

Port of Melbourne Trade Report - Apr 2026

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Approval - Approved by Saul Cannon, CEO on delegation from the PoM Board

Port of Melbourne Container Terminals Productivity

Container Terminals Productivity Information	Units	Port of Melbourne International Container Terminals
Total containers	Containers	160,363
Total containers	TEU	260,966
Average berth throughput	TEU / berth metre	102
Average container exchange	TEU / vessel visit	3,000
Average container exchange	Containers / vessel visit	1,843

Port of Melbourne Container Trade

Container Trade Sector	Units	Port of Melbourne
Full containers		
<i>Full overseas imports</i>	TEU	111,226
<i>Full overseas exports</i>	TEU	60,705
<i>Full Bass Strait imports</i>	TEU	8,758
<i>Full Bass Strait exports</i>	TEU	12,500
<i>Full mainland coastal imports</i>	TEU	3,729
<i>Full mainland coastal exports</i>	TEU	4,148
Total full containers	TEU	201,066
Total empty containers	TEU	89,888
Total containers	TEU	290,954
Total containers (excl Bass Strait direct)	TEU	263,327

Container Trade	Units	Port of Melbourne
Total transshipment containers	TEU	25,897
Total 20' or less containers	Containers	77,769
Total greater than 20' containers	Containers	106,593

Port of Melbourne Non Containerised Trade

Non Containerised Trade	Units	Port of Melbourne
Motor vehicle trade volume	revenue tonnes	792,458
Motor vehicle trade volume	units	45,643
Break bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	99,634
Liquid bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	498,938
Dry bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	394,391
Other trade volume	revenue tonnes	369,158

Port of Melbourne Trade : Top Commodities

Containers

1. Electrical Equipment
2. Misc. Manuf.
3. Fruit & Veg
4. Furniture
5. Paper & Fibre Boards

Containers

6. Misc. Food Prep.
7. Stockfeed
8. Cereal Grains
9. Metal Manufactures
10. Machinery

Break bulk

1. New Motor Vehicles
2. Transport Equip.
3. Machinery
4. Second Hand Motor Veh.
5. Iron & Steel

Liquid bulk

1. Petroleum Products
2. Chemicals
3. Tallow
4. Molasses
5. Oils, Fats, Wax

Dry bulk

1. Cement
2. Cereal Grains
3. Crude Fert & Minerals, NEI
4. Gypsum
5. Fruit & Veg

Others

1. Misc. Manuf.
2. Timber
3. Dairy Products
4. Livestock
5. Mail

Glossary

Revenue tonnes - a quantity measure based on the greater of weight in mass tonnes and volume in cubic metres

TEU - a twenty foot equivalent unit, the international measure for standardizing container throughput numbers.

Motor Vehicles - comprises of new motor vehicles, second hand motor vehicles and transport equipment.

Bass Strait direct - domestic cargo only, shipped direct from Melbourne to Tasmania, or Tasmania to Melbourne.