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Facts about DanPilot

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Safe Passage to and from Ports and Through Danish Waters

DanPilot's pilots are seafarers with great expertise and knowledge of Danish waters. Our experienced pilots serve as advisors to captains and board ships to guide them safely to and from ports or through Danish waters. DanPilot assists ships transiting between Skagen and Gedser/Allinge through the Great Belt and the Sound, as well as ships entering and departing Danish ports.

Danish waters are heavily trafficked by both ferries and the merchant fleet, which can only reach the Baltic Sea through Danish waters. Additionally, Danish waters are characterized by narrow passages and changing conditions due to wind and weather.

The expert advice provided by our pilots prevents ships from running aground or having accidents that could pollute the marine environment and Danish waters.

More than 22,000 times a year, a ship calls DanPilot and request a pilot.

Maritime safety and environmental protection are embedded in the DNA of all DanPilot employees. Every staff member plays an important role in ensuring safety at sea. While most employees work on the water, those on land develop and support the organization and its operations.

Customers need efficient pilotage that brings them safely to their destinations.

Pilotage is undergoing significant development. New goals can be set with digital precision and environmentally friendly initiatives. Special tasks are tested in simulators. Remote piloting and drone-assisted piloting will become possible in the near future. The pilot's expertise as an advisor to the crew remains, with a course set towards a green transition.

Safety is at the core of the societal responsibility DanPilot upholds around the clock, every day of the year. Therefore, our customer promise is "your safety - our commitment."

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Ownership and Key Figures

100% State-Owned

DanPilot is an independent public enterprise wholly owned by the Danish state. DanPilot's owner is the Ministry of Business, and the Danish Maritime Authority is the regulatory authority.

As a state-owned pilotage service, DanPilot is obligated to provide services and pilots ships in transit between Skagen and Gedser/Allinge through the Great Belt and the Sound, as well as ships entering and exiting Danish ports.

16 Pilot Stations and 430 Employees

DanPilot has 16 pilot stations in Denmark, five additional boat locations, and a total of 24 pilot boats. DanPilot employs approximately 430 staff members, including about 220 pilots and around 130 boatmasters. DanPilot's headquarters is in Svendborg Maritime Business Park.

All pilotage tasks in Denmark are managed from the headquarters in Svendborg.

In 2023, DanPilot had a net revenue of DKK 543.6 million* and an annual profit of DKK 3.1 million after tax.**

DanPilot's employees handle around 22,000 annual pilotages, whereas approximately 8,000 being transits.

* The net turnover is from the 2023 annual accounts, ** The year's result is from the 2023 annual accounts

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Organization

DanPilot operates 16 pilot stations and 24 pilot boats at the following locations:

Click on the pilot station/boat for a link to Google Maps.

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Organization and Safety

Management

Erik Merkes Nielsen
CEO

Troels Blicher Danielsen
Chairman of the Board

A complete overview of the management and board can be found at danpilot.dk

Safety

Number of accidents involving polluting the environment (2020-2023)

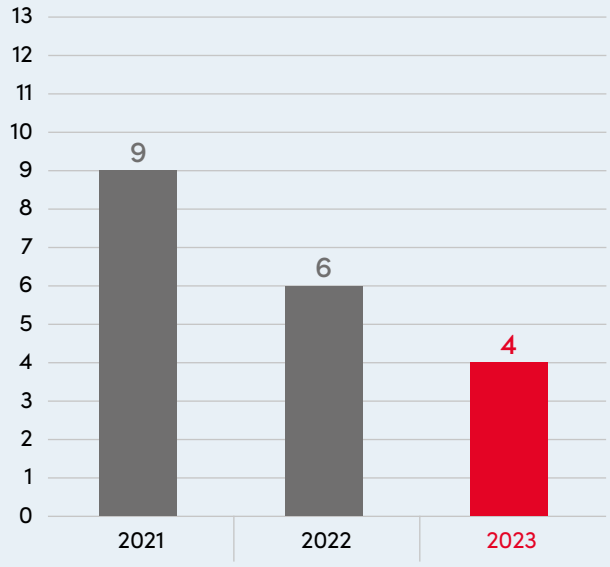
0

Number of accidents with severe damage to property (2020-2023)

0

The number of accidents with environmental pollution and serious material damage should be compared to the total number of pilotages per year - approximately 22,000.

Accidents involving personal injuries (2021-2023)



The number should be compared to the total number of pilotages per month - approximately 1,830.

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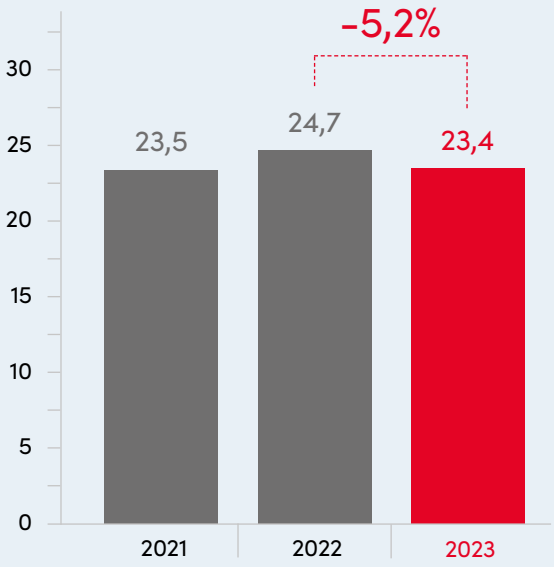
Key Figures

Environment and Climate

DanPilot has prepared its first climate report for 2023. See the climate report in the ESG report here

The long-term ambition is to find a solution that meets operational needs while significantly reducing the climate footprint, contributing to the national reduction target of 70 percent by 2030.

tCO2e emissions per employee



Change in emissions of tCO2e per DKK of revenue compared to 2021

-15,2%

Change in emissions of tCO2e per nautical miles travelled from 2021

-14,8%

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