








MONTHLY OVERSEAS CONTAINER TRADE UPDATE: AUGUST 2021

Overseas container trade – August 2021

				
Full overseas container imports	Full overseas container exports	Empty overseas container imports	Empty overseas container exports	Total overseas containers
- 9.5%	- 15.0%	- 7.4%	- 0.9%	- 9.0%
109,337	54,630	3,869	55,221	223,057

Total overseas container throughput (full + empty) for August 2021 was 223,057 TEU, this was a decrease of 9.0% over August 2020. Total (full + empty) overseas container imports for the month were down 9.5% while total (full + empty) overseas container exports also decreased by 8.4% in comparison to August 2020.

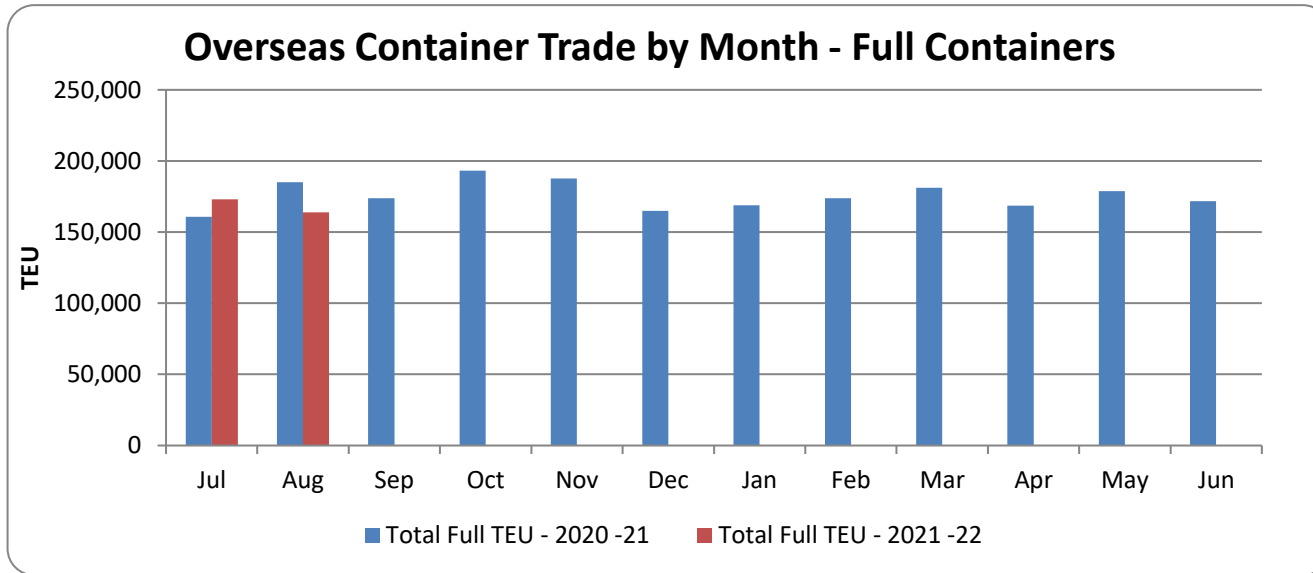
Full overseas container imports were 109,337 in August 2021, which decreased 9.5% against August last year. Commodities that recorded gains for the month include vehicle parts, transport equipment, builders’ hardware and footwear. Commodities with notable decline were furniture, electrical equipment, miscellaneous manufactures, fruit & vegetables, plastics - raw, chemical products, metal manufactures, chemicals, machinery, ceramic goods, textiles, cereal products, iron & steel, essential oils, pulp & waste paper and beverages.

Full overseas container exports were 54,630 TEU for August 2021 which fell 15.0% against August 2020. The commodities that recorded gains for the month include wool, cotton - raw, paper & newsprint, oil seeds, nuts, kernels, meat, miscellaneous manufactures, cereal grains, miscellaneous food preparations, machinery, oils, fats, wax, rubber manufactures and beverages. Commodities with the most notable declines were timber, fruit & vegetables, dairy products, plastic ware, malt, stockfeed, ores & concentrates - other and chemical products.

