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Weekly Container Overview

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- **Ports:** The ports of Los Angeles/Long Beach, New York, Oakland, and Norfolk are expected to have the most available containers among the reported port locations over the next 3 weeks. Availability estimates increased from the previous week at Los Angeles/Long Beach and New York, but decreased in Oakland and 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. Availability estimates decreased this week in Dallas, Chicago, and Columbus but increased in Memphis.
- **Equipment:** Overall, current week availability for all container types combined increased this week by nearly 1,600 units from the previous week.
 - Availability estimates decreased at 11 of the 18 reported locations this week—particularly in Houston, Savannah, and Norfolk. Other locations saw significant increases such as dry equipment in New Orleans and 40ft dry and high-cube containers in Memphis.
 - Availability estimates rose for 40ft dry and high-cube containers this week, and particularly for 20ft refrigerated containers which have increased 56 percent over the past 2 weeks. See table below.

Week-to-Week Comparison of Current Week Availability Estimates

Container type	Week of Oct 2-8	Week of Oct 9-15	Week of Oct 16-22	Week of Oct 23-29	% Change from Previous Week
20ft dry	7,892	7,526	7,688	7,511	-2%
40ft dry	8,626	8,634	9,127	10,452	15%
40ft high-cube	18,636	19,471	20,922	21,532	3%
40ft refrigerated	3,828	3,306	3,366	3,133	-7%
20ft refrigerated	260	206	254	322	27%

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National Overview

Week of Oct 23-29, 2013

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput

Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers

Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers

Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

National Overview

Week of Oct 23-29, 2013

Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers

Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers

Charleston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	142	63	50	26	13	1	.	.	.	.	295
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	138	67	50	48	-31	1	.	.	.	.	273
Week 3: Nov 6-12	131	87	50	53	-31	2	.	.	.	.	292
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	145	118	70	20	2	-18	.	.	.	.	337
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	166	105	131	20	5	-16	.	.	.	.	411
Week 3: Nov 6-12	155	144	190	20	7	13	.	.	.	.	529
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	133	43	41	40	33	1	.	.	.	.	291
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	203	48	29	40	53	2	.	.	.	.	375
Week 3: Nov 6-12	273	-28	20	40	80	2	.	.	.	.	387
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	72	30	12	5	1	-81	.	.	.	.	39
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	80	29	11	5	1	-64	.	.	.	.	62
Week 3: Nov 6-12	80	29	14	5	1	-88	.	.	.	.	41
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	7	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	7	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Nov 6-12	9	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14

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: Oct 23-29	950	162	100	77	26	8	.	.	.	.	1,323
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	1,252	262	100	181	3	6	.	.	.	.	1,804
Week 3: Nov 6-12	1,566	352	100	290	1	8	.	.	.	.	2,317
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	229	166	78	8	0	-800	.	.	.	.	-319
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	405	257	-44	10	2	-800	.	.	.	.	-170
Week 3: Nov 6-12	425	338	-96	8	-10	-800	.	.	.	.	-135
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	600	199	150	10	-10	-181	.	.	.	.	768
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	600	376	229	8	-16	-103	.	.	.	.	1,094
Week 3: Nov 6-12	600	431	266	10	-36	-38	.	.	.	.	1,233
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	91	66	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	167
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	99	71	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	180
Week 3: Nov 6-12	99	76	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	185
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	28	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	24	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32
Week 3: Nov 6-12	20	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	30

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: Oct 23-29	57	44	20	14	13	0	.	.	.	.	148
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	82	60	20	12	38	2	.	.	.	.	214
Week 3: Nov 6-12	109	75	20	18	67	1	.	.	.	.	290
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	39	30	18	14	13	8	.	.	.	.	122
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	56	30	17	14	43	3	.	.	.	.	163
Week 3: Nov 6-12	74	30	19	16	57	5	.	.	.	.	201
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	82	50	18	17	14	4	.	.	.	.	185
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	108	50	14	9	14	1	.	.	.	.	196
Week 3: Nov 6-12	136	50	14	24	13	2	.	.	.	.	239
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	18	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	22	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22
Week 3: Nov 6-12	26	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Nov 6-12	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	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: Oct 23-29	76	17	10	3	2	-15	.	.	.	.	93
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	96	27	12	3	0	-10	.	.	.	.	128
Week 3: Nov 6-12	115	37	12	3	0	5	.	.	.	.	172
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	119	30	11	7	6	0	.	.	.	.	173
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	169	30	11	24	17	2	.	.	.	.	253
Week 3: Nov 6-12	220	30	16	40	18	1	.	.	.	.	325
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	241	80	15	13	4	-11	.	.	.	.	342
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	316	80	15	29	2	-5	.	.	.	.	437
Week 3: Nov 6-12	386	80	14	32	-3	-15	.	.	.	.	494
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Nov 6-12	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 6-12	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2

