








**MONTHLY OVERSEAS CONTAINER TRADE UPDATE: JANUARY 2020**

**Overseas container trade – January 2020**

				
Full overseas container imports	Full overseas container exports	Empty overseas container imports	Empty overseas container exports	Total overseas containers
<b>-11.2%</b>	<b>-12.0%</b>	<b>21.8%</b>	<b>-18.1%</b>	<b>-12.5%</b>
102,157	44,115	4,680	44,909	195,861

**Total overseas container throughput** (full + empty) for January 2020 was 195,861 TEU, this was a decline of 12.5% over January 2019. Total (full + empty) overseas container imports for the month were down 10.2% while total (full + empty) overseas container exports also decreased by 15.2% in comparison to January 2019.

**Full overseas container imports** were 102,157, which decreased 11.2% against January last year. Commodities that recorded gains for the month include cereal products, stockfeed, crude fertilisers & minerals, oilseeds, fabrics and wine. Commodities with the most notable decline were metal manufactures, electrical equipment, transport equip., clothing, machinery, iron & steel, timber, chemical products, non-ferrous metals, toys & sporting goods, glass and glassware, furniture, ceramic goods, builders hardware, paper & newsprint, plastic ware, paper & fibre boards, wood & cork manuf. and sugar preparations.

**Full overseas container exports** were 44,115 TEU for January 2020 which declined 12.0% against January 2019. The commodities that recorded gains for the month include fruit & veg, stockfeed, meat and cereal grains. Commodities with the most notable declines were timber, cotton - raw, beverages, dairy products, pulp & waste paper, paper & newsprint, metal scrap, textile/fibre waste, wool, non-ferrous metals, glass and glassware, rubber manuf., crude animal materials, rubber, other, chemicals and sugar preparations.

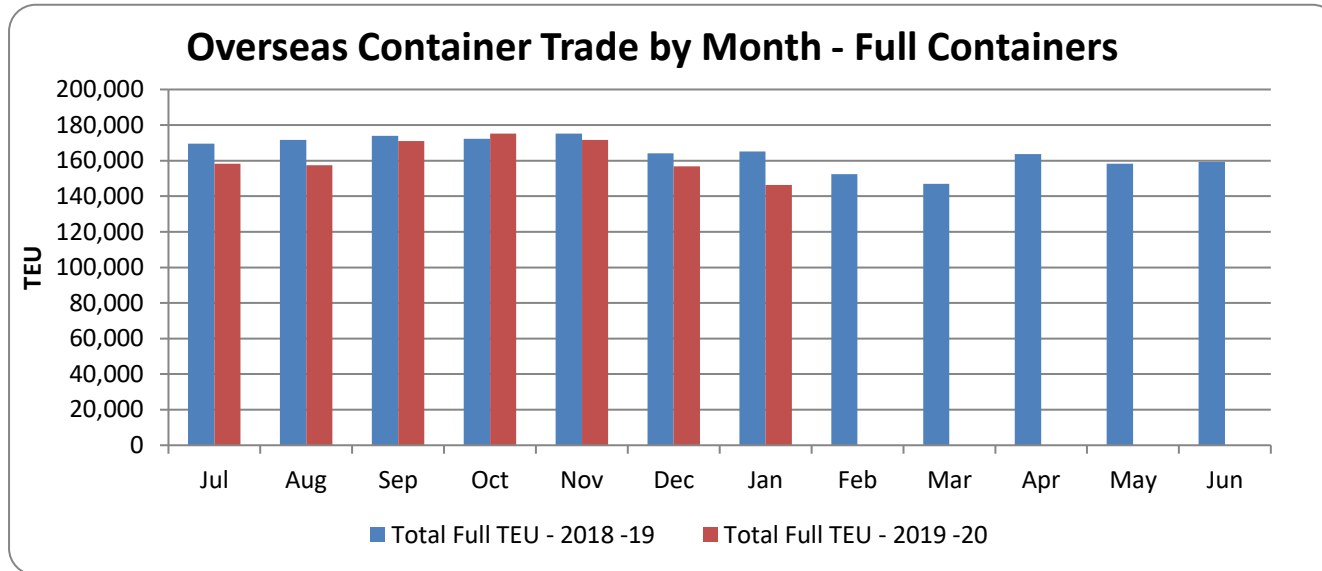
**Empty overseas container** movements for January were down 15.5% over the same period last year to 49,589 TEU. Empty overseas exports declined 18.1% for the month, while empty overseas imports increased by 21.8% against January 2019.

