








**MONTHLY OVERSEAS CONTAINER TRADE UPDATE: SEPTEMBER 2021**

**Overseas container trade – September 2021**

				
Full overseas container imports	Full overseas container exports	Empty overseas container imports	Empty overseas container exports	Total overseas containers
- 3.5%	- 5.6%	35.3%	36.9%	4.2%
111,499	55,095	3,616	58,008	228,218

**Total overseas container throughput** (full + empty) for September 2021 was 228,218 TEU, this was an increase of 4.2% over September 2020. Total (full + empty) overseas container imports for the month were down 2.6% while total (full + empty) overseas container exports increased by 12.2% in comparison to September 2020.

**Full overseas container imports** were 111,499 in September 2021, which decreased 3.5% against September last year. Commodities that recorded gains for the month include vehicle parts, toys & sporting goods, transport equipment, footwear, builders’ hardware, paper & fibre boards and clothing. Commodities with notable decline were furniture, electrical equipment, essential oils, beverages, textiles, iron & steel, wood & cork manufactures, miscellaneous manufactures, plastic ware, rubber manufactures, fruit & vegetables, machinery and cereal products.

**Full overseas container exports** were 55,095 TEU for September 2021 which fell 5.6% against September 2020. The commodities that recorded gains for the month include cereal grains, cotton - raw, oil seeds, nuts, kernels, miscellaneous manufactures, meat, stockfeed, metal scrap, confectionery, miscellaneous food preparations, paper & fibre boards, essential oils, plastics, raw, ceramic goods, plastic ware, vehicle parts and textiles. Commodities with the most notable declines timber, paper & newsprint, fruit & vegetables and malt.

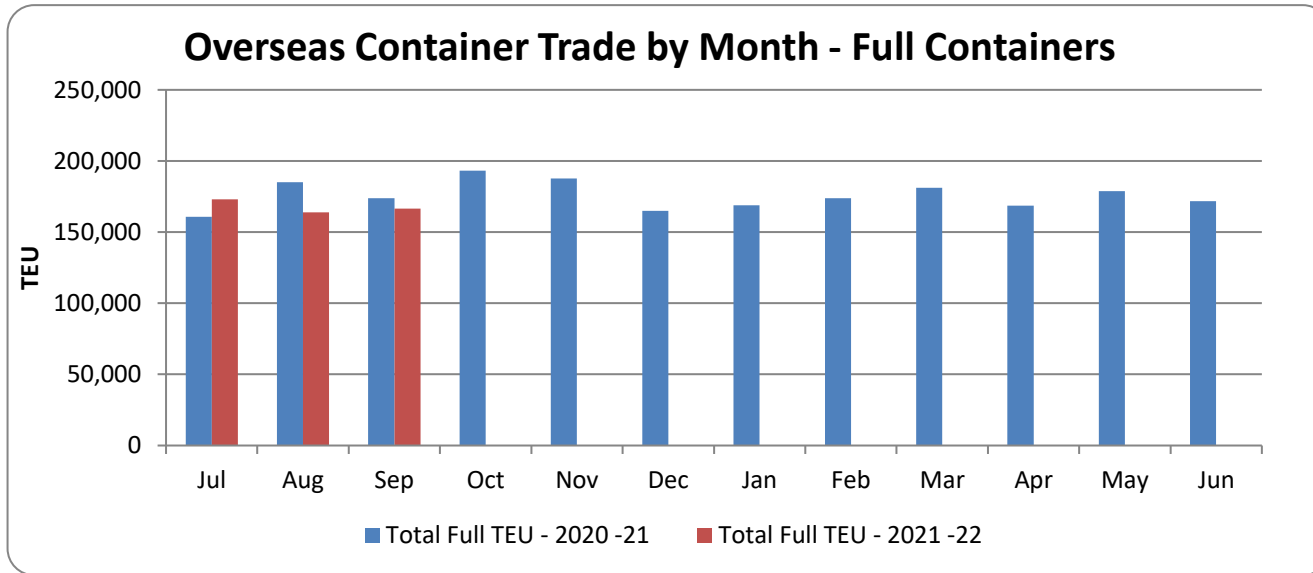
**Empty overseas container** movements for September 2021 were up 36.8% over the same period last year to 61,624 TEU. Empty overseas exports rose 35.3% for the month, while empty overseas imports also increased by 36.9% against September 2020.

