



Crosscurrents and Choppy Waters: Navigating Towards A Safe Haven

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Headline Market View

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Shipping's Not Short of Headlines

... and they keep coming

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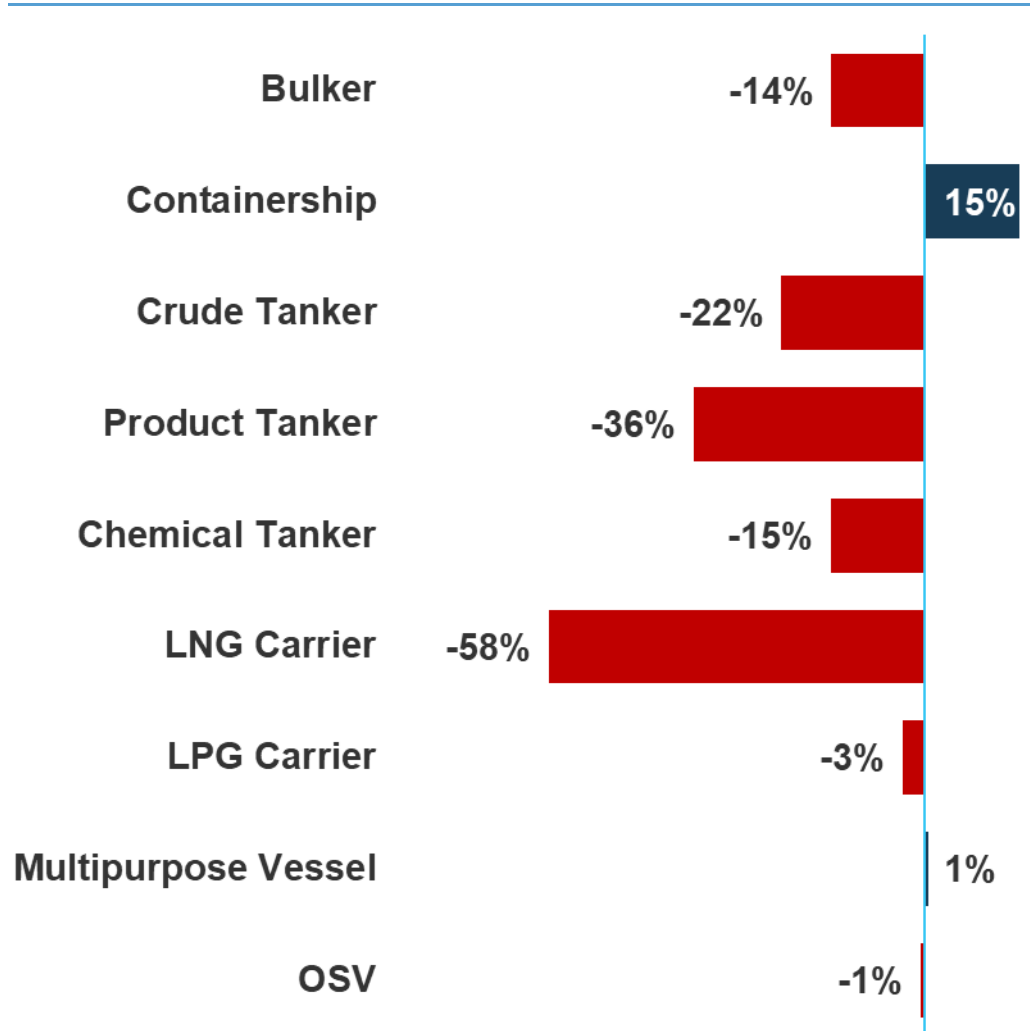


