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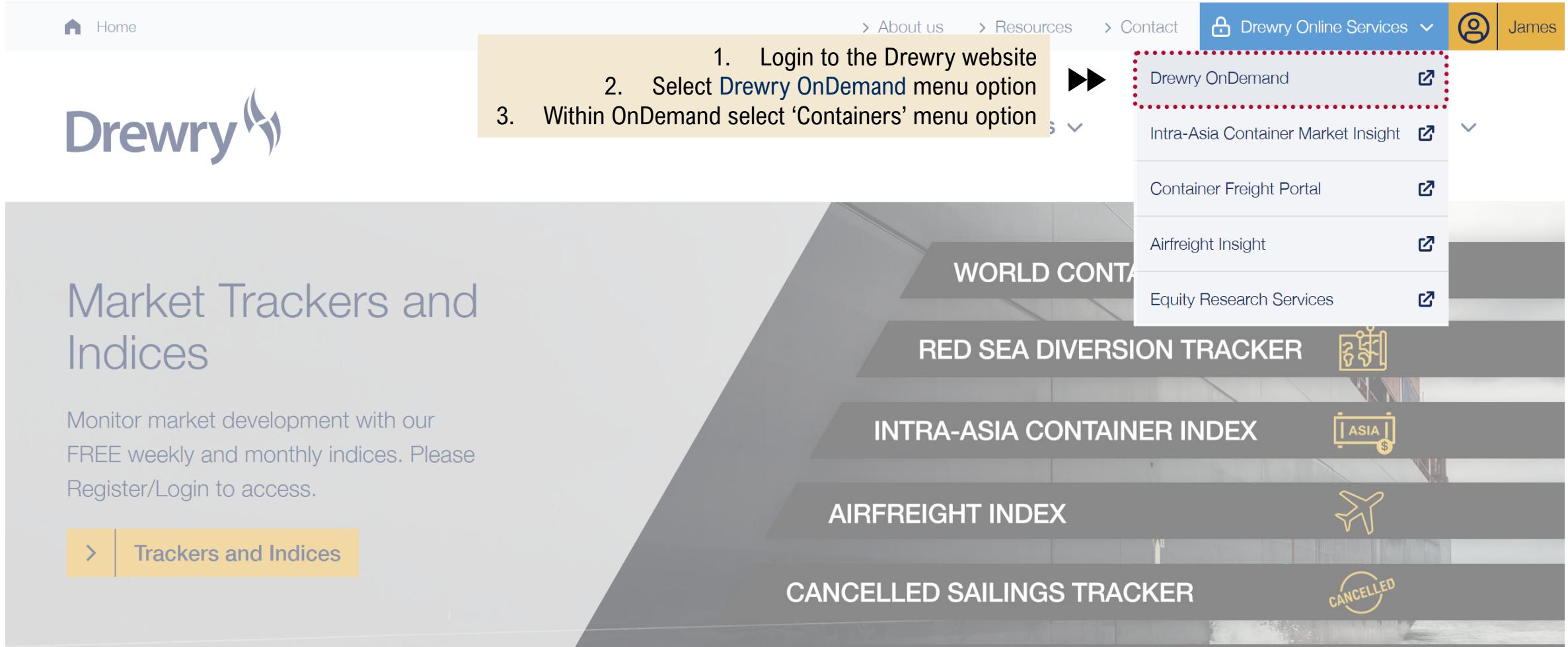
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Containers via OnDemand – How to access?

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1. Login to the Drewry website
2. Select [Drewry OnDemand](#) menu option
3. Within OnDemand select 'Containers' menu option

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'Containers' via OnDemand: Introduction to the menu areas

