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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 17-23, 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 17-23, 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 17-23	178	99	92	73	68	65	.	.	.	.	575
Week 2: Dec 24-30	231	107	80	49	66	65	.	.	.	.	598
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	285	139	80	55	152	65	.	.	.	.	776
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	286	125	116	97	46	18	.	.	.	.	688
Week 2: Dec 24-30	286	90	131	152	50	41	.	.	.	.	750
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	286	110	210	220	50	66	.	.	.	.	942
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	308	264	162	157	136	92	.	.	.	.	1,119
Week 2: Dec 24-30	220	264	116	238	81	80	.	.	.	.	999
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	213	264	130	329	124	80	.	.	.	.	1,140
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	106	34	13	12	5	-91	.	.	.	.	79
Week 2: Dec 24-30	90	49	9	20	5	-94	.	.	.	.	79
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	56	64	10	20	5	-95	.	.	.	.	60
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	4	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Dec 24-30	5	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	6	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11

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 17-23	460	243	157	27	15	11	.	.	.	.	913
Week 2: Dec 24-30	655	243	255	0	9	75	.	.	.	.	1,237
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	737	243	388	0	14	-24	.	.	.	.	1,358
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	553	15	-20	-26	-104	-112	.	.	.	.	306
Week 2: Dec 24-30	777	74	-10	0	-104	-165	.	.	.	.	572
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	998	145	-15	0	-104	-164	.	.	.	.	860
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	849	82	-31	-35	-67	-824	.	.	.	.	-26
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1,098	104	63	-29	0	-824	.	.	.	.	412
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	1,543	164	164	-40	0	-824	.	.	.	.	1,007
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	133	93	40	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	266
Week 2: Dec 24-30	137	50	21	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	208
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	122	50	0	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	172
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	12	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Dec 24-30	10	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	8	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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 17-23	59	37	24	24	12	-1	.	.	.	.	155
Week 2: Dec 24-30	79	37	32	14	21	0	.	.	.	.	183
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	101	37	46	14	49	-1	.	.	.	.	246
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	38	25	3	-6	-7	-38	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Dec 24-30	42	36	-3	0	-4	-38	.	.	.	.	33
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	23	69	-2	0	2	-38	.	.	.	.	54
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	368	20	19	4	-5	-56	.	.	.	.	350
Week 2: Dec 24-30	368	34	6	1	0	-65	.	.	.	.	344
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	368	40	27	3	0	-75	.	.	.	.	363
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Dec 24-30	17	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	21	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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	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: Dec 17-23	71	45	42	37	26	-2	.	.	.	.	219
Week 2: Dec 24-30	91	58	39	26	26	0	.	.	.	.	240
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	99	77	51	26	26	-2	.	.	.	.	277
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	89	35	29	24	2	-56	.	.	.	.	123
Week 2: Dec 24-30	141	38	36	10	1	-56	.	.	.	.	170
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	173	46	59	10	3	-56	.	.	.	.	235
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	546	64	36	34	17	5	.	.	.	.	702
Week 2: Dec 24-30	546	127	43	32	10	2	.	.	.	.	760
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	546	154	69	35	10	1	.	.	.	.	815
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	5	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Dec 24-30	6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	7	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Dec 24-30	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	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	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 17-23	277	176	122	89	85	38	.	.	.	.	787
Week 2: Dec 24-30	384	232	115	89	194	10	.	.	.	.	1,024
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	505	321	118	89	245	10	.	.	.	.	1,288
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	311	299	272	214	87	11	.	.	.	.	1,194
Week 2: Dec 24-30	271	392	423	214	218	50	.	.	.	.	1,568
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	290	514	594	214	257	50	.	.	.	.	1,919
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	805	647	600	331	268	163	.	.	.	.	2,814
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1,124	620	600	677	642	50	.	.	.	.	3,713
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	1,501	634	600	798	794	50	.	.	.	.	4,377
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	42	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Week 2: Dec 24-30	63	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	61
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	81	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	79
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Dec 24-30	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	-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 17-23	37	35	33	21	-2	-2	.	.	.	.	122
Week 2: Dec 24-30	37	39	48	25	-1	0	.	.	.	.	148
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	37	46	55	31	-3	0	.	.	.	.	166
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	66	23	22	22	21	1	.	.	.	.	155
Week 2: Dec 24-30	79	23	22	10	36	5	.	.	.	.	175
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	96	26	22	10	43	2	.	.	.	.	199
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	152	131	84	37	17	14	.	.	.	.	435
Week 2: Dec 24-30	152	177	108	37	20	11	.	.	.	.	505
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	152	194	136	42	20	13	.	.	.	.	557
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 24-30	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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 17-23	636	291	281	179	61	60	.	.	.	.	1,508
Week 2: Dec 24-30	636	280	296	100	100	48	.	.	.	.	1,460
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	636	305	276	100	134	50	.	.	.	.	1,501
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	502	117	74	70	26	-156	.	.	.	.	633
Week 2: Dec 24-30	502	-41	42	50	9	-204	.	.	.	.	358
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	502	-131	113	50	15	-240	.	.	.	.	309
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	2,352	654	21	16	-9	-175	.	.	.	.	2,859
Week 2: Dec 24-30	2,352	712	50	6	10	-185	.	.	.	.	2,945
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	2,352	781	50	12	57	-120	.	.	.	.	3,132
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	111	101	82	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	296
Week 2: Dec 24-30	126	100	86	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	314
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	146	100	90	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	338
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	13	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 2: Dec 24-30	18	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	23	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	27

