CONTAINERSHIP DATABANK BULLETIN

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Global fleet capacity[1]
31.9m TEU

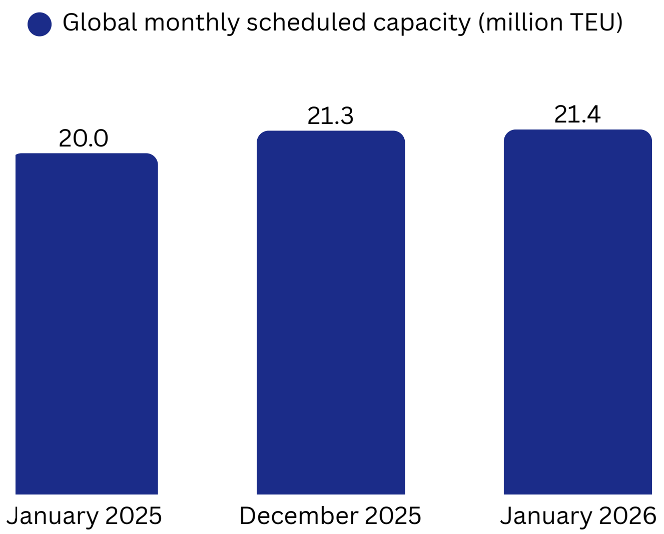
Global scheduled capacity[2]
21.4m TEU

Fleet on order
10.3m TEU

1. Global capacity

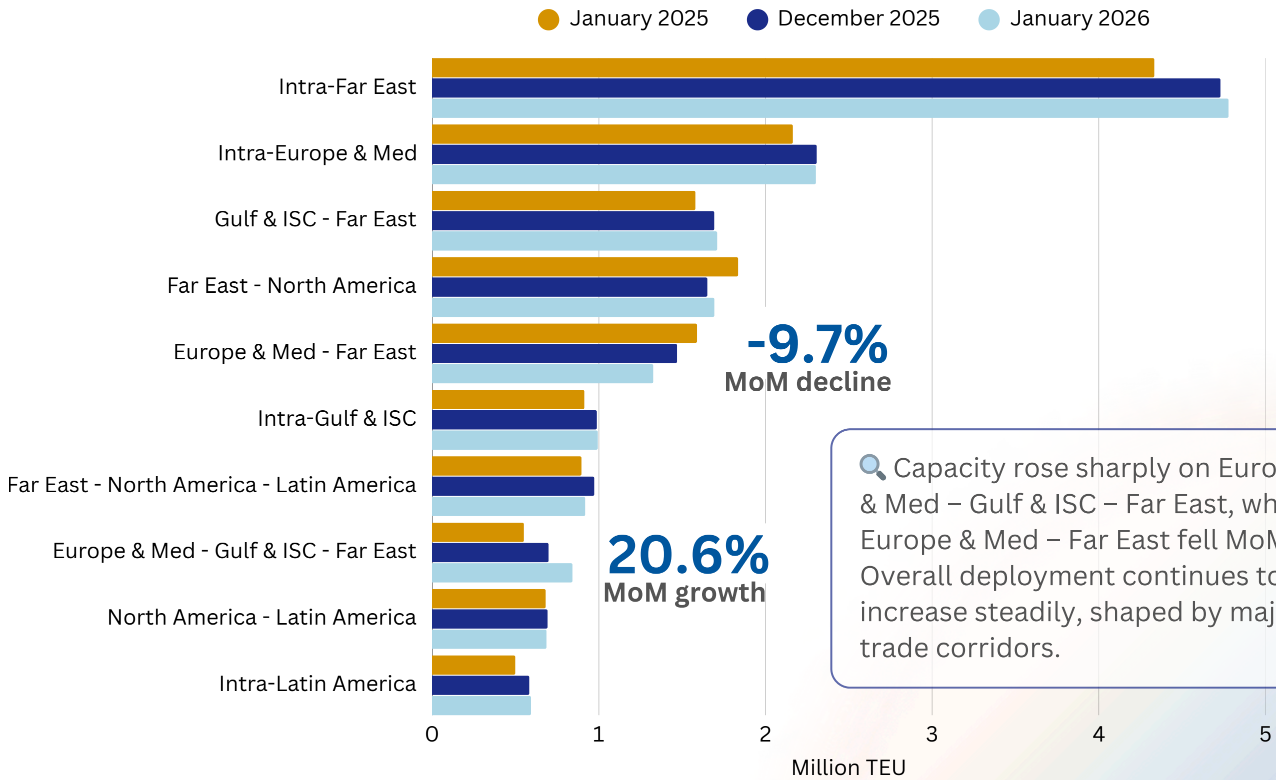
Global scheduled capacity reached 21.37 million TEU in January 2026, up 0.3% month-on-month and 7.0% year-on-year. Growth was driven by the intra Far East trade corridor, accounting for 22.4% of total capacity, supported by vessel deliveries and redeployments.

