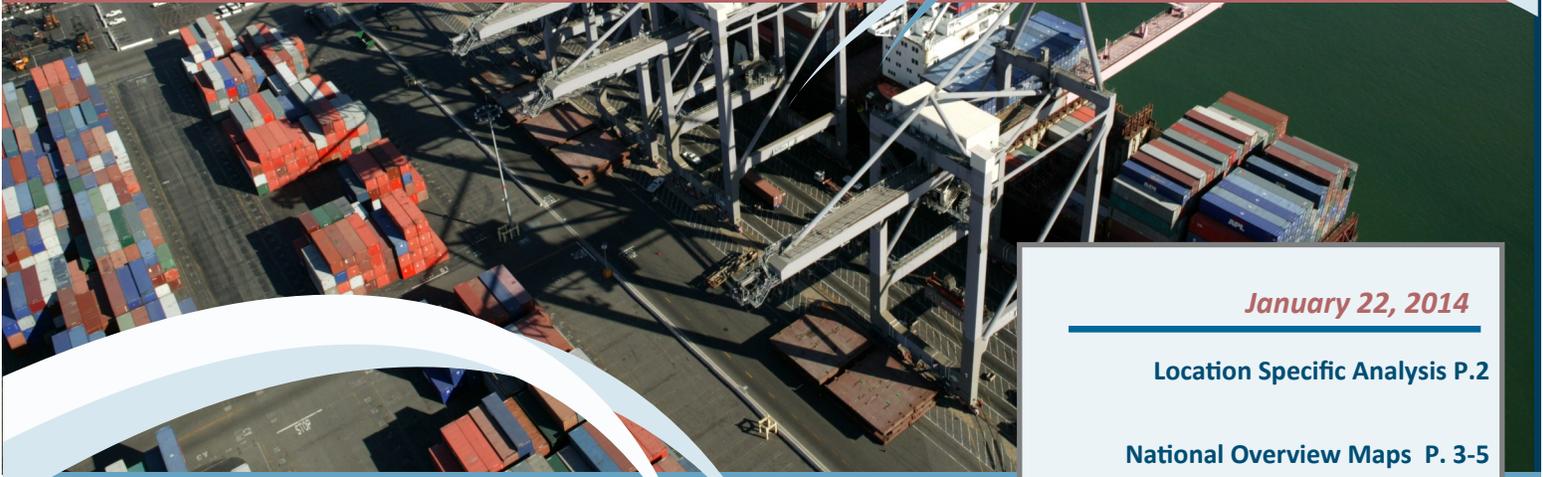




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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for five types of equipment, including 20 and 40ft dry, 20 and 40ft refrigerated, and 40ft high-cube containers, and provides estimates of equipment availability for the current week and projections two weeks out. The data are voluntarily provided to AMS by six members of the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA).

Note: Corrections made to Kansas City data on March 24, 2014.

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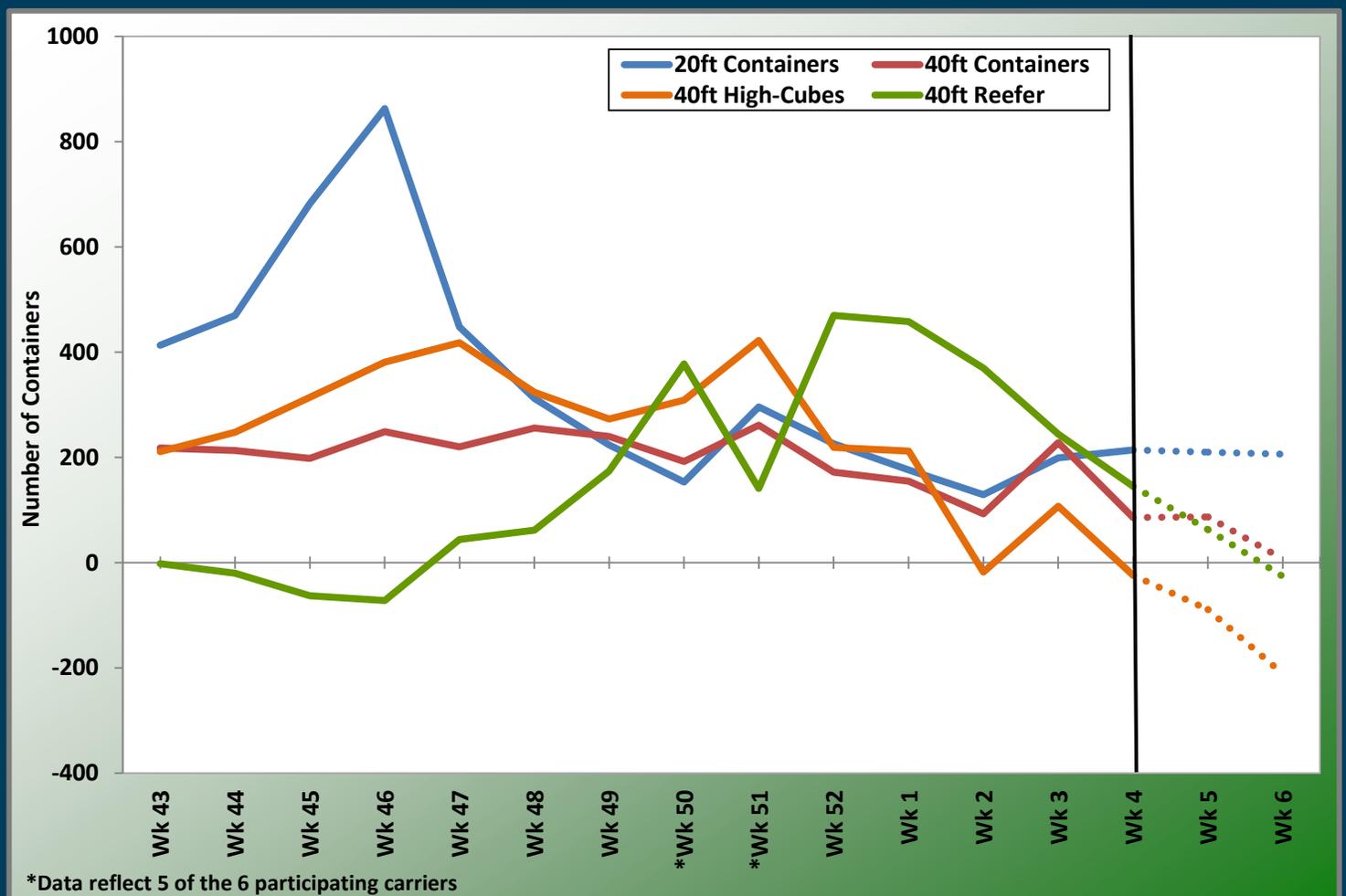
# Location Specific Container Availability Analysis

