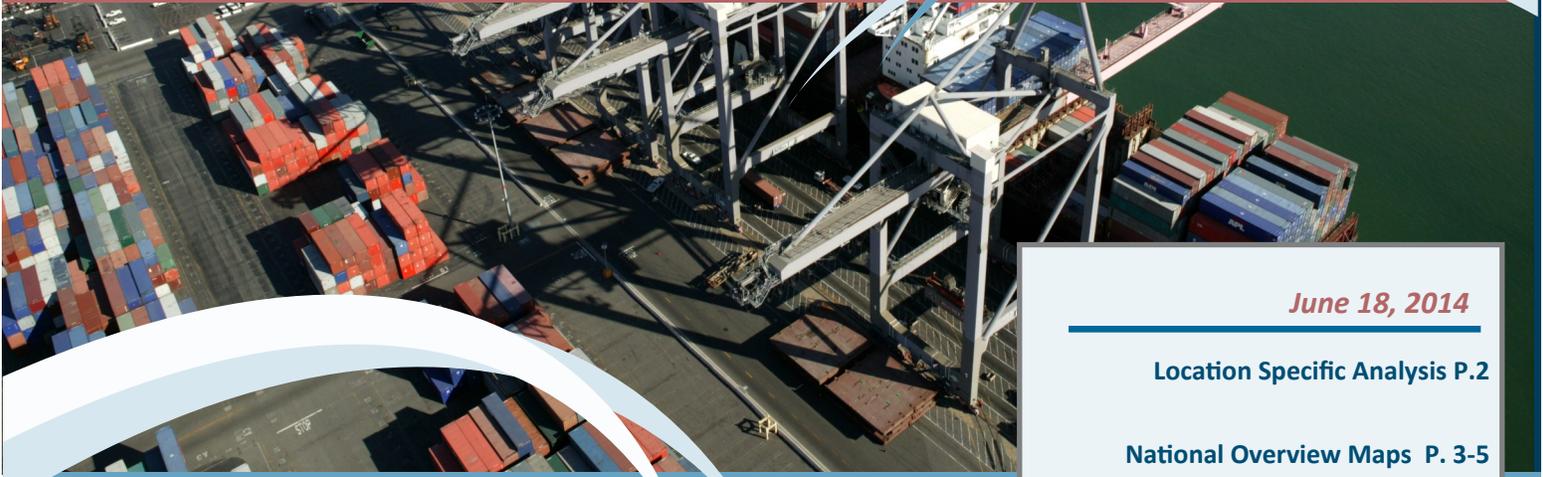




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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for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



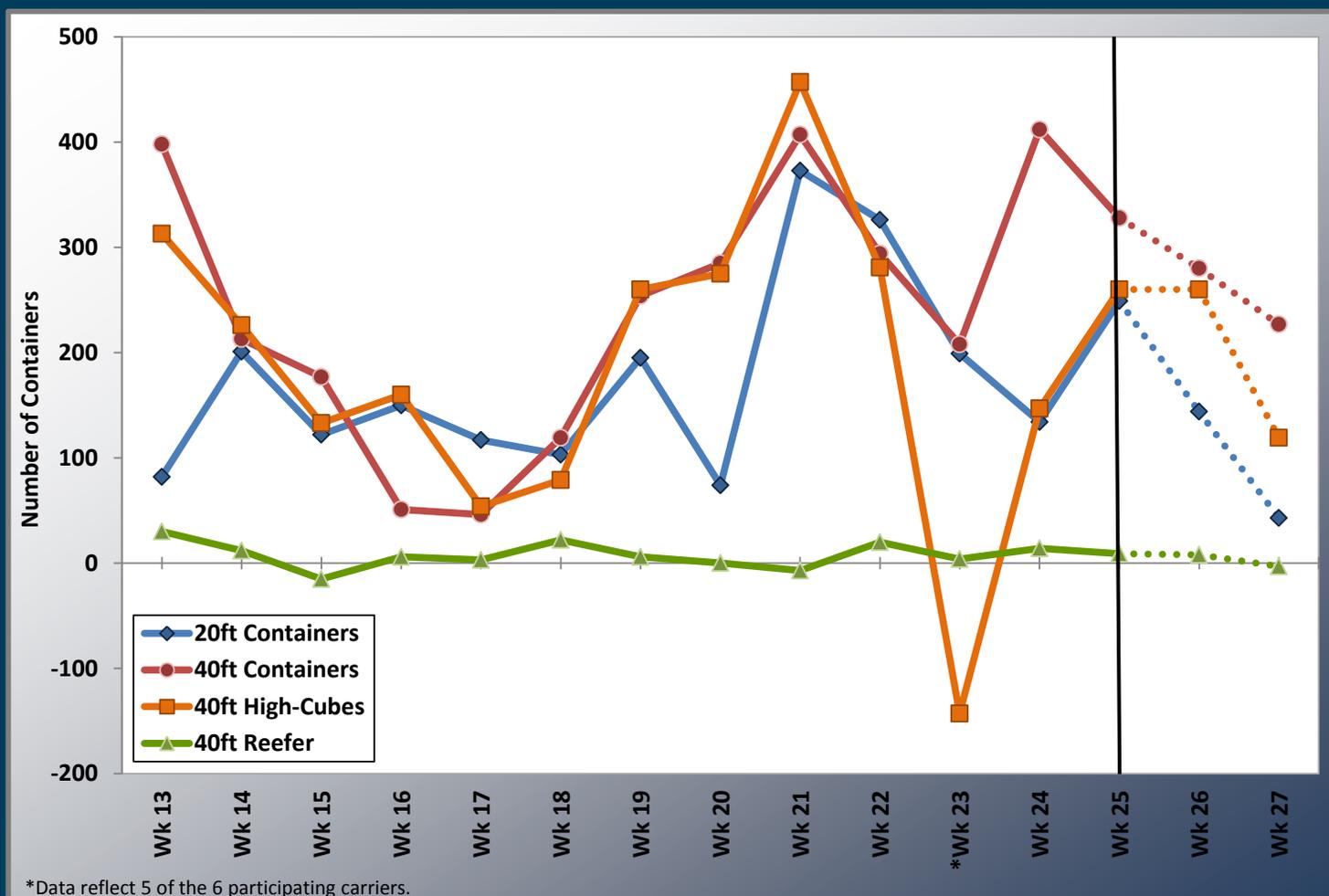
# Location Specific Container Availability Analysis