How Have Sectors Performed in the Last Year

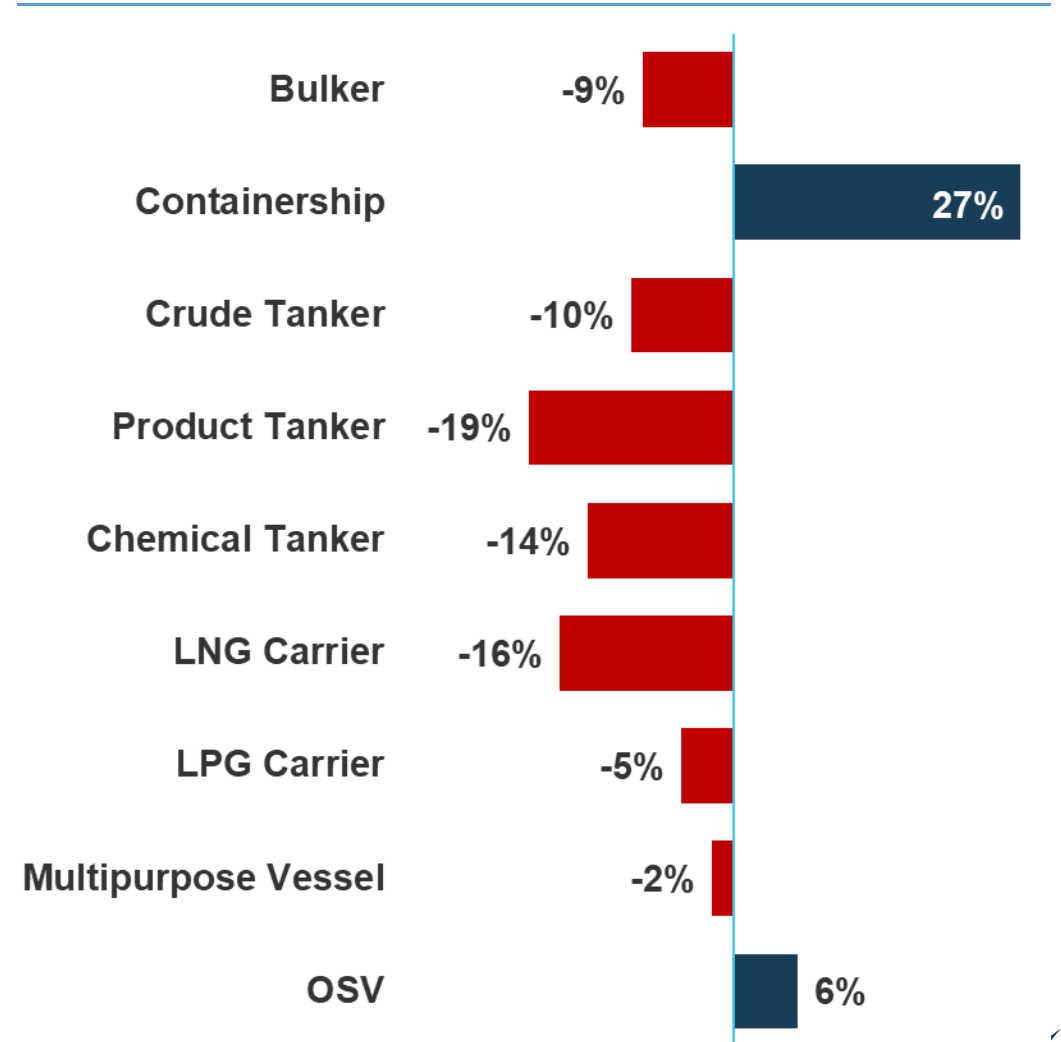
Almost all markets have softened

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1 Yr TC Rate



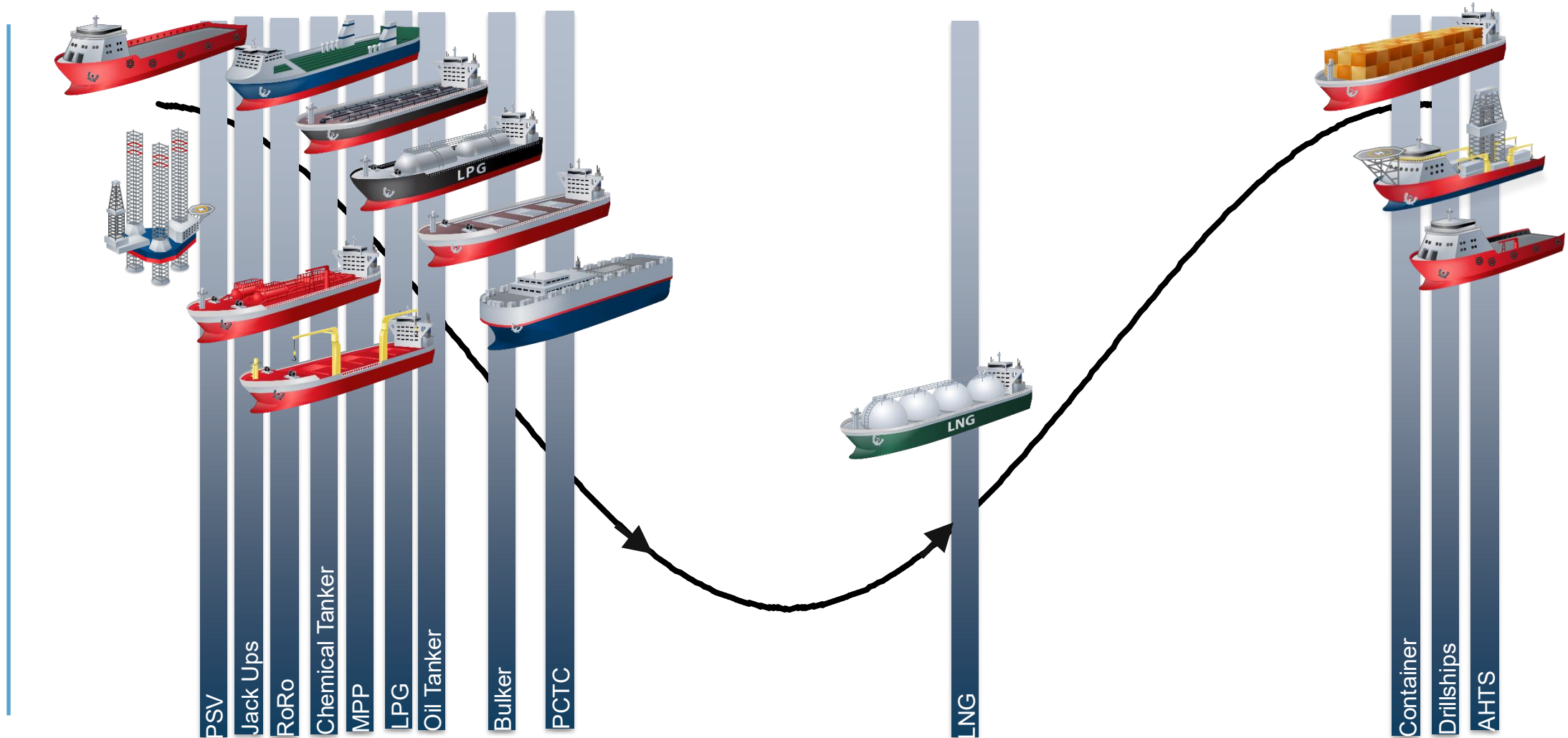
10 Year Old Prices



Current Earnings

Where are we on the cycle?

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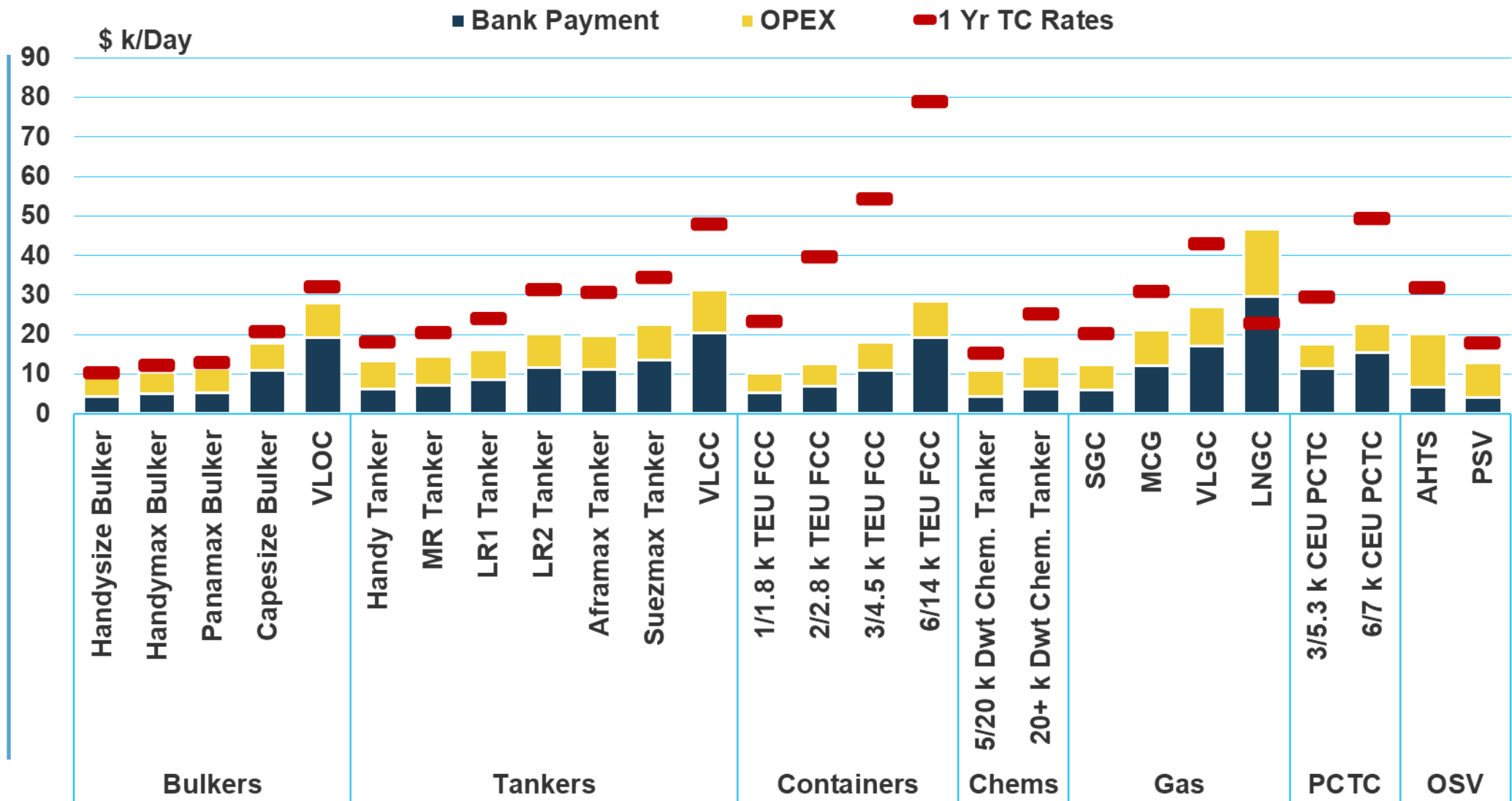


Note: Infographic for illustrative purposes only!

