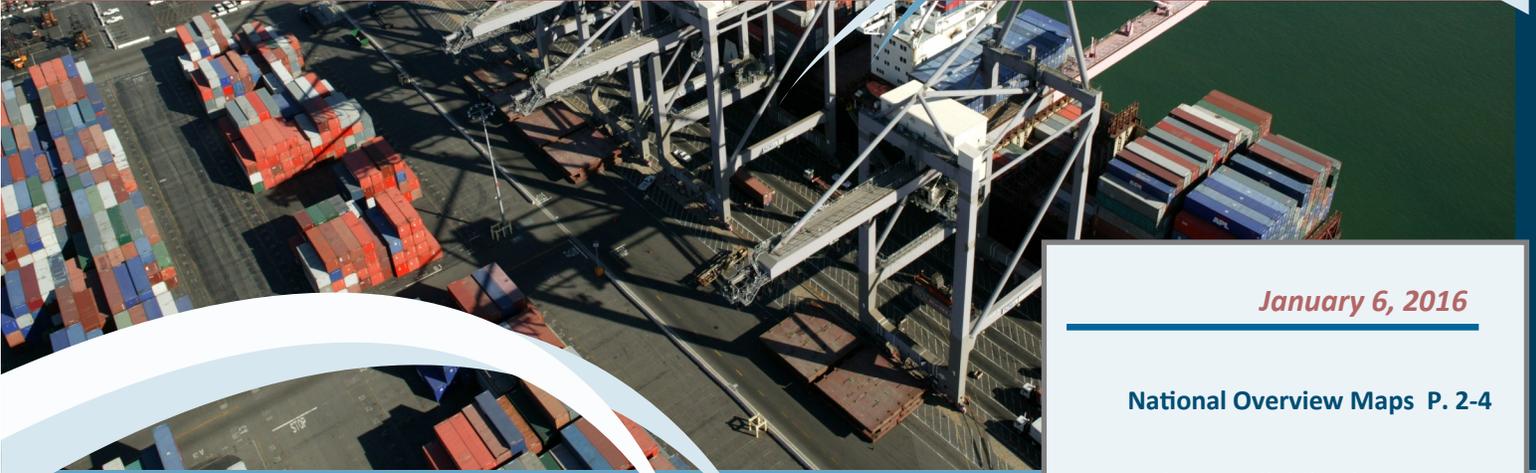




Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report

A weekly publication of the Agricultural Marketing Service

www.ams.usda.gov/oscar



January 6, 2016

National Overview Maps P. 2-4

Container Availability by Location:

Charleston, SC	P.5
Chicago, IL	P.6
Cincinnati, OH	P.7
Columbus, OH	P.8
Dallas, TX	P.9
Denver, CO	P.10
Houston, TX	P.11
Kansas City, MO	P.12
Los Angeles and Long Beach, CA	P.13
Memphis, TN	P.14
Minneapolis, MN	P.15
New Orleans, LA	P.16
New York, NY	P.17
Norfolk, VA	P.18
Oakland, CA	P.19
Savannah, GA	P.20
Seattle, WA	P.21
Tacoma, WA	P.22

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).

