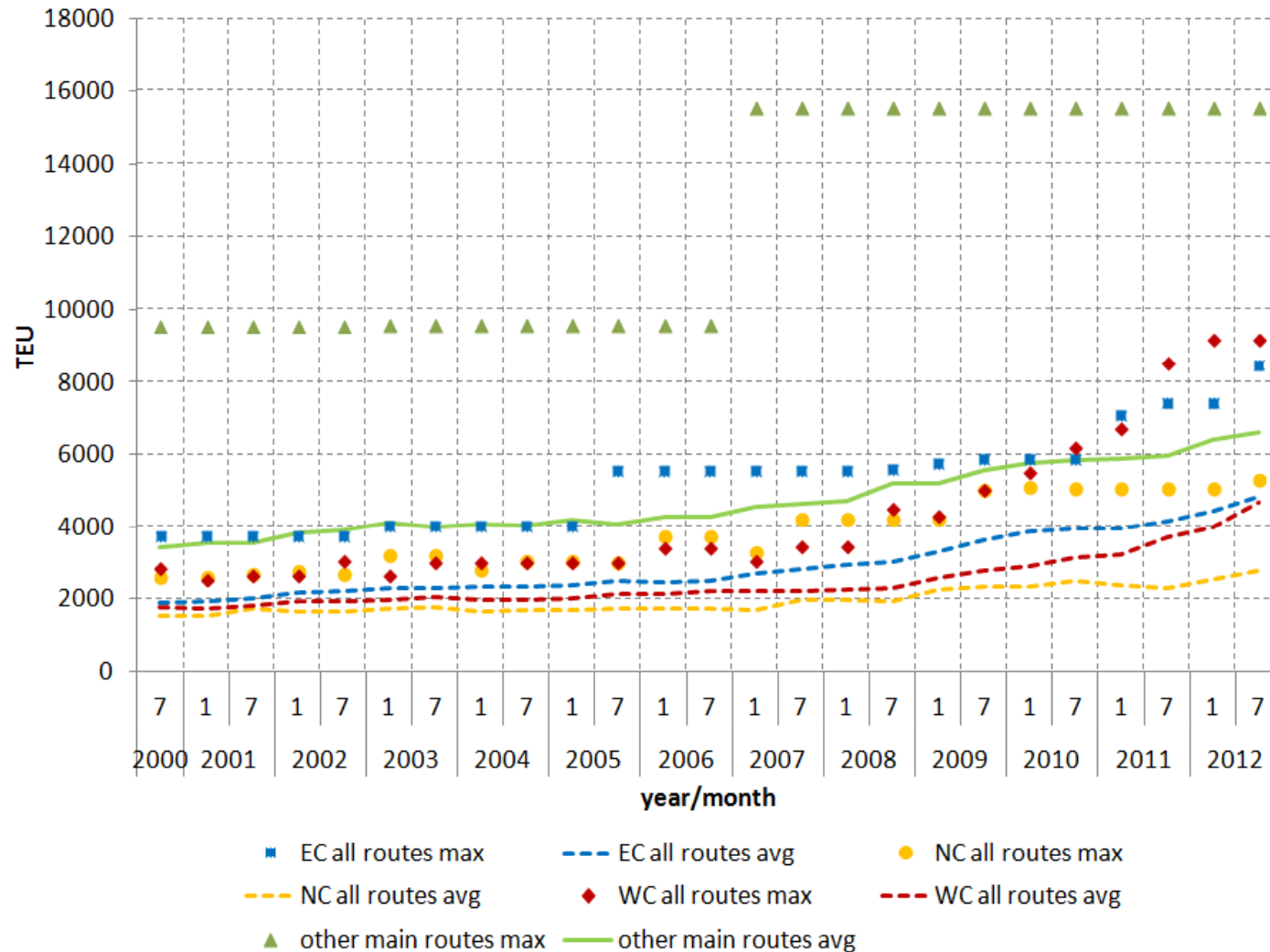
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Technological change

