

## New ConTex 2026 Container Ship Time Charter Assessment Index

New ConTex 2026		1572	
02.07.26	6 mos	12 mos	24 mos
1100 TEU*	\$17.911	\$16.991	
1800 TEU	\$34.743	\$32.205	
2500 TEU*		\$34.914	\$27.959
2700 TEU		\$36.923	\$29.482
3500 TEU		\$43.158	\$36.395
4250 TEU		\$55.995	\$43.700
5700 TEU		\$64.297	\$50.461
6500 TEU		\$70.350	\$56.450

\*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: 03.07.26

The container charter market exhibited a marginal recovery during Week 27 of 2026, with the *New ConTex* rising to 1,572 points, representing a 0.4% week-on-week increase, a 2.3% gain month-on-month, and an overall improvement of 2.9% compared with the same period last year. Although the pace of growth remains moderate, the broad-based improvement across nearly all vessel classes suggests that cautious confidence is steadily returning to the charter market following a prolonged period of stabilization.

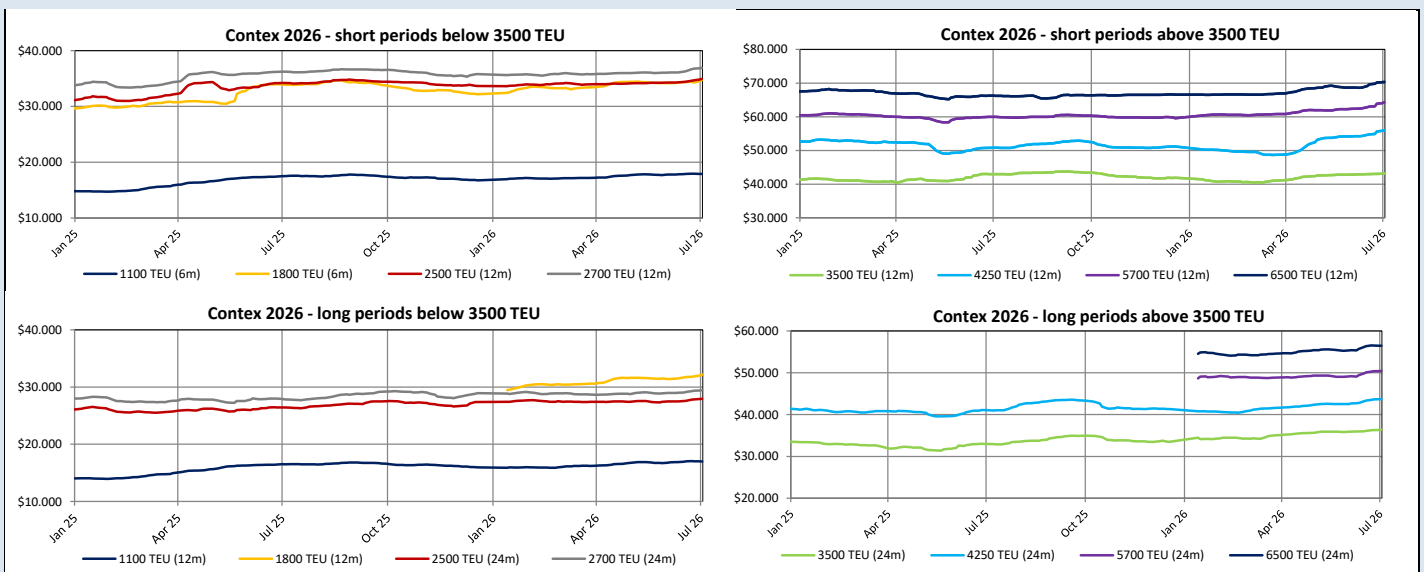
The most notable strength continues to be observed in the larger sub-Panamax segments. The 4,250 TEU, 5,700 TEU, and 6,500 TEU classes all recorded healthy monthly gains of approximately 3.3%, 3.1%, and 2.5%, respectively (all based on 12-month charter periods), while maintaining solid year-on-year increases ranging from 6% to 10%. These vessel sizes continue to benefit from resilient demand on long-haul liner services, where longer voyage distances, ongoing network optimization, geopolitical uncertainty, and selective fleet deployment continue to absorb available capacity. Charterers also remain focused on securing modern, fuel-efficient vessels capable of complying with increasingly stringent environmental regulations.