Menu option	FREE (Registered website users)	Container Forecaster subscribers	Overview
Opinion	YES	YES	Opinion section delivers independent commentary on key developments shaping global shipping markets. Drewry analysts track major economic, geopolitical and industry events and explain what has happened, why it matters and how it may influence vessel demand, trade patterns and earnings. By translating complex market signals into clear narrative insights, Opinion helps users identify emerging risks, opportunities and likely scenarios across different vessel segments. Free and Premium (subscriber-only) articles are published here.
Sector at a Glance	YES	YES	Sector at a Glance provides a high-level snapshot of the selected shipping market, combining key statistics, indicators and visual summaries in one place. Updated regularly, it highlights trends in fleet activity, utilisation and operational conditions across regions and vessel segments, helping users quickly understand the overall market picture before exploring more detailed research.
Monthly Insight		YES	Monthly Insight provides a monthly view of the shipping market, delivering a timely update on key demand and supply factors. It summarises fleet activity, trade flows, charter rates, asset values, and other core indicators, giving users a clear understanding of recent trends and short-term market expectations. Available exclusively to subscribed users, it allows interactive exploration of monthly developments through a sector-specific dashboard.
Drewry Forecast		YES	The Forecast section provides forward-looking insights into the selected shipping sector, covering expected trends in charter rates, fleet development, trade flows, and demand. With an executive summary highlighting key indicators and forecast assumptions, users can quickly understand potential market developments and track changes from previous projections.
Latest Market Data		YES	Provides a consolidated view of all Drewry's maritime research data for the sector. Primarily covering six key segments: Supply, AIS, Demand, Charter Market, Asset Market and Advanced Options.
Energy Transition		YES	The Energy Transition section provides decarbonisation and sustainability developments shaping global shipping. It tracks alternative fuels, green technology adoption, emissions trends, regulatory progress, and the growing share of alternative fuel and next-generation vessels across fleets and orderbooks.
My Resources		YES	Subscriber access to PDF reports . The section also acts as a direct communication channel with Drewry analysts — allowing users to submit queries, clarify insights, and receive faster responses without relying on separate email exchanges.

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China to Vietnam container trade volumes retain top spot in 2025

15 Jan 2026

15 Jan 2026: With 2025 volumes nearly counted, Drewry's upgraded Intra-Asia Container Market Insight, which now supports port, country and region level insights, reveals that the China to Vietnam market remains the most important country-to-country trade flow in the intra-Asia trade



Can the shipping industry really get rid of shipping delays?

24 Nov 2025

24 Nov 2025: Gemini Cooperation has targeted schedule reliability above 80% - but can carriers really put an end to shipping delays?

The Opinion section is free to access, however, the Category Filter includes both Free and Premium content. Only Forecaster subscribers can view Premium Opinions.

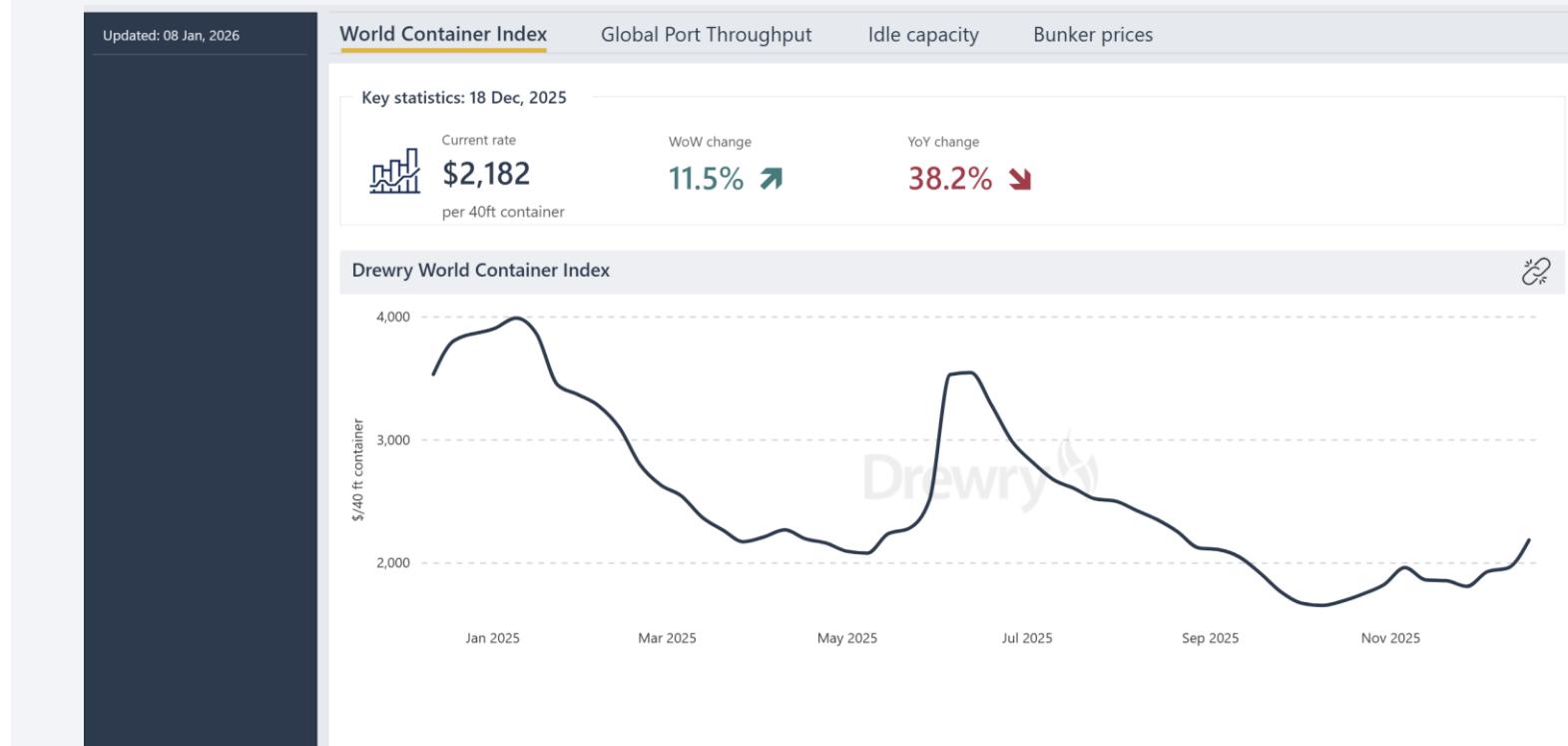
Sector Filter options: OnDemand covers all the main shipping sectors, this option allows you to filter articles by shipping sector. By default, the sector you are currently browsing will be selected automatically. If required, you can enable other sectors to view commentary from across the wider market.

