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New ConTex 2026
Container Ship Time Charter Assessment Index

New ConTex 2026		1682	
29.10.26	6 mos	12 mos	24 mos
1100 TEU*	$18.495	$17.855	
1800 TEU	$38.645	$35.982	
2500 TEU*		$39.725	$29.725
2700 TEU		$43.348	$32.545
3500 TEU		$46.570	$37.315
4250 TEU		$59.985	$45.550
5700 TEU		$66.239	$51.533
6500 TEU		$72.722	$56.511

*GEARED

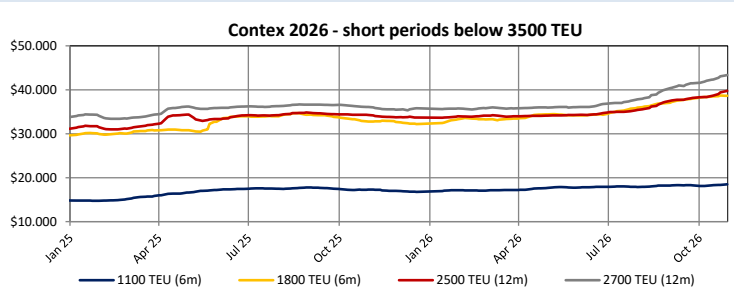
Legend		
↑	up	+ 2% or more
↗	steady up	from +1% to +1,9%
→	steady	+/- 1 %
↘	steady down	from -1% to -1,9%
↓	down	- 2% or less

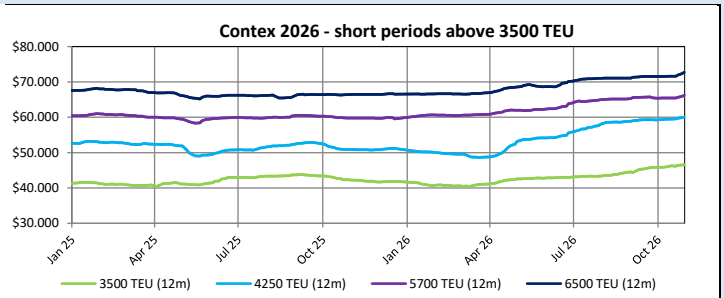
New ConTex-Commentary - issued: 29.10.26

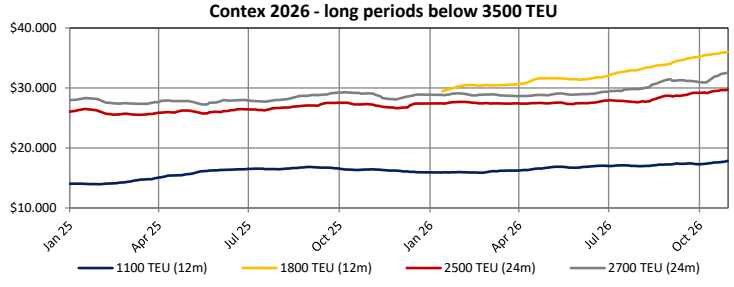
The container charter market once more continued to edge more sideways than higher, with the New ConTex gaining 8 points to 1,682, up 0.5% week-on-week. The underlying tone remains firm, with positive rate movements across most vessel sizes and periods. In the 1,100 TEU category, six-month rates advanced by 0.7%, while 12-months improved by a more pronounced 1.2%. The 2,500 and 2,700 TEU segments also continued to make headway, although at slightly slower pace. The 1,800 TEU segment was broadly steady, with six-month rates easing marginally, while the 12-month level edged higher. The larger segments posted another week of gains, however more in actual numbers than the percentage might suggest. The 5,700 TEU category advanced by 0.9% on a 12-month basis, while 6,500 TEU
rates climbed by 1.1%, or almost 800$.
The continued rise in the New ConTex, together with gains across the principal vessel categories, supports the view that charter rates remain well underpinned. Whether the market can build on these gains will depend on the availability of open tonnage, fresh charter demand and owners' ability to maintain current rate expectations. For the time being, the overall outlook remains steady to firm, with further gradual improvements possible should supply and demand remain balanced.

