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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 Aug 31-Sep 6, 2016

Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers

Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers

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Week of Aug 31-Sep 6, 2016

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Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers

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Week of Aug 31-Sep 6, 2016

Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers

Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	171	95	59	45	.	370
Week 2: Sep 7-13	171	100	64	70	.	405
Week 3: Sep 14-20	171	117	26	121	.	435
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	368	166	159	79	.	772
Week 2: Sep 7-13	368	191	181	27	.	767
Week 3: Sep 14-20	368	233	184	33	.	818
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	948	341	283	211	.	1,783
Week 2: Sep 7-13	948	210	366	298	.	1,822
Week 3: Sep 14-20	948	217	385	329	.	1,879
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	95	11	4	4	.	114
Week 2: Sep 7-13	77	-6	4	6	.	81
Week 3: Sep 14-20	70	-6	4	-7	.	61
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	2	1	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Sep 7-13	2	2	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Sep 14-20	2	2	.	.	.	4

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	265	234	222	1	.	722
Week 2: Sep 7-13	265	348	292	-144	.	761
Week 3: Sep 14-20	265	421	439	-14	.	1,111
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	422	225	1	-375	.	273
Week 2: Sep 7-13	422	161	-3	-591	.	-11
Week 3: Sep 14-20	422	83	42	-797	.	-250
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1,510	1,145	138	-14	.	2,779
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1,510	1,589	71	39	.	3,209
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1,510	1,855	-47	81	.	3,399
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	140	0	.	.	.	140
Week 2: Sep 7-13	157	0	.	.	.	157
Week 3: Sep 14-20	168	0	.	.	.	168
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	12	.	.	.	.	12
Week 2: Sep 7-13	9	.	.	.	.	9
Week 3: Sep 14-20	8	.	.	.	.	8

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	26	24	19	15	.	84
Week 2: Sep 7-13	41	8	19	20	.	88
Week 3: Sep 14-20	56	2	19	29	.	106
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	43	24	18	-5	.	80
Week 2: Sep 7-13	56	24	9	-5	.	84
Week 3: Sep 14-20	67	24	5	0	.	96
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	106	43	4	-3	.	150
Week 2: Sep 7-13	106	65	4	9	.	184
Week 3: Sep 14-20	106	94	4	19	.	223
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	50	46	26	-3	.	119
Week 2: Sep 7-13	59	46	33	-6	.	132
Week 3: Sep 14-20	68	46	50	-2	.	162
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	120	100	13	-21	.	212
Week 2: Sep 7-13	120	156	19	3	.	298
Week 3: Sep 14-20	120	190	31	-18	.	323
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	360	79	24	-31	.	432
Week 2: Sep 7-13	360	156	27	23	.	566
Week 3: Sep 14-20	360	192	44	24	.	620
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	120	94	73	68	.	355
Week 2: Sep 7-13	97	148	62	68	.	375
Week 3: Sep 14-20	121	227	87	68	.	503
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	78	51	34	28	.	191
Week 2: Sep 7-13	78	59	145	54	.	336
Week 3: Sep 14-20	78	61	195	-17	.	317
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	498	415	320	235	.	1,468
Week 2: Sep 7-13	498	687	255	308	.	1,748
Week 3: Sep 14-20	498	1,056	290	377	.	2,221
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	21	0	.	.	.	21
Week 2: Sep 7-13	28	0	.	.	.	28
Week 3: Sep 14-20	34	0	.	.	.	34
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	49	48	18	-7	.	108
Week 2: Sep 7-13	59	42	18	3	.	122
Week 3: Sep 14-20	76	54	18	-2	.	146
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	63	12	8	-4	.	79
Week 2: Sep 7-13	80	12	8	-4	.	96
Week 3: Sep 14-20	87	12	14	4	.	117
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	105	54	19	13	.	191
Week 2: Sep 7-13	210	54	38	7	.	309
Week 3: Sep 14-20	274	54	52	15	.	395
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	14	0	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Sep 7-13	13	0	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Sep 14-20	15	0	.	.	.	15
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	293	173	36	32	.	534
Week 2: Sep 7-13	293	134	27	44	.	498
Week 3: Sep 14-20	293	114	23	-20	.	410
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	410	319	71	-92	.	708
Week 2: Sep 7-13	410	318	19	-40	.	707
Week 3: Sep 14-20	410	302	19	-26	.	705
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	964	214	72	30	.	1,280
Week 2: Sep 7-13	964	238	77	43	.	1,322
Week 3: Sep 14-20	964	250	48	-6	.	1,256
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	25	2	0	.	.	27
Week 2: Sep 7-13	40	2	0	.	.	42
Week 3: Sep 14-20	57	2	0	.	.	59
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	2	0	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Sep 7-13	2	0	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Sep 14-20	3	0	.	.	.	3