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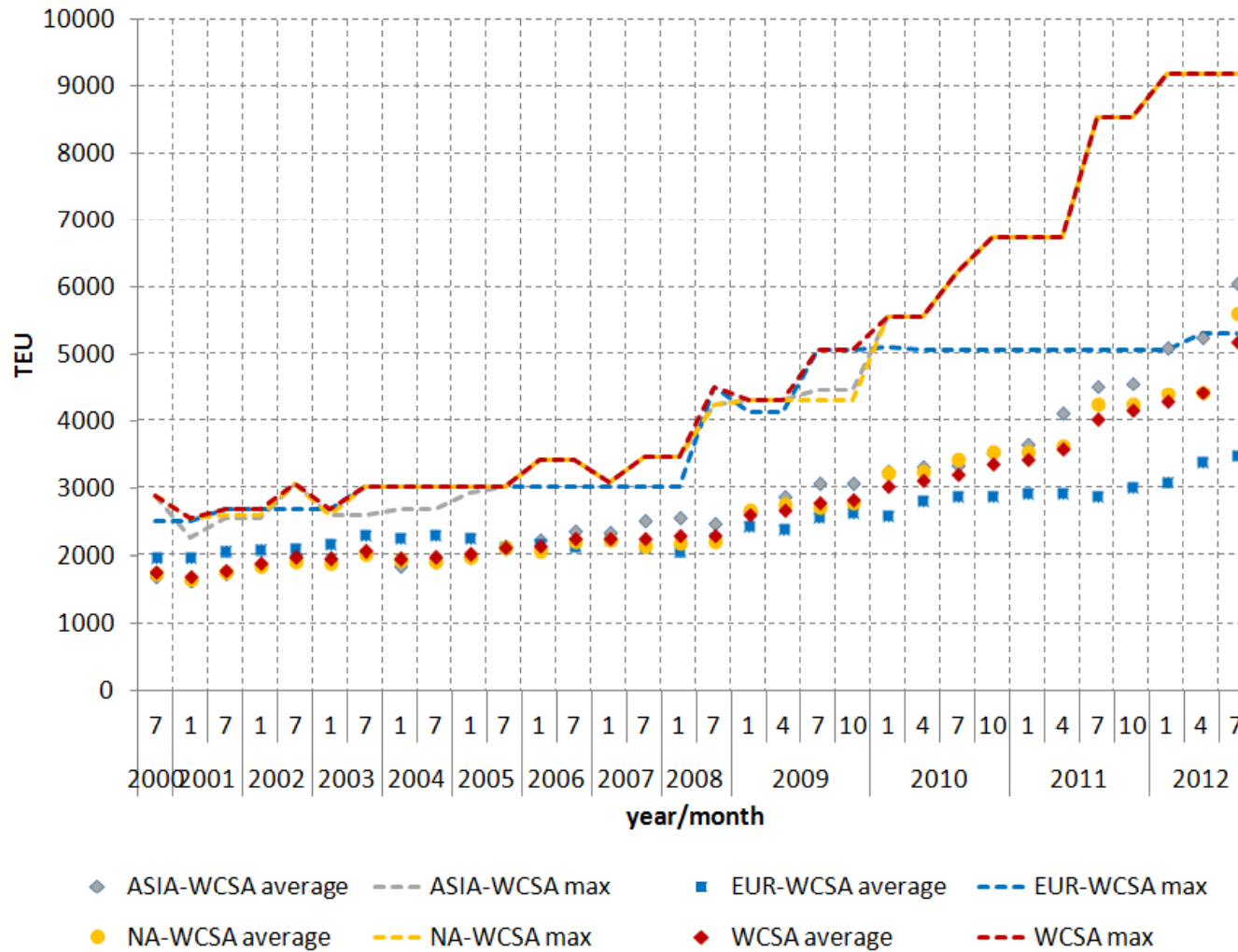
## Evolution of vessel capacity on South American and other main trade routes, 2000-2012



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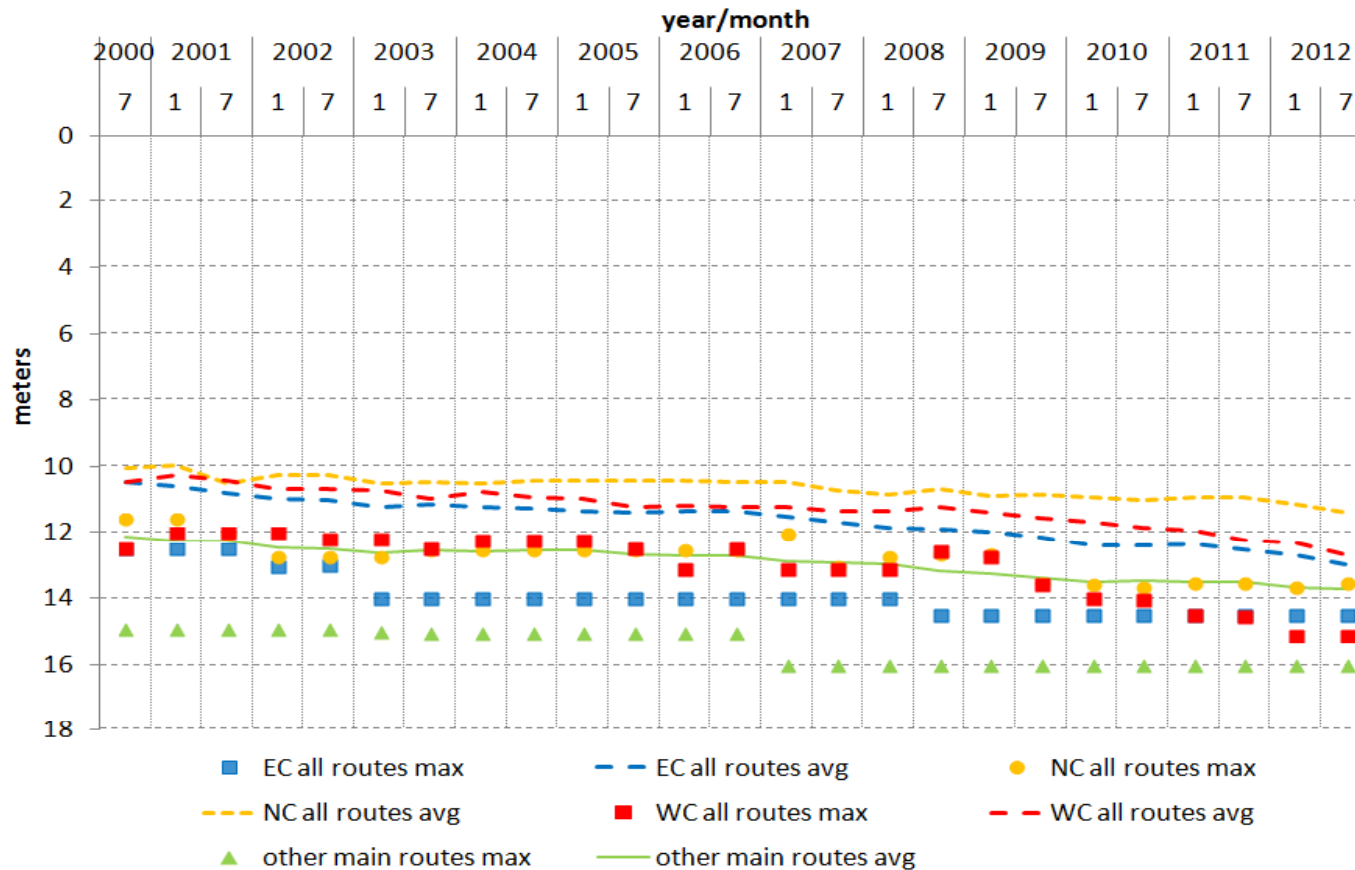