Click the Apply Filters button to perform the search.

Sector at a Glance

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Sector at a Glance provides a concise snapshot of the selected shipping market, bringing together key statistics, indicators and visual insights in one place. It is designed to give users a clear, high-level understanding of current market conditions before exploring detailed research elsewhere on the platform.

Updated weekly or monthly, this section includes World Container Index, Global Port Throughput, Idle capacity and an overview of sector Bunker prices.

For the bulk shipping sectors the Sector at a glance statistics provide headline market indicators with recent period-on-period changes. Below these, a series of charts presents visual summaries of fleet structure, market activity and price or earnings trends, depending on the sector selected. The exact metrics and visualisations may vary from sector to sector.

Monthly Insight > Overview

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Issue date Jan 26

Figures are for: end Dec-25

Fleet	33.0 mteu	▲ 7.0%
Orderbook	11.3 mteu	▲ 35.2%
Port Throughput Index	124.3	▲ 6.5%
E-W utilisation index	75.3%	▼ 16.9%
E-W contract rate index	121.7	▼ 5.9%
Drewry Equity Index	328.9	▲ 6.3%

Use the **Issue date** slicer to access previous monthly reports. This feature allows easy navigation between past issues, enabling users to track the evolution of market conditions over time.

Container shipping finds temporary relief as US-China truce holds

- Although sporadic spikes were registered in volumes during the year, particularly on the Transpacific and Transatlantic trades, there was only limited success in curbing the rate fall. Spot rates showed a moderate uptick over the last month due to capacity management efforts by carriers; however, it is unclear whether this trend will continue in early 2026 or not, as the anticipated pre-Lunar New Year uplift has so far remained muted.
- As of 1 January, the fleet comprised 7,047 vessels, aggregated at 33 mteu. With an average 180 kteu delivered per month in 2025, the global container fleet expanded by 2 mteu. Moreover, the orderbook crossed the 11 mteu mark, equivalent to 33% of the active fleet.
- Freight markets ended the year 2025 on a firm note. Asia–Europe/Med lanes posted moderate gains, Transpacific rates were broadly unchanged, while Transatlantic rates edged up.
- Although most carriers/alliances released their dual routing portfolio in early 2025, routing strategies still remain divergent, and most carriers remain cautious as any normalisation of routing is expected to be gradual. Recently, the Premier Alliance confirmed routing vessels via the COGH for its 2026 East–West network, while carriers such as Maersk (Maersk Seaborok) and CMA CGM (CMA CGM Jacques Saade) have begun testing safe passage via the Suez corridor.
- More than 1.6 mteu capacity planned to be delivered this year, renewing focus on scrapping (2025 total – 6 kteu) and idle fleet (2025 average – 2.7% per month), which have been dormant in 2025 due to the stretched voyages from the COGH detour and associated opportunity cost.
- The key uncertainty looming over the market is the timing and impact of the normalisation of Suez transit. The expected return of services to the Red Sea this year could introduce another phase of adjustment.

