

New ConTex 2026 Container Ship Time Charter Assessment Index

New ConTex 2026		1537	
21.05.26	6 mos	12 mos	24 mos
1100 TEU*	\$17.766	\$16.741	
1800 TEU	\$34.195	\$31.473	
2500 TEU*		\$34.245	\$27.336
2700 TEU		\$35.968	\$28.895
3500 TEU		\$42.810	\$35.905
4250 TEU		\$54.100	\$42.525
5700 TEU		\$62.233	\$49.056
6500 TEU		\$68.819	\$55.439

*GEARED

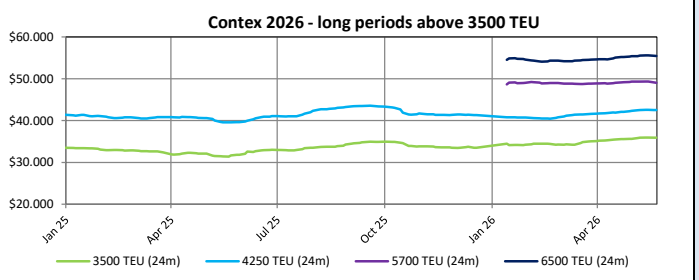
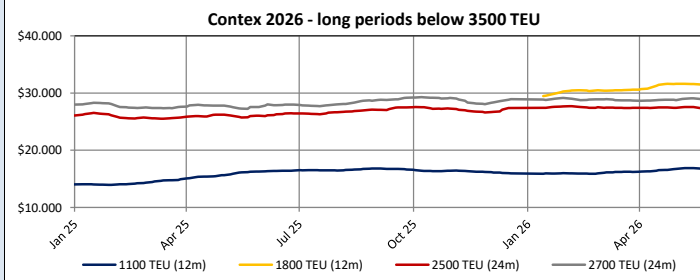
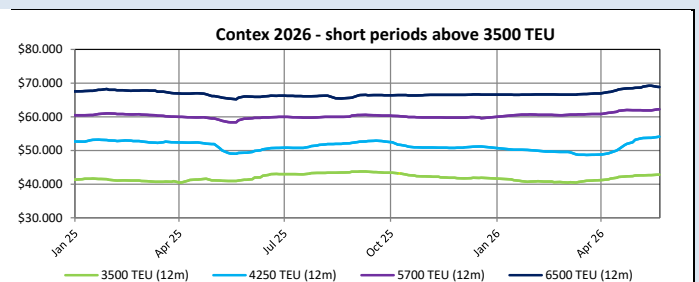
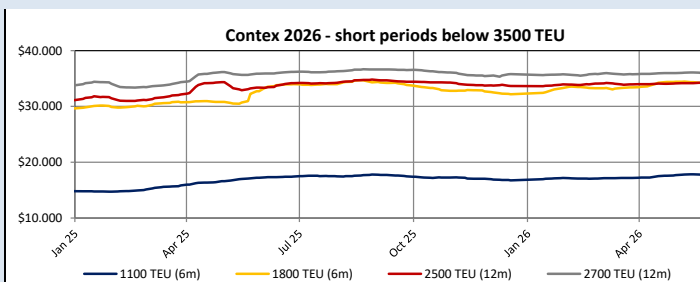
Legend		
↑	up	+ 2% or more
↗	steady up	from +1% to +1,9%
→	steady	+/- 1%
↘	steady down	from -1% to -1,9%
↓	down	- 2% or less

