

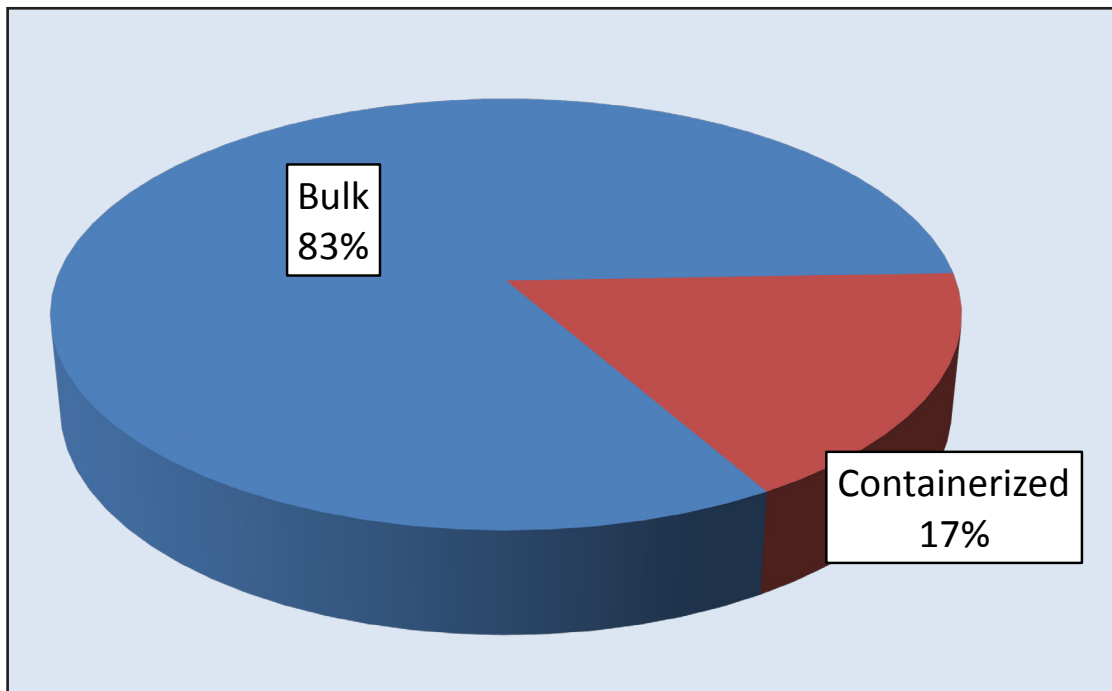


The Port of Houston is a 25-mile complex of public and private facilities located just a few hours' sailing time from the Gulf of Mexico. The narrow approach to the port's terminals past Galveston Island requires the assistance of the Houston Pilots who navigate each vessel through the Houston Ship Channel. The Port is made up of the Port of Houston Authority and the 150-plus private industrial companies along the Houston Ship Channel. Each year, more than 200 million tons of cargo move through the greater Port of Houston, carried by more than 8,000 vessels and 200,000 barges.