Although Suez transits have remained largely limited to ad-hoc sailings, the Ocean Alliance has signalled a shift by reinstating two Far East–North Europe/Mediterranean services via the Canal from January 2026.



2. Trade corridor breakdown

Monthly scheduled capacity by top 10 trade corridors

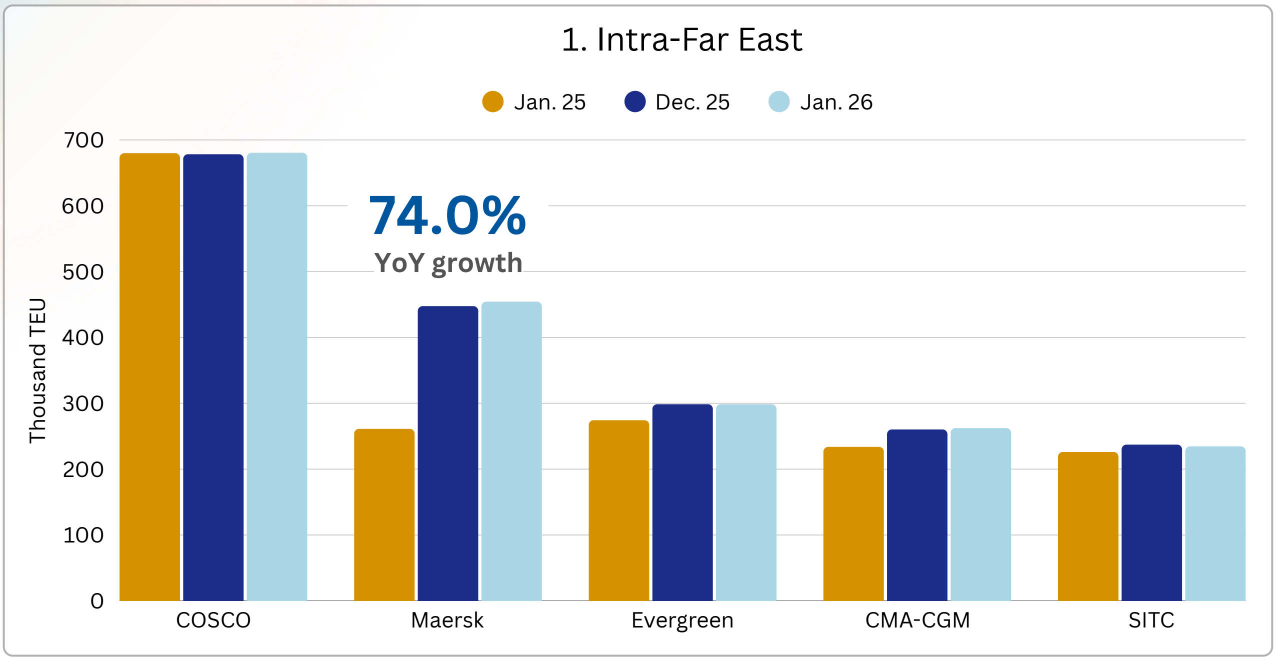


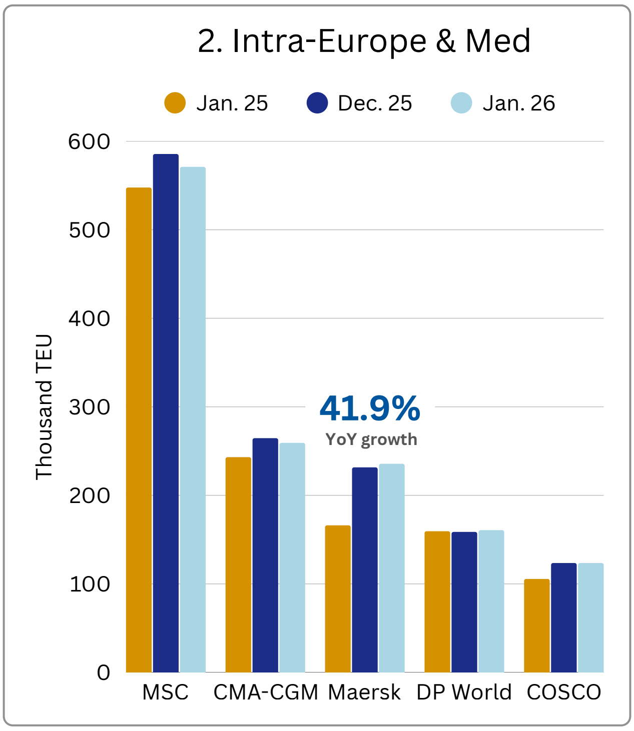
🔍 Capacity rose sharply on Europe & Med – Gulf & ISC – Far East, while Europe & Med – Far East fell MoM. Overall deployment continues to increase steadily, shaped by major trade corridors.