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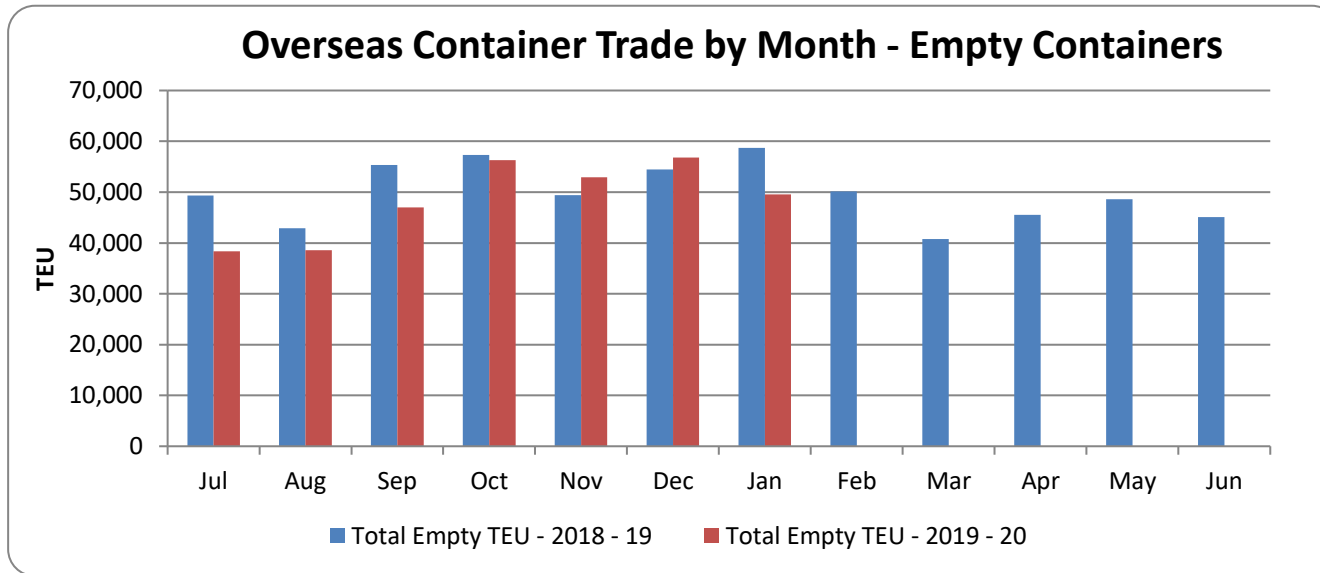
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**Overseas Container Trade by Month  
FULL CONTAINERS (TEU)**



2019-20	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	100,533	101,337	112,772	116,105	113,819	99,736	102,157					
Export	57,787	56,021	58,267	59,063	57,869	57,143	44,115					
<b>Total</b>	<b>158,320</b>	<b>157,358</b>	<b>171,039</b>	<b>175,168</b>	<b>171,688</b>	<b>156,879</b>	<b>146,272</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
2018-19	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	105,839	109,391	112,822	113,325	118,985	105,634	115,104	97,435	86,720	101,053	100,484	99,694
Export	63,662	62,358	61,032	58,898	56,267	58,391	50,124	55,006	60,217	62,602	57,878	59,639
<b>Total</b>	<b>169,501</b>	<b>171,749</b>	<b>173,854</b>	<b>172,223</b>	<b>175,252</b>	<b>164,025</b>	<b>165,228</b>	<b>152,441</b>	<b>146,937</b>	<b>163,655</b>	<b>158,362</b>	<b>159,333</b>