Understanding this Report P.23

To subscribe to OSCAR, e-mail:
April.Taylor@ams.usda.gov

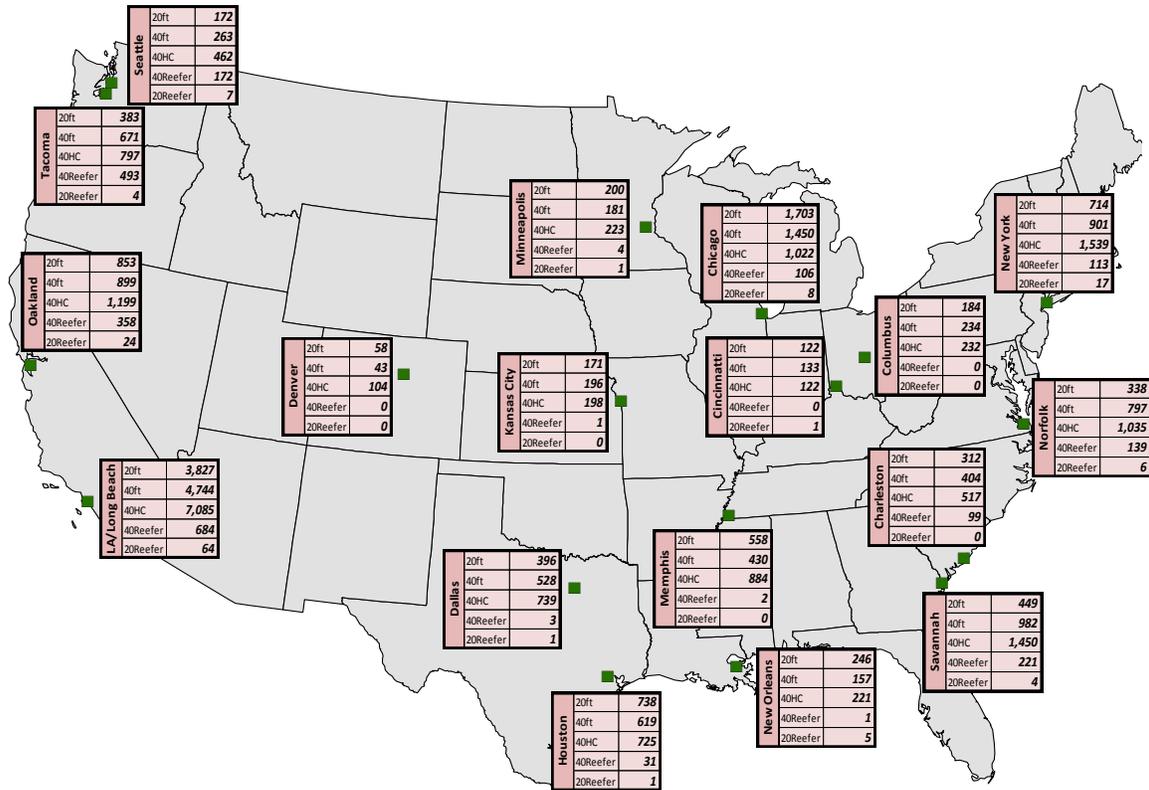
Photo credit: ©Port of Los Angeles

National Overview

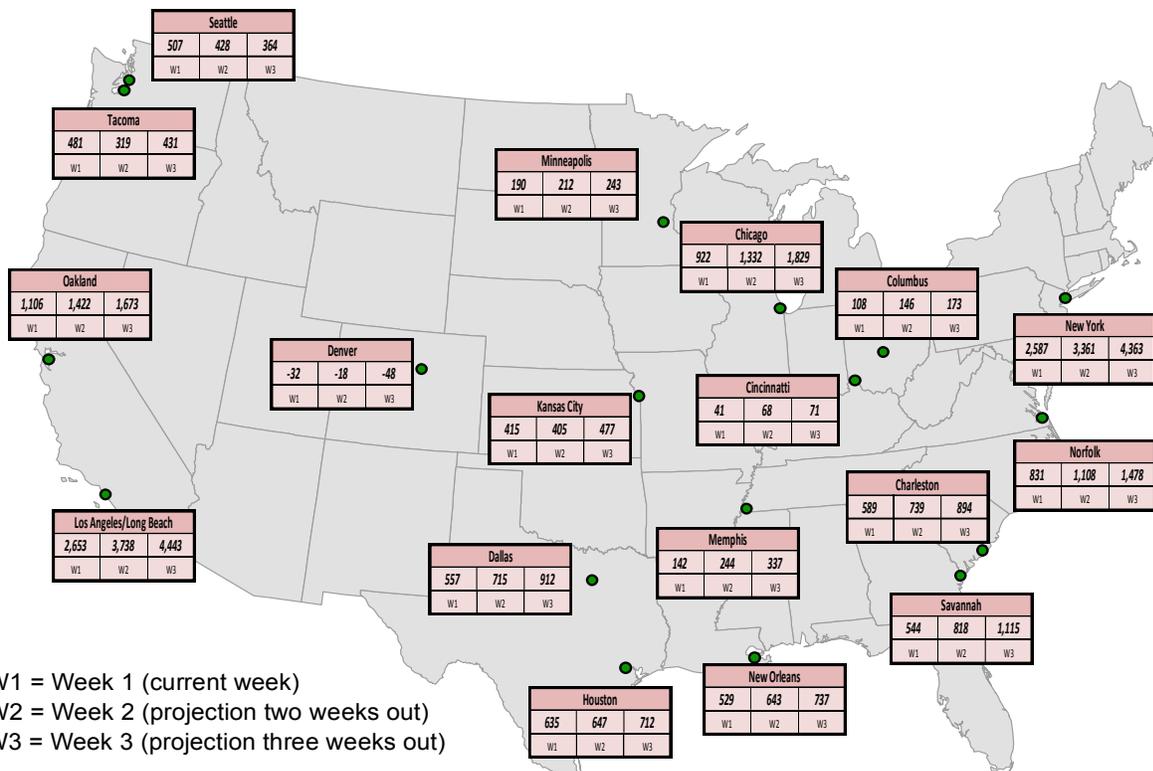
Week of Jan 6-12, 2016



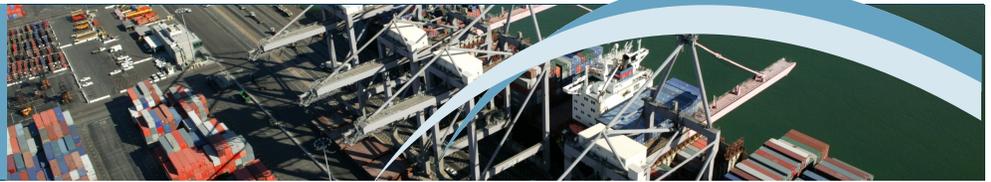
Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput



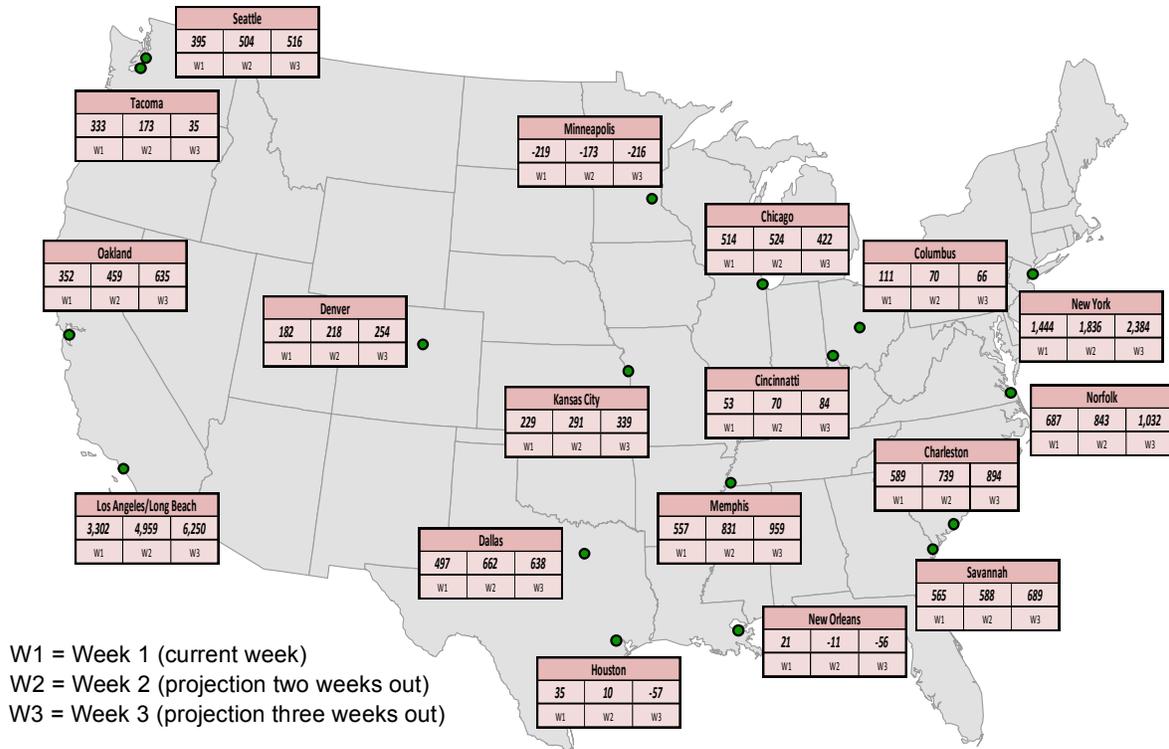
Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



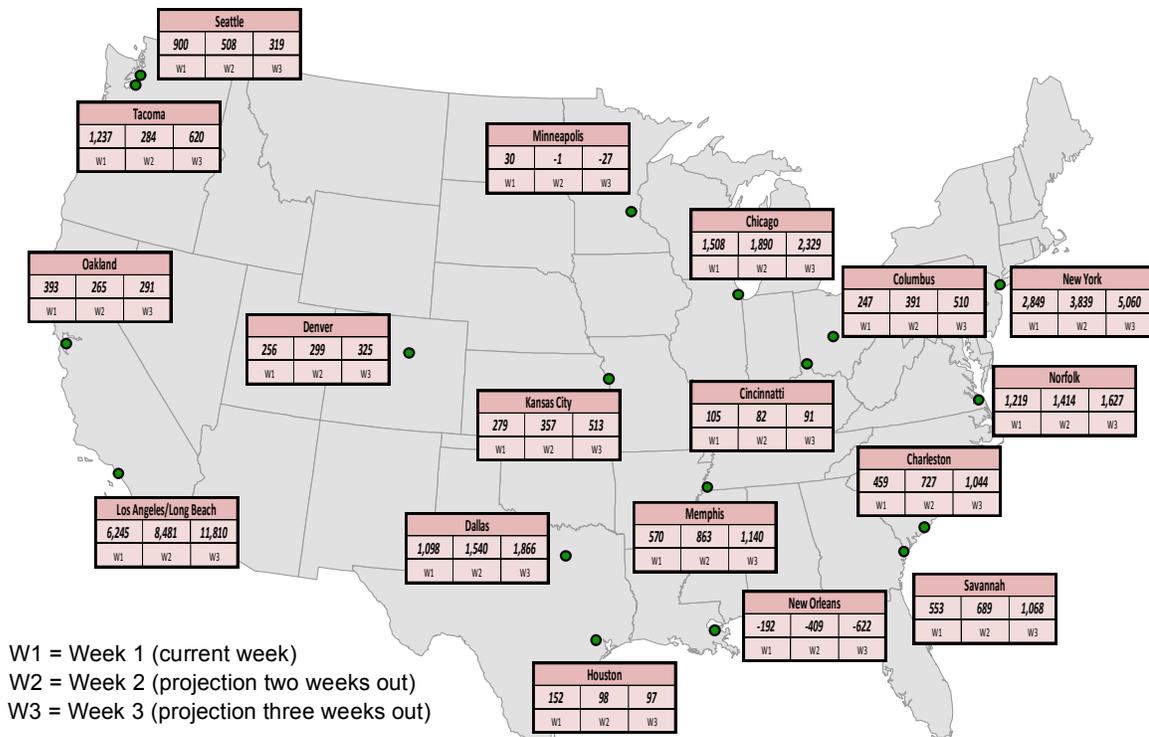
W1 = Week 1 (current week)
 W2 = Week 2 (projection two weeks out)
 W3 = Week 3 (projection three weeks out)



Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers

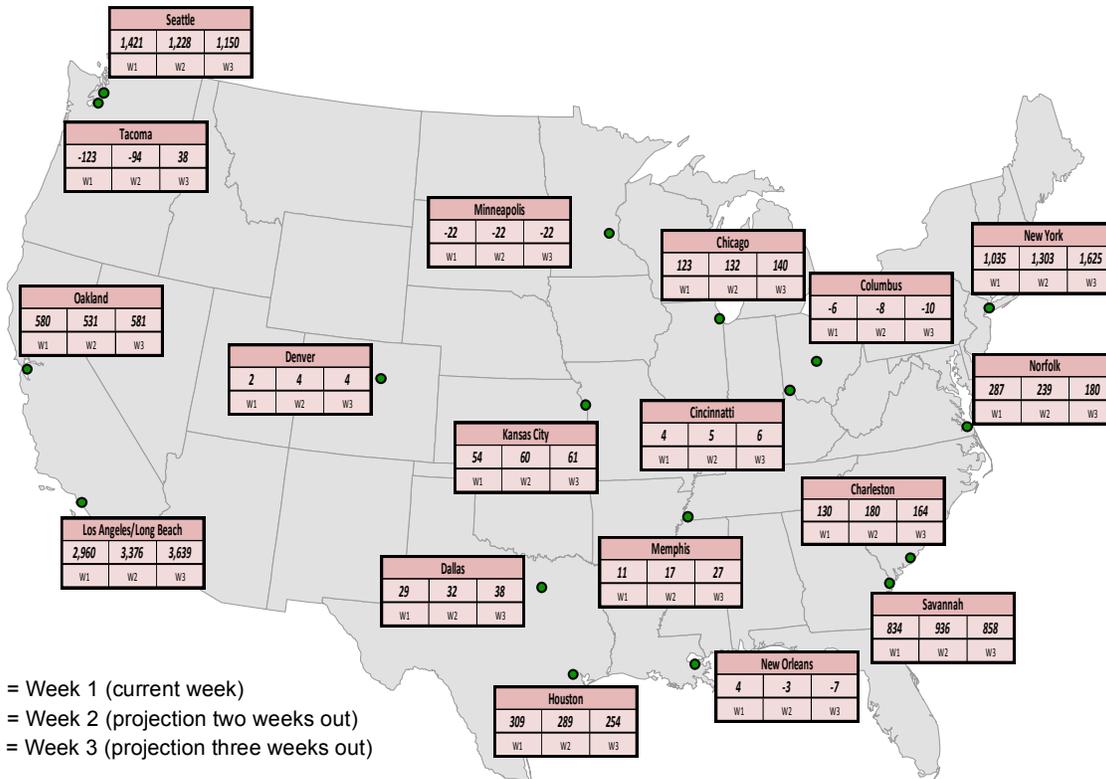


Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

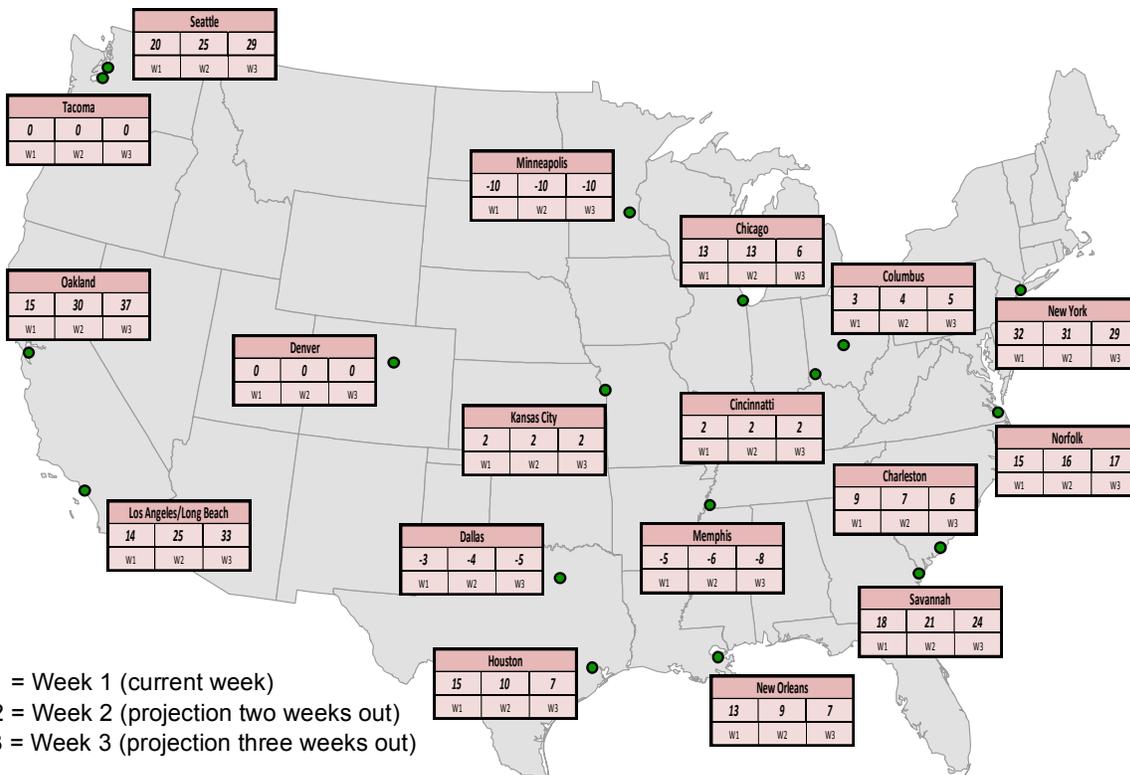




Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	372	103	70	25	19	.	589
Week 2: Jan 13-19	467	131	97	25	19	.	739
Week 3: Jan 20-26	563	143	116	25	47	.	894
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	99	86	25	25	-14	.	221
Week 2: Jan 13-19	96	54	29	25	-35	.	169
Week 3: Jan 20-26	89	50	32	25	9	.	205
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	328	136	50	46	-101	.	459
Week 2: Jan 13-19	483	148	50	100	-54	.	727
Week 3: Jan 20-26	623	161	50	170	40	.	1,044
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	57	50	24	14	-15	.	130
Week 2: Jan 13-19	102	50	22	8	-2	.	180
Week 3: Jan 20-26	100	50	21	3	-10	.	164
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	9	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Jan 13-19	8	-1	.	.	.	.	7
Week 3: Jan 20-26	7	-1	.	.	.	.	6

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	312	0...108
40ft	404	0...200
40ft High Cubes	517	17...200
40ft Refrigerated	99	0...60
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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



Chicago							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	526	364	180	-29	-119	.	922
Week 2: Jan 13-19	747	590	150	13	-168	.	1,332
Week 3: Jan 20-26	965	876	150	67	-229	.	1,829
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	200	161	112	54	-13	.	514
Week 2: Jan 13-19	200	150	110	36	28	.	524
Week 3: Jan 20-26	200	208	118	13	-117	.	422
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	693	300	244	166	105	.	1,508
Week 2: Jan 13-19	1,023	300	277	213	77	.	1,890
