



**STAR BULK**

**CORPORATE PRESENTATION**

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# KEY INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

The largest, most liquid US-listed dry bulk company with significant operating leverage to a market with strong fundamentals

## The Largest US-Listed Dry Bulk Company

- One of the largest market capitalization and greatest liquidity among US-listed peers
- 156 vessels with an average age of ~11.7 years
- Fleet of 80 “Eco” vessels and 98% scrubber fitted, providing leverage to fuel price spreads
- Consolidator in the dry bulk industry, through 9 mergers since 2018

## Fully Integrated Management Platform

- Amongst the lowest OPEX and G&A operators while maintain highest Rightship ranking

## Strong Balance Sheet

- Net debt/vessel below scrap value/vessel, reduced by ~50% since 2020

## Shareholder’s Friendly Capital Allocation Policy

- High dividend payout according to clear policy; Since 2021, dividend distributions have been over \$1.33 billion
- Total share buybacks of \$443m acquiring discounted shares using proceeds from vessel sales

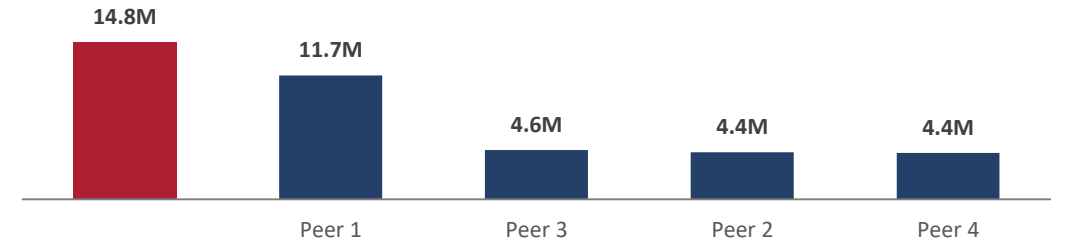
## Solid Corporate Governance

- Strong shareholder-friendly governance: majority independent board
- Management incentives aligned with shareholders

## ESG Pioneer

- Leader in industry’s effort to decarbonize
- Transparency with investors, issuing ESG report since 2019

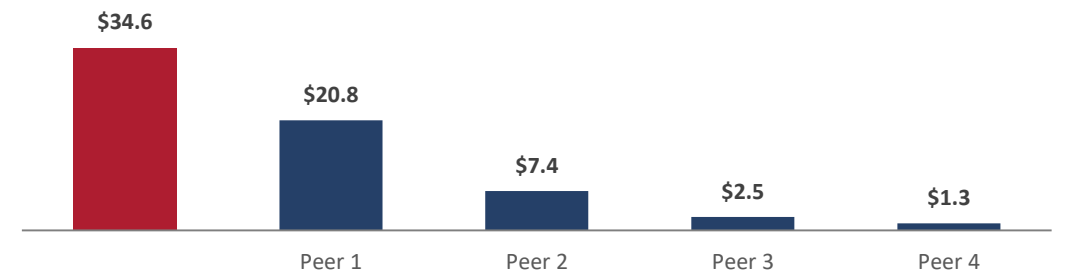
## Fleet Size <sup>(1)</sup> (DWT)



## Market Cap <sup>(1)</sup> (\$ billions)



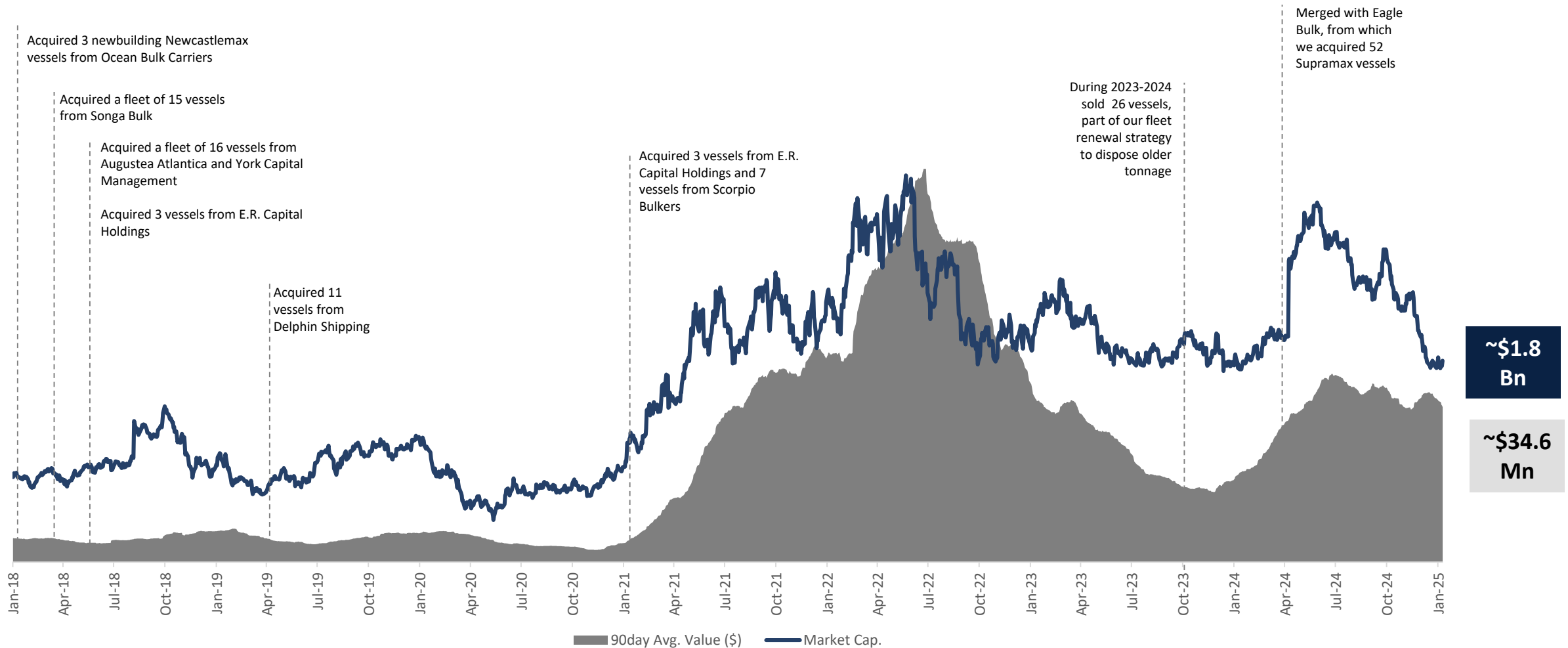
## Trading Liquidity <sup>(1)</sup> (90-day \$ millions)