Current Breakeven Versus Earnings

Many sectors still making money even at lower rates

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Assumptions: 5 Yr Old Prices, 60% LTV, 7% interest, 15-year loan profile





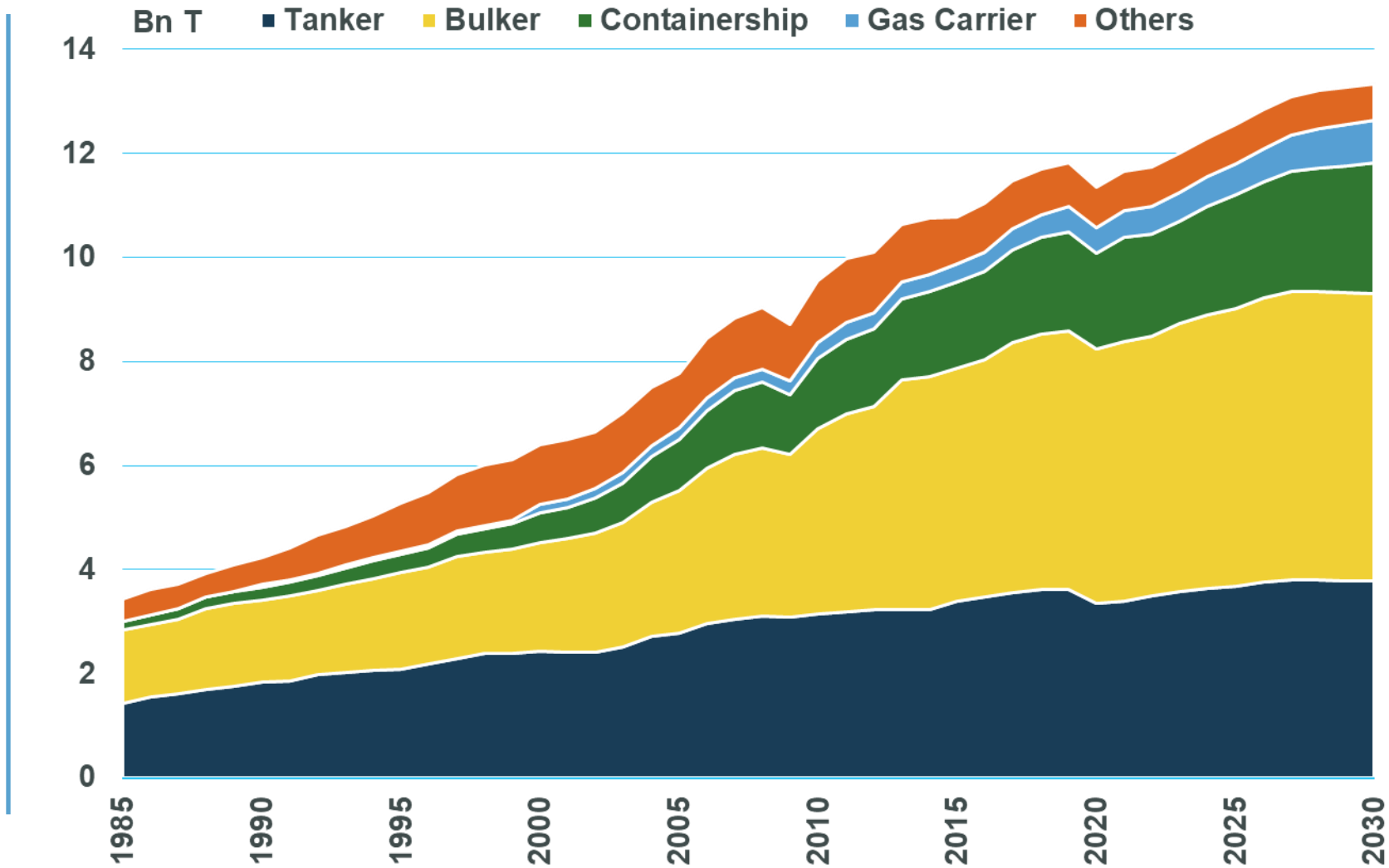
Cargo Developments

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Cargo Growth

Improved position versus the last 5 years, but not what it once was

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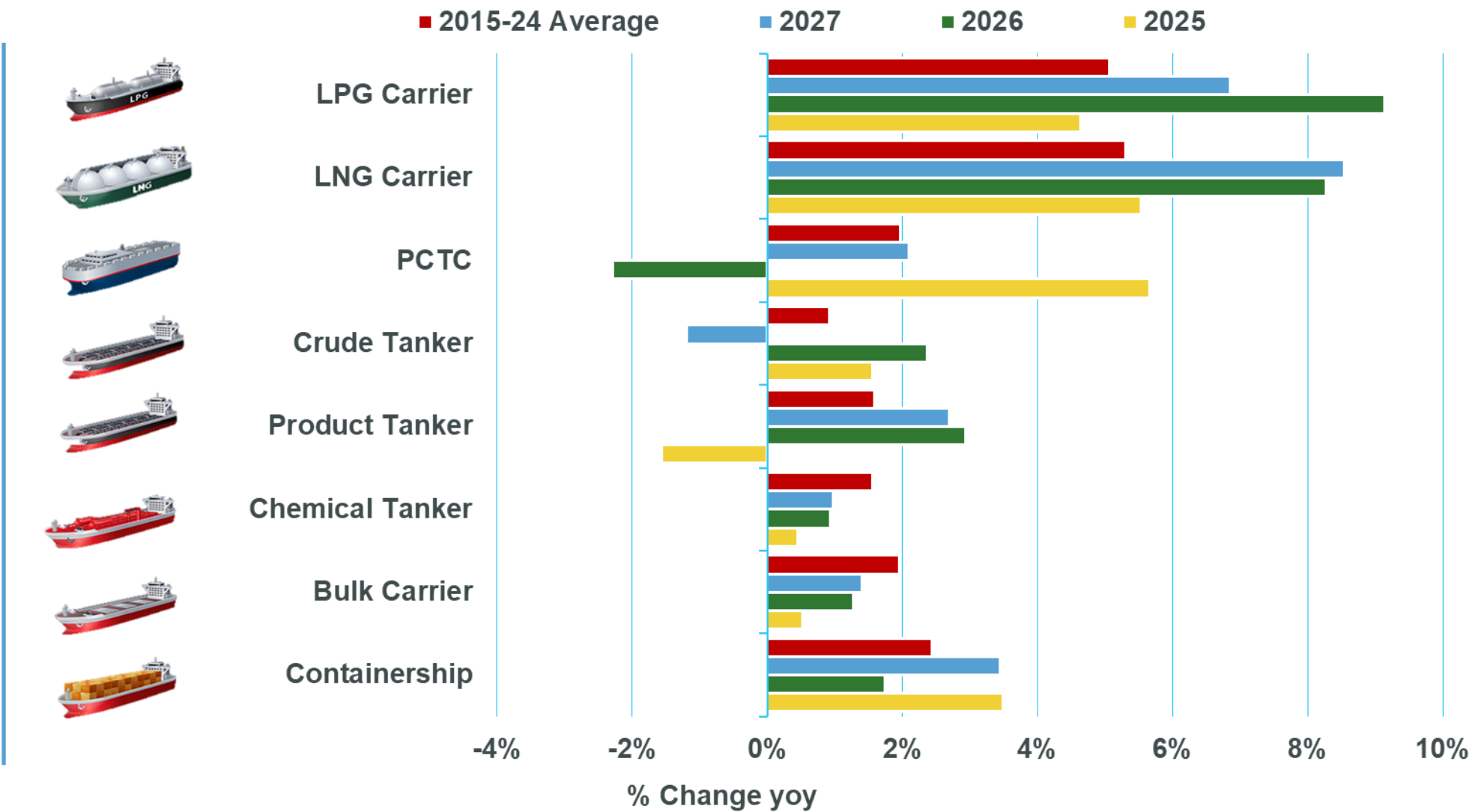
5 Year Period	Average Growth
1985-1989	3.9%
1990-1994	4.7%
1995-1999	4.3%
2000-2004	4.5%
2005-2009	3.2%
2010-2014	4.7%
2015-2019	2.0%
2020-2024	0.8%
2025-2029	1.6%



