

# Shipping and Commodity Flows



# Introducing CSM+ | Enhanced commercial model, simplified offering — limitless insights

Gain clarity in freight and commodity markets with real-time, reality-grounded intelligence. This integrated package delivers ship tracking, trade flows, waterborne inventories, forecasts, and transparent market-reported freight and bunker prices—alongside daily commentaries, news, and research.

Designed for trading and chartering teams, it supports faster decisions with verified, actionable insights. By connecting real ships, cargoes, and prices across time horizons, it enables earlier detection of market shifts, precise risk pricing, and aligned execution.



## Overview

**Geographic coverage** — Global

**Licensing** — Enterprise-wide access

**History** — Price history since 1988  
Trade flows data since 2017  
10 years of ship movement data

**Content package options** — Market Data, Market Insights



## Market Data

Industry benchmark price assessments, underpinned by robust, and transparent methodologies.

You get:

- Container rates and bunker charges
- Dry bulk freight prices
- Clean and dirty tanker freight price assessments
- Platts Base Rates for tanker freight
- Bunker fuels and alternative marine fuels pricing
- Carbon-accounted freight price assessments
- Historical data



## Market Insight

Access to real-time updates, breaking news, analysis, forecasts, fundamental data, and tools.

You get:

- Real-time alerts
- Publications: Market reports and research
- Industry news and analysis
- Market commentary
- Market hears
- Analytical tools
- Fundamentals data
- Forecasts
- Maps and geospatial
- Commodity trade flows and fleet metrics
- Freight rate forecasts
- Bunker fuel sales lead generation tools

## Data and distribution

Get the edge in today's global markets with our Essential Intelligence® delivered through the providers and platforms which suit you.



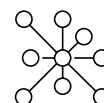
Desktop & mobile



Cloud



Data feed



API solutions

## Markets covered:



Agriculture



Bunker Fuel



Coal



LPG and NGLs



Alternative  
Marine Fuels



Ores  
and Metals



Crude Oil and  
Refined Products



Chemicals



Container  
Ships



Tankers Ships



Dry Bulk  
Carriers



Fertilizer

Sector	Platts Price Benchmarks and Indices
Container Rates	1 North Asia–North Continent
	3 North Asia–Mediterranean
	5 North Asia–EC North America
	13 North Asia–WC North America
	9 North Continent–EC North America
	25 Southeast Asia–EC North America
Dry Bulk Freight	Cape T4
	KMAX9 Index
	NMAX GT4 Index
	APUI5 and APSI5 Indexes
	Scrubber Premium Index
Tanker Freight	270kt VLCC U.S. Gulf Coast–China
	70kt Aframax U.S. Gulf Coast–UK Continent
	80kt Aframax cross–UK Continent
	270kt VLCC Persian Gulf–China
	LR1 AG–Japan 55kt assessment
	Black Sea and Med to Far East (Suezmax)
	Baltic/Med (Aframax)
	USGC VLCC demurrage
	U.S. Gulf Coast Aframax Lightering
Bunker Fuel	Tupi FOB Brazil crude
	CIF Med Urals
	Marine Fuel 0.5% FOB Rotterdam Barges
	FOB Arab Gulf fuel oil
	Japan fuel oil
	FOB Singapore fuel oil
	Fuel Oil 1% FOB
	NWE Cargoes

## Key service highlights

- We have coverage across interconnected global commodities including Oil, Refined Products, NGLs, LNG, Chemicals, Agriculture, Metals, and Coal.
- Our freight rates underpin the daily price of raw materials and finished goods across commodity sectors.
- We consolidate and package critical information such as routes, rates, vessel capacity, fuel costs, fuel availability, supply and demand.
- Daily marine fuel assessments available in more than 80 ports, with price indications at over 280 additional ports.
- Carbon-accounted freight price assessments for European tanker voyages and container routes.

## Key market insights

- **Platts Dry Freight Wire, with monthly Containers Update supplement:** Truly independent and holistic assessment of the dry freight market, which integrates the views of brokers, shipowners, and charterers alike.
- **Platts Clean Tankerwire** The latest in tanker freight and fixture rates, to view market developments, analyze the tanker market, identify opportunities, and manage risk.
- **Platts Dirty Tankerwire:** See developments in the global dirty tanker market including: global freight rates, tanker fixtures, information on projects, supply, market dynamics, and crude deals as well as tanker-sensitive news and market commentary.
- **Platts Bunkerwire:** A daily global picture of the physical bunker fuels market, with the latest marine fuel prices and insights for all major ports. Also includes Platts Container rates and Platts Bunker Charges, daily indexes that provide flexibility for container carriers and their customers in negotiating box rates and bunker surcharges.
- **Freight Market Outlook:** Independent and insightful analysis of global freight markets with proprietary oil and trade flow data. Understand key events and trends, historic and forecast tanker statistics, forecasts of tanker ton-mile demand, and vessel demand in key tanker size sectors.
- **Live Vessel Tracking:** Our MINT service tracks all commercial vessels and includes tools and analytics reports that help users with decision supporting trading, operations/scheduling and planning. Its unique configuration also makes it the ideal bunker fuel sales intelligence tool that can support sales lead generation, market entry planning and market share analysis.