## Historical Analysis of New Orleans

The Port of New Orleans ranks 5th in the nation for overall waterborne agricultural exports, but 15th for containerized waterborne agricultural exports. In 2013, only 10 percent of the agricultural exports through New Orleans were moved in containers. Between April and June of 2013, New Orleans moved more than 72,000 metric tons of containerized agricultural products. Poultry products made up most of the containerized commodities exported through the port, representing 57 percent of containerized agricultural exports. Grocery items represented 10 percent, followed by feathers and down at 6 percent and cotton at 5 percent. 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 79 percent of exports. During the same period, agricultural exporters used Mediterranean Shipping Company to move 61 percent, followed by Seaboard Marine, which moved 19 percent, and CMA-CGM with 8 percent.<sup>1</sup>

Over the past several weeks, container availability for each of the dry container types in New Orleans has followed similar patterns. Since the beginning of April, estimates for 40ft and dry and high-cube containers followed each other very closely, averaging 246 and 192 units respectively. The availability of 40ft high-cube containers took a sharp decline during the first week of June (one carrier did not report that week). Estimates for 40ft refrigerated containers have dipped below zero several times since early April, averaging 8 units.<sup>2</sup> Decreases are expected over the next 2 weeks for all reported container types.

### Weekly Container Availability Estimates in New Orleans, 5th week of March (Wk 13) through 3rd week of June (Wk 25), with Projections

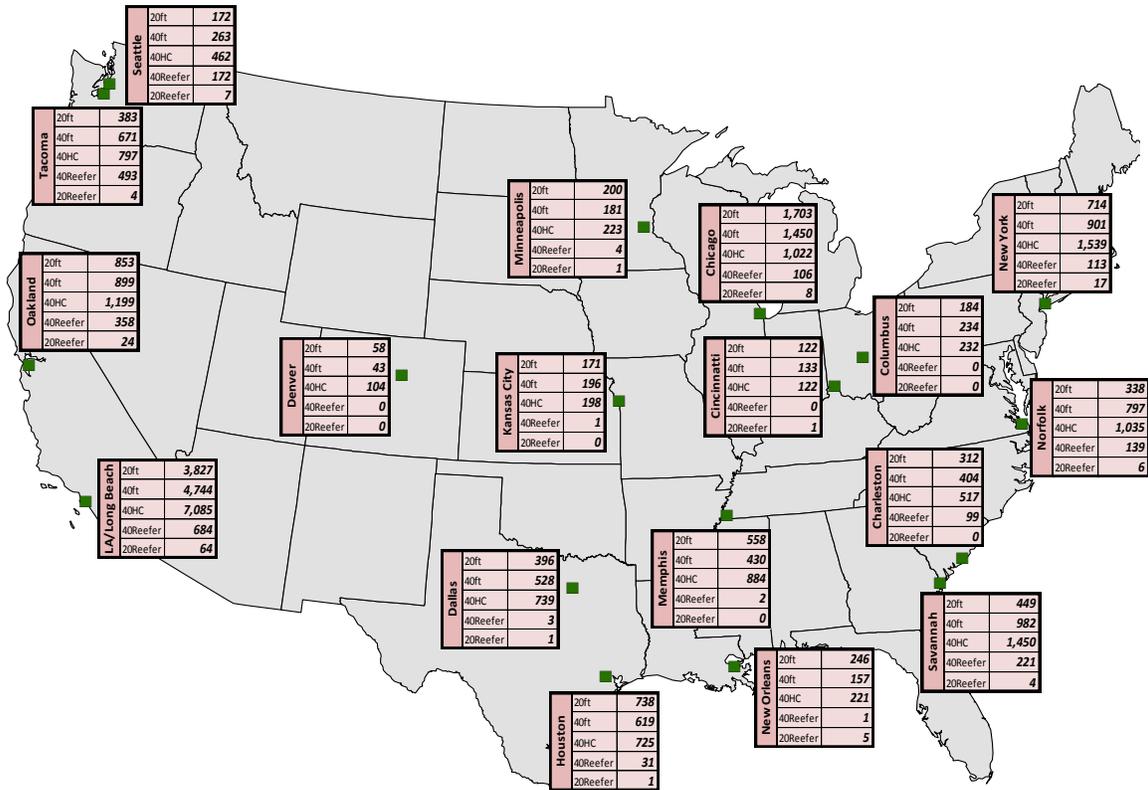


\*Data reflect 5 of the 6 participating carriers.

