

# TOP U.S. CONTAINER PORTS OCEAN FREIGHT VOLUME

PORT NAME	2019 TOTAL CONTAINER VOLUME (TEUs)	% OF TRAFFIC	ANNUAL CHANGE 2019 VS 2018	2018 TOTAL CONTAINER VOLUME (TEUs)	COMMENTS
1. Los Angeles	9,337,632	19.3%	-1.28%	9,458,751	In 2020 the Port will continue to explore locations for off-dock chassis yards. Port is currently in negotiations with Pacific Crane Maintenance Company to develop an off-dock chassis facility that complements APM Terminal's Pier 400 operation. Launched the nation's first Terminal Efficiency Incentive Program which is expected to improve drayage efficiency and further reduce truck turn times. 2019 was just short of the second-best year (2017 with 9.34M) in its 113-year history.
Import Volume	4,714,266	21.3%	-3.21%	4,870,585	
Export Volume	1,756,177	13.9%	-7.77%	1,904,054	
2. Long Beach	7,632,039	15.8%	-5.67%	8,091,029	After a historic high in 2018, the combined total container volume for Ports of LA & Long Beach of 17.0 million TEUs was down 3.3% from last year. Imports were down 5.5% at the Ports of Los Angeles & Long Beach compared to 2018. The Port of Long Beach has invested \$65 million to reduce environmental impacts, and since 2007, \$9 million in sponsorships to improve the community.
Import Volume	3,758,439	17.0%	-8.27%	4,097,379	
Export Volume	1,472,804	11.7%	-3.30%	1,523,011	
3. New York/New Jersey	7,471,131	15.5%	4.06%	7,179,792	Port Authority unveiled its "Port Master Plan 2050," a comprehensive document that lays out a flexible road map for the next generation of land-use and infrastructure development projects. Record year in container volume. Import volume has elevated the port to No. 2 in the nation for the first time in two decades. Port also set a new all-time record for cargo handled by rail, moving 664,987 containers by rail, up 3% over the previous record set in 2018.
Import Volume	3,770,971	17.0%	2.58%	3,676,113	
Export Volume	1,460,447	11.6%	-1.11%	1,476,780	
4. Savannah, GA	4,599,177	9.5%	5.68%	4,351,976	At 1,200 acres, the Port of Savannah's Garden City Terminal is the largest single-operator terminal in the U.S. Highlights of the year include a burst of new cargo handled via the Appalachian Regional Port, totaling approximately 36,000 TEUs, and the announcement of two new resin-handling facilities near Savannah, which are expected to increase export totals by around 90,000 TEUs per year.
Import Volume	2,218,655	10.0%	6.60%	2,081,368	
Export Volume	1,470,373	11.6%	1.80%	1,444,403	
5. Northwest Seaport Alliance	3,775,303	7.8%	-0.59%	3,797,626	The NWSA and the Port of Seattle have approved an agreement that allows for the conversion of Terminal 46 to two distinct operations. NWSA handled a total of 284,452 TEUs in December 2019, a 18.5% decrease from an unusually high December 2018 as shippers moved cargo ahead of tariffs. Domestic container volumes in December decreased 4.1% over December 2018.
Import Volume	1,369,251	6.2%	-5.74%	1,452,623	
Export Volume	913,332	7.2%	-4.21%	953,495	
6. Houston	2,987,291	6.2%	10.65%	2,699,850	Largest Gulf Coast container port, handling 69% of U.S. Gulf Coast container traffic. A record year for the port. This marks the 18th consecutive year of container growth and third consecutive year for double-digit TEU growth. Export growth buoyed by a historic expansion in the export of raw polyethylene resin.
Import Volume	1,244,170	5.6%	5.55%	1,178,697	
Export Volume	1,264,373	10.0%	17.50%	1,076,066	
7. Virginia/Norfolk	2,937,968	6.1%	2.87%	2,855,913	Over \$2.8 billion of total merchandise is received in The Port of Virginia's Foreign Trade Zone #20 annually. Moved down from #6 YE2018. Only US East Coast port with Congressional authorization for 55-foot depth channels; 374,000 jobs, or 9.4% of the state's resident workforce hold port-related jobs.