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1,346	300	375	256	52	.	2,329
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	200	30	0	-107	.	.	123
Week 2: Jan 13-19	240	30	0	-138	.	.	132
Week 3: Jan 20-26	264	50	0	-174	.	.	140
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	11	2	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Jan 13-19	7	6	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Jan 20-26	3	3	.	.	.	.	6

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	1,703	93...600
40ft	1,450	5...302
40ft High Cubes	1,022	34...405
40ft Refrigerated	106	0...51
20ft Refrigerated	8	0...4

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



Cincinnati							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	21	10	9	3	-2	.	41
Week 2: Jan 13-19	20	10	29	6	3	.	68
Week 3: Jan 20-26	22	10	38	-1	2	.	71
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	38	30	11	-1	-25	.	53
Week 2: Jan 13-19	55	15	31	-8	-23	.	70
Week 3: Jan 20-26	57	25	24	0	-22	.	84
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	73	15	9	4	4	.	105
Week 2: Jan 13-19	77	10	15	-21	1	.	82
Week 3: Jan 20-26	80	10	19	-21	3	.	91
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	4	0	.	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Jan 13-19	5	0	.	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Jan 20-26	6	0	.	.	.	.	6
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	2	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jan 13-19	2	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Jan 20-26	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	122	7...35
40ft	133	8...30
40ft High Cubes	122	11...35
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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