Cargo Growth

Growth in almost all instances

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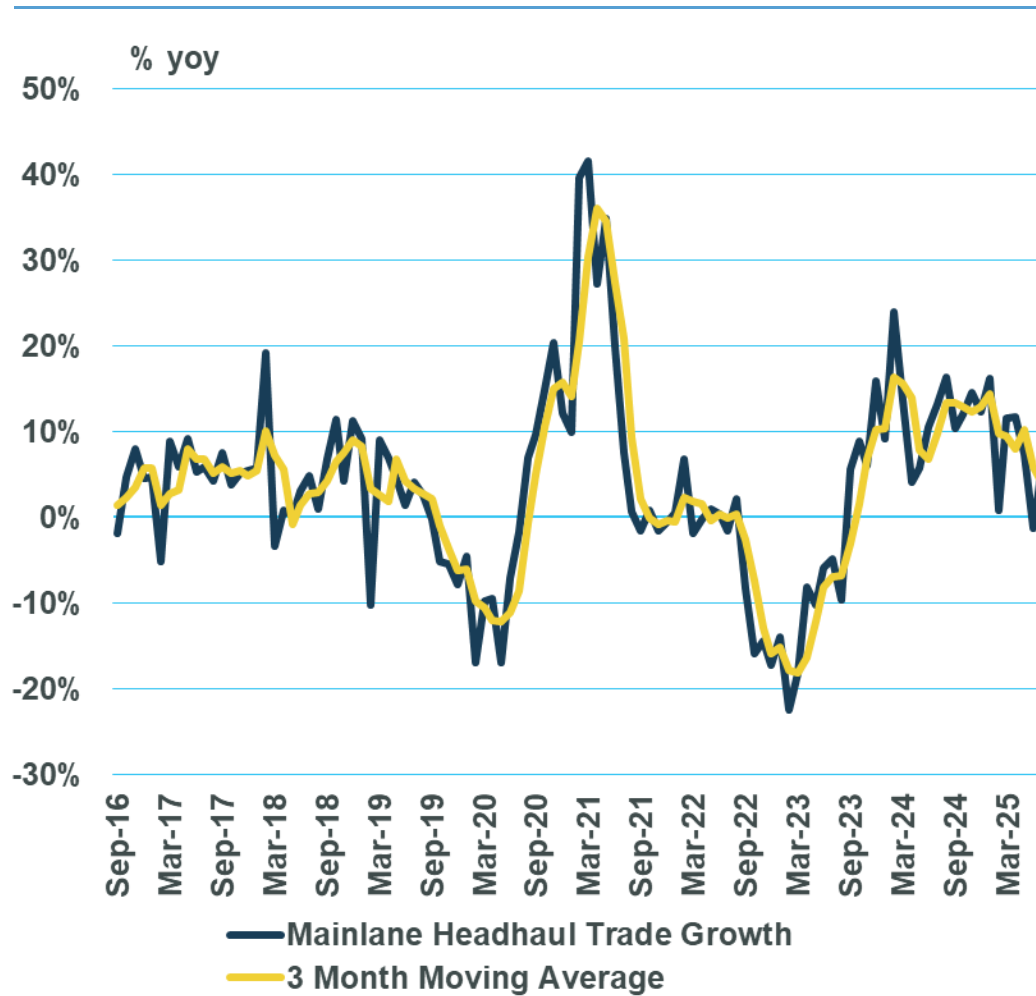


Container Trade

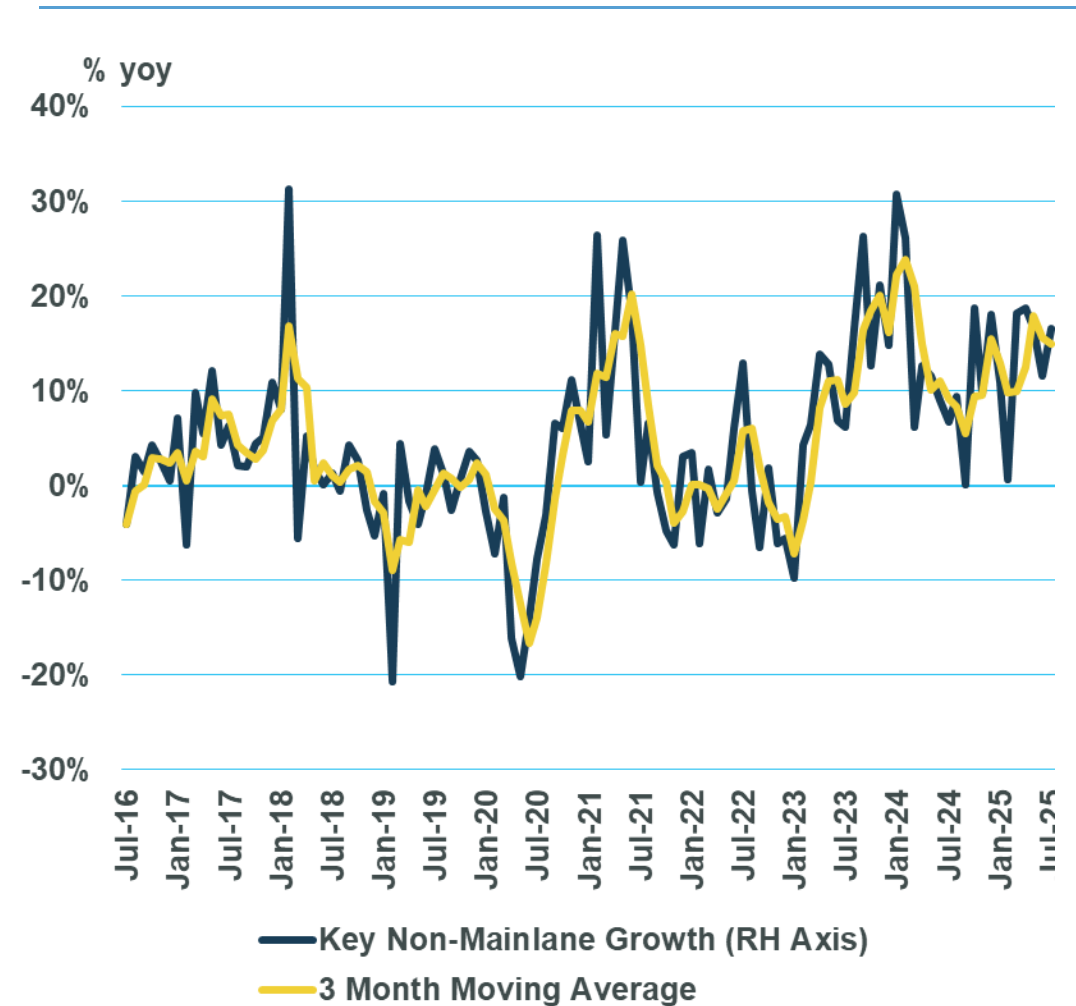
Mainlanes cooling, non-mainlanes going great guns