Exports

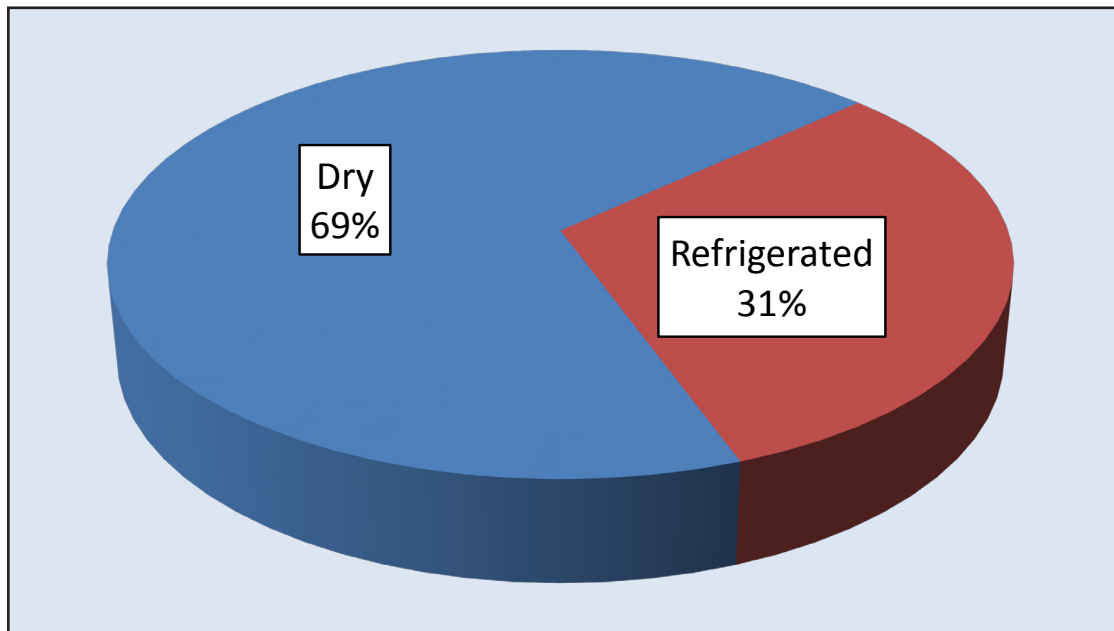
In 2015, the Port of Houston ranked 5th in the Nation for total waterborne agricultural exports and 11th for containerized exports. More than 6.4 million metric tons of agricultural exports moved through the port in 2015, 17 percent of which were containerized. The top commodities included bulk grains, candy, confections, and grain products. The Port of Houston moved more than 80 percent of the total U.S. waterborne exports of candy and confection items, and about 97 percent of total U.S. waterborne exports of tallow, animal fats, and grease in 2015. The top destination markets for agricultural exports were Canada, China, and Mexico.

U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Houston, TX, 2015



Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

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Commodities	Metric Tons	Share	U.S. Share
Bulk grains	2,945,227	46%	13%
Candy, confections	1,514,291	24%	80%
Grain products, bread, flour	424,509	7%	1%
Grocery items	223,141	3%	6%
Meat	164,073	3%	8%
Tallow, grease, bleached	134,806	2%	97%
Poultry	129,950	2%	6%
Vegetables	110,885	2%	6%
Cotton	96,595	2%	8%
Soybeans	69,015	1%	0%
Other	621,262	10%	
Total	6,433,753	100%	5%

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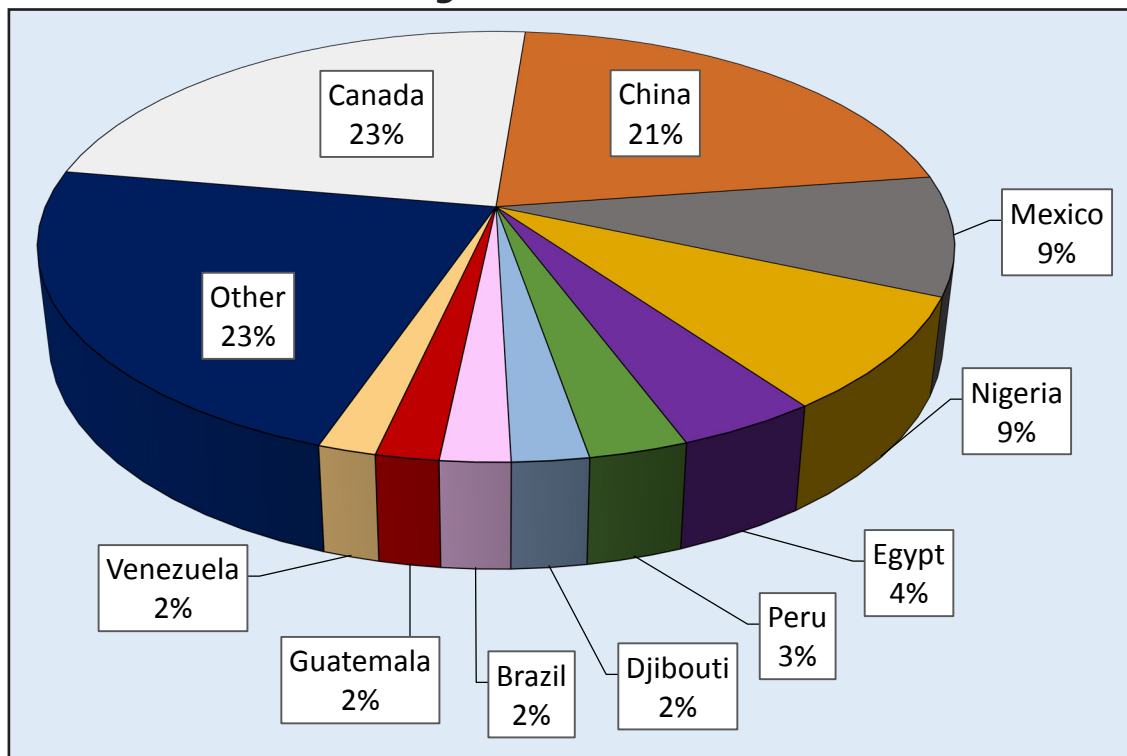
U.S. Containerized Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Houston, TX, 2015

