

Trans-Pacific services set for restart as carriers scramble to restore capacity



Cosco Shipping is among the carriers trying to respond to a surge in trans-Pacific demand with extra loaders and the resumption of weekly vessel service. Photo credit: Ringo Chiu / Shutterstock.com.

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Ocean carriers are bringing suspended container services back to the trans-Pacific next month due to heavy import demand from China. Even so, capacity remains tight in the near term as some ships that once served the trans-Pacific have been redeployed to other lanes.

President Donald Trump's temporary reprieve on reciprocal tariffs against China has meant the resumption of previously canceled ocean freight bookings, as well as likely

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