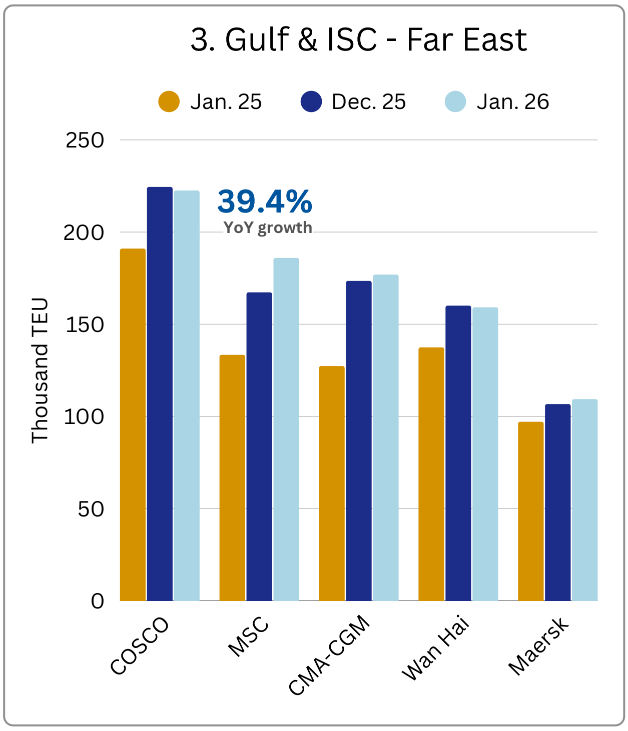
(1) Fleet capacity: Total capacity of containerships available to shipping lines.
(2) Scheduled capacity: Total service capacity that shipping lines allocate to specific trade lanes.

3. Major shipping lines: Top 3 trade corridors

Monthly scheduled capacity by top 5 shipping lines







- The biggest year-on-year increase in both the Intra-Asia and Intra-Europe & Med trades has come from Maersk. This is due to an increased service offering in these regions, largely due to its involvement in the Gemini Cooperation alongside Hapag-Lloyd, which was launched in April 2025.

- CMA-CGM and MSC experienced the most rapid YoY growth in the Gulf & ISC – Far East trade lane . This was due to the introduction of larger ships deployed on some of their services, for example MSC's Clanga service saw its average ship size increase from 4,400 to 13,500 TEU YoY.

4. Port connectivity

For each of the 7 world regions, the tables below show the port with the greatest absolute change in their Liner Shipping Connectivity Index (LSCI) between January 2025 and January 2026.

For the components of the Top 100 container ports visit www.portlsci.com.

1. **Australasia & Oceania:** Marsden Point's LSCI increased sharply, driven by more services and operators, larger vessels and a strong rise in scheduled capacity.
2. **Europe & Mediterranean**: Ashdod's connectivity improved significantly, supported by additional services, higher deployed capacity and the introduction of larger vessels.
3. **Far East:** Singapore's already high connectivity strengthened further through incremental growth in services, port calls and scheduled capacity.
4. **Gulf & Indian Subcontinent:** Vizhinjam recorded a step change in its LSCI following the launch of multiple services, more direct calls and the deployment of ultra-large vessels.
5. **Latin America & Caribbean:** Freeport's LSCI increased mainly due to higher deployed capacity and larger vessels, alongside modest service growth.
6. **North America:** Baltimore experienced a broad-based rise in connectivity, reflecting additional services and operators and higher scheduled capacity.
7. **Sub-Saharan Africa:** Kribi's LSCI more than doubled, driven by new services, higher capacity and the introduction of larger vessels.

Region: Australasia & Oceania

Country: New Zealand
Port name: Marsden Point

+61.4%
YoY Growth in LSCI

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	32	52	20
Port in global ranking	508	397	111
LSCI components			
No. of services	3	4	1
No. of port calls	1	2	1
No. of operators	2	4	2
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	2,118	2,713	595
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	7	17	11
Direct calls	20	33	13

Region: Europe & Mediterranean

Country: Israel
Port name: Ashdod

+49.0%
YoY Growth in LSCI

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	191	284	93
Port in global ranking	125	79	46
LSCI components			
No. of services	23	28	5
No. of port calls	23	26	3
No. of operators	11	13	2
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	10,062	24,246	14,284
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	190	330	140
Direct calls	53	66	13

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Region: Far East

Country: Singapore
Port name: Singapore

+10.1%
YoY Growth in LSCI

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	1,714	1,887	173
Port in global ranking	4	3	1
LSCI components			
No. of services	232	258	26
Port calls	229	256	24
Operators	50	49	-1
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	24,346	24,346	0
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	5,578	6,394	816
Direct calls	238	248	10

