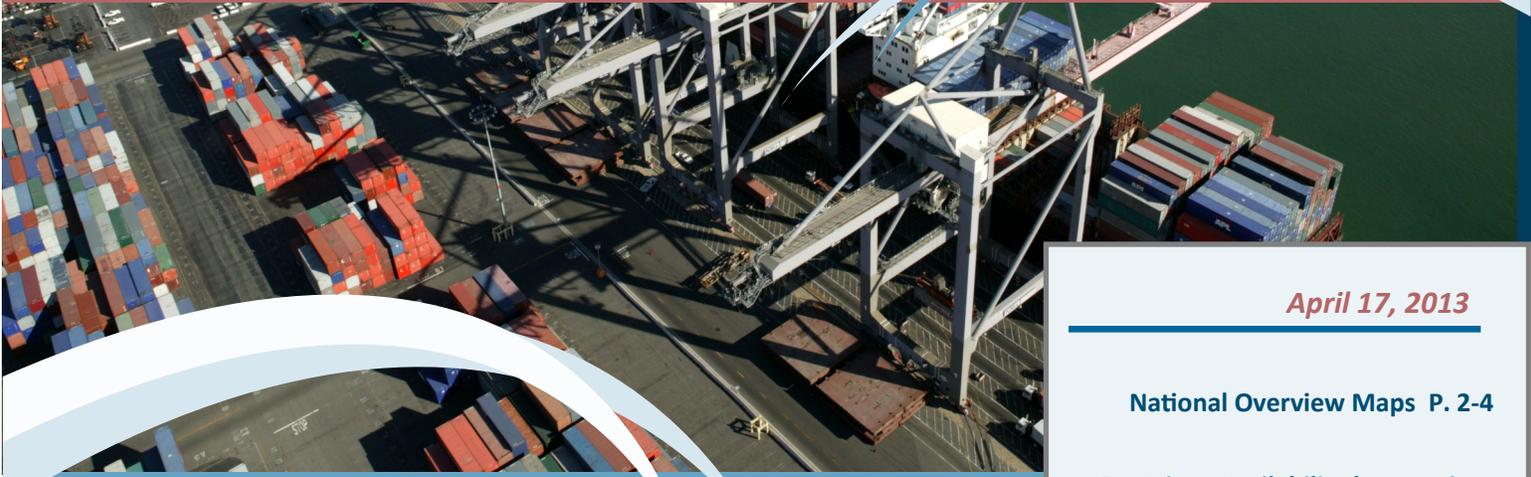


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Weekly Container Overview

- **Ports:** The ports of Los Angeles/Long Beach, New York, Norfolk, and Charleston are expected to have the most available containers among the reported port locations over the next 3 weeks. Container availability estimates at each of these locations fell from the previous week, but over the next 3 weeks overall availability in Los Angeles/Long Beach, New York, and Charleston is expected to increase; decreases are expected in Norfolk.
- **Inland Locations:** Among the reported inland locations, Dallas, Chicago, Memphis, and Columbus are expected to have the most containers available over the next 3 weeks. Dallas, Memphis, and Columbus experienced increases from the previous week; availability in Chicago fell.
- **Equipment:** Overall, availability of all container types combined was down more than 3600 units from the previous week and more than 14,300 units over the past 5 weeks.
 - Only 6 of the reported locations saw increases this week and most were inland locations—Columbus, Dallas, Memphis, New Orleans, and Norfolk.
 - Container availability decreased this week for each container type except for a small increase in 20ft containers (see table below). Availability of 40ft high-cube containers experienced the largest decrease this week, falling 21 percent. Availability of 40ft dry containers has declined for 5 consecutive weeks.
 - Availability of 20ft refrigerated containers fell this week for the first time in 6 weeks. Significant decreases were reported in Los Angeles/Long Beach and New York.

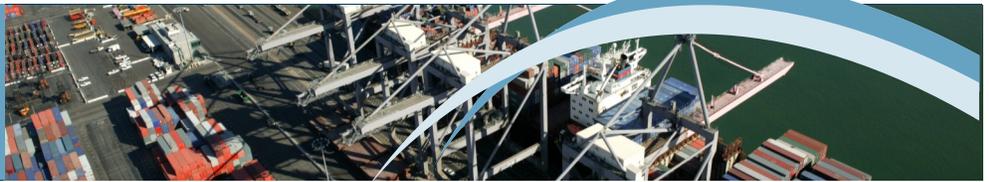
Week-to-Week Comparison of Current Week Availability Estimates

Container type	Week of Mar 27-Apr 2	Week of Apr 3-9	Week of Apr 10-16	Week of Apr 17-23	% Change from Previous Week
20ft dry	11,021	9,042	8,601	8,698	1%
40ft dry	9,304	8,452	8,176	7,930	-3%
40ft high-cube	14,686	14,201	14,782	11,605	-21%
40ft refrigerated	1,488	1,670	1,530	1,250	-18%
20ft refrigerated	194	222	247	220	-11%