# BUILDING AN INSTITUTIONAL DRY BULK COMPANY

## Development of fleet, market cap. and trading volume

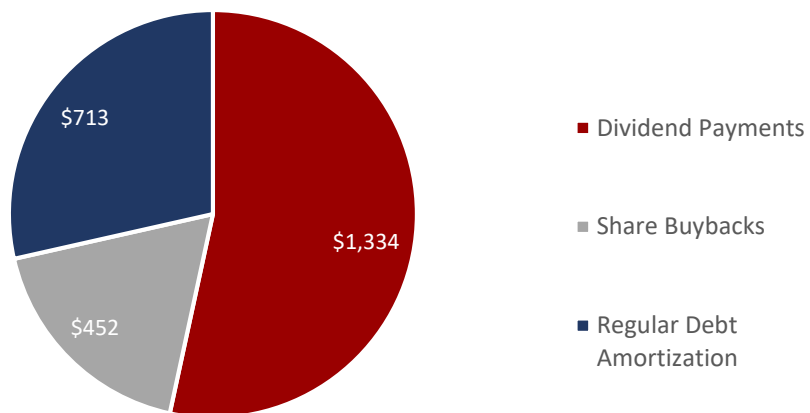
Successful track record of acquiring fleets by issuing shares at or above NAV



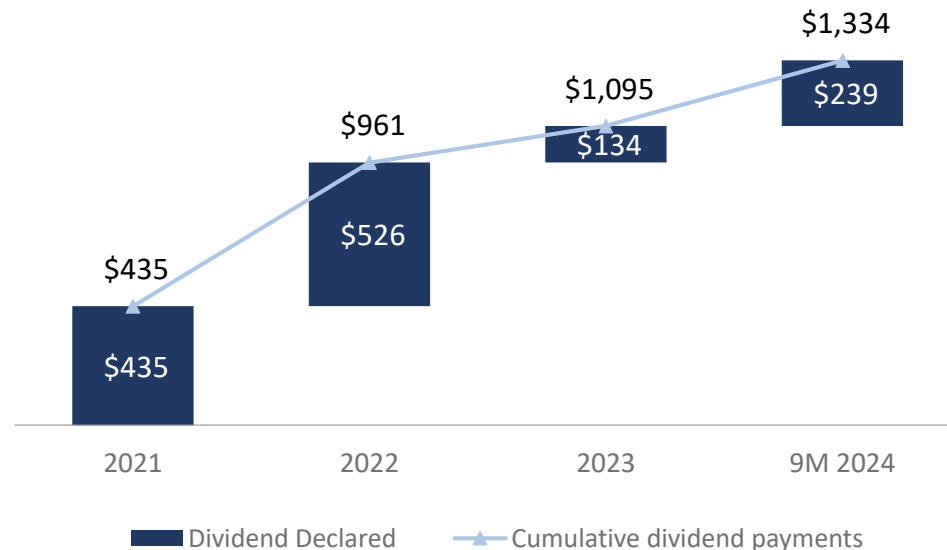
# CREATING VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS

## Total Shareholder Value Creation (in \$million)

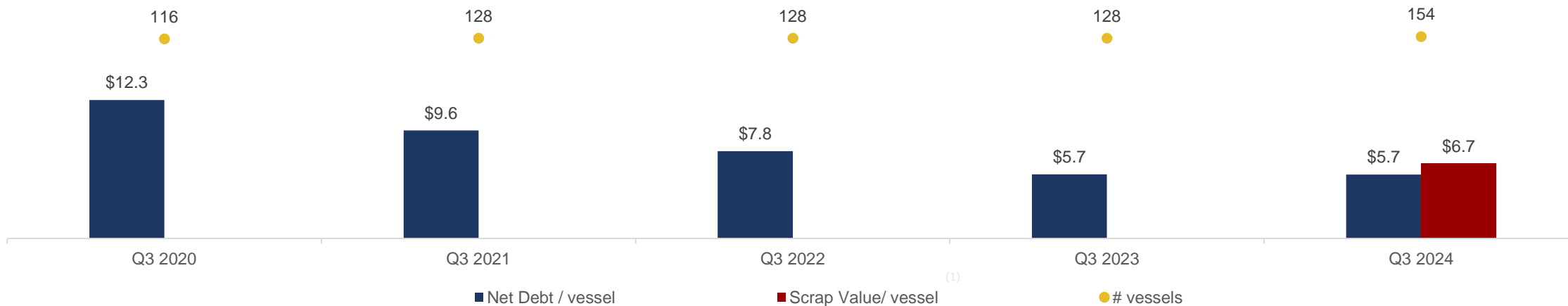
Total actions of \$2.5 billion in shareholders value creation since 2021



## Dividends (in \$million)



## Net Debt Reduction (in \$million)



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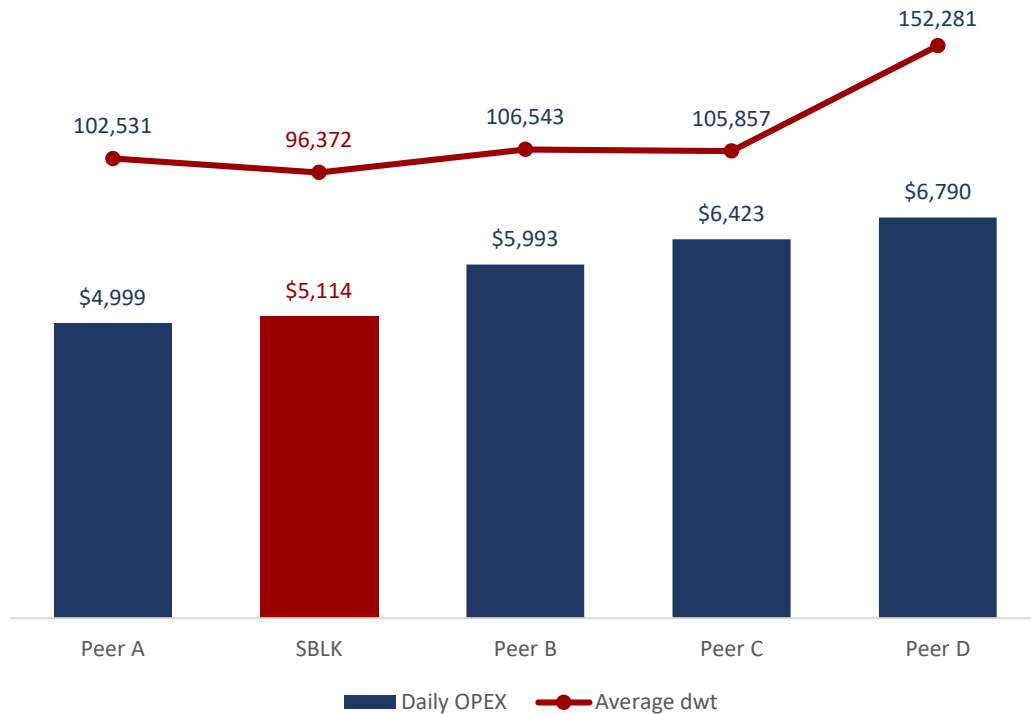
(1) Indicative scrap values for SBLKs fleet (2.4 million lightweight) based on current market scrap prices of \$440/ldt

# CONTINUED OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

We operate a fleet with one of the lowest average daily OPEX among our peers without compromising quality

- For Q3 2024 vessel OPEX<sup>(1)</sup> were \$5,114 per vessel per day
- Net cash G&A<sup>(2)</sup> expenses per vessel per day were \$1,262 for Q3 2024
- We are consistently in the top 3 dry bulk operators amongst our peer group in Rightship Ratings

Average Daily OPEX<sup>(1)</sup>



Average Rightship safety score (September 2024)



(1) Figures exclude pre-delivery expenses, based on latest available public figures