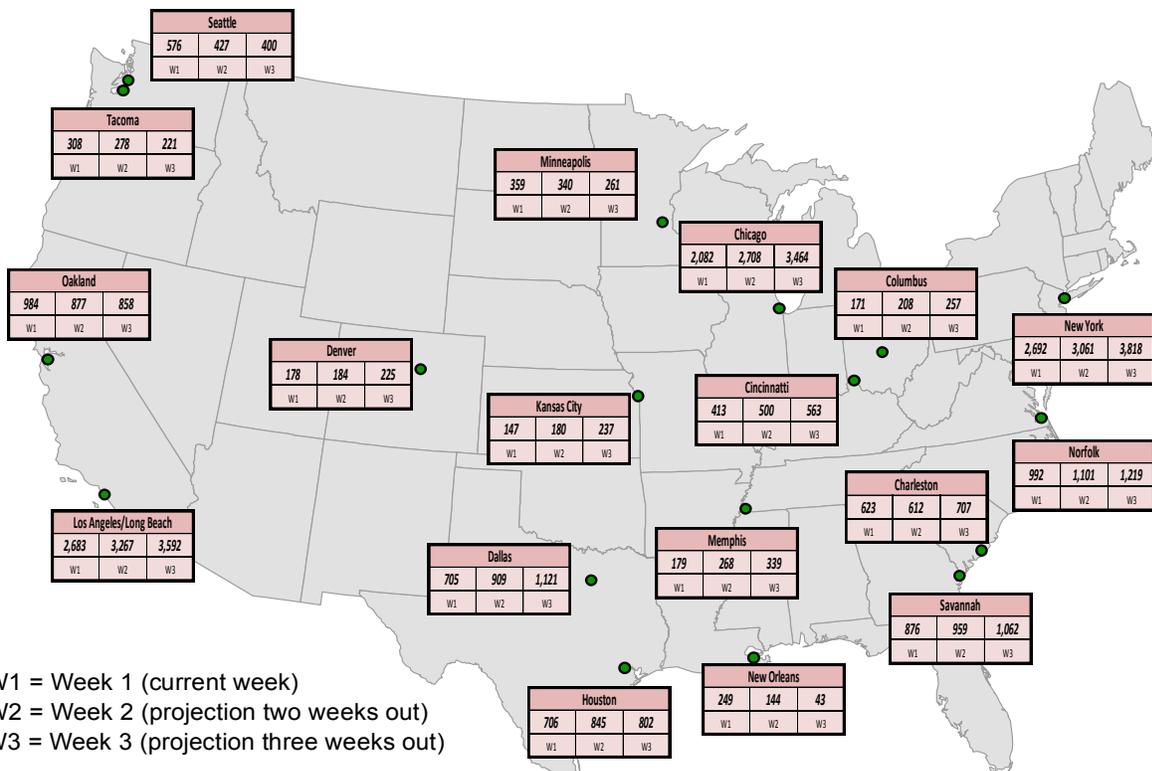
<sup>1</sup> Source: USDA/Agricultural Marketing Service/Transportation Services Division analysis of Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS) data .  
<sup>2</sup> Estimates of zero indicate the demand for containers matches the supply. Estimates that are below zero indicate the demand for containers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



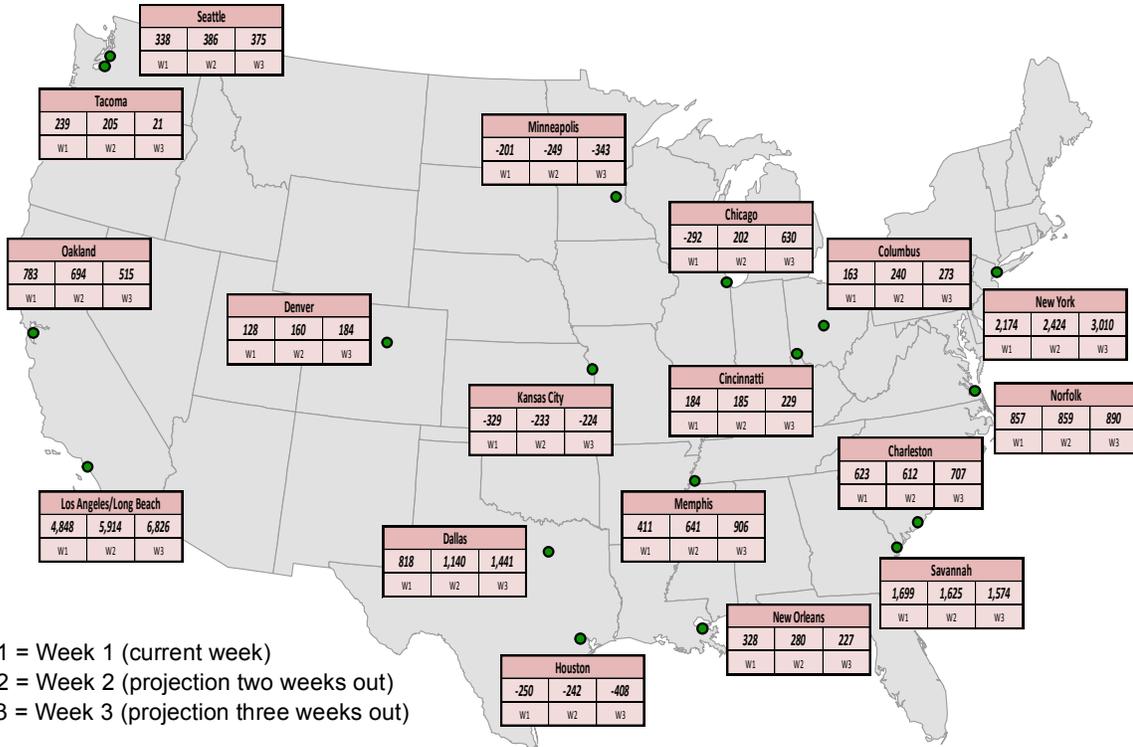
### Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