Columbus							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	39	32	28	10	-1	.	108
Week 2: Jan 13-19	44	45	39	20	-2	.	146
Week 3: Jan 20-26	47	52	56	20	-2	.	173
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	68	46	35	25	-63	.	111
Week 2: Jan 13-19	80	46	2	15	-73	.	70
Week 3: Jan 20-26	94	44	-21	15	-66	.	66
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	102	90	50	35	-30	.	247
Week 2: Jan 13-19	154	120	50	93	-26	.	391
Week 3: Jan 20-26	185	150	50	114	11	.	510
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	0	-6	.	.	.	.	-6
Week 2: Jan 13-19	0	-8	.	.	.	.	-8
Week 3: Jan 20-26	0	-10	.	.	.	.	-10
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	3	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Jan 13-19	4	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Jan 20-26	5	.	.	.	.	.	5

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	184	8...60
40ft	234	6...80
40ft High Cubes	232	15...60
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



Dallas							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	163	145	121	103	25	.	557
Week 2: Jan 13-19	129	209	159	168	50	.	715
Week 3: Jan 20-26	152	274	198	238	50	.	912
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	193	159	100	56	-11	.	497
Week 2: Jan 13-19	243	203	100	114	2	.	662
Week 3: Jan 20-26	279	230	100	15	14	.	638
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	424	367	150	127	30	.	1,098
Week 2: Jan 13-19	748	357	200	171	64	.	1,540
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1,064	338	200	166	98	.	1,866
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	32	0	-3	.	.	.	29
Week 2: Jan 13-19	36	0	-4	.	.	.	32
Week 3: Jan 20-26	43	0	-5	.	.	.	38
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	-3	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Jan 13-19	-4	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Jan 20-26	-5	.	.	.	.	.	-5

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	396	5...150
40ft	528	12...250
40ft High Cubes	739	22...250
40ft Refrigerated	3	0...3
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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



Denver							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	26	10	2	-15	-55	.	-32
Week 2: Jan 13-19	29	10	1	8	-66	.	-18
Week 3: Jan 20-26	34	10	1	-17	-76	.	-48
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	96	46	25	15	0	.	182
Week 2: Jan 13-19	112	51	48	15	-8	.	218
Week 3: Jan 20-26	129	55	64	25	-19	.	254
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	76	54	54	42	30	.	256
Week 2: Jan 13-19	89	61	63	56	30	.	299
Week 3: Jan 20-26	104	68	61	62	30	.	325
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	3	0	-1	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jan 13-19	5	0	-1	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Jan 20-26	5	0	-1	.	.	.	4
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jan 13-19	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jan 20-26	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

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



Houston							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	252	150	134	104	-5	.	635
Week 2: Jan 13-19	355	150	75	98	-31	.	647
Week 3: Jan 20-26	438	150	43	99	-18	.	712
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	100	46	-2	-3	-106	.	35
Week 2: Jan 13-19	200	-9	-33	10	-158	.	10
Week 3: Jan 20-26	200	-4	-13	-17	-223	.	-57
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	175	150	103	31	-307	.	152
Week 2: Jan 13-19	218	200	128	-4	-444	.	98
Week 3: Jan 20-26	289	200	161	31	-584	.	97
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	150	103	56	0	.	.	309
Week 2: Jan 13-19	100	129	60	0	.	.	289
Week 3: Jan 20-26	50	140	64	0	.	.	254
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	14	1	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Jan 13-19	9	1	.	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Jan 20-26	4	3	.	.	.	.	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	738	50...316
40ft	619	50...126
40ft High Cubes	725	26...355
40ft Refrigerated	31	0...12
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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



Kansas City							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	294	57	40	27	-3	.	415
Week 2: Jan 13-19	272	64	40	30	-1	.	405
Week 3: Jan 20-26	331	70	40	37	-1	.	477
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	130	72	20	7	0	.	229
Week 2: Jan 13-19	155	84	50	4	-2	.	291
Week 3: Jan 20-26	194	96	50	1	-2	.	339
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	228	30	30	1	-10	.	279
Week 2: Jan 13-19	294	33	50	-1	-19	.	357
Week 3: Jan 20-26	387	47	100	0	-21	.	513
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	47	7	0	.	.	.	54
Week 2: Jan 13-19	50	10	0	.	.	.	60
Week 3: Jan 20-26	49	12	0	.	.	.	61
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	1	1	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jan 13-19	1	1	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1	1	.	.	.	.	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	171	7...60
40ft	196	9...75
40ft High Cubes	198	14...59
40ft Refrigerated	1	0...1
20ft Refrigerated	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 6-12	993	597	421	342	300	.	2,653
Week 2: Jan 13-19	1,210	840	765	523	400	.	3,738
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1,120	1,068	1,078	777	400	.	4,443
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	767	727	660	648	500	.	3,302
Week 2: Jan 13-19	835	1,047	970	1,307	800	.	4,959
Week 3: Jan 20-26	937	1,365	1,345	1,803	800	.	6,250
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	2,010	1,650	1,050	935	600	.	6,245
Week 2: Jan 13-19	1,873	2,566	1,500	1,564	978	.	8,481
Week 3: Jan 20-26	2,557	3,665	2,000	2,184	1,404	.	11,810
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	947	806	600	427	180	.	2,960
Week 2: Jan 13-19	970	868	800	518	220	.	3,376
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1,020	943	800	607	269	.	3,639
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	18	0	-4	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Jan 13-19	28	.	-3	.	.	.	25
Week 3: Jan 20-26	37	.	-4	.	.	.	33