(2) Excludes share incentive plans, includes management fees

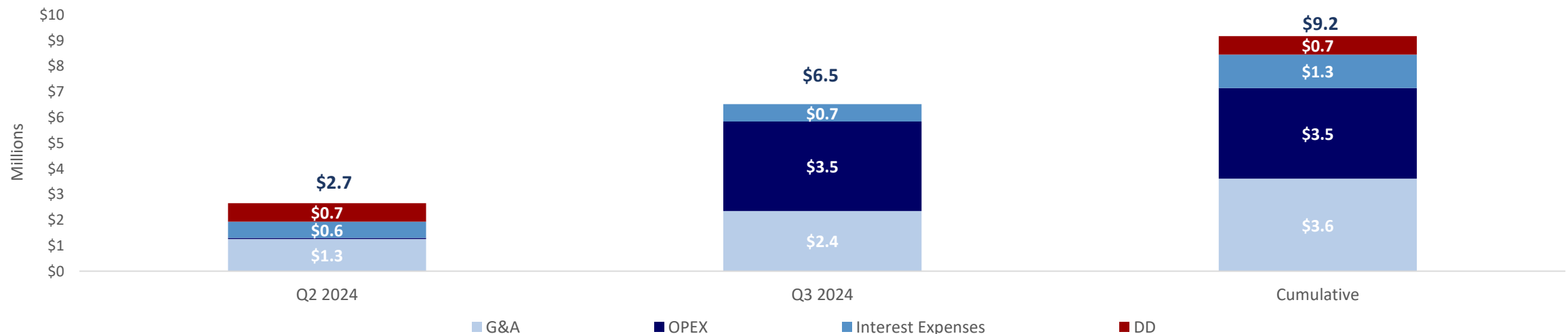
Source: Company filings



# INTEGRATION WITH EAGLE BULK FOCUSES ON SYNERGIES

- **Technical and commercial management** of the ex-Eagle fleet has been established across three Star Bulk offices, Athens (HQ), Singapore, and Stamford, USA, leveraging the combined global presence.
- **Commercial teams** for the Supramax and Ultramax vessels in the three continents have completed their integration, successfully managing the second largest Supramax and Ultramax fleet globally.
- **Crewing** management is gradually taken in-house, phasing out third party managers, and realizing significant savings in Operating Expenses.
- **Technical** maintenance and **Marine Safety Quality** standards, processes, and policies have been applied uniformly across the combined fleet.
- **Procurement** of all stores, spares parts, bunkers and lubricants, has been centralized for the combined fleet.
- Commercial, financial, technical, communication, and vessel performance **systems have been integrated** to enable efficiencies among the different offices and to create further synergies.

## Cost Synergies from Eagle Bulk Integration

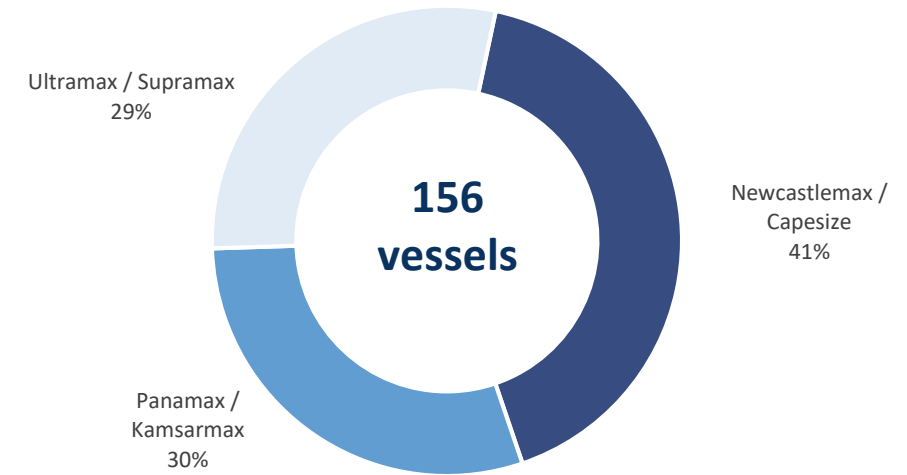


# SCALED FLEET WITH SIGNIFICANT OPERATING LEVERAGE

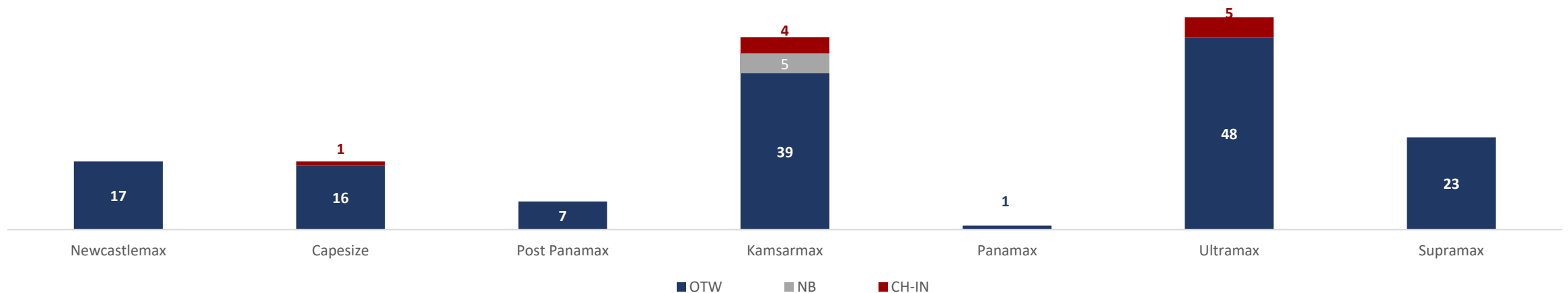
## Fleet Snapshot

- We have five firm shipbuilding contracts with Qingdao Shipyard for the construction of 82k dwt Kamsarmax newbuilding vessels
- Our newbuilding vessels are expected to be delivered in Q4 2025, Q2 and Q3 2026
- We have in total ten long term charter-in contracts
- CAPEX for vessel upgrades focused on sustainable shipping and compliance with emissions regulations