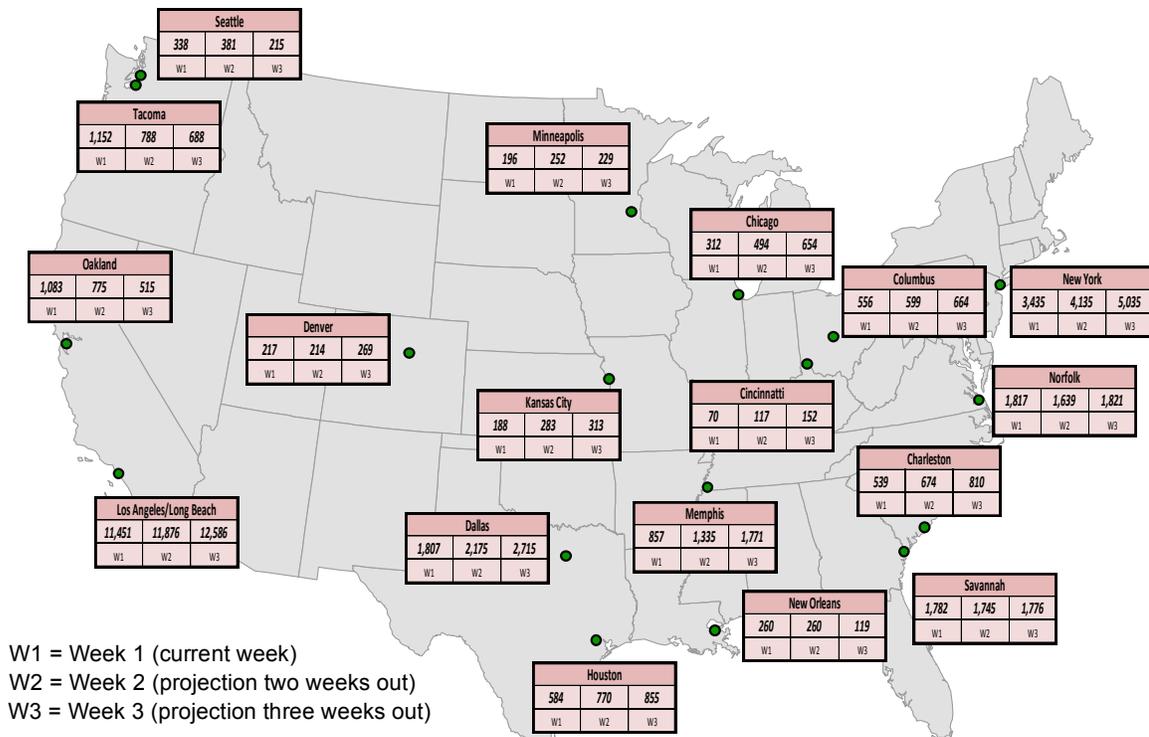
W1 = Week 1 (current week)  
W2 = Week 2 (projection two weeks out)  
W3 = Week 3 (projection three weeks out)



### Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers



### Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

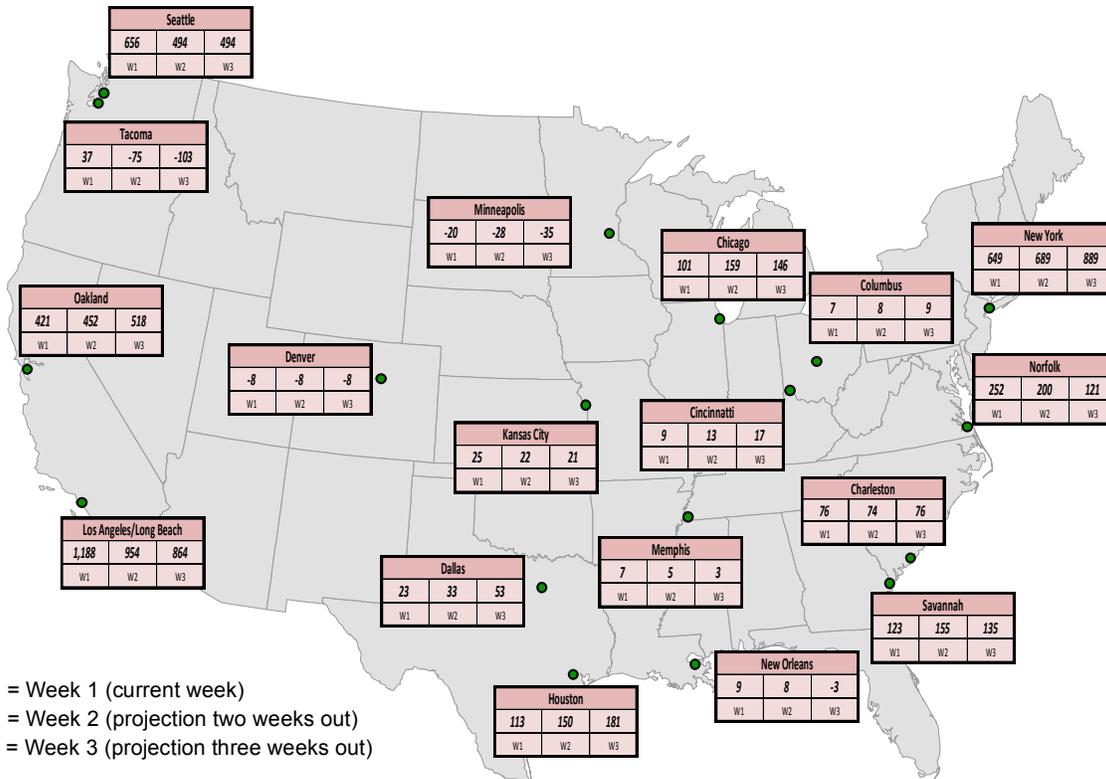


# National Overview

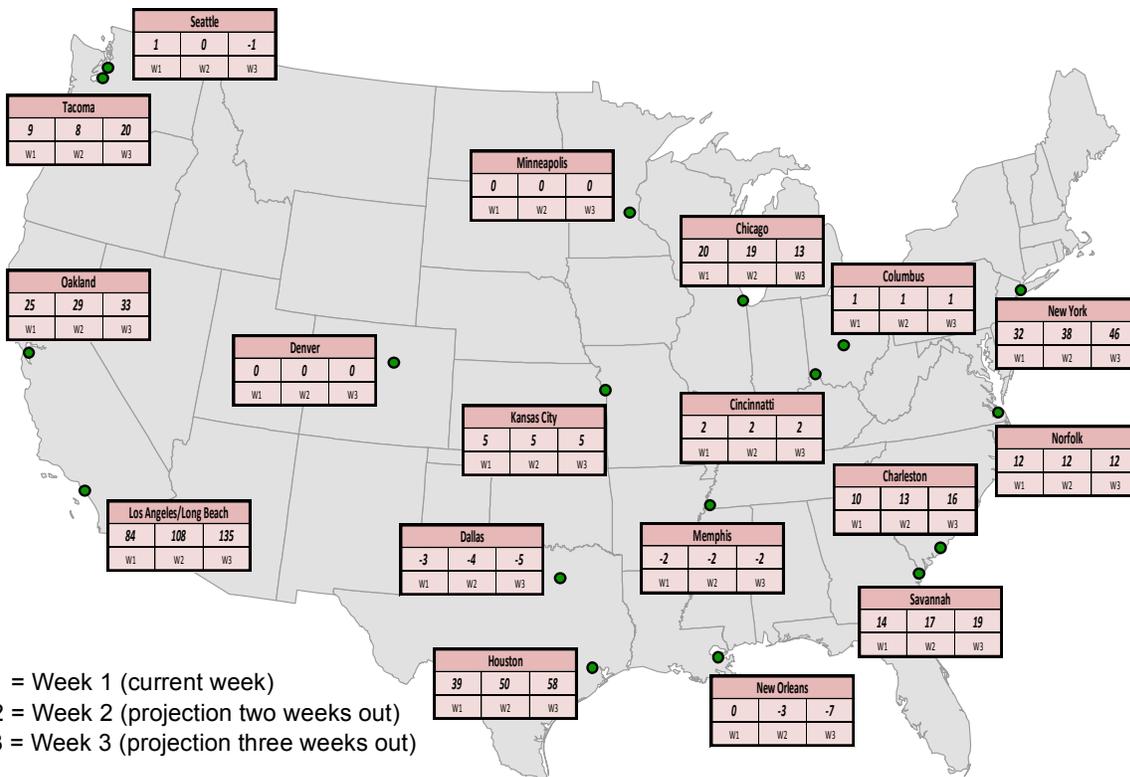
## Week of Jun 18-24, 2014



### Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



### Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	161	135	125	90	65	47	.	.	.	.	623
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	206	104	89	113	65	35	.	.	.	.	612
Week 3: Jul 2-8	239	143	91	137	65	32	.	.	.	.	707
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	275	139	111	107	90	21	.	.	.	.	743
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	312	158	113	105	90	12	.	.	.	.	790
Week 3: Jul 2-8	343	143	126	141	90	13	.	.	.	.	856
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	200	167	105	57	10	0	.	.	.	.	539
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	200	252	132	63	22	5	.	.	.	.	674
Week 3: Jul 2-8	200	303	188	60	56	3	.	.	.	.	810
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	49	47	8	5	0	-33	.	.	.	.	76
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	56	43	4	5	2	-36	.	.	.	.	74
Week 3: Jul 2-8	63	46	5	5	4	-47	.	.	.	.	76
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	5	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	7	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Jul 2-8	9	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16