Empty overseas container movements for August 2021 were down 1.3% over the same period last year to 59,090 TEU. Empty overseas exports fell 0.9% for the month, while empty overseas imports also decreased by 7.4% against August 2020.

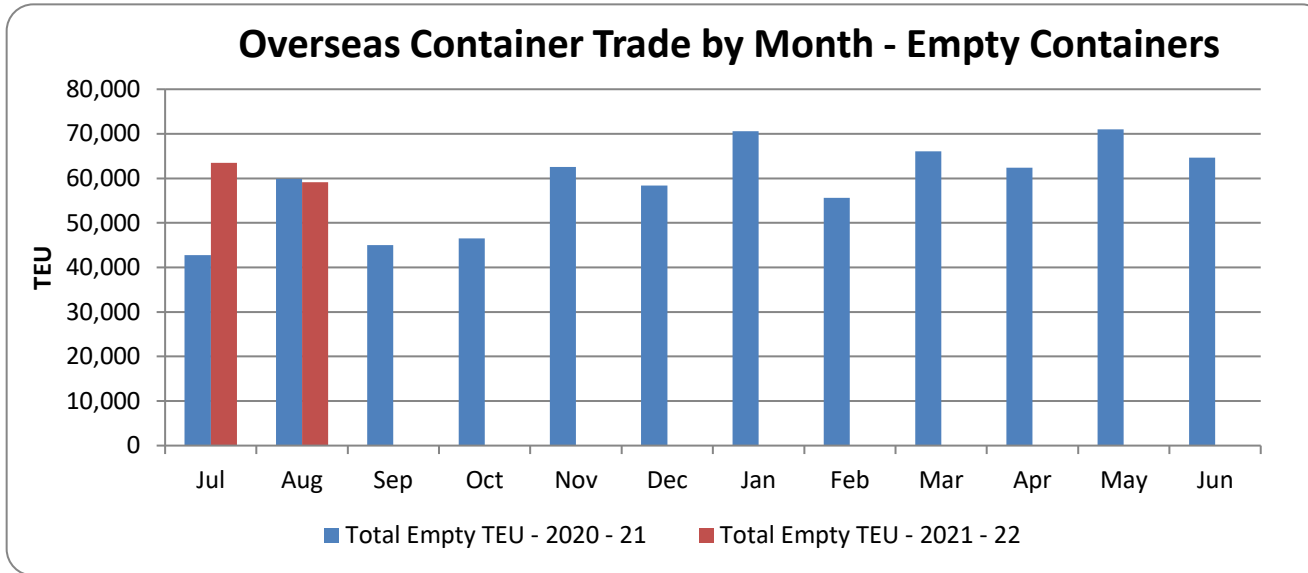
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**Overseas Container Trade by Month
FULL CONTAINERS (TEU)**



2021-22	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	113,483	109,337										
Export	59,574	54,630										
Total	173,057	163,967	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2020-21	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	104,216	120,853	115,516	128,446	133,032	115,994	120,235	113,407	114,792	109,767	118,899	113,411
Export	56,476	64,266	58,387	64,742	54,755	48,924	48,655	60,335	66,309	58,819	60,032	58,391
Total	160,692	185,119	173,903	193,188	187,787	164,918	168,890	173,742	181,101	168,586	178,931	171,802