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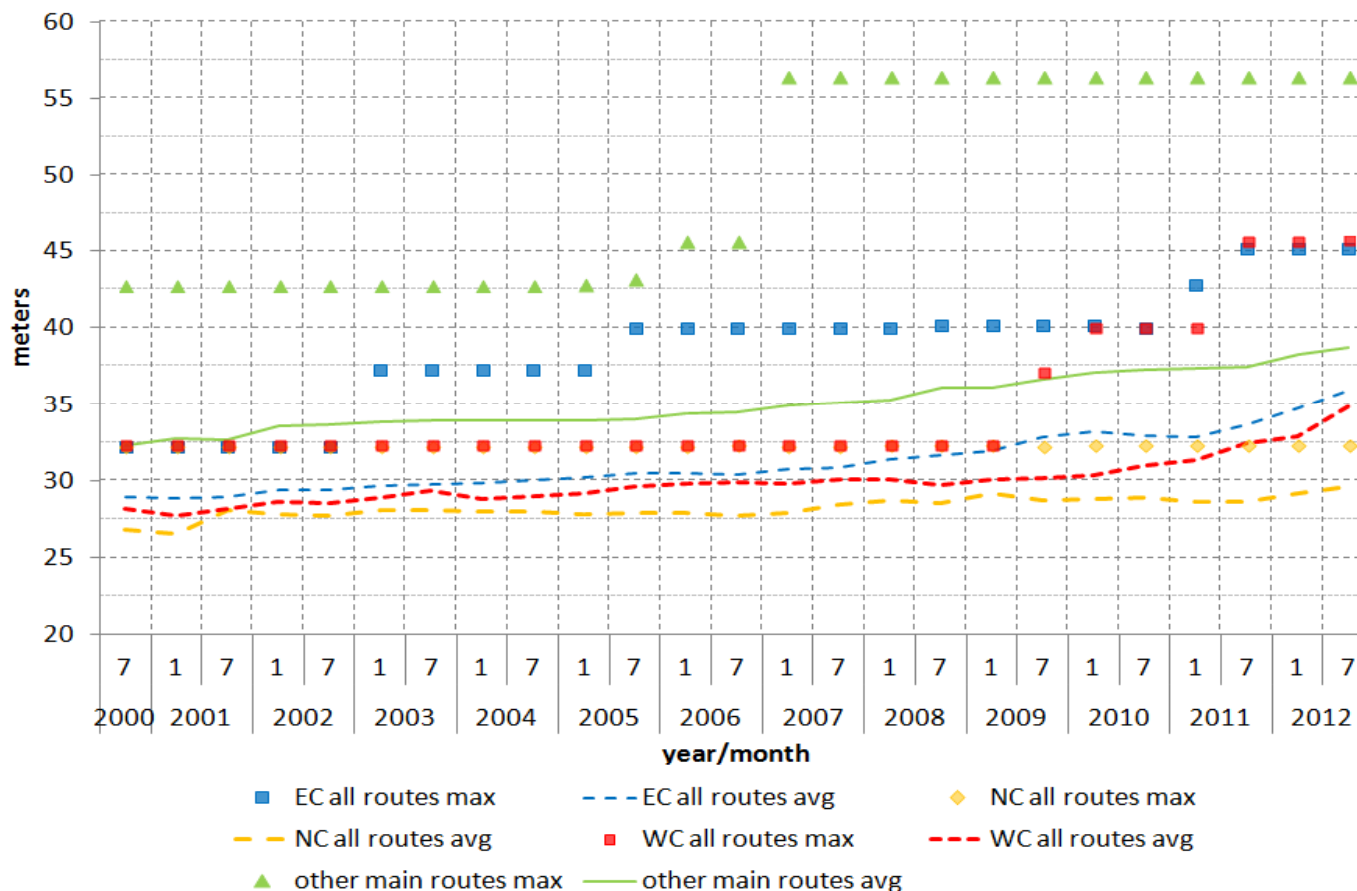
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# Vessel breadth on South American and other main trade routes, 2000-2012