## Historical Analysis of Seattle

The Port of Seattle, WA, consistently ranks among the top 10 export ports for total waterborne agricultural exports and within the top 5 for containerized waterborne agricultural exports. Between January and March of 2013, Seattle moved more than 743 thousand metric tons of containerized agricultural exports. Nearly 55 percent of the commodities were grain products including soybeans, followed by vegetables (often potato products) and fruit (often apples). Approximately 71 percent of these agricultural exports moved in 40ft containers; 23 percent moved in 20ft containers. Since refrigerated exports are among the top containerized agricultural products through Seattle, data for 40ft refrigerated containers is included in the historical graphic below. Also, please note that four of the six participating carriers provide service through the Port of Seattle.

Since the end of October, dry containers availability estimates in Seattle have followed a downward trend, but 40ft refrigerated containers have been on an upward trend. Availability of 20ft containers and 40ft high-cube containers was strong in early November, but estimates fell through the end of the year. Conversely, the availability of 40ft refrigerated containers was below 0 from the end of October through much of November then began to increase through the end of year. Below-zero estimates indicate demand for containers is greater than supply. Projections over the next 2 weeks show availability decreasing for each of the major container types.

## Weekly Container Availability Estimates in Seattle, 4th week of October, 2013 (Wk 43) through 4th week of January (Wk 4), 2014, with Projections

