

Port of Melbourne Trade Report - May 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	167,342
Total containers	TEU	270,013
Average berth throughput	TEU / berth metre	105
Average container exchange	TEU / vessel visit	3,140
Average container exchange	Containers / vessel visit	1,946

Port of Melbourne Container Trade

Container Trade Sector	Units	Port of Melbourne
Full containers		
Full overseas imports	TEU	126,536
Full overseas exports	TEU	64,549
Full Bass Strait imports	TEU	9,503
Full Bass Strait exports	TEU	12,925
Full mainland coastal imports	TEU	2,812
Full mainland coastal exports	TEU	4,471
Total full containers	TEU	220,796
Total empty containers	TEU	80,060
Total containers	TEU	300,856
Total containers (excl Bass Strait direct)	TEU	272,440

Container Trade	Units	Port of Melbourne
Total transshipment containers	TEU	27,414
Total 20' or less containers	Containers	83,033
Total greater than 20' containers	Containers	108,912

Port of Melbourne Non Containerised Trade

Non Containerised Trade	Units	Port of Melbourne
Motor vehicle trade volume	revenue tonnes	982,417
Motor vehicle trade volume	units	57,964
Break bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	83,184
Liquid bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	468,419
Dry bulk trade volume	revenue tonnes	427,350
Other trade volume	revenue tonnes	360,930

Port of Melbourne Trade : Top Commodities

Containers

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

Break bulk

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

Dry bulk

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

Containers

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

Liquid bulk

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

Others

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

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.