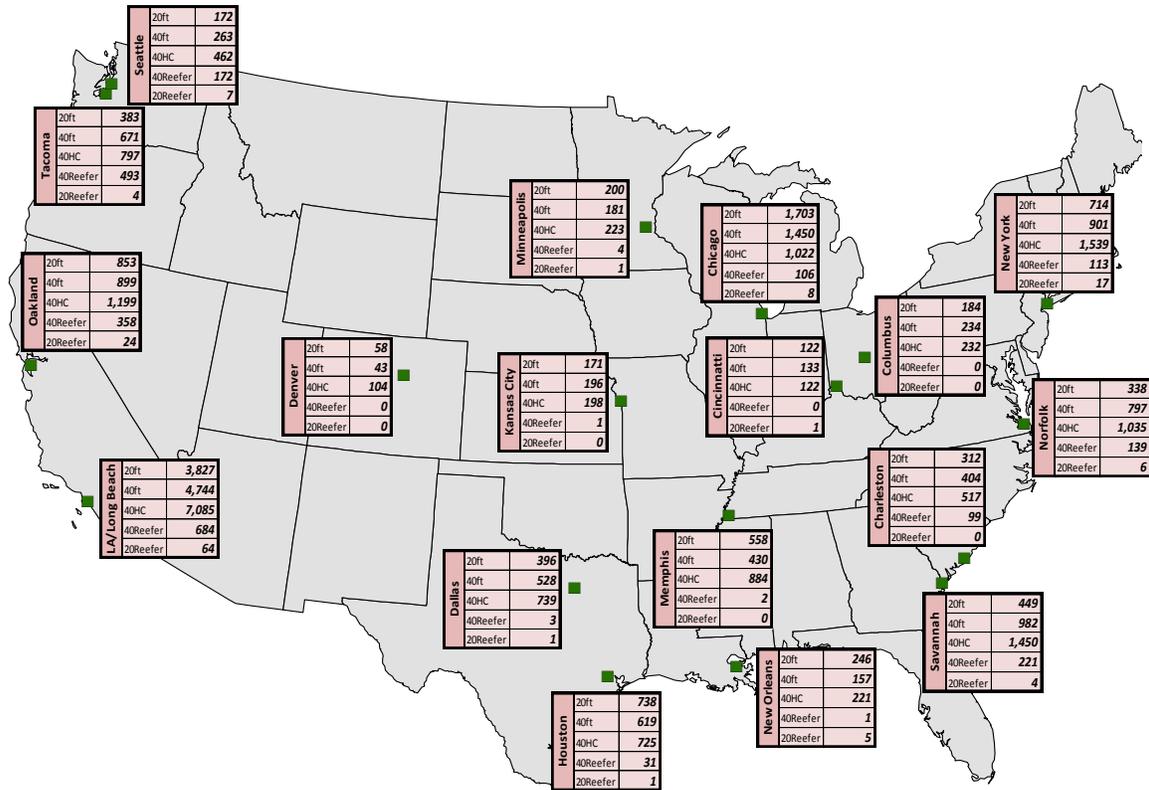
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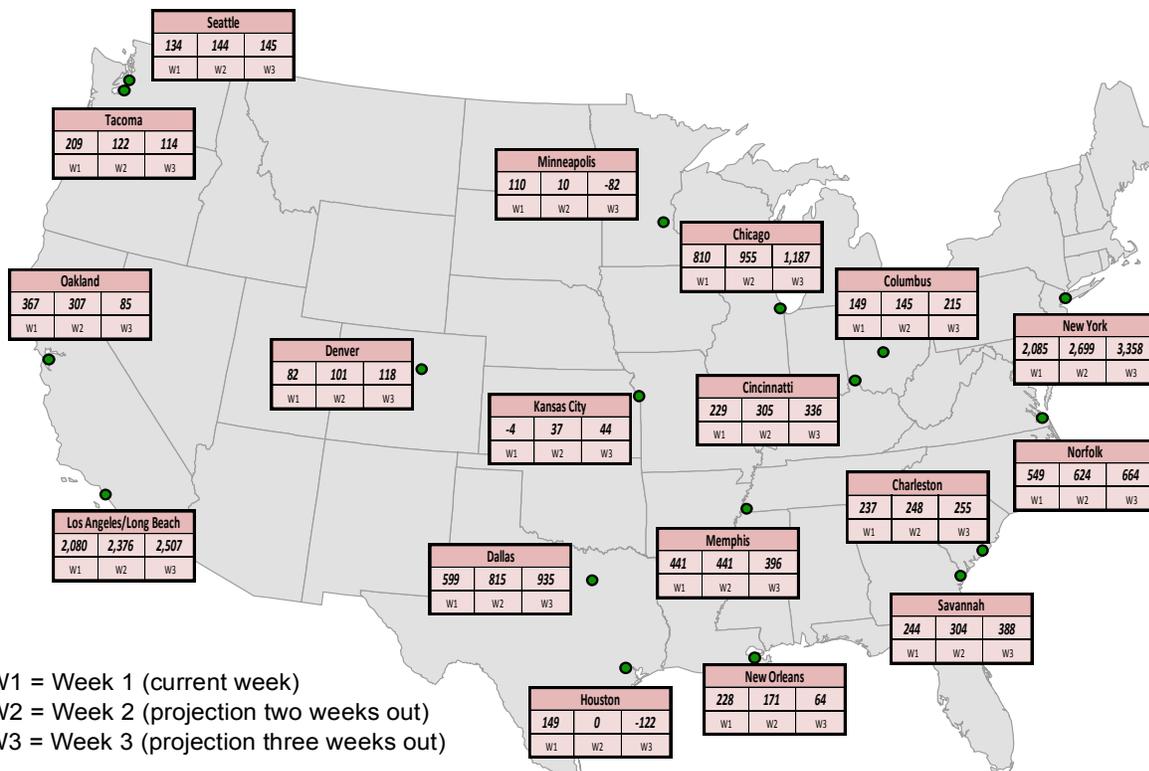
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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput



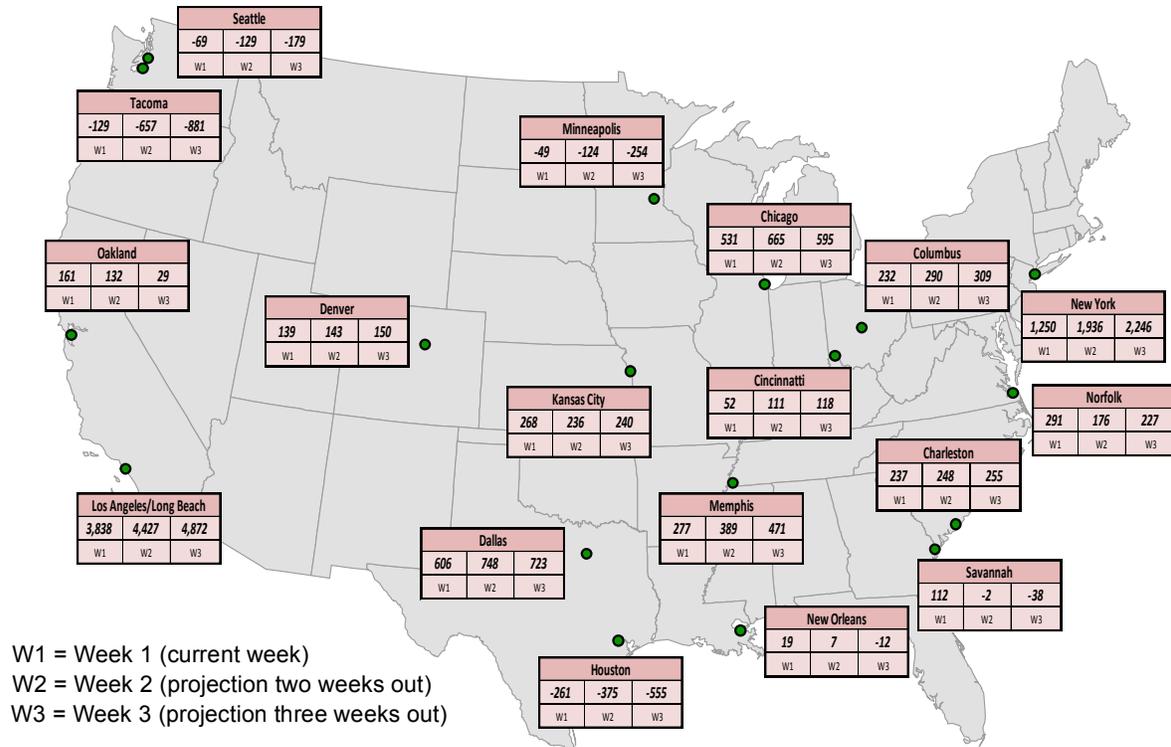
Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



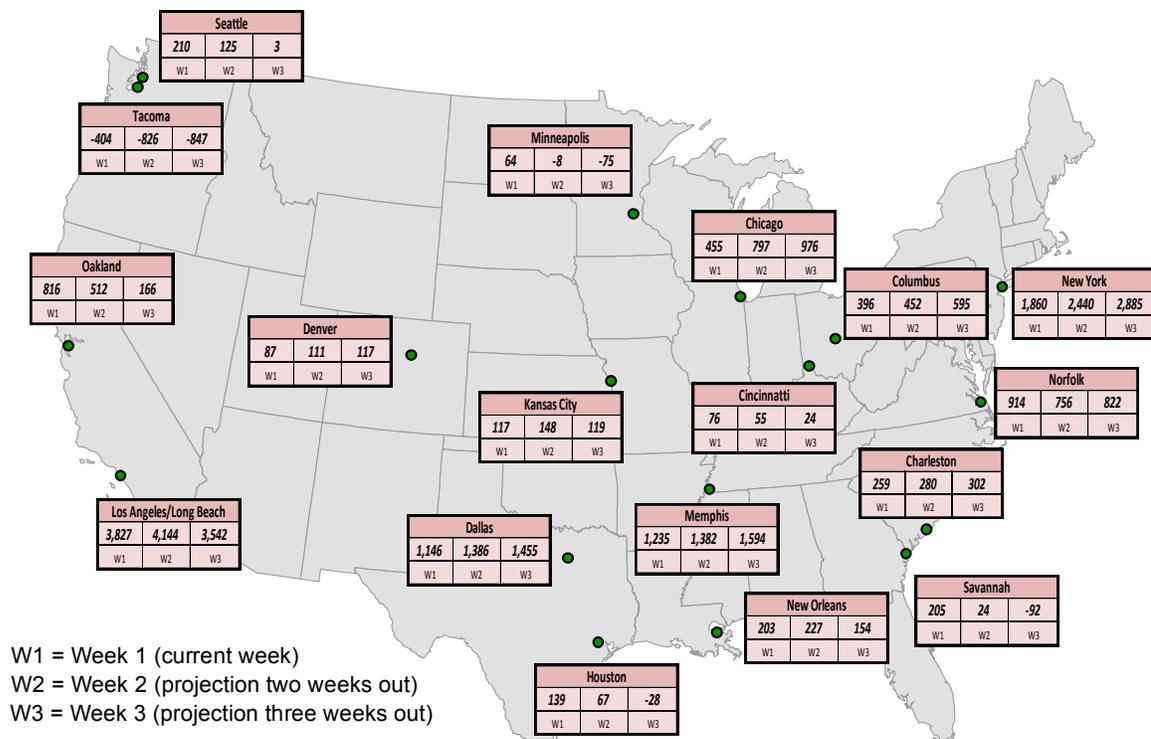
W1 = Week 1 (current week)
 W2 = Week 2 (projection two weeks out)
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Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers