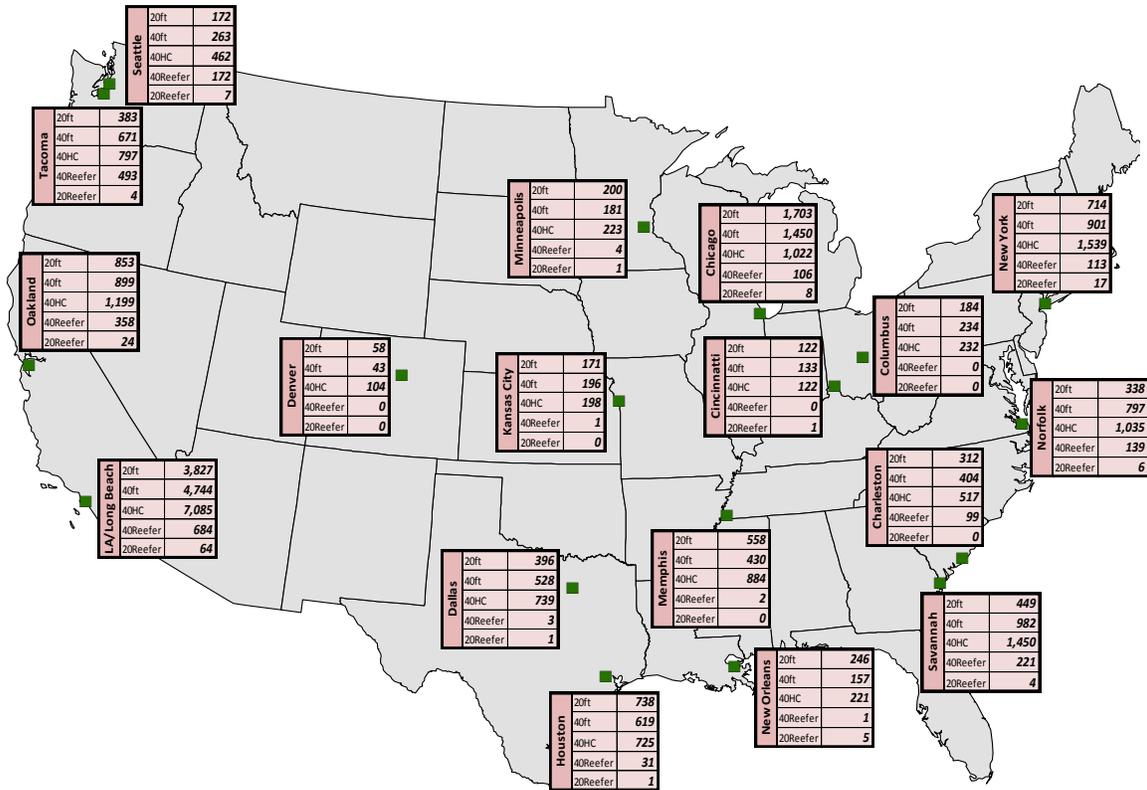


# National Overview

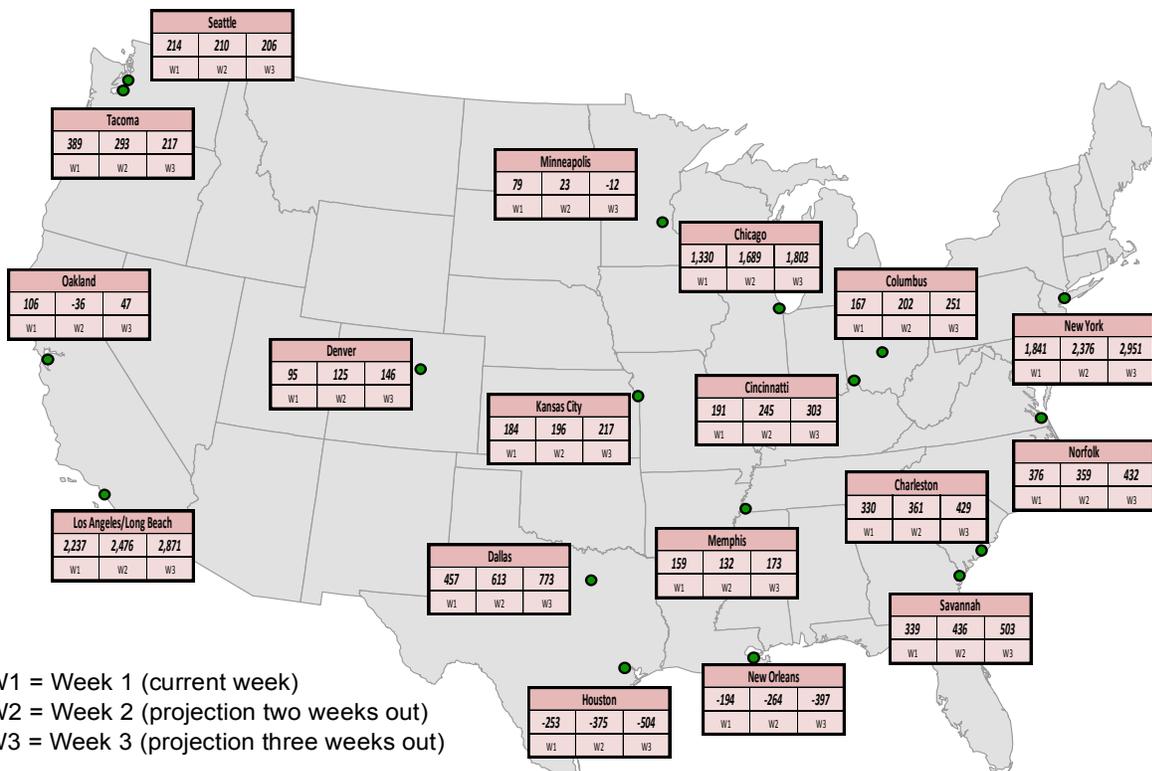
## Week of Jan 22-28, 2014



### Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput



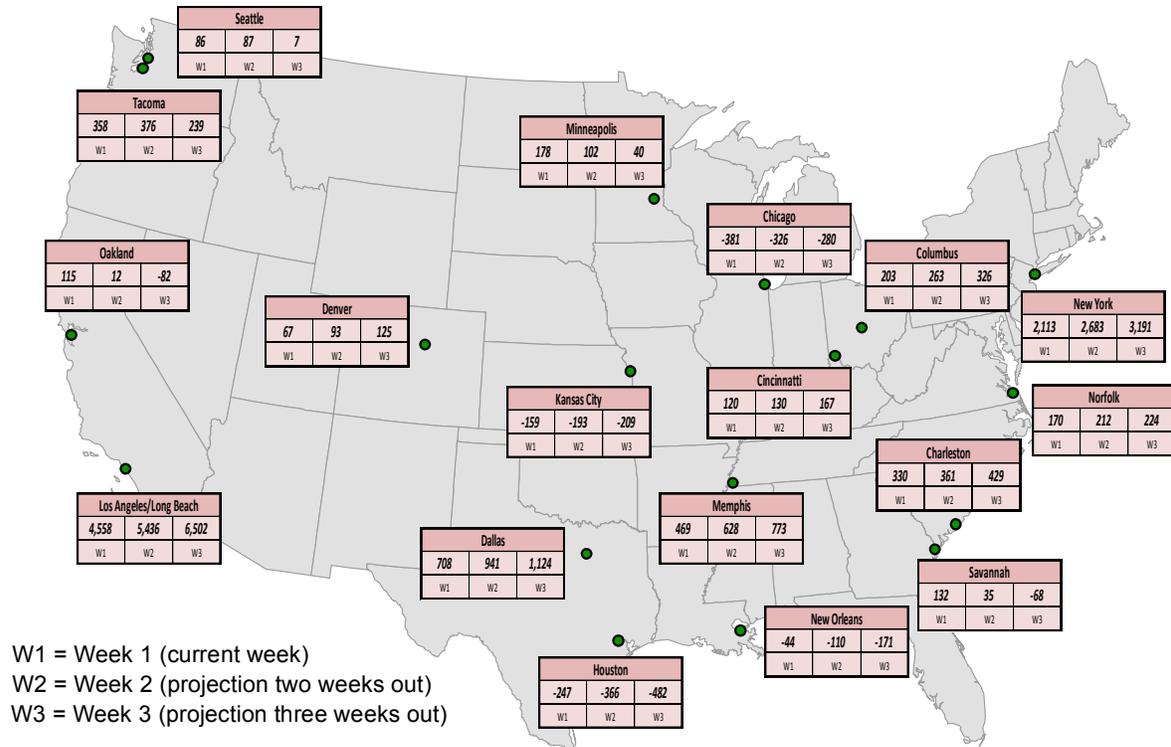
### Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



