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Enormous Traffic Jam

TOPIC OF THE MONTH

Unprecedented levels of congestion are resulting in vessel delays that are absorbing needed capacity. Operational instability increases.

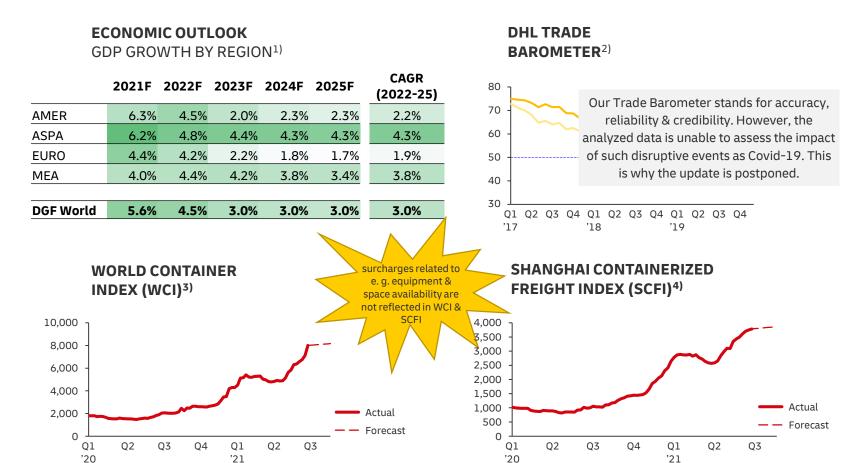
New COVID-19 outbreaks in Shenzhen (Yantian) in late May had led to temporary restrictions on export cargo, causing container yard and hinterland congestions and up to 84 vessels waiting outside the port to berth. Yantian International Container Terminals (YICT) was operating at only 30% capacity of its shoreside capacity after preventive working procedures had been implemented to avoid further circulation of the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus. Full operations has meanwhile restarted again but it will take several weeks to clear the impact on supply chains. It is expected that the effect will be of bigger magnitude than the disruption caused by the "Ever Given" blocking the Suez Canal and this just before the upcoming peak season.

Meanwhile on the other side of the pacific the USA is experiencing extreme capacity issues affecting rail, trucking and chassis. The record number of inbound volume from various regions into the country are resulting in delays due to lack of rail cars, delays in delivering cargo as truckers are booked two to three weeks out and chassis are at a deficit.

While the transportation delays emanate mainly from suppliers in Asia, manufacturers in Europe and North America are most affected by delivery delays. With consumer demand expected to grow at a rapid pace through 2021, transportation delays are likely to continue into 2022.