**Overseas Container Trade by Month  
EMPTY CONTAINERS (TEU)**



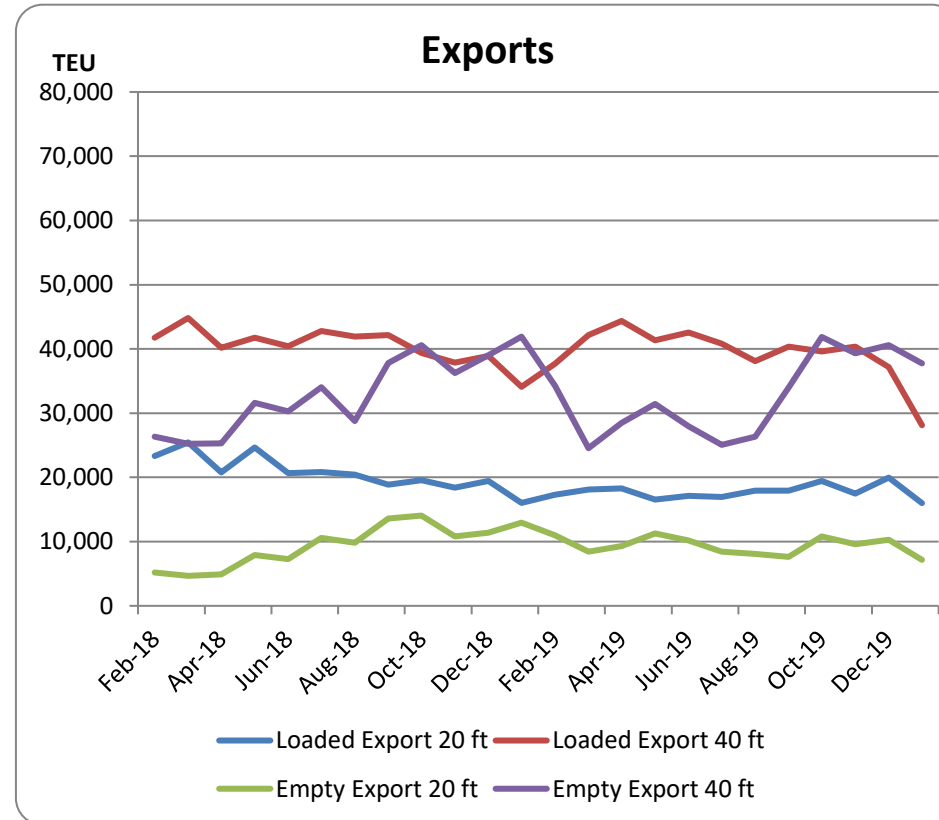
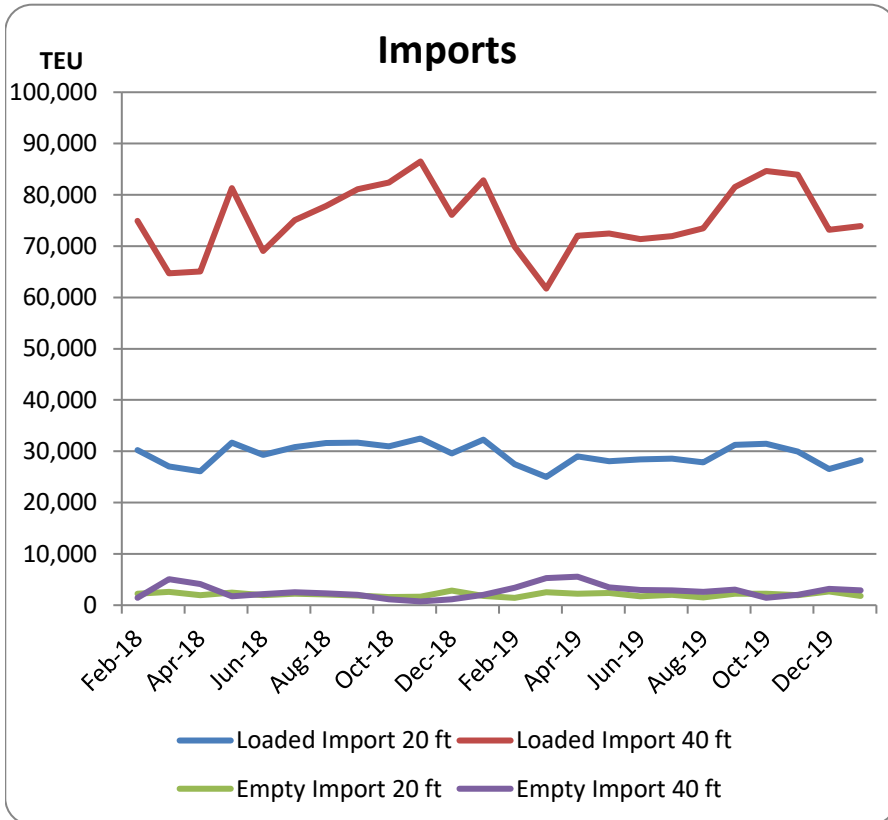
2019-20	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	4,885	4,111	5,315	3,644	3,993	5,860	4,680					
Export	33,485	34,462	41,647	52,671	48,922	50,926	44,909					
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,370</b>	<b>38,573</b>	<b>46,962</b>	<b>56,315</b>	<b>52,915</b>	<b>56,786</b>	<b>49,589</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
2018-19	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Import	4,708	4,352	3,909	2,719	2,389	4,007	3,842	4,862	7,822	7,767	5,894	4,634
Export	44,656	38,548	51,429	54,617	47,003	50,419	54,837	45,301	32,955	37,750	42,707	40,455
<b>Total</b>	<b>49,364</b>	<b>42,900</b>	<b>55,338</b>	<b>57,336</b>	<b>49,392</b>	<b>54,426</b>	<b>58,679</b>	<b>50,163</b>	<b>40,777</b>	<b>45,517</b>	<b>48,601</b>	<b>45,089</b>

