



SECTOR

Cereals

With a rich, grain producing hinterland, Atlantic Port La Rochelle and its operators have together developed a steady and continuous growth strategy in the sector, which focuses on operational expertise and the quality of nautical and rail access.

A VERY SPECIAL GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION

Enjoying a location at the outlet of the 4th largest cereal producing region of France, a wide range of grain products pass through the port, such as soft and hard wheat, corn, brewing or fodder barley, sunflower, rapeseed and alfalfa. On the export market, products from this region are reputed for their high quality.

This recognition, coupled with the development of facilities for pre-carriage in bulk by rail, gives French grain farmers access to a market with very high added value.

Leader on the Atlantic coast and 2nd French Port in cereal exports, the Port regularly exports to North Africa, Middle East and West Africa. Each year, new destinations complete this list, such as Yemen and South Korea in 2013.

These remarkable results are the fruit of complementarity between the two operators, one being private (Socomac - Soufflet Group), the other being cooperative (SICA Atlantique), who regularly invest in increasing their capacities and modernising their production tools.



+ 19 %
increase in traffic
between 2010 and 2014

MAJOR ADVANTAGES THAT CAN BOOST PERFORMANCE

The Port of La Rochelle is the only one on the Atlantic coast to offer secure and fast access to deep water Panamax type ships.

Its loading stations dedicated to the cereal industry allow high loading rates of up to 1,500 tonnes/hour per station.

In a process of continuous development, the Port will witness the arrival in 2016 of a new grain silo with 63,000 tonnes of storage capacity in 32 cells, on the Chef de Baie terminal.



4.3^{MT}
exported
in 2014



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OPERATORS OF THE CEREAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY

Operators	SICA Atlantique Group Storage and handling	Socomac (Soufflet Group) Trading and storage
Characteristics		
Terminals	Quai Lombard	Chef de Baie, Môle d'Escale, Lock basin
Total storage capacity	310,000 t	125,000 t
Types of products	Cereals, oil and protein seed crops	Cereals, oil and protein seed crops
Handling equipment	Railroad spur track, 1 rail pit, 1 mixed pit, 6 truck pits, 3 approval stations	Railroad spur track, 5 road pits, four road weigh bridges
Pace of unloading work	2 gantries, one with 1,000 t/h and the other with 1,500 t/h capacity	1,200 t/h (conveyor belt)
Certifications	ISO 9001 and GTPCOCERAL Authorised Economic Operator. Member of the Maize Quality Charter Association, greater south west region of France	CSA-GTP, OHSAS18001. Member of the Maize Quality Charter Association, greater south west region of France

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Destinations