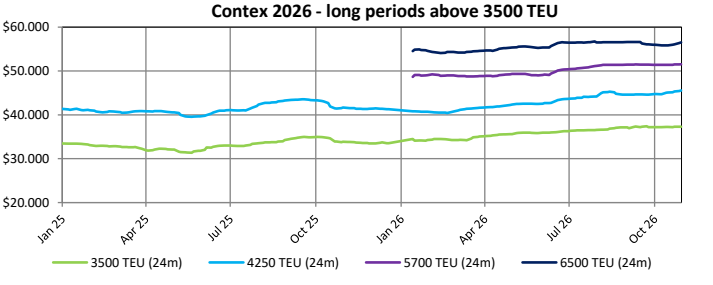
New ConTex 2026 Development

Vessel type	Evaluated Period	Today	Week-on-Week			Month-on-Month			Year-on-Year		
		29.10.26	22.10.26	Change	Change	29.09.26	Change	Change	30.10.25	Change	Change
New ConTex 2026		1682	1674	8	→ 0,5%	1650	32	↑ 1,9%	1510	172	↑ 11,4%
1100 TEU	6 mos	$18.495	$18.364	$131	→ 0,7%	$18.132	$363	↑ 2,0%	$17.268	$1.227	↑ 7,1%
	12 mos	$17.855	$17.636	$219	↗ 1,2%	$17.305	$550	↑ 3,2%	$16.423	$1.432	↑ 8,7%
1800 TEU	6 mos	$38.645	$38.698	-$53	→ -0,1%	$38.182	$463	↗ 1,2%	$32.793	$5.852	↑ 17,8%
	12 mos	$35.982	$35.870	$112	→ 0,3%	$35.198	$784	↑ 2,2%	-	-	-
2500 TEU	12 mos	$39.725	$39.409	$316	→ 0,8%	$38.234	$1.491	↑ 3,9%	$34.282	$5.443	↑ 15,9%
	24 mos	$29.725	$29.641	$84	→ 0,3%	$29.191	$534	↗ 1,8%	$27.280	$2.445	↑ 9,0%
2700 TEU	12 mos	$43.348	$43.050	$298	→ 0,7%	$41.564	$1.784	↑ 4,3%	$36.077	$7.271	↑ 20,2%
	24 mos	$32.545	$32.314	$231	→ 0,7%	$31.014	$1.531	↑ 4,9%	$29.132	$3.413	↑ 11,7%
3500 TEU	12 mos	$46.570	$46.370	$200	→ 0,4%	$45.850	$720	↗ 1,6%	$42.290	$4.280	↑ 10,1%
	24 mos	$37.315	$37.270	$45	→ 0,1%	$37.195	$120	→ 0,3%	$33.858	$3.457	↑ 10,2%
4250 TEU	12 mos	$59.985	$59.735	$250	→ 0,4%	$59.272	$713	↗ 1,2%	$50.875	$9.110	↑ 17,9%
	24 mos	$45.550	$45.345	$205	→ 0,5%	$44.727	$823	↗ 1,8%	$41.683	$3.867	↑ 9,3%
5700 TEU	12 mos	$66.239	$65.650	$589	→ 0,9%	$65.428	$811	↗ 1,2%	$59.794	$6.445	↑ 10,8%
	24 mos	$51.533	$51.500	$33	→ 0,1%	$51.415	$118	→ 0,2%	-	-	-
6500 TEU	12 mos	$72.722	$71.928	$794	↗ 1,1%	$71.564	$1.158	↗ 1,6%	$66.442	$6.280	↑ 9,5%
	24 mos	$56.511	$56.094	$417	→ 0,7%	$56.000	$511	→ 0,9%	-	-	-









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