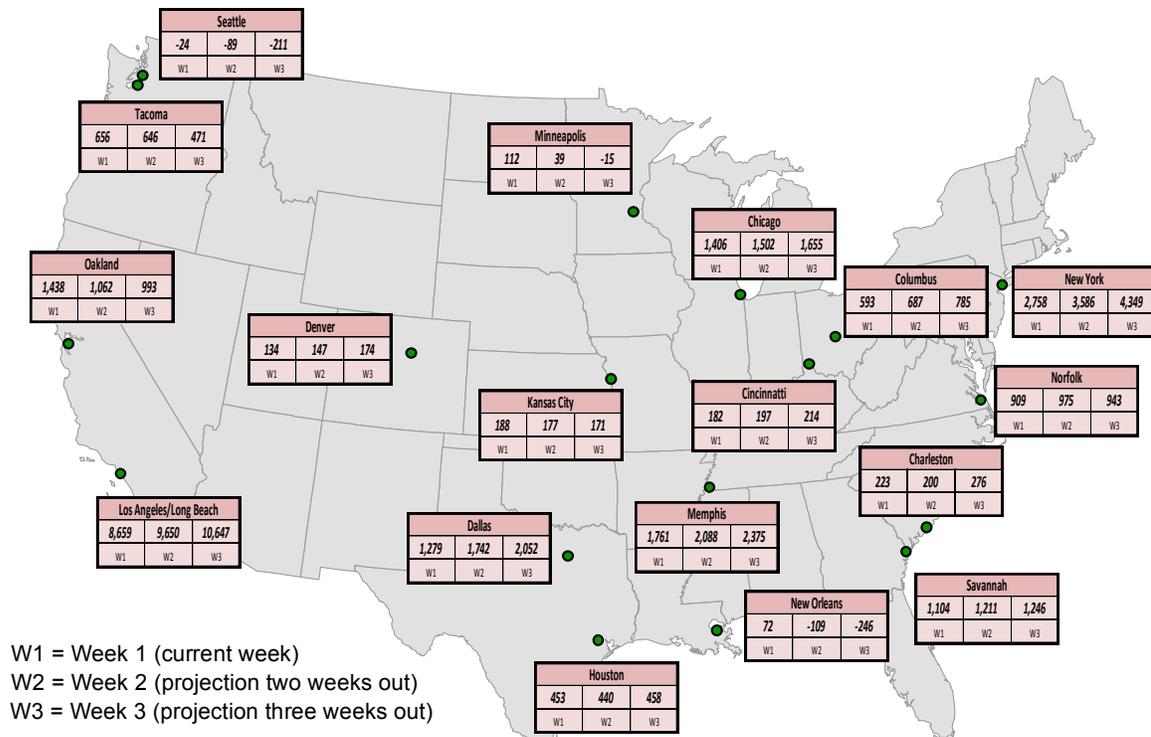
W1 = Week 1 (current week)  
W2 = Week 2 (projection two weeks out)  
W3 = Week 3 (projection three weeks out)



## Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers

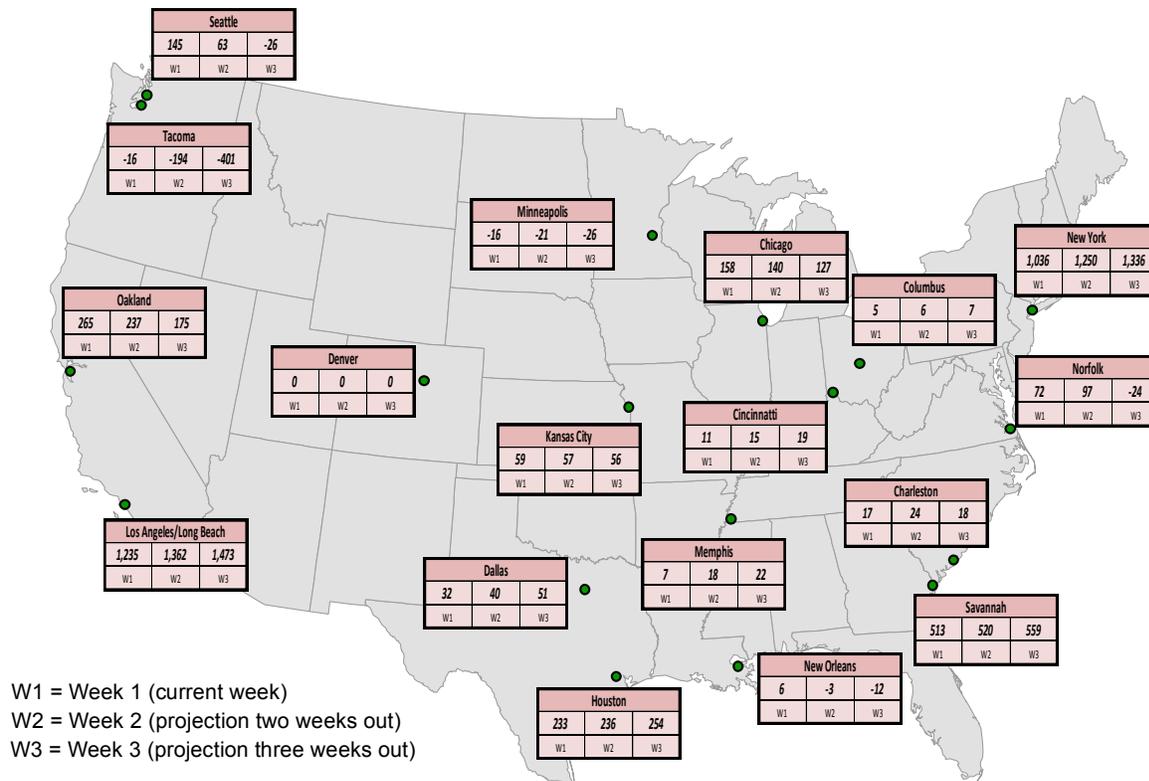


## Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

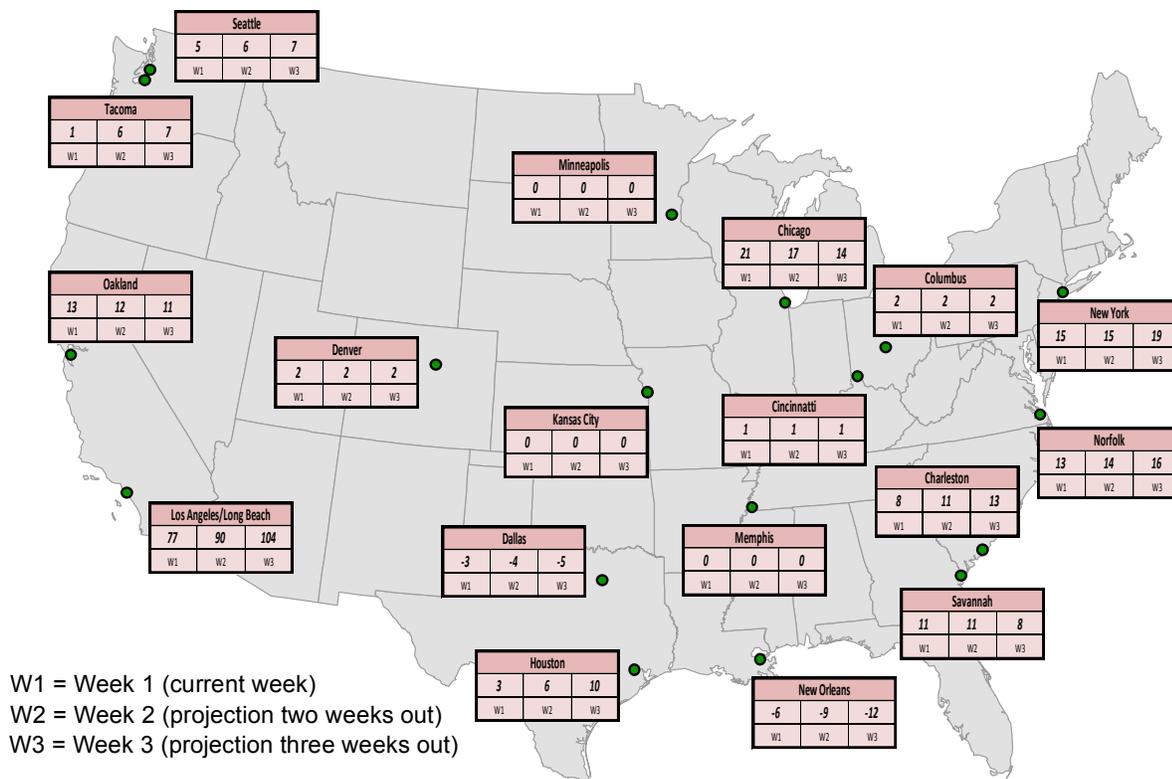




## Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



## Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





<b>Charleston</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	113	93	80	41	3	0	.	.	.	.	330
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	93	101	80	73	4	10	.	.	.	.	361
Week 3: Feb 5-11	89	118	80	107	4	31	.	.	.	.	429
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	107	97	35	20	16	2	.	.	.	.	277
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	74	76	72	20	8	2	.	.	.	.	252
Week 3: Feb 5-11	73	70	102	20	23	3	.	.	.	.	291
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	77	73	37	30	5	1	.	.	.	.	223
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	17	63	76	30	11	3	.	.	.	.	200
Week 3: Feb 5-11	15	80	120	30	30	1	.	.	.	.	276
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	92	17	11	5	2	-110	.	.	.	.	17
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	88	19	11	5	1	-100	.	.	.	.	24
Week 3: Feb 5-11	77	21	11	5	1	-97	.	.	.	.	18
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	6	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	8	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Feb 5-11	9	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	312	0...108
<b>40ft</b>	404	0...200
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	517	17...200
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	99	0...60
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	0	0...0

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>Chicago</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	517	377	290	100	44	2	.	.	.	.	1,330
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	710	457	408	100	6	8	.	.	.	.	1,689
Week 3: Feb 5-11	916	429	346	100	4	8	.	.	.	.	1,803
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	96	64	54	4	1	-600	.	.	.	.	-381
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	33	119	111	6	5	-600	.	.	.	.	-326
Week 3: Feb 5-11	-72	176	202	7	7	-600	.	.	.	.	-280
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	600	483	112	107	103	1	.	.	.	.	1,406
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	600	602	116	158	22	4	.	.	.	.	1,502
Week 3: Feb 5-11	600	670	174	190	15	6	.	.	.	.	1,655
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	74	70	12	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	158
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	66	62	11	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	140
Week 3: Feb 5-11	60	57	10	.	0	.	.	.	.	.	127
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	15	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	12	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Feb 5-11	9	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	1,703	93...600
<b>40ft</b>	1,450	5...302
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	1,022	34...405
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	106	0...51
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	8	0...4