**Total Overseas Trade by Month by Sector - February 2018 to January 2020**  
**IMPORT & EXPORT CONTAINERS**

Port of Melbourne



01/02/18 to 31/01/20

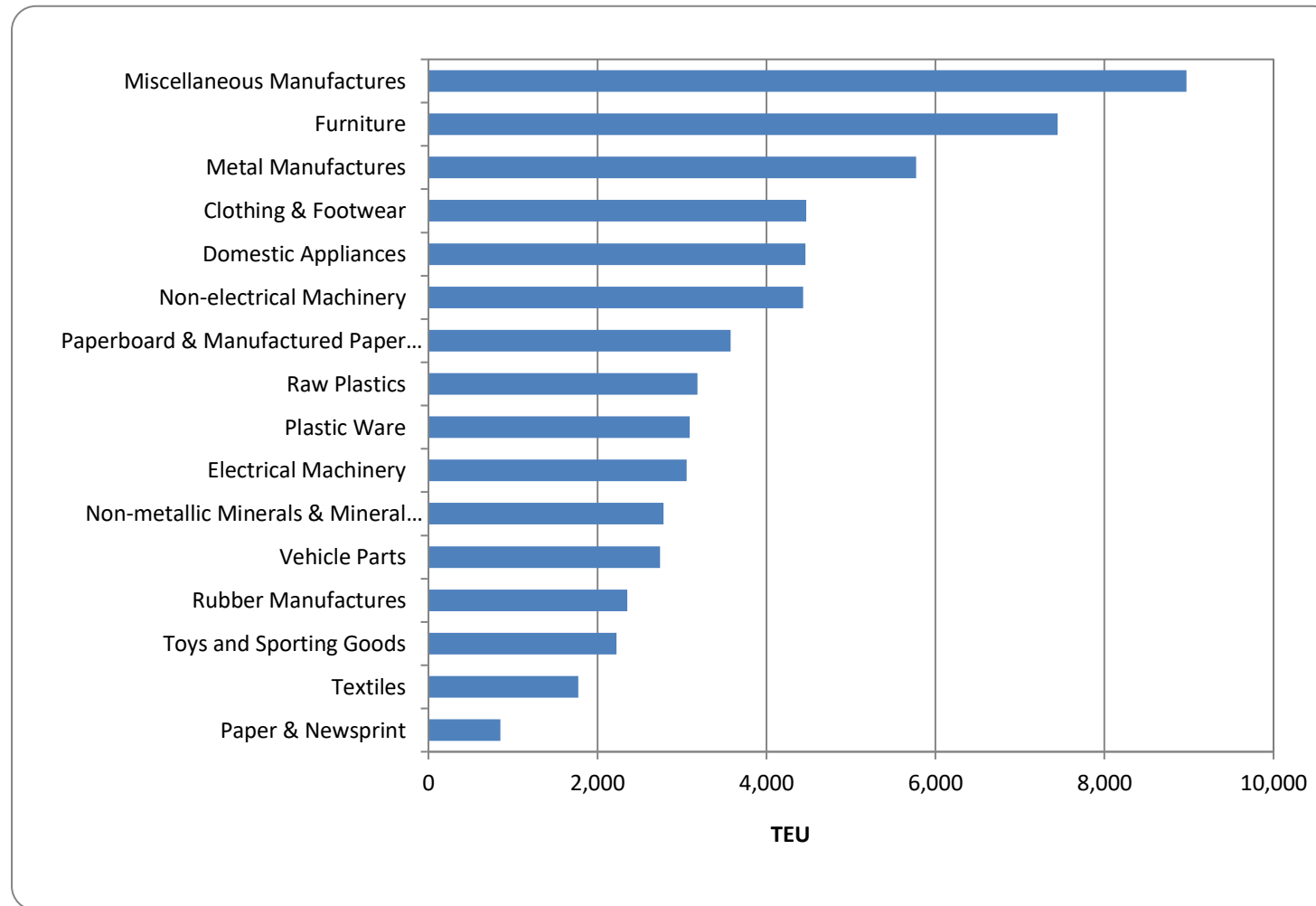




**Overseas Containerised Commodity Trade by Sector  
FULL IMPORTS (TEU)**

01/01/20 to 31/01/20

Commodity	TEU Estimate	% Share
Miscellaneous Manufactures	8,968	8.8%
Furniture	7,445	7.3%
Metal Manufactures	5,770	5.6%
Clothing & Footwear	4,472	4.4%
Domestic Appliances	4,461	4.4%
Non-electrical Machinery	4,433	4.3%
Paperboard & Manufactured Paper Products	3,574	3.5%
Raw Plastics	3,184	3.1%
Plastic Ware	3,091	3.0%
Electrical Machinery	3,057	3.0%
Non-metallic Minerals & Mineral Manufactures	2,784	2.7%
Vehicle Parts	2,743	2.7%
Rubber Manufactures	2,352	2.3%
Toys and Sporting Goods	2,227	2.2%
Textiles	1,773	1.7%
Paper & Newsprint	853	0.8%
~All Others	40,970	40.1%
<b>TOTAL FULL IMPORTS</b>	<b>102,157</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Empties	4,680	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>106,837</b>	



\* Miscellaneous Manufactures represents a variety of commodities such as freight of all kinds and general cargo as declared by the shipping line manifests.

