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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).

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National Overview

Week of Dec 10-16, 2014

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 Dec 10-16, 2014

Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers

Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers

Charleston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	163	105	86	80	63	47	.	.	.	.	544
Week 2: Dec 17-23	208	135	86	88	50	46	.	.	.	.	613
Week 3: Dec 24-30	253	161	86	93	50	50	.	.	.	.	693
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	292	201	92	62	61	33	.	.	.	.	741
Week 2: Dec 17-23	292	268	80	97	50	61	.	.	.	.	848
Week 3: Dec 24-30	292	302	83	118	50	86	.	.	.	.	931
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	356	340	212	107	95	74	.	.	.	.	1,184
Week 2: Dec 17-23	356	371	261	112	80	99	.	.	.	.	1,279
Week 3: Dec 24-30	356	393	307	73	80	81	.	.	.	.	1,290
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	134	27	15	9	5	-60	.	.	.	.	130
Week 2: Dec 17-23	117	41	20	9	5	-91	.	.	.	.	101
Week 3: Dec 24-30	94	55	20	5	5	-94	.	.	.	.	85
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	6	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Dec 17-23	8	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Week 3: Dec 24-30	10	4	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: Dec 10-16	334	255	247	232	12	-75	.	.	.	.	1,005
Week 2: Dec 17-23	343	285	247	303	20	0	.	.	.	.	1,198
Week 3: Dec 24-30	393	602	247	376	20	0	.	.	.	.	1,638
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	297	198	88	20	-28	-102	.	.	.	.	473
Week 2: Dec 17-23	182	384	113	53	0	-102	.	.	.	.	630
Week 3: Dec 24-30	227	804	116	45	0	-102	.	.	.	.	1,090
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	762	269	262	47	-169	-822	.	.	.	.	349
Week 2: Dec 17-23	987	225	286	50	0	-822	.	.	.	.	726
Week 3: Dec 24-30	1,447	329	282	55	0	-822	.	.	.	.	1,291
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	129	0	0	-8	-22	.	.	.	.	.	99
Week 2: Dec 17-23	141	0	0	10	-41	.	.	.	.	.	110
Week 3: Dec 24-30	155	0	0	10	-57	.	.	.	.	.	108
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Dec 17-23	2	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Dec 24-30	1	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-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	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

Cincinnati											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	75	50	41	32	28	-5	.	.	.	.	221
Week 2: Dec 17-23	86	50	62	41	14	-3	.	.	.	.	250
Week 3: Dec 24-30	99	50	83	67	14	-4	.	.	.	.	309
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	82	36	12	0	-1	-5	.	.	.	.	124
Week 2: Dec 17-23	82	46	25	0	-4	-4	.	.	.	.	145
Week 3: Dec 24-30	82	70	30	0	-2	-4	.	.	.	.	176
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	344	41	33	-6	-6	-25	.	.	.	.	381
Week 2: Dec 17-23	344	49	35	1	0	-30	.	.	.	.	399
Week 3: Dec 24-30	344	61	42	-2	0	-33	.	.	.	.	412
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	12	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Week 2: Dec 17-23	16	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16
Week 3: Dec 24-30	20	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Dec 17-23	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Dec 24-30	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

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

Columbus											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	92	57	22	20	14	1	.	.	.	.	206
Week 2: Dec 17-23	104	78	26	38	14	0	.	.	.	.	260
Week 3: Dec 24-30	111	89	26	50	14	1	.	.	.	.	291
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	105	50	15	11	3	-4	.	.	.	.	180
Week 2: Dec 17-23	157	50	32	0	2	6	.	.	.	.	247
Week 3: Dec 24-30	193	50	45	0	2	11	.	.	.	.	301
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	394	128	32	4	-1	-1	.	.	.	.	556
Week 2: Dec 17-23	394	202	58	1	0	2	.	.	.	.	657
Week 3: Dec 24-30	394	236	78	2	0	1	.	.	.	.	711
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Dec 17-23	8	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Dec 24-30	9	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Dec 17-23	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Dec 24-30	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3

