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June/July 2025 | Container Shipping Trends

Growing tensions in Middle East that disrupt supply chains &

Transpacific rollercoaster ride

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Jun 27 Xeneta Weekly Ocean Container Shipping Market Update – 27.06.25

How Xeneta is using AI to transform how freight is bought and sold

May 29 Index-Linked Contracts: Not Just for High-Value Cargo

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The risk of holding spot rates in a shifting market

Shifting Routes and Tariff
Strategies: What the Latest
Freight Trends Mean for Your
Supply Chain

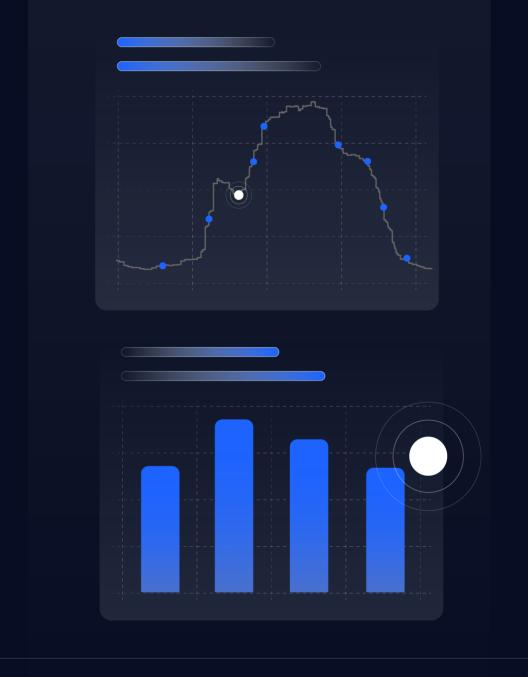
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Monthly Specials!



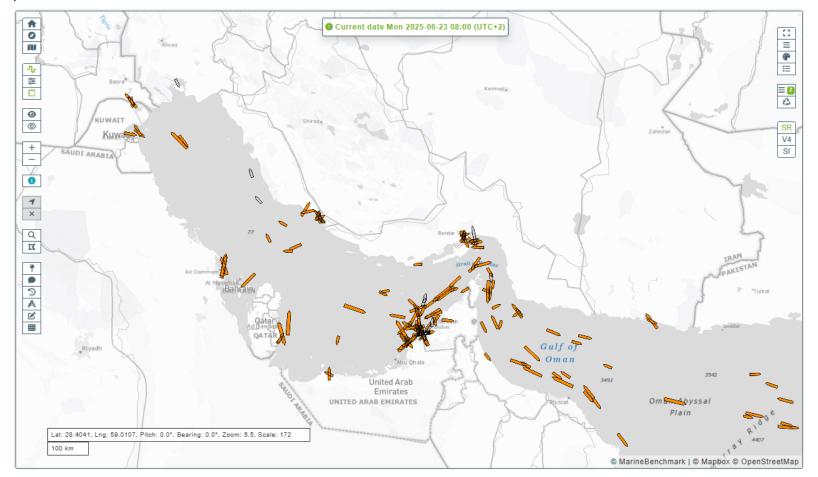
Spot rate rises due to tensions in the Middle East

Spot Rates: China Main – Persian Gulf / Gulf of Oman



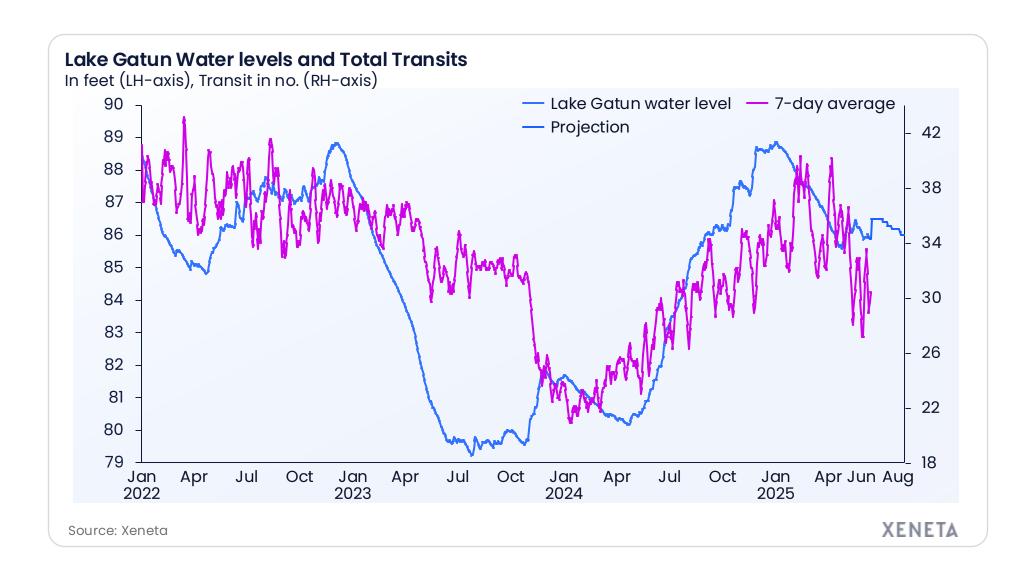
5 facts about the Strait of Hormuz and Middle East

