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1.Global Ocean Spot Rates Slide Dramatically in Late July

As of July 31, Xeneta reports average spot rates from Asia to the U.S. West Coast plunged to USD 2,264/FEU, while Asia–North Europe and Mediterranean routes cooled to USD 3,358 and USD 3,662/FEU respectively. Rates are now 46–59% below June highs, reflecting fading peak demand and increasing sailings being voided.

Source: <https://www.xeneta.com> | Xeneta Weekly Market Update | 31.07.2025

2.Container Shipping Enters Deep Cyclic Downturn

Seatrade Maritime coverage notes steep pricing pressures across container shipping markets, citing overcapacity and slow cargo flows. Spot rate discounting, reflagging older vessels, and blank sailings are all signs of an oversupplied and underutilised global fleet heading toward renewed consolidation.

Source: <https://www.seatrade-maritime.com> | Seatrade-Maritime | 31.07.2025

3.Houthis Reveal Phase-Four Red Sea Campaign, Detain Eternity C Crew

On July 27, the Financial Times revealed that Yemen's Houthi forces are escalating Red Sea maritime operations after sinking bulkers *Magic Seas* and *Eternity C*. The announcement has triggered new shipping advisories, diverted route bookings via Cape routes, and posted urgent war-risk notices from marine insurers.

Source: <https://www.ft.com> | Financial Times | 27.07.2025

4.US–EU Contest China Bid for CK Hutchison Ports

BlackRock and MSC's joint acquisition of CK Hutchison's 43 global terminals has drawn scrutiny after COSCO sought strategic involvement. U.S. officials have flagged potential geopolitical risk, citing the possibility of Chinese influence over critical port infrastructure.

Source: <https://www.reuters.com> | Reuters | 29.07.2025

5.Hong Kong–US Air Cargo Volumes Rebound Post-Typhoon

WorldACD weekly data shows a recovery in tonnages from Hong Kong to the U.S. after mid-July disruptions caused by Typhoon Wipha. Forwarders noted strong catch-up demand and booking upticks, stabilising capacity on Asia–US freighter routes.

Source: <https://www.ajot.com> | AJOT / WorldACD | 01.08.2025

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6. Air Cargo Demand Up 0.8% in June 2025

IATA data published via Air Cargo News shows global cargo demand growing 0.8% YoY in June, led by a robust 9% rise in the Asia-Pacific region. North America saw flat volumes, contributing to overall modest growth amid steady capacity gains.

Source: <https://www.aircargonews.net> | Air Cargo News (via IATA) | 30.07.2025

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