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 18-24	1,270	456	338	243	-25	-200	.	.	.	.	2,082
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	1,747	579	470	150	-38	-200	.	.	.	.	2,708
Week 3: Jul 2-8	2,134	785	635	140	-30	-200	.	.	.	.	3,464
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	496	159	92	-6	-33	-1,000	.	.	.	.	-292
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	653	153	380	1	15	-1,000	.	.	.	.	202
Week 3: Jul 2-8	731	245	629	0	25	-1,000	.	.	.	.	630
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	924	172	49	28	-61	-800	.	.	.	.	312
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	1,163	180	100	-140	-9	-800	.	.	.	.	494
Week 3: Jul 2-8	1,274	225	100	-134	-11	-800	.	.	.	.	654
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	111	10	0	0	-20	.	.	.	.	.	101
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	147	30	0	0	-18	.	.	.	.	.	159
Week 3: Jul 2-8	142	30	0	0	-26	.	.	.	.	.	146
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	11	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	12	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Week 3: Jul 2-8	8	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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



<b>Cincinnati</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	225	80	65	25	16	2	.	.	.	.	413
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	248	103	105	25	15	4	.	.	.	.	500
Week 3: Jul 2-8	262	124	135	25	14	3	.	.	.	.	563
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	100	43	37	12	-4	-4	.	.	.	.	184
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	119	19	36	16	-4	-1	.	.	.	.	185
Week 3: Jul 2-8	140	18	58	16	-4	1	.	.	.	.	229
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	45	20	18	-2	-4	-7	.	.	.	.	70
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	54	20	39	10	3	-9	.	.	.	.	117
Week 3: Jul 2-8	56	20	74	11	-1	-8	.	.	.	.	152
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	9	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Jul 2-8	17	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Jul 2-8	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



<b>Columbus</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	63	44	36	24	4	0	.	.	.	.	171
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	81	62	25	37	4	-1	.	.	.	.	208
Week 3: Jul 2-8	91	72	26	64	4	0	.	.	.	.	257
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	72	40	35	23	11	-18	.	.	.	.	163
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	87	40	70	25	7	11	.	.	.	.	240
Week 3: Jul 2-8	94	40	82	35	8	14	.	.	.	.	273
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	187	155	121	75	17	1	.	.	.	.	556
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	244	110	149	75	19	2	.	.	.	.	599
Week 3: Jul 2-8	263	109	171	75	45	1	.	.	.	.	664
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	8	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Jul 2-8	9	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Jul 2-8	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



<b>Dallas</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	309	134	133	72	30	27	.	.	.	.	705
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	438	167	181	84	30	9	.	.	.	.	909
Week 3: Jul 2-8	556	225	223	77	30	10	.	.	.	.	1,121
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	267	240	178	89	30	14	.	.	.	.	818
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	388	171	332	179	30	40	.	.	.	.	1,140
Week 3: Jul 2-8	480	160	465	261	30	45	.	.	.	.	1,441
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	570	512	365	200	99	61	.	.	.	.	1,807
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	423	722	516	200	264	50	.	.	.	.	2,175
Week 3: Jul 2-8	400	907	774	200	374	60	.	.	.	.	2,715
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	30	0	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	23
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	42	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	33
Week 3: Jul 2-8	64	0	-11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	53
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Jul 2-8	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

\*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: Jun 18-24	92	28	27	16	10	5	.	.	.	.	178
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	127	25	28	3	-4	5	.	.	.	.	184
Week 3: Jul 2-8	159	26	32	5	-2	5	.	.	.	.	225
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	71	36	10	8	4	-1	.	.	.	.	128
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	98	39	10	10	3	0	.	.	.	.	160
Week 3: Jul 2-8	115	50	10	8	1	0	.	.	.	.	184
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	82	68	63	34	5	-35	.	.	.	.	217
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	111	75	32	27	4	-35	.	.	.	.	214
Week 3: Jul 2-8	136	103	30	29	6	-35	.	.	.	.	269
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	0	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-8
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	0	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-8
Week 3: Jul 2-8	0	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-8
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jul 2-8	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

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



<b>Houston</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	300	256	81	25	24	20	.	.	.	.	706
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	300	273	170	14	51	37	.	.	.	.	845
Week 3: Jul 2-8	300	236	165	11	82	8	.	.	.	.	802
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	106	103	-4	-11	-100	-344	.	.	.	.	-250
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	210	113	2	-2	-100	-465	.	.	.	.	-242
Week 3: Jul 2-8	212	96	58	-3	-100	-671	.	.	.	.	-408
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	441	254	91	61	-63	-200	.	.	.	.	584
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	555	256	101	89	-31	-200	.	.	.	.	770
Week 3: Jul 2-8	554	251	108	170	-28	-200	.	.	.	.	855
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	102	14	2	0	-5	.	.	.	.	.	113
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	123	10	2	0	15	.	.	.	.	.	150
Week 3: Jul 2-8	124	8	2	0	47	.	.	.	.	.	181
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	42	0	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	48	0	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50
Week 3: Jul 2-8	54	0	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	58

