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Shifting International Trade Routes

Factors affecting routing

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About the Council

- **Coordinated voice for liner shipping on matters affecting public policy focused primarily on:**
 - Port and maritime security
 - Environmental impacts
 - Maritime transportation infrastructure
 - Cargo Liability Reform
- **Founded in 2000 in Washington, D.C.**
- **Opened Brussels office in 2007**
- **28 member companies**
 - **90% of global**
liner shipping capacity
 - **94% of US**
international container
trade

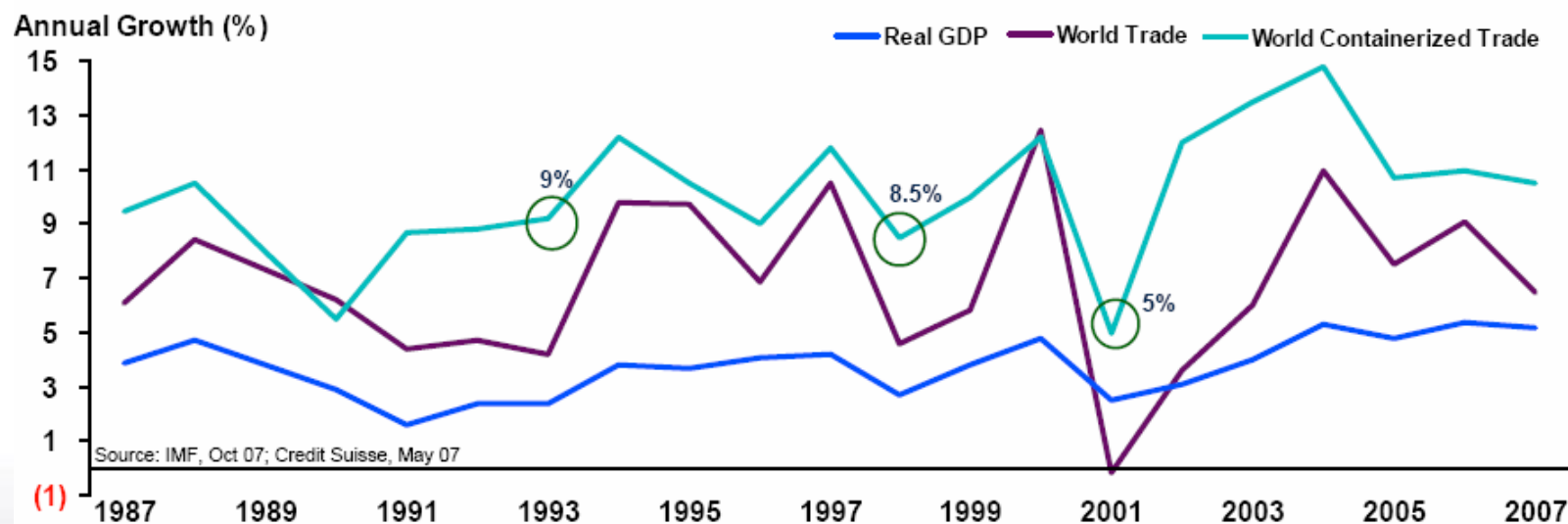


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Sustained Growth

In the last 10 years, containerized trade growth has averaged close to 11% and has been at a multiple of almost 3 to World Real GDP growth



Container Trade Growth

- In the last 5 years, it has never gone below 10.5%
- In the last 10 years, it has never gone below 8.5% except for 2001
- In the last 20 years, it has never gone below 5%