**Overseas Container Trade by Month
EMPTY CONTAINERS (TEU)**

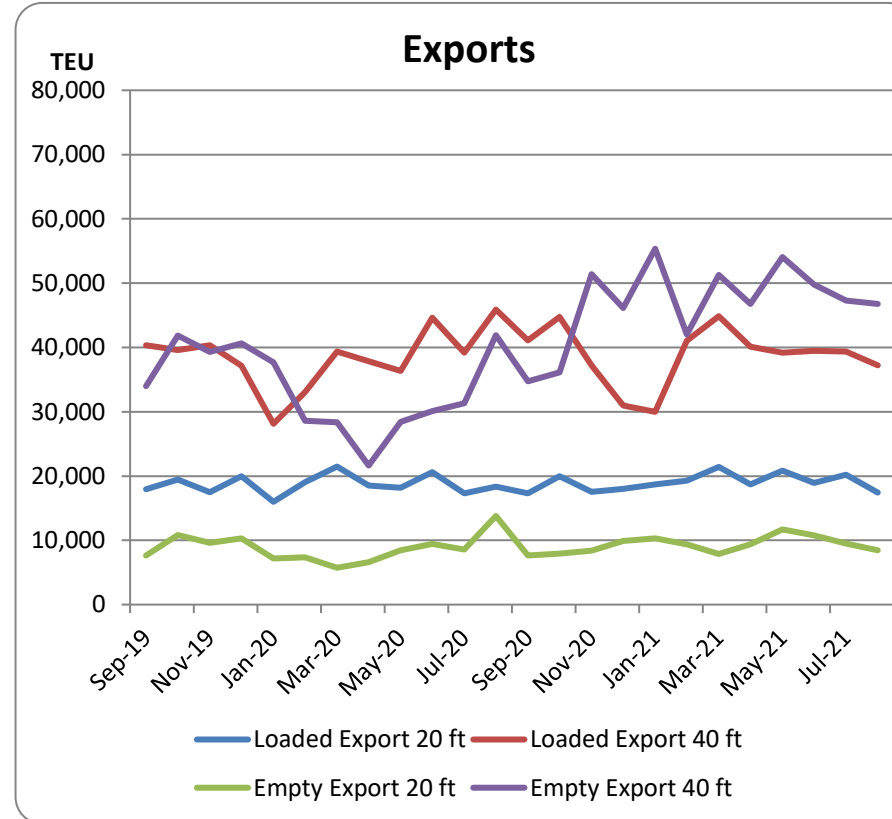
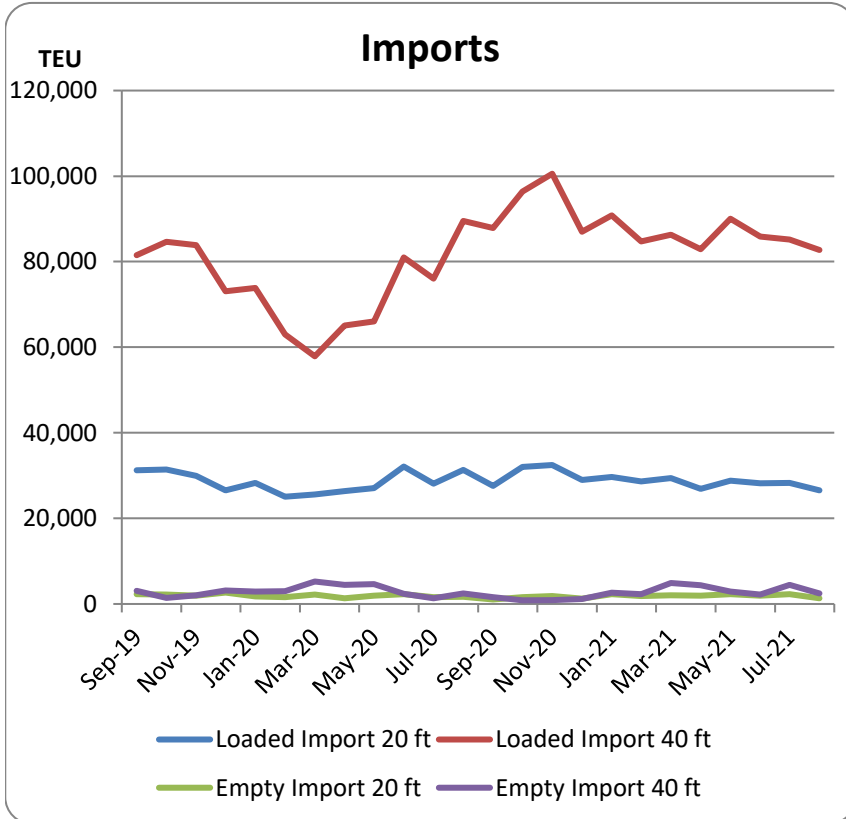


