Maritime transport is the primary vehicle for globalized trade, accounting for 80% of global merchandise trade (by volume). A rising percentage of that trade, approximately 35% by volume and 60% by value, is carried by containers.

The **United States is the world's largest importer**, but <u>none</u> of its seaports are ranked in the top 75 globally. Remarkably, **40% of all US imports via container ships arrive through two ports only, Los Angeles and Long Beach**.

In a recent performance ranking of global ports by the World Bank Group and IHS Market, called the Container Port Performance Index (CPPI 2020), the Los Angeles and Long Beach ports rank 328 and 333, respectively, out of 351 ports globally.

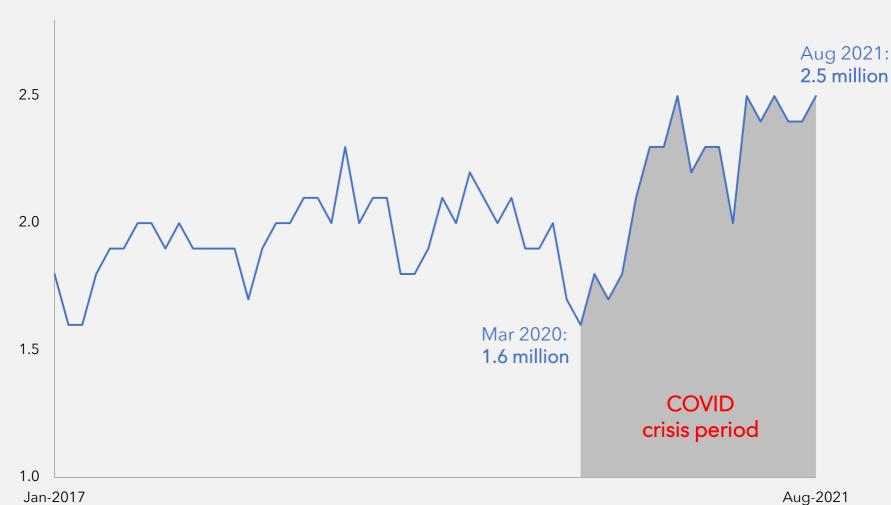
Nearly every one of the world's top 20 ports by performance are located in Asia or the Middle East. Japan's Yokohama port ranks first, while Saudi Arabia's King Abdullah port ranks second. Halifax, in Nova Scotia, Canada, is the highest ranked port in North America at 39. Philadelphia and the Port of Virginia are the highest globally ranked US ports, at 83 and 85, respectively.

## Top 20 Ports in CPPI 2020 Global Ranking of Container Ports

Top 20 Forts III CFFF 2020 Global Ranking of Container Forts		
Rank	Port Name	Country
	1 Yokohama	Japan
<b>5</b>	2 King Abdullah Port	Saudi Arabia
*3	3 Chiwan	China
*3	4 Guangzhou	China
*	5 Kaohsiung	Taiwan
*	6 Salalah	Oman
*)	7 Hong Kong, SAR	China
*3	8 Qingdao	China
*)	9 Shekou	China
<b>*</b> 1	0 Algeciras	Spain
<b>1</b>	1 Beirut	Lebanon
<ul><li>1:</li></ul>	2 Shimizu	Japan
1	3 Tanjung Pelepas	Malaysia
<b>(*)</b>	4 Port Klang	Malaysia
<u>•</u> 1.	5 Singapore	Singapore
• 1	6 Nagoya	Japan
	7 Colombo	Sri Lanka
1	8 Sines	Portugal
• 1	9 Kobe	Japan
* 2	O Zhoushan	China

## Goods imported into the US on shipping containers are at record highs

## Twenty foot equivalent units (TEUs)



Source: (1) Transport Global Practice "The Container Port Performance Index 2020" World Bank Group. IHS Markit. Ranking based on statistical approach. (2) Bloomberg "US Ports Get Tough With Shipping Line as Containers Pile Up" (October 27, 2021). Unit is TEU, 20-foot equivalent units of containers. Goods imported on shipping containers is based on 35 US container ports.

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