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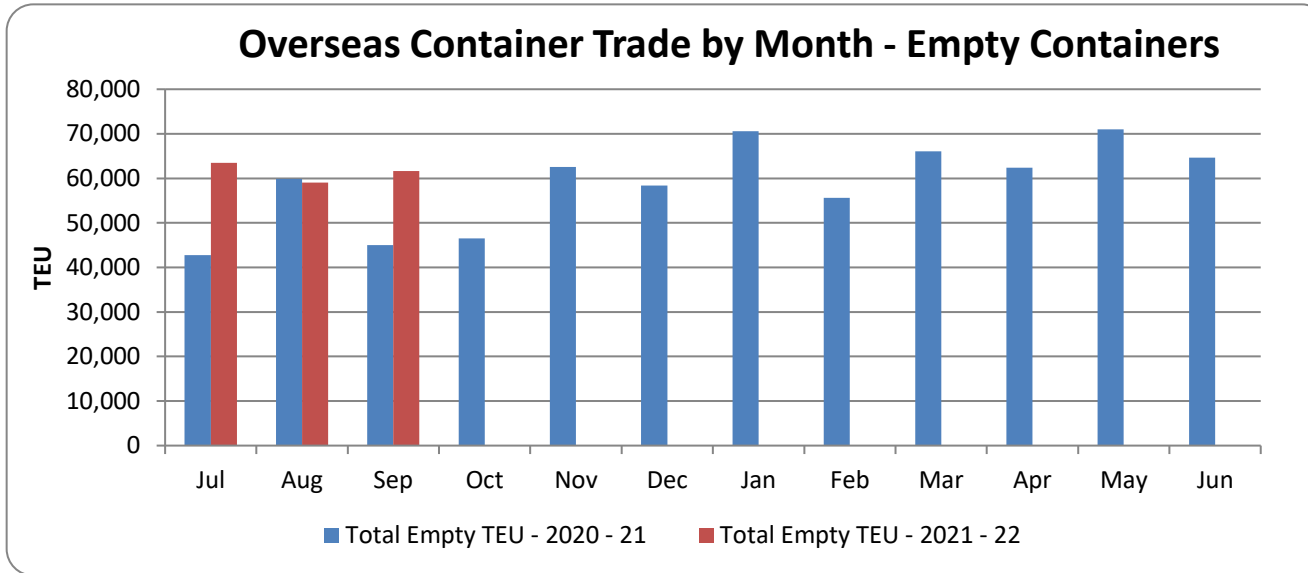
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**Overseas Container Trade by Month  
FULL CONTAINERS (TEU)**



2021-22	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	113,481	109,335	111,499									
Export	59,574	54,628	55,095									
<b>Total</b>	<b>173,055</b>	<b>163,963</b>	<b>166,594</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>160,692</b>	<b>185,119</b>	<b>173,903</b>	<b>193,188</b>	<b>187,787</b>	<b>164,918</b>	<b>168,890</b>	<b>173,742</b>	<b>181,101</b>	<b>168,586</b>	<b>178,931</b>	<b>171,802</b>