2021-22	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	6,733	3,869										
Export	56,735	55,220										
Total	63,468	59,089	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2020-21	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	2,867	4,177	2,672	2,435	2,760	2,404	4,866	4,200	6,935	6,241	5,238	4,088
Export	39,870	55,698	42,377	44,081	59,800	56,007	65,674	51,395	59,170	56,154	65,753	60,539
Total	42,737	59,875	45,049	46,516	62,560	58,411	70,540	55,595	66,105	62,395	70,991	64,627

Total Overseas Trade by Month by Sector - September 2019 to August 2021
IMPORT & EXPORT CONTAINERS



01/09/19 to 31/08/21

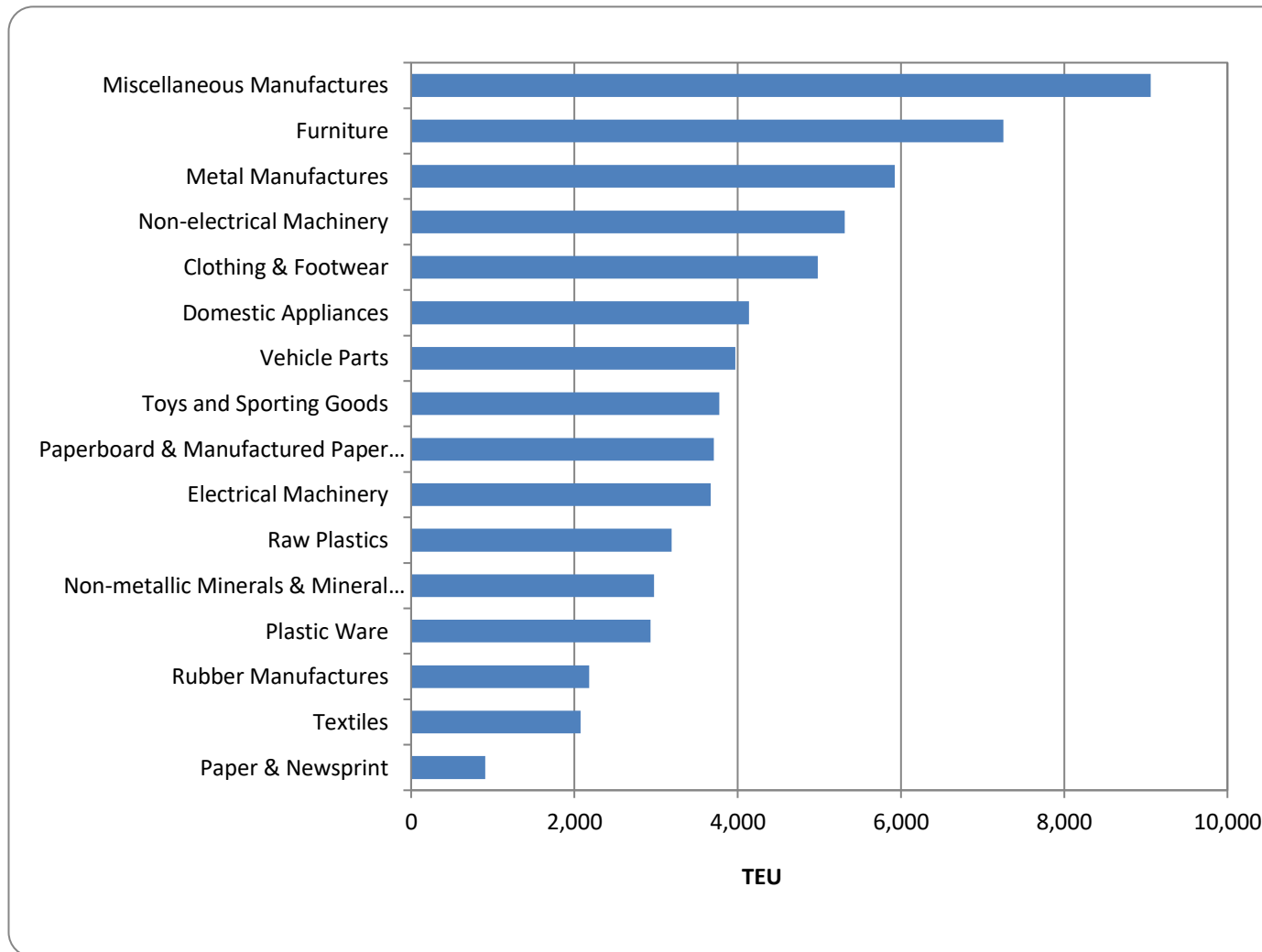




**Overseas Containerised Commodity Trade by Sector
FULL IMPORTS (TEU)**

01/08/21 to 31/08/21

Commodity	TEU Estimate	% Share
Miscellaneous Manufactures	9,060	8.3%
Furniture	7,255	6.6%
Metal Manufactures	5,923	5.4%
Non-electrical Machinery	5,314	4.9%
Clothing & Footwear	4,983	4.6%
Domestic Appliances	4,141	3.8%
Vehicle Parts	3,973	3.6%
Toys and Sporting Goods	3,775	3.5%
Paperboard & Manufactured Paper Products	3,709	3.4%
Electrical Machinery	3,670	3.4%
Raw Plastics	3,192	2.9%
Non-metallic Minerals & Mineral Manufactures	2,976	2.7%
Plastic Ware	2,933	2.7%
Rubber Manufactures	2,180	2.0%
Textiles	2,077	1.9%
Paper & Newsprint	906	0.8%
~All Others	43,270	39.6%
TOTAL FULL IMPORTS	109,337	100.0%
Empties	3,869	
TOTAL	113,206	



* Miscellaneous Manufactures represents a variety of commodities such as freight of all kinds and general cargo as declared by the shipping line manifests.

