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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 five ocean container carriers.

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National Overview

Week of May 10-16, 2017

Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers

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National Overview

Week of May 10-16, 2017

Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers

Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	147	102	10	-14	.	245
Week 2: May 17-23	122	120	10	87	.	339
Week 3: May 24-30	117	186	10	40	.	353
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	300	203	70	-207	.	366
Week 2: May 17-23	233	246	70	63	.	612
Week 3: May 24-30	186	316	70	30	.	602
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	381	306	80	-302	.	465
Week 2: May 17-23	468	190	80	-219	.	519
Week 3: May 24-30	642	96	80	-139	.	679
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	113	77	40	3	.	233
Week 2: May 17-23	126	42	40	5	.	213
Week 3: May 24-30	130	19	40	7	.	196
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	4	.	.	.	.	4
Week 2: May 17-23	4	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: May 24-30	5	.	.	.	.	5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	954	268	93	57	.	1,372
Week 2: May 17-23	1,291	359	79	70	.	1,799
Week 3: May 24-30	1,683	572	-44	57	.	2,268
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1,259	156	6	0	.	1,421
Week 2: May 17-23	1,868	130	29	0	.	2,027
Week 3: May 24-30	2,476	206	-44	0	.	2,638
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1,732	179	165	0	.	2,076
Week 2: May 17-23	2,606	41	98	0	.	2,745
Week 3: May 24-30	3,411	37	55	0	.	3,503
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	151	45	0	.	.	196
Week 2: May 17-23	193	45	0	.	.	238
Week 3: May 24-30	242	45	0	.	.	287
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	3	.	.	.	.	3
Week 2: May 17-23	5	.	.	.	.	5
Week 3: May 24-30	7	.	.	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	36	0	0	-3	.	33
Week 2: May 17-23	72	-10	10	6	.	78
Week 3: May 24-30	93	-5	10	1	.	99
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	45	27	15	-16	.	71
Week 2: May 17-23	82	5	0	-8	.	79
Week 3: May 24-30	109	1	0	-4	.	106
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	124	47	0	-8	.	163
Week 2: May 17-23	161	-11	0	-14	.	136
Week 3: May 24-30	254	-30	10	-24	.	210
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	38	30	10	-16	.	62
Week 2: May 17-23	47	33	15	1	.	96
Week 3: May 24-30	58	47	10	-7	.	108
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	67	10	2	0	.	79
Week 2: May 17-23	98	13	-29	25	.	107
Week 3: May 24-30	138	22	3	0	.	163
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	152	40	28	-14	.	206
Week 2: May 17-23	237	0	5	-5	.	237
Week 3: May 24-30	353	0	54	3	.	410
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	182	118	107	0	.	407
Week 2: May 17-23	288	113	124	5	.	530
Week 3: May 24-30	400	114	139	5	.	658
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	290	150	0	-88	.	352
Week 2: May 17-23	567	136	0	-173	.	530
Week 3: May 24-30	774	175	0	-79	.	870
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	704	395	333	0	.	1,432
Week 2: May 17-23	1,260	598	250	0	.	2,108
Week 3: May 24-30	1,742	816	232	0	.	2,790
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	24	0	.	.	.	24
Week 2: May 17-23	25	0	.	.	.	25
Week 3: May 24-30	29	0	.	.	.	29
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	42	22	-2	-5	.	57
Week 2: May 17-23	13	25	-8	-7	.	23
Week 3: May 24-30	4	36	-1	0	.	39
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	6	0	-2	-5	.	-1
Week 2: May 17-23	-17	0	2	-4	.	-19
Week 3: May 24-30	-25	0	1	-3	.	-27
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	23	8	0	-9	.	22
Week 2: May 17-23	41	14	0	1	.	56
Week 3: May 24-30	42	21	0	-2	.	61
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	17	0	.	.	.	17
Week 2: May 17-23	18	0	.	.	.	18
Week 3: May 24-30	19	0	.	.	.	19
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	256	78	73	2	.	409
Week 2: May 17-23	336	88	50	10	.	484
Week 3: May 24-30	407	118	54	8	.	587
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	542	123	0	-93	.	572
Week 2: May 17-23	684	153	0	-55	.	782
Week 3: May 24-30	783	214	4	-28	.	973
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	579	191	0	-44	.	726
Week 2: May 17-23	720	198	0	-75	.	843
Week 3: May 24-30	880	248	4	9	.	1,141
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	43	0	.	.	.	43
Week 2: May 17-23	54	0	.	.	.	54
Week 3: May 24-30	68	0	.	.	.	68
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	169	49	5	-2	.	221
Week 2: May 17-23	152	66	5	-2	.	221
Week 3: May 24-30	171	75	9	0	.	255
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	97	43	0	-1	.	139
Week 2: May 17-23	45	74	0	0	.	119
Week 3: May 24-30	26	97	0	-1	.	122
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	357	88	0	-2	.	443
Week 2: May 17-23	478	128	0	-4	.	602
Week 3: May 24-30	628	166	0	-1	.	793
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	104	44	0	.	.	148
Week 2: May 17-23	104	45	0	.	.	149
Week 3: May 24-30	104	47	0	.	.	151
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	543	400	30	-69	.	904
Week 2: May 17-23	678	676	30	414	.	1,798
Week 3: May 24-30	917	500	30	1,046	.	2,493
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1,004	249	70	-156	.	1,167
Week 2: May 17-23	1,376	465	70	36	.	1,947
Week 3: May 24-30	1,763	331	70	790	.	2,954
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	2,604	1,281	1,101	230	.	5,216
Week 2: May 17-23	3,218	3,056	1,524	230	.	8,028
Week 3: May 24-30	4,168	5,299	1,327	230	.	11,024
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	507	338	198	61	.	1,104
Week 2: May 17-23	450	458	220	74	.	1,202
Week 3: May 24-30	539	623	285	108	.	1,555
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	22	.	.	.	.	22
Week 2: May 17-23	32	.	.	.	.	32
Week 3: May 24-30	38	.	.	.	.	38