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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: Oct 23-29	147	129	78	60	10	10	.	.	.	.	434
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	158	108	194	117	10	10	.	.	.	.	597
Week 3: Nov 6-12	191	88	310	159	15	10	.	.	.	.	773
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	192	138	135	80	10	5	.	.	.	.	560
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	204	217	154	211	8	5	.	.	.	.	799
Week 3: Nov 6-12	189	285	167	347	11	5	.	.	.	.	1,004
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	304	300	240	184	175	11	.	.	.	.	1,214
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	460	300	271	314	320	10	.	.	.	.	1,675
Week 3: Nov 6-12	591	300	190	424	469	11	.	.	.	.	1,985
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	11	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	16	0	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Nov 6-12	22	0	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Nov 6-12	-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: Oct 23-29	81	8	1	1	0	-4	.	.	.	.	87
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	110	9	1	0	-3	-7	.	.	.	.	110
Week 3: Nov 6-12	136	12	1	4	-5	-8	.	.	.	.	140
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	42	15	15	13	8	3	.	.	.	.	96
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	59	28	11	8	12	3	.	.	.	.	121
Week 3: Nov 6-12	76	40	11	2	10	3	.	.	.	.	142
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	70	39	28	13	9	5	.	.	.	.	164
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	70	67	13	9	9	11	.	.	.	.	179
Week 3: Nov 6-12	70	91	10	3	10	14	.	.	.	.	198
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 6-12	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Nov 6-12	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	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: Oct 23-29	150	28	8	-47	-57	-76	.	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	150	30	9	-89	-8	-149	.	.	.	.	-57
Week 3: Nov 6-12	150	42	9	-79	-8	-222	.	.	.	.	-108
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	104	70	23	1	-14	-251	.	.	.	.	-67
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	56	70	29	2	-58	-384	.	.	.	.	-285
Week 3: Nov 6-12	54	70	29	4	-61	-457	.	.	.	.	-361
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	500	108	42	5	5	-273	.	.	.	.	387
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	500	133	102	2	-5	-373	.	.	.	.	359
Week 3: Nov 6-12	500	143	119	1	-5	-467	.	.	.	.	291
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	120	18	2	0	-6	.	.	.	.	.	134
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	120	35	2	0	-11	.	.	.	.	.	146
Week 3: Nov 6-12	120	54	2	0	-16	.	.	.	.	.	160
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	12	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	15	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Nov 6-12	18	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17

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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: Oct 23-29	20	10	0	-10	-18	-64	.	.	.	.	-62
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	20	20	0	-10	-3	-83	.	.	.	.	-56
Week 3: Nov 6-12	20	23	-1	-8	10	-64	.	.	.	.	-20
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	300	43	16	-1	-10	-13	.	.	.	.	335
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	300	54	24	0	-12	-29	.	.	.	.	337
Week 3: Nov 6-12	300	47	31	-5	-15	4	.	.	.	.	362
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	200	72	43	5	-14	-34	.	.	.	.	272
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	200	124	46	2	-15	-36	.	.	.	.	321
Week 3: Nov 6-12	200	133	45	-8	-17	-34	.	.	.	.	319
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	30	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	35
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	27	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32
Week 3: Nov 6-12	24	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	29
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 6-12	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

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Los Angeles and Long Beach											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	950	668	601	102	45	-225	.	.	.	.	2,141
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	950	799	568	264	50	-103	.	.	.	.	2,528
Week 3: Nov 6-12	950	660	767	434	50	-70	.	.	.	.	2,791
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	1,500	1,273	1,219	774	45	10	.	.	.	.	4,821
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	1,500	1,249	1,349	1,115	50	107	.	.	.	.	5,370
Week 3: Nov 6-12	1,500	1,150	1,958	1,540	50	214	.	.	.	.	6,412
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	4,400	3,018	2,379	260	60	-69	.	.	.	.	10,048
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	4,400	2,437	2,435	596	60	-131	.	.	.	.	9,797
Week 3: Nov 6-12	4,400	3,248	2,200	475	60	-206	.	.	.	.	10,177
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	340	286	213	120	100	75	.	.	.	.	1,134
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	307	329	218	153	100	75	.	.	.	.	1,182
Week 3: Nov 6-12	340	407	166	181	100	75	.	.	.	.	1,269
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	59	10	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	73
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	70	10	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	79
Week 3: Nov 6-12	82	10	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	95