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Mainlane Trade Growth Trends



Key Non-Mainlane Trade Trends

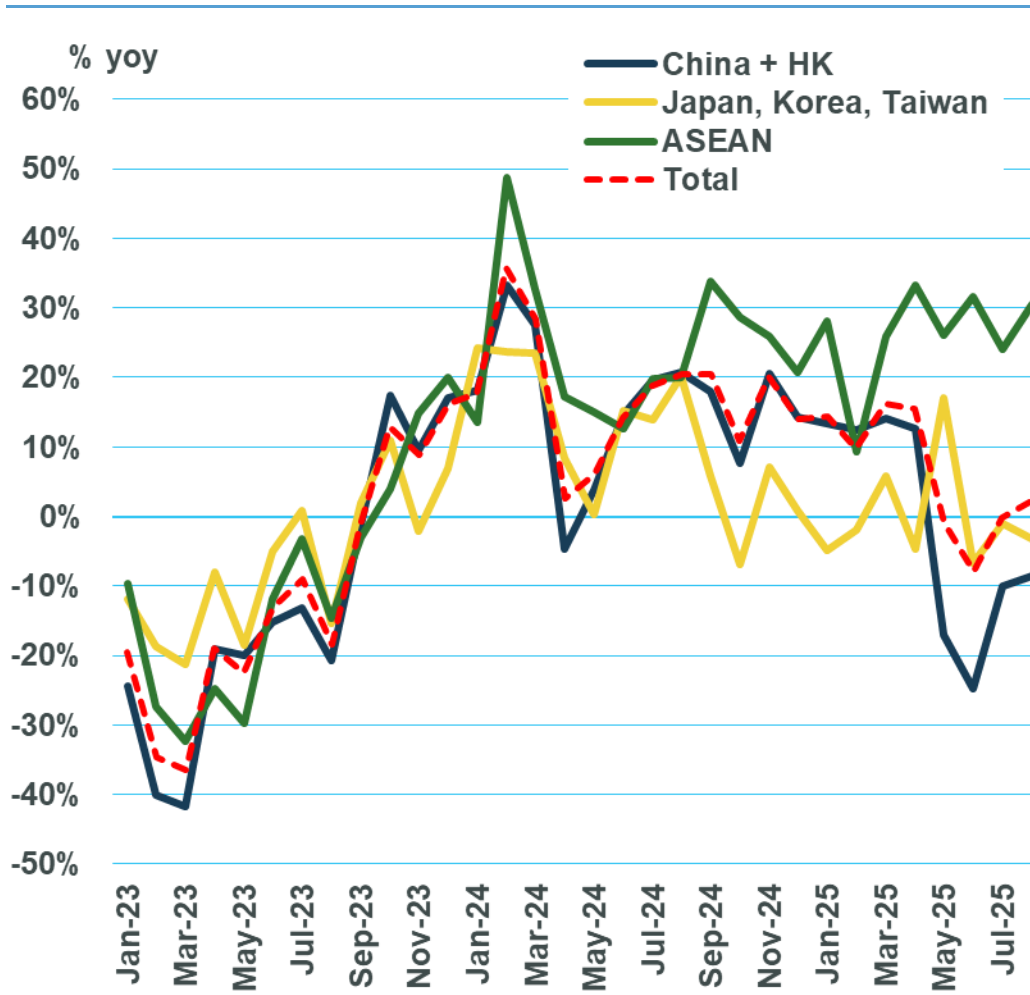


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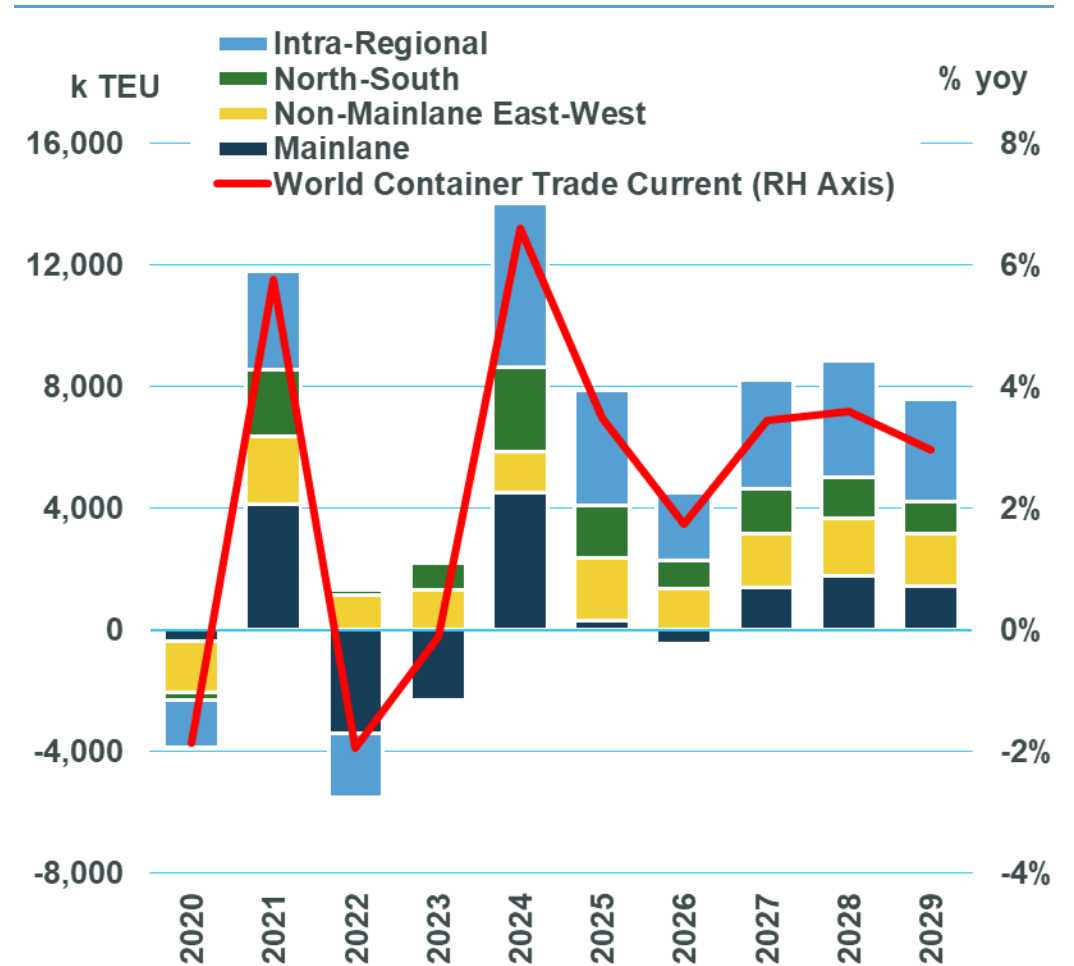
Tariffs appearing to have an impact, but aggregate trade will continue to grow

