

# Australia container power imports





## Overview

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How many container ports are there in Australia?

Australia has five main container ports, of which the Port of Melbourne is currently the largest. Australian ports are currently able to handle container ships up to around 8,000 TEU to 10,000 TEU, fully loaded. Existing container ports on the east coast are forecast to reach capacity between 2032 and 2052, without expansion.

Should Australia build a container port?

Finally, developing container port facilities to accommodating the increasing size of ships will allow Australia to capture the benefits from lower seaborne freight costs. It could also potentially create a substantive 64 NSW Ports, Navigating the Future NSW Ports' 30 Year Master Plan, October 2015, p 70.

Where do Australian imports come from?

Remaining imports (ie excluding petroleum products and vehicles) are typically shipped to Australia in containers. Australia's largest import partner is China where more than one third of Australian imports originate.

How many TEU can a container ship handle in Australia?

Australian ports are currently able to handle container ships up to around 8,000 TEU to 10,000 TEU, fully loaded. Existing container ports on the east coast are forecast to reach capacity between 2032 and 2052, without expansion. Existing container ports have plans in place for expansion to meet expected growth in containerised trade.

How much will container trade increase in Australia in 2032-33?

Source: BITRE, Maritime Waterline 62, October 2018, pp 12-15. The Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics (BITRE) forecasts that container trade in Australia will increase by between 172 and 205 per cent across each of the five major Australian container ports to 2032-33.



Will Australia's port capacity expand in 2032?

The ongoing growth in containerised trade is placing pressures for expansion at Australia's major ports. Current total port throughput at Australia's east coast container ports equals 7 million TEU. Given current growth, this means that port capacity expansions are needed as soon as 2032.



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### Import and Export Containerised Merchandise Projections by Port

Import and Export Containerised Merchandise Projections by Port Investigate the past and future behaviour of trade for commodities travelling in and out of Australia.

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### Containerised trade trends and implications for Australian ports

Containerised trade of Australian imports and exports have experienced an average growth rate of 2.4 per cent annually over the last seven years across Australia's five largest container ports ...

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### AUSTRALIA'S TOP 25 IMPORTS, GOODS & SERVICES (a) ...

(a) Goods trade is on a recorded trade basis, Services trade is on a balance of payments basis.  
(b) Please note - imports of aircraft were made confidential by the ABS from Sep-08 onwards ...

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### Australia Container Port Throughput, 2008 - 2025 , CEIC Data

What was Australia's Container Port Throughput in 2022? Australia Container Port Throughput was reported at 9,375,992.000 TEU in Dec 2022 See the table below for more data.

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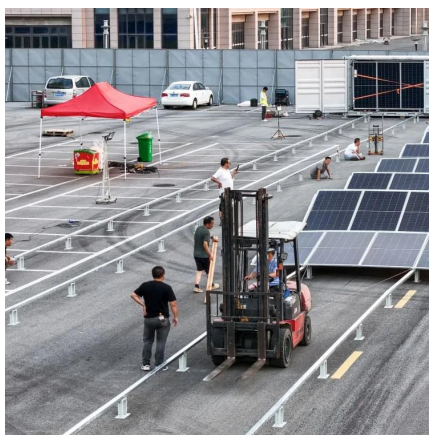




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East coast of Australia will need extra containerised port capacity to accommodate expected growth in containerised trade 31 4.1 Major container ports on the east coast of Australia will ...

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## Maritime Statistics , Bureau of Infrastructure and Transport ...

Waterline reports on trends in container handling productivity on the waterfront in Australia as well as the cost of importing and exporting containers. It covers both the unloading of container ...

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