Containership Capacity (MLW Channel Depth)

- Panamax or less (4,200 TEU) (Less than 39 feet)
- Panamax (4,500 TEU) (39-40 feet)
- Post-Panamax I (6,000 TEU) (40-45 feet)
- Post-Panamax II (8,000 TEU) (45-48 feet)
- Neo-Panamax (12,000 TEU) (48-50 feet)
- Post Panamax III (16,000 TEU) (51 feet and above)

MLW (mean low water): The average height of the low waters over a 19-year period.
Source: Adapted from US Department of Transportation, Port Performance Freight Statistics Program. & Port Authorities.
Note: Containership capacity refers to full ships. A port can accommodate larger ships if they are partially loaded.