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<b>Cincinnati</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	94	40	36	14	7	0	.	.	.	.	191
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	111	76	45	12	1	0	.	.	.	.	245
Week 3: Feb 5-11	130	96	57	18	2	0	.	.	.	.	303
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	50	25	14	14	10	7	.	.	.	.	120
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	60	30	11	14	10	5	.	.	.	.	130
Week 3: Feb 5-11	90	35	15	16	10	1	.	.	.	.	167
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	92	50	18	17	4	1	.	.	.	.	182
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	111	50	14	16	5	1	.	.	.	.	197
Week 3: Feb 5-11	134	50	14	13	1	2	.	.	.	.	214
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	15	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 3: Feb 5-11	19	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

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<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	122	7...35
<b>40ft</b>	133	8...30
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	122	11...35
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	0	0...0
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	1	0...1

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<b>Columbus</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	97	26	25	10	8	1	.	.	.	.	167
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	120	27	41	12	1	1	.	.	.	.	202
Week 3: Feb 5-11	146	21	74	12	-3	1	.	.	.	.	251
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	86	54	50	11	1	1	.	.	.	.	203
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	104	84	50	11	14	0	.	.	.	.	263
Week 3: Feb 5-11	124	105	50	16	32	-1	.	.	.	.	326
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	308	150	119	15	1	0	.	.	.	.	593
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	371	150	159	15	-8	0	.	.	.	.	687
Week 3: Feb 5-11	425	150	208	14	-10	-2	.	.	.	.	785
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Feb 5-11	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Feb 5-11	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2

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<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	184	8...60
<b>40ft</b>	234	6...80
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	232	15...60
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	0	0...0
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	0	0...0

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<b>Dallas</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	136	92	85	84	50	10	.	.	.	.	457
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	257	73	136	87	50	10	.	.	.	.	613
Week 3: Feb 5-11	356	65	174	118	50	10	.	.	.	.	773
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	216	193	188	97	9	5	.	.	.	.	708
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	174	331	238	186	7	5	.	.	.	.	941
Week 3: Feb 5-11	165	449	239	256	10	5	.	.	.	.	1,124
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	385	254	250	217	164	9	.	.	.	.	1,279
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	496	379	250	213	396	8	.	.	.	.	1,742
Week 3: Feb 5-11	655	479	250	190	467	11	.	.	.	.	2,052
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	32	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	41	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Week 3: Feb 5-11	53	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	51
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Feb 5-11	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	396	5...150
<b>40ft</b>	528	12...250
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	739	22...250
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	3	0...3
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	1	0...1

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Denver											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	77	13	9	2	1	-7	.	.	.	.	95
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	94	20	14	2	1	-6	.	.	.	.	125
Week 3: Feb 5-11	107	24	18	2	0	-5	.	.	.	.	146
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	47	7	4	4	4	1	.	.	.	.	67
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	65	9	9	8	1	1	.	.	.	.	93
Week 3: Feb 5-11	85	8	11	18	2	1	.	.	.	.	125
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	64	33	15	9	7	6	.	.	.	.	134
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	80	23	15	14	7	8	.	.	.	.	147
Week 3: Feb 5-11	103	18	15	19	7	12	.	.	.	.	174
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Feb 5-11	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Feb 5-11	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	58	3...17
40ft	43	1...10
40ft High Cubes	104	1...50
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>Houston</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	34	30	10	6	-32	-301	.	.	.	.	-253
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	22	30	9	1	-47	-390	.	.	.	.	-375
Week 3: Feb 5-11	48	30	10	0	-80	-512	.	.	.	.	-504
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	50	17	2	-2	-19	-295	.	.	.	.	-247
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	50	14	3	-15	28	-446	.	.	.	.	-366
Week 3: Feb 5-11	50	27	3	-20	31	-573	.	.	.	.	-482
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	500	113	55	5	3	-223	.	.	.	.	453
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	500	159	52	2	-7	-266	.	.	.	.	440
Week 3: Feb 5-11	500	153	59	2	-12	-244	.	.	.	.	458
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	150	41	40	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	233
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	160	38	36	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	236
Week 3: Feb 5-11	170	35	47	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	254
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	12	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	15	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Feb 5-11	18	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10

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<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	738	50...316
<b>40ft</b>	619	50...126
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	725	26...355
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	31	0...12
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	1	0...1

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<b>Kansas City</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	70	64	56	5	0	-11	.	.	.	.	184
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	70	86	35	14	2	-11	.	.	.	.	196
Week 3: Feb 5-11	70	99	41	18	-1	-10	.	.	.	.	217
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	48	27	1	-4	-11	-220	.	.	.	.	-159
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	57	21	-41	1	-11	-220	.	.	.	.	-193
Week 3: Feb 5-11	66	4	-50	3	-12	-220	.	.	.	.	-209
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	150	24	21	8	-1	-14	.	.	.	.	188
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	150	34	24	-1	-15	-15	.	.	.	.	177
Week 3: Feb 5-11	150	27	30	-11	-10	-15	.	.	.	.	171
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	47	12	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	59
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	45	12	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	57
Week 3: Feb 5-11	44	12	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	56
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Feb 5-11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	171	7...60
<b>40ft</b>	196	9...75
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	198	14...59
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	1	0...1
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	0	0...0