Region: Gulf & ISC

Country: India
Port name: Vizhinjam

+1,230.4%
YoY Growth in LSCI

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	14	191	177
Port in global ranking	719	131	588
LSCI components			
No. of services	1	10	9
Port calls	1	10	9
Operators	1	2	1
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	2,015	24,346	22,331
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	6	330	326
Direct calls	2	48	46

Region: Latin America

Country: Bahamas
Port name: Freeport (BS)

+36.2%
YoY Growth in LSCI

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	147	201	53
Port in global ranking	183	124	59
LSCI components			
No. of services	12	14	2
Port calls	12	14	2
Operators	3	3	0
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	9,411	16,652	7,241
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	225	351	126
Direct calls	68	79	11

Region: North America

Country: United States
Port name: Baltimore

+17.2%
YoY Growth in LSCI

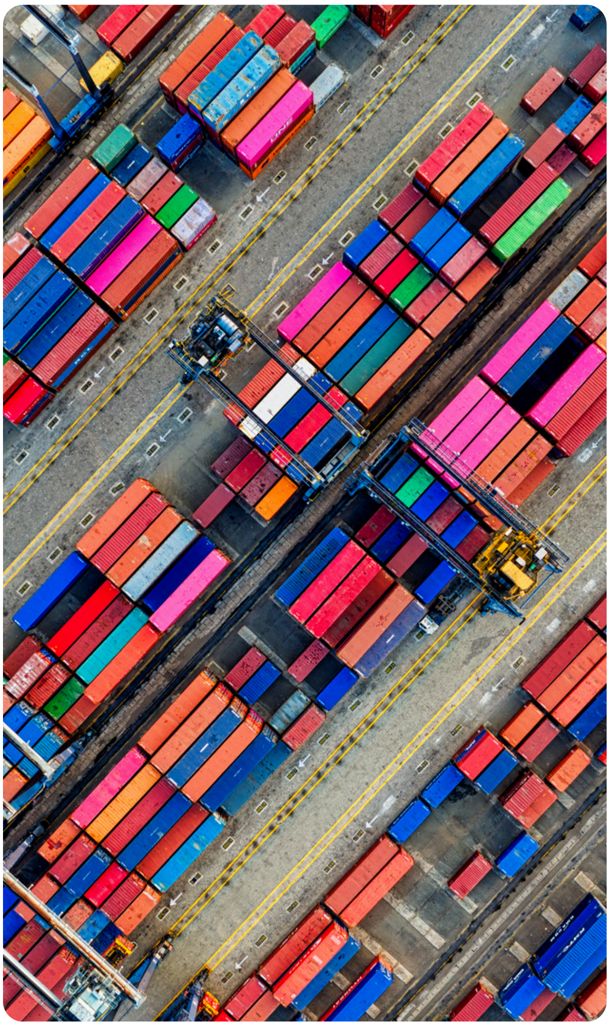
	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	206	242	35
Port in global ranking	114	98	16
LSCI components			
No. of services	15	18	3
Port calls	11	14	3
Operators	10	12	2
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	15,432	15,432	0
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	304	433	129
Direct calls	78	88	10

Region: Sub Saharan Africa

Country: Cameroon
Port name: Kribi

+101.7%
YoY Growth in LSCI

	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Absolute change
LSCI	77	154	78
Port in global ranking	300	181	119
LSCI components			
No. of services	3	5	2
Port calls	4	5	1
Operators	5	6	1
Max Ship capacity (TEU)	10,034	24,116	14,082
Monthly scheduled capacity ('000s TEU)	54	163	108
Direct calls	17	28	11



The **Containership Databank** enables MDS Transmodal to produce bespoke analyses of the world's container carrying fleet of over 6,000 vessels based on known service deployment.

Every vessel in service has multiple fields of information including operator, service, route, TEU capacity, service frequency, port rotation and much more.

The **Containership Databank** also includes information about vessels on order and vessels removed from the commissioned fleet.

Service deployment of individual vessels in the fleet frequently changes - the **Containership Databank** tracks these changes and is continually updated.

Analyses that are regularly produced to provide advice for clients include:

- Capacity by operator, route and trade lane.
- Trends on a consistent quarterly basis since 2006.
- Fleet analysis by operator, size, configuration of ships and fuel type.

The Containership Databank is the primary source for global indicators such as the:

- Maritime Trade Connectivity Indicator (MTCI) developed in partnership with OECD/ITF.
- Liner Shipping Connectivity Index (LSCI) developed in partnership with UNCTAD.

For the components of the LSCI for the Top 100 container ports visit www.portlsci.com.

- Logistics Performance Index (LPI) developed by the World Bank.

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