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	170	91	12	-11	.	262
Week 2: May 17-23	242	112	30	-14	.	370
Week 3: May 24-30	338	132	30	-1	.	499
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	588	122	40	-24	.	726
Week 2: May 17-23	847	136	30	-21	.	992
Week 3: May 24-30	1,140	171	30	-5	.	1,336
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	820	301	37	0	.	1,158
Week 2: May 17-23	1,276	333	8	40	.	1,657
Week 3: May 24-30	1,819	379	54	40	.	2,292
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	5	0	.	.	.	5
Week 2: May 17-23	8	0	.	.	.	8
Week 3: May 24-30	9	0	.	.	.	9
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	94	72	0	-17	.	149
Week 2: May 17-23	120	118	0	-29	.	209
Week 3: May 24-30	165	34	0	-56	.	143
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	100	18	15	-4	.	129
Week 2: May 17-23	131	57	10	-87	.	111
Week 3: May 24-30	157	22	5	-98	.	86
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	182	50	5	0	.	237
Week 2: May 17-23	253	104	-11	10	.	356
Week 3: May 24-30	342	76	-20	10	.	408
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	3	0	-8	-9	.	-14
Week 2: May 17-23	4	0	-10	-8	.	-14
Week 3: May 24-30	6	0	0	5	.	11
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	14	6	4	-19	.	5
Week 2: May 17-23	19	6	19	-2	.	42
Week 3: May 24-30	21	6	28	-4	.	51
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	20	18	2	-3	.	37
Week 2: May 17-23	31	19	2	-4	.	48
Week 3: May 24-30	38	27	2	0	.	67
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	7	0	.	.	.	7
Week 2: May 17-23	7	0	.	.	.	7
Week 3: May 24-30	8	0	.	.	.	8
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	20	.	.	.	.	20
Week 2: May 17-23	22	.	.	.	.	22
Week 3: May 24-30	22	.	.	.	.	22

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1,196	552	255	6	.	2,009
Week 2: May 17-23	1,494	626	563	6	.	2,689
Week 3: May 24-30	1,928	865	577	6	.	3,376
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1,049	729	30	-199	.	1,609
Week 2: May 17-23	1,108	1,051	30	43	.	2,232
Week 3: May 24-30	1,457	1,514	30	70	.	3,071
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1,777	536	70	-498	.	1,885
Week 2: May 17-23	2,542	350	70	196	.	3,158
Week 3: May 24-30	3,558	549	70	684	.	4,861
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	438	242	137	66	.	883
Week 2: May 17-23	509	348	137	56	.	1,050
Week 3: May 24-30	622	435	137	60	.	1,254
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	1	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: May 17-23	4	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: May 24-30	8	.	.	.	.	8

