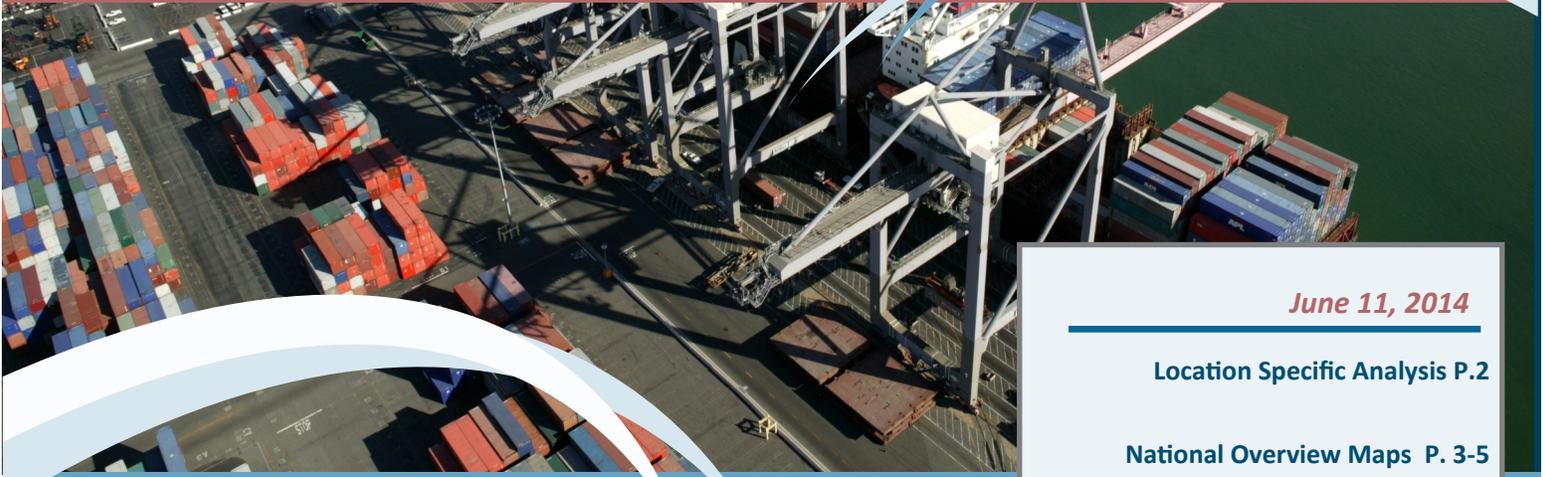




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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for 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).