Commodities	Metric Tons	*TEU	Share	U.S. Share
Grocery items	220,739	17,849	20%	7%
Meat	151,959	11,970	14%	7%
Poultry	129,624	9,643	12%	6%
Cotton	96,595	9,362	9%	8%
Vegetables	77,686	4,522	7%	5%
Edible nuts	66,153	6,595	6%	6%
Bulk grains	42,723	2,232	4%	11%
Rice	41,380	2,623	4%	10%
Animal feed	24,789	2,302	2%	0%
Vegetable oils	21,228	1,386	2%	22%
Other	235,767	22,088	21%	
Total	1,108,645	90,571	100%	3%

Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

*Twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU)

Top Destination Countries for U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Houston, TX, 2015



Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

Top Shipping Lines Moving U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Houston, TX, 2015

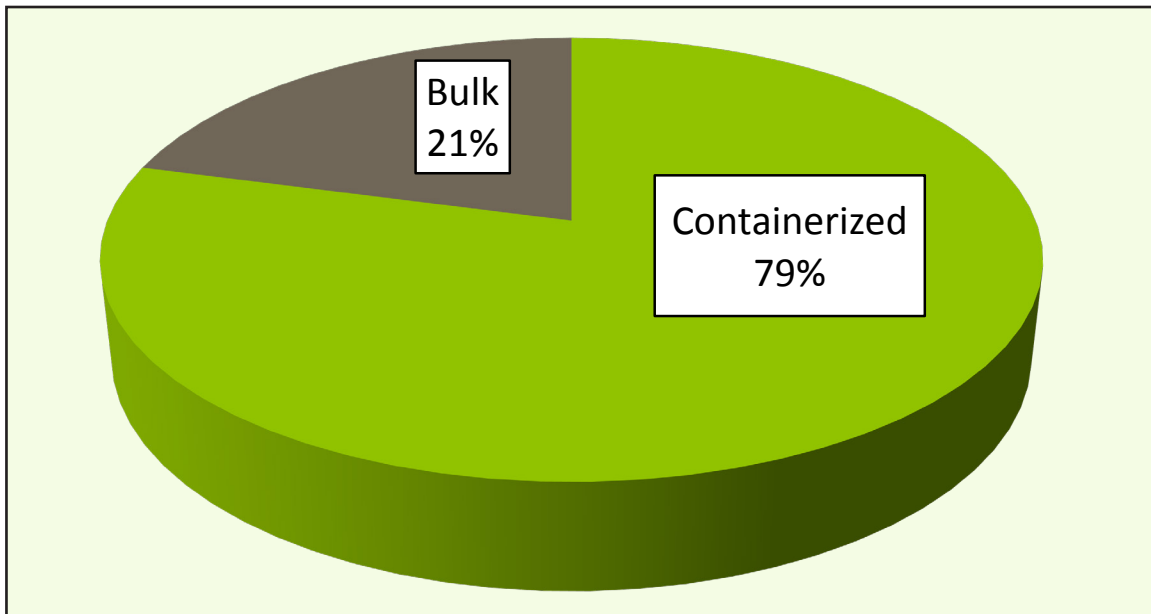
Shipping Lines	Metric Tons	Share
Bulk Cargoes	971,818	15%
Cargill Intl	816,075	13%
BP Shipping Ltd	744,435	12%
Southport Agencies Inc	477,114	7%
American Eagle Tankers Inc Ltd	437,067	7%
Blue Water Shipping Co	409,857	6%
Maersk	351,172	5%
Davie Yards Inc	294,901	5%
Mediterranean Shipping	222,919	3%
CMA-CGM	192,281	3%
Other	1,516,114	24%
Total	6,433,753	100%