- 150 ships transiting in & out, around 20% of those being containerships
 More than 40% liquid energy carriers
- Far East Middle East: 4,424,618 TEU in 2024. Total inbound in 2024: 9m TEUs
- Top 4 ports: 1. Dubai, 2. Jeddah, 3. Salalah, 4. Abu Dhabi
- In chart: All containerships in the area on 23rd June 2025.

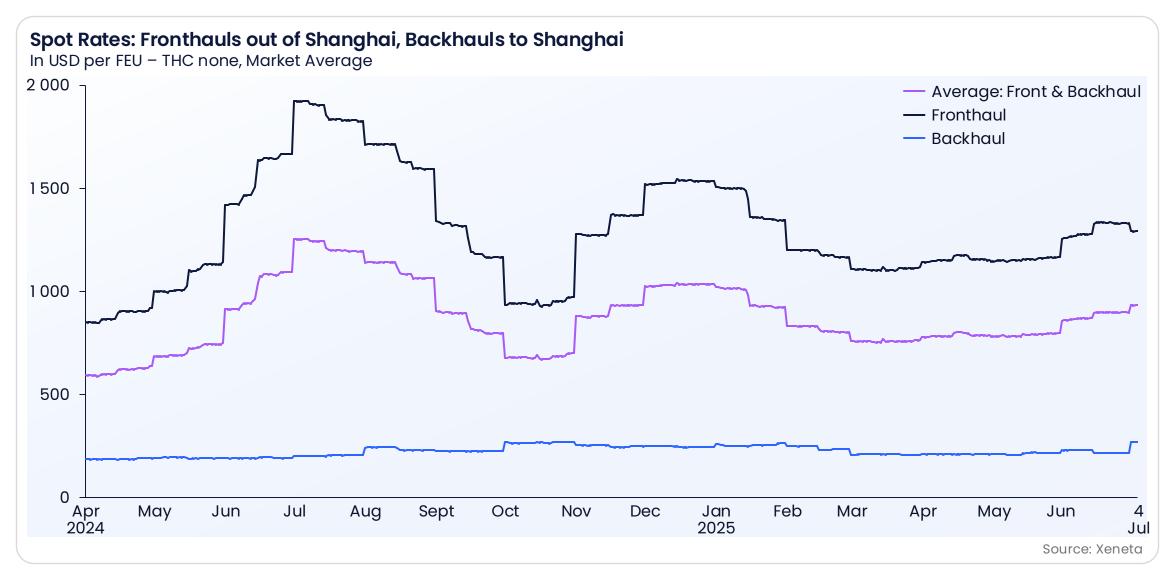




Panama Canal: Container transits unaffected by drop



Spot rate Shanghai – Jebel Ali and Nhava Sheva jumps



Spot rates: a split market as North America falls back

Fronthaul Spot Rates out of Shanghai





Capacity bounces back – asymmetrically since mid-May

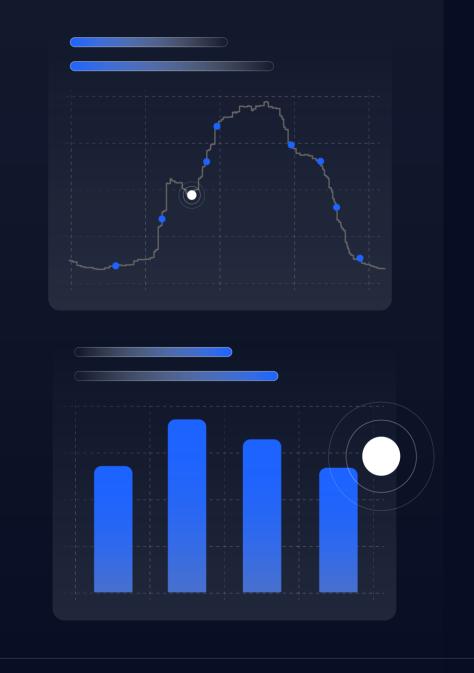
Capacity Offered out of Far East – US West Coast (black line) and US East Coast (blue line)