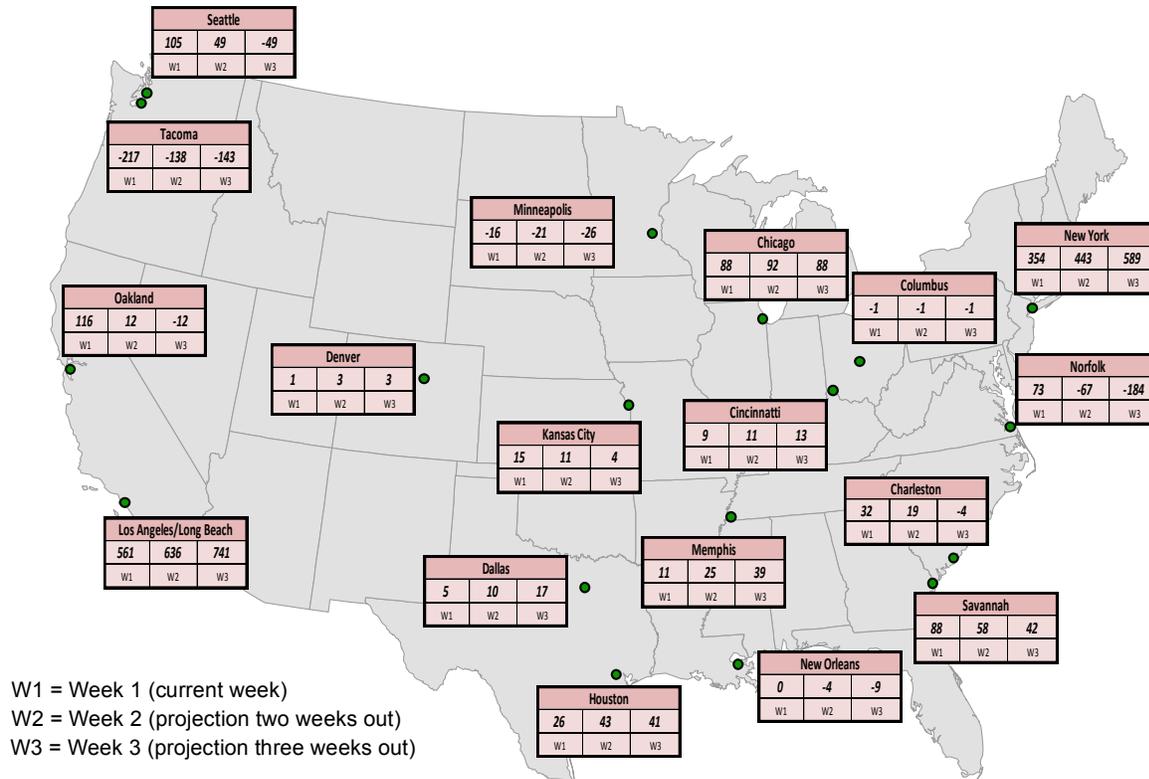


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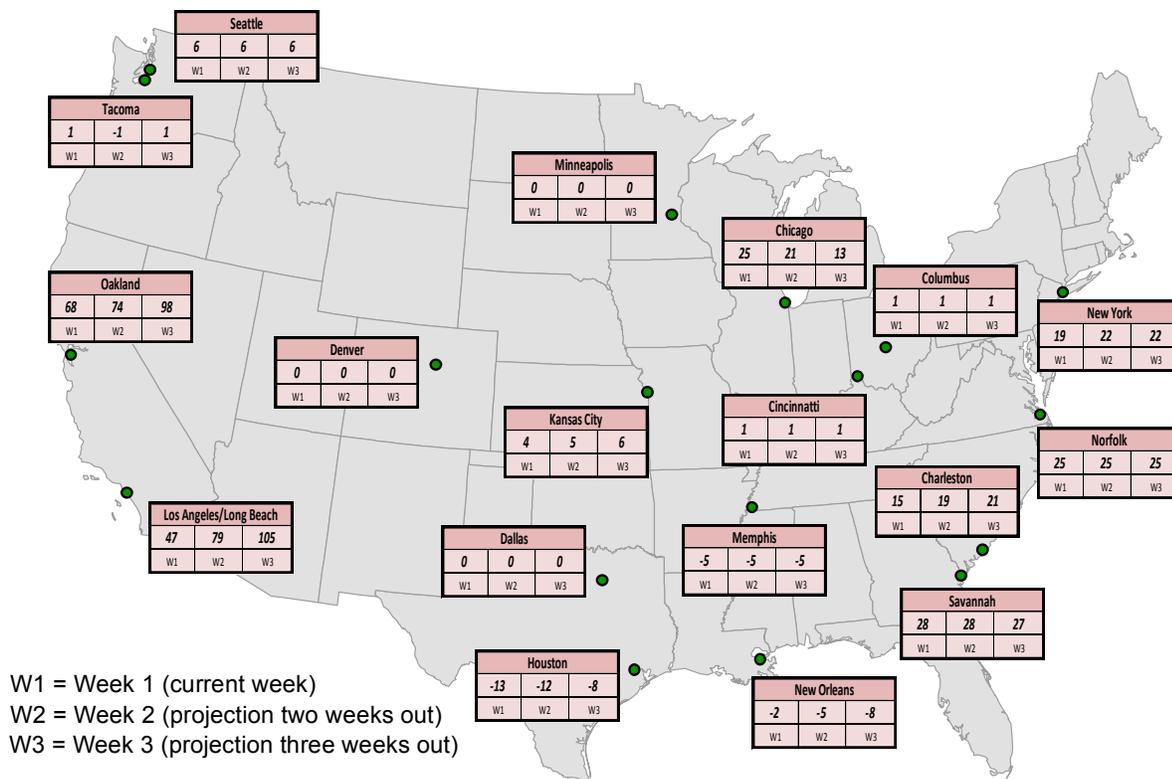




Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	163	63	49	27	2	1	-2	-66	.	.	237
Week 2: Apr 24-30	186	55	49	10	4	1	17	-74	.	.	248
Week 3: May 1-7	229	40	49	2	4	1	16	-86	.	.	255
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	366	137	63	58	21	10	8	-1	.	.	662
Week 2: Apr 24-30	396	83	97	58	22	10	7	-22	.	.	651
Week 3: May 1-7	446	73	126	58	25	10	6	-34	.	.	710
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	257	30	23	8	-5	-10	-10	-34	.	.	259
Week 2: Apr 24-30	288	30	23	8	-47	11	5	-38	.	.	280
Week 3: May 1-7	343	30	23	6	-50	-28	23	-45	.	.	302
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	58	18	16	1	0	-10	-51	.	.	.	32
Week 2: Apr 24-30	45	17	22	1	0	-15	-51	.	.	.	19
Week 3: May 1-7	13	16	28	1	0	-11	-51	.	.	.	-4
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	11	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Apr 24-30	13	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Week 3: May 1-7	15	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21

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: Apr 17-23	294	260	135	61	58	40	10	-48	.	.	810
Week 2: Apr 24-30	375	260	299	61	3	23	10	-76	.	.	955
Week 3: May 1-7	563	260	482	61	2	-143	5	-43	.	.	1,187
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	600	60	42	33	15	14	11	-244	.	.	531
Week 2: Apr 24-30	600	81	107	33	13	-1	11	-179	.	.	665
Week 3: May 1-7	600	-191	180	33	19	-8	11	-49	.	.	595
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	300	130	83	29	12	-2	-29	-68	.	.	455
Week 2: Apr 24-30	300	226	83	21	12	-39	31	163	.	.	797
Week 3: May 1-7	300	358	83	45	12	-50	-88	316	.	.	976
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	50	19	10	9	0	0	.	.	.	.	88
Week 2: Apr 24-30	48	27	10	9	0	-2	.	.	.	.	92
Week 3: May 1-7	47	23	11	9	0	-2	.	.	.	.	88
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	23	2	25
Week 2: Apr 24-30	18	3	21
Week 3: May 1-7	13	0	13