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Transpacific Trade to US by Trade Partner



Incremental Container Trade

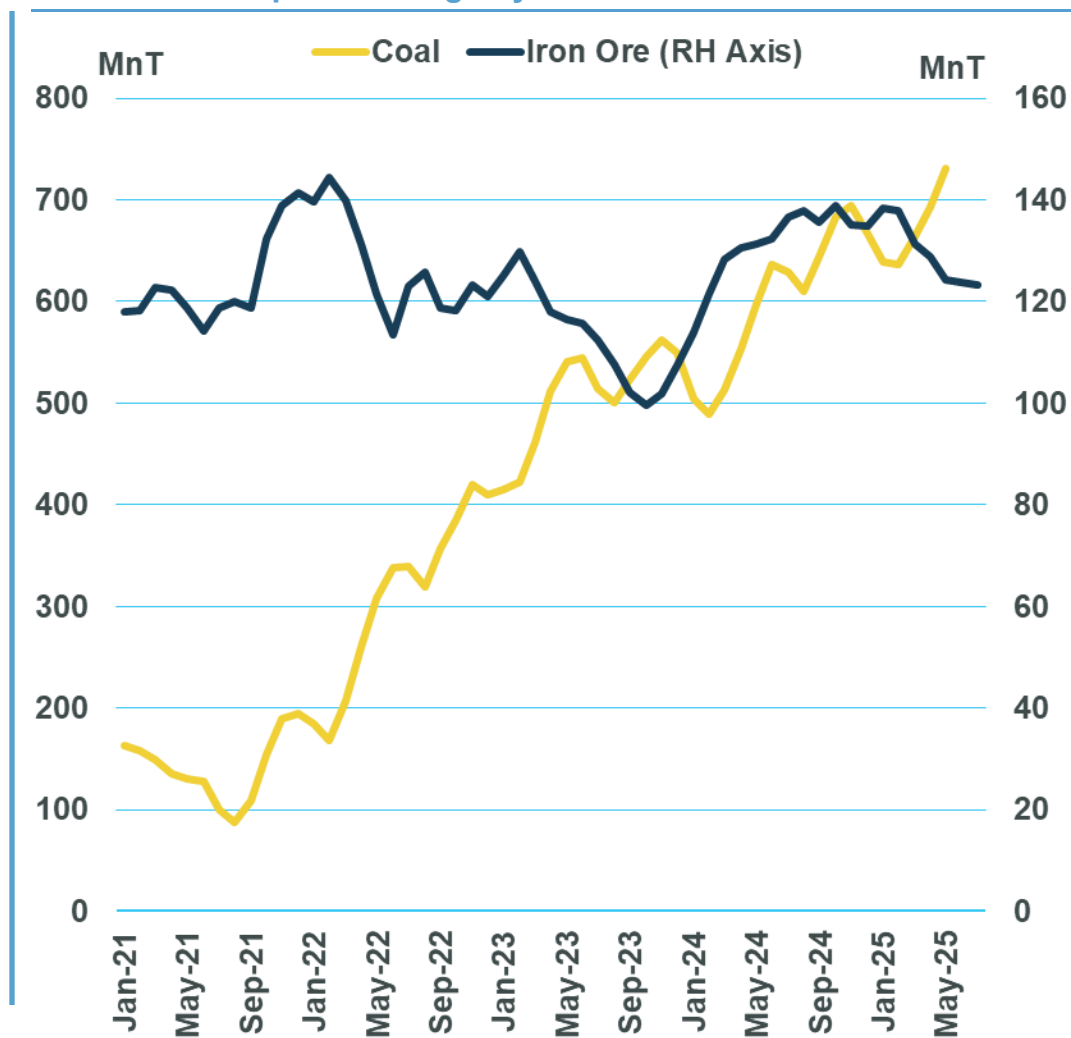


Bulker Trade

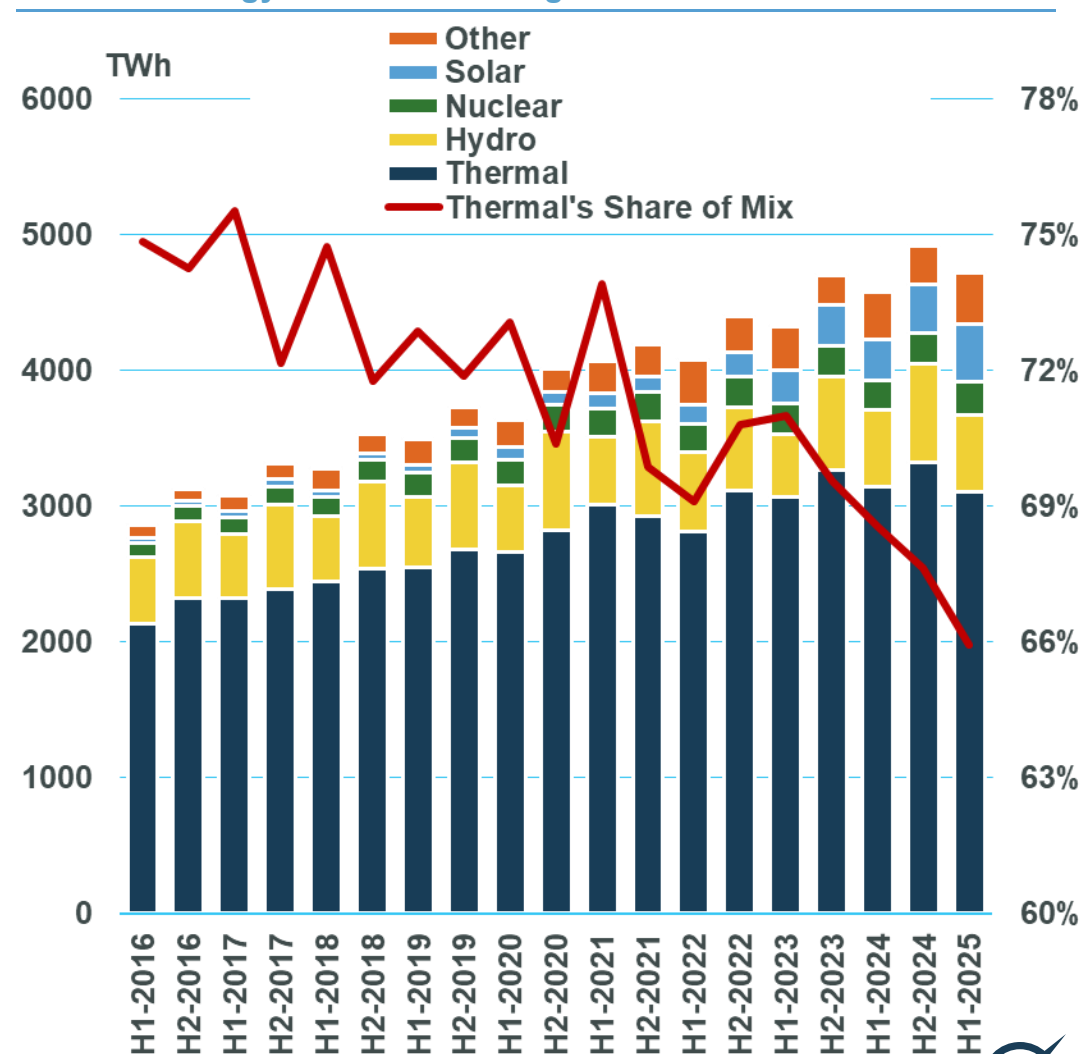
Chinese stocks and coal consumption aren't supportive this year