Fronthaul vs. Backhaul

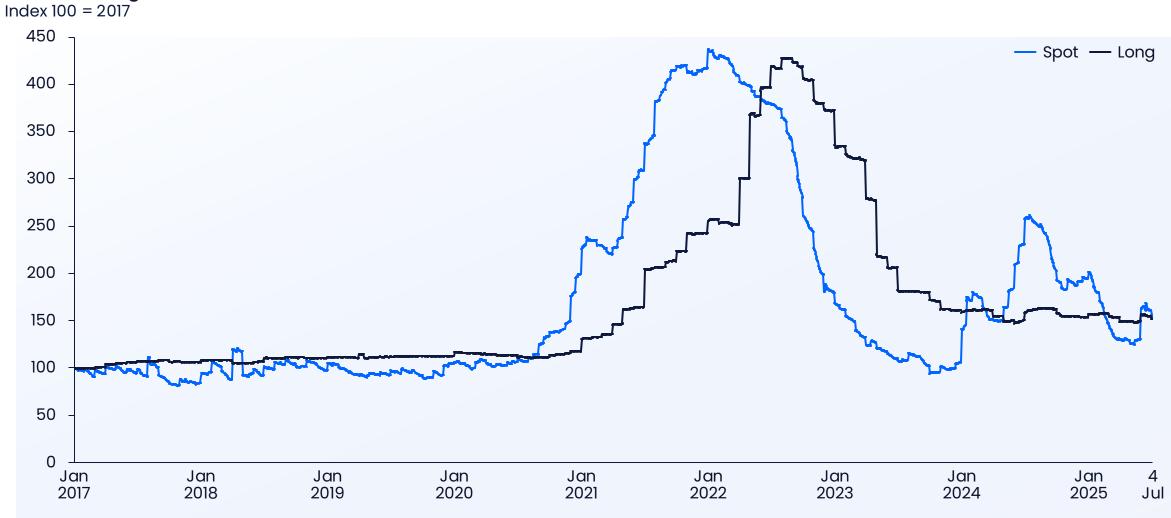
Current Freight Rate Trends
- short and long term





Development of global spot and long-term rates

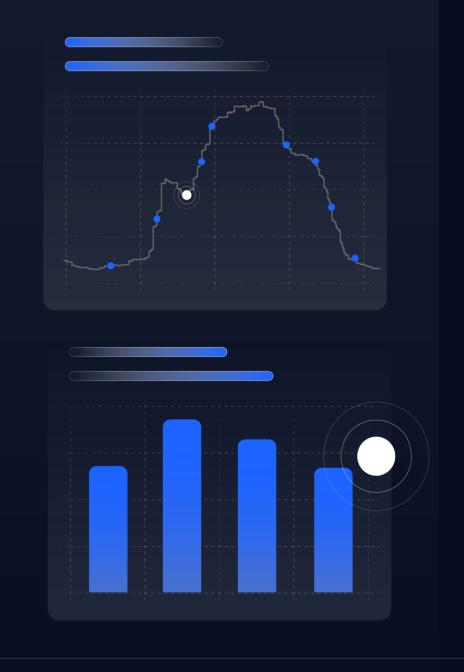
Global Average Rates



Supply Chain Heat Maps

Xeneta Shipping Index by Compass (XSI-C)





XSI®-C: Far East to South America EC & North Europe keeps rising

Xeneta Shipping Index by Compass (The XSI-C)

