

# GLOBAL PORT CONGESTION UPDATE

Overview of port trend in Jan and outlook for Feb to support your shipment planning.

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## Hamburg

Since early January, severe winter weather— heavy snow and extremely low temperatures —partially halted terminal operations and pickups/deliveries on several days. Major European ports were heavily affected, causing accumulated congestion and roughly a 10-day delay from original schedules. Forecasts predict continued cold, so improvement remains uncertain.

## Rotterdam

Port conditions are easing as backlogs are cleared. US-to-Rotterdam routes face average delays of 1-2 days, while Asia- origin delays depend on prior port loops. Antwerp's backlog recovery is slower. Some carriers partly resumed Suez transits for smaller ships, yet they may continue using both Red Sea and Cape routes. Trucking companies continue to complain about terminal congestion and restrictive slot times.

## Port Klang

Westport and Northport are facing severe port congestion. All inbound and outbound vessels are experiencing roughly ten-day delays, and this is expected to continue into February.

## Shanghai

In January, Shanghai Port experienced average congestion delays of about 2 days due to weak overall demand. Sailing cuts by carriers to lift rates have limited near-term congestion. Labor shortages around Chinese New Year could cause localized delays.

## Singapore

Singapore port saw gradual improvements in January as year-end cargo volumes eased and peak-period congestion subsided. However, many vessel omitted sailings in February due to Chinese New Year, extended holidays may slow shipments and cause delays.

## Busan

January saw normal congestion with no pre-Chinese New Year demand surge. Cargo volume is expected to decline during the mid-February holiday period, then rebound to average levels afterward, suggesting only a temporary slowdown.

## Nhava Sheva

Nhava Sheva port is currently operating without congestion, with average waiting times of about 1-2 days. Looking ahead to February, operations are expected to remain stable.

## Long Beach

After a record-breaking 2025, LB port expects lower volumes in 2026 and is investing in infrastructure to prevent future congestion. Inland transport remains under strain, and drivers— particularly in Southern California—are increasing the risk of cargo delays.

## New York

Severe winter weather is disrupting transportation across the eastern two-thirds of the U.S. from late January. Snow, ice, and freezing rain are causing delays, closures, and rescheduling at ports, rail facilities, and roadways. These disruptions are cascading across all transport modes, with recovery expected to affect February operations.

## Kaohsiung/ Keelung

Kaohsiung & Keelung Port experienced moderate congestion in January, though overall operations remained stable. With the Lunar New Year holiday scheduled for mid to late February, temporary congestion is expected, particularly for import de-vanning. Outside the holiday period, port conditions are expected to remain generally normal.