Location Specific Container Availability Analysis

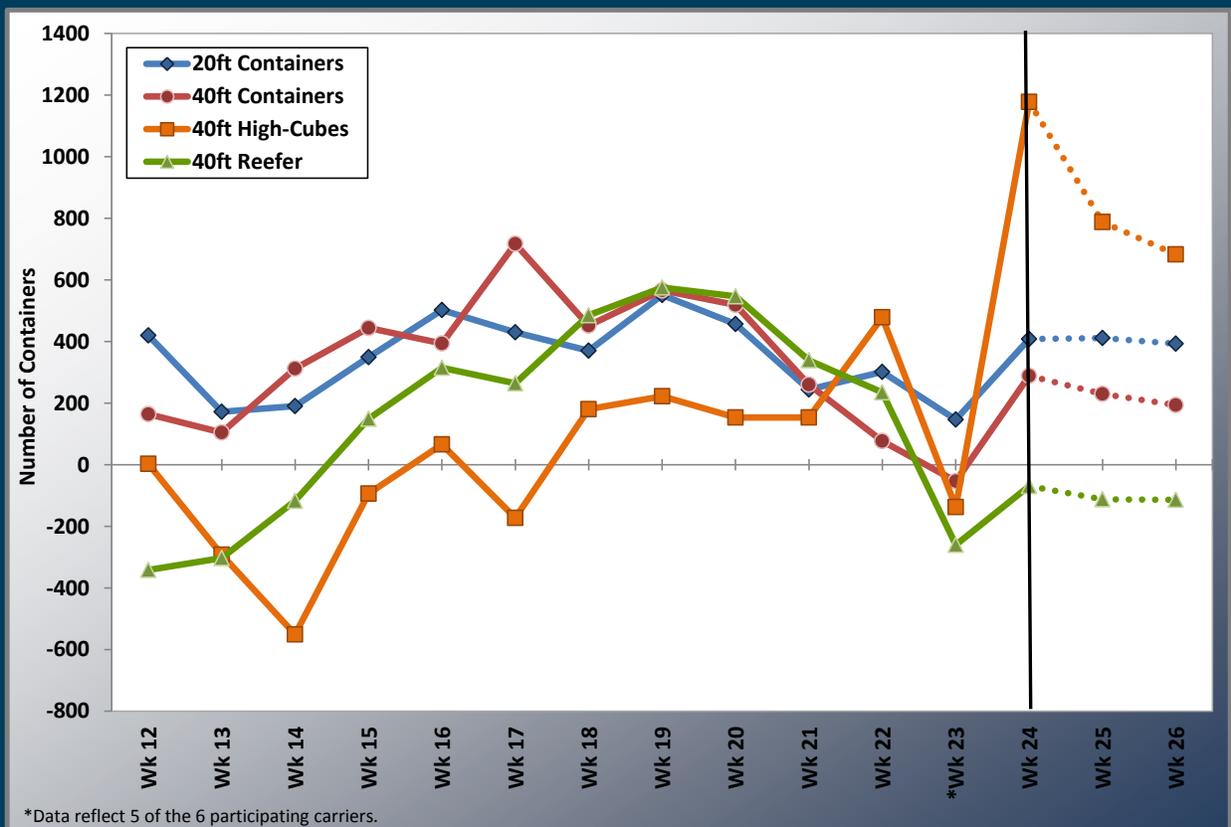
Historical Analysis of Tacoma

The Port of Tacoma ranks 8th in the nation for overall waterborne agricultural exports, but 4th for containerized waterborne agricultural exports. In 2013, more than 58 percent of the agricultural exports through Tacoma were moved in containers. Between April and June of 2013, Tacoma moved more than 676,000 metric tons of containerized agricultural products. Grain and grain products, including soybeans, accounted for 51 percent of the agricultural exports moved through the port, followed by vegetables, which accounted for 19 percent. Meat and fruit were also among the top exports through Tacoma, accounting for 6 and 5 percent respectively. Since refrigerated exports are among the port's top containerized agricultural products, data for 40ft refrigerated containers is included in the historical graphic below. Agricultural exporters used 40ft containers to move approximately 77 percent of exports. During the same period, agricultural exporters used Evergreen Line to move 35 percent, followed by K Line, which moved 16 percent, Hyundai and OOCL with 9 percent each.¹

Congress presented the long-awaited Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) to the President on June 3 and the President signed it on June 10. Much like its neighboring port Seattle, Tacoma stands to benefit from the WRRDA because it is a so-called "donor port." The Journal of Commerce recently defined "donor ports" as ports that have collected at least \$15 million in Harbor Maintenance Tax (HMT) dollars annually, received less than 25 percent of their collected HMT back in the last 5 fiscal years, and handled more than 2 million TEUs in fiscal 2012. As such a port, it is possible when funds are eventually appropriated by Congress from the provisions authorized by WRRDA 2014, that Tacoma could potentially have more funding and flexibility on how those funds are spent.

Over the past several weeks, container availability for each of the dry container types as well as the 40ft refrigerated containers in Tacoma has followed a similar pattern. Since the end of March, estimates for 40 and 20ft dry containers followed each other very closely, averaging 373 and 374 units respectively. The availability of 40ft high-cube containers has been the most volatile, ranging from -551 to 1178 units since the third week of April.² In the data provided, our participating carriers have factored in the impending end to the West Coast Longshore Labor Contract, as the higher estimates incorporate importers routing cargo away from Southern California and in some cases to the Pacific Northwest. It appears this may be causing dry container availability estimates to grow in Tacoma and Seattle. However, over the next 2 weeks, availability for all reported container types is expected to decrease.

Weekly Container Availability Estimates in Tacoma, 4th week of March (Wk 12) through 2nd week of June (Wk 24), with Projections