XENETA	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week	Week
7121121	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	ending										ending
Origin Destination	25-Apr	2-May	9-Мау	16-Мау	23-Мау	30-Мау	6-Jun	13-Jun	20-Jun	27-Jun	3-Jul
Far East to US West Coast	-3.1%	-2.6%	-7.0%	0.4%	12.4%	4.5%	56.2%	12.5%	-10.7%	-28.6%	-15.0%
Far East to North Europe	0.4%	-4.8%	-7.7%	-4.1%	-4.0%	-1.9%	25.9%	3.3%	16.1%	1.9%	13.5%
Far East to South America East Coast	5.8%	-4.8%	-10.6%	3.3%	12.0%	13.9%	25.0%	26.1%	40.7%	10.3%	11.8%
North Europe to Far East	1.3%	-7.4%	-10.0%	10.1%	-0.6%	0.1%	13.1%	9.9%	3.3%	0.5%	-14.2%
North Europe to South America East Coast	-2.5%	2.1%	-2.2%	-8.3%	0.6%	0.0%	13.6%	0.4%	-1.6%	0.4%	-7.5%
North Europe to US East Coast	0.2%	-2.2%	-2.6%	0.6%	0.6%	-1.4%	2.7%	0.3%	-0.7%	0.0%	-4.8%
US East Coast to North Europe	2.6%	2.4%	2.6%	1.0%	1.7%	1.4%	-0.4%	-0.1%	3.2%	-1.4%	-7.1%
US West Coast to Far East	2.3%	-0.9%	-0.6%	-0.3%	1.9%	0.9%	-0.1%	0.2%	-0.1%	0.3%	-2.0%

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Note:

Weekly average

Rates falling by more than 0.4% are GREEN

Rates going down OR up by less than or equal to 0.4% are YELLOW

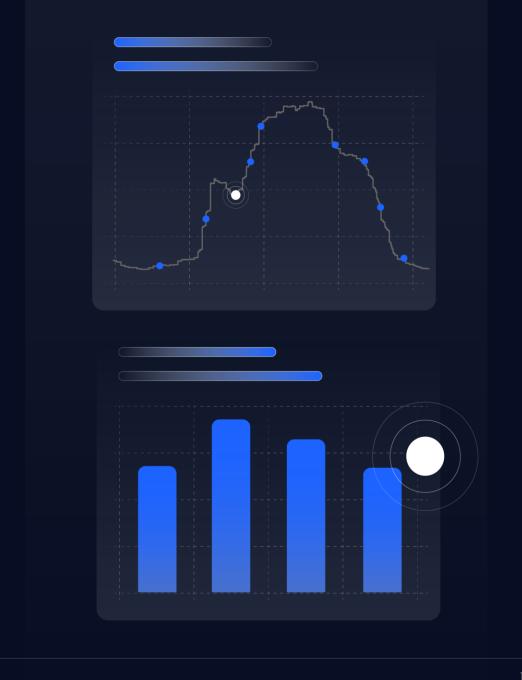
Rates climbing by more than 0.4% are RED