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 17-23	120	85	69	67	0	-27	.	.	.	.	314
Week 2: Dec 24-30	100	85	93	30	1	-36	.	.	.	.	273
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	131	85	110	30	0	-42	.	.	.	.	314
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	46	4	3	-9	-29	-78	.	.	.	.	-63
Week 2: Dec 24-30	50	1	-8	0	-33	-78	.	.	.	.	-68
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	51	1	11	0	-37	-78	.	.	.	.	-52
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	400	103	93	14	-1	-43	.	.	.	.	566
Week 2: Dec 24-30	400	105	113	0	-1	-47	.	.	.	.	570
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	400	109	132	0	0	-18	.	.	.	.	623
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	35	11	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	46
Week 2: Dec 24-30	28	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	41
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	23	15	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	38
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Dec 24-30	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	3	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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: Dec 17-23	998	957	829	444	377	139	.	.	.	.	3,744
Week 2: Dec 24-30	998	885	1,047	600	702	307	.	.	.	.	4,539
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	998	900	1,278	700	640	562	.	.	.	.	5,078
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	1,390	884	822	674	592	299	.	.	.	.	4,661
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1,390	1,000	854	1,339	782	524	.	.	.	.	5,889
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	1,390	1,000	835	1,706	983	1,160	.	.	.	.	7,074
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	7,216	4,126	1,462	1,384	1,043	752	.	.	.	.	15,983
Week 2: Dec 24-30	7,216	3,000	1,530	2,823	1,306	897	.	.	.	.	16,772
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	7,216	3,000	1,654	3,150	1,593	1,733	.	.	.	.	18,346
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	767	494	358	163	163	75	.	.	.	.	2,020
Week 2: Dec 24-30	667	300	487	267	180	75	.	.	.	.	1,976
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	656	300	533	269	190	75	.	.	.	.	2,023
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	79	30	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	119
Week 2: Dec 24-30	80	43	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	133
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	81	54	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	145

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 17-23	301	80	60	50	30	0	.	.	.	.	521
Week 2: Dec 24-30	301	22	60	69	59	-7	.	.	.	.	504
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	301	84	60	133	95	-5	.	.	.	.	668
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	128	102	102	57	20	-3	.	.	.	.	406
Week 2: Dec 24-30	301	102	153	65	50	0	.	.	.	.	671
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	495	102	294	80	100	2	.	.	.	.	1,073
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	924	220	107	86	19	-59	.	.	.	.	1,297
Week 2: Dec 24-30	924	404	80	101	20	21	.	.	.	.	1,550
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	924	723	100	241	23	141	.	.	.	.	2,152
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	16	0	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Dec 24-30	21	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	33	0	-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 2: Dec 24-30	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	-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