HIGH LEVEL MARKET DEVELOPMENT

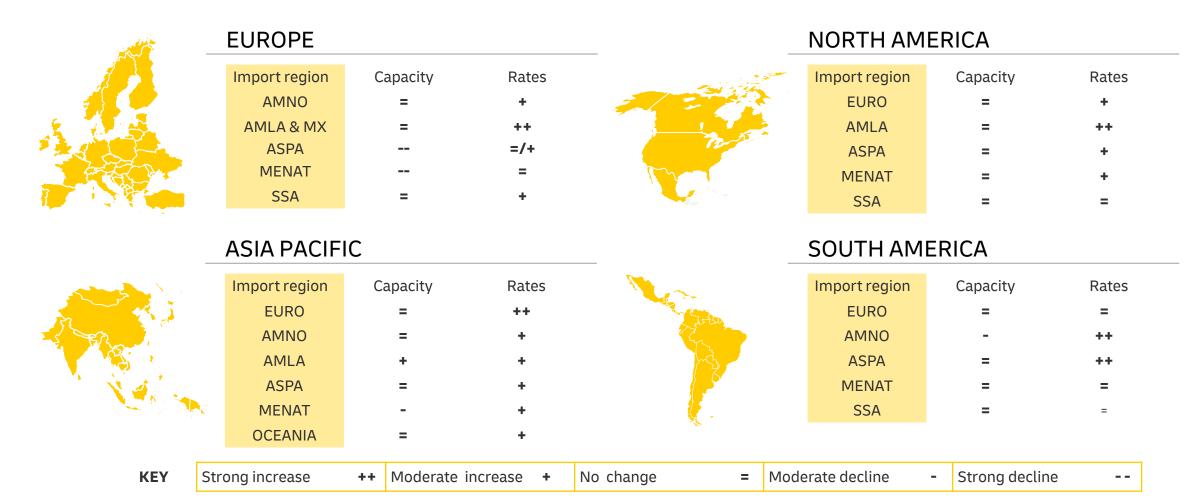




1) real GDP, Copyright © IHS Markit, Q2 2021 Update 1 Jun '21, Venezuela is excluded from aggregates due to hyperinflation. All rights reserved. 2) DHL Global Trade Barometer Dec19, index value represents weighted average of current growth and upcoming two months of trade, a value at 50 is considered neutral, expanding above 50, and shrinking below 50. 3) Drewry, in USD/40ft container, including BAF & THC both ends, 42 individual routes, excluding intra-Asia routes. 4) Shanghai Shipping Exchange, in USD/20ft ctnr & USD/40ft ctnr for US routes, including BAF, EBAF, CAF, PSS, WRS, PCS & SCS/SCF/PTF/PCC, excl. THC, 15 routes from Shanghai. 5) Source: DHL.

MARKET OUTLOOK JULY 2021 month-on-month development

MAJOR TRADES



Source: DHL

OCEAN FREIGHT RATES - ASIA-PACIFIC EXPORTS

- ASPA-EURO
- The market remains strong and the space situation persist to be tight in July. Vessels delays continue to lead to port congestions and tight equipment situation. In addition, delays at Yantian and South China port expected to continue.
- ASPA-AMNO

The space and equipment situation remains tight and rates will continue to go up in July. The omission of the Yantian port will have a further negative impact as carriers try to clear the backlog.

 ASPA-AMLA Demand remains strong and pushes the rates to historical new high. Incidents such as Yantian omissions and Colombia strike are not helping the situation to cool down. A new service was introduced to the market but is enough to accommodate the strong demand. Current market situation expected to last until end of the year.

ASPA-MENAT Rates continue to spike into record levels across all MEA regions. Demand/supply gap remains evident in June, worsen to some extend by South China port congestions and trucking difficulties, which currently accounts for a backlog of at least 2 weeks across all exporters. Further GRIs are expected in July.

ASPA-ASPA Space and equipment shortage at Asian ports remains for the month July. Delays are expected as schedule reliability at all-time low. Accurate forecast and 3-4 weeks advance booking remain a necessity in the current market. Situation expected to remain at least till mid of July. Expect continued vessel omissions and delays at Yantian port till mid July. For IPBC, advance booking 3-4 weeks remains a necessity for FAK bookings.

Source: DHL

Find additional trade information in the backup!

OCEAN FREIGHT RATES - OTHER MAJOR TRADES

- EURO-AMNO
- Some carriers quoting FAK rates on monthly base only (up to end of July). Carriers hesitating to sign long-term deals on certain lanes. We see limited blank sailings but still a lot of port-omissions. Schedule reliability still bad and heavily impacting the trade.

 Port/Rail/Intermodal challenges continue, slowing down the overall supply chains. St. Lawrence water levels remain extraordinary low, impacting the possible loading capacity of the vessels. West Coast congestion continues, forcing carriers to change their service portfolio (eg Hamburg Sued cancelling Vancouver and Seattle Calls) other restructurings are likely to follow.
- EURO-ASPA +MEA
- Equipment is still very tight in entire north Europe. Space remained tight throughout June with additional blank sailings, especially by The Alliance in July. Announced rate increases for Q3 for IPBC & ME. In addition to that we have received for Q3 in July for IPBC & ME increased rates where as Asia rates remain stable.
- AMNO-EURO
- FAK rates will increase in Q3 from USEC, Gulf & USWC. Some Rail inland rates are being adjusted upwards. Although The Alliance is introducing larger ships on the AL3, the capacity will level off with the suspension of the AL1 service.
- AMNO-ASPA
- No change in capacity, as carriers are still limiting the space back to Asia. Strong increase in rates due to GRI every 15 days.
- AMLA Exports

AMLA – AMNO: Upcoming blank sailings will put further strain in market during next few weeks. Space is at premium (some markets already overbooked for July) while GRI's continue to be implemented. Port congestions / omissions & equipment deficit still continues through the region AMLA – ASPA: Supply in tonnage/trades allocation remains unchanged with tight supply/demand situation, aggravated even more by the equipment imbalance. As a result rates are expected to increase further.