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	158	83	55	1	.	297
Week 2: Sep 7-13	153	83	59	-5	.	290
Week 3: Sep 14-20	171	83	62	0	.	316
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	29	5	1	-160	.	-125
Week 2: Sep 7-13	35	9	0	-160	.	-116
Week 3: Sep 14-20	25	12	-1	-160	.	-124
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	750	108	34	0	.	892
Week 2: Sep 7-13	750	107	56	-6	.	907
Week 3: Sep 14-20	750	149	77	1	.	977
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	44	0	.	.	.	44
Week 2: Sep 7-13	53	0	.	.	.	53
Week 3: Sep 14-20	57	0	.	.	.	57
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1	.	.	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	878	720	650	-94	.	2,154
Week 2: Sep 7-13	992	720	883	212	.	2,807
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1,119	720	624	316	.	2,779
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1,584	1,542	911	433	.	4,470
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1,995	1,542	1,114	697	.	5,348
Week 3: Sep 14-20	2,512	1,542	1,451	586	.	6,091
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	9,340	3,254	1,434	960	.	14,988
Week 2: Sep 7-13	9,340	3,904	2,264	1,851	.	17,359
Week 3: Sep 14-20	9,340	4,565	1,475	2,538	.	17,918
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	739	573	157	75	.	1,544
Week 2: Sep 7-13	745	605	271	75	.	1,696
Week 3: Sep 14-20	785	659	227	75	.	1,746
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	10	.	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Sep 7-13	10	4	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Sep 14-20	10	4	.	.	.	14

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	147	91	51	0	.	289
Week 2: Sep 7-13	147	131	56	-5	.	329
Week 3: Sep 14-20	147	161	73	8	.	389
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	69	60	17	1	.	147
Week 2: Sep 7-13	65	60	-67	101	.	159
Week 3: Sep 14-20	86	60	-54	227	.	319
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	700	302	134	22	.	1,158
Week 2: Sep 7-13	700	566	158	6	.	1,430
Week 3: Sep 14-20	700	876	208	33	.	1,817
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	0	-1	.	.	.	-1
Week 2: Sep 7-13	0	2	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Sep 14-20	0	4	.	.	.	4
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	151	83	49	15	.	298
Week 2: Sep 7-13	151	96	47	10	.	304
Week 3: Sep 14-20	151	64	47	-6	.	256
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	46	-3	-50	-95	.	-102
Week 2: Sep 7-13	33	-22	-50	-70	.	-109
Week 3: Sep 14-20	-22	-17	-50	-25	.	-114
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	282	112	103	44	.	541
Week 2: Sep 7-13	282	115	155	19	.	571
Week 3: Sep 14-20	282	131	162	22	.	597
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Sep 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Sep 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	147	29	6	0	.	182
Week 2: Sep 7-13	136	29	4	-1	.	168
Week 3: Sep 14-20	125	29	4	0	.	158
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	336	41	2	-1	.	378
Week 2: Sep 7-13	336	40	-3	-2	.	371
Week 3: Sep 14-20	336	41	-7	0	.	370
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	850	31	9	0	.	890
Week 2: Sep 7-13	850	43	5	-1	.	897
Week 3: Sep 14-20	850	49	10	0	.	909
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	3	0	.	.	.	3
Week 2: Sep 7-13	3	0	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Sep 14-20	5	0	.	.	.	5
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	5	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Sep 7-13	4	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Sep 14-20	3	.	.	.	.	3

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1,051	1,014	591	501	.	3,157
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1,051	1,014	632	643	.	3,340
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1,051	978	680	818	.	3,527
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1,058	567	466	105	.	2,196
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1,058	627	670	158	.	2,513
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1,058	738	938	171	.	2,905
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	4,834	1,069	669	422	.	6,994
Week 2: Sep 7-13	4,834	1,277	694	714	.	7,519
Week 3: Sep 14-20	4,834	1,540	368	1,166	.	7,908
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	199	154	51	10	.	414
Week 2: Sep 7-13	322	235	81	10	.	648
Week 3: Sep 14-20	423	331	63	10	.	827
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	14	5	.	.	.	19
Week 2: Sep 7-13	13	5	.	.	.	18
Week 3: Sep 14-20	13	5	.	.	.	18