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: Dec 10-16	291	164	152	81	76	15	.	.	.	.	779
Week 2: Dec 17-23	396	169	225	125	76	10	.	.	.	.	1,001
Week 3: Dec 24-30	492	259	293	117	76	10	.	.	.	.	1,247
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	226	224	200	200	182	0	.	.	.	.	1,032
Week 2: Dec 17-23	334	224	207	368	258	50	.	.	.	.	1,441
Week 3: Dec 24-30	436	224	286	529	220	50	.	.	.	.	1,745
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	660	606	476	402	394	52	.	.	.	.	2,590
Week 2: Dec 17-23	660	880	668	702	575	50	.	.	.	.	3,535
Week 3: Dec 24-30	660	1,155	560	971	863	50	.	.	.	.	4,259
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	36	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39
Week 2: Dec 17-23	61	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	63
Week 3: Dec 24-30	105	1	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	106
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Dec 17-23	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Dec 24-30	-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: Dec 10-16	43	27	19	12	-3	-13	.	.	.	.	85
Week 2: Dec 17-23	45	27	27	18	0	0	.	.	.	.	117
Week 3: Dec 24-30	56	27	34	27	-2	0	.	.	.	.	142
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	55	33	27	22	21	0	.	.	.	.	158
Week 2: Dec 17-23	60	39	18	22	10	6	.	.	.	.	155
Week 3: Dec 24-30	70	44	20	22	10	3	.	.	.	.	169
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	146	135	75	36	9	5	.	.	.	.	406
Week 2: Dec 17-23	146	171	85	36	20	6	.	.	.	.	464
Week 3: Dec 24-30	146	204	96	41	20	4	.	.	.	.	511
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 17-23	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 24-30	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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: Dec 10-16	434	196	143	109	26	-149	.	.	.	.	759
Week 2: Dec 17-23	434	231	100	74	21	-188	.	.	.	.	672
Week 3: Dec 24-30	434	264	100	137	13	-247	.	.	.	.	701
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	394	157	105	20	-2	-29	.	.	.	.	645
Week 2: Dec 17-23	394	124	58	50	-5	-78	.	.	.	.	543
Week 3: Dec 24-30	394	103	80	50	-8	-127	.	.	.	.	492
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	2,842	662	155	106	43	1	.	.	.	.	3,809
Week 2: Dec 17-23	2,842	747	205	60	50	-7	.	.	.	.	3,897
Week 3: Dec 24-30	2,842	799	263	117	50	-4	.	.	.	.	4,067
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	111	109	63	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	285
Week 2: Dec 17-23	128	100	67	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	297
Week 3: Dec 24-30	149	100	71	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	322
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	16	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20
Week 2: Dec 17-23	20	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	24
Week 3: Dec 24-30	24	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	28

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: Dec 10-16	74	56	54	43	2	-11	.	.	.	.	218
Week 2: Dec 17-23	74	30	35	53	0	-8	.	.	.	.	184
Week 3: Dec 24-30	74	30	75	74	0	-8	.	.	.	.	245
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	42	38	10	7	-1	-137	.	.	.	.	-41
Week 2: Dec 17-23	42	50	4	0	1	-142	.	.	.	.	-45
Week 3: Dec 24-30	42	57	-6	0	2	-150	.	.	.	.	-55
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	284	76	60	25	0	0	.	.	.	.	445
Week 2: Dec 17-23	284	81	79	13	1	0	.	.	.	.	458
Week 3: Dec 24-30	284	86	92	43	1	0	.	.	.	.	506
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	49	11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	60
Week 2: Dec 17-23	41	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	54
Week 3: Dec 24-30	38	15	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	53
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Dec 17-23	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Dec 24-30	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: Dec 10-16	783	725	635	539	160	141	.	.	.	.	2,983
Week 2: Dec 17-23	843	700	635	777	464	270	.	.	.	.	3,689
Week 3: Dec 24-30	820	700	635	1,004	781	410	.	.	.	.	4,350
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	1,310	1,103	730	492	296	176	.	.	.	.	4,107
Week 2: Dec 17-23	1,310	1,500	826	682	1,207	397	.	.	.	.	5,922
Week 3: Dec 24-30	1,310	1,500	836	866	1,825	688	.	.	.	.	7,025
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	5,270	4,236	1,642	828	591	21	.	.	.	.	12,588
Week 2: Dec 17-23	5,270	3,000	1,900	980	856	1,936	.	.	.	.	13,942
Week 3: Dec 24-30	5,270	3,000	2,071	1,416	1,106	3,370	.	.	.	.	16,233
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	596	334	188	147	107	75	.	.	.	.	1,447
Week 2: Dec 17-23	713	300	408	163	107	75	.	.	.	.	1,766
Week 3: Dec 24-30	732	300	538	267	106	75	.	.	.	.	2,018
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	48	29	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	87
Week 2: Dec 17-23	51	44	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	105
Week 3: Dec 24-30	57	60	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	127