## Fleet composition (based on dwt)



## Fleet Breakdown (by # vessels)





# A SOLID AND TRANSPARENT ESG STRATEGY

## The Star Bulk vision

### To be the global leader in sustainable dry bulk shipping

- Committed to the United Nations Global Compact, endorsing its Ten Principles on human rights, labor, environment, and anti-corruption
- Contributing to the advancement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals



United Nations  
Global Compact



## Our ESG Performance

### Environment

- Ensuring timely and efficient compliance with environmental regulations
- Tracking and disclosing the company's GHG emissions throughout the entire value chain
- Establishing Science-Based Targets to outline the pathway toward the reduction of carbon footprint
- Collaborating with our partners on initiatives such as the Poseidon Principles and the Sea Cargo Charter



POSEIDON  
PRINCIPLES



SEA CARGO  
CHARTER



Getting to Zero  
Coalition



GLOBAL  
MARITIME  
FORUM

### Society

- Strong retention rates for both onboard and shore-based employees
- Top rankings in the RightShip Safety Score among dry bulk operators globally
- Commitment to the wellbeing and professional development of our employees
- Investments in community initiatives, including charity, education, and sports
- Inclusion of female cadets in our vessel crews



### Governance

- A robust, independent Board of Directors consisting of seasoned shipping experts
- Comprehensive risk management practices, including strong cybersecurity measures
- Performance management directly tied to compensation and benefits
- An ESG Committee established at the Board of Directors level
- Annual ESG reporting, participation in the Carbon Disclosure Project

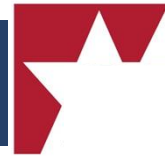


## Our Decarbonization Strategy

### To lead by example in the industry's efforts towards a net zero future:

- Renewing the Star Bulk fleet
- Monitoring and transparent reporting of emissions
- Improving the energy efficiency of our fleet
- Participating in R&D for new technologies and alternative fuels
- Developing partnerships and participating in alliances

**MARKET UPDATE**



# MARKET OVERVIEW

Effective fleet growth will be limited, but demand for dry bulk commodities in 2025 likely to grow at a slower pace compared to the last 2 years

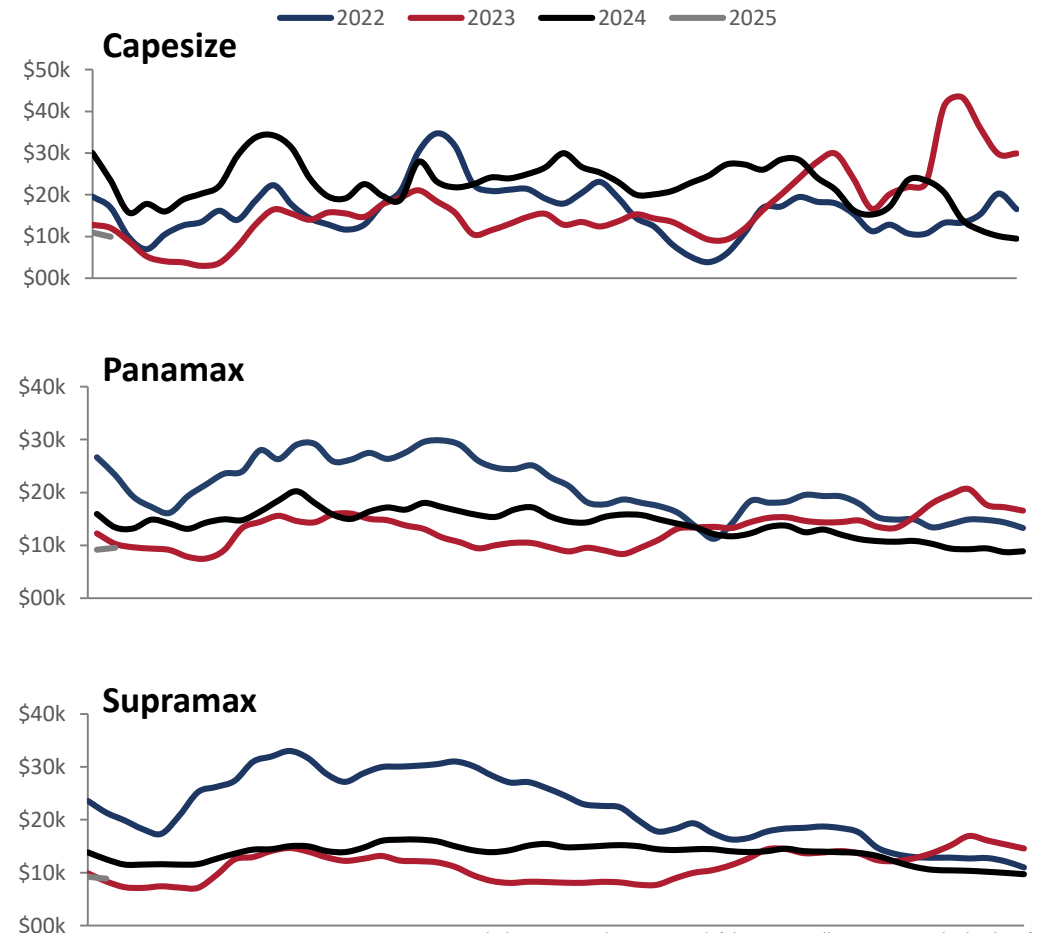
## Supply Outlook - Favorable short- & medium-term dynamics