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



Memphis							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	130	53	25	-11	-55	.	142
Week 2: Jan 13-19	180	107	25	-6	-62	.	244
Week 3: Jan 20-26	192	158	50	6	-69	.	337
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	342	122	100	21	-28	.	557
Week 2: Jan 13-19	537	165	100	27	2	.	831
Week 3: Jan 20-26	712	107	100	30	10	.	959
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	343	150	118	-10	-31	.	570
Week 2: Jan 13-19	603	100	214	-12	-42	.	863
Week 3: Jan 20-26	813	100	296	-20	-49	.	1,140
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	6	5	0	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Jan 13-19	9	8	0	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Jan 20-26	15	12	0	.	.	.	27
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	-5	.	.	.	.	.	-5
Week 2: Jan 13-19	-6	.	.	.	.	.	-6
Week 3: Jan 20-26	-8	.	.	.	.	.	-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	558	11...300
40ft	430	11...200
40ft High Cubes	884	9...600
40ft Refrigerated	2	0...2
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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



Minneapolis							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	94	90	30	5	-29	.	190
Week 2: Jan 13-19	87	115	25	4	-19	.	212
Week 3: Jan 20-26	81	143	25	2	-8	.	243
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	53	15	15	-143	-159	.	-219
Week 2: Jan 13-19	69	18	10	-167	-103	.	-173
Week 3: Jan 20-26	67	14	20	-195	-122	.	-216
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	106	67	17	10	-170	.	30
Week 2: Jan 13-19	154	76	15	10	-256	.	-1
Week 3: Jan 20-26	162	99	21	20	-329	.	-27
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	0	-22	.	.	.	.	-22
Week 2: Jan 13-19	0	-22	.	.	.	.	-22
Week 3: Jan 20-26	0	-22	.	.	.	.	-22
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	-10	.	.	.	.	.	-10
Week 2: Jan 13-19	-10	.	.	.	.	.	-10
Week 3: Jan 20-26	-10	.	.	.	.	.	-10

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	200	3...102
40ft	181	1...80
40ft High Cubes	223	2...144
40ft Refrigerated	4	0...4
20ft Refrigerated	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 6-12	506	12	7	5	-1	.	529
Week 2: Jan 13-19	640	-10	4	10	-1	.	643
Week 3: Jan 20-26	770	-53	5	15	0	.	737
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	26	17	5	0	-27	.	21
Week 2: Jan 13-19	23	19	5	-1	-57	.	-11
Week 3: Jan 20-26	4	19	5	-1	-83	.	-56
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	54	50	41	-1	-336	.	-192
Week 2: Jan 13-19	63	50	52	-1	-573	.	-409
Week 3: Jan 20-26	66	50	73	0	-811	.	-622
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	5	0	-1	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Jan 13-19	6	0	-9	.	.	.	-3
Week 3: Jan 20-26	10	0	-17	.	.	.	-7
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	8	5	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Jan 13-19	9	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 3: Jan 20-26	10	-3	.	.	.	.	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	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



New York							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	1,017	889	455	126	100	.	2,587
Week 2: Jan 13-19	678	1,367	593	423	300	.	3,361
Week 3: Jan 20-26	733	1,846	851	633	300	.	4,363
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	444	419	309	150	122	.	1,444
Week 2: Jan 13-19	485	666	401	200	84	.	1,836
Week 3: Jan 20-26	658	915	530	200	81	.	2,384
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	816	675	574	534	250	.	2,849
Week 2: Jan 13-19	966	1,112	1,048	413	300	.	3,839
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1,415	1,543	1,426	376	300	.	5,060
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	359	265	150	141	120	.	1,035
Week 2: Jan 13-19	491	375	150	179	108	.	1,303
Week 3: Jan 20-26	579	484	150	274	138	.	1,625
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	25	7	.	.	.	.	32
Week 2: Jan 13-19	28	3	.	.	.	.	31
Week 3: Jan 20-26	31	-2	.	.	.	.	29

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	714	3...150
40ft	901	56...250
40ft High Cubes	1,539	87...400
40ft Refrigerated	113	0...36
20ft Refrigerated	17	0...10