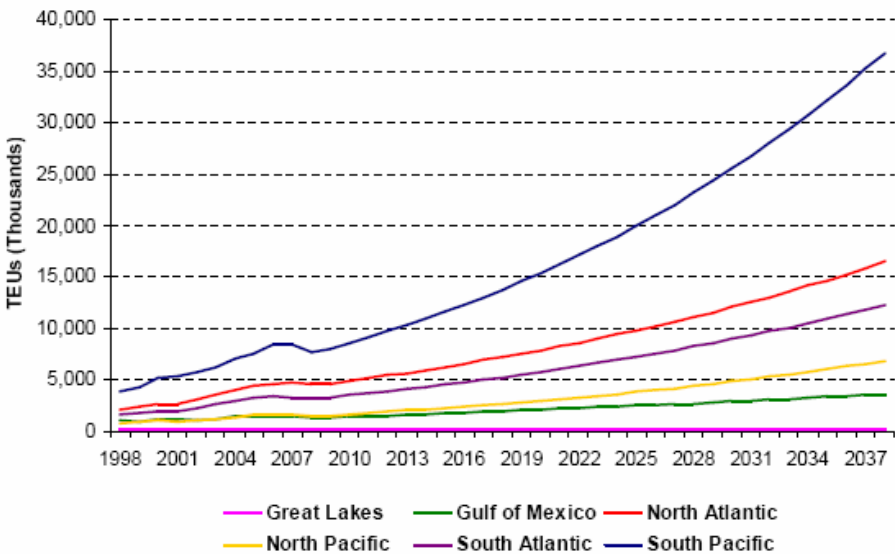
	Average	
	98-07	87-07
World real GDP	4.2	3.8
World Trade	6.6	6.9
World Containerized Trade	10.8	10.1
World Trade/Real GDP	1.5	1.8
Containerized Trade/Real GDP	2.7	2.8



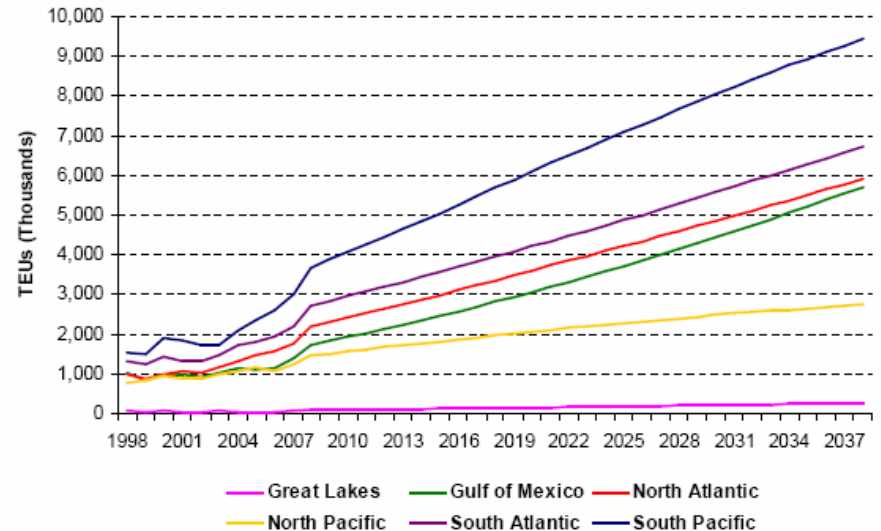
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Volume by U.S. Port Area (1998-2038)

Imports

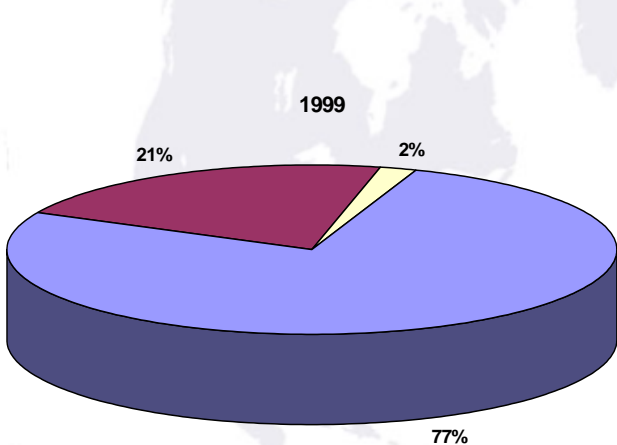


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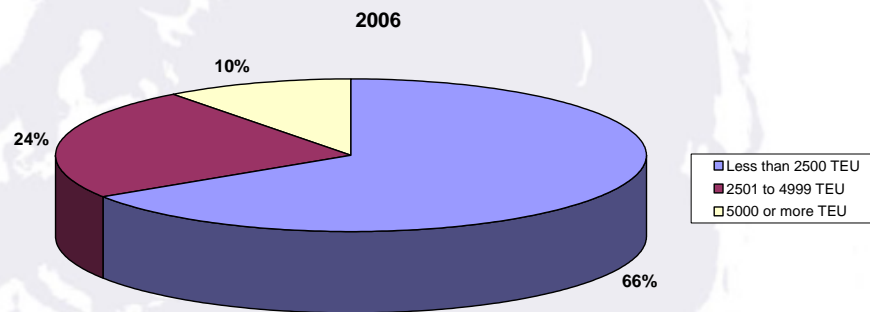