AMLA – EURO, MENAT & SSA: Equipment shortages already present in BR, west coast MX and northern Chile are likely to be more strained due to the situation in Yantian emerging on the heels of the Suez Canal. Structural changes to several services announced in response to the all-time low service reliability. Protests in Columbia add more strain in a market already suffering from congestion and operational issues. Transship hubs, like Callao, Cartagena and Panama terminals, become more backlogged daily.

Source: DHL

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The global economy transitions from recovery to expansion

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK & DEMAND EVOLUTION



Leading indicators remain indicative of a spurt in western European growth rates starting late in the second quarter, with the improvement becoming more broadly based across sectors. While the latest "hard" activity data have been mixed, primarily because of data volatility and variations in COVID-19 restrictions. The forecasts for 2021 real GDP growth have been revised upward in June's update. While first-quarter GDP outcomes were also mixed, economies generally adapted well to the reimposition of containment measures. These are now being unwound as COVID-19 vaccinations accelerate. Private consumption, of services in particular, will rebound strongly.



The US forecast of 2021 real GDP growth for 2021 has been revised up from 6.7% to 7.4%, and for 2022 from 4.7% to 4.8%. These increases were suggested by an upward revision in wages and salaries from the Q4 '20, strong recent high-frequency data on aggregate demand, the need to rebuild depleted inventories in H1 '21, progress of the vaccination campaign, and a quickening relaxation by states of pandemic-related activity restrictions. IHS Markit analysts estimate that real GDP surpassed its previous peak in May and employment will surpass its previous peak in mid-2022. An accelerated vaccination rollout has Canada leading high-population economies in first-dose vaccination rate per 100 population. As third-wave virus counts subside, regional reopening plans are on target or accelerating. This combined with a solid US economic outlook, has lifted the forecast of Canada's real GDP forecast to 6.5% in 2021, 4.5% in 2022, and 2.1% in 2023.



While a solid increase in external demand in JP is expected to drive growth for 2021, domestic demand in the Q1 was weaker than expected and the extension of state of emergency will mean a delayed recovery. A decline in new confirmed COVID-19 cases combined with a faster pace of vaccine rollouts will probably rule out the risk of the cancellation of the Tokyo Olympic Games.

The recent COVID-19 outbreaks in China's Guangdong province have been effectively contained thus far and should not derail mainland China's economic expansion. Proliferating COVID-19 vaccinations will accelerate domestic demand recovery, which has been lagging supply growth. Demand in May has moderately narrowed this recovery gap. Industrial production in May was up 13.6% from the same month in 2019, down from April's 14.1% increase from 2019. Signs of accelerating domestic demand recovery have also surfaced in the recent imports data.



Inflation continues to accelerate across the region, driven by steep increases in prices of food and energy. In Mexico and Brazil, current inflation rates exceed central bank targets. In countries where inflation is still relatively low—such as Peru, Chile, and Colombia—prices are rapidly accelerating. Besides relatively higher oil prices, Brazil is suffering from a severe drought and, as a result, water in hydroelectric power reservoirs is reaching low levels. This drought had prompted authorities to increase electricity tariffs as the plants require greater use of more expensive thermoelectric power. Local analysts call this the perfect storm for high inflation.



In May, the JPMorgan Global Composite Output Index™ increased 1.7 points to 58.4, signaling a further acceleration in the global economy. Output and new orders rose at their fastest rates since April 2006. Robust recoveries in the United States and Europe were partially offset by pandemic-related setbacks in DEVELOPMENT India and Japan. For a second consecutive month, global services outperformed manufacturing, reflecting strength in business and financial services.

Source: IHS Markit, IHS Purchasing Manager Index Manufacturing, a PMI at 50 is considered neutral, expanding above 50, and business shrinking below 50.