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: Dec 10-16	237	130	56	23	6	-13	.	.	.	.	439
Week 2: Dec 17-23	237	88	60	17	20	-4	.	.	.	.	418
Week 3: Dec 24-30	237	64	60	80	35	-10	.	.	.	.	466
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	199	166	96	-2	-4	-6	.	.	.	.	449
Week 2: Dec 17-23	149	259	96	-4	50	2	.	.	.	.	552
Week 3: Dec 24-30	309	364	96	-5	100	11	.	.	.	.	875
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	780	209	162	62	41	17	.	.	.	.	1,271
Week 2: Dec 17-23	780	330	172	154	80	23	.	.	.	.	1,539
Week 3: Dec 24-30	780	504	274	250	100	20	.	.	.	.	1,928
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	13	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16
Week 2: Dec 17-23	18	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	23
Week 3: Dec 24-30	27	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Dec 17-23	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 3: Dec 24-30	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3

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: Dec 10-16	79	66	43	16	-9	-400	.	.	.	.	-205
Week 2: Dec 17-23	87	50	55	17	-9	-502	.	.	.	.	-302
Week 3: Dec 24-30	91	50	42	22	-9	-626	.	.	.	.	-430
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	258	93	57	25	24	-116	.	.	.	.	341
Week 2: Dec 17-23	258	100	84	21	26	-146	.	.	.	.	343
Week 3: Dec 24-30	258	100	62	27	25	-180	.	.	.	.	292
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	802	120	73	49	25	-275	.	.	.	.	794
Week 2: Dec 17-23	802	158	50	51	18	-356	.	.	.	.	723
Week 3: Dec 24-30	802	157	30	53	20	-452	.	.	.	.	610
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	0	-19	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-19
Week 2: Dec 17-23	0	-24	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-24
Week 3: Dec 24-30	0	-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-30
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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: Dec 10-16	188	144	43	21	8	0	.	.	.	.	404
Week 2: Dec 17-23	207	102	43	10	11	0	.	.	.	.	373
Week 3: Dec 24-30	203	91	43	10	11	0	.	.	.	.	358
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	115	74	14	8	1	0	.	.	.	.	212
Week 2: Dec 17-23	52	62	10	8	-47	1	.	.	.	.	86
Week 3: Dec 24-30	-15	70	10	8	-94	0	.	.	.	.	-21
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	126	54	42	24	1	-119	.	.	.	.	128
Week 2: Dec 17-23	113	54	12	10	0	-270	.	.	.	.	-81
Week 3: Dec 24-30	109	54	-26	10	1	-428	.	.	.	.	-280
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	32	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	37
Week 2: Dec 17-23	21	-3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 3: Dec 24-30	11	-11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	26	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
Week 2: Dec 17-23	24	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26
Week 3: Dec 24-30	23	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Dec 10-16	1,186	1,117	755	456	445	160	.	.	.	.	4,119
Week 2: Dec 17-23	1,333	800	755	681	752	190	.	.	.	.	4,511
Week 3: Dec 24-30	1,568	800	755	824	1,040	206	.	.	.	.	5,193
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	938	830	527	443	385	187	.	.	.	.	3,310
Week 2: Dec 17-23	800	830	838	662	445	195	.	.	.	.	3,770
Week 3: Dec 24-30	800	830	966	874	791	210	.	.	.	.	4,471
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	4,400	1,742	1,334	869	825	231	.	.	.	.	9,401
Week 2: Dec 17-23	4,400	1,968	800	1,236	1,223	300	.	.	.	.	9,927
Week 3: Dec 24-30	4,400	2,478	800	1,670	1,593	280	.	.	.	.	11,221
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	237	229	221	165	88	10	.	.	.	.	950
Week 2: Dec 17-23	368	305	50	240	69	10	.	.	.	.	1,042
Week 3: Dec 24-30	434	419	50	316	84	10	.	.	.	.	1,313
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	24	14	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	43
Week 2: Dec 17-23	27	16	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	48
Week 3: Dec 24-30	30	14	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	49

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

Norfolk											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	397	353	332	220	85	15	.	.	.	.	1,402
Week 2: Dec 17-23	433	337	200	220	219	5	.	.	.	.	1,414
Week 3: Dec 24-30	477	357	200	220	290	3	.	.	.	.	1,547
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	349	172	11	2	-9	-66	.	.	.	.	459
Week 2: Dec 17-23	362	80	0	13	42	-66	.	.	.	.	431
Week 3: Dec 24-30	423	96	0	13	73	-66	.	.	.	.	539
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	778	467	373	325	164	10	.	.	.	.	2,117
Week 2: Dec 17-23	778	474	457	400	222	35	.	.	.	.	2,366
Week 3: Dec 24-30	778	649	532	300	260	20	.	.	.	.	2,539
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	111	81	50	10	0	-85	.	.	.	.	167
Week 2: Dec 17-23	132	30	53	10	-16	-118	.	.	.	.	91
Week 3: Dec 24-30	140	30	61	10	-14	-160	.	.	.	.	67
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	13	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 2: Dec 17-23	14	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 3: Dec 24-30	15	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20