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

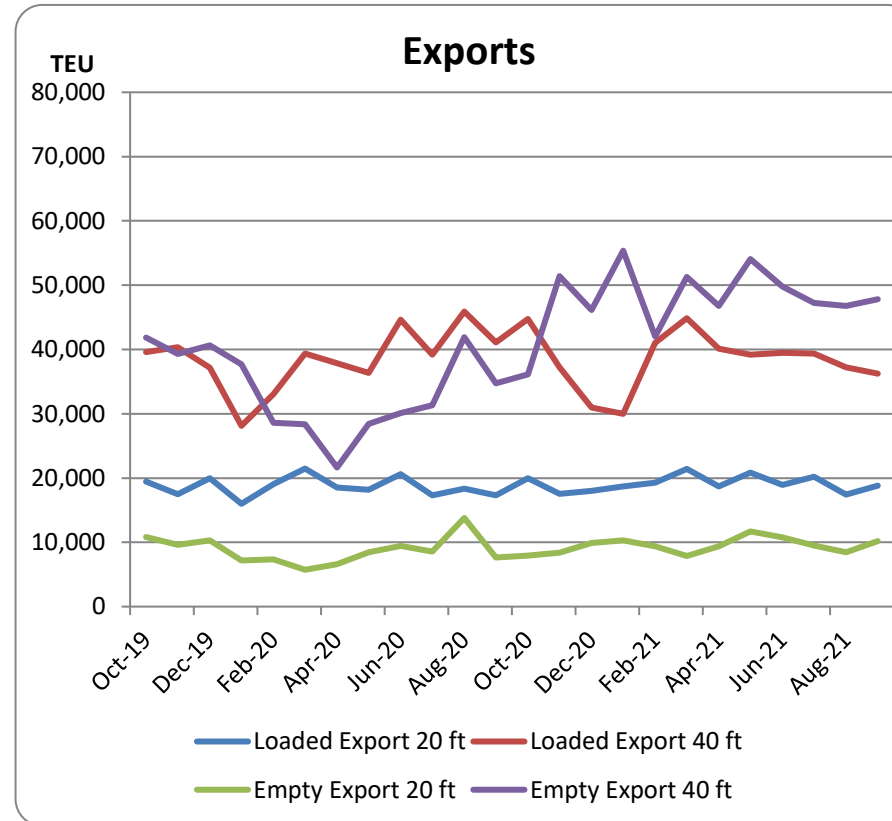
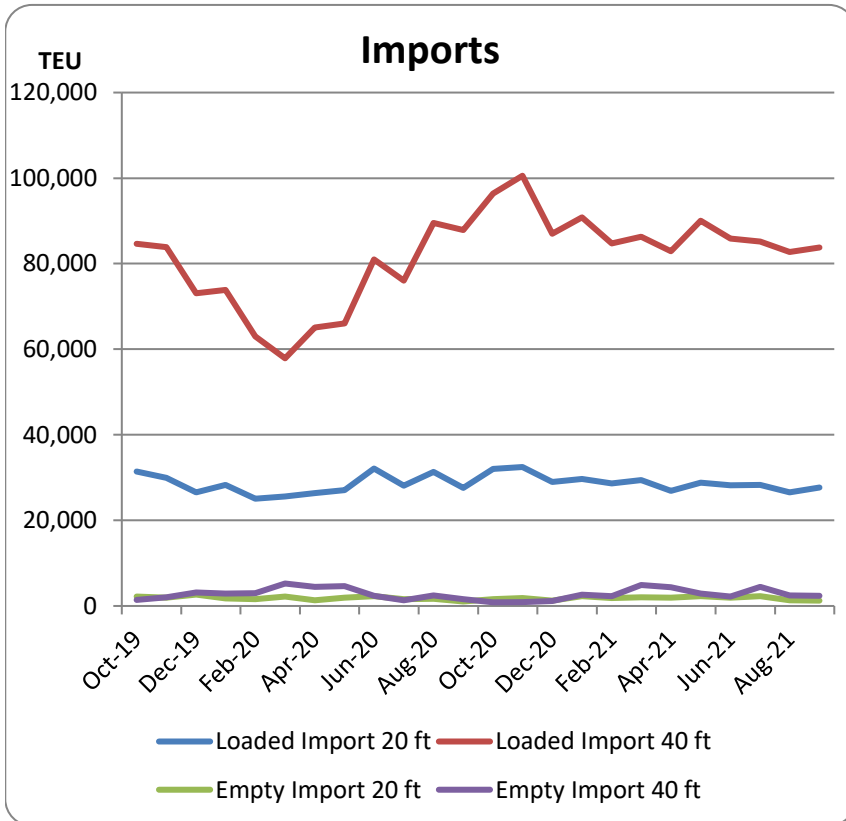