CAPACITY 1/3

After having to deal with **severe port congestion** at the **US West Coast** and more recently in **Yantian**, two alliances now have to temporarily adjust the European rotations of two big Far East – North Europe loops. **THE Alliance** will **drop** for a period of seven weeks the **eastbound calls** at **Rotterdam** of its 'FE4' service due to ongoing congestion at the ECT Delta Terminal. The first vessel affected is the 23,792 TEU HMM ROTTERDAM which will sail on 15 July directly from Antwerp to Singapore. The **2M partners** decided on their side to **divert eight Hamburg calls** of their joint 'AE-7 / Condor' service in June and July to North Sea Terminal Bermerhaven (NTB). The congestion at the Eurogate terminal in Hamburg is due to a combination of high volumes and labour related issues. The same 'AE7 / Condor' service is also one of the many loops which in Asia omitted Yantian troughout June. The 'AE-55 / Griffin' service is in fact the only of the six 2M Far East – North Europe loops which currently maintains all Yantian calls. Productivity at Yantian International Container Terminal (YICT) has gradually increased over the past weeks as more berths were reopened. Vessel delays have been reduced to 'upwards 4 days' according to Maersk. **Schedule reliability** however remains **heavily compromised** and the Danish carrier will need to **continue omitting Yantian** calls and diverting ships to Nansha with 19 of its deep sea services impacted.

Maersk will as from 1 July remove the calls at Algeciras (southbound) and Itapoa from the rotation of its North Europe – East Coast of South America 'Samba' service. Calls at Le Havre will be suspended for a period of eight weeks as from the same date. The structural changes are needed to maintain the weekly sailing frequency as Maersk has to address challenges presented by severe bottlenecks across all North European ports. The rotation changes also affect the carriers slotting on the 'Samba'. These include CMA CGM and COSCO Shipping Line. MSC and Hapag Lloyd also have a small allocation as part of a slot exchange agreement on this trade. Maersk will transship southbound cargo to Itapoa in Santos and use Tanger Med as hub for Itapoa exports to North Europe. Cargo to/from Le Havre will be transshipped in Tanger Med. Maersk and CMA CGM will continue to call at Itapoa with their joint Med – ECSA 'Bossa Nova / Sirius' service which calls at both Algeciras and Tanger Med.

CAPACITY 2/3

COSCO Shipping Lines and OOCL have started a new China – Vietnam – US East Coast 'AWE6 / Vietnam China East Coas (VCE)' service which also calls at Piraeus both ways in June. The 'AWE6 / VCE' is expected to turn in eleven weeks using 8,500 – 14,500 TEU ships. The Greek call allows the Chinese carriers to use the new loop for the carriage of Asia – Med and Med – USEC cargo as well. In total three new services have been launched on the China – Vietnam – USEC trade in June. The other new loops are the 'TP-23 / ZSE' service operated jointly by Maersk and ZIM (with MSC taking slots) and the standalone 'AA7' service operated by Wan Hai Lines.

MSC will extend its standalone Europe – Red Sea – Indian Subcontinent 'IPAK' service to Gdynia and Klaipeda in the Baltic. The 'IPAK' will take over most of the port combinations currently served by the feeder services 'Baltic Loop 1' and 'Baltic Loop 4' which both will be closed. The Baltic revamp also brings rotation changes for two other feeder loops and it triggers the re-launch of MSC's 'Germany Express' in the first week of July. The 15,000 TEU MSC Virgo will be the first 'IPAK' vessel to call at Gdynia (13 July) and Klaipeda (16 July). The ship is unusually big for this service as all other ships in the 'IPAK' fleet are vessels of 6,700 – 9,200 TEU.

Matson has announced the launch of a new seasonal China – USWC 'China – California Express' service (CCX) at the end of June. The service will offer three sailings per cycle of five weeks and Matson intends to operate the loop until Chinese New Year 2022. Matson's new 'CCX' will turn in five weeks with three 2,000 – 2,750 TEU ships calling at Ningbo, Shanghai, Oakland, Long Beach, Ningbo. While the Californian ports of Oakland and Long Beach currently struggle with congestion problems, Matson will nevertheless offer its customer the possibility of next day cargo availability. The carrier is in the position to offer this as the CCX ships will be handled at exclusive-use terminals in both ports. This third Transpacific Matson service adds to the weekly 'China-Long Beach Express' (CLX) and 'CLX/AAX' loops.

