

## Alba joins LEEA's Accredited Training Scheme

Alba has reached another important safety milestone by becoming the first aluminium smelter in the Middle East to join the Lifting Equipment Engineers Association (LEEAA) Accredited Training Scheme (ATS).

Alba is now authorised to provide LEEA-approved training programs and issue internationally recognised certifications to employees who complete the training.

These programs are designed to enhance the skills of crane operators and personnel involved in lifting operations, ensuring they align with globally recognised safety standards and best practices.

## Qatalum enhances its Anode Baking Plant reliability



Qatalum has completed a significant refurbishment program for six essential cranes at its Anode Baking Plant. These cranes are crucial for supporting continuous anode production under challenging operating conditions.

The project was completed safely over a period of six weeks, leveraging internal expertise and achieving an estimated cost saving of 75%. This was accomplished without compromising safety or operational performance, while also upholding high-quality standards.

## Sohar Aluminium organises 2nd Annual Reliability Forum



Sohar Aluminium hosted the 2nd Annual Reliability Forum on July 16, 2026. This event brought together reliability engineers, maintenance leaders, operations managers, and experts from various industrial sectors in Oman.

Participants gathered at Sohar to share best practices and highlight their experiences and insights on reliability and operational excellence.

# EGA and AD Ports Group invest AED 84 million in infrastructure development at Khalifa Port



As part of their longstanding strategic partnership, AD Ports Group and EGA will jointly invest AED 84 million in a multi-phase berth enhancement program. This initiative aims to upgrade EGA’s dedicated port infrastructure to accommodate New-class dry bulk vessels, which can transport 15–20% more cargo than the vessels currently using EGA’s berth.

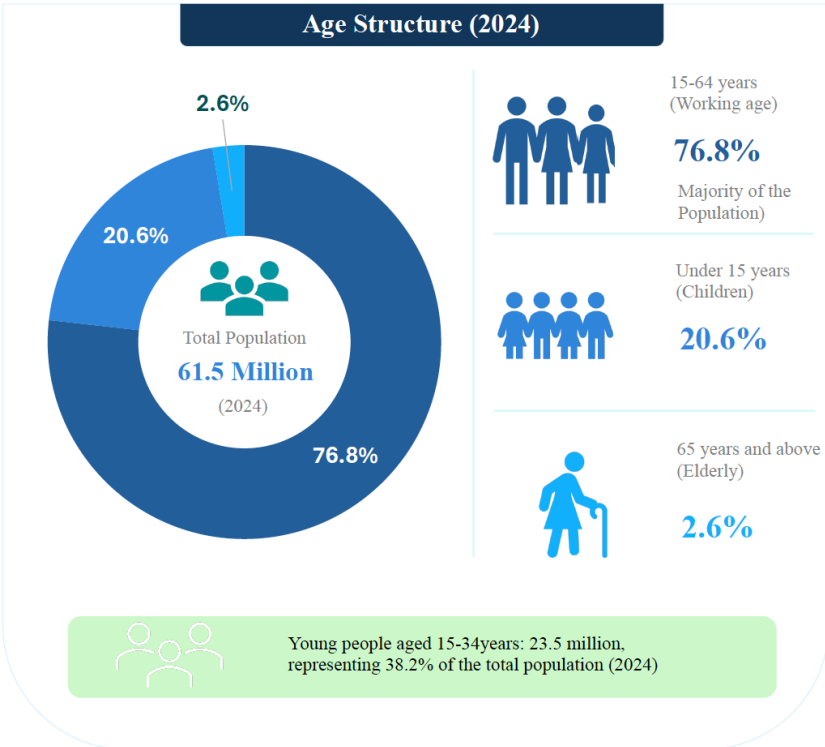
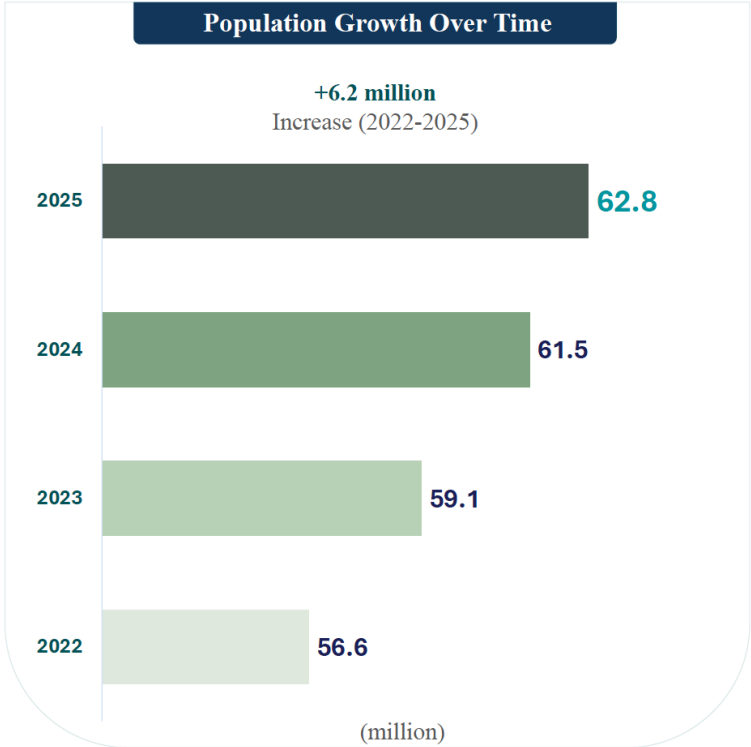
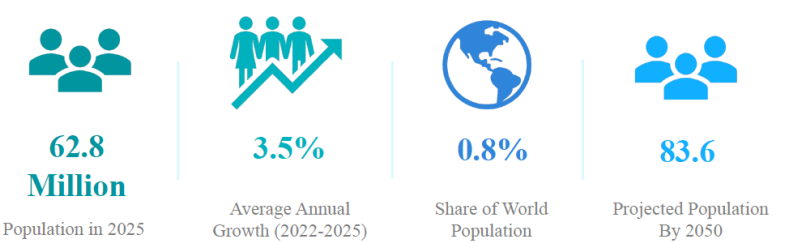
Upon completion of the planned works by August 2028, the upgraded berth is expected to support the handling of approximately 8 million tonnes of bulk cargo annually.

The enhancements will further improve berth productivity, operational efficiency, and overall cargo-handling performance. The project will also enhance operational flexibility, improving the safe and efficient accommodation of larger vessel classes, while supporting the anticipated increase in future bulk-handling volumes.

## GCC POPULATION IN 2025

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Source: GCC Statistical Center (GCC-Stat)



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