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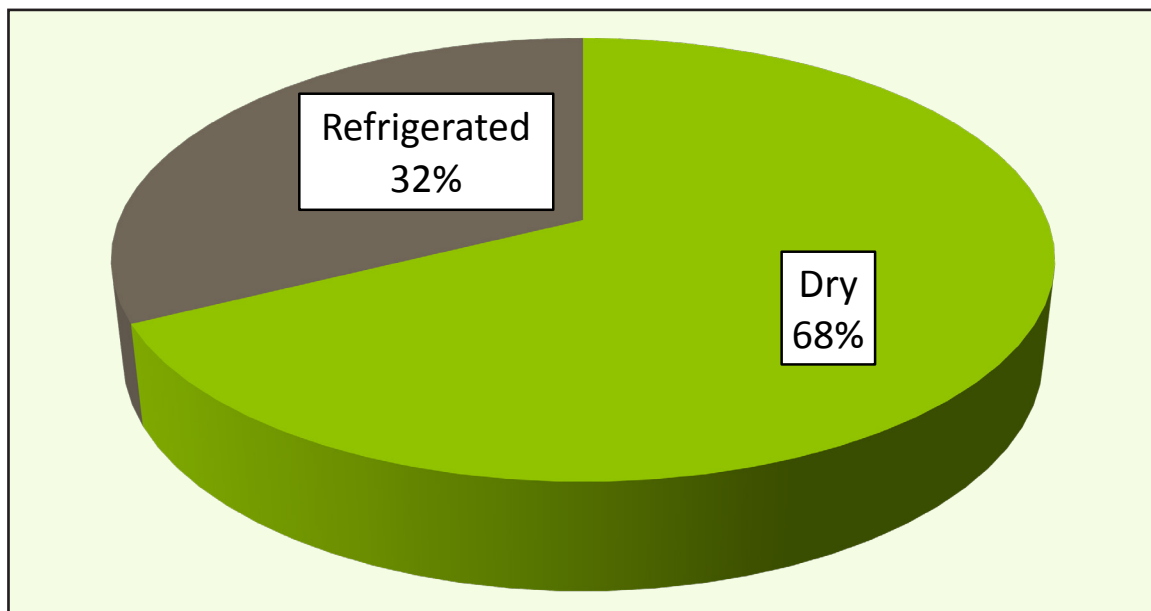
In 2015, the Port of Houston ranked 5th in the Nation for total waterborne agricultural imports handling almost 2.2 million metric tons. Approximately 79 percent of the agricultural imports moved through the port were containerized. The top commodities included beer, guar gum, and molasses. The top origin countries for agricultural imports through Houston were India, Costa Rica, and Belgium. The top three carriers moving agricultural imports through Houston were Mediterranean Shipping, Maersk, and Seaboard Marine. Together these carriers held 44 percent of the market share for agricultural imports through Houston in 2015.