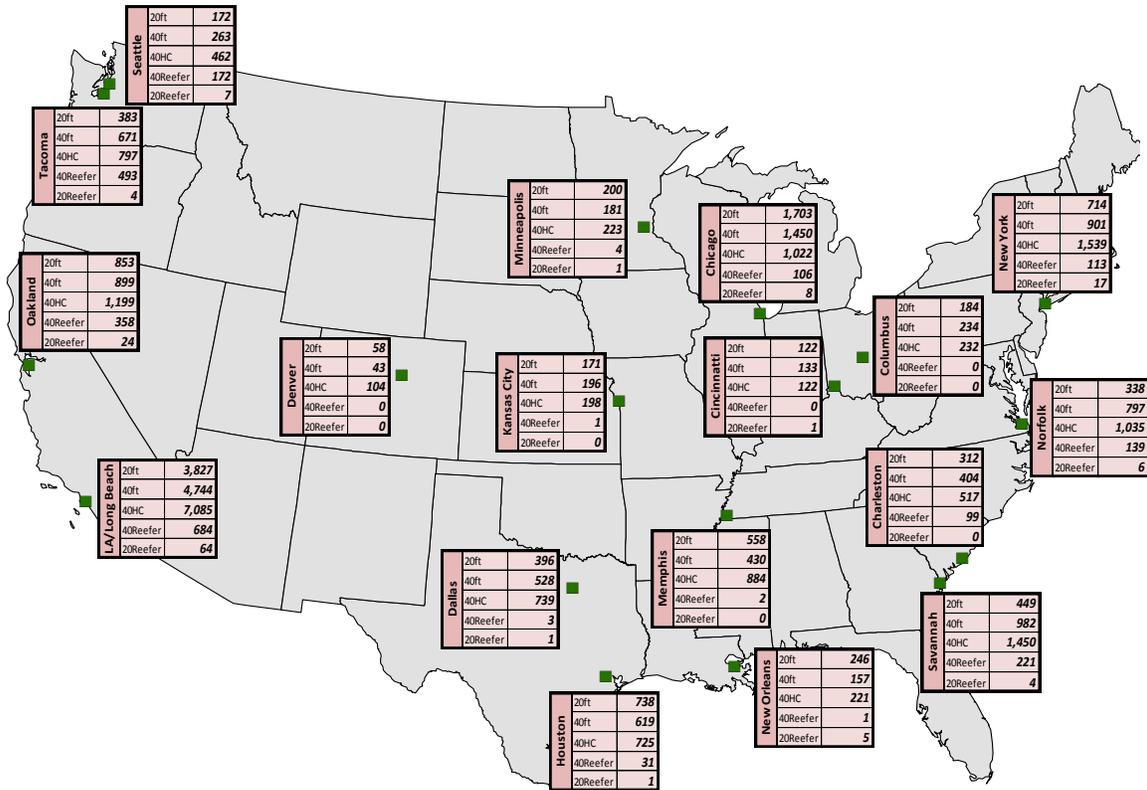


*Data reflect 5 of the 6 participating carriers.

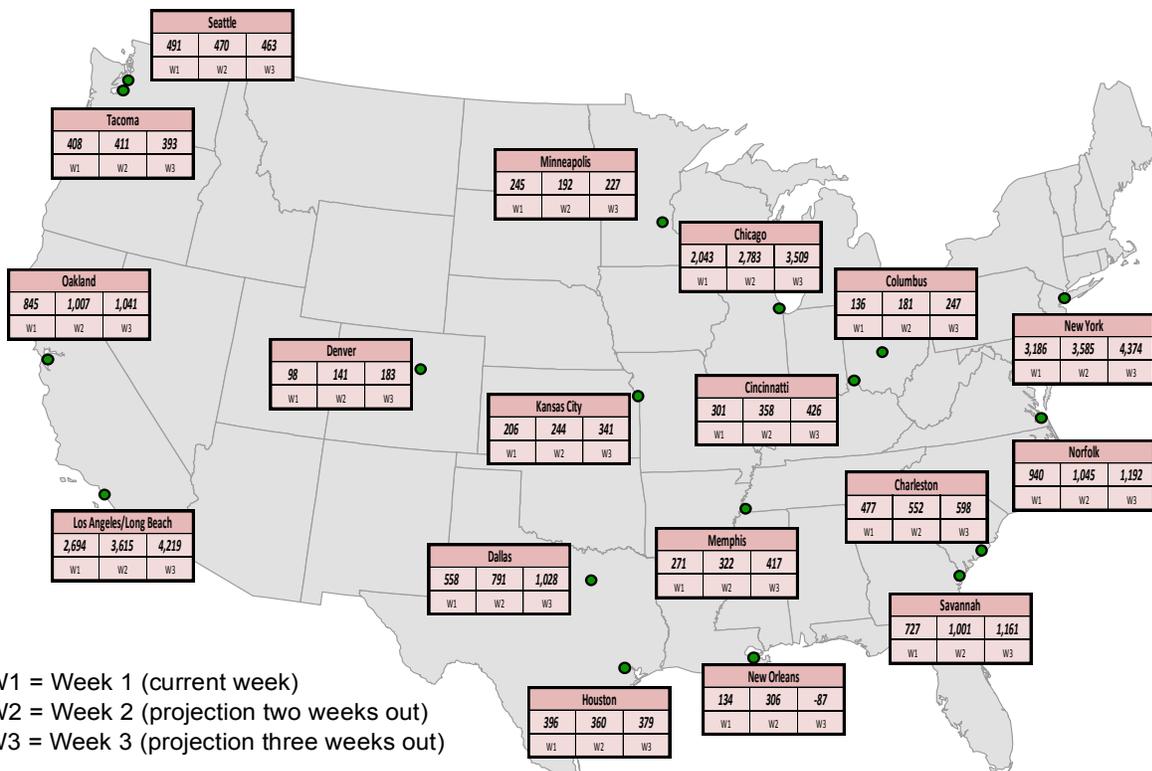
¹ Source: USDA/Agricultural Marketing Service/Transportation Services Division analysis of Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS) data .
² Estimates of zero indicate the demand for containers matches the supply. Estimates that are below zero indicate the demand for containers is greater than the supply. Estimates above zero indicate the supply of containers is greater than the demand.



Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput



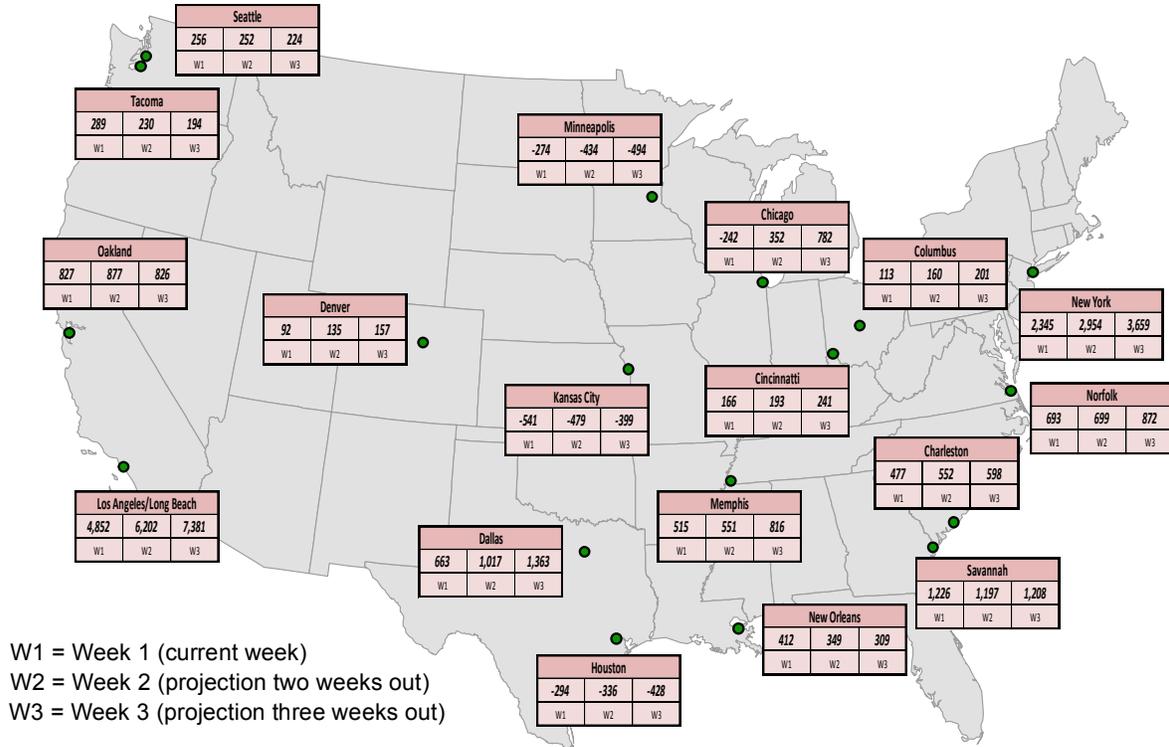
Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



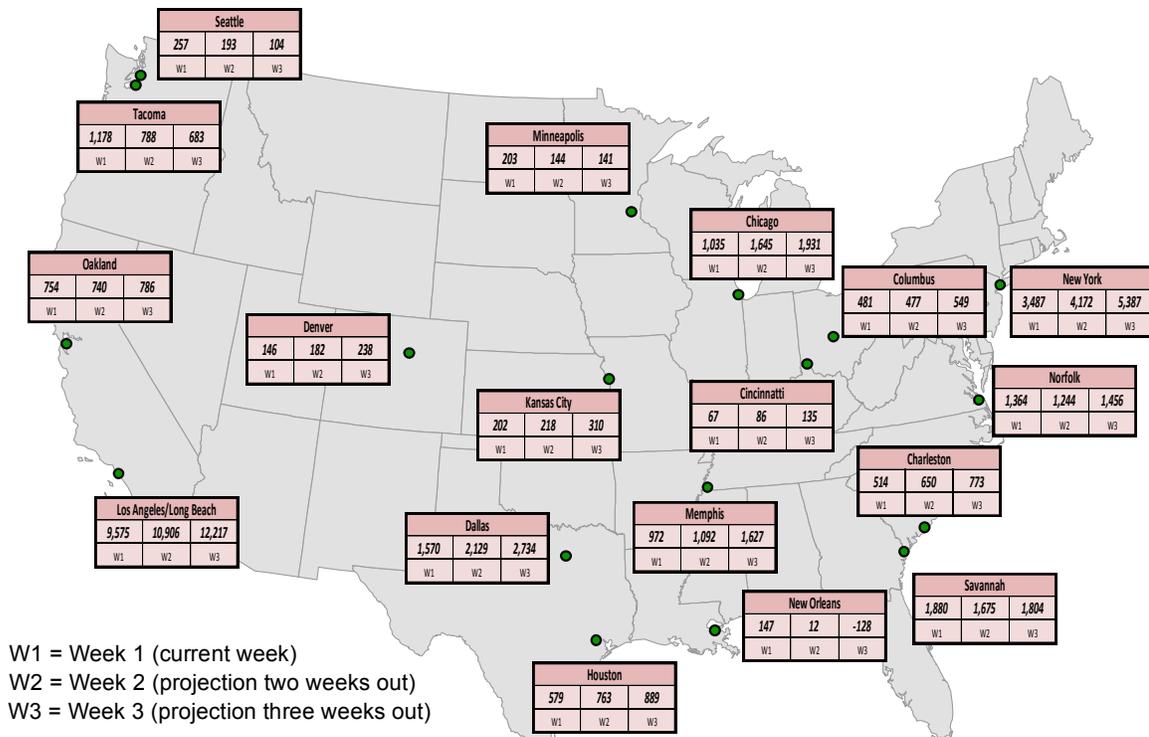
W1 = Week 1 (current week)
W2 = Week 2 (projection two weeks out)
W3 = Week 3 (projection three weeks out)



Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

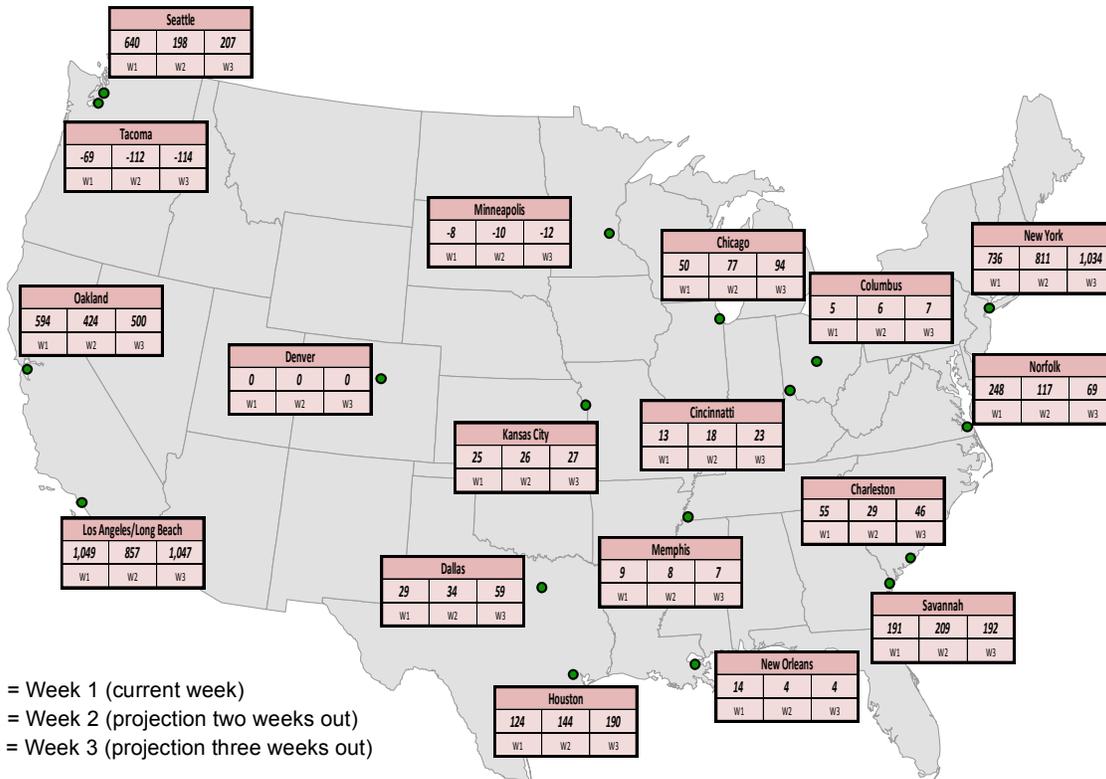


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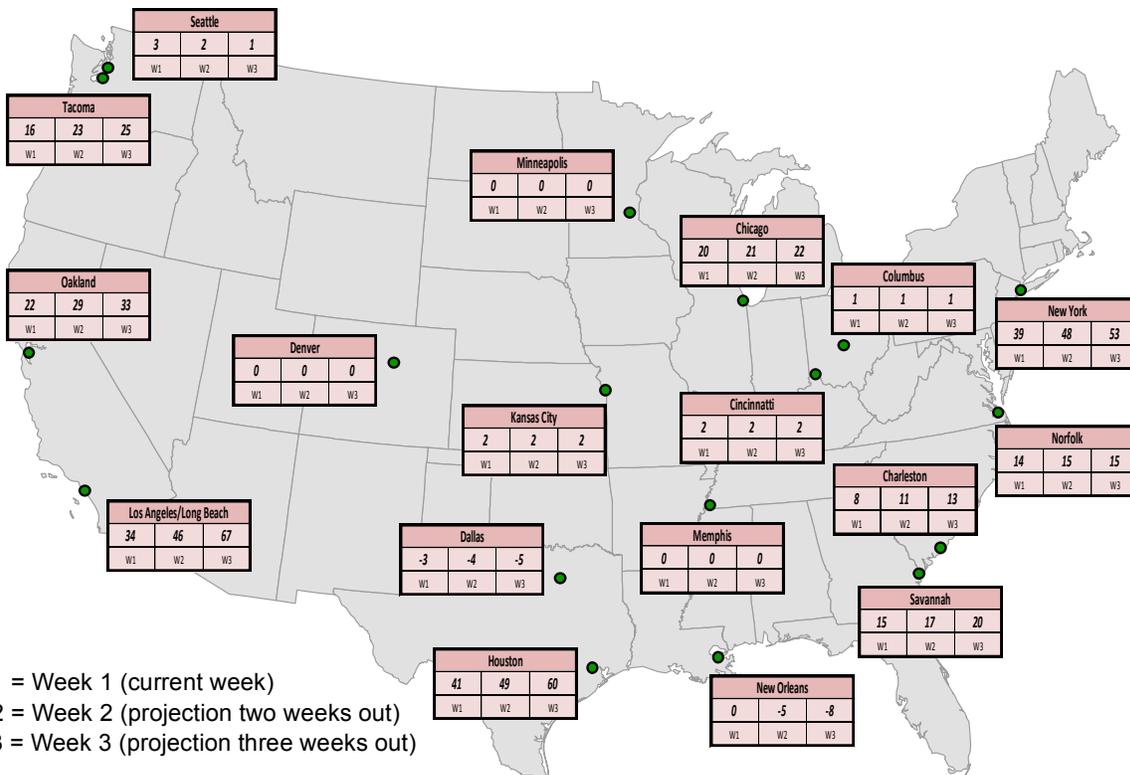
Week of Jun 11-17, 2014



Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	160	97	90	83	30	17	.	.	.	.	477
Week 2: Jun 18-24	185	82	90	111	35	49	.	.	.	.	552
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	187	77	90	133	32	79	.	.	.	.	598
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	195	149	90	76	51	35	.	.	.	.	596
Week 2: Jun 18-24	217	168	90	86	31	45	.	.	.	.	637
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	217	159	90	90	33	68	.	.	.	.	657
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	130	122	105	65	48	44	.	.	.	.	514
Week 2: Jun 18-24	130	175	147	58	93	47	.	.	.	.	650
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	130	243	165	92	95	48	.	.	.	.	773
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	42	23	9	5	0	-24	.	.	.	.	55
Week 2: Jun 18-24	33	31	9	5	2	-51	.	.	.	.	29
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	25	39	9	5	4	-36	.	.	.	.	46
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	4	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 2: Jun 18-24	5	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	6	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13

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: Jun 11-17	1,287	467	281	247	-39	-200	.	.	.	.	2,043
Week 2: Jun 18-24	1,672	763	150	416	-18	-200	.	.	.	.	2,783
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	2,045	976	140	563	-15	-200	.	.	.	.	3,509
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	538	231	221	8	-40	-1,200	.	.	.	.	-242
Week 2: Jun 18-24	655	485	394	3	15	-1,200	.	.	.	.	352
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	773	625	554	5	25	-1,200	.	.	.	.	782
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	1,036	508	200	58	33	-800	.	.	.	.	1,035
Week 2: Jun 18-24	1,251	612	454	100	28	-800	.	.	.	.	1,645
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	1,546	474	585	100	26	-800	.	.	.	.	1,931
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	81	19	0	0	-50	.	.	.	.	.	50
Week 2: Jun 18-24	104	30	0	0	-57	.	.	.	.	.	77
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	131	30	0	0	-67	.	.	.	.	.	94
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	13	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20
Week 2: Jun 18-24	13	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	13	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Jun 11-17	131	63	63	23	15	6	301
Week 2: Jun 18-24	154	83	89	15	15	2	.	.	.	.	358
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	172	95	129	14	15	1	.	.	.	.	426
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	104	28	27	11	1	-5	.	.	.	.	166
Week 2: Jun 18-24	113	44	19	21	1	-5	.	.	.	.	193
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	137	61	18	30	0	-5	.	.	.	.	241
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	50	15	11	7	-1	-15	.	.	.	.	67
Week 2: Jun 18-24	58	27	3	10	3	-15	.	.	.	.	86
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	63	62	2	11	12	-15	.	.	.	.	135
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Jun 18-24	18	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	23	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	23
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jun 18-24	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	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

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Columbus											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	42	38	28	14	9	5	136
Week 2: Jun 18-24	59	51	42	25	-1	5	.	.	.	.	181
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	77	78	62	26	-1	5	.	.	.	.	247
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	55	20	17	12	7	2	.	.	.	.	113
Week 2: Jun 18-24	59	20	11	30	3	37	.	.	.	.	160
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	66	20	14	55	1	45	.	.	.	.	201
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	212	162	64	30	12	1	.	.	.	.	481
Week 2: Jun 18-24	110	208	97	30	30	2	.	.	.	.	477
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	109	226	124	30	60	0	.	.	.	.	549
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Jun 18-24	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Jun 18-24	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Jun 11-17	165	136	89	86	60	22	558
Week 2: Jun 18-24	242	193	92	195	60	9	.	.	.	.	791
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	318	248	89	303	60	10	.	.	.	.	1,028
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	219	172	151	115	20	-14	.	.	.	.	663
Week 2: Jun 18-24	318	258	155	226	20	40	.	.	.	.	1,017
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	429	364	145	360	20	45	.	.	.	.	1,363
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	476	438	427	150	82	-3	.	.	.	.	1,570
Week 2: Jun 18-24	672	657	388	150	212	50	.	.	.	.	2,129
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	887	864	370	150	403	60	.	.	.	.	2,734
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	39	0	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	29
Week 2: Jun 18-24	46	0	-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	73	0	-14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	59
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Jun 18-24	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	-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

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Denver											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	56	27	8	5	3	-1	98
Week 2: Jun 18-24	82	33	22	5	3	-4	.	.	.	.	141
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	108	38	29	5	5	-2	.	.	.	.	183
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	58	25	5	3	1	0	.	.	.	.	92
Week 2: Jun 18-24	80	42	10	3	1	-1	.	.	.	.	135
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	101	46	8	1	1	0	.	.	.	.	157
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	108	54	24	19	11	-70	.	.	.	.	146
Week 2: Jun 18-24	150	27	40	23	12	-70	.	.	.	.	182
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	197	29	50	20	12	-70	.	.	.	.	238
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 18-24	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 18-24	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	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	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: Jun 11-17	200	173	31	22	9	-39	396
Week 2: Jun 18-24	200	170	14	9	15	-48	.	.	.	.	360
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	200	165	38	8	12	-44	.	.	.	.	379
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	172	117	93	-7	-200	-469	.	.	.	.	-294
Week 2: Jun 18-24	210	128	111	-4	-200	-581	.	.	.	.	-336
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	212	157	137	-15	-200	-719	.	.	.	.	-428
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	503	116	111	36	-87	-100	.	.	.	.	579
Week 2: Jun 18-24	555	133	144	39	-8	-100	.	.	.	.	763
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	554	151	210	84	-10	-100	.	.	.	.	889
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	99	12	11	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	124
Week 2: Jun 18-24	101	31	10	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	144
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	123	57	8	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	190
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	44	0	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	41
Week 2: Jun 18-24	50	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	49
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	56	0	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	60