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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

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Cincinnati											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	80	36	34	25	24	15	13	2	.	.	229
Week 2: Apr 24-30	107	76	34	25	16	14	35	-2	.	.	305
Week 3: May 1-7	136	68	34	25	3	19	55	-4	.	.	336
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	26	15	10	9	7	3	-2	-16	.	.	52
Week 2: Apr 24-30	51	15	10	-8	11	3	-2	31	.	.	111
Week 3: May 1-7	76	17	10	-7	15	3	-5	9	.	.	118
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	24	19	19	11	8	1	0	-6	.	.	76
Week 2: Apr 24-30	18	21	15	11	-4	-5	0	-1	.	.	55
Week 3: May 1-7	11	16	12	11	-3	-19	0	-4	.	.	24
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	9	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Apr 24-30	11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: May 1-7	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1	1
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1	1
Week 3: May 1-7	1	1

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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

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Columbus											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	49	30	30	22	14	10	1	-7	.	.	149
Week 2: Apr 24-30	60	-18	30	41	25	12	2	-7	.	.	145
Week 3: May 1-7	72	15	30	55	36	12	2	-7	.	.	215
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	120	48	28	27	20	11	2	-24	.	.	232
Week 2: Apr 24-30	120	69	46	32	20	11	0	-8	.	.	290
Week 3: May 1-7	120	90	64	38	20	16	-4	-35	.	.	309
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	127	94	64	60	27	15	9	0	.	.	396
Week 2: Apr 24-30	191	119	32	60	30	15	9	-4	.	.	452
Week 3: May 1-7	257	175	54	60	36	14	9	-10	.	.	595
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-1
Week 2: Apr 24-30	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-1
Week 3: May 1-7	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-1
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1	1
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1	1
Week 3: May 1-7	1	1