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Minneapolis											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	89	67	55	-9	-26	-333	.	.	.	.	-157
Week 2: Dec 24-30	50	68	55	-5	-26	-465	.	.	.	.	-323
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	50	73	40	-6	-26	-590	.	.	.	.	-459
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	304	86	50	17	4	-20	.	.	.	.	441
Week 2: Dec 24-30	304	100	32	16	10	-57	.	.	.	.	405
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	304	100	19	1	8	-87	.	.	.	.	345
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	800	107	90	55	-8	-93	.	.	.	.	951
Week 2: Dec 24-30	800	99	50	90	3	-178	.	.	.	.	864
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	800	151	30	86	-5	-262	.	.	.	.	800
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	0	-18	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-18
Week 2: Dec 24-30	0	-24	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-24
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	0	-29	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-29
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	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 17-23	397	143	40	15	6	0	.	.	.	.	601
Week 2: Dec 24-30	438	115	40	11	10	0	.	.	.	.	614
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	488	81	40	11	10	1	.	.	.	.	631
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	117	67	15	8	4	-24	.	.	.	.	187
Week 2: Dec 24-30	-34	57	10	8	2	-76	.	.	.	.	-33
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	-98	50	10	8	0	-100	.	.	.	.	-130
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	112	44	29	10	2	-153	.	.	.	.	44
Week 2: Dec 24-30	104	44	-12	10	1	-305	.	.	.	.	-158
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	94	44	-24	10	1	-455	.	.	.	.	-330
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	30	10	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Week 2: Dec 24-30	18	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	6	-4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	16	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18
Week 2: Dec 24-30	13	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	8	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10

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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	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 17-23	1,154	1,084	893	589	504	333	.	.	.	.	4,557
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1,288	1,084	800	721	728	274	.	.	.	.	4,895
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	1,439	1,084	800	903	1,026	300	.	.	.	.	5,552
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	1,154	1,034	741	523	515	242	.	.	.	.	4,209
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1,154	800	989	752	549	241	.	.	.	.	4,485
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	1,154	800	1,196	998	671	255	.	.	.	.	5,074
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	5,122	1,851	1,597	1,288	883	594	.	.	.	.	11,335
Week 2: Dec 24-30	5,122	1,987	800	1,757	1,267	406	.	.	.	.	11,339
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	5,122	2,398	800	2,101	1,691	450	.	.	.	.	12,562
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	365	267	233	154	69	10	.	.	.	.	1,098
Week 2: Dec 24-30	439	344	50	238	84	10	.	.	.	.	1,165
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	631	442	50	324	85	10	.	.	.	.	1,542
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	13	10	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	28
Week 2: Dec 24-30	15	10	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	30
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	17	9	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	31

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	714	3...150
40ft	901	56...250
40ft High Cubes	1,539	87...400
40ft Refrigerated	113	0...36
20ft Refrigerated	17	0...10