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



Los Angeles and Long Beach											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	807	750	472	132	44	32	.	.	.	.	2,237
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	605	750	794	254	40	33	.	.	.	.	2,476
Week 3: Feb 5-11	620	750	1,069	391	43	-2	.	.	.	.	2,871
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	1,500	976	972	867	189	54	.	.	.	.	4,558
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,500	1,398	685	1,514	287	52	.	.	.	.	5,436
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1,500	1,726	710	2,138	383	45	.	.	.	.	6,502
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	5,500	1,530	1,132	407	52	38	.	.	.	.	8,659
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	5,500	1,137	1,343	1,645	57	-32	.	.	.	.	9,650
Week 3: Feb 5-11	5,500	1,250	1,196	2,722	50	-71	.	.	.	.	10,647
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	561	180	151	134	134	75	.	.	.	.	1,235
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	619	190	172	198	108	75	.	.	.	.	1,362
Week 3: Feb 5-11	644	188	188	235	143	75	.	.	.	.	1,473
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	41	26	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	77
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	52	28	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	90
Week 3: Feb 5-11	64	30	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	104

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	3,827	46...2500
40ft	4,744	83...3000
40ft High Cubes	7,085	203...3300
40ft Refrigerated	684	21...300
20ft Refrigerated	64	1...50

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>Memphis</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	100	34	11	10	5	-1	.	.	.	.	159
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	100	22	17	-4	4	-7	.	.	.	.	132
Week 3: Feb 5-11	100	28	61	-10	4	-10	.	.	.	.	173
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	400	74	16	12	4	-37	.	.	.	.	469
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	400	81	156	3	6	-18	.	.	.	.	628
Week 3: Feb 5-11	400	113	276	-9	6	-13	.	.	.	.	773
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	1,400	198	104	53	10	-4	.	.	.	.	1,761
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,400	400	196	86	8	-2	.	.	.	.	2,088
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1,400	592	259	124	6	-6	.	.	.	.	2,375
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	9	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	19	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 3: Feb 5-11	22	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Feb 5-11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	558	11...300
<b>40ft</b>	430	11...200
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	884	9...600
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	2	0...2
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	0	0...0

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>Minneapolis</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	98	30	28	-8	-15	-54	.	.	.	.	79
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	135	30	-25	-8	2	-111	.	.	.	.	23
Week 3: Feb 5-11	176	30	-57	-7	1	-155	.	.	.	.	-12
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	275	22	0	-2	-41	-76	.	.	.	.	178
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	275	4	0	-11	-20	-146	.	.	.	.	102
Week 3: Feb 5-11	275	-14	-3	-9	20	-229	.	.	.	.	40
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	120	33	6	-8	-19	-20	.	.	.	.	112
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	120	28	-3	-8	-83	-15	.	.	.	.	39
Week 3: Feb 5-11	120	33	-7	-9	-136	-16	.	.	.	.	-15
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	0	-16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-16
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	-21	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-21
Week 3: Feb 5-11	0	-26	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-26
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Feb 5-11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	200	3...102
<b>40ft</b>	181	1...80
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	223	2...144
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	4	0...4
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	1	0...1

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



New Orleans											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	14	11	0	-2	-28	-189	.	.	.	.	-194
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	11	10	0	-1	-42	-242	.	.	.	.	-264
Week 3: Feb 5-11	10	13	0	-2	-52	-366	.	.	.	.	-397
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	29	11	10	4	0	-98	.	.	.	.	-44
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	24	10	14	1	0	-159	.	.	.	.	-110
Week 3: Feb 5-11	29	12	12	0	0	-224	.	.	.	.	-171
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	68	12	3	1	0	-12	.	.	.	.	72
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	-106	12	1	0	0	-16	.	.	.	.	-109
Week 3: Feb 5-11	-242	9	8	-1	0	-20	.	.	.	.	-246
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	20	0	-14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	19	0	-22	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 3: Feb 5-11	18	0	-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-12
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	1	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-6
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-9
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1	-13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-12

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	246	5...158
40ft	157	5...80
40ft High Cubes	221	5...139
40ft Refrigerated	1	0...1
20ft Refrigerated	5	0...5

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>New York</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	654	417	276	251	225	18	.	.	.	.	1,841
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	979	518	449	180	225	25	.	.	.	.	2,376
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1,301	640	595	170	225	20	.	.	.	.	2,951
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	922	627	400	230	20	-86	.	.	.	.	2,113
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,151	857	439	230	23	-17	.	.	.	.	2,683
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1,237	1,123	601	230	20	-20	.	.	.	.	3,191
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	1,387	600	433	311	20	7	.	.	.	.	2,758
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,711	600	693	511	33	38	.	.	.	.	3,586
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1,938	600	974	772	30	35	.	.	.	.	4,349
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	376	205	200	180	65	10	.	.	.	.	1,036
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	453	272	200	203	112	10	.	.	.	.	1,250
Week 3: Feb 5-11	507	334	200	241	44	10	.	.	.	.	1,336
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	11	5	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	13	5	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 3: Feb 5-11	15	5	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	714	3...150
<b>40ft</b>	901	56...250
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	1,539	87...400
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	113	0...36
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	17	0...10