2021-22	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	6,733	3,869	3,616									
Export	56,733	55,218	58,008									
<b>Total</b>	<b>63,466</b>	<b>59,087</b>	<b>61,624</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
2020-21	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	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
<b>Total</b>	<b>42,737</b>	<b>59,875</b>	<b>45,049</b>	<b>46,516</b>	<b>62,560</b>	<b>58,411</b>	<b>70,540</b>	<b>55,595</b>	<b>66,105</b>	<b>62,395</b>	<b>70,991</b>	<b>64,627</b>

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



01/10/19 to 30/09/21

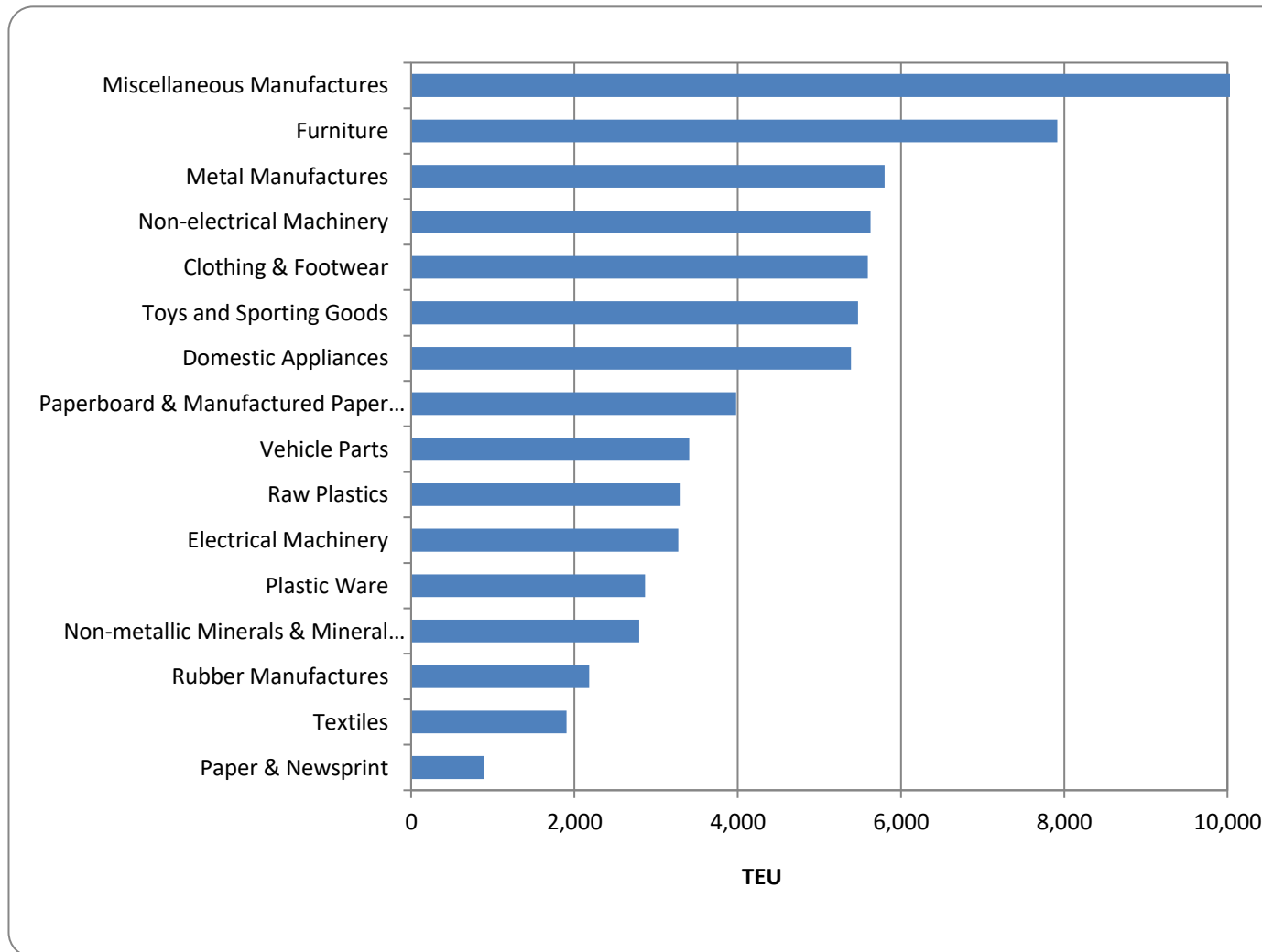




**Overseas Containerised Commodity Trade by Sector  
FULL IMPORTS (TEU)**

01/09/21 to 30/09/21

Commodity	TEU Estimate	% Share
Miscellaneous Manufactures	10,685	9.6%
Furniture	7,918	7.1%
Metal Manufactures	5,799	5.2%