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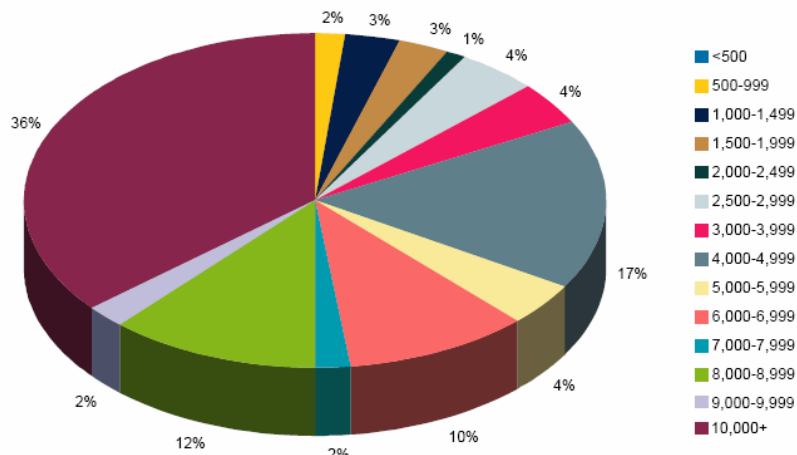


■ Less than 2500 TEU
■ 2501 to 4999 TEU
□ 5000 or more TEU



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■ <500
■ 500-999
■ 1,000-1,499
■ 1,500-1,999
■ 2,000-2,499
■ 2,500-2,999
■ 3,000-3,999
■ 4,000-4,999
■ 5,000-5,999
■ 6,000-6,999
■ 7,000-7,999
■ 8,000-8,999
■ 9,000-9,999
■ 10,000+



TRANS-ATLANTIC*

2007 size: 6.3 m TEU

ASIA-North Europe*

2007 size: 18.6 m TEU

TRANS-PACIFIC*

2007 size: 20.7 m TEU

INTRA-ASIA*

2007 size: 28.3 m TEU

* Source: Drewry Shipping Consultants, WSC estimates



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Serving U.S. – Asia Trade

Evaluating the Options

- **By vessel to the U.S. West Coast and by rail and/or truck to final destination**
- **By vessel to the U.S. East or Gulf Coast via the Suez Canal**
- **By vessel to the U.S. East or Gulf Coast via the Panama Canal**

All are viable.



Serving U.S. – Asia Trade

Evaluation Example

Vessel Route	U.S. Infrastructure Availability	Number and Size of ships	Cost Implications	Schedule Reliability
Asia – U.S. West Coast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) No major WC terminal expansions planned (+) Deep draft readily available (+) Intermodal connectivity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (+) Minimum 5 ships (o) Min. capacity 2000 TEU (+) No maximum TEU limit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) Congestion (-) Limited on-dock rail – extra drays (+) Fewer ships (+) Larger ships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) Congestion causes delays (-) Rail transit times have increased (+) Short ocean transit
Asia – U.S. East Coast & Gulf via the Suez Canal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (+) 7 new terminals to be added (+) 9 major gateways in 9 different states (-) Limits for ship size until dredged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) Minimum 11 ships (+) No size restriction in Suez (+) Over 60% of capacity is 5000+ TEU ships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) More ships (-) More fuel (-) Long transits from biggest market (North Asia) (+) Good transit from South Asia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) Long transits (+) Ample canal capacity (-) Potentially volatile region (+) Avoid U.S. WC congestion
Asia – U.S. East Coast & Gulf via the Panama Canal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (+) 7 new terminals to be added (+) 9 major gateways in 9 different states (-) Limits for ship size until dredging complete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (o) Minimum 8 ships (-) Size restricted to < 5000 TEU (-) Over 60% of capacity is 5000+ TEU ships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) Limited supply of optimal vessels (+) Good transit from North Asia (+) Smaller ships = higher cost per TEU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (-) Canal at capacity (-) Transit delays (+) Avoid U.S. WC congestion (+) Can call at U.S. WC on same service



- **Population in the U.S. South to grow 43% by 2030***
- **New distribution and manufacturing facilities opening in East Coast and Gulf states**
- **Container trades will continue to grow long-term**
- **East coast & gulf ports have capability to accommodate growth**
- **Remove barriers to use of 5000+ TEU ships**
 - Expand Panama Canal
 - Deepen and widen channels where needed



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Thank you.