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	202	108	76	12	.	398
Week 2: Sep 7-13	213	127	76	37	.	453
Week 3: Sep 14-20	236	121	76	43	.	476
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	125	110	66	13	.	314
Week 2: Sep 7-13	155	110	52	-59	.	258
Week 3: Sep 14-20	173	110	28	-1	.	310
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	442	184	145	57	.	828
Week 2: Sep 7-13	442	178	236	-99	.	757
Week 3: Sep 14-20	442	204	234	-10	.	870
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	125	122	12	10	.	269
Week 2: Sep 7-13	118	120	8	10	.	256
Week 3: Sep 14-20	139	129	2	10	.	280
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	5	5	.	.	.	10
Week 2: Sep 7-13	5	5	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Sep 14-20	7	5	.	.	.	12

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	121	101	98	9	.	329
Week 2: Sep 7-13	109	151	98	8	.	366
Week 3: Sep 14-20	95	219	98	-42	.	370
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	207	100	59	-67	.	299
Week 2: Sep 7-13	148	100	94	-82	.	260
Week 3: Sep 14-20	144	100	92	-54	.	282
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	648	225	-117	-746	.	10
Week 2: Sep 7-13	648	278	-373	-486	.	67
Week 3: Sep 14-20	648	153	-488	-346	.	-33
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	314	213	30	21	.	578
Week 2: Sep 7-13	282	185	30	27	.	524
Week 3: Sep 14-20	270	180	30	-52	.	428
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	10	8	.	.	.	18
Week 2: Sep 7-13	10	4	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Sep 14-20	10	6	.	.	.	16

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	160	145	95	85	.	485
Week 2: Sep 7-13	160	245	95	88	.	588
Week 3: Sep 14-20	160	317	11	116	.	604
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	274	6	-88	-124	.	68
Week 2: Sep 7-13	394	51	-88	-147	.	210
Week 3: Sep 14-20	540	15	-88	-109	.	358
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	616	520	418	316	.	1,870
Week 2: Sep 7-13	616	779	629	254	.	2,278
Week 3: Sep 14-20	616	1,073	729	282	.	2,700
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	145	78	11	10	.	244
Week 2: Sep 7-13	191	98	9	10	.	308
Week 3: Sep 14-20	212	114	-1	10	.	335
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	4	1	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Sep 7-13	4	1	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Sep 14-20	9	1	.	.	.	10

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	244	131	-21	.	.	354
Week 2: Sep 7-13	299	131	-93	.	.	337
Week 3: Sep 14-20	347	131	-106	.	.	372
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	334	203	11	.	.	548
Week 2: Sep 7-13	334	205	13	.	.	552
Week 3: Sep 14-20	334	177	23	.	.	534
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1,164	275	96	.	.	1,535
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1,164	243	105	.	.	1,512
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1,164	223	115	.	.	1,502
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	475	37	20	.	.	532
Week 2: Sep 7-13	356	39	20	.	.	415
Week 3: Sep 14-20	378	42	20	.	.	440
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	5	1	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Sep 7-13	4	1	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Sep 14-20	4	1	.	.	.	5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	291	35	-229	.	.	97
Week 2: Sep 7-13	316	35	-231	.	.	120
Week 3: Sep 14-20	333	35	-201	.	.	167
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	136	31	-159	.	.	8
Week 2: Sep 7-13	101	31	-34	.	.	98
Week 3: Sep 14-20	102	31	-43	.	.	90
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	739	62	-612	.	.	189
Week 2: Sep 7-13	558	62	-484	.	.	136
Week 3: Sep 14-20	503	62	-589	.	.	-24
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	137	5	-485	.	.	-343
Week 2: Sep 7-13	121	5	-372	.	.	-246
Week 3: Sep 14-20	118	5	-357	.	.	-234
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Aug 31-Sep 6	1	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Sep 7-13	1	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Sep 14-20	1	.	.	.	.	1

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 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The TSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, 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 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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