- Fleet growth during 2025-27 unlikely to exceed 3.0% per annum.
- Global dry bulk newbuilding orderbook at low levels of 10.6% of the fleet.
- Limited capacity for dry due to increased shipyard focus on other vessel types. High shipbuilding cost and future propulsion keeping new orders under control.
- High bunker costs and increasingly stricter regulations on emissions to incentivize slow steaming, retrofit and demolition of the most inefficient vessels.
- Fleet is aging as 24.5% of the fleet is currently above 15 years of age and will increase to approximately 50% of the fleet by end 2027.
- Increased number of vessels going through 3<sup>rd</sup> special survey and dry dock is estimated to reduce capacity by ~0.5% per annum during 2025 – 27.
- Negative effect from port congestion normalization during 2023-24, can be expected to subside and reverse as of 2025 forward.

## Demand Outlook - Geopolitics uncertainty after strong 2023-24

- Strong trade growth during 2023 and 2024, as volumes increased 3.6% and 3.3% respectively, while ton-miles increased at a faster pace of 5.8% and 5.2% respectively, supported by Atlantic exports expansion, canal & war inefficiencies.
- Despite weak economic performance, China imports of dry bulk products increased 19.6% over the last 2 years. String of pro-growth stimulus measures target to support the property market and elevate domestic consumption.
- Imports to the Rest of the World recovered during 2024, as lower commodity prices and easing monetary policy stimulated demand for raw materials.
- New Trump administration creating uncertainty for global trade due to increased protectionism, tariffs and potential improvement of war related inefficiencies.
- New high-quality Atlantic mines coming online the next years to support ton-miles.

## Weekly Rates by Segments

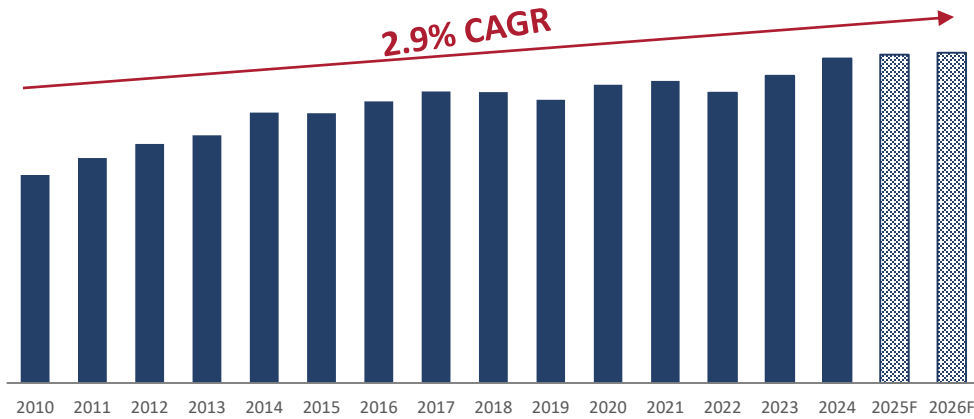


Source: Clarkson Research Services Ltd. (Shipping Intelligence Network, database)

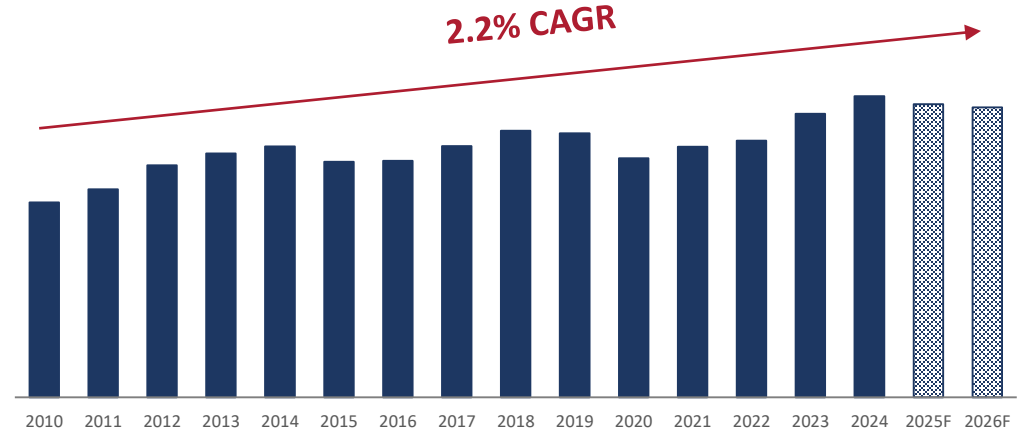
# DEMAND TO REMAIN HEALTHY ACROSS ALL DRY COMMODITIES

Ton miles to grow at a healthy pace across all dry bulk commodity group supported by new Atlantic mines and trade inefficiencies.