After having offered two ad hoc sailings from China to Northern Europe and one from China to Los Angeles, the privately-owned Chinese carrier **BAL Container Line (BAL)** launched a weekly **China – Los Angeles service**, advertised as the 'CPX' end of June. The new service is scheduled to turn in four weeks calling at Ningbo – Los Angeles – Ningbo only for the smaller vessels 1,043 – 1,732 TEU deployed on this service. The bigger ships 4,506 TEU X-PRESS MANASLU and 5,060 TEU S SANTIAGO will make an additional call at Qingdao.

CAPACITY 3/3

Maersk is to offer a new weekly direct connection between Shanghai, Yantian and **Tacoma**. This new link is created by extending Maersk's existing Far East – Dutch Harbor 'TP Alaska' service with new calls in both Central China and in the Northwest USA. The 'TP Alaska' is extended as from the 30 June departure from Shanghai of the 2,758 TEU CAPE MOSS. The new **Tacoma call** is specifically aimed at customers who want to ship their cargo via the State of Washington as an **alternative** to the **heavily congested Californian ports** of Los Angeles, Long Beach or Oakland.

Despite being persistently low over the last months, the **global inactive container ship fleet** has continued its **downward movement** even further in mid-June. The onset of the summer peak season, strong cargo demand, congestion at ports, and a general lack of tonnage combined to push vessel inactivity to a minimum. The inactive fleet stood at 163 ships for 601,300 TEU as per Alphaliner's latest survey on 21 June. It accounted for 2.5% of the global cellular fleet capacity, which aggregated some 24.35 MTEU at the time of the survey. 108 vessels for 414,201 TEU of the inactive fleet are ships undergoing maintenance, repairs and retrofits.

CARRIERS

HMM's largest investor, the Korea Development Bank (KDB), has confirmed recent rumours that it is looking to sell its stake in the carrier. The transaction is expected to start with the conversion of KDB's outstanding bonds in HMM into shares. KDB currently holds KRW 300 Bn in convertible bonds that are slated to mature on June 30th. Converting the bonds into stock at HMM's current share price could translate o holding worth over KRW 2 Tn (USD 1.7 Bn). The sale fits in with moves to **privatize** some of **South Korean's large companies** to improve competitiveness and also reaps the benefits of the current container market.

North Atlantic container operator **Eimskip** will pay a **fine of USD 12 M** in a settlement with the **Icelandic Competition Authority** (ICA) after it admitted colluding with fellow operator **Samskip** in the years between 2008 and 2013. Eimskip, which approached the Authority with the offer of a settlements, has acknowledged a series of legal violations involving its services out of Iceland including: price fixing, information sharing, capacity manipulation, customer allocation, and further collusion involving both land and sea transport, and services from Iceland to Europe and North America. The company has since changes management and majority ownership. The investigation into Samskip continues.

REGULATIONS

A new global corporate tax rate agreed by the G7 would penalise the container shipping industry. The OECD put the effective tax rate paid by the shipping industry at 7% during 2005-2019, but estimated rates for container shipping above the industry average at 19%, although its poor financial results in 2009, 2011 and 2016 might have positively distorted the figure. The average was based on tax surveys of companies including China COSCO Shipping, CMA CGM, Costamare, CSAV, Danaos, Diana Containerships, Evergreen Marine Corp, Global Ship Lease, Hapag-Lloyd, Maersk Line, Matson, Navios Maritime Containers, OOIL, Seaspan, Ship Finance International, SITC, Wan Hai Lines and Yang Ming. The higher rate for the container sector partly reflects the inclusion of logistics and other ancillary services which do not benefit from the same tax breaks as pure shipping activities. Firms incorporated in Europe and Asia also generally faced higher taxation than those in North or South America. The proposal agreed now by the G7 for a minimum 15% tax rate for multinational entities would challenge the advantageous flags of convenience and tonnage tax systems used by shipping. Maritime bodies are expected to push for an exemption. Overall, the OECD estimates shipping (all sectors) would have paid an extra USD 3.5 Bn per year in the 15-year period if it had been subject to a 20% tax (the same as port terminals) and an extra USD 4.6 Bn per year on a 23.7% tax rate (the average corporate tax rate in OECD countries).