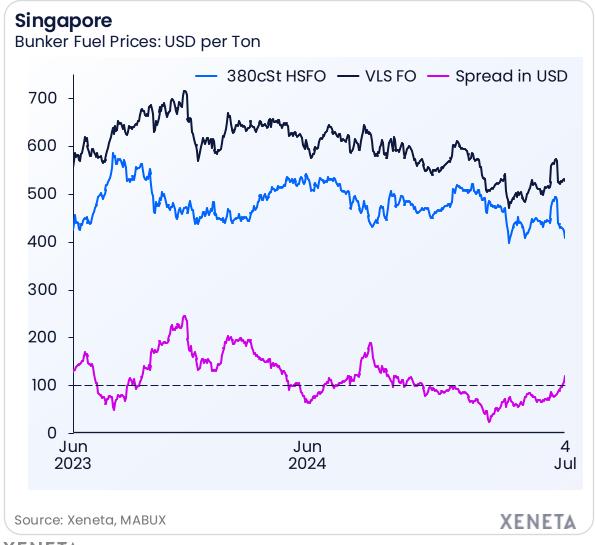
Bunker Fuel Prices

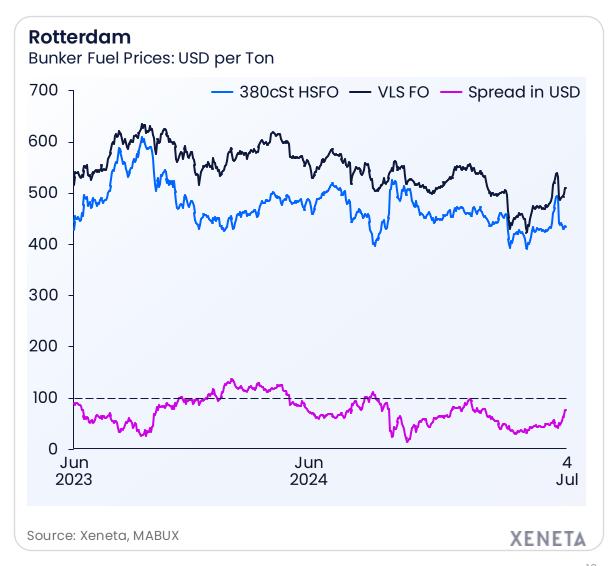
Main Ports in Asia and Europe





Bunker fuel market trends: Spreads are rising as HSFO decline

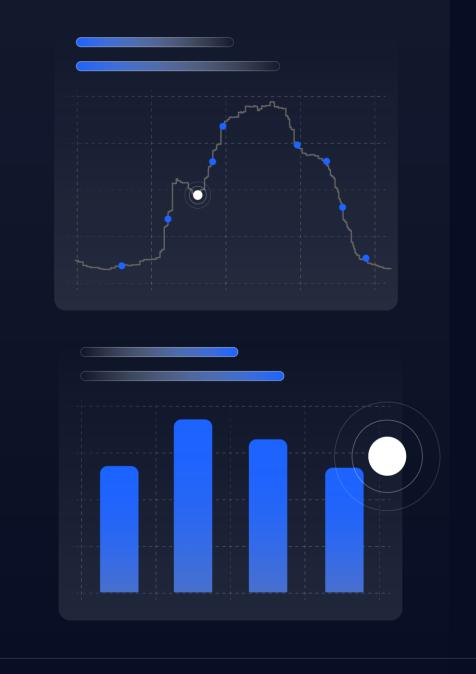




What's being shipped?

