

Port of Melbourne Trade Report - Mar 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	163,156
Total containers	TEU	266,157
Average berth throughput	TEU / berth metre	104
Average container exchange	TEU / vessel visit	2,925
Average container exchange	Containers / vessel visit	1,793

Port of Melbourne Container Trade

Container Trade Sector	Units	Port of Melbourne
Full containers		
<i>Full overseas imports</i>	TEU	122,042
<i>Full overseas exports</i>	TEU	66,547
<i>Full Bass Strait imports</i>	TEU	9,182
<i>Full Bass Strait exports</i>	TEU	12,948
<i>Full mainland coastal imports</i>	TEU	1,471
<i>Full mainland coastal exports</i>	TEU	3,566
Total full containers	TEU	215,756
Total empty containers	TEU	81,338
Total containers	TEU	297,094
Total containers (excl Bass Strait direct)	TEU	269,406

Container Trade	Units	Port of Melbourne
Total transshipment containers	TEU	21,939
Total 20' or less containers	Containers	77,950
Total greater than 20' containers	Containers	109,572

Port of Melbourne Non Containerised Trade

Non Containerised Trade	Units	Port of Melbourne
Motor vehicle trade volume	revenue tonnes	618,450
Motor vehicle trade volume	units	36,919
Break bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	49,946
Liquid bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	464,581
Dry bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	529,009
Other trade volume	revenue tonnes	389,597

Port of Melbourne Trade : Top Commodities

Containers

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

Containers

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

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. Tallow
3. Chemicals
4. Molasses
5. Vegetable oils

Dry bulk

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

Others

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

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.