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: Dec 10-16	650	416	162	125	93	92	.	.	.	.	1,538
Week 2: Dec 17-23	707	395	156	125	100	129	.	.	.	.	1,612
Week 3: Dec 24-30	756	295	166	125	100	165	.	.	.	.	1,607
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	160	137	127	22	-14	-72	.	.	.	.	360
Week 2: Dec 17-23	205	143	150	15	-14	-72	.	.	.	.	427
Week 3: Dec 24-30	244	146	150	12	-14	-221	.	.	.	.	317
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	828	316	118	87	59	-120	.	.	.	.	1,288
Week 2: Dec 17-23	-16	316	200	89	64	-114	.	.	.	.	539
Week 3: Dec 24-30	-511	316	200	83	114	-123	.	.	.	.	79
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	288	270	192	163	30	-42	.	.	.	.	901
Week 2: Dec 17-23	284	80	147	52	30	-50	.	.	.	.	543
Week 3: Dec 24-30	280	100	104	36	30	-18	.	.	.	.	532
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	36	25	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	71
Week 2: Dec 17-23	41	20	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	71
Week 3: Dec 24-30	46	21	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	77

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: Dec 10-16	420	341	318	222	104	13	.	.	.	.	1,418
Week 2: Dec 17-23	420	400	378	325	143	20	.	.	.	.	1,686
Week 3: Dec 24-30	420	400	502	423	171	22	.	.	.	.	1,938
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	426	403	212	115	106	-6	.	.	.	.	1,256
Week 2: Dec 17-23	426	417	150	180	106	-12	.	.	.	.	1,267
Week 3: Dec 24-30	426	459	150	164	95	-9	.	.	.	.	1,285
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	1,752	316	46	26	-20	-233	.	.	.	.	1,887
Week 2: Dec 17-23	1,752	582	150	-52	-8	-250	.	.	.	.	2,174
Week 3: Dec 24-30	1,752	582	100	-47	-7	-294	.	.	.	.	2,086
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	149	111	74	23	13	10	.	.	.	.	380
Week 2: Dec 17-23	100	96	10	34	-12	10	.	.	.	.	238
Week 3: Dec 24-30	100	55	6	44	-22	10	.	.	.	.	193
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	10	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Dec 17-23	9	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Dec 24-30	8	4	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	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: Dec 10-16	448	207	65	-11	-20	.	.	.	.	.	689
Week 2: Dec 17-23	473	217	65	-69	50	.	.	.	.	.	736
Week 3: Dec 24-30	497	229	65	-91	100	.	.	.	.	.	800
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	547	448	238	54	36	.	.	.	.	.	1,323
Week 2: Dec 17-23	465	448	246	53	100	.	.	.	.	.	1,312
Week 3: Dec 24-30	428	448	255	49	100	.	.	.	.	.	1,280
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	1,022	326	222	154	64	.	.	.	.	.	1,788
Week 2: Dec 17-23	1,022	300	220	61	58	.	.	.	.	.	1,661
Week 3: Dec 24-30	1,022	400	226	-131	48	.	.	.	.	.	1,565
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	570	560	417	20	-7	.	.	.	.	.	1,560
Week 2: Dec 17-23	434	647	400	20	-21	.	.	.	.	.	1,480
Week 3: Dec 24-30	365	598	400	20	-36	.	.	.	.	.	1,347
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	25	14	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Week 2: Dec 17-23	33	14	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	48
Week 3: Dec 24-30	35	14	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50

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: Dec 10-16	74	66	13	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	163
Week 2: Dec 17-23	80	64	-53	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	101
Week 3: Dec 24-30	80	70	-74	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	86
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	143	71	62	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	277
Week 2: Dec 17-23	196	80	50	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	327
Week 3: Dec 24-30	228	80	40	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	349
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	169	167	20	-16	.	.	.	.	.	.	340
Week 2: Dec 17-23	25	149	20	-325	.	.	.	.	.	.	-131
Week 3: Dec 24-30	25	155	20	-533	.	.	.	.	.	.	-333
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	222	41	5	-320	.	.	.	.	.	.	-52
Week 2: Dec 17-23	175	50	5	-418	.	.	.	.	.	.	-188
Week 3: Dec 24-30	154	50	5	-425	.	.	.	.	.	.	-216
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 10-16	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Dec 17-23	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Dec 24-30	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	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.
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