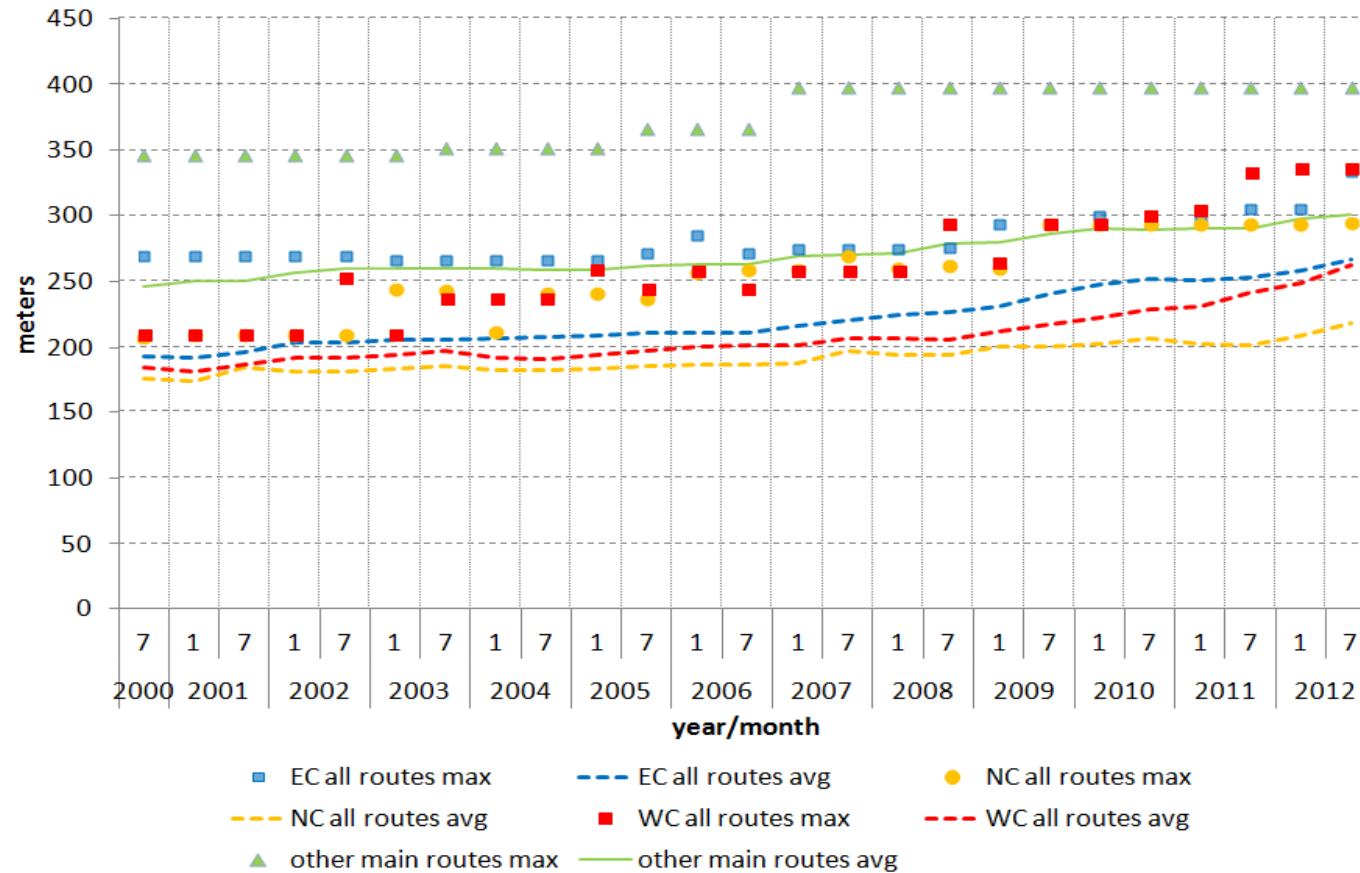


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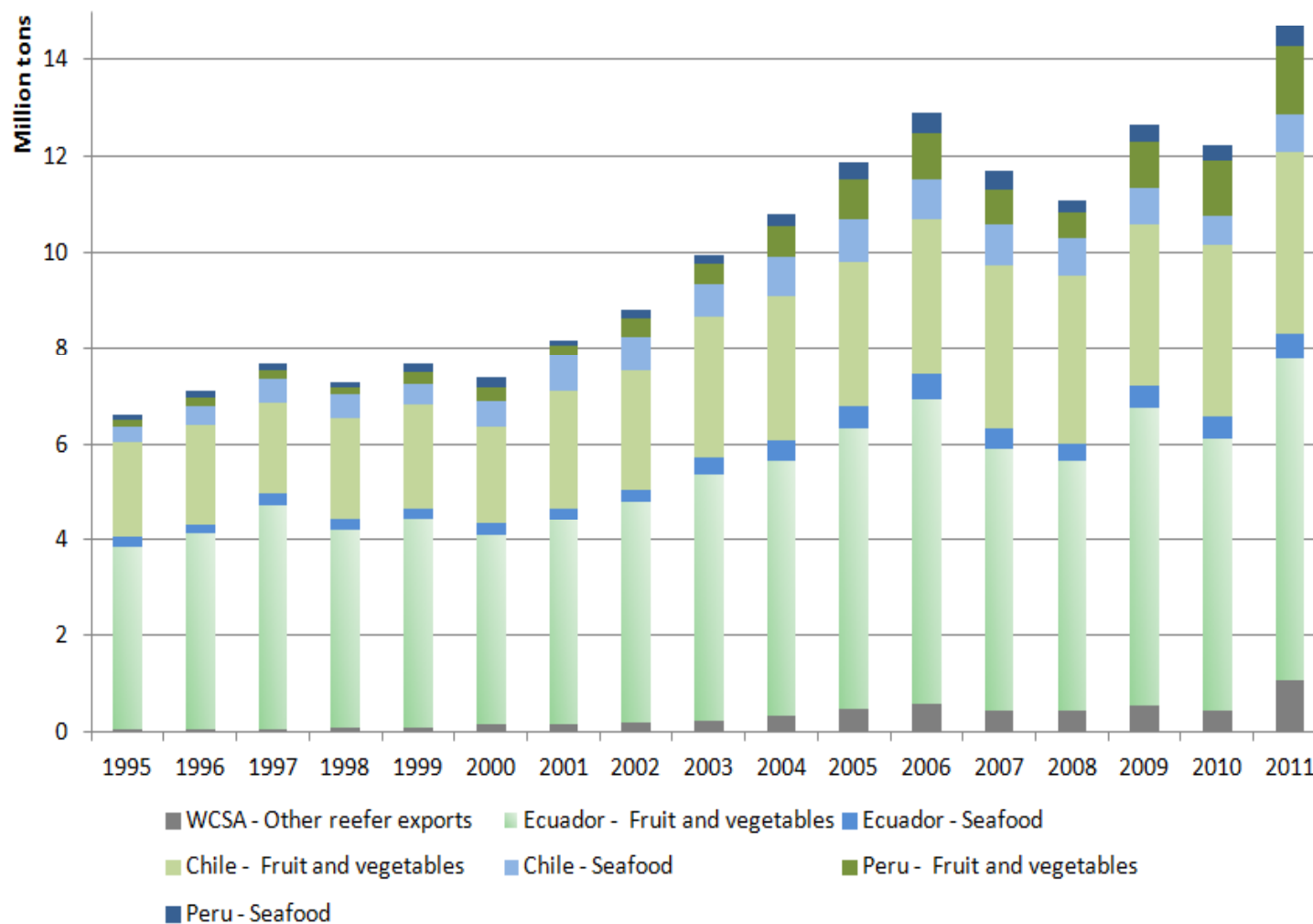
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Structural change