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

\*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: Jun 18-24	65	50	45	1	0	-14	.	.	.	.	147
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	76	40	61	0	0	3	.	.	.	.	180
Week 3: Jul 2-8	83	35	70	0	0	49	.	.	.	.	237
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	48	29	10	-2	-14	-400	.	.	.	.	-329
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	52	70	13	-3	35	-400	.	.	.	.	-233
Week 3: Jul 2-8	60	75	4	-1	38	-400	.	.	.	.	-224
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	75	52	42	12	9	-2	.	.	.	.	188
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	75	63	61	59	27	-2	.	.	.	.	283
Week 3: Jul 2-8	75	64	70	58	45	1	.	.	.	.	313
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	14	11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	9	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22
Week 3: Jul 2-8	6	15	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Jul 2-8	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	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

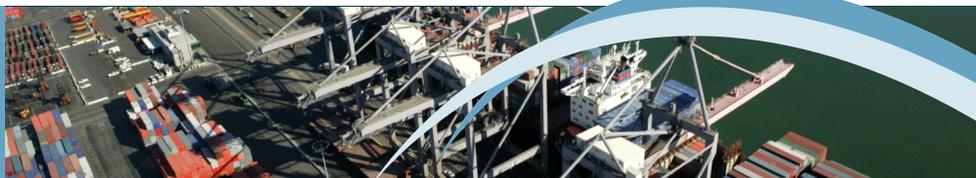


Los Angeles and Long Beach											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	656	530	400	369	369	359	.	.	.	.	2,683
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	653	778	400	398	538	500	.	.	.	.	3,267
Week 3: Jul 2-8	640	955	400	467	630	500	.	.	.	.	3,592
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	1,210	875	750	720	715	578	.	.	.	.	4,848
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	1,771	755	750	1,124	780	734	.	.	.	.	5,914
Week 3: Jul 2-8	2,323	756	750	1,518	721	758	.	.	.	.	6,826
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	3,262	3,000	2,102	1,665	845	577	.	.	.	.	11,451
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	2,760	3,000	2,750	1,719	1,110	537	.	.	.	.	11,876
Week 3: Jul 2-8	2,755	3,000	3,315	1,650	1,522	344	.	.	.	.	12,586
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	432	408	107	100	75	66	.	.	.	.	1,188
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	480	125	183	17	75	74	.	.	.	.	954
Week 3: Jul 2-8	508	125	103	-24	75	77	.	.	.	.	864
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	69	10	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	84
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	84	10	14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	108
Week 3: Jul 2-8	94	10	31	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	135

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



<b>Memphis</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	115	75	35	34	24	-104	.	.	.	.	179
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	122	75	47	63	10	-49	.	.	.	.	268
Week 3: Jul 2-8	155	75	44	75	8	-18	.	.	.	.	339
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	217	100	75	13	8	-2	.	.	.	.	411
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	291	90	75	42	-3	146	.	.	.	.	641
Week 3: Jul 2-8	378	87	75	51	-2	317	.	.	.	.	906
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	500	161	91	58	26	21	.	.	.	.	857
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	500	131	177	154	355	18	.	.	.	.	1,335
Week 3: Jul 2-8	500	135	244	225	650	17	.	.	.	.	1,771
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	12	0	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	13	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Jul 2-8	14	0	-11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 3: Jul 2-8	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



<b>Minneapolis</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	197	137	92	-11	-11	-45	.	.	.	.	359
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	193	127	57	0	8	-45	.	.	.	.	340
Week 3: Jul 2-8	186	94	19	1	6	-45	.	.	.	.	261
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	54	48	-25	-31	-80	-167	.	.	.	.	-201
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	44	25	16	-36	-80	-218	.	.	.	.	-249
Week 3: Jul 2-8	29	22	12	-36	-80	-290	.	.	.	.	-343
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	106	84	57	-10	-16	-25	.	.	.	.	196
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	100	113	65	-11	10	-25	.	.	.	.	252
Week 3: Jul 2-8	101	99	60	-12	6	-25	.	.	.	.	229
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	0	-20	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-20
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	0	-28	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-28
Week 3: Jul 2-8	0	-35	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-35
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jul 2-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



New Orleans											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	226	44	8	4	-3	-30	.	.	.	.	249
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	136	24	11	4	-1	-30	.	.	.	.	144
Week 3: Jul 2-8	45	12	12	4	0	-30	.	.	.	.	43
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	272	35	10	6	5	0	.	.	.	.	328
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	209	45	14	6	5	1	.	.	.	.	280
Week 3: Jul 2-8	143	46	22	9	5	2	.	.	.	.	227
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	180	68	10	5	3	-6	.	.	.	.	260
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	122	72	10	27	1	28	.	.	.	.	260
Week 3: Jul 2-8	32	24	10	29	-1	25	.	.	.	.	119
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	10	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	11	0	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Jul 2-8	2	0	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	4	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	4	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 3: Jul 2-8	4	-11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-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: Jun 18-24	953	485	375	321	315	243	.	.	.	.	2,692
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	800	813	375	373	488	212	.	.	.	.	3,061
Week 3: Jul 2-8	850	1,169	375	587	635	202	.	.	.	.	3,818
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	598	453	421	300	226	176	.	.	.	.	2,174
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	715	382	567	300	300	160	.	.	.	.	2,424
Week 3: Jul 2-8	947	380	804	300	429	150	.	.	.	.	3,010
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	1,000	762	621	506	324	222	.	.	.	.	3,435
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	1,000	999	610	660	691	175	.	.	.	.	4,135
Week 3: Jul 2-8	1,000	1,327	612	957	973	166	.	.	.	.	5,035
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	193	133	114	112	87	10	.	.	.	.	649
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	268	202	134	25	50	10	.	.	.	.	689
Week 3: Jul 2-8	367	286	165	11	50	10	.	.	.	.	889
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	26	5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	32	5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	38
Week 3: Jul 2-8	38	5	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	46