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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

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Dallas											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	231	78	78	77	54	40	24	17	.	.	599
Week 2: Apr 24-30	326	132	136	81	63	40	20	17	.	.	815
Week 3: May 1-7	430	153	212	75	-12	40	20	17	.	.	935
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	238	140	93	75	27	23	10	0	.	.	606
Week 2: Apr 24-30	305	88	164	76	85	20	10	0	.	.	748
Week 3: May 1-7	264	80	239	-7	117	20	10	0	.	.	723
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	296	228	196	155	150	88	23	10	.	.	1,146
Week 2: Apr 24-30	347	360	112	239	150	88	22	68	.	.	1,386
Week 3: May 1-7	403	420	102	295	150	88	20	-23	.	.	1,455
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	9	0	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Apr 24-30	16	0	-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 3: May 1-7	25	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	0
Week 2: Apr 24-30	0
Week 3: May 1-7	0

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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

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Denver											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	58	20	8	8	6	4	-7	-15	.	.	82
Week 2: Apr 24-30	75	20	8	3	7	5	-7	-10	.	.	101
Week 3: May 1-7	92	20	-1	2	7	13	-7	-8	.	.	118
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	55	20	18	14	11	10	7	4	.	.	139
Week 2: Apr 24-30	67	9	17	15	16	10	5	4	.	.	143
Week 3: May 1-7	79	7	14	21	15	10	0	4	.	.	150
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	34	21	11	10	5	5	1	0	.	.	87
Week 2: Apr 24-30	50	21	13	10	5	6	6	0	.	.	111
Week 3: May 1-7	67	15	11	10	5	10	-1	0	.	.	117
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Apr 24-30	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 3: May 1-7	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	0	0
Week 2: Apr 24-30	0	0
Week 3: May 1-7	0	0

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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

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Houston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	150	79	54	39	9	8	-28	-162	.	.	149
Week 2: Apr 24-30	150	15	50	23	9	9	-4	-252	.	.	0
Week 3: May 1-7	150	12	40	4	9	9	14	-360	.	.	-122
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	160	40	5	1	1	-12	-17	-439	.	.	-261
Week 2: Apr 24-30	165	40	5	48	2	-2	-24	-609	.	.	-375
Week 3: May 1-7	160	40	5	32	4	21	-30	-787	.	.	-555
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	175	100	28	5	-14	-32	-49	-74	.	.	139
Week 2: Apr 24-30	220	100	77	2	-34	-20	-49	-229	.	.	67
Week 3: May 1-7	240	100	45	1	-40	-3	-49	-322	.	.	-28
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	15	8	2	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	26
Week 2: Apr 24-30	15	0	2	26	0	.	.	.	.	.	43
Week 3: May 1-7	10	-8	2	37	0	.	.	.	.	.	41
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	0	-4	-9	-13
Week 2: Apr 24-30	0	-3	-9	-12
Week 3: May 1-7	0	-2	-6	-8

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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

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Kansas City											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	18	8	5	3	1	-1	-10	-28	.	.	-4
Week 2: Apr 24-30	35	34	5	29	1	-5	-8	-54	.	.	37
Week 3: May 1-7	46	-43	5	50	1	-9	-4	-2	.	.	44
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	200	68	19	1	0	-4	-6	-10	.	.	268
Week 2: Apr 24-30	200	55	21	-1	0	-31	4	-12	.	.	236
Week 3: May 1-7	200	62	24	-4	0	-35	8	-15	.	.	240
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	93	80	17	0	-2	-2	-12	-57	.	.	117
Week 2: Apr 24-30	143	80	33	0	0	-9	-15	-84	.	.	148
Week 3: May 1-7	200	80	-30	0	9	-12	-18	-110	.	.	119
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	10	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Apr 24-30	6	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: May 1-7	-1	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	4	4
Week 2: Apr 24-30	5	5
Week 3: May 1-7	6	6

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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

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Los Angeles and Long Beach											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	578	500	345	285	270	87	45	-30	.	.	2,080
Week 2: Apr 24-30	389	500	345	323	536	212	50	21	.	.	2,376
Week 3: May 1-7	405	500	345	-14	682	340	50	199	.	.	2,507
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1,025	809	797	572	318	244	45	28	.	.	3,838
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1,025	649	1,273	667	365	244	50	154	.	.	4,427
Week 3: May 1-7	1,025	720	1,658	957	-53	244	50	271	.	.	4,872
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1,700	1,449	611	522	225	169	60	-909	.	.	3,827
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1,700	1,035	1,365	522	273	205	60	-1,016	.	.	4,144
Week 3: May 1-7	1,700	1,250	856	522	409	-132	60	-1,123	.	.	3,542
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	223	120	112	75	61	50	-80	.	.	.	561
Week 2: Apr 24-30	267	163	168	75	-7	50	-80	.	.	.	636
Week 3: May 1-7	310	209	209	75	-32	50	-80	.	.	.	741
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	30	10	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	47
Week 2: Apr 24-30	50	10	19	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	79
Week 3: May 1-7	68	10	27	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	105