Monthly insight is a comprehensive dashboard, providing a monthly overview of the key demand and supply indicators shaping the market. Available to subscribers only, it covers trade flows, production trends, commodity prices, fleet developments, ordering activity, and vessel demolitions. It also provides a brief coverage of charter rates, asset values and forward-looking market outlooks.

Overview – provides a concise yet comprehensive monthly snapshot of the shipping market. It summarises the key factors that influenced the market in the previous month and outlines short-term expectations. Users can quickly understand trends in charter and freight rates, fleet supply and demand dynamics, and other operational developments. The section also highlights significant events or market drivers that have impacted, or could impact, the sector. Core market indicators such as fleet size, orderbook, trade route indices and contract rate index.

Glossary – explains key terms and abbreviations used in the report for easy reference.

In each sub menu option users can explore detailed monthly developments using the filter options in the left hand navigation panel.

The platform allows flexible drill-downs to visualise sector status by vessel numbers, capacity, vessel segments, or, in the case of bulk sectors commodities/regions.

Monthly Insight > Supply

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Sub-section

- Fleet
- Orderbook
- Idle fleet
- Top carriers

Unit selection

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Size range

All

World cellular containership fleet (ktes): Dec-25

33,007

World cellular containership fleet (ktes): Dec-25

Vessel Type	Fleet Size (ktes)
Small Feeder	3,168
Large Feeder	2,300
Panamax	4,139
Small neo-Pana	8,191
Large neo-Pana	2,208
Large post-Pana	122
VLCV - Maxi neo-Pana	5,117
VLCV - Neo post-Pana	3,370
ULCV	4,391

Fleet (% change): Dec-25

Size range	MoM	YoY
Small Feeder	0.3%	2.7%
Large Feeder	0.1%	1.9%
Panamax	0.2%	1.8%
Small neo-Pana	-0.1%	3.7%
Large neo-Pana	2.0%	8.9%
Large post-Pana	0.0%	0.0%
VLCV - Maxi neo-Pana	1.5%	15.4%
VLCV - Neo post-Pana	0.5%	22.2%
ULCV	0.6%	4.6%
Total	0.5%	7.0%

Share of old vessels of fleet (ktes): Dec-25

Vessel Type	15-20 Yrs	20-25 Yrs	25+ Yrs
Small Feeder	52.1%	25.0%	22.9%
Large Feeder	54.4%	25.0%	20.6%
Panamax	68.8%	25.0%	8.2%
Small neo-Pana	52.6%	25.0%	22.4%
Large neo-Pana	16.3%	25.0%	58.7%
Large post-Pana	53.8%	46.2%	0.0%
VLCV - Maxi neo-Pana	4.6%	25.0%	70.4%
VLCV - Neo post-Pana	11.0%	25.0%	64.0%
ULCV	33.8%	25.0%	41.2%
Total	33.8%	25.0%	41.2%

In each sub menu under **Market Insight** allows users to explore detailed monthly developments using the filter options in the left-hand navigation panel.

The platform allows flexible drill-downs to visualise each shipping sector's status by vessel numbers, capacity, Orderbook, Idle fleet, vessel segments, and Top carriers – and in the case of the bulk shipping sectors by commodities and regions.

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Updated on: 09 Dec, 2025

Overview Demand Supply Supply/demand Trade routes Rates and earnings Assets

Changes to Drewry's key forecasts

	2025		2026	
	Nov-25	Dec-25	Nov-25	Dec-25
Port throughput	---	---	↗	---
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Global supply-demand index (Index pts)	Supply Demand Index	---	---	---

The **Forecast** section provides forward-looking research for the selected shipping sector, presenting expected market developments in a clear and easily understandable format. It includes projections for charter rates, TCEs on key routes, fleet growth, deliveries, demolitions and shipping demand, including commodity trade flows across major importing and exporting regions. The primary aim of this section is to give users insight into future market trends based on key scenarios.