Non-electrical Machinery	5,626	5.0%
Clothing & Footwear	5,592	5.0%
Toys and Sporting Goods	5,475	4.9%
Domestic Appliances	5,387	4.8%
Paperboard & Manufactured Paper Products	3,979	3.6%
Vehicle Parts	3,407	3.1%
Raw Plastics	3,303	3.0%
Electrical Machinery	3,273	2.9%
Plastic Ware	2,867	2.6%
Non-metallic Minerals & Mineral Manufactures	2,793	2.5%
Rubber Manufactures	2,180	2.0%
Textiles	1,901	1.7%
Paper & Newsprint	891	0.8%
~All Others	40,423	36.3%
<b>TOTAL FULL IMPORTS</b>	<b>111,499</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Empties	3,616	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115,115</b>	



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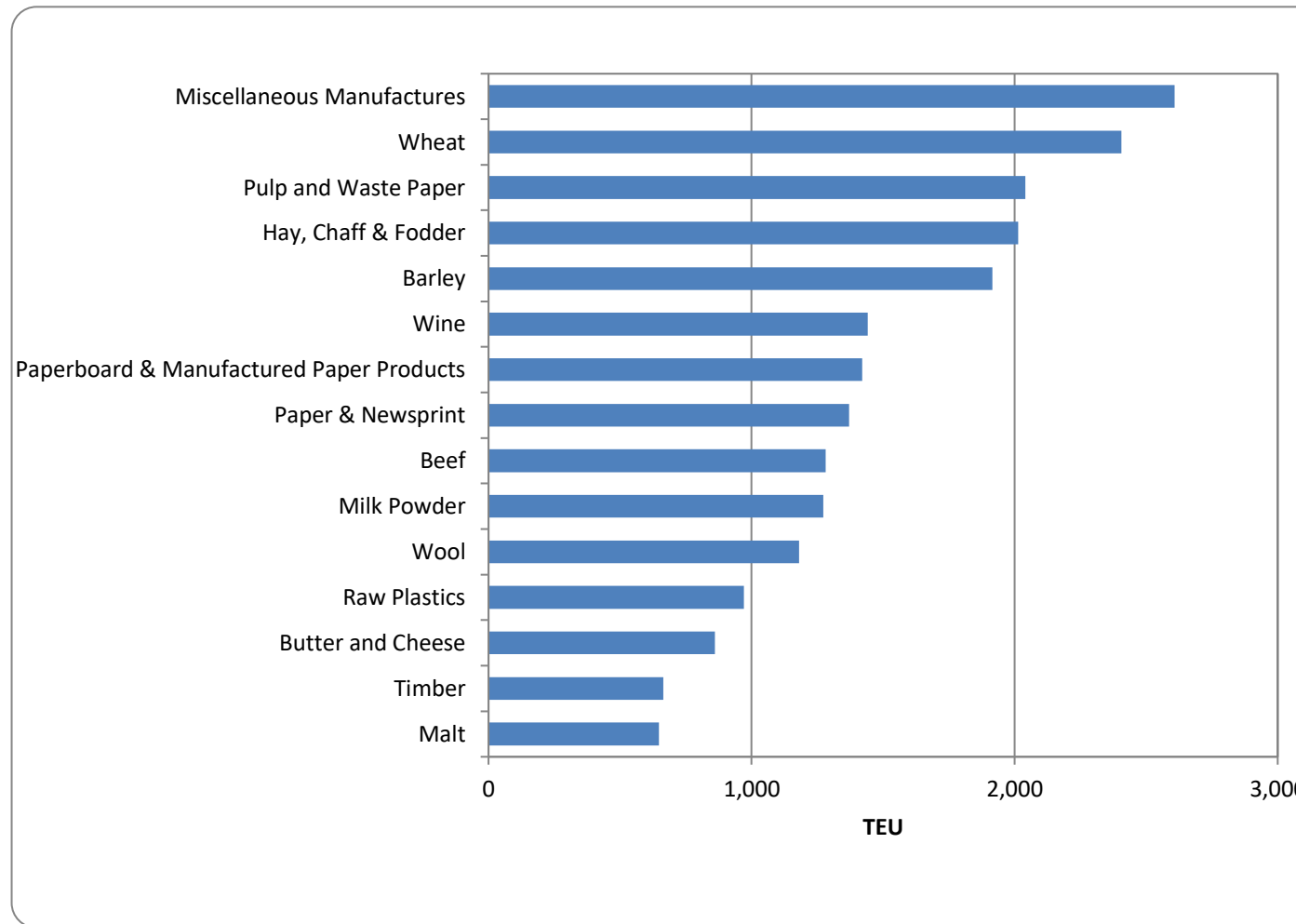
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**Overseas Containerised Commodity Trade by Sector  
FULL EXPORTS (TEU)**