Current Demand Trends

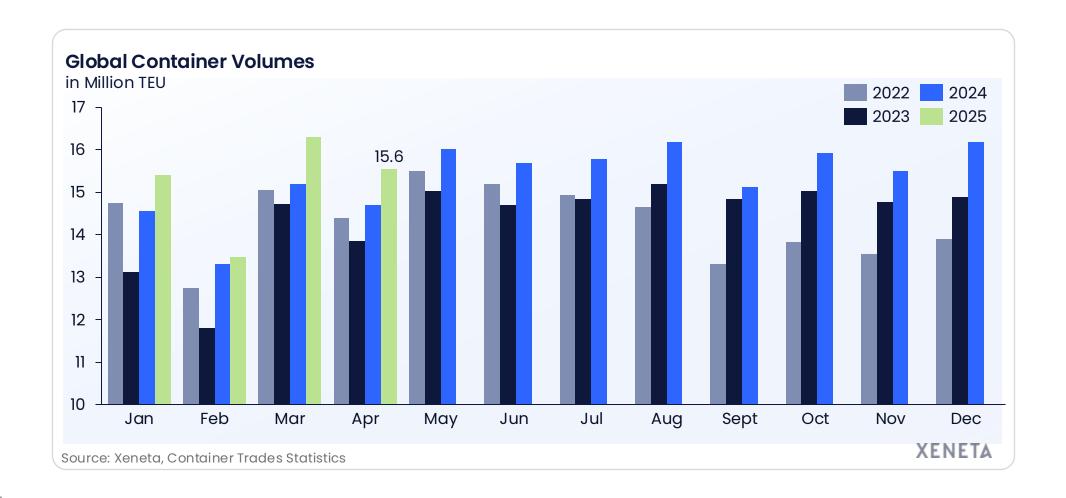




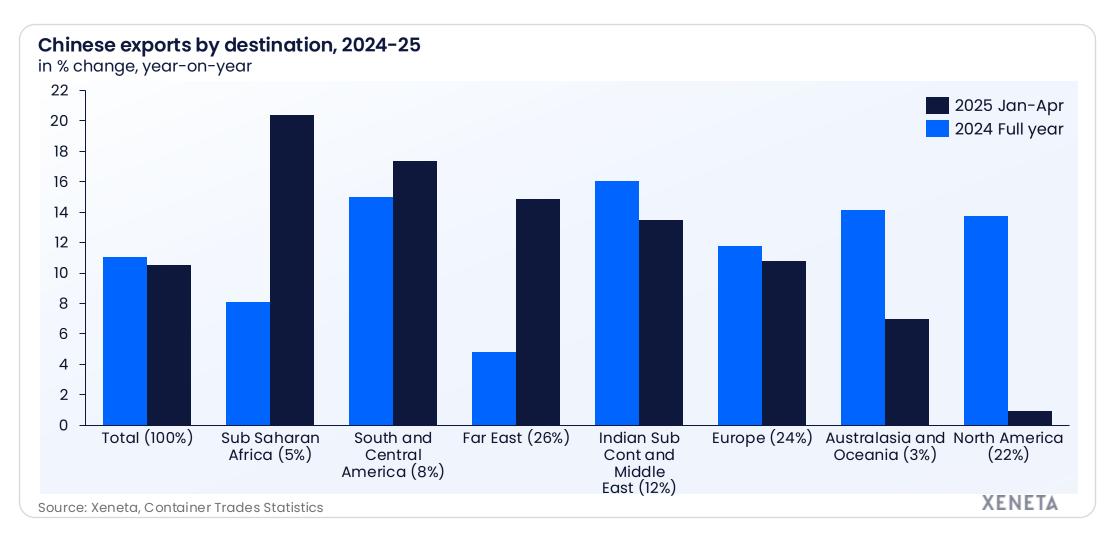
April 2025: Highest April on record

Takeaways

April 2025 volume increased 5.8% compared to April 2024

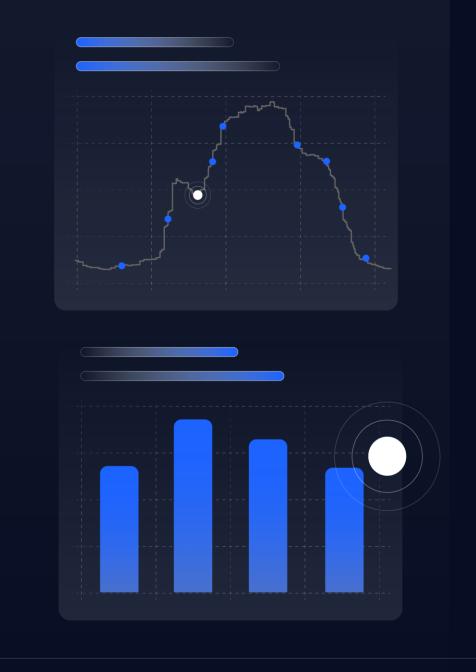


Chinese exports growing most in Sub Saharan Africa



Where's the congestion?