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



Norfolk							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	372	210	150	83	16	.	831
Week 2: Jan 13-19	399	392	200	90	27	.	1,108
Week 3: Jan 20-26	459	580	300	92	47	.	1,478
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	329	287	100	35	-64	.	687
Week 2: Jan 13-19	411	310	100	27	-5	.	843
Week 3: Jan 20-26	489	352	200	27	-36	.	1,032
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	484	300	296	158	-19	.	1,219
Week 2: Jan 13-19	457	300	388	200	69	.	1,414
Week 3: Jan 20-26	539	300	484	194	110	.	1,627
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	150	100	41	19	-23	.	287
Week 2: Jan 13-19	111	100	30	20	-22	.	239
Week 3: Jan 20-26	84	100	38	-29	-13	.	180
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	11	4	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Jan 13-19	12	4	.	.	.	.	16
Week 3: Jan 20-26	13	4	.	.	.	.	17

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	338	1...175
40ft	797	8...200
40ft High Cubes	1,035	74...300
40ft Refrigerated	139	0...58
20ft Refrigerated	6	0...5

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



Oakland							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	648	150	120	95	93	.	1,106
Week 2: Jan 13-19	848	138	150	100	186	.	1,422
Week 3: Jan 20-26	1,015	245	100	94	219	.	1,673
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	300	188	101	-80	-157	.	352
Week 2: Jan 13-19	200	233	150	-69	-55	.	459
Week 3: Jan 20-26	200	318	174	-66	9	.	635
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	446	350	158	-219	-342	.	393
Week 2: Jan 13-19	407	200	118	-170	-290	.	265
Week 3: Jan 20-26	418	200	102	-172	-257	.	291
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	300	166	116	27	-29	.	580
Week 2: Jan 13-19	250	140	114	47	-20	.	531
Week 3: Jan 20-26	250	122	121	66	22	.	581
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	18	-3	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Jan 13-19	33	-3	.	.	.	.	30
Week 3: Jan 20-26	41	-4	.	.	.	.	37

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	853	26...250
40ft	899	14...300
40ft High Cubes	1,199	34...400
40ft Refrigerated	358	26...120
20ft Refrigerated	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 6-12	200	168	117	56	3	.	544
Week 2: Jan 13-19	200	184	180	50	204	.	818
Week 3: Jan 20-26	200	241	256	22	396	.	1,115
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	268	217	200	188	-308	.	565
Week 2: Jan 13-19	261	35	200	230	-138	.	588
Week 3: Jan 20-26	260	60	200	267	-98	.	689
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	408	300	53	11	-219	.	553
Week 2: Jan 13-19	393	400	81	19	-204	.	689
Week 3: Jan 20-26	627	400	153	100	-212	.	1,068
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	450	226	157	56	-55	.	834
Week 2: Jan 13-19	500	201	175	70	-10	.	936
Week 3: Jan 20-26	400	218	166	85	-11	.	858
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	14	4	.	.	.	.	18
Week 2: Jan 13-19	18	3	.	.	.	.	21
Week 3: Jan 20-26	23	1	.	.	.	.	24

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 6-12	300	129	46	32	.	.	507
Week 2: Jan 13-19	200	160	43	25	.	.	428
Week 3: Jan 20-26	150	179	38	-3	.	.	364
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	215	100	60	20	.	.	395
Week 2: Jan 13-19	233	200	48	23	.	.	504
Week 3: Jan 20-26	253	200	32	31	.	.	516
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	800	88	34	-22	.	.	900
Week 2: Jan 13-19	500	54	-2	-44	.	.	508
Week 3: Jan 20-26	400	-4	-17	-60	.	.	319
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	714	500	174	33	.	.	1,421
Week 2: Jan 13-19	609	400	178	41	.	.	1,228
Week 3: Jan 20-26	522	400	181	47	.	.	1,150
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	24	-4	.	.	.	.	20
Week 2: Jan 13-19	32	-7	.	.	.	.	25
Week 3: Jan 20-26	38	-9	.	.	.	.	29

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

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



Tacoma							
20ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	318	138	25	.	.	.	481
Week 2: Jan 13-19	358	-64	25	.	.	.	319
Week 3: Jan 20-26	385	-4	50	.	.	.	431
40ft Dry							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	190	93	50	.	.	.	333
Week 2: Jan 13-19	81	12	80	.	.	.	173
Week 3: Jan 20-26	37	-82	80	.	.	.	35
40ft High Cube							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	889	248	100	.	.	.	1,237
Week 2: Jan 13-19	768	-584	100	.	.	.	284
Week 3: Jan 20-26	750	-230	100	.	.	.	620
40ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	190	20	-333	.	.	.	-123
Week 2: Jan 13-19	198	20	-312	.	.	.	-94
Week 3: Jan 20-26	202	30	-194	.	.	.	38
20ft Refrigerated							
	Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Jan 6-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jan 13-19	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jan 20-26	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

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	383	1...300
40ft	671	15...500
40ft High Cubes	797	76...600
40ft Refrigerated	493	0...203
20ft Refrigerated	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 2–4 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 6 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)



In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights

1400 Independence Avenue, SW

Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Preferred citation:

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report. January 6, 2016. Web. <http://dx.doi.org/10.9752/TS057.1-6-2016>