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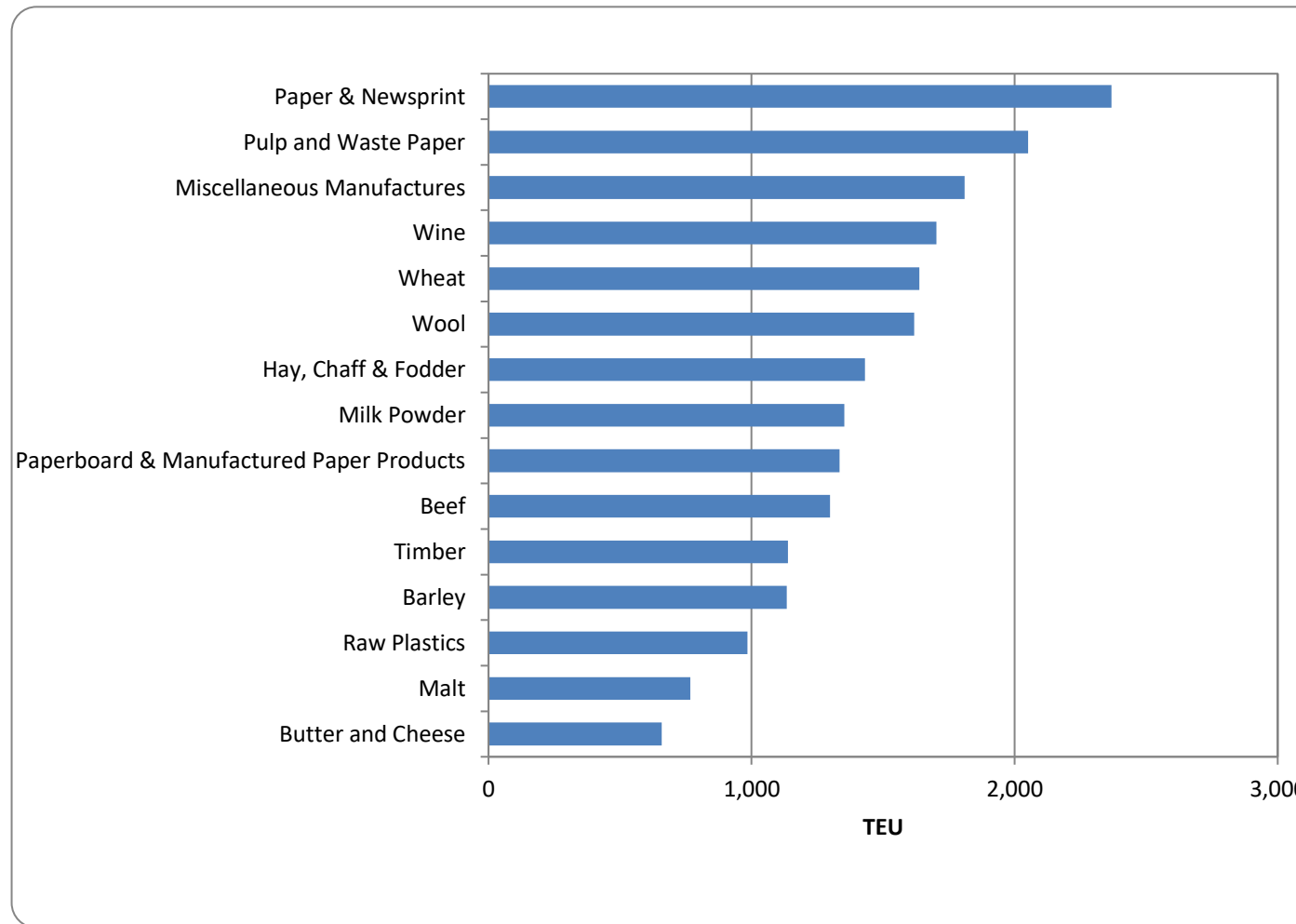
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**Overseas Containerised Commodity Trade by Sector
FULL EXPORTS (TEU)**

01/08/21 to 31/08/21

Commodity	TEU Estimate	% Share
Paper & Newsprint	2,368	4.3%
Pulp and Waste Paper	2,051	3.8%
Miscellaneous Manufactures	1,810	3.3%
Wine	1,703	3.1%
Wheat	1,637	3.0%
Wool	1,618	3.0%
Hay, Chaff & Fodder	1,431	2.6%
Milk Powder	1,353	2.5%
Paperboard & Manufactured Paper Products	1,335	2.4%
Beef	1,298	2.4%
Timber	1,138	2.1%
Barley	1,134	2.1%
Raw Plastics	984	1.8%
Malt	767	1.4%
Butter and Cheese	658	1.2%
~All Others	33,345	61.0%
TOTAL FULL EXPORTS	54,630	100.0%
Empties	55,220	
TOTAL	109,850	