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Norfolk											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	361	308	271	249	50	42	.	.	.	.	1,281
Week 2: Dec 24-30	361	310	265	200	23	152	.	.	.	.	1,311
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	361	339	320	200	23	260	.	.	.	.	1,503
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	319	150	17	16	-17	-62	.	.	.	.	423
Week 2: Dec 24-30	328	151	28	0	17	-62	.	.	.	.	462
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	366	96	16	0	53	-62	.	.	.	.	469
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	575	526	504	459	159	-30	.	.	.	.	2,193
Week 2: Dec 24-30	540	526	488	400	215	-15	.	.	.	.	2,154
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	553	526	446	300	276	-18	.	.	.	.	2,083
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	128	118	84	41	10	-16	.	.	.	.	365
Week 2: Dec 24-30	113	73	30	24	10	-14	.	.	.	.	236
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	134	28	30	20	10	-14	.	.	.	.	208
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	13	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 2: Dec 24-30	14	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	15	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	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 17-23	760	418	180	158	141	73	.	.	.	.	1,730
Week 2: Dec 24-30	814	261	157	158	205	100	.	.	.	.	1,695
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	874	335	157	158	276	100	.	.	.	.	1,900
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	258	182	124	40	37	8	.	.	.	.	649
Week 2: Dec 24-30	150	239	120	40	45	1	.	.	.	.	595
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	150	297	122	40	56	5	.	.	.	.	670
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	526	485	246	81	65	-116	.	.	.	.	1,287
Week 2: Dec 24-30	526	-601	200	198	36	-125	.	.	.	.	234
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	526	-381	200	227	18	-105	.	.	.	.	485
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	303	221	135	132	30	-40	.	.	.	.	781
Week 2: Dec 24-30	247	150	128	62	30	-18	.	.	.	.	599
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	218	100	121	102	30	-13	.	.	.	.	558
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	96	20	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	126
Week 2: Dec 24-30	102	22	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	134
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	108	22	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	140

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 17-23	375	287	278	246	97	44	.	.	.	.	1,327
Week 2: Dec 24-30	375	383	400	284	118	36	.	.	.	.	1,596
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	375	484	400	400	193	47	.	.	.	.	1,899
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	422	336	297	228	-21	-328	.	.	.	.	934
Week 2: Dec 24-30	466	305	200	254	-11	-328	.	.	.	.	886
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	553	445	200	294	-19	-328	.	.	.	.	1,145
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	1,464	577	146	40	-19	-360	.	.	.	.	1,848
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1,464	510	150	63	-2	-433	.	.	.	.	1,752
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	1,464	979	100	-25	-9	-479	.	.	.	.	2,030
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	117	65	34	18	10	-12	.	.	.	.	232
Week 2: Dec 24-30	100	-43	43	0	10	-22	.	.	.	.	88
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	100	-88	52	19	10	-22	.	.	.	.	71
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	12	4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 2: Dec 24-30	11	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	10	2	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

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Seattle											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	294	191	10	3	-50	.	.	.	.	.	448
Week 2: Dec 24-30	309	184	50	-35	-50	.	.	.	.	.	458
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	309	180	100	-65	-50	.	.	.	.	.	474
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	446	376	270	135	48	.	.	.	.	.	1,275
Week 2: Dec 24-30	406	376	285	100	24	.	.	.	.	.	1,191
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	371	376	298	100	29	.	.	.	.	.	1,174
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	414	269	170	54	-856	.	.	.	.	.	51
Week 2: Dec 24-30	449	300	30	50	-856	.	.	.	.	.	-27
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	488	400	-62	9	-856	.	.	.	.	.	-21
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	594	536	215	20	2	.	.	.	.	.	1,367
Week 2: Dec 24-30	520	246	300	20	-23	.	.	.	.	.	1,063
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	443	199	300	20	-14	.	.	.	.	.	948
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	23	15	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39
Week 2: Dec 24-30	30	15	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	46
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	36	15	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	52

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 17-23	140	62	10	-47	.	.	.	.	.	.	165
Week 2: Dec 24-30	110	80	10	-83	.	.	.	.	.	.	117
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	125	80	10	-113	.	.	.	.	.	.	102
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	222	93	76	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	392
Week 2: Dec 24-30	262	80	51	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	394
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	327	80	60	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	468
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	196	141	20	-219	.	.	.	.	.	.	138
Week 2: Dec 24-30	150	139	20	-727	.	.	.	.	.	.	-418
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	150	149	20	-409	.	.	.	.	.	.	-90
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	263	37	5	-418	.	.	.	.	.	.	-113
Week 2: Dec 24-30	242	50	5	-425	.	.	.	.	.	.	-128
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	246	50	5	-445	.	.	.	.	.	.	-144
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Dec 17-23	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Dec 24-30	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Dec 31-Jan 6	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

*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.
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