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: Oct 23-29	90	60	4	3	1	-16	.	.	.	.	142
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	90	64	17	2	9	-27	.	.	.	.	155
Week 3: Nov 6-12	90	72	27	2	5	-92	.	.	.	.	104
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	229	159	150	87	4	-2	.	.	.	.	627
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	328	217	150	143	8	24	.	.	.	.	870
Week 3: Nov 6-12	450	209	150	197	10	18	.	.	.	.	1,034
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	1,050	278	105	101	16	10	.	.	.	.	1,560
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	1,050	446	150	192	22	8	.	.	.	.	1,868
Week 3: Nov 6-12	1,050	560	186	279	16	8	.	.	.	.	2,099
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	4	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	6	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16
Week 3: Nov 6-12	8	18	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 3: Nov 6-12	-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	558	11...300
40ft	430	11...200
40ft High Cubes	884	9...600
40ft Refrigerated	2	0...2
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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

Minneapolis											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	76	53	26	20	6	-8	.	.	.	.	173
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	76	28	47	20	3	-8	.	.	.	.	166
Week 3: Nov 6-12	64	3	68	20	0	-7	.	.	.	.	148
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	300	89	32	20	15	-2	.	.	.	.	454
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	300	53	34	17	15	-11	.	.	.	.	408
Week 3: Nov 6-12	300	10	22	-12	8	-9	.	.	.	.	319
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	70	54	31	-7	-8	-98	.	.	.	.	42
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	70	46	8	-2	-8	-132	.	.	.	.	-18
Week 3: Nov 6-12	70	36	1	3	-9	-163	.	.	.	.	-62
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	0	-21	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-21
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	0	-28	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-28
Week 3: Nov 6-12	0	-35	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-35
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Nov 6-12	-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	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: Oct 23-29	175	44	14	8	0	0	.	.	.	.	241
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	-36	-1	10	9	0	0	.	.	.	.	-18
Week 3: Nov 6-12	-123	-15	10	9	0	0	.	.	.	.	-119
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	38	10	4	0	0	-13	.	.	.	.	39
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	25	14	7	0	2	-101	.	.	.	.	-53
Week 3: Nov 6-12	18	12	5	0	1	-139	.	.	.	.	-103
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	18	12	6	0	0	-3	.	.	.	.	33
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	21	12	-75	0	-1	-11	.	.	.	.	-54
Week 3: Nov 6-12	27	9	-192	0	-3	-17	.	.	.	.	-176
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	18	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	14	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Nov 6-12	10	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	14	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	10	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Nov 6-12	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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: Oct 23-29	421	237	189	155	80	20	.	.	.	.	1,102
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	583	369	170	337	80	30	.	.	.	.	1,569
Week 3: Nov 6-12	786	648	152	537	80	35	.	.	.	.	2,238
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	555	244	203	120	113	25	.	.	.	.	1,260
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	773	272	341	120	55	25	.	.	.	.	1,586
Week 3: Nov 6-12	963	442	619	120	35	30	.	.	.	.	2,209
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	1,114	462	400	125	94	25	.	.	.	.	2,220
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	1,386	589	400	71	337	35	.	.	.	.	2,818
Week 3: Nov 6-12	1,956	895	400	60	664	50	.	.	.	.	4,025
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	287	197	131	128	80	10	.	.	.	.	833
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	357	255	186	108	80	10	.	.	.	.	996
Week 3: Nov 6-12	457	314	270	15	80	10	.	.	.	.	1,146
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	21	5	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	30
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	27	5	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
Week 3: Nov 6-12	33	5	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39