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

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Kansas City											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	116	53	44	24	-1	-30	206
Week 2: Jun 18-24	147	55	40	32	0	-30	.	.	.	.	244
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	223	59	35	55	-1	-30	.	.	.	.	341
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	38	27	3	0	-9	-600	.	.	.	.	-541
Week 2: Jun 18-24	51	24	35	-5	16	-600	.	.	.	.	-479
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	58	31	38	-4	78	-600	.	.	.	.	-399
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	69	50	42	31	21	-11	.	.	.	.	202
Week 2: Jun 18-24	59	50	46	58	18	-13	.	.	.	.	218
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	58	50	49	134	27	-8	.	.	.	.	310
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	15	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Week 2: Jun 18-24	12	14	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	9	18	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	27
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jun 18-24	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	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	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: Jun 11-17	673	600	529	402	277	213	.	.	.	.	2,694
Week 2: Jun 18-24	722	600	762	500	502	529	.	.	.	.	3,615
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	700	600	1,025	500	675	719	.	.	.	.	4,219
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	1,016	900	864	818	653	601	.	.	.	.	4,852
Week 2: Jun 18-24	1,741	900	1,273	818	755	715	.	.	.	.	6,202
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	2,398	900	1,669	800	756	858	.	.	.	.	7,381
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	3,200	2,793	1,791	1,383	588	-180	.	.	.	.	9,575
Week 2: Jun 18-24	3,200	2,760	1,865	2,731	678	-328	.	.	.	.	10,906
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	3,200	2,755	1,900	3,823	1,024	-485	.	.	.	.	12,217
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	337	286	128	121	102	75	.	.	.	.	1,049
Week 2: Jun 18-24	125	408	60	74	115	75	.	.	.	.	857
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	125	535	150	33	129	75	.	.	.	.	1,047
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	18	10	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
Week 2: Jun 18-24	30	10	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	46
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	41	10	16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	67

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: Jun 11-17	122	100	39	32	-1	-21	.	.	.	.	271
Week 2: Jun 18-24	155	100	47	59	4	-43	.	.	.	.	322
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	193	100	44	88	3	-11	.	.	.	.	417
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	209	114	100	86	8	-2	.	.	.	.	515
Week 2: Jun 18-24	264	90	100	82	-1	16	.	.	.	.	551
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	364	87	100	226	1	38	.	.	.	.	816
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	600	151	130	43	25	23	.	.	.	.	972
Week 2: Jun 18-24	600	131	188	122	15	36	.	.	.	.	1,092
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	600	135	259	217	13	403	.	.	.	.	1,627
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	15	0	-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Jun 18-24	16	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	17	0	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 18-24	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Jun 11-17	178	89	33	-1	-24	-30	245
Week 2: Jun 18-24	190	73	-53	4	8	-30	.	.	.	.	192
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	191	79	-21	2	6	-30	.	.	.	.	227
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	36	33	8	2	-125	-228	.	.	.	.	-274
Week 2: Jun 18-24	32	25	-8	-65	-125	-293	.	.	.	.	-434
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	28	22	-5	-59	-125	-355	.	.	.	.	-494
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	162	73	13	13	2	-60	.	.	.	.	203
Week 2: Jun 18-24	131	65	18	5	-15	-60	.	.	.	.	144
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	128	60	15	11	-13	-60	.	.	.	.	141
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-8
Week 2: Jun 18-24	0	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-10
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	0	-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-12
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 18-24	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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: Jun 11-17	95	57	11	2	-1	-30	.	.	.	.	134
Week 2: Jun 18-24	279	35	11	11	0	-30	.	.	.	.	306
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	-95	15	11	12	0	-30	.	.	.	.	-87
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	356	52	5	4	0	-5	.	.	.	.	412
Week 2: Jun 18-24	297	45	5	5	1	-4	.	.	.	.	349
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	257	46	5	6	1	-6	.	.	.	.	309
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	85	22	18	11	10	1	.	.	.	.	147
Week 2: Jun 18-24	92	28	-126	9	10	-1	.	.	.	.	12
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	99	25	-271	9	10	0	.	.	.	.	-128
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	17	0	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Jun 18-24	9	0	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	11	0	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	4	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 18-24	4	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	4	-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-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

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New York											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	1,010	806	465	400	257	248	3,186
Week 2: Jun 18-24	800	1,181	545	400	442	217	.	.	.	.	3,585
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	850	1,603	749	400	564	208	.	.	.	.	4,374
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	564	511	454	351	350	115	.	.	.	.	2,345
Week 2: Jun 18-24	790	569	718	382	350	145	.	.	.	.	2,954
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	1,016	770	1,006	380	350	137	.	.	.	.	3,659
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	900	645	607	586	559	190	.	.	.	.	3,487
Week 2: Jun 18-24	900	610	778	813	933	138	.	.	.	.	4,172
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	900	612	1,241	1,167	1,327	140	.	.	.	.	5,387
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	236	152	144	100	94	10	.	.	.	.	736
Week 2: Jun 18-24	303	175	197	76	50	10	.	.	.	.	811
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	391	206	268	109	50	10	.	.	.	.	1,034
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	30	5	4	39
Week 2: Jun 18-24	35	5	8	48
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	40	5	8	53

