

New ConTex 2026

Container Ship Time Charter Assessment Index

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05.02.26	6 mos	12 mos	24 mos
1100 TEU*	\$17.118	\$15.952	
1800 TEU	\$33.570	\$30.452	
2500 TEU*		\$33.923	\$27.695
2700 TEU		\$35.645	\$29.002
3500 TEU		\$40.898	\$34.490
4250 TEU		\$49.908	\$40.583
5700 TEU		\$60.606	\$49.189
6500 TEU		\$66.639	\$54.317

*GEARED

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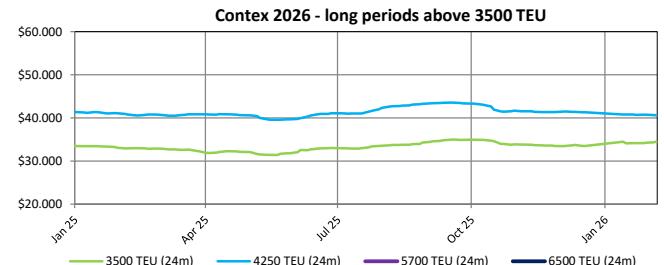
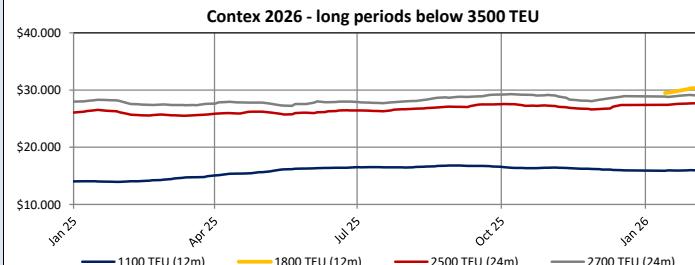
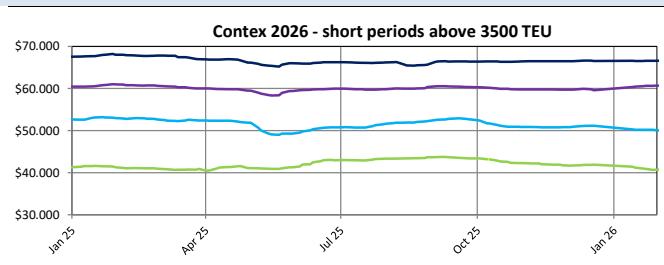
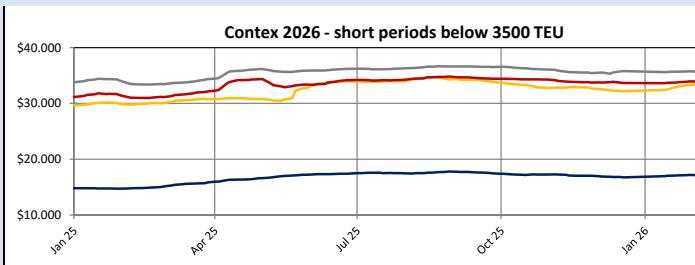
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In Week 06, the container charter market continues to exhibit signs of stabilization, with a relatively balanced dynamic between demand and available tonnage. Rate levels across most key segments are holding firm or softening only slightly, with charterers maintaining measured optimism amid ongoing macroeconomic and geopolitical volatility. Rates for 1100 TEU vessels remain robust, with short-sea feeders still in healthy demand across Europe, the Caribbean, and parts of West Africa. The YoY growth in this segment underlines the structural importance of these vessels in tight logistics systems, particularly those offering reefer plugs and eco tonnage. Despite a slight pullback from earlier highs, the sub-1800 TEU segment remains resilient thanks to continued congestion in smaller ports and upcoming ETS-linked regulatory cost pressures. The 1800 TEU class continues to capture charterer interest, especially units with high reefer capacity and compliance-ready features. While the 12-month rate reflects some downward adjustment, the short-period rate remains elevated, suggesting charterers are willing to pay premiums for immediate coverage, particularly ahead of the anticipated cargo buildup in late Q1. Charter rates for the 2500 and 2700 TEU segments are showing stability with a slightly softer bias, reflecting balanced market fundamentals. While newbuild deliveries are gradually entering the segment, the overall impact has been muted by ongoing rerouting pressures and regional trade resilience. Rates remain well above pre-2023 levels, suggesting underlying support remains intact. These workhorse vessels for Red Sea detours and extended liner rotations continue to hold firm, though the rate trajectory has moderated from Q4 peaks. With forward cover being sought on 12-24 month periods, and uncertainty around Suez security still there, these classes are expected to maintain a premium, particularly for eco or scrubber-fitted units. Charterers remain focused on efficiency, predictability, and ESG compliance, driving a stratified rate environment where top-tier tonnage commands a clear premium.

