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## **What are the largest ships in the world?**

Largest ocean vessels in the world by category:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Draft*</u>	<u>Operator</u>
Supertanker	TI Class (4 total)	1,246 feet	81 feet	Overseas Shipholding Group
Container Ship	E Class (8 total)	1,302 feet	51 feet	A.P. Moeller-Maersk
Aircraft Carrier	Nimitz Class (10 total)	1,122 feet	40 feet	US Navy
Cruise Ship	Oasis Class (2 total)	1,187 feet	31 feet	Royal Caribbean

Draft – vertical distance between a ship's waterline and the lowest point of its keel. Depth of water to which a ship sinks according to its load. Most ships have parallel horizontal lines drawn on both sides of the bow (front) and stern (back) to indicate each foot of draft.