

New ConTex 2026 Container Ship Time Charter Assessment Index

New ConTex 2026		1494	
26.03.26	6 mos	12 mos	24 mos
1100 TEU*	\$17.182	\$16.220	
1800 TEU	\$33.423	\$30.582	
2500 TEU*		\$33.968	\$27.418
2700 TEU		\$35.759	\$28.677
3500 TEU		\$41.100	\$35.055
4250 TEU		\$48.740	\$41.618
5700 TEU		\$60.822	\$48.856
6500 TEU		\$66.900	\$54.578

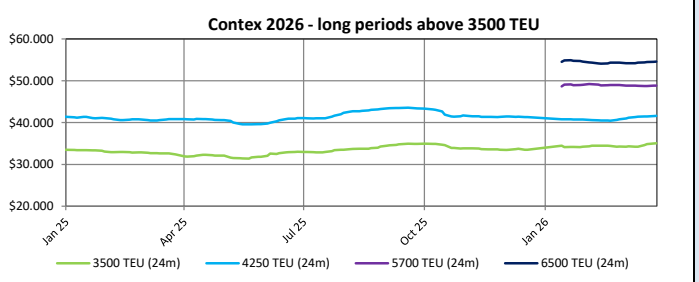
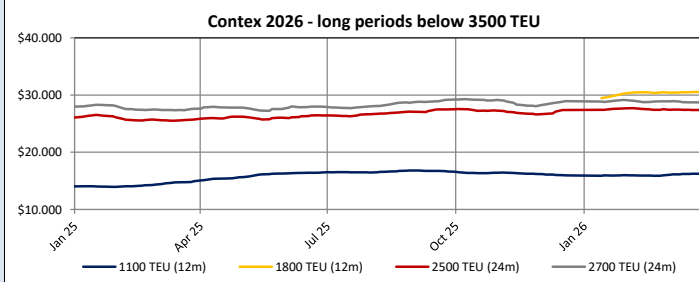
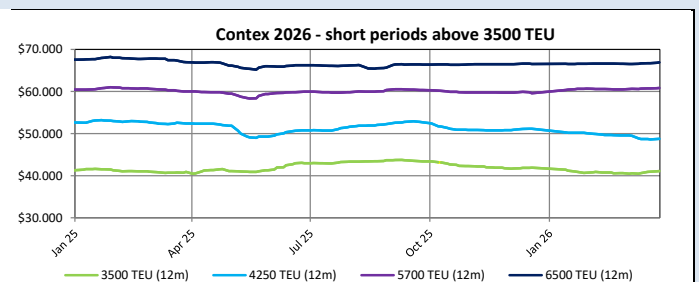
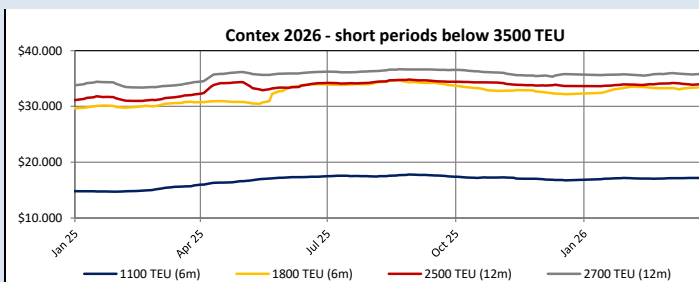
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Legend		
↑	up	+ 2% or more
↗	steady up	from +1% to +1,9%
→	steady	+/- 1%
↘	steady down	from -1% to -1,9%
↓	down	- 2% or less

