



# International Monthly Market Update: November 2021

Here is our latest international market update for November 2021. As the market is constantly changing, we will continue to provide our customers with the most up to date and relevant information as it is released. Please note the following headlines:

## Port of Los Angeles and Long Beach Emergency Surcharge

- Information was released at the end of October that effective 11/1, both ports will issue an emergency fee of \$100 per day, increasing in \$100 increments for each day (i.e. \$200 for 2nd day, \$300 for 3rd day, total on 3rd day would be \$600) for the following:
  - Any cargo designated for movement by truck remaining on port for 9 days or more after discharge.
  - Any cargo designated for movement by rail remaining on port for 6 days or more after discharge.
  - These charges are in addition to all existing detention and demurrage charges.

## FMC Updates

- The U.S. Federal Maritime Commission's new National Shipper Advisory Committee (NSAC) held its first meeting Wed October 27, 2021. The NSAC was created by Congress and works directly with the FMC on policies relating to competitiveness, reliability, integrity, and fairness of the international ocean freight delivery system. Full article below.
  - <https://archive.dpiusa.com/signals/211102.html#B>

## Carrier Announcements

- CMA announced they are acquiring the Fenix Marine Service Terminal in Los Angeles, effective in 2022.
- Vanguard announced a GRI for exports to South Africa starting 12/3/21 \$16.00 w/m.
- ECU announced a GRI for exports to Fremantle starting 12/1/21 \$20.00 w/m.



## China Update

- Space for October was manageable for most origins. However, it is expected to tighten up the 2nd to 3rd week of November due to the severe congestion along the USWC. More blank sailings are being announced and the market is expected to go up because of capacity reduction.
- Wait time at base ports has averaged 5-7 days with more than 10 days in North China.

## Port Congestion

- The Southern California Marine Exchange has now requested vessel operators to remain up to 150 miles offshore for safety concerns. As we move into the winter months, high winds are a major factor in this decision.
- Long Beach / Los Angeles currently has an average weight time of 13 days to berth. Total anchorage and berthing days have now reached 23 days as both ports continue to see record volumes. As of Friday November 5th, 79 vessels remain in the bay.
- At month end, Savannah Port had 26 vessels waiting to berth, averaging up to 8 days awaiting assignment.
- Seattle Port continues to struggle with port congestion now reaching an average of 3 weeks. 16 vessels are currently awaiting berthing and terminals are starting to pile import containers in inaccessible areas until additional space is available.
- Washington United Terminals (WUT) announced effective November 15th, any import container exceeding 15 days at the terminal will be charged \$310 for a Long Stay Rehandling fee. This is for Tacoma.
- Houston Port currently has 6 vessels awaiting berthing, as the port struggles with equipment shortages for chassis, gensets, and reefer plugs.

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