This section allows users to quickly grasp the high-level evolution of key market indicators and major components. It also outlines the underlying assumptions and forecast sensitivities that shape Drewry's opinion.

For more detailed information on specific market components, users can navigate to other sub-sections via the navigation panel to explore forecasts for each area in depth.

Latest Market Data

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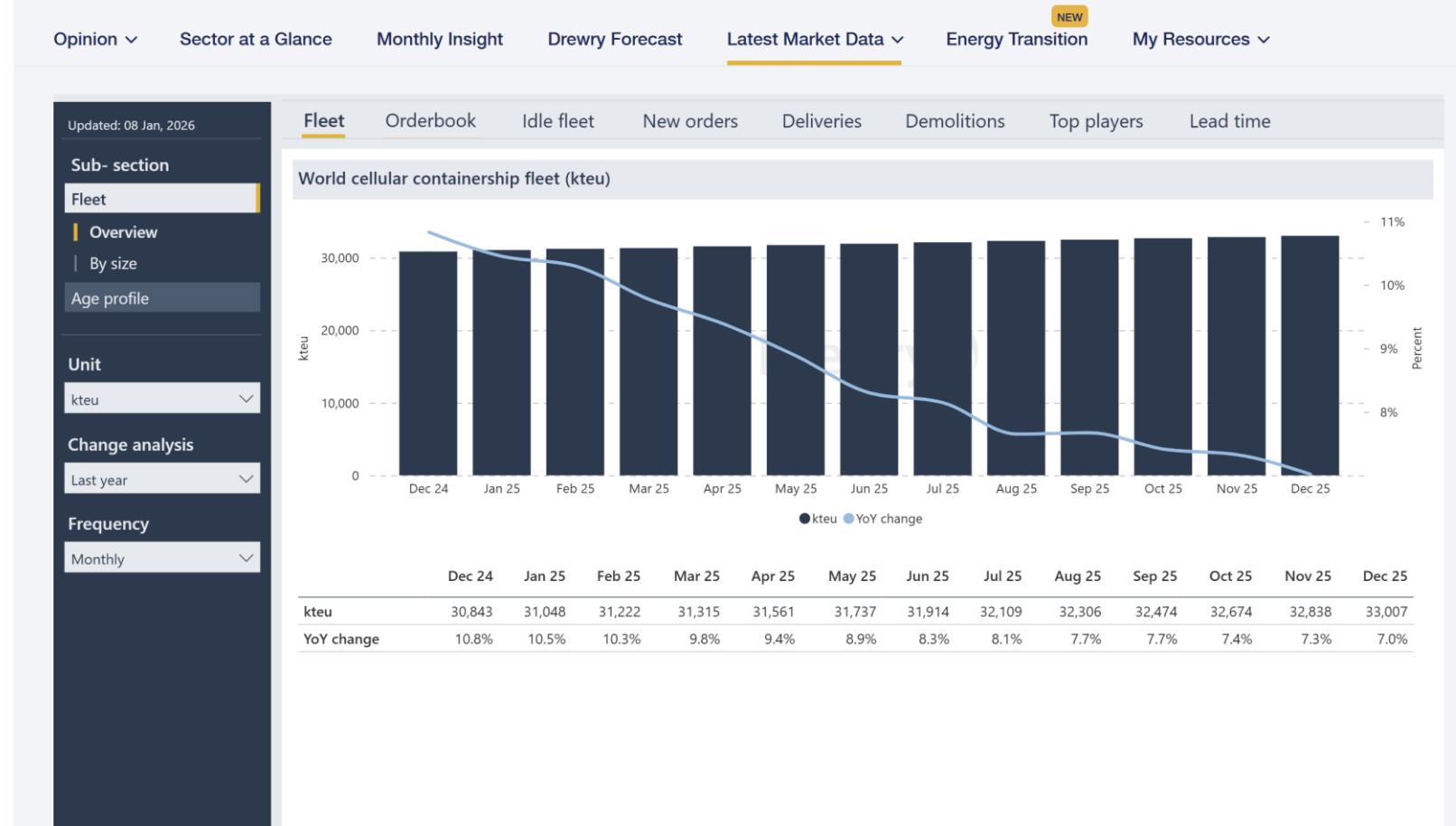
The **Latest Market Data** section provides access to Drewry's consolidated maritime research resources and databases, organised by shipping sector. For easier navigation, the data is divided into several sub-segments, including **Shipping (Supply & AIS)**, **Demand**, **Charter Market**, and **Asset Market**.