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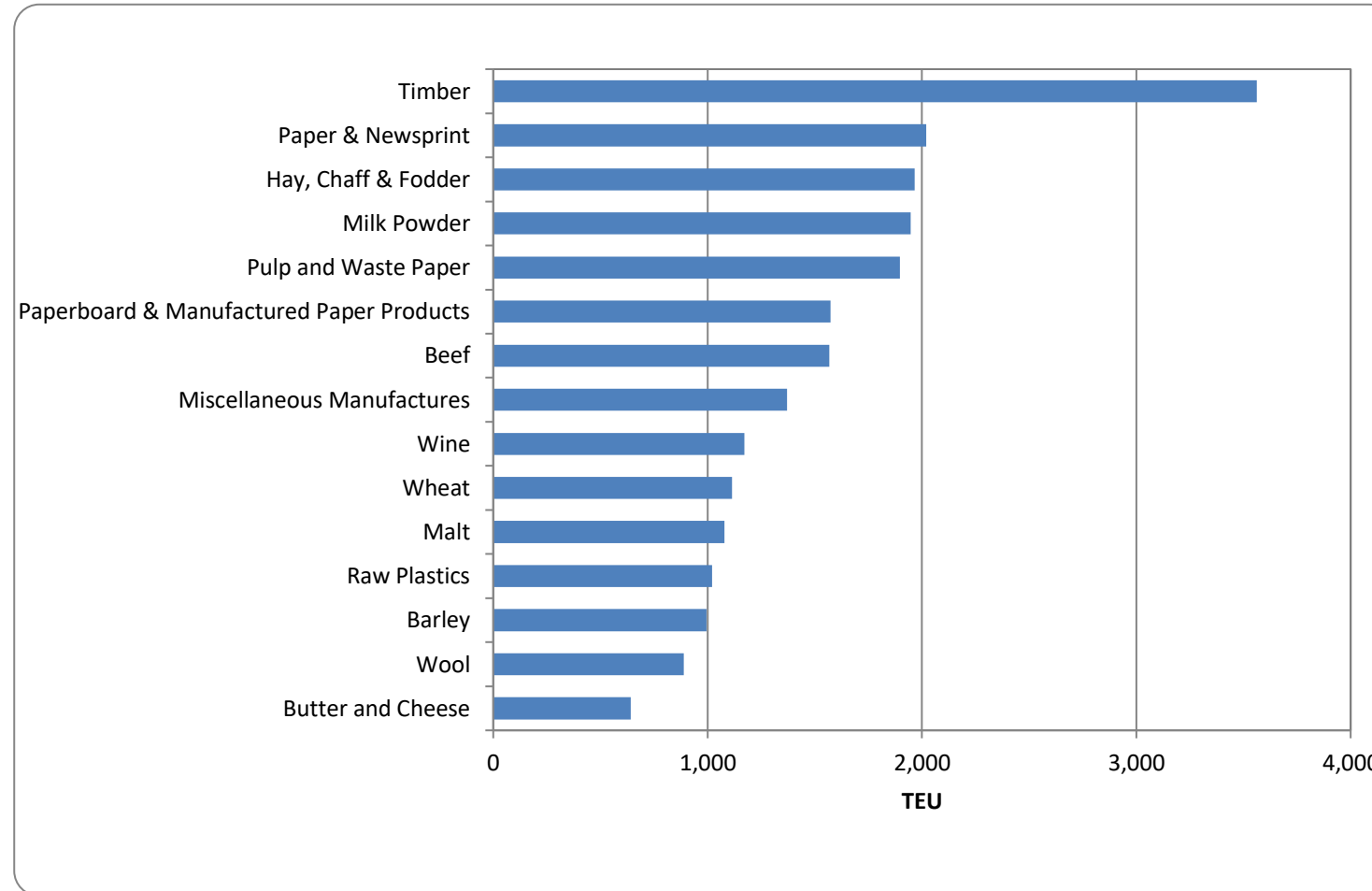
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**Overseas Containerised Commodity Trade by Sector  
FULL EXPORTS (TEU)**

01/01/20 to 31/01/20

Commodity	TEU Estimate	% Share
Timber	3,563	8.1%
Paper & Newsprint	2,020	4.6%
Hay, Chaff & Fodder	1,966	4.5%
Milk Powder	1,948	4.4%
Pulp and Waste Paper	1,897	4.3%
Paperboard & Manufactured Paper Products	1,574	3.6%
Beef	1,568	3.6%
Miscellaneous Manufactures	1,371	3.1%
Wine	1,171	2.7%
Wheat	1,113	2.5%
Malt	1,078	2.4%
Raw Plastics	1,021	2.3%
Barley	995	2.3%
Wool	888	2.0%
Butter and Cheese	641	1.5%
~All Others	21,301	48.3%
<b>TOTAL FULL EXPORTS</b>	<b>44,115</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Empties	44,909	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89,024</b>	



