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## PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA SEES BACK-TO-BACK YEARS OF GROWTH IN TONNAGE

*Trend reversal leads to 10-million-ton increase in cargo for second largest tonnage port in the Western Hemisphere*

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The Port of South Louisiana (PortSL) has experienced a remarkable upturn, evident in the [Fourth Quarter 2023 data](#), which reveals an impressive surge of nearly 10 million short tons of cargo. This substantial increase follows the port's outstanding performance in 2022 when it moved 239,257,758 short tons. In 2023, the momentum continued, with the port handling 248,130,992 short tons, marking the second consecutive year of net increases in tonnage.

The reversal of a longstanding six-year trend characterized by annual net decreases is a significant accomplishment for the port. This positive shift underscores the port's adaptability and resilience in responding to evolving market dynamics. The recent fiscal year brought additional cause for celebration, as the Port of South Louisiana achieved its highest revenue in history.

"Numbers tell the story, and the Port of South Louisiana is telling a tale of resurgence," **said PortSL CEO Paul Matthews**. "Through relentless innovation and strategic leaps, we're scripting a narrative of growth and the recent tonnage numbers underscore our port's global appeal and versatility. Our team is focused on strengthening our partnerships with global shippers and industry along the Mississippi River, demonstrating that the Port of South Louisiana is "A Better Way to Cargo."

As the preeminent grain exporter in the nation and the second-largest tonnage port in the Western Hemisphere, the Port of South Louisiana shoulders a significant role as a key economic driver and a vital contributor to global food and fuel supply. The port remains involved in new initiatives and advances.

The construction of a second dock access bridge leading to PortSL's Globalplex general cargo dock aims to enhance the terminal's dependability, optimize cargo transfer efficiency by enabling trucks

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