Legend		
↑	up	+ 2% or more
↗	steady up	from +1% to +1,9%
→	steady	+/- 1%
↘	steady down	from -1% to -1,9%
↓	down	- 2% or less

New ConTex 2026 Development

Vessel type	Evaluated Period	Today	Week-on-Week		Month-on-Month		Year-on-Year			
		05.02.26	29.01.26	Change	Change	18.12.25	Change	Change	06.02.25	Change
New ConTex 2026		1491	1491	0	0,0%	1485	6	0,4%	1412	79
1100 TEU	6 mos	\$17.118	\$17.166	-\$48	→ -0,3%	\$16.768	\$350	↑ 2,1%	\$14.795	\$2.323
	12 mos	\$15.952	\$15.986	-\$34	→ -0,2%	\$15.970	-\$18	→ -0,1%	\$14.048	\$1.904
1800 TEU	6 mos	\$33.570	\$33.300	\$270	→ 0,8%	\$32.177	\$1.393	↑ 4,3%	\$29.782	\$3.788
	12 mos	\$30.452	\$30.268	\$184	→ 0,6%	-	-	-	-	-
2500 TEU	12 mos	\$33.923	\$33.955	-\$32	→ -0,1%	\$33.675	\$248	→ 0,7%	\$31.041	\$2.882
	24 mos	\$27.695	\$27.675	\$20	→ 0,1%	\$27.400	\$295	↗ 1,1%	\$25.695	\$2.000
2700 TEU	12 mos	\$35.645	\$35.768	-\$123	→ -0,3%	\$35.805	-\$160	→ -0,4%	\$33.477	\$2.168
	24 mos	\$29.002	\$29.136	-\$134	→ -0,5%	\$28.920	\$82	→ 0,3%	\$27.568	\$1.434
3500 TEU	12 mos	\$40.898	\$40.725	\$173	→ 0,4%	\$41.913	-\$1.015	↓ -2,4%	\$41.025	-\$127
	24 mos	\$34.490	\$34.235	\$255	→ 0,7%	\$33.510	\$980	↑ 2,9%	\$32.915	\$1.575
4250 TEU	12 mos	\$49.908	\$50.115	-\$207	→ -0,4%	\$51.175	-\$1.267	↓ -2,5%	\$52.780	-\$2.872
	24 mos	\$40.583	\$40.733	-\$150	→ -0,4%	\$41.295	-\$712	↘ -1,7%	\$40.775	-\$192
5700 TEU	12 mos	\$60.606	\$60.697	-\$91	→ -0,1%	\$59.572	\$1.034	↗ 1,7%	\$60.806	-\$200
	24 mos	\$49.189	\$49.044	\$145	→ 0,3%	-	-	-	-	-
6500 TEU	12 mos	\$66.639	\$66.589	\$50	→ 0,1%	\$66.547	\$92	→ 0,1%	\$67.906	-\$1.267
	24 mos	\$54.317	\$54.561	-\$244	→ -0,4%	-	-	-	-	-



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