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

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Memphis											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	225	77	66	48	21	5	2	-3	.	.	441
Week 2: Apr 24-30	225	62	51	61	21	7	1	13	.	.	441
Week 3: May 1-7	225	23	43	42	21	2	1	39	.	.	396
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	250	89	26	18	9	6	-59	-62	.	.	277
Week 2: Apr 24-30	250	132	8	35	9	10	0	-55	.	.	389
Week 3: May 1-7	250	71	4	48	9	12	124	-47	.	.	471
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	900	170	115	30	15	8	6	-9	.	.	1,235
Week 2: Apr 24-30	900	225	168	16	1	7	6	59	.	.	1,382
Week 3: May 1-7	900	283	222	22	2	5	6	154	.	.	1,594
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	9	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Apr 24-30	21	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Week 3: May 1-7	33	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5
Week 2: Apr 24-30	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5
Week 3: May 1-7	-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	558	11...300
40ft	430	11...200
40ft High Cubes	884	9...600
40ft Refrigerated	2	0...2
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Minneapolis											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	125	47	43	27	8	-8	-9	-123	.	.	110
Week 2: Apr 24-30	125	81	14	6	2	-8	-9	-201	.	.	10
Week 3: May 1-7	125	115	-36	2	6	-8	-8	-278	.	.	-82
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	80	19	19	6	4	-2	-12	-163	.	.	-49
Week 2: Apr 24-30	80	23	42	5	4	-10	-24	-244	.	.	-124
Week 3: May 1-7	80	11	24	6	4	-10	-40	-329	.	.	-254
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	49	22	8	5	2	2	-10	-14	.	.	64
Week 2: Apr 24-30	81	-61	8	5	-1	-21	-10	-9	.	.	-8
Week 3: May 1-7	93	-141	8	5	9	-35	-10	-4	.	.	-75
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	0	-16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-16
Week 2: Apr 24-30	0	-21	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-21
Week 3: May 1-7	0	-26	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-26
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 24-30	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 1-7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Apr 17-23	164	46	14	2	2	0	0	0	.	.	228
Week 2: Apr 24-30	119	33	15	5	2	-3	0	0	.	.	171
Week 3: May 1-7	-1	29	16	18	2	0	0	0	.	.	64
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	65	25	14	4	0	0	-1	-88	.	.	19
Week 2: Apr 24-30	58	8	18	-4	0	0	-1	-72	.	.	7
Week 3: May 1-7	51	-47	17	-14	0	0	-3	-16	.	.	-12
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	170	16	15	10	0	0	-2	-6	.	.	203
Week 2: Apr 24-30	185	21	18	12	0	0	-2	-7	.	.	227
Week 3: May 1-7	85	25	17	22	0	0	-2	7	.	.	154
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	8	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Apr 24-30	3	0	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: May 1-7	-2	0	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-9
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1	-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5
Week 3: May 1-7	1	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-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	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: Apr 17-23	710	512	272	262	120	100	79	30	.	.	2,085
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1,023	600	472	196	120	100	148	40	.	.	2,699
Week 3: May 1-7	1,345	799	563	180	120	100	206	45	.	.	3,358
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	877	214	183	50	25	25	-4	-120	.	.	1,250
Week 2: Apr 24-30	840	368	414	50	25	35	52	152	.	.	1,936
Week 3: May 1-7	1,000	438	656	50	25	40	51	-14	.	.	2,246
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	973	221	198	180	158	58	47	25	.	.	1,860
Week 2: Apr 24-30	896	382	457	180	158	346	-14	35	.	.	2,440
Week 3: May 1-7	1,102	475	724	180	158	212	-16	50	.	.	2,885
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	98	81	74	71	35	10	-15	.	.	.	354
Week 2: Apr 24-30	89	142	109	78	35	10	-20	.	.	.	443
Week 3: May 1-7	192	199	145	28	35	10	-20	.	.	.	589
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	19	5	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Week 2: Apr 24-30	22	5	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22
Week 3: May 1-7	25	5	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22

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

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Norfolk											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	261	157	58	42	10	10	6	5	.	.	549
Week 2: Apr 24-30	249	244	33	81	10	-4	6	5	.	.	624
Week 3: May 1-7	233	330	-7	93	10	-6	6	5	.	.	664
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	221	97	50	12	-4	-19	-22	-44	.	.	291
Week 2: Apr 24-30	203	77	50	10	-4	-7	-114	-39	.	.	176
Week 3: May 1-7	184	95	50	10	-4	-10	-60	-38	.	.	227
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	300	263	228	80	79	19	10	-65	.	.	914
Week 2: Apr 24-30	300	323	349	-38	-48	19	10	-159	.	.	756
Week 3: May 1-7	300	381	452	-55	-161	19	10	-124	.	.	822
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	73	44	10	0	-10	-19	-25	.	.	.	73
Week 2: Apr 24-30	-2	30	10	0	-15	-81	-9	.	.	.	-67
Week 3: May 1-7	-57	27	10	0	-15	-142	-7	.	.	.	-184
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	22	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Week 2: Apr 24-30	22	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Week 3: May 1-7	22	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25