Source: Alphaliner

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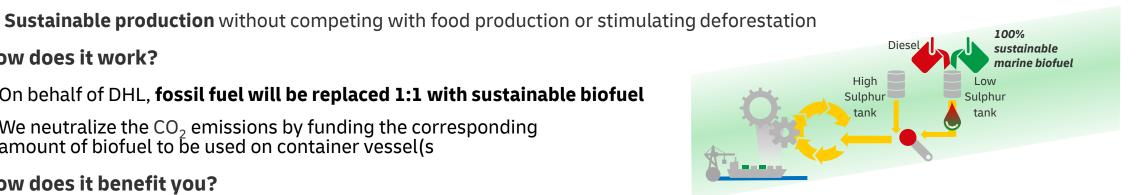
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OCEAN FREIGHT RATES ADDITIONAL TRADES (1/3)

• EURO-AMLA+MX Space and Equipment situation for Mexico is not improving and expected to last until at least Q4. Various carriers are refraining from quoting bigger opportunities to MX, due to lack of space and inability to take on additional volumes.

Rates for AMLA continue to increase for both coasts, more significant on WCSA. Space—wise, carriers are confirming sailings for end August/September only (with the exception of MSC still having space in July, albeit at higher costs).

 EURO-MENAT The space- and equipment-situation is similar to Asia. Several carriers have PSS and EIS in place. Rates are slightly increased.

• EURO-SSA South Africa: Capacity is getting tighter. Rates are increasing for Q3 as well as for new long term pricings.

West Africa: capacity is still an issue across all carriers with ongoing delays and congestions (Apapa, NG approx. 40-50 days). Rates are further increasing. Carriers are cautious or even do not price for long term deals. Bookings need to be send 4 - 6 weeks in advance of planned shipping.

East Africa: very high vessel utilization, space is very tight, rates are increasing further for Q3 same as for new long term pricing.

 AMNO-MENAT Market stays flat from June to July as the traditional slowdown after the holidays continues.

Carriers are competing for rates into East Med and North Africa markets.

• AMNO-SSA Market is slowly recovering for West and North Africa areas, but South Africa still remains down.

Carriers are competing for rates again into all markets in Africa.

• AMNO-AMLA Source: DHL Rate increases announced / impacting market on monthly basis. Booking acceptance to COBUN is beginning to open up in the market. Carriers promoting ECSA (dry and NOR's) short term pricing in efforts to reposition equipment.

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OCEAN FREIGHT RATES ADDITIONAL TRADES (2/3)

- EURO MED- Space constraints, equipment shortage and congestion at origin / destination ports continue. Rates will increase further in July.
- EURO MED- GRI increased rates on all trades due to equipment shortage and space constraints.

 AMLA
- EURO MED- Stable situation with high rate levels.
 ASPA and
 MENAT
- EURO MED- Unchanged / stable.
 SSA
- ASPA- Equipment shortage situation remains for the month of July. Carriers are all pushing for GRI USD500/TEU for July. Space is expected to be even tighter compared to previous month. Space on FAK now without space allocation is not guaranteed and urgent cargoes expected to move on premium rate level. Severe Auckland Port Congestion situation unchanged.

Source: DHL

OCEAN FREIGHT RATES ADDITIONAL TRADES (3/3)

MENAT Exports Intra Gulf & ISC: Equipment availability stable but rates increased compared to June.

Asia: Rates on higher side along with equipment shortage for Asia bound cargo. As carriers prefer to reposition empty boxes instead of laden boxes to reduce the turnaround time. Destination free time reduced.

Europe & MED: Rates continue to increase. Space is tight and is available at premium rate levels. Carriers preferring light weight cargo and releasing space for light weight cargo more likely.

Africa (West & South): Rates continue to increase. July fully booked on major carriers. Space only available for bookings made at least 3-4 weeks in advance. Carriers releasing bookings against "Sea Priority/Shipping Guarantee" on most lanes.

Africa (East): Rate and space situation is stable.

AMNO: Rates continue to increase. PSS/GRI applied by all carriers. Space situation is tight. Bookings needs to be place 3-4 weeks in advance. Carriers not releasing USA East Coast bookings due to transshipment port congestion.

AMLA: Majority of carriers are not accepting bookings due to limited allocation. Situation expected to remain same mid-term.

North Africa+ TurkeyExports

Europe: Vessels are full, carriers are selecting high paying cargos, EIS is being implemented by all major carriers. Carriers are increasing rates to balance supply and demand.

Asia: Vessels are full with heavy 20' containers, carriers are looking for 40' containers to stabilize the utilization.