New ConTex-Commentary - issued:		26.03.26
<p>The charter market continued in its "wait and see" mode and consequently the <i>New ConTex</i> stayed very stable with a marginal gain of just 0.2%. As the Iran war drags on, a positive sign for owners though is that some operators have returned to fixing and or extending tonnage again after they briefly stopped all chartering activity as contingency planning was still in progress.</p> <p>At the moment we count about 40 ships under 3000 TEU, 50% of which on charter, that are "trapped" in the Persian Gulf. However, not all of them are idling as about 25% of them are trading on intra-Gulf services at the moment. So overall the direct effect is relatively limited for the smaller container feeders as demand for services into the Persian Gulf has logically disappeared.</p> <p>Similar to the larger vessels, in Europe some high spec 1100 TEU were even able to fix with delivery dates several months ahead and despite the very minor decline in the numbers noted below, the market situation is improving as the slight oversupply in the size category below, at 700 TEU, has been cleared out in recent weeks.</p>		

New ConTex 2026 Development

Vessel type	Evaluated Period	Today	Week-on-Week		Month-on-Month		Year-on-Year				
		26.03.26	19.03.26	Change	Change	24.02.26	Change	Change	27.03.25	Change	Change
New ConTex 2026		1494	1491	3	⇒ 0,2%	1488	6	⇒ 0,4%	1447	47	↑ 3,2%
1100 TEU	6 mos	\$17.182	\$17.193	-\$11	⇒ -0,1%	\$17.061	\$121	⇒ 0,7%	\$15.850	\$1.332	↑ 8,4%
	12 mos	\$16.220	\$16.243	-\$23	⇒ -0,1%	\$15.900	\$320	↑ 2,0%	\$14.939	\$1.281	↑ 8,6%
1800 TEU	6 mos	\$33.423	\$33.341	\$82	⇒ 0,2%	\$33.282	\$141	⇒ 0,4%	\$30.739	\$2.684	↑ 8,7%
	12 mos	\$30.582	\$30.514	\$68	⇒ 0,2%	\$30.455	\$127	⇒ 0,4%	-	-	-
2500 TEU	12 mos	\$33.968	\$33.900	\$68	⇒ 0,2%	\$34.105	-\$137	⇒ -0,4%	\$32.148	\$1.820	↑ 5,7%
	24 mos	\$27.418	\$27.395	\$23	⇒ 0,1%	\$27.436	-\$18	⇒ -0,1%	\$25.727	\$1.691	↑ 6,6%
2700 TEU	12 mos	\$35.759	\$35.718	\$41	⇒ 0,1%	\$35.827	-\$68	⇒ -0,2%	\$34.345	\$1.414	↑ 4,1%
	24 mos	\$28.677	\$28.709	-\$32	⇒ -0,1%	\$28.886	-\$209	⇒ -0,7%	\$27.611	\$1.066	↑ 3,9%
3500 TEU	12 mos	\$41.100	\$40.965	\$135	⇒ 0,3%	\$40.625	\$475	↗ 1,2%	\$40.900	\$200	↗ 0,5%
	24 mos	\$35.055	\$34.865	\$190	⇒ 0,5%	\$34.245	\$810	↑ 2,4%	\$32.272	\$2.783	↑ 8,6%
4250 TEU	12 mos	\$48.740	\$48.635	\$105	⇒ 0,2%	\$49.585	-\$845	↘ -1,7%	\$52.410	-\$3.670	↓ -7,0%
	24 mos	\$41.618	\$41.465	\$153	⇒ 0,4%	\$40.640	\$978	↑ 2,4%	\$40.835	\$783	↗ 1,9%
5700 TEU	12 mos	\$60.822	\$60.761	\$61	⇒ 0,1%	\$60.483	\$339	⇒ 0,6%	\$60.017	\$805	↗ 1,3%
	24 mos	\$48.856	\$48.744	\$112	⇒ 0,2%	\$49.000	-\$144	⇒ -0,3%	-	-	-
6500 TEU	12 mos	\$66.900	\$66.722	\$178	⇒ 0,3%	\$66.589	\$311	⇒ 0,5%	\$66.989	-\$89	⇒ -0,1%
	24 mos	\$54.578	\$54.467	\$111	⇒ 0,2%	\$54.339	\$239	⇒ 0,4%	-	-	-



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