U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Imports Through Houston, TX, 2015



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Commodities	Metric Tons	Share	U.S. Share
Beer, ale	225,097	10%	11%
Guar gum	185,278	9%	77%
Molasses, treacle	178,318	8%	22%
Non-alcoholic beverages	149,415	7%	5%
Meat	111,525	5%	9%
Coffee	100,791	5%	5%
Bananas	95,809	4%	2%
Pineapple	95,336	4%	9%
Wine	94,703	4%	3%
Grain products, bread, flour	65,016	3%	8%
Other	859,593	40%	
Total	2,160,880	100%	5%

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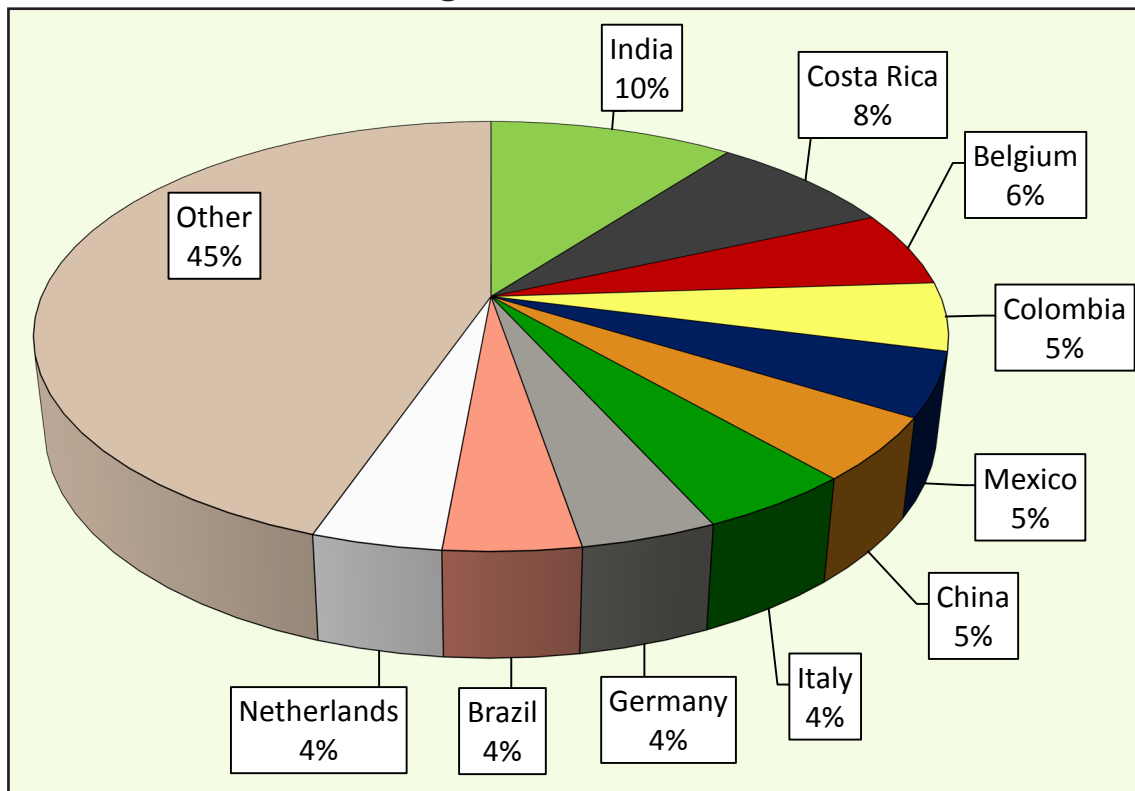
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Meat	110,507	7,444	6%	9%
Bananas	95,809	8,998	6%	2%
Pineapple	95,336	8,794	6%	12%
Wine	94,688	9,732	6%	5%
Coffee	94,371	5,438	6%	6%
Vegetables	56,945	5,177	3%	4%
Frozen fish	44,033	4,363	3%	4%
Other	558,616	48,712	33%	
Total	1,710,096	142,305	100%	5%

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Top Origin Countries for U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Imports Through Houston, TX, 2015



Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

Top Shipping Lines Moving U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Imports Through Houston, 2015

Shipping Lines	Metric Tons	Share
Mediterranean Shpg	453,697	21%
Maersk	292,395	14%
Seaboard Marine	201,454	9%
Hapag Lloyd	190,147	9%
Naviera InterAmericana Nav	136,829	6%
CMA-CGM	105,180	5%
SeaLand	62,117	3%
Odfjell USA LP	59,166	3%
Team Tankers International Ltd	58,554	3%
COSCO	46,513	2%
Other	554,828	26%
Total	2,160,880	100%

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