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Chinese Stockpiles are High by Historical Standards



Chinese Energy Mix – Not Looking Good for Thermal Coal

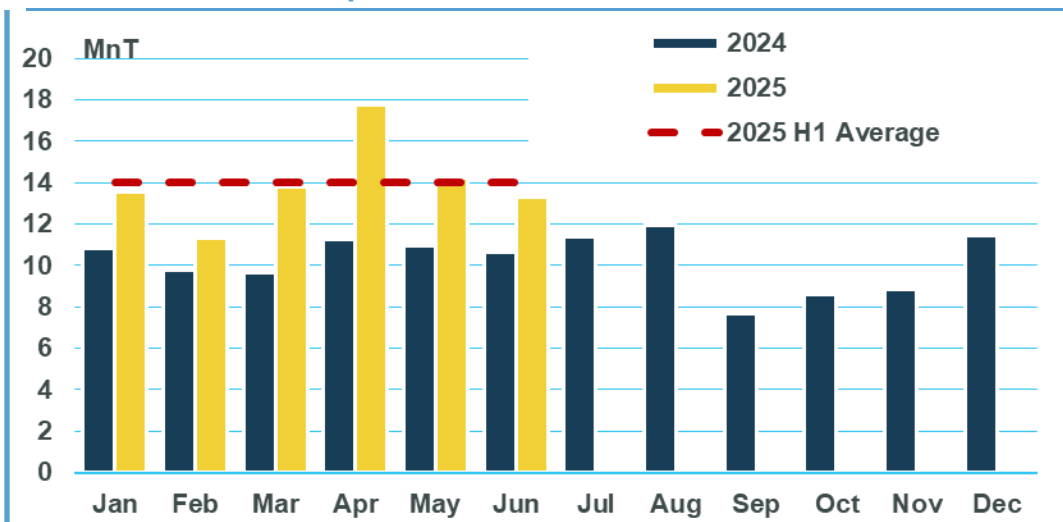


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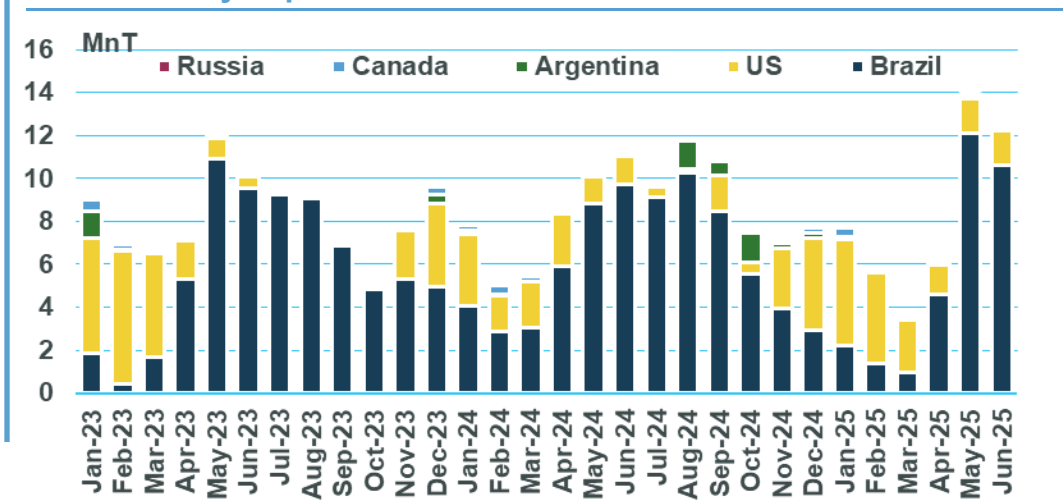
Some recent bright spots

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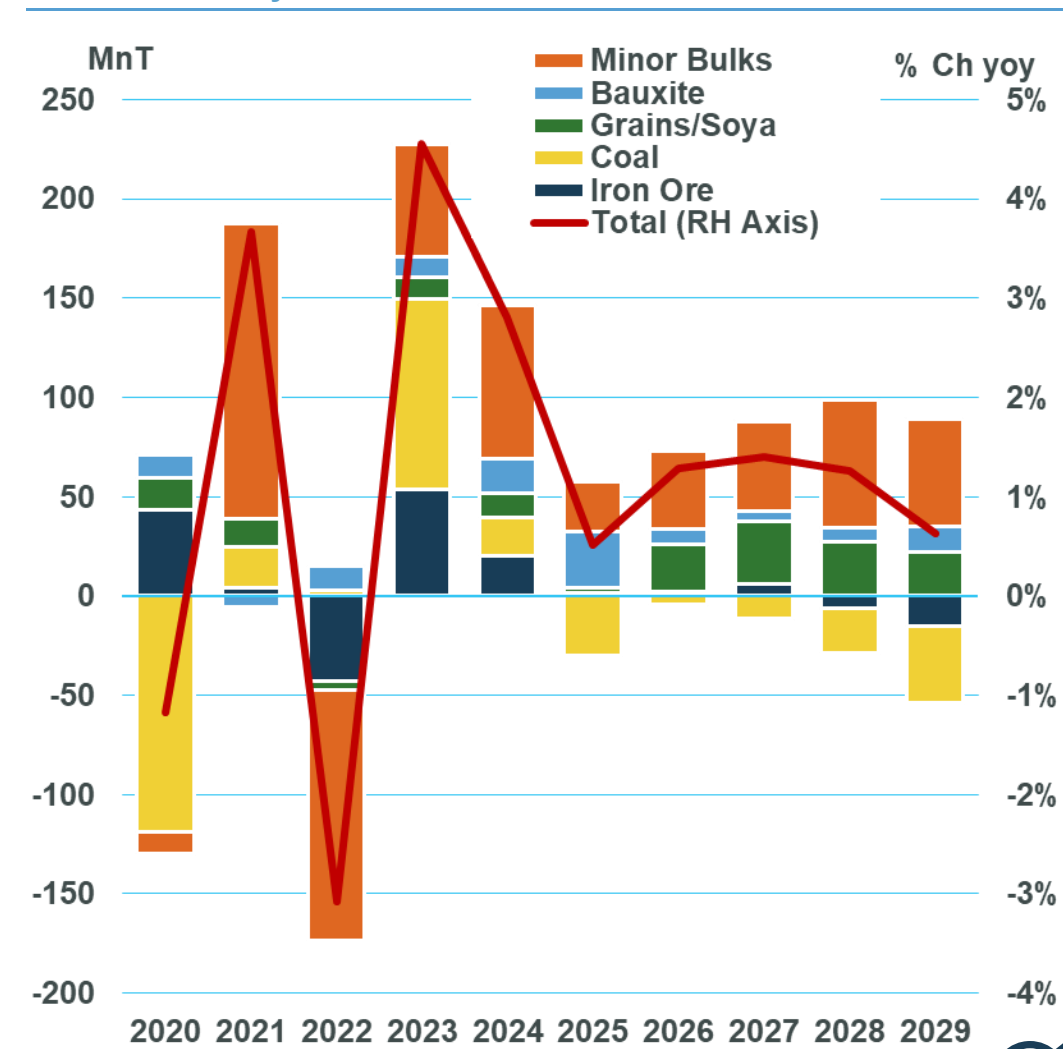
Guinean Bauxite Exports