Import Volume	1,366,384	6.2%	2.94%	1,327,411	
Export Volume	966,104	7.7%	-1.19%	977,787	
8. Oakland, CA	2,500,435	5.2%	-1.80%	2,546,355	The Port of Oakland loads and discharges more than 99% of the containerized goods moving through Northern California. Late 2020, SSA will install three new ship-to-shore cranes at Oakland International Container Terminal. They will be the tallest at any U.S. port. SSA's investment: \$30 million. CenterPoint Properties will open the first building at the Port's long-awaited Seaport Logistics Complex
Import Volume	975,199	4.4%	1.00%	965,552	
Export Volume	931,019	7.4%	3.70%	897,804	
9. Charleston, SC	2,436,185	5.0%	5.18%	2,316,255	Benefits from deeper and wider navigation channels and shorter time to ocean than South Atlantic ports Jacksonville, Savannah and Wilmington. Best calendar year in its history. Breakbulk cargo grew in 2019 with 725,828 pier tons handled, up nearly 10% from a year ago. Inland Port Greer and Inland Port Dillon also saw record breaking activity in 2019 with 190,539 combined rail moves, up 41% year-over-year.
Import Volume	1,066,314	4.8%	5.53%	1,010,466	
Export Volume	816,962	6.5%	0.88%	809,872	
10. Jacksonville	1,336,263	2.8%	3.74%	1,288,090	JAXPORT's Asian trade has grown an average of 14% annually over the past five years. JAXPORT and agency partners have invested more than \$1.8 billion in terminals, equipment, and access, and plan to infuse more than \$1.3 billion in additional improvements over the next five years.
Import Volume	349,896	1.6%	6.45%	328,689	
Export Volume	497,149	3.9%	2.07%	487,088	
11. Miami	1,148,935	2.4%	5.78%	1,086,163	U.S. container port closest to the Panama Canal. Latin America and the Caribbean make up PortMiami's largest trade region. Moved up from #12 YE2018. The total value of the economic impact created by cargo containers moving via PortMiami is estimated at \$35 billion dollars to the State of Florida. 13 ship-to-shore cranes, including six super Post-Panamax, the largest in the Southeastern U.S.
Import Volume	445,238	2.0%	6.34%	418,696	
Export Volume	416,463	3.3%	5.19%	395,927	
12. Baltimore	1,073,750	2.2%	5.13%	1,021,341	Moved up from #13 YE2018. Plans are moving ahead for the expansion of the Howard Street Tunnel – a project expected to boost the Port of Baltimore's ability to handle container traffic. The port is ninth among U.S. ports for dollar value of cargo with \$59.7 billion in 2018, and 11th for total foreign cargo tonnage with 43 million tons. The Port remains #1 in the nation for autos and roll-on/ roll-off machinery
Import Volume	524,287	2.4%	2.69%	510,535	
Export Volume	232,957	1.8%	1.92%	228,566	
13. Everglades (Ft Lauderdale)	1,033,460	2.1%	-7.00%	1,111,196	Florida's first and largest Foreign-Trade Zone is conveniently situated in the heart of Port Everglades. Moved down from #11 YE2018. The Port's 20-year Master/Vision Plan includes expansions to support future growth in containerized global trade, and the deepening and widening of the Port's channels and the expansion of the Southport Turning Notch.
Import Volume	317,187	1.4%	-14.16%	369,495	
Export Volume	427,422	3.4%	-6.55%	457,365	
Total Port Volume	48,269,569	100%	0.97%	47,804,338	
Import Volume	22,120,257	100%	-0.75%	22,287,608	
West Coast Import Total	10,817,155	48.9%	-5.00%	11,386,139	
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Export Volume	12,625,581	100%	-0.05%	12,632,218	
West Coast Total	23,245,409	48.2%	-2.71%	23,893,761	In 2018 share was 50.0%
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NOTE: % of Traffic - TEU traffic captured as % of total volume of the seaports in this study. Import and Export volume do not include empties (only loaded). Total includes empties.  
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