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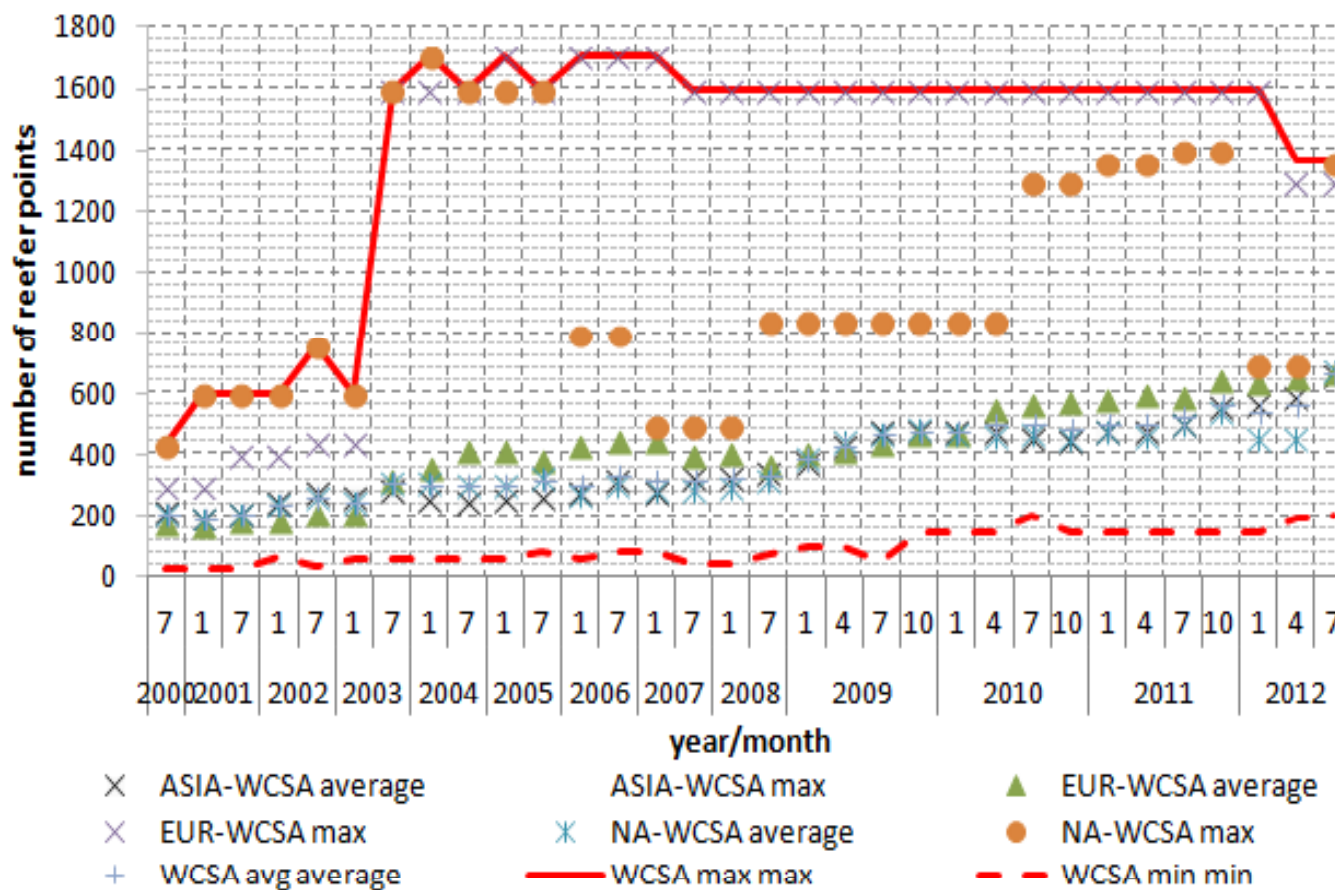