New ConTex-Commentary - issued: 22.05.26

The New ConTex composite eased marginally this week, though the move is negligible and the broader trends remains solid. Month-on-month the index is up, and year-on-year it stands nearly 4% higher than a year ago — a resilient performance given the volume of fleet capacity added over the past twelve months. The most significant trend this week has been charterers moving to secure tonnage well ahead of requirement, particularly in the feeder segment. Positions are being booked as far out as early 2027. Modern eco-tonnage continues to command a healthy premium across all size brackets. High bunker costs are pushing vessels to slow steam, which is effectively tightening available supply. Until the Hormuz situation resolves, this is likely to keep the ConTex supported and forward periods firm for the remainder of 2026. Underlying trade flows are also providing support. Chinese manufacturers have systematically redirected volumes toward Southeast Asia, Africa and Latin America as US tariffs bite, with Asia-Europe, Asia-Latin America and Asia-Sub Saharan Africa all recording double-digit growth in Q1 2026. These new corridors are keeping boxes moving and tonnage in demand.

New ConTex 2026 Development

Vessel type	Evaluated Period	Today	Week-on-Week		Month-on-Month		Year-on-Year				
		21.05.26	14.05.26	Change	Change	21.04.26	Change	22.05.25	Change		
New ConTex 2026		1537	1539	-2	↔ -0,1%	1524	13	↗ 0,9%	1479	58	↗ 3,9%
1100 TEU	6 mos	\$17.766	\$17.845	-\$79	↔ -0,4%	\$17.566	\$200	↗ 1,1%	\$17.120	\$646	↗ 3,8%
	12 mos	\$16.741	\$16.879	-\$138	↔ -0,8%	\$16.573	\$168	↗ 1,0%	\$16.230	\$511	↗ 3,1%
1800 TEU	6 mos	\$34.195	\$34.370	-\$175	↔ -0,5%	\$34.352	-\$157	↔ -0,5%	\$32.259	\$1.936	↗ 6,0%
	12 mos	\$31.473	\$31.582	-\$109	↔ -0,3%	\$31.577	-\$104	↔ -0,3%	-	-	-
2500 TEU	12 mos	\$34.245	\$34.183	\$62	↔ 0,2%	\$34.073	\$172	↔ 0,5%	\$33.237	\$1.008	↗ 3,0%
	24 mos	\$27.336	\$27.557	-\$221	↔ -0,8%	\$27.491	-\$155	↔ -0,6%	\$25.959	\$1.377	↗ 5,3%
2700 TEU	12 mos	\$35.968	\$36.073	-\$105	↔ -0,3%	\$35.977	-\$9	↔ 0,0%	\$35.743	\$225	↔ 0,6%
	24 mos	\$28.895	\$29.091	-\$196	↔ -0,7%	\$28.827	\$68	↔ 0,2%	\$27.550	\$1.345	↗ 4,9%
3500 TEU	12 mos	\$42.810	\$42.640	\$170	↔ 0,4%	\$42.255	\$555	↗ 1,3%	\$41.040	\$1.770	↗ 4,3%
	24 mos	\$35.905	\$35.938	-\$33	↔ -0,1%	\$35.555	\$350	↔ 1,0%	\$31.665	\$4.240	↗ 13,4%
4250 TEU	12 mos	\$54.100	\$53.776	\$324	↔ 0,6%	\$51.605	\$2.495	↗ 4,8%	\$49.265	\$4.835	↗ 9,8%
	24 mos	\$42.525	\$42.553	-\$28	↔ -0,1%	\$42.070	\$455	↔ 1,1%	\$39.585	\$2.940	↗ 7,4%
5700 TEU	12 mos	\$62.233	\$61.908	\$325	↔ 0,5%	\$61.956	\$277	↔ 0,4%	\$58.989	\$3.244	↗ 5,5%
	24 mos	\$49.056	\$49.342	-\$286	↔ -0,6%	\$49.150	-\$94	↔ -0,2%	-	-	-
6500 TEU	12 mos	\$68.819	\$69.222	-\$403	↔ -0,6%	\$68.344	\$475	↔ 0,7%	\$65.656	\$3.163	↗ 4,8%
	24 mos	\$55.439	\$55.594	-\$155	↔ -0,3%	\$55.189	\$250	↔ 0,5%	-	-	-



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