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

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Oakland											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	206	140	51	46	18	-15	-37	-42	.	.	367
Week 2: Apr 24-30	145	140	33	46	18	-77	20	-18	.	.	307
Week 3: May 1-7	60	140	30	46	20	-141	-30	-40	.	.	85
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	270	100	30	16	8	-7	-104	-152	.	.	161
Week 2: Apr 24-30	295	100	-15	19	-11	-7	-54	-195	.	.	132
Week 3: May 1-7	212	100	-29	19	-14	-7	-56	-196	.	.	29
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	480	363	150	20	19	-2	-13	-201	.	.	816
Week 2: Apr 24-30	563	235	150	18	-52	-2	-46	-354	.	.	512
Week 3: May 1-7	660	-140	150	25	-87	-2	-60	-380	.	.	166
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	343	107	20	10	-5	-84	-102	-173	.	.	116
Week 2: Apr 24-30	223	83	20	10	-14	-99	-102	-109	.	.	12
Week 3: May 1-7	165	111	20	10	-25	-100	-102	-91	.	.	-12
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	54	10	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	68
Week 2: Apr 24-30	66	10	-2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	74
Week 3: May 1-7	78	10	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	98

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

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Savannah											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	60	49	45	29	28	20	18	-5	.	.	244
Week 2: Apr 24-30	60	49	101	11	-63	67	10	69	.	.	304
Week 3: May 1-7	60	49	157	8	-53	113	12	42	.	.	388
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	361	160	75	12	-6	-8	-30	-452	.	.	112
Week 2: Apr 24-30	487	157	75	10	-16	-67	-30	-618	.	.	-2
Week 3: May 1-7	615	156	75	10	-20	-66	-30	-778	.	.	-38
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	344	250	127	38	12	-2	-29	-535	.	.	205
Week 2: Apr 24-30	444	250	148	38	10	-98	-103	-665	.	.	24
Week 3: May 1-7	528	250	106	38	10	-110	-100	-814	.	.	-92
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	162	14	5	-3	-13	-30	-47	.	.	.	88
Week 2: Apr 24-30	168	7	5	-3	-32	-30	-57	.	.	.	58
Week 3: May 1-7	180	5	5	-3	-43	-35	-67	.	.	.	42
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	19	8	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
Week 2: Apr 24-30	19	8	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
Week 3: May 1-7	18	8	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	27

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

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Seattle											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	87	21	10	10	3	3	134
Week 2: Apr 24-30	82	35	10	10	4	3	.	.	.	.	144
Week 3: May 1-7	79	43	10	10	0	3	.	.	.	.	145
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	27	25	10	0	-22	-109	.	.	.	.	-69
Week 2: Apr 24-30	15	25	10	0	-11	-168	.	.	.	.	-129
Week 3: May 1-7	16	25	10	0	-1	-229	.	.	.	.	-179
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	123	100	65	10	8	-96	.	.	.	.	210
Week 2: Apr 24-30	34	100	72	10	5	-96	.	.	.	.	125
Week 3: May 1-7	-81	100	70	10	0	-96	.	.	.	.	3
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	82	78	30	20	-105	.	.	.	.	.	105
Week 2: Apr 24-30	35	64	35	20	-105	.	.	.	.	.	49
Week 3: May 1-7	-42	48	30	20	-105	.	.	.	.	.	-49
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	5	1	6
Week 2: Apr 24-30	5	1	6
Week 3: May 1-7	5	1	6

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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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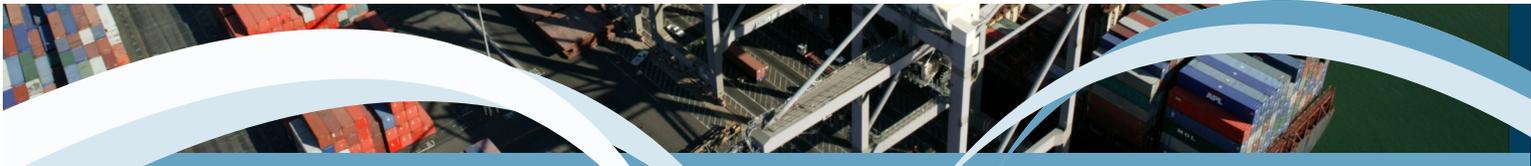


Tacoma											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	73	66	20	16	14	10	10	.	.	.	209
Week 2: Apr 24-30	79	51	20	-1	-47	10	10	.	.	.	122
Week 3: May 1-7	64	67	20	-10	-47	10	10	.	.	.	114
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	10	8	1	-11	-11	-32	-94	.	.	.	-129
Week 2: Apr 24-30	10	8	-340	-11	-99	-64	-161	.	.	.	-657
Week 3: May 1-7	10	8	-528	-11	-105	-113	-142	.	.	.	-881
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	60	8	-29	-38	-65	-95	-245	.	.	.	-404
Week 2: Apr 24-30	60	10	-163	-40	-65	-246	-382	.	.	.	-826
Week 3: May 1-7	60	10	-164	-69	-65	-194	-425	.	.	.	-847
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	278	5	0	-25	-99	-141	-235	.	.	.	-217
Week 2: Apr 24-30	280	5	0	-25	-109	-108	-181	.	.	.	-138
Week 3: May 1-7	281	5	0	-25	-166	-51	-187	.	.	.	-143
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Apr 17-23	1	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Apr 24-30	1	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-1
Week 3: May 1-7	1	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

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 the 8 member carriers in the Westbound Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (WTSA). The WTSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, Hapag Lloyd, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, OOCL, K Line, and Hyundai Merchant Marine.

- 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.
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 - 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.
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