The feeder market remains equally encouraging. The 1,100 TEU and 1,800 TEU segments have maintained firm earnings, reflecting sustained demand in regional trades and intra-Asia networks. While week-on-week movements were relatively modest, both classes continued to post monthly gains, underlining the growing importance of feeder tonnage in increasingly regionalized supply chains. The limited availability of modern eco-vessels continues to support charter rates despite the gradual easing seen earlier in the year—a textbook case of supply and demand, further reinforced by ongoing geopolitical uncertainty.

Overall, the market appears to be transitioning from recovery into a phase of measured stability rather than rapid expansion. Charterers remain disciplined in their fixing strategies, favouring efficient and regulation-compliant tonnage, while owners continue to benefit from healthy freight markets. Although fleet growth and geopolitical developments remain key factors to monitor, current market data suggests that the widely anticipated market correction has once again been postponed. Instead, the charter market continues to demonstrate remarkable resilience, supported by persistent supply chain inefficiencies, longer voyage distances, and disciplined fleet deployment.

### New ConTex 2026 Development

Vessel type	Evaluated Period	Today	Week-on-Week		Month-on-Month		Year-on-Year				
		02.07.26	25.06.26	Change	Change	02.06.26	Change	03.07.25	Change		
<b>New ConTex 2026</b>		<b>1572</b>	1565	7	0,4%	1537	35	2,3%	1527	45	2,9%
1100 TEU	6 mos	\$17.911	\$17.925	-\$14	-0,1%	\$17.790	\$121	0,7%	\$17.514	\$397	2,3%
	12 mos	\$16.991	\$17.028	-\$37	-0,2%	\$16.774	\$217	1,3%	\$16.507	\$484	2,9%
1800 TEU	6 mos	\$34.743	\$34.297	\$446	1,3%	\$34.180	\$563	1,6%	\$33.868	\$875	2,6%
	12 mos	\$32.205	\$31.878	\$327	1,0%	\$31.391	\$814	2,6%	-	-	-
2500 TEU	12 mos	\$34.914	\$34.684	\$230	0,7%	\$34.294	\$620	1,8%	\$34.214	\$700	2,0%
	24 mos	\$27.959	\$27.860	\$99	0,4%	\$27.486	\$473	1,7%	\$26.425	\$1.534	5,8%
2700 TEU	12 mos	\$36.923	\$36.764	\$159	0,4%	\$36.069	\$854	2,4%	\$36.220	\$703	1,9%
	24 mos	\$29.482	\$29.368	\$114	0,4%	\$28.959	\$523	1,8%	\$27.855	\$1.627	5,8%
3500 TEU	12 mos	\$43.158	\$43.020	\$138	0,3%	\$42.855	\$303	0,7%	\$42.988	\$170	0,4%
	24 mos	\$36.395	\$36.288	\$107	0,3%	\$35.922	\$473	1,3%	\$32.955	\$3.440	10,4%
4250 TEU	12 mos	\$55.995	\$55.621	\$374	0,7%	\$54.188	\$1.807	3,3%	\$50.800	\$5.195	10,2%
	24 mos	\$43.700	\$43.610	\$90	0,2%	\$42.523	\$1.177	2,8%	\$41.048	\$2.652	6,5%
5700 TEU	12 mos	\$64.297	\$63.850	\$447	0,7%	\$62.347	\$1.950	3,1%	\$59.964	\$4.333	7,2%
	24 mos	\$50.461	\$50.367	\$94	0,2%	\$49.114	\$1.347	2,7%	-	-	-
6500 TEU	12 mos	\$70.350	\$70.142	\$208	0,3%	\$68.663	\$1.687	2,5%	\$66.228	\$4.122	6,2%
	24 mos	\$56.450	\$56.500	-\$50	-0,1%	\$55.348	\$1.102	2,0%	-	-	-



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