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## Abstracts

One of the most important features of growth in world economies in recent years is the dry bulk shipping market, which constitutes the backbone of international trade. Dry bulk shipping vessels carry iron ore, coal, grains, or other dry materials around the world. The global shipping industry went through tough times during the financial crisis of 2008-2009, but recovered well in 2010 and posted solid growth in 2011. It is expected to continue to grow as the world economy improves and new opportunities are created. Iron ore, coal and grain are the three main constituents of the dry bulk shipping industry followed by some minor bulk commodities. Iron ore constitutes for the major share in the industry followed by coal. Iron ore, coal and minor bulks have shown a tremendous growth in past years and expected to continue this growth in the coming years. On the other side, grain is expected to witness decline in trade in 2012. The total dry bulk fleet, which comprises four types of vessels: Capesize, Panamax, Handymax, and Handysize; is showing a steady growth on the back of increased new orders and reduced scrapping of dry bulk vessels.

The key trends observed within the industry include shrinking of orderbook as a percentage of fleet and scrapping affecting the industry. There are certain challenges which the industry is facing as of now which mainly includes the act of piracy on ocean going vessels. The major factors which will contribute in the growth of the industry include rise in global steel production, growing worldwide economy and rising global demand for grain and steam coal among others.

The present report offers a comprehensive analysis of the global dry bulk shipping industry with focus on the regional markets including China, Europe and Japan. The competition in the global dry bulk shipping industry is intense with few large players viz. Diana Shipping, Dry Ships, Navios Maritime Holdings and Genco Shipping and Trading.

The competitive landscape along with the company profiles of the leading players in the market is discussed in detail.

By combining SPSS Inc.'s data integration and analysis capabilities with our relevant findings, we have predicted the future growth of the industry. We employed various significant variables that have an impact on this industry and created regression models with SPSS Base to determine the future direction of the industry. Before deploying the regression model, the relationship between several independent or predictor variables and the dependent variable was analyzed using standard SPSS output, including charts, tables and tests.

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