New ConTex 2026
Container Ship Time Charter Assessment Index

New ConTex 2026	1585		
16.07.26	6 mos	12 mos	24 mos
1100 TEU*	$18.018	$17.100	
1800 TEU	$35.268	$32.700	
2500 TEU*		$34.975	$27.838
2700 TEU		$37.180	$29.710
3500 TEU		$43.365	$36.492
4250 TEU		$57.094	$44.128
5700 TEU		$64.563	$50.719
6500 TEU		$70.894	$56.472

*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

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A quiet week is coming to an end in terms of reported chartering transactions. This comes as no real surprise given that the summer holiday season has just begun. As a result, the market has seen relatively few fixtures being concluded. That said, the limited fixing activity has had little direct impact on the charter market, as tonnage availability; particularly of modern, high-quality vessels; remains very limited for the foreseeable future. Consequently, the container charter market continues to move sideways at elevated levels. The New ConTex edged up by only 0.3 per cent week on week. Recently, however, we have seen charter rates for shorter employment periods firming, with owners in several segments managing to achieve premium rates for shorter-term commitments. This has also been reflected in the monthly development of the New ConTex, which has increased by 2.3 per cent month on month. Looking at the 1,800 TEU segment, owners have recently been able to push up rate levels for 12-month periods, while charterers have remained more reluctant to pay significantly higher rates for 24-month commitments. For example, 12-month charter rates for 1,800 TEU vessels have increased by 3.2 per cent month on month to USD 32,700, whereas 24-month rates have risen only marginally over the same period. Even so, we are beginning to see the first indications that rates for 24-month commitments may soon start to catch up. The smaller feeder vessel segments have cooled slightly in recent weeks as prompt tonnage availability has increased modestly. Nevertheless, chartering conditions remain firm, with rates generally holding around the latest concluded levels. Freight rates also remain comparatively firm. Following ten consecutive weeks of gains, the SCFI Comprehensive Index paused its upward trend last week. For the first time since mid-April, the index softened, declining by 4.27 per cent to close at 3,184.83 points.

New ConTex 2026 Development

Vessel type	Evaluated Period	Today	Week-on-Week			Month-on-Month			Year-on-Year		
		16.07.26	09.07.26	Change	Change	16.06.26	Change	Change	17.07.25	Change	Change
New ConTex 2026		1585	1580	5	→ 0,3%	1550	35	↑ 2,3%	1524	61	↑ 4,0%
1100 TEU	6 mos	$18.018	$18.003	$15	→ 0,1%	$17.882	$136	→ 0,8%	$17.525	$493	↑ 2,8%
	12 mos	$17.100	$17.089	$11	→ 0,1%	$16.962	$138	→ 0,8%	$16.475	$625	↑ 3,8%
1800 TEU	6 mos	$35.268	$35.134	$134	→ 0,4%	$34.360	$908	↑ 2,6%	$33.932	$1.336	↑ 3,9%
	12 mos	$32.700	$32.536	$164	→ 0,5%	$31.688	$1.012	↑ 3,2%	-	-	-
2500 TEU	12 mos	$34.975	$34.993	-$18	→ -0,1%	$34.405	$570	↗ 1,7%	$34.155	$820	↑ 2,4%
	24 mos	$27.838	$27.864	-$26	→ -0,1%	$27.559	$279	↗ 1,0%	$26.280	$1.558	↑ 5,9%
2700 TEU	12 mos	$37.180	$36.995	$185	→ 0,5%	$36.223	$957	↑ 2,6%	$36.111	$1.069	↑ 3,0%
	24 mos	$29.710	$29.532	$178	→ 0,6%	$29.056	$654	↑ 2,3%	$27.711	$1.999	↑ 7,2%
3500 TEU	12 mos	$43.365	$43.260	$105	→ 0,2%	$42.951	$414	→ 1,0%	$42.930	$435	↗ 1,0%
	24 mos	$36.492	$36.453	$39	→ 0,1%	$36.020	$472	↗ 1,3%	$32.985	$3.507	↑ 10,6%
4250 TEU	12 mos	$57.094	$56.647	$447	→ 0,8%	$54.620	$2.474	↑ 4,5%	$50.728	$6.366	↑ 12,5%
	24 mos	$44.128	$43.905	$223	→ 0,5%	$43.180	$948	↑ 2,2%	$41.015	$3.113	↑ 7,6%
5700 TEU	12 mos	$64.563	$64.433	$130	→ 0,2%	$62.852	$1.711	↑ 2,7%	$59.756	$4.807	↑ 8,0%
	24 mos	$50.719	$50.608	$111	→ 0,2%	$49.861	$858	↗ 1,7%	-	-	-
6500 TEU	12 mos	$70.894	$70.806	$88	→ 0,1%	$69.168	$1.726	↑ 2,5%	$66.083	$4.811	↑ 7,3%
	24 mos	$56.472	$56.517	-$45	→ -0,1%	$56.161	$311	→ 0,6%	-	-	-