## West Coast South America Reefer export evolution 1995-2011





## Reefer capacity on vessels deployed in WCSA main routes, 2000-2012

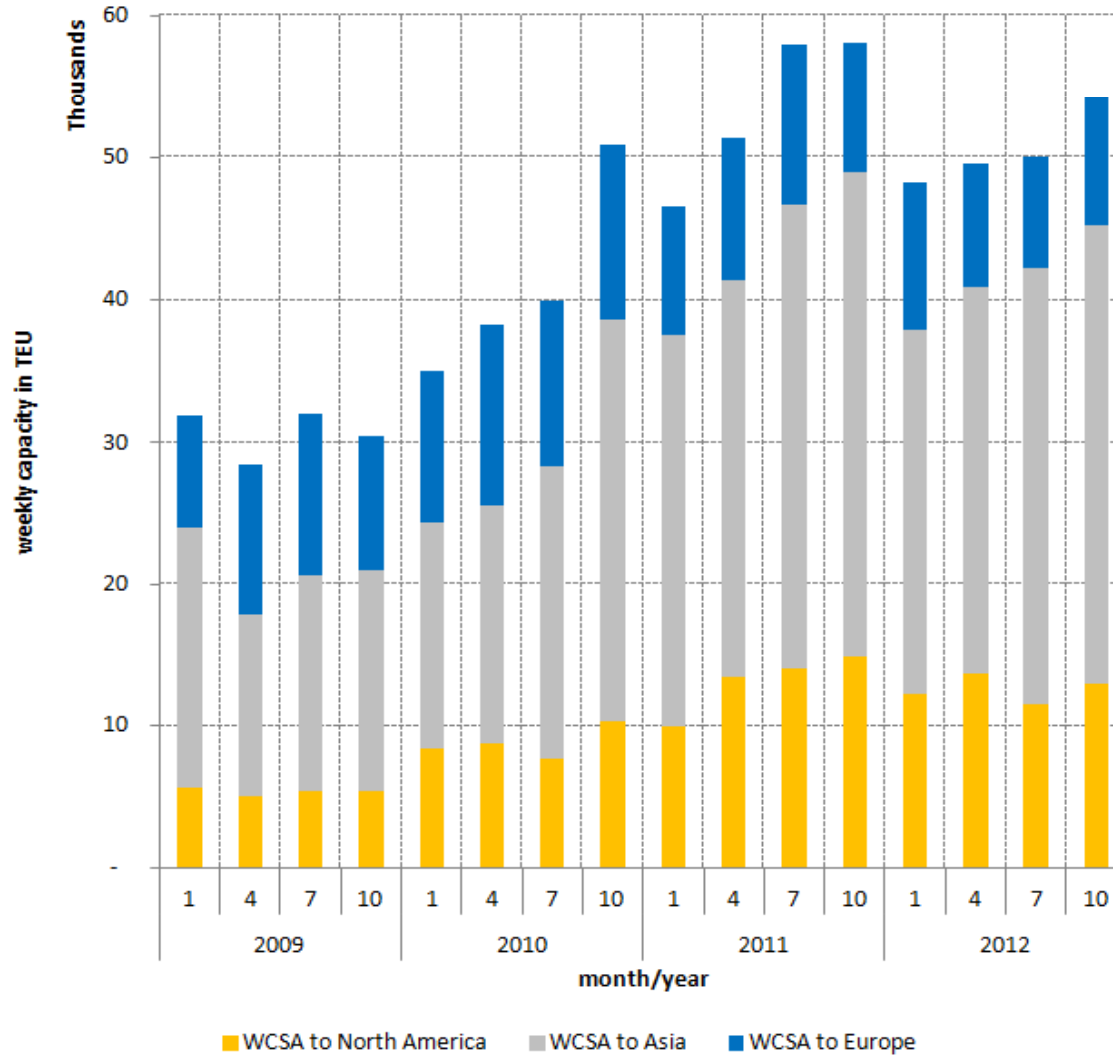


Market structure

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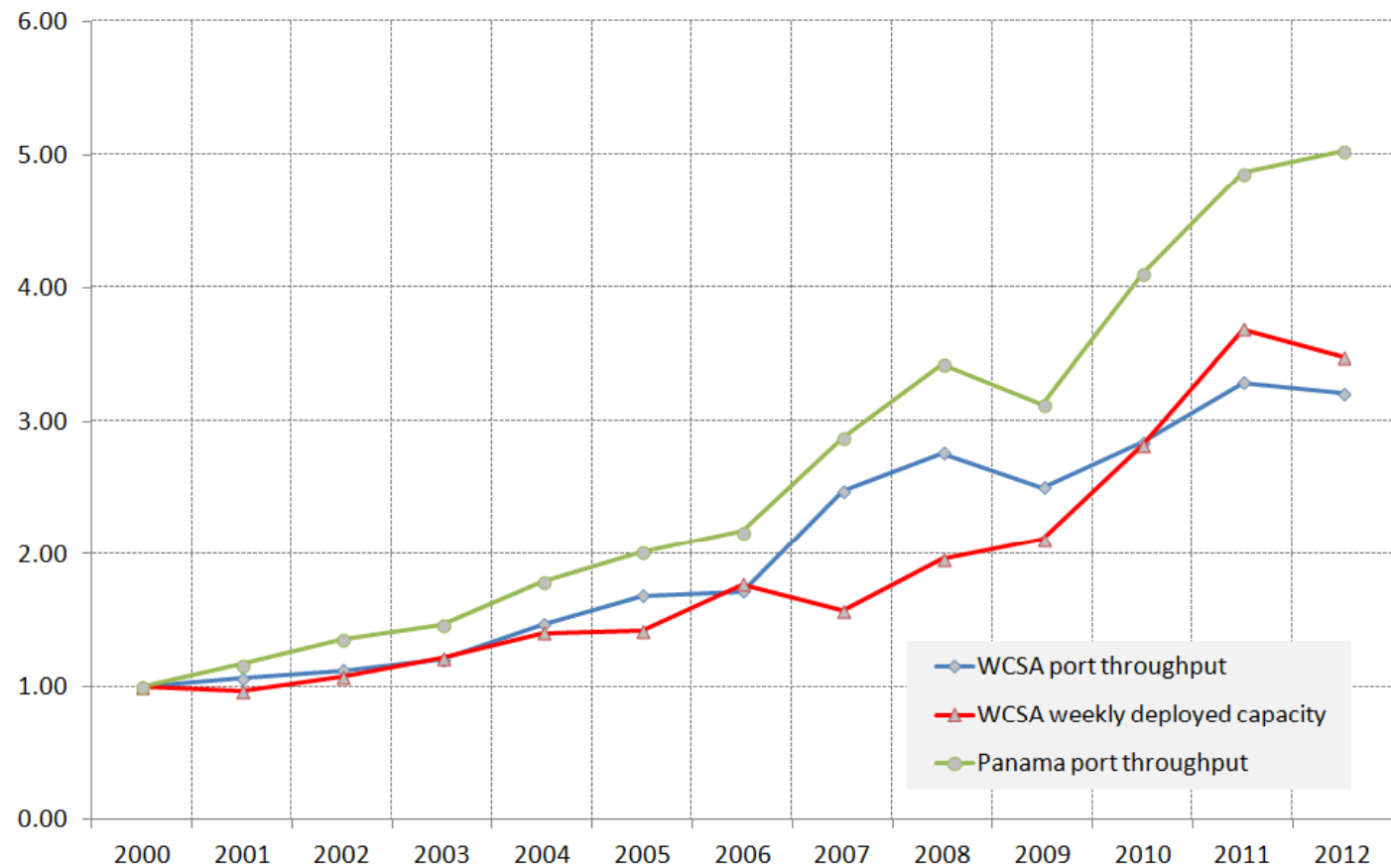