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



<b>Norfolk</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	411	254	175	80	54	18	.	.	.	.	992
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	401	262	223	80	118	17	.	.	.	.	1,101
Week 3: Jul 2-8	399	279	288	80	161	12	.	.	.	.	1,219
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	323	191	163	134	50	-4	.	.	.	.	857
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	412	142	64	178	50	13	.	.	.	.	859
Week 3: Jul 2-8	482	145	26	176	50	11	.	.	.	.	890
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	626	521	215	200	182	73	.	.	.	.	1,817
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	345	684	167	200	259	-16	.	.	.	.	1,639
Week 3: Jul 2-8	350	784	115	200	390	-18	.	.	.	.	1,821
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	81	64	54	50	10	-7	.	.	.	.	252
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	96	20	30	50	10	-6	.	.	.	.	200
Week 3: Jul 2-8	68	-27	30	53	10	-13	.	.	.	.	121
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	11	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	11	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Week 3: Jul 2-8	11	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



<b>Oakland</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	282	240	175	168	95	24	.	.	.	.	984
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	310	136	175	200	49	7	.	.	.	.	877
Week 3: Jul 2-8	310	130	175	200	29	14	.	.	.	.	858
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	359	221	142	70	51	-60	.	.	.	.	783
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	227	275	117	70	91	-86	.	.	.	.	694
Week 3: Jul 2-8	93	273	108	70	110	-139	.	.	.	.	515
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	350	225	192	124	100	92	.	.	.	.	1,083
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	350	259	-35	170	-69	100	.	.	.	.	775
Week 3: Jul 2-8	350	266	-287	158	-72	100	.	.	.	.	515
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	255	150	44	30	0	-58	.	.	.	.	421
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	257	100	133	30	-13	-55	.	.	.	.	452
Week 3: Jul 2-8	279	100	176	30	-26	-41	.	.	.	.	518
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	10	8	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	10	13	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	29
Week 3: Jul 2-8	10	18	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	33

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



Savannah											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	316	236	100	79	74	71	.	.	.	.	876
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	250	292	100	77	155	85	.	.	.	.	959
Week 3: Jul 2-8	250	341	100	75	204	92	.	.	.	.	1,062
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	863	403	343	200	-19	-91	.	.	.	.	1,699
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	923	360	383	200	-36	-205	.	.	.	.	1,625
Week 3: Jul 2-8	989	375	413	200	-33	-370	.	.	.	.	1,574
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	638	514	400	304	122	-196	.	.	.	.	1,782
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	817	340	400	374	56	-242	.	.	.	.	1,745
Week 3: Jul 2-8	873	350	400	489	50	-386	.	.	.	.	1,776
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	88	83	18	10	-28	-48	.	.	.	.	123
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	96	54	11	10	4	-20	.	.	.	.	155
Week 3: Jul 2-8	104	47	4	10	3	-33	.	.	.	.	135
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	8	5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	10	6	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Jul 2-8	12	6	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19

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: Jun 18-24	283	175	106	12	.	.	.	.	.	.	576
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	195	175	40	17	.	.	.	.	.	.	427
Week 3: Jul 2-8	163	175	45	17	.	.	.	.	.	.	400
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	270	71	50	-53	.	.	.	.	.	.	338
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	259	72	50	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	386
Week 3: Jul 2-8	246	70	50	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	375
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	250	211	73	-196	.	.	.	.	.	.	338
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	250	156	-25	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	381
Week 3: Jul 2-8	250	76	-111	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	215
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	338	272	26	20	.	.	.	.	.	.	656
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	200	266	8	20	.	.	.	.	.	.	494
Week 3: Jul 2-8	200	264	10	20	.	.	.	.	.	.	494
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jun 18-24	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	1	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Jul 2-8	1	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-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

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



<b>Tacoma</b>											
<b>20ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	128	115	73	10	-18	.	.	.	.	.	308
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	44	124	75	10	25	.	.	.	.	.	278
Week 3: Jul 2-8	-7	123	72	10	23	.	.	.	.	.	221
<b>40ft Dry</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	299	77	1	-17	-121	.	.	.	.	.	239
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	225	48	1	-6	-63	.	.	.	.	.	205
Week 3: Jul 2-8	79	17	1	-11	-65	.	.	.	.	.	21
<b>40ft High Cube</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	955	217	127	20	-167	.	.	.	.	.	1,152
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	673	175	115	20	-195	.	.	.	.	.	788
Week 3: Jul 2-8	647	99	110	20	-188	.	.	.	.	.	688
<b>40ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	250	116	5	-106	-228	.	.	.	.	.	37
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	226	50	5	-105	-251	.	.	.	.	.	-75
Week 3: Jul 2-8	224	40	5	-131	-241	.	.	.	.	.	-103
<b>20ft Refrigerated</b>											
	<b>Carrier Availability Category Responses</b>										<b>Total</b>
Current Week: Jun 18-24	8	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Jun 25-Jul 1	7	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Jul 2-8	19	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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

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



## Understanding this Report

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

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



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