Middle East: Vessels have capacity and carriers are open for new volume

AMLA: Vessels are full, vessels collecting cargo for all Med countries, there is an on-going export increase from MED, July vessels already closed.

Africa: Local and global carriers are cleaning the backlog, they increase rates to limit new bookings. Arkas, CMA have limited allocation, ONE still not accepting new bookings.

AMNO: All vessels are fully booked, carriers are not willing to send equipment to US due to lack of chassis. US West Coast almost closed, with some carriers not accepting bookings. Canada and US West Coast sailings closed till end of July.

East Med: Global and local carriers are full, rates are increasing

Source: DHL

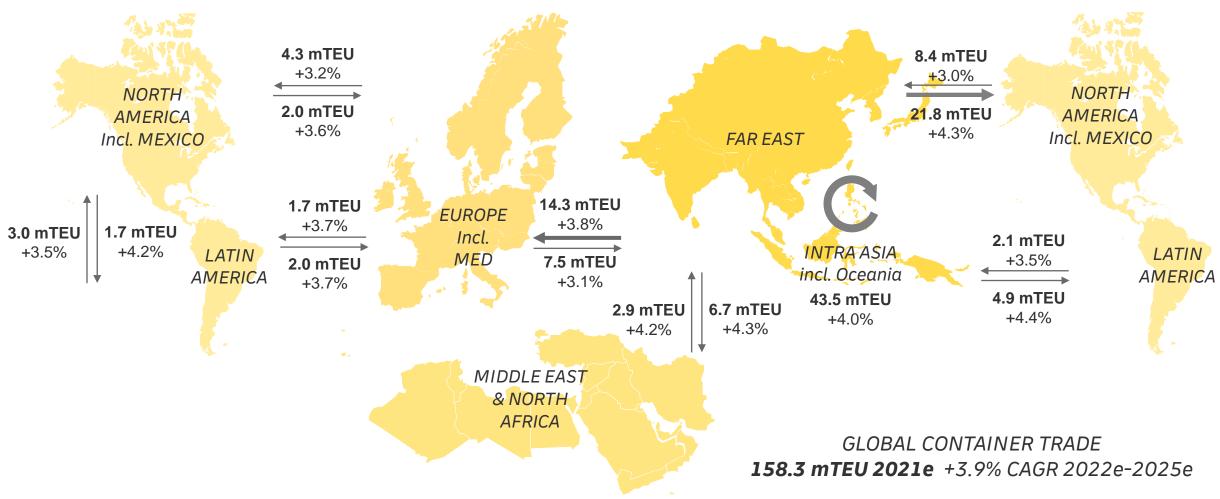
Massif spot rate hikes led to even greater profits in the 1st quarter this year

CARRIER FINANCIAL RESULTS 2020-2021

	Revenue			Operating Profit			Operating Profit Margin		Net Profit		
Carrier	2020	2021	%	2020	2021	%	2020	2021	2020	2021	%
Maersk Group 5), 8)	7'230	9'478	31%	348	2'700	676%	4.8%	28.5%	n.a.	n.a.	n.m.
CMA CGM 2), 5), 8)	5'456	8'586	1	797	2'975	3	0	0	56	2'090	36
COSCO SHIPPING Holdings 6), 9)	4'613	9'255	101%	n.a.	n.a.	n.m.	n.a.	n.a.	41	2'356	5646%
Hapag-Lloyd ⁵⁾	3'684	4'903	33%	176	1'539	774%	4.8%	31.4%	27	1'451	5274%
ONE 3)	11'865	14'397	21%	n.a.	n.a.	n.m.	n.a.	n.a.	105	3'484	3218%
Evergreen Marine Corp. 1), 7)	1'442	3'214	1	12	1'609	134	0	1	-15	1'289	89
НММ	1'113	2'179	96%	-2	915	45850%	-0.2%	42.0%	-56	138	346%
Yang Ming ^{1), 9)}	1'145	2'186	91%	8	1'021	12663%	0.7%	46.7%	-25	863	3552%
Zim	823	1'744	112%	97	817	742%	11.8%	46.8%	-12	590	5017%
Wan Hai ¹⁾	595	1'355	128%	20	618	2990%	3.4%	45.6%	3	519	17200%
Average ⁴⁾			66%			1299%	3.2%	26.9%			19754%