01/09/21 to 30/09/21

Commodity	TEU Estimate	% Share
Miscellaneous Manufactures	2,608	4.7%
Wheat	2,406	4.4%
Pulp and Waste Paper	2,041	3.7%
Hay, Chaff & Fodder	2,013	3.7%
Barley	1,915	3.5%
Wine	1,442	2.6%
Paperboard & Manufactured Paper Products	1,421	2.6%
Paper & Newsprint	1,371	2.5%
Beef	1,282	2.3%
Milk Powder	1,273	2.3%
Wool	1,180	2.1%
Raw Plastics	970	1.8%
Butter and Cheese	860	1.6%
Timber	665	1.2%
Malt	648	1.2%
~All Others	33,000	59.9%
<b>TOTAL FULL EXPORTS</b>	<b>55,095</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Empties	58,008	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>113,103</b>	



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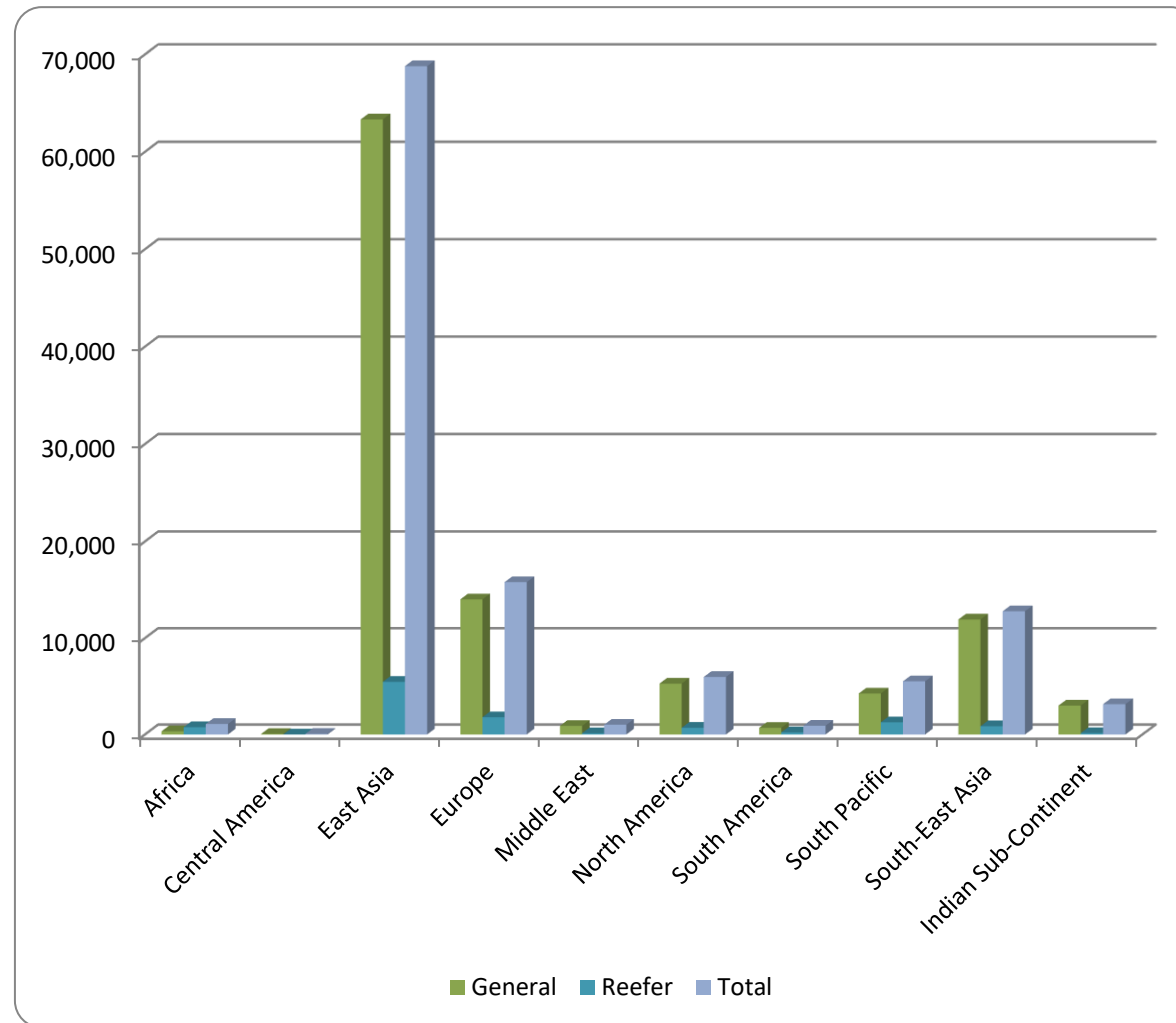
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**Monthly Overseas Container Trade by Origin Region**  
**TOTAL IMPORTS (TEU)**

01/09/21 to 30/09/21

REGION	IMPORT		Total
	General	Reefer	
Africa	334	760	1,094
Central America	58	4	62
East Asia	63,328	5,465	68,793
Europe	14,021	1,789	15,810
Middle East	890	127	1,017
North America	5,278	696	5,974
South America	689	222	911
South Pacific	4,251	1,266	5,517
South-East Asia	11,933	857	12,790
Indian Sub-Continent	3,002	144	3,146
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>103,784</b>	<b>11,330</b>	<b>115,114</b>





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

01/09/21 to 30/09/21

REGION	EXPORT		Total
	General	Reefer	
Africa	651	124	775
Central America	119	79	198
East Asia	52,815	4,122	56,937
Europe	1,769	144	1,913
Middle East	1,380	335	1,715
North America	2,641	1,352	3,993
South America	245	5	250
South Pacific	10,258	2,304	12,562
South-East Asia	29,760	1,849	31,609
Indian Sub-Continent	3,075	76	3,151
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>102,713</b>	<b>10,390</b>	<b>113,103</b>