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	384	242	135	8	.	769
Week 2: May 17-23	450	265	85	8	.	808
Week 3: May 24-30	520	287	42	8	.	857
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	927	92	40	-16	.	1,043
Week 2: May 17-23	1,033	38	40	-3	.	1,108
Week 3: May 24-30	1,174	-169	40	-88	.	957
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	975	138	50	18	.	1,181
Week 2: May 17-23	1,161	123	50	-107	.	1,227
Week 3: May 24-30	1,425	-177	50	-74	.	1,224
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	132	109	68	0	.	309
Week 2: May 17-23	151	60	68	2	.	281
Week 3: May 24-30	181	46	68	3	.	298
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	2	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: May 17-23	3	.	.	.	.	3
Week 3: May 24-30	3	.	.	.	.	3

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	111	106	47	0	.	264
Week 2: May 17-23	75	183	-158	5	.	105
Week 3: May 24-30	149	221	-136	64	.	298
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	174	170	0	-18	.	326
Week 2: May 17-23	165	267	87	45	.	564
Week 3: May 24-30	185	312	86	40	.	623
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	236	33	20	-491	.	-202
Week 2: May 17-23	-1	180	40	-877	.	-658
Week 3: May 24-30	135	180	97	-393	.	19
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	220	167	123	-40	.	470
Week 2: May 17-23	340	163	96	-20	.	579
Week 3: May 24-30	300	111	115	-6	.	520
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	5	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: May 17-23	8	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: May 24-30	8	.	.	.	.	8

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Note : Reefer container availability data for Mitsui OSK Line available through San Francisco instead of Oakland.

Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	141	89	2	-44	.	188
Week 2: May 17-23	188	139	2	74	.	403
Week 3: May 24-30	307	258	2	188	.	755
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	522	222	80	-215	.	609
Week 2: May 17-23	643	157	80	-141	.	739
Week 3: May 24-30	820	143	80	-106	.	937
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	768	181	100	-96	.	953
Week 2: May 17-23	1,017	-274	100	236	.	1,079
Week 3: May 24-30	1,319	-505	100	-19	.	895
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	133	91	60	3	.	287
Week 2: May 17-23	165	15	60	8	.	248
Week 3: May 24-30	194	7	60	7	.	268
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	13	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: May 17-23	16	.	.	.	.	16
Week 3: May 24-30	16	.	.	.	.	16

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	160	109	75	.	.	344
Week 2: May 17-23	240	85	50	.	.	375
Week 3: May 24-30	303	33	70	.	.	406
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	189	101	100	.	.	390
Week 2: May 17-23	243	157	118	.	.	518
Week 3: May 24-30	293	148	83	.	.	524
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	249	51	26	.	.	326
Week 2: May 17-23	333	28	85	.	.	446
Week 3: May 24-30	418	25	-477	.	.	-34
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	286	45	-33	.	.	298
Week 2: May 17-23	343	45	-32	.	.	356
Week 3: May 24-30	619	45	-31	.	.	633
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	13	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: May 17-23	17	.	.	.	.	17
Week 3: May 24-30	25	.	.	.	.	25

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	95	67	-260	.	.	-98
Week 2: May 17-23	48	69	-358	.	.	-241
Week 3: May 24-30	41	15	-80	.	.	-24
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	44	11	-231	.	.	-176
Week 2: May 17-23	28	38	-317	.	.	-251
Week 3: May 24-30	69	40	-133	.	.	-24
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	575	219	-913	.	.	-119
Week 2: May 17-23	455	105	-1,131	.	.	-571
Week 3: May 24-30	192	60	-528	.	.	-276
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	155	55	-156	.	.	54
Week 2: May 17-23	134	50	-91	.	.	93
Week 3: May 24-30	121	58	-48	.	.	131
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: May 10-16	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: May 17-23	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: May 24-30	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

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 5 ocean carriers including COSCO Shipping, Evergreen, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, OOCL, and Mitsui OSK Line.

- 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 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. 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.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
 - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
 - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
 - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
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