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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	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: Jun 11-17	435	259	154	100	6	-14	940
Week 2: Jun 18-24	401	281	186	100	13	64	.	.	.	.	1,045
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	399	307	237	100	10	139	.	.	.	.	1,192
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	301	213	80	79	20	0	.	.	.	.	693
Week 2: Jun 18-24	345	142	78	100	20	14	.	.	.	.	699
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	436	145	101	158	20	12	.	.	.	.	872
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	501	240	230	220	150	23	.	.	.	.	1,364
Week 2: Jun 18-24	345	256	228	319	150	-54	.	.	.	.	1,244
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	350	293	285	434	150	-56	.	.	.	.	1,456
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	128	65	45	21	10	-21	.	.	.	.	248
Week 2: Jun 18-24	75	19	30	32	10	-49	.	.	.	.	117
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	29	-27	30	42	10	-15	.	.	.	.	69
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	13	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Jun 18-24	13	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	13	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15

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: Jun 11-17	252	242	200	80	37	34	845
Week 2: Jun 18-24	300	269	200	125	51	62	.	.	.	.	1,007
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	300	302	200	115	20	104	.	.	.	.	1,041
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	539	230	116	70	14	-142	.	.	.	.	827
Week 2: Jun 18-24	516	275	99	70	61	-144	.	.	.	.	877
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	485	273	88	70	79	-169	.	.	.	.	826
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	458	300	100	-2	-19	-83	.	.	.	.	754
Week 2: Jun 18-24	467	300	150	100	-154	-123	.	.	.	.	740
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	489	300	144	100	-117	-130	.	.	.	.	786
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	272	219	97	58	30	-82	.	.	.	.	594
Week 2: Jun 18-24	290	-5	84	81	30	-56	.	.	.	.	424
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	310	-5	72	151	30	-58	.	.	.	.	500
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	10	7	5	22
Week 2: Jun 18-24	10	9	10	29
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	10	8	15	33

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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	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: Jun 11-17	198	147	145	140	67	30	727
Week 2: Jun 18-24	225	259	139	140	77	161	.	.	.	.	1,001
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	220	323	173	140	75	230	.	.	.	.	1,161
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	665	404	350	160	-58	-295	.	.	.	.	1,226
Week 2: Jun 18-24	767	378	360	160	-33	-435	.	.	.	.	1,197
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	826	449	375	160	-40	-562	.	.	.	.	1,208
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	675	651	400	341	119	-306	.	.	.	.	1,880
Week 2: Jun 18-24	609	762	400	299	-23	-372	.	.	.	.	1,675
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	689	807	400	302	-15	-379	.	.	.	.	1,804
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	147	97	10	9	6	-78	.	.	.	.	191
Week 2: Jun 18-24	164	83	10	4	-1	-51	.	.	.	.	209
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	186	63	10	3	-8	-62	.	.	.	.	192
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	8	6	1	0	15
Week 2: Jun 18-24	10	6	1	17
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	12	7	1	20

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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	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: Jun 11-17	274	150	61	6	491
Week 2: Jun 18-24	267	150	40	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	470
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	246	150	45	22	.	.	.	.	.	.	463
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	210	51	15	-20	.	.	.	.	.	.	256
Week 2: Jun 18-24	180	52	15	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	252
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	147	53	15	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	224
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	100	76	61	20	.	.	.	.	.	.	257
Week 2: Jun 18-24	100	25	18	50	.	.	.	.	.	.	193
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	100	-40	-6	50	.	.	.	.	.	.	104
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	500	108	20	12	.	.	.	.	.	.	640
Week 2: Jun 18-24	40	115	20	23	.	.	.	.	.	.	198
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	50	114	20	23	.	.	.	.	.	.	207
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Jun 18-24	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	0	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Jun 11-17	246	63	59	30	10	408
Week 2: Jun 18-24	222	61	93	25	10	.	.	.	.	.	411
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	202	67	91	23	10	.	.	.	.	.	393
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	293	71	1	-22	-54	.	.	.	.	.	289
Week 2: Jun 18-24	289	48	1	-46	-62	.	.	.	.	.	230
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	291	17	1	-42	-73	.	.	.	.	.	194
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	904	166	99	20	-11	.	.	.	.	.	1,178
Week 2: Jun 18-24	762	116	115	20	-225	.	.	.	.	.	788
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	701	62	110	20	-210	.	.	.	.	.	683
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	190	92	5	-51	-305	.	.	.	.	.	-69
Week 2: Jun 18-24	224	50	5	-157	-234	.	.	.	.	.	-112
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	281	40	5	-173	-267	.	.	.	.	.	-114
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 11-17	15	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16
Week 2: Jun 18-24	22	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	23
Week 3: Jun 25-Jul 1	24	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	383	1...300
40ft	671	15...500
40ft High Cubes	797	76...600
40ft Refrigerated	493	0...203
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...4

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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.
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- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
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- 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.
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 - 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.
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