Most datasets are available at multiple frequencies and include up to 10 years of historical information. Weekly AIS data is updated regularly, offering insights on vessel utilisation, trading status, employment patterns, speed, congestion, and repairs.

Interactive dashboard options let users filter and analyse information by attributes such as region, vessel size, and time frequency (annual, quarterly, monthly), enabling flexible and in-depth exploration of the market.

Latest Market Data > Supply

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The **Supply** report provides an interactive, visually engaging overview of the dry bulk fleet and supply trends. Users can navigate through multiple pages via the navigation panel, including **Fleet**, **Orderbook**, **New Orders**, **Deliveries**, **Demolitions**, **Major Owners/Builders**, **Asset Activity**, and **Lead Time**.

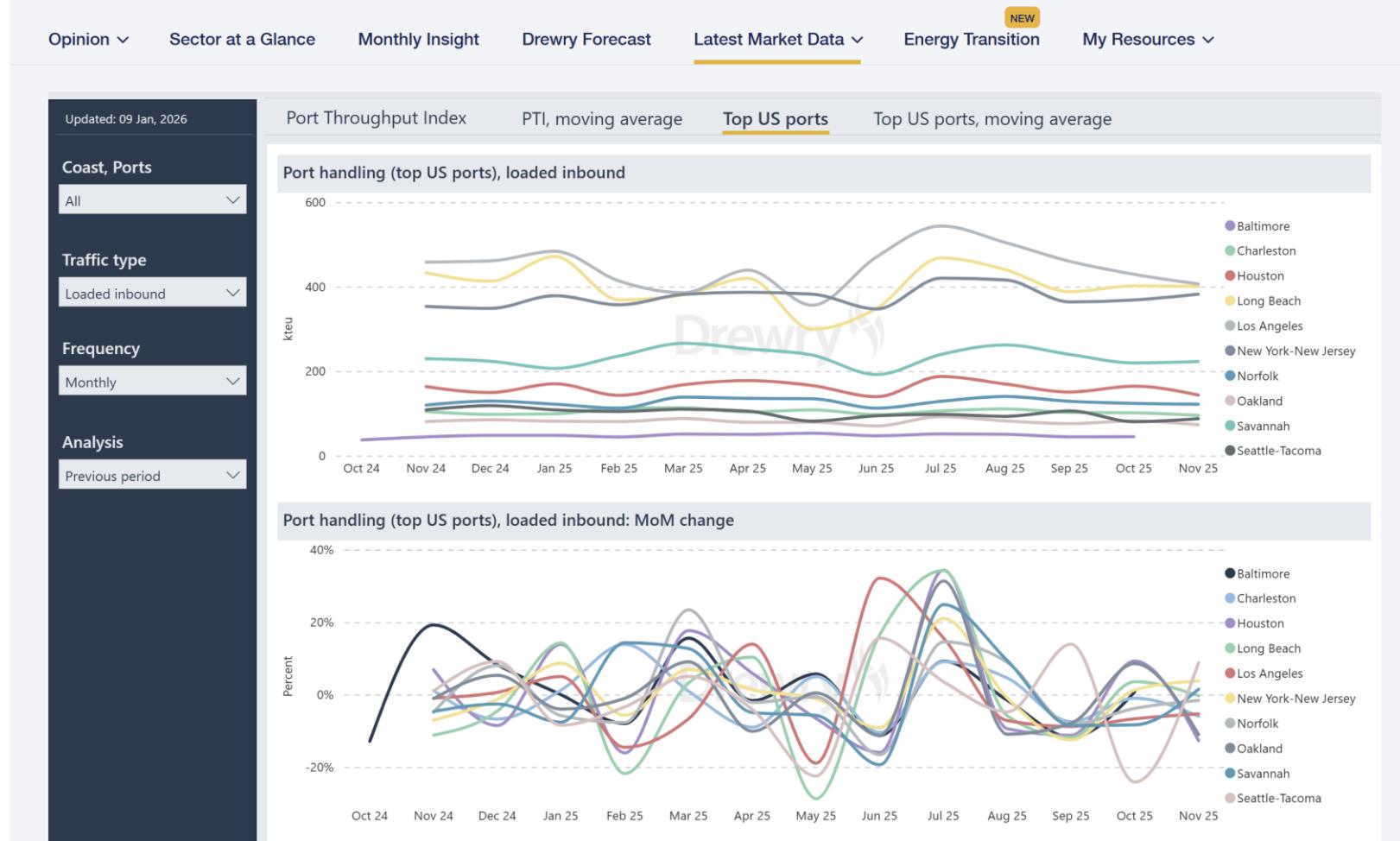
The left-side panel includes several interactive options:

- **Unit** – display data by fleet number or fleet capacity
- **Frequency** – view data at different time intervals

Each visualisation highlights a specific aspect of fleet development, helping users interpret changes in fleet numbers, ordering patterns, and structural shifts in supply. The similar interactive options and filters are available across all pages which can be accessed by clicking on tabs given on horizontal bar, providing a consistent and flexible experience for exploring supply-side data.

Latest Market Data > Demand

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Under **Latest Market Data**, users can view the **Demand** report, which provides an in-depth, interactive exploration of dry bulk demand fundamentals.

The navigation panel provides access to all pages covering Seaborne trade, Monthly trade, Major trades, Major trade lane, Commodity prices, and Variables comparison.

The left-side panel includes a subsection with two navigable pages: Overview and Minor bulk. Users can choose to view either shipping demand or Trade volume. Filters are available for Commodity, Exporter region/country, and Importer region/country, allowing users to select the required options from the available filters.

Each chart focuses on a specific driver, showing how trade flows, cargo composition, and regional activity shape overall market demand

Users can explore all available options and filters across other pages in a similar way.

Latest Market Data > Charter Market

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Under **Latest Market Data**, users can view the **Charter Market** report, which provides an interactive coverage of the charter and freight markets across dry bulk segments.

The navigation panel provides access to all pages covering Rates & Earnings, FFA & Index, TC rates vs variables, Earnings & costs, and Chartering activity.