## evolution of weekly capacity supply on WCSA main routes, 2009-2012



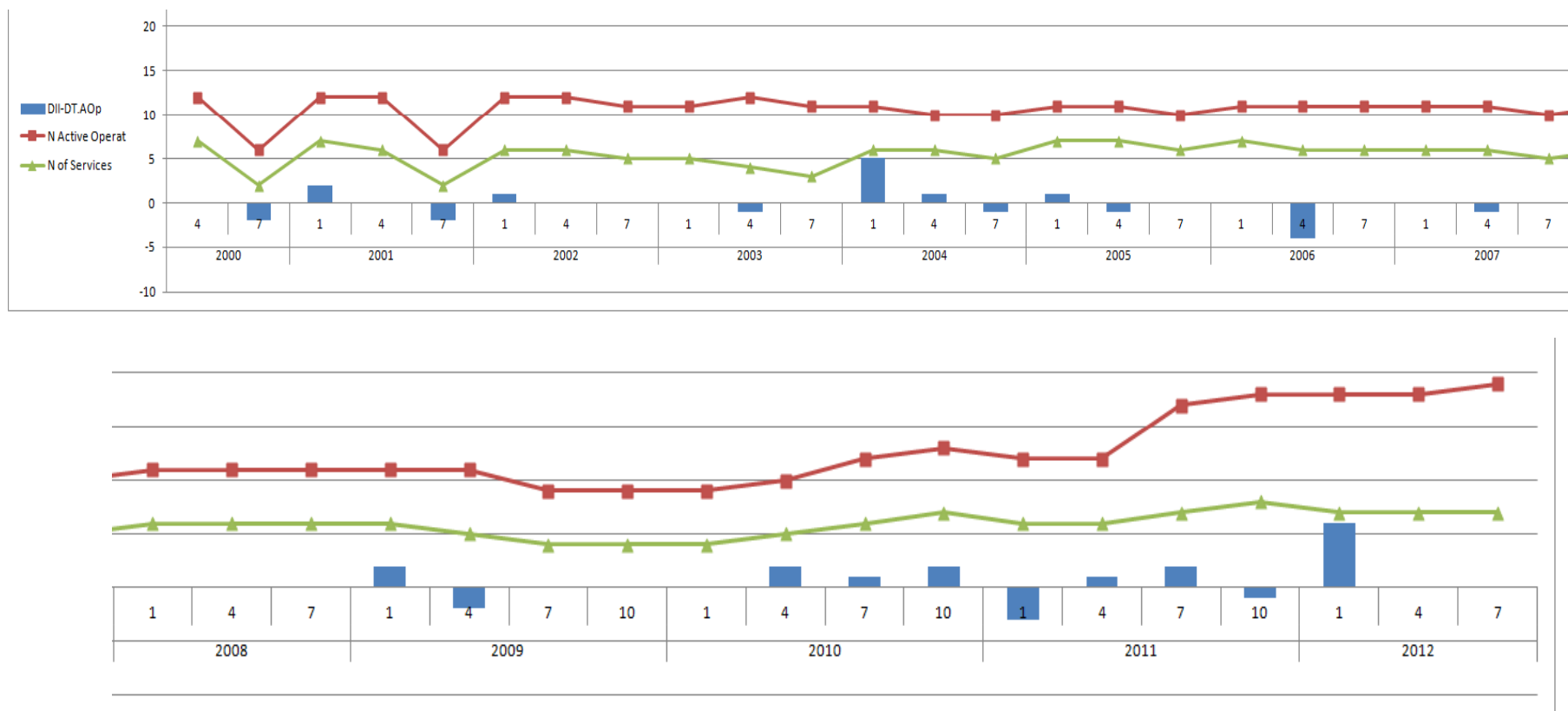


## Growth rates container throughput and capacity, base year 2000





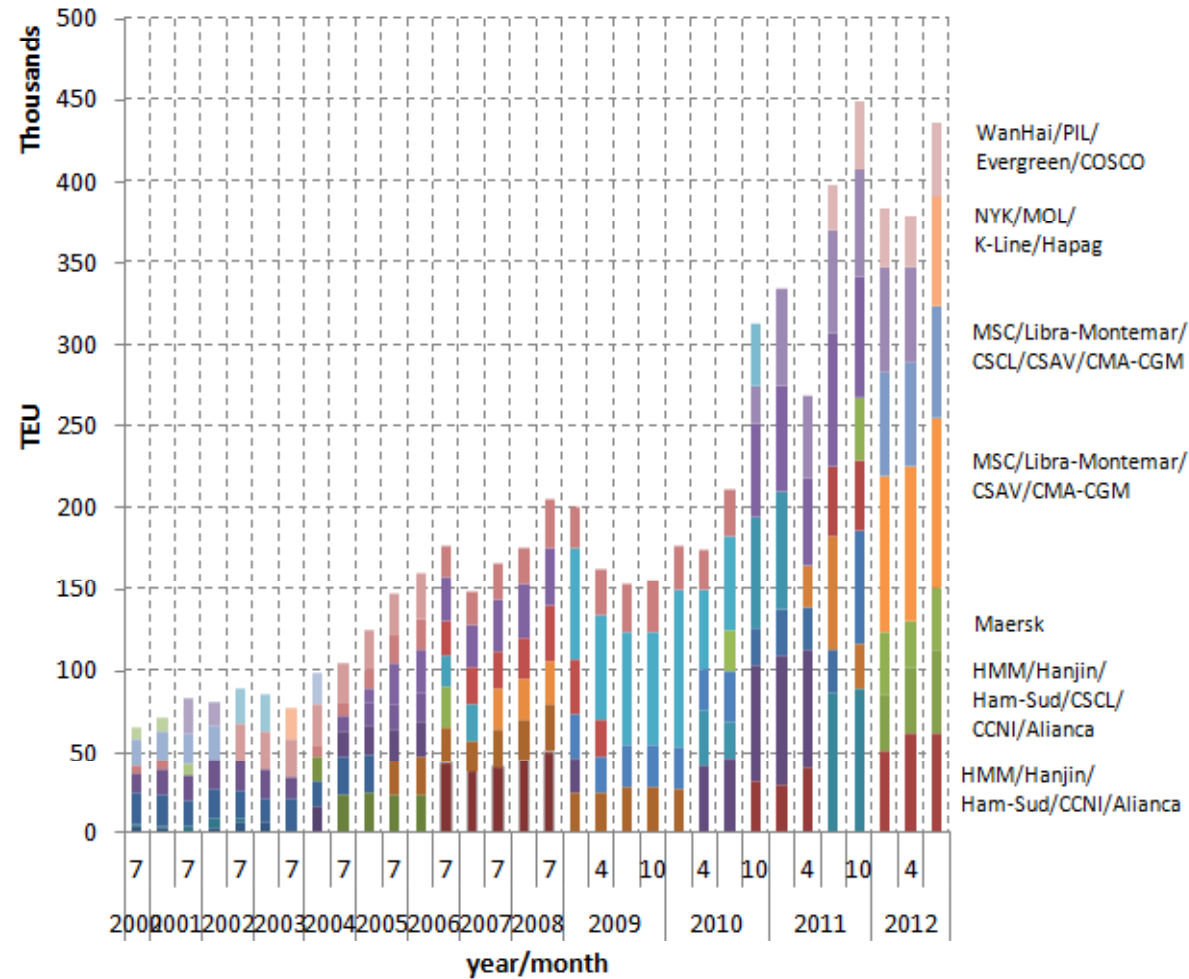
## WCSA – Asia changes in market structure, 2000-2012







## Market share in nominal TEU capacity by service WCSA- Asia, 2000-2012





## Discussion points

Integration in logistics chains

Strategies of market players

Sustainable and systemic vision of port development

Proactive and integrated policies and regulatory frameworks



# Questions?



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## port system changes

- Changes in the port system occur in an almost completely discrete manner
  - port infrastructure
  - superstructure,
  - organizational changes
- port development is very often dependent upon and determined by the degree to which a specific port in question is embedded within local and regional institutional considerations.
- the conditions under which any port system interacts with other subsystems of the wider transport system – in particular, the local port access infrastructure – are very often locally and regionally defined and, therefore, beyond the direct sphere of influence of the port system itself.
- **Critical:** not only to the port but also to the economy, as it is this which ultimately defines the degree of connectivity enjoyed by the economic system which prevails within a port's hinterland.



## port development

- port development is a “discontinuous, cumulative process, which develops and appears as a series of innovations”
- differentiate between ‘growth’ and ‘structural transformation’.
- ‘location splitting’ is a means to extend the port lifecycle when limitations in feasible rationalisation, investment and access are reached.
- the creation of such a subsidiary location in the hinterland provides a potential solution that avoids an inevitable decline, invoked either through
  - the inappropriateness of the actual port location or
  - a newly emergent competitive regime
  - shift in requirements from basic port facilities to logistics facilities