Source: Alphaliner, DynaLiners; n.a. = not available, n.m. = not meaningful; 1) local currency numbers were converted into US\$ using the average exchange rate for relevant financial period; 2) container shipping segment only, excl. CEVA Logistics, Net Profit for Group; 3) result is Q1-4 of Japanese financial year, i.e. Apr-Mar not calendar year; 4) Average excluding ONE, CMA CGM, Evergreen; 5) operating profit is EBIT; 6) COSCO Shipping Lines and OOCL, excl. terminals; 7) not consolidated for Evergreen Group; 8) Ocean segment only; 9) container segment only, excl. terminals. Net Profit for Group

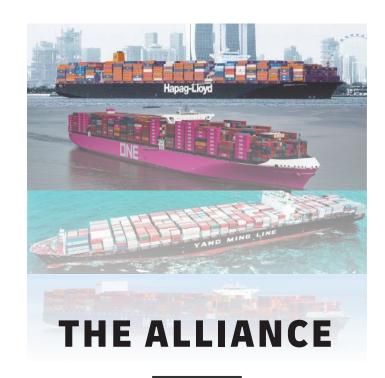
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Source: Seabury Jun21 update

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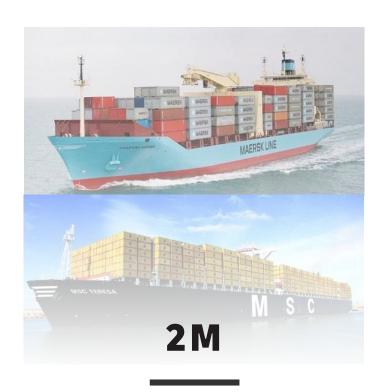
OCEAN CARRIER ALLIANCES



HAPAG-LLOYD ONE YANG MING HMM



OOCL CMA CGM CHINA COSCO SHIPPING EVERGREEN



MAERSK LINE MSC

Source: Carriers

ACRONYMS AND EXPLANATIONS

OCEAN FREIGHT GLOSSARY

AMLA - Latin America

AMNO - North America

AR - Argentina

ASPA - AsiaPacific

BR - Brazil

CAGR - Compound Annual Growth Rate

CENAC - Central Amercia and Caribbean

CNC - CNC Line (Cheng Lie Navigation Co. Ltd.)

DG - Dangerous Goods

DWT - Dead Weight Tonnage

EB - Eastbound

ECSA - East Coast South America (synonym for SAEC)

ECRS - Emergency Container Recovery Surcharge

EGLV - Evergreen Marine Corp

EURO - Europe

GRI - General Rate Increase

HMM - Hyundai

HL - Hapag-Llovd

HSUD - Hamburg Süd

HWS - Heavy Weight Surcharge

IA - Intra Asia

IPBC - India Pakistan Bangladesh Ceylon (= Sri Lanka)

IPI - Inland Point Intermodal

ISC - Indian Sub Continent (synonym for IPBC)

MENAT - Middle East and North Africa

ML - Maersk Line

mn - Millions

MoM - Month-on-Month

NOO - Non-operating (vessel) owners

NOR - Non-operating Reefer container

OCRS - Operational Cost Recovery surcharge

OOCL - Orient Overseas Container Line

OWS - Overweight Surcharge

PH - Philippines

PNW - Pacific North West

Ppt. - Percentage points

PSW - Pacific South West

QoQ - Quarter on quarter

SAEC - South America East Coast

SAWC - South America West Coast

SOLAS - Safety of Life at Sea

SPRC - South People's Republic of China - South China

SSA - Sub-Saharan Africa

SSL - Steam Ship Line

T - Thousands

TEU - Twenty foot equivalent unit (20' container)

TSA - Trans Pacific Stabilization Agreement

USGC - US Gulf Coast

US FMC - US Federal Maritime Commission

USEC - US East Coast

USWC - US West Coast

VGM - Verified Gross Mass

VLCS - Very Large Container Ship

VSA - Vessel Sharing Agreement

WB - Westbound

WCSA - West Coast South America (synonym for SAWC)

WHL - Wan Hai

WRS - War Risk Surcharge

YML - Yang Ming Line

YoY - Year-on-Year

YTD - Year-to-Date

THEA - THE Alliance