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Abstract

Many disparate indices are collated across the transport sector, usually for the purpose of developing maritime transport indices. This paper reviews the compilation of maritime transport indices in the industry and compares the characteristics of the indices. Designated as 'essential' indices, the 109 indices are divided into four categories: (1) efficiency indices, (2) safety indices, (3) environmental indices, and (4) other indices.

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industry. As well as exploring the extant indices relevant to the sector, the benefit of this analysis is that the findings can form a basis for the development of other, new indices.

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