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: Oct 23-29	97	39	39	10	8	-25	.	.	.	.	168
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	107	12	-6	10	9	-9	.	.	.	.	123
Week 3: Nov 6-12	131	6	19	10	11	51	.	.	.	.	228
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	236	104	80	31	12	-4	.	.	.	.	459
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	260	123	80	60	10	29	.	.	.	.	562
Week 3: Nov 6-12	291	154	80	84	10	18	.	.	.	.	637
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	400	197	90	35	12	-24	.	.	.	.	710
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	400	242	43	150	9	-40	.	.	.	.	804
Week 3: Nov 6-12	400	367	19	258	9	-38	.	.	.	.	1,015
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	287	140	41	10	4	-6	.	.	.	.	476
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	247	151	37	10	3	-34	.	.	.	.	414
Week 3: Nov 6-12	207	145	47	10	1	-13	.	.	.	.	397
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	17	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	17	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
Week 3: Nov 6-12	17	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Oct 23-29	214	100	73	21	12	-33	.	.	.	.	387
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	112	100	32	157	12	-53	.	.	.	.	360
Week 3: Nov 6-12	19	100	-14	143	14	-71	.	.	.	.	191
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	500	96	90	23	10	-222	.	.	.	.	497
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	336	107	90	27	9	-317	.	.	.	.	252
Week 3: Nov 6-12	75	87	90	18	14	-411	.	.	.	.	-127
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	800	633	600	187	10	-62	.	.	.	.	2,168
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	686	630	600	222	15	-134	.	.	.	.	2,019
Week 3: Nov 6-12	312	628	600	214	20	-145	.	.	.	.	1,629
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	56	30	21	13	1	-112	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	10	30	-40	53	1	-115	.	.	.	.	-61
Week 3: Nov 6-12	-40	30	-39	54	1	-76	.	.	.	.	-70
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	58	35	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	103
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	62	36	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	108
Week 3: Nov 6-12	61	37	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	108

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: Oct 23-29	180	103	78	2	-46	-95	.	.	.	.	222
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	180	113	30	3	-63	-29	.	.	.	.	234
Week 3: Nov 6-12	180	128	20	3	-66	45	.	.	.	.	310
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	315	294	150	6	-24	-446	.	.	.	.	295
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	250	323	150	7	-33	-571	.	.	.	.	126
Week 3: Nov 6-12	241	348	150	4	-45	-698	.	.	.	.	0
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	350	327	326	0	-35	-532	.	.	.	.	436
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	350	269	429	0	-56	-653	.	.	.	.	339
Week 3: Nov 6-12	350	266	520	0	-66	-770	.	.	.	.	300
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	300	150	92	48	10	-55	.	.	.	.	545
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	325	141	68	73	10	-52	.	.	.	.	565
Week 3: Nov 6-12	350	135	78	101	10	-59	.	.	.	.	615
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	7	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	6	1	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Nov 6-12	5	1	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4

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: Oct 23-29	279	100	25	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	413
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	358	100	25	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	492
Week 3: Nov 6-12	339	100	30	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	479
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	107	64	40	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	218
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	122	49	40	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	219
Week 3: Nov 6-12	87	38	40	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	172
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	175	33	6	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	211
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	175	25	8	-49	.	.	.	.	.	.	159
Week 3: Nov 6-12	175	17	8	-113	.	.	.	.	.	.	87
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	22	20	10	-54	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	20	20	-7	-150	.	.	.	.	.	.	-117
Week 3: Nov 6-12	20	20	-3	-267	.	.	.	.	.	.	-230
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	9	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	9	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Nov 6-12	9	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	172	29...70
40ft	263	7...91
40ft High Cubes	462	104...148
40ft Refrigerated	172	0...122
20ft Refrigerated	7	0...5

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

Tacoma											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	106	85	10	5	-8	.	.	.	.	.	198
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	62	18	10	5	-8	.	.	.	.	.	87
Week 3: Nov 6-12	43	12	10	5	-25	.	.	.	.	.	45
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	567	97	8	-15	-112	.	.	.	.	.	545
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	442	-5	8	-15	-153	.	.	.	.	.	277
Week 3: Nov 6-12	468	-49	8	-15	-167	.	.	.	.	.	245
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	698	40	15	8	-280	.	.	.	.	.	481
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	497	40	-173	10	-331	.	.	.	.	.	43
Week 3: Nov 6-12	738	40	-318	10	-450	.	.	.	.	.	20
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	48	5	0	-38	-277	.	.	.	.	.	-262
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	27	5	0	-320	-279	.	.	.	.	.	-567
Week 3: Nov 6-12	29	5	0	-479	-254	.	.	.	.	.	-699
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Oct 23-29	6	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Oct 30-Nov 5	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Nov 6-12	12	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	383	1...300
40ft	671	15...500
40ft High Cubes	797	76...600
40ft Refrigerated	493	0...203
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...4

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

Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 6 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The 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.
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- 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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