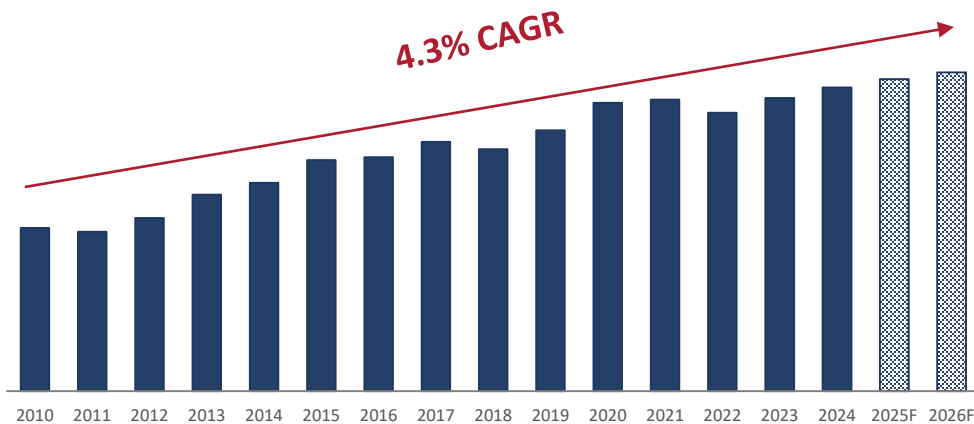
**Iron Ore Trade (bn ton miles)**



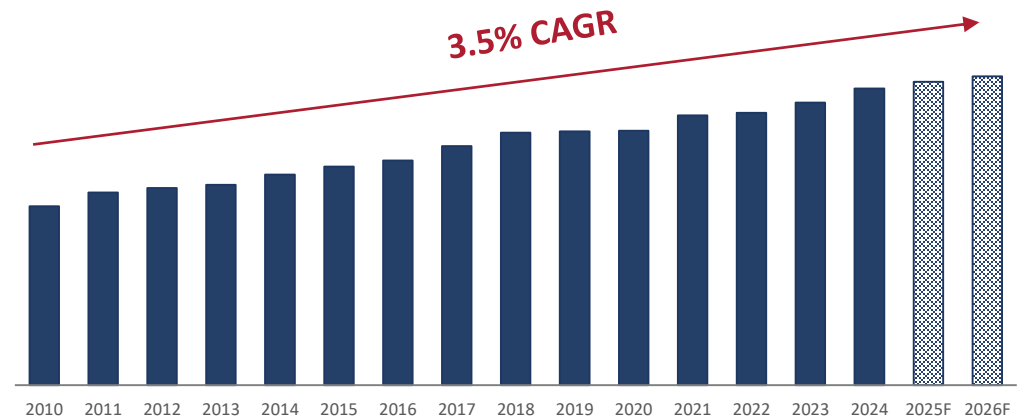
**Coal Trade (bn ton miles)**



**Grain Trade (bn ton miles)**



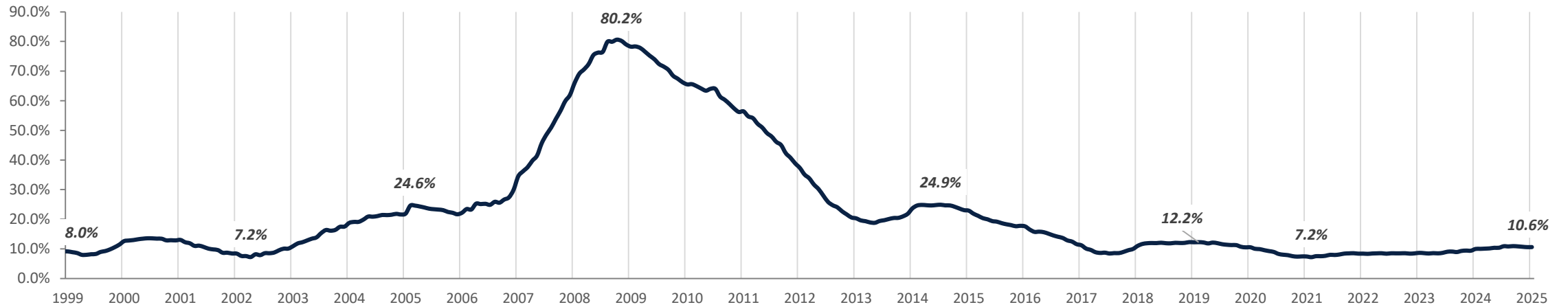
**Minor Bulks Trade (bn ton miles)**



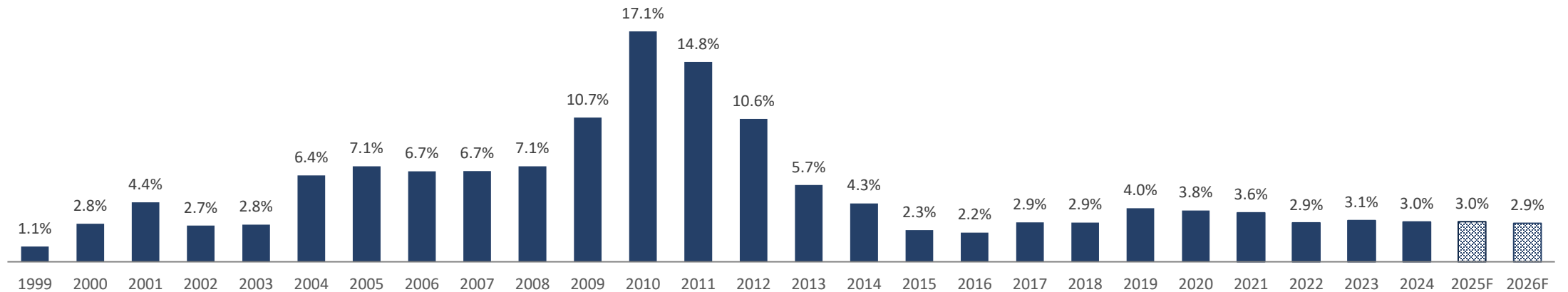
# FAVORABLE ORDERBOOK TO LIMIT SUPPLY GROWTH

Fleet growth to continue at relatively low levels over the next years and is expected to support freight rates.

## Orderbook as % of Existing Fleet



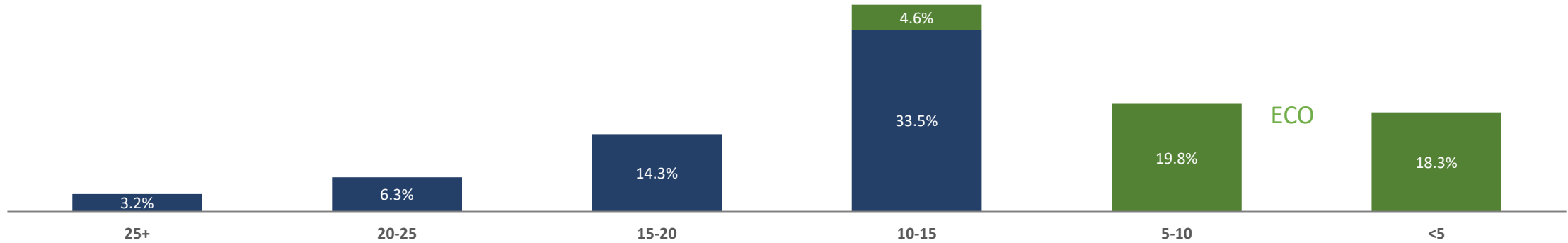
