

Trade Update

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June 2023 container volumes decrease on the prior year

Total container throughput (full & empty) in June 2023 were down 5.2% over June 2022 with a total of 258,073 TEU. Year to date container volumes were down 1.4%.

Full overseas imports were down 6.2% on June 2022 with furniture, domestic appliances, clothing, paperboards and raw plastics below last year's volumes.

Full overseas exports were down 7.7% on June 2022, with hay, chaff & fodder below last year's volumes.

Total empty container movements were 10.5% below June 2022.

June 2023 trade performance compared with June 2022 was as follows:



Full overseas container imports
(excl. transshipments)
-6.2% below June 2022
-3.9% below FY22



Dry bulk trade
+19.7% above June 2022
+1.3% above FY22



Full overseas container exports
(excl. transshipments)
-7.7% below June 2022
-4.1% below FY22



Break bulk trade
-20.7% below June 2022
-5.4% below FY22



Total empty containers moved
-10.5% below June 2022
+3.7% above FY22



Liquid bulk trade
-23.4% below June 2022
+5.1% above FY22



Bass Strait full container trade
(excl. transshipments)
-6.6% below June 2022
-2.9% below FY22



Motor vehicle imports
+3.3% above June 2022
(+1,028 units)
+13.4% above FY22



Full container transshipments
+42.5% above June 2022
+12.3% above FY22



Trade outlook

Container trade for July 2023 is tracking above the comparative month in 2022.

Port of Melbourne