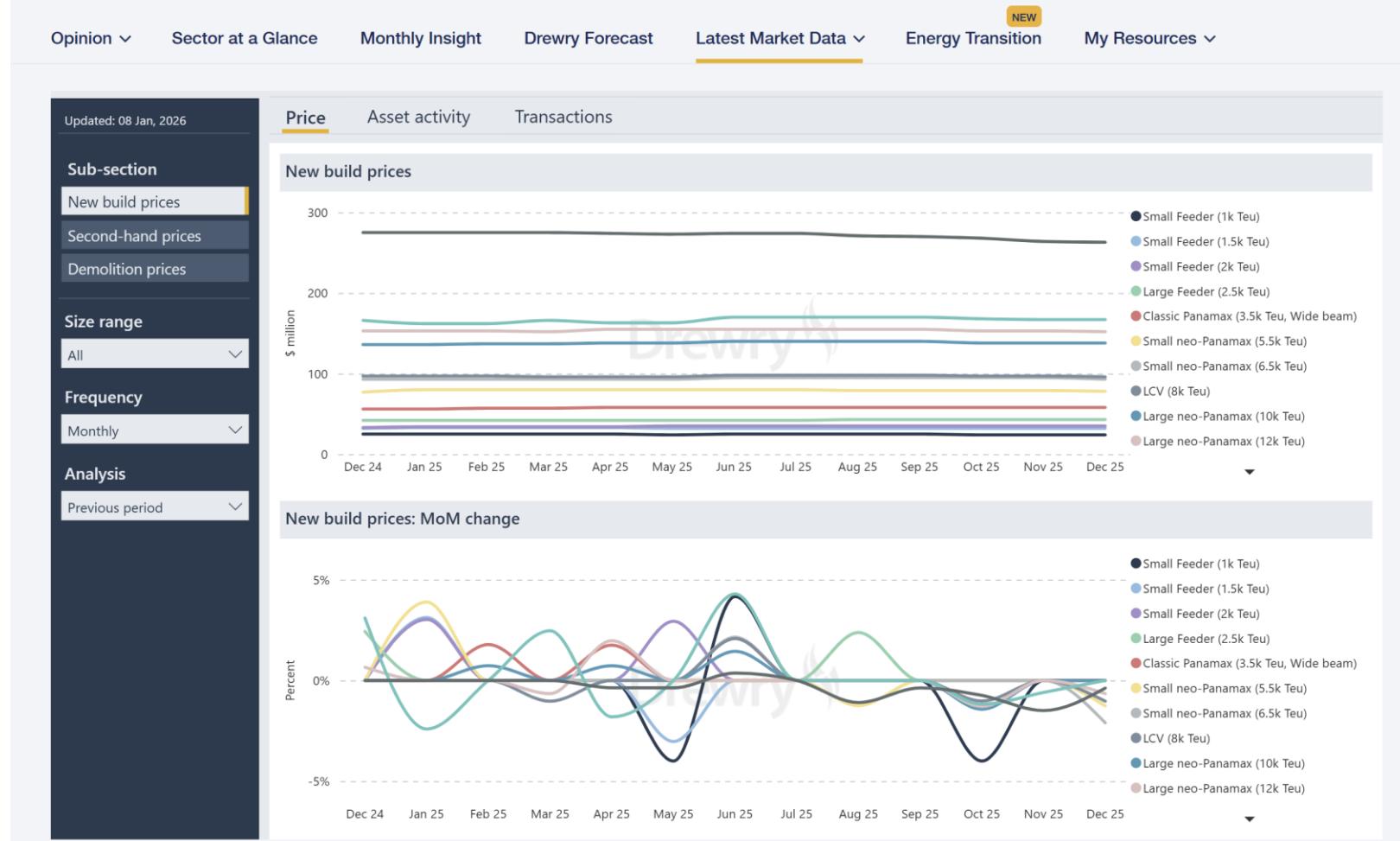
The left-side panel includes filters of Spot market variable, Vessel type, Trade route and frequency, through which you can explore the options.

Visuals explain earnings dynamics, rate movements, and market momentum in a clear and intuitive way.

Users can explore all available options and filters across other pages in a similar way.

Latest Market Data > Asset Market

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Under Latest Market Data, users can view the **Asset Market** report, which provides an interactive perspective on fleet additions and removals, capturing asset market dynamics. Explores newbuilding activity, demolitions, secondhand transactions, and vessel prices and values across segments.

The navigation panel provides access to all pages covering Asset prices, Demolition Prices, Asset activity, and Listing.

The left-side panel includes filters of Size range- NB prices, Size range- SH values, frequency and Age range- SH values, through which you can explore the options.

Visuals explain Newbuild and Secondhand prices trends with respect to selected frequency.

Users can explore all available options and filters across other pages in a similar way.

Energy Transition

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The **Energy Transition** dashboard highlights how the maritime industry is transitioning toward cleaner and more sustainable operations. As environmental regulations strengthen and decarbonisation targets become clearer, shipowners and operators are reassessing vessel design, fuel choices and efficiency strategies. This dashboard brings together key indicators showing the market's gradual shift from conventional fuels to alternatives such as LNG, methanol, ammonia and biodiesel, alongside the growing adoption of energy-saving technologies, scrubbers and emerging carbon-reduction solutions.

The opening view offers a cross-sector perspective — covering dry bulk, containers, tankers, LNG, LPG and more — enabling users to compare progress across the broader shipping landscape. Users can then drill down into sector-specific tabs, analysing developments by fleet or orderbook, and toggling between number of vessels and capacity to assess both current positioning and future fleet dynamics.

Visualisations show the share of alternative-fuel capable vessels, the mix of different fuel types, and each sector's contribution to the global fleet. Additional charts illustrate the uptake of greener technologies, helping users understand how emissions are being reduced through both fuel transition and operational efficiency.

Overall, the dashboard provides a clear, structured view of the maritime decarbonisation journey, allowing users to track progress and evaluate how sustainability trends are shaping the fleet of tomorrow.

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