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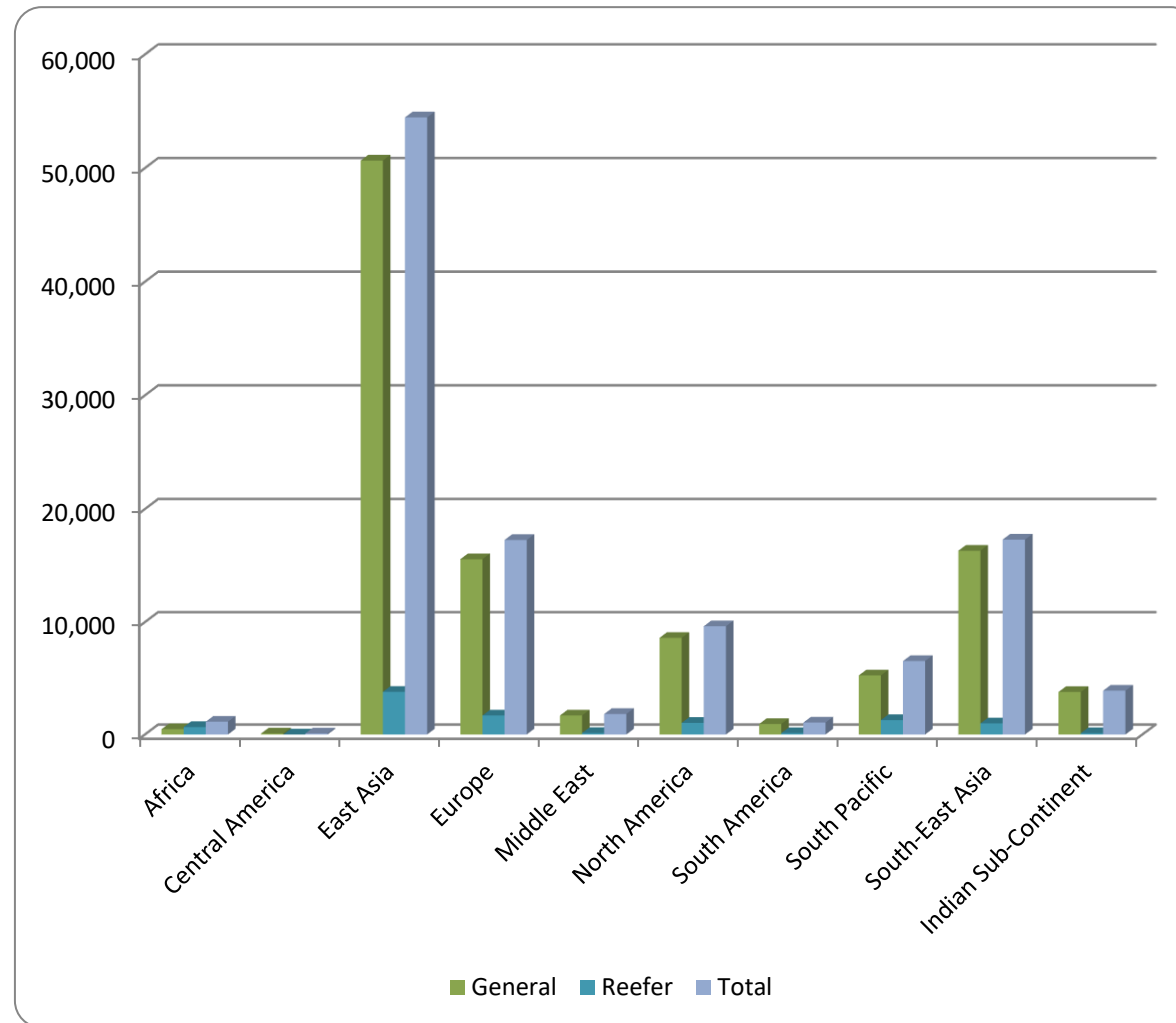
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Monthly Overseas Container Trade by Origin Region
TOTAL IMPORTS (TEU)

01/08/21 to 31/08/21

REGION	IMPORT		Total
	General	Reefer	
Africa	474	661	1,135
Central America	92	1	93
East Asia	50,659	3,794	54,453
Europe	15,578	1,691	17,269
Middle East	1,692	131	1,823
North America	8,595	1,034	9,629
South America	936	125	1,061
South Pacific	5,252	1,282	6,534
South-East Asia	16,323	986	17,309
Indian Sub-Continent	3,781	118	3,899
TOTAL	103,382	9,823	113,205





Monthly Overseas Container Trade by Destination Region
TOTAL EXPORTS (TEU)

01/08/21 to 31/08/21

REGION	EXPORT		Total
	General	Reefer	
Africa	540	134	674
Central America	110	31	141
East Asia	44,630	4,271	48,901
Europe	2,033	242	2,275
Middle East	1,185	323	1,508
North America	3,473	1,723	5,196
South America	408	7	415
South Pacific	12,399	2,317	14,716
South-East Asia	31,526	2,030	33,556
Indian Sub-Continent	2,398	70	2,468
TOTAL	98,702	11,148	109,850