## Annual Fleet Growth as % of Existing Fleet



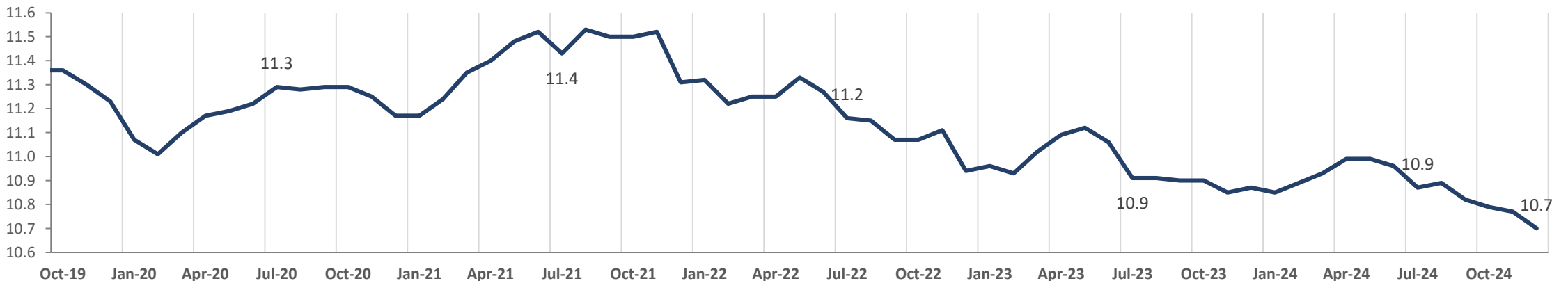
# EFFECTIVE FLEET CAPACITY MAY BE FURTHER REDUCED

A large portion of the dry bulk fleet is not fuel efficient, and the only way to decrease fuel consumption and emissions without incurring Capex is to reduce sailing speeds. Structural increase in off hires related to DD/SS of aging fleet and retrofit to further reduce effective capacity.

## Dry Bulk Fleet Age Distribution (DWT)



## Avg. Dry Bulker Sailing Speed (knots)



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