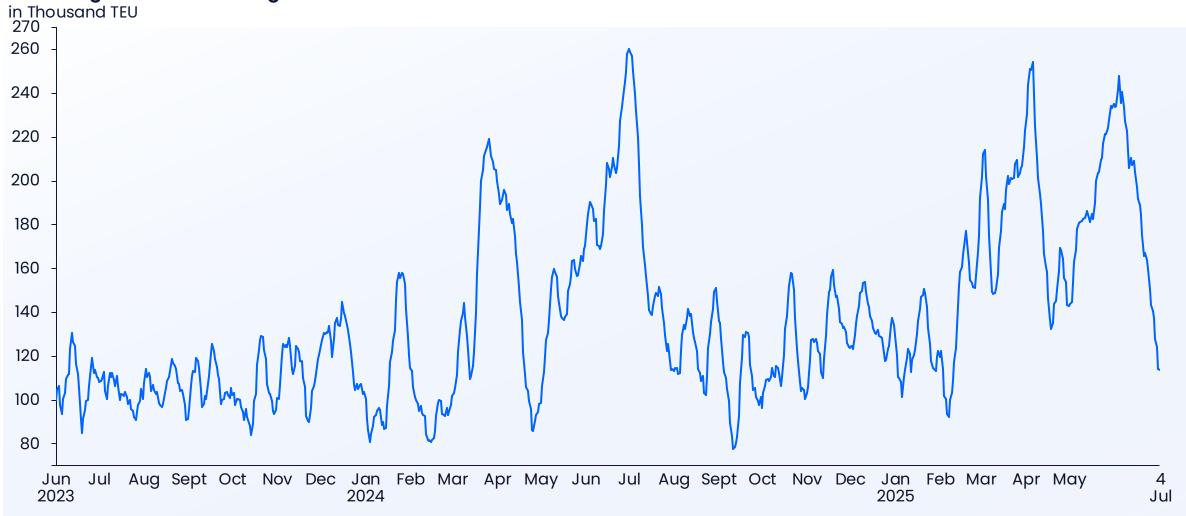
Congestion bouncing back in Colombo

Port Congestion - Colombo



Congestion: sharp decline in Port Klang – Gemini take its toll

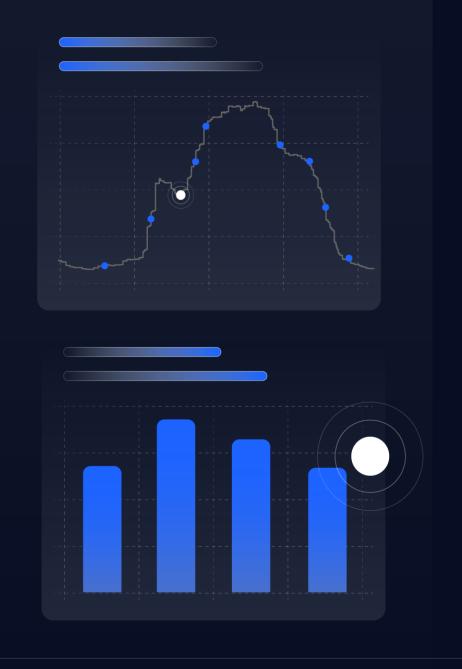




Where's the economy heading?

In the East and in the West





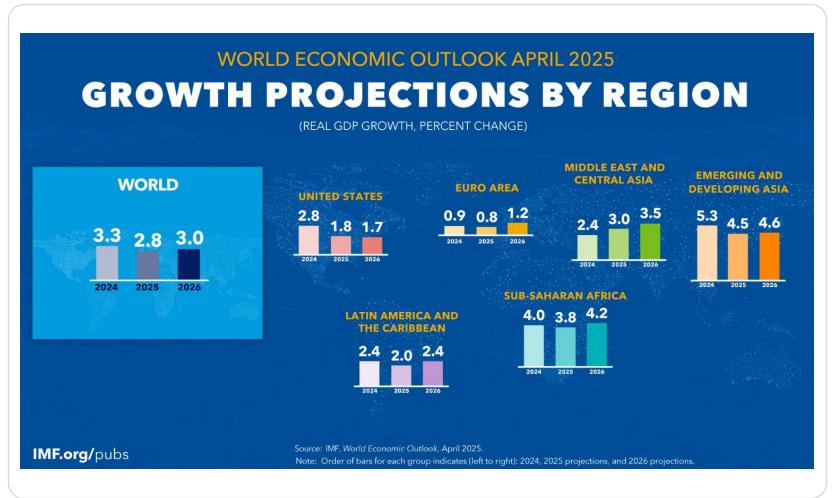
Inflation easing in Euro Area and US – Deflation in China

Inflation and Forecast –China, Euro Area, US

Annual Growth in %



Growth projection for Global Economy decreasing



- Broader update on macroeconomics provided in XODD report
- Compared to projections in Jan '25: 'World' decreases 0.5 percentage points. United States decreases 0.9.
- Tariffs cause major negative shock to growth, outlook, and consumer confidence
- High policy uncertainty is expected to significantly impact economic activity



Freight Debate - Podcast

New Episode live on YouTube: Past, Present and Future of Freight



Key Insights:

- Phil Hennessey and Patrik Berglund, (co-founder and CEO of Xeneta) dive into the evolution of the freight and shipping industry. They candidly discuss the origins of Xeneta, highlighting the challenges of bringing transparency to the complex and often opaque ocean freight market.
- From the early days—built on spreadsheets and cold calls—to the hurdles of data collection and gaining early adopters, Patrik shares the perseverance and lessons that shaped Xeneta's journey.
- The conversation touches on major industry shifts caused by recent global disruptions, the increasing complexity for shippers and carriers, and looks forward to future changes, such as index-linked contracts and advances in predictive analytics.

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Webinar: On Demand

LIVE WEBINAR

24th June 2025

Gemini, the Red Sea & the Fine Print: What's Really Driving Ocean Freight in 2025

Key Insights:

- What carriers promised vs. what actually happened
- How Red Sea disruptions, tariffs, and shifting alliances are reshaping supply chains
- Where hidden risks (and costs) are hiding in today's freight contracts
- What leading logistics teams are doing differently to protect their operations

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