- **Commodities at Sea (CAS):** Real-time vessel-by-vessel cargo intelligence and fleet analytics that provides visibility into waterborne commodity supply and inventories, trade flows and relationships, and fleet employment metrics. CAS is used by both commodity and freight trading teams to help potentially better identify trading insights and calibrate their decisions to rapidly changing market conditions.
- **Freight Rate Forecast (FRF):** Uses modelling and statistical techniques to predict Spot and Period freight rates on a monthly basis and for years ahead. Using machine learning techniques and over 3,000 industry related drivers, the models are trained with extended periods of historical data to uncover patterns and trends that are unlikely to be detected by traditional forecasting approaches.

## How customers are using our data and insights

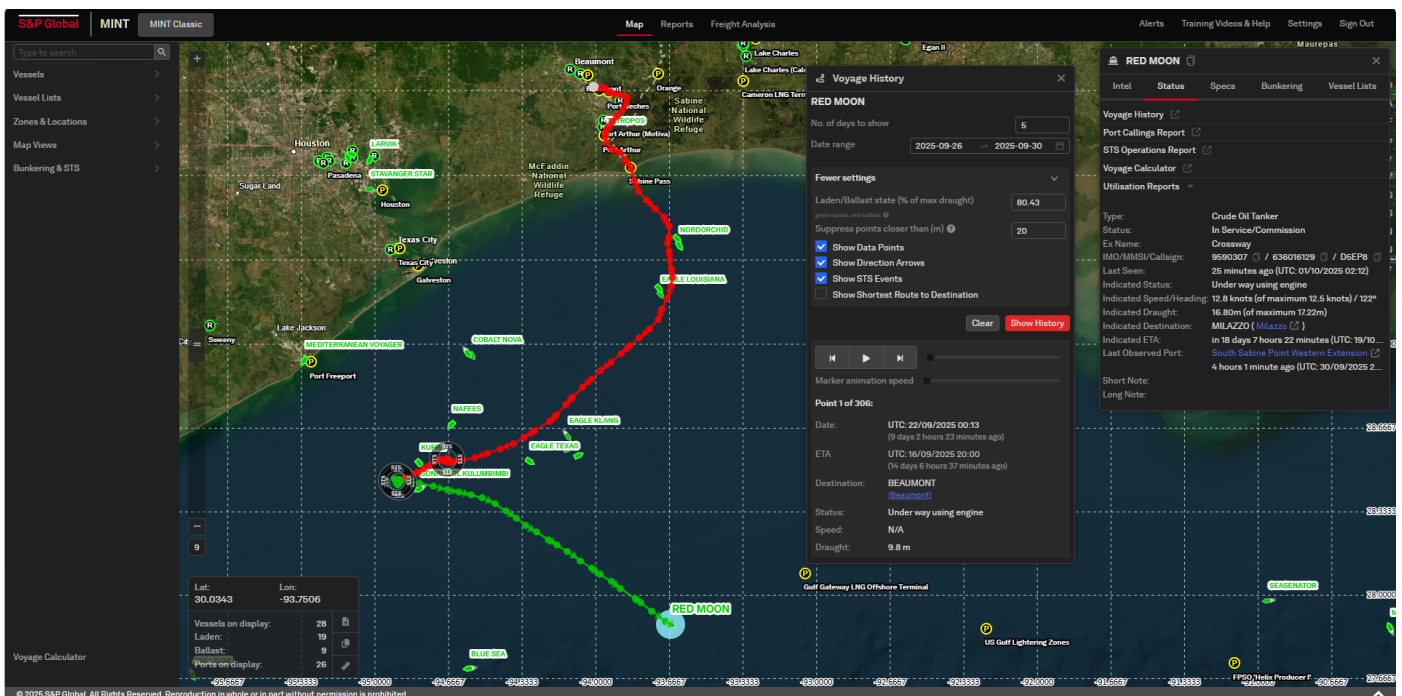
### Shippers, commodity traders, freight forwarders, and charterers:

- Gain transparency across the supply chain.
- Reduce the risk of adverse impact from bunker price volatility.
- Carry out contract negotiations with confidence using end-of-day pricing assessments.
- Develop new trade strategies.

- Prepare for the impact of new regulations on the commodity and consumer markets.
- Keep up to date with market developments.
- Spot opportunities ahead of the competition.
- Save time by gaining access to unique cargo information and verified fixtures.
- Understand price drivers and fluctuations to trade, write contracts, and negotiate transactions with confidence. Understand the tonnage situation and freight levels.
- Leverage arbitrage opportunities to optimize profit margins.

## Why choose this service

- Access to global price benchmarks and assessments, fully transparent methodologies.
- Proprietary market data including Platts Base Rates.
- Key routes expressed in voyage rates (\$/ton) and time charter equivalents (\$/day).
- Coverage of all major vessel sizes, from Capesize to Handysize.
- Coverage of all major dry freight commodities (alumina, bauxite, coking and thermal coal, ferrous scrap, grains, iron ore, limestone, petcoke, and sugar).
- Coverage of alternative marine fuels.



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