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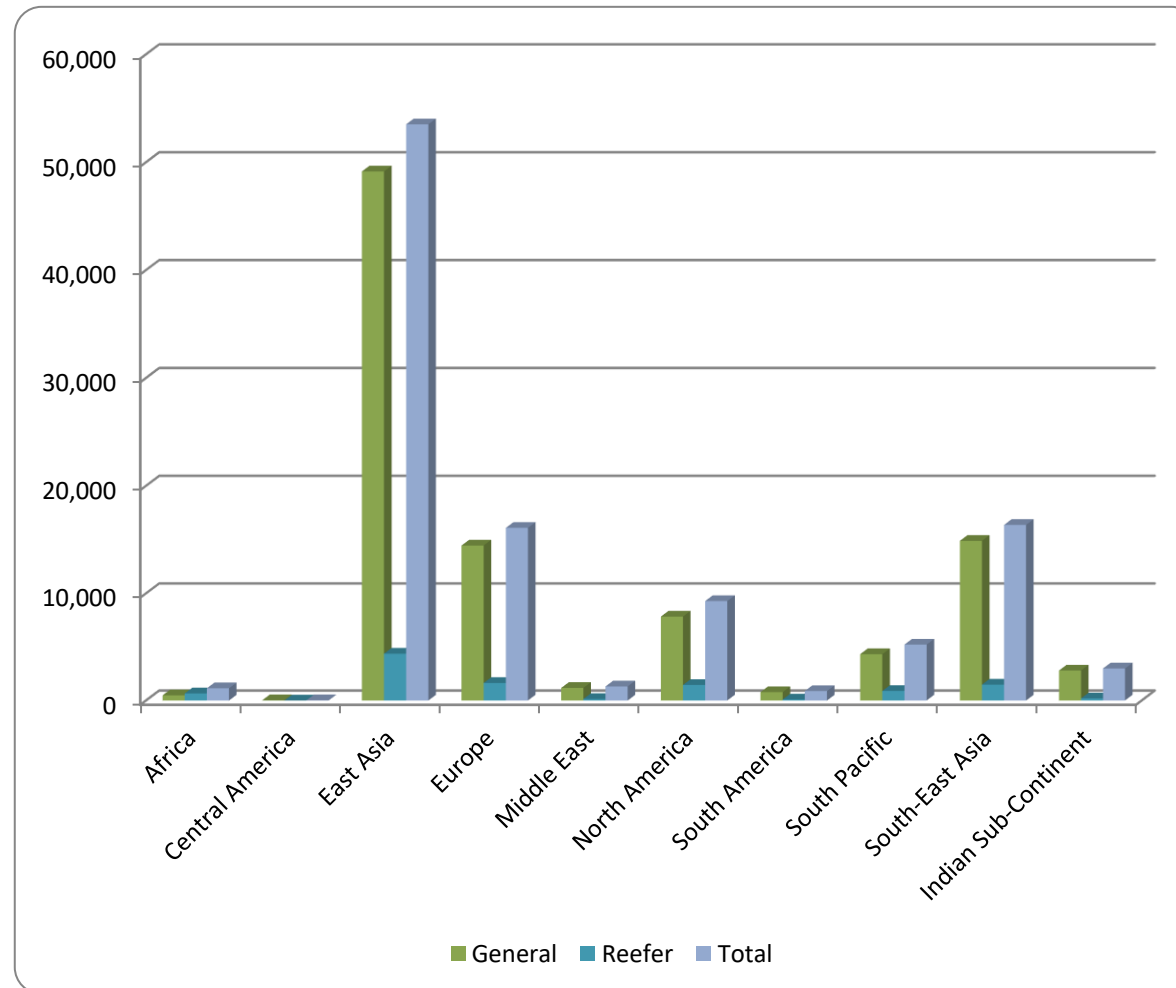
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**Monthly Overseas Container Trade by Origin Region**  
**TOTAL IMPORTS (TEU)**

01/01/20 to 31/01/20

REGION	IMPORT		Total
	General	Reefer	
Africa	481	661	1,142
Central America	22	-	22
East Asia	49,141	4,369	53,510
Europe	14,466	1,639	16,105
Middle East	1,175	135	1,310
North America	7,832	1,452	9,284
South America	782	96	878
South Pacific	4,325	892	5,217
South-East Asia	14,895	1,482	16,377
Indian Sub-Continent	2,796	195	2,991
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>95,915</b>	<b>10,921</b>	<b>106,836</b>





**Monthly Overseas Container Trade by Destination Region**  
**TOTAL EXPORTS (TEU)**

01/01/20 to 31/01/20

REGION	EXPORT		Total
	General	Reefer	
Africa	1,415	79	1,494
Central America	100	48	148
East Asia	42,832	3,126	45,958
Europe	1,407	177	1,584
Middle East	1,458	340	1,798
North America	1,884	989	2,873
South America	97	9	106
South Pacific	10,146	1,823	11,969
South-East Asia	19,569	1,253	20,822
Indian Sub-Continent	2,244	29	2,273
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>81,152</b>	<b>7,873</b>	<b>89,025</b>