Chinese Soy Imports



Incremental Dry Bulk Trade

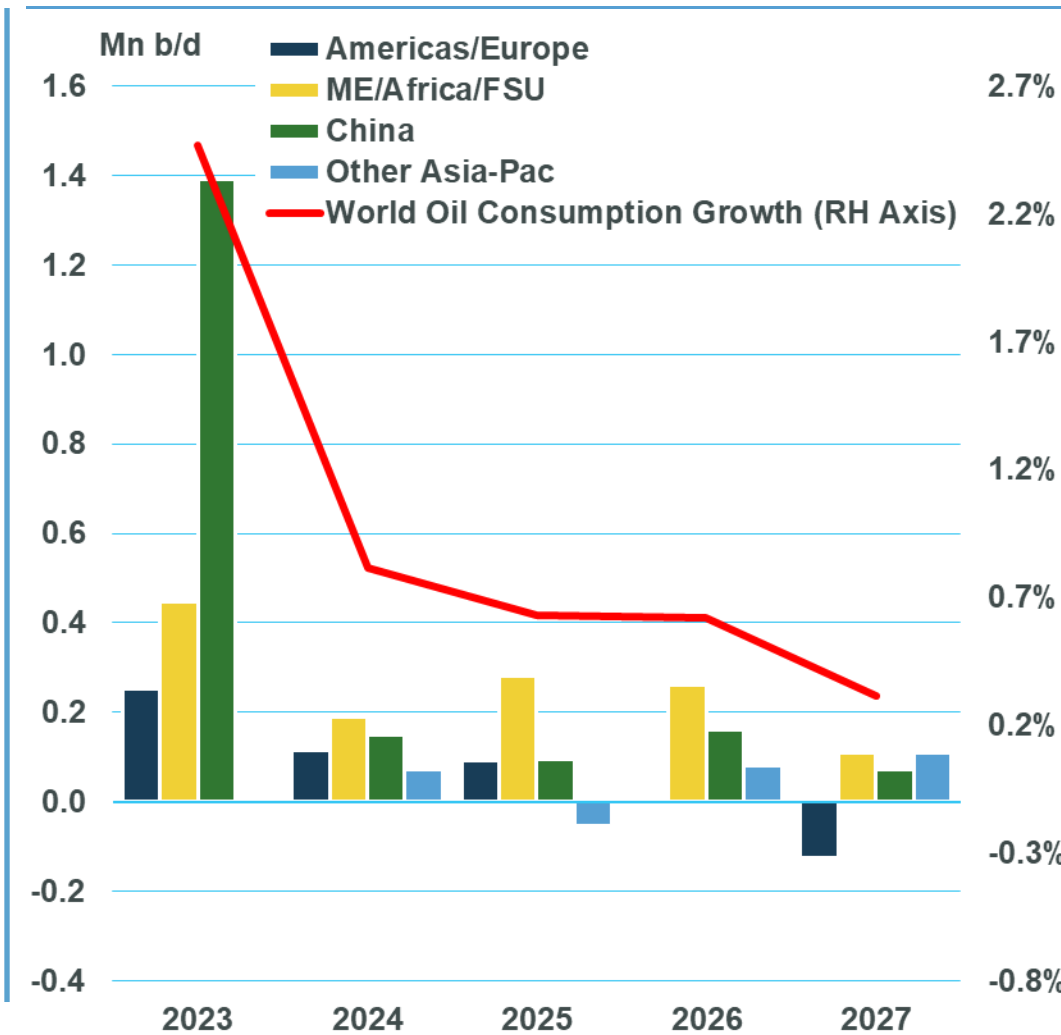


Oil Demand Slowing

Though production is seesawing

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Oil Demand Growth



US Rig Count



Revisions to OPEC Production Schedule

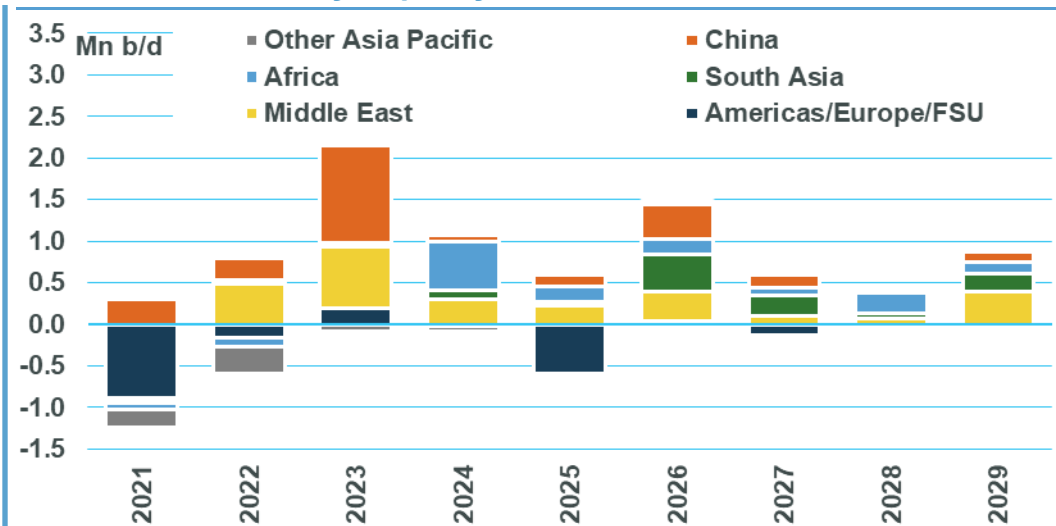


Oil Trade to Eventually Suffer