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>Norfolk</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	220	79	47	20	8	2	.	.	.	.	376
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	228	113	-32	20	9	21	.	.	.	.	359
Week 3: Feb 5-11	271	179	-62	20	9	15	.	.	.	.	432
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	114	40	30	29	10	-53	.	.	.	.	170
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	129	34	30	51	10	-42	.	.	.	.	212
Week 3: Feb 5-11	102	109	30	28	10	-55	.	.	.	.	224
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	595	450	19	12	-56	-111	.	.	.	.	909
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	643	450	22	9	-54	-95	.	.	.	.	975
Week 3: Feb 5-11	639	450	30	9	-81	-104	.	.	.	.	943
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	76	48	10	4	-27	-39	.	.	.	.	72
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	67	49	10	3	-41	9	.	.	.	.	97
Week 3: Feb 5-11	55	55	10	1	-31	-114	.	.	.	.	-24
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	11	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	12	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Feb 5-11	13	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	338	1...175
<b>40ft</b>	797	8...200
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	1,035	74...300
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	139	0...58
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	6	0...5

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



<b>Oakland</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	80	14	12	9	8	-17	.	.	.	.	106
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	80	-77	-44	16	9	-20	.	.	.	.	-36
Week 3: Feb 5-11	80	-62	14	14	11	-10	.	.	.	.	47
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	180	68	8	-14	-41	-86	.	.	.	.	115
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	180	-52	8	-11	-16	-97	.	.	.	.	12
Week 3: Feb 5-11	180	-48	11	-72	-20	-133	.	.	.	.	-82
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	625	500	267	253	9	-216	.	.	.	.	1,438
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	326	500	315	257	10	-346	.	.	.	.	1,062
Week 3: Feb 5-11	234	500	366	243	10	-360	.	.	.	.	993
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	113	108	78	30	10	-74	.	.	.	.	265
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	115	70	61	30	10	-49	.	.	.	.	237
Week 3: Feb 5-11	96	67	44	30	10	-72	.	.	.	.	175
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	10	9	-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	10	10	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Week 3: Feb 5-11	10	11	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	853	26...250
<b>40ft</b>	899	14...300
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	1,199	34...400
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	358	26...120
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	24	0...8

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



Savannah											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	127	100	75	31	3	3	.	.	.	.	339
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	170	100	50	53	60	3	.	.	.	.	436
Week 3: Feb 5-11	169	100	45	71	115	3	.	.	.	.	503
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	333	100	4	-1	-53	-251	.	.	.	.	132
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	296	100	4	52	-43	-374	.	.	.	.	35
Week 3: Feb 5-11	299	100	3	110	-57	-523	.	.	.	.	-68
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	678	575	101	0	-64	-186	.	.	.	.	1,104
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	710	575	165	0	-31	-208	.	.	.	.	1,211
Week 3: Feb 5-11	775	575	206	0	-35	-275	.	.	.	.	1,246
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	200	161	94	71	10	-23	.	.	.	.	513
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	200	152	96	114	10	-52	.	.	.	.	520
Week 3: Feb 5-11	200	151	102	157	10	-61	.	.	.	.	559
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	8	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	7	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Feb 5-11	4	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	449	0...150
40ft	982	0...409
40ft High Cubes	1,450	21...385
40ft Refrigerated	221	0...80
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...2

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



Seattle											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	144	40	23	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	214
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	128	40	33	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	210
Week 3: Feb 5-11	115	40	42	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	206
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	72	8	4	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	86
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	34	41	10	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	87
Week 3: Feb 5-11	-8	3	10	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	90	57	6	-177	.	.	.	.	.	.	-24
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	90	49	4	-232	.	.	.	.	.	.	-89
Week 3: Feb 5-11	90	10	9	-320	.	.	.	.	.	.	-211
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	121	24	20	-20	.	.	.	.	.	.	145
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	28	30	20	-15	.	.	.	.	.	.	63
Week 3: Feb 5-11	-70	34	20	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	-26
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 22-28	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Feb 5-11	6	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	172	29...70
40ft	263	7...91
40ft High Cubes	462	104...148
40ft Refrigerated	172	0...122
20ft Refrigerated	7	0...5

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<b>Tacoma</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	137	131	108	8	5	.	.	.	.	.	389
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	147	53	80	8	5	.	.	.	.	.	293
Week 3: Feb 5-11	139	-10	75	8	5	.	.	.	.	.	217
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	539	30	7	-88	-130	.	.	.	.	.	358
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	497	30	8	-106	-53	.	.	.	.	.	376
Week 3: Feb 5-11	410	30	8	-149	-60	.	.	.	.	.	239
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	993	25	8	-13	-357	.	.	.	.	.	656
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	939	25	9	-120	-207	.	.	.	.	.	646
Week 3: Feb 5-11	883	25	10	-227	-220	.	.	.	.	.	471
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	182	69	5	0	-272	.	.	.	.	.	-16
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	9	39	5	0	-247	.	.	.	.	.	-194
Week 3: Feb 5-11	-170	24	5	0	-260	.	.	.	.	.	-401
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jan 22-28	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Jan 29-Feb 4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Feb 5-11	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

<b>Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput</b>		
<b>June 2012-November 2012</b>		
<b>Container Types</b>	<b>Average Total Weekly Throughput*</b>	<b>Range of Individual Carrier Responses</b>
<b>20ft</b>	383	1...300
<b>40ft</b>	671	15...500
<b>40ft High Cubes</b>	797	76...600
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>	493	0...203
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>	4	0...4

\*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



## Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 6 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The TSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, Hapag Lloyd, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, and OOCL.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 3–5 offer a national overview of weekly container availability, as well as an average of availability over the past 6 months. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- In addition to the weekly container availability data, the participating carriers provide average weekly throughput data for the past 6 months. These data help readers understand the aggregate flow of containers that have moved through the 18 select locations by the 8 participating carriers over the previous 6 months. These data will only be updated every 6 months.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
  - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
  - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
  - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
  - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
  - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
  - Chassis: A wheeled frame to which a shipping container can be locked for storage or movement. (Plural chassis)



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