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Executive Summary

Asia-Europe rates: not a low point

If Bunker Adjustment Factor is taken into account, Asia-Europe rates have been up to 350 USD/TEU lower within the past 6 years. Low rate spikes have become the new normal.

Do larger vessels lead to fewer port calls?

We take another approach to the impact of mega-vessels on the industry, analysing whether the carriers deploy their largest vessels on services with most or fewest port calls. We find that on Asia-North Europe services the largest vessels are deployed on the services with fewest port calls, while the opposite is the case for the Asia-Mediterranean services.

Capacity Injections on Transatlantic

We have analysed the impact of new services and upscale of vessel size in the North-Europe USEC trade and find that weekly capacity will increase with 22% as the changes come into effect.

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Weekly Indicators

20 - 26 Apr 2015

Port of Nagoya

January 2015
Container
Volumes

202,856 TEU
-6% Y/Y

Ports of Tacoma & Seattle

March 2015
Container
Volumes

361,951 TEU
+21% Y/Y

Port of Rotterdam

2015-Q1
Container
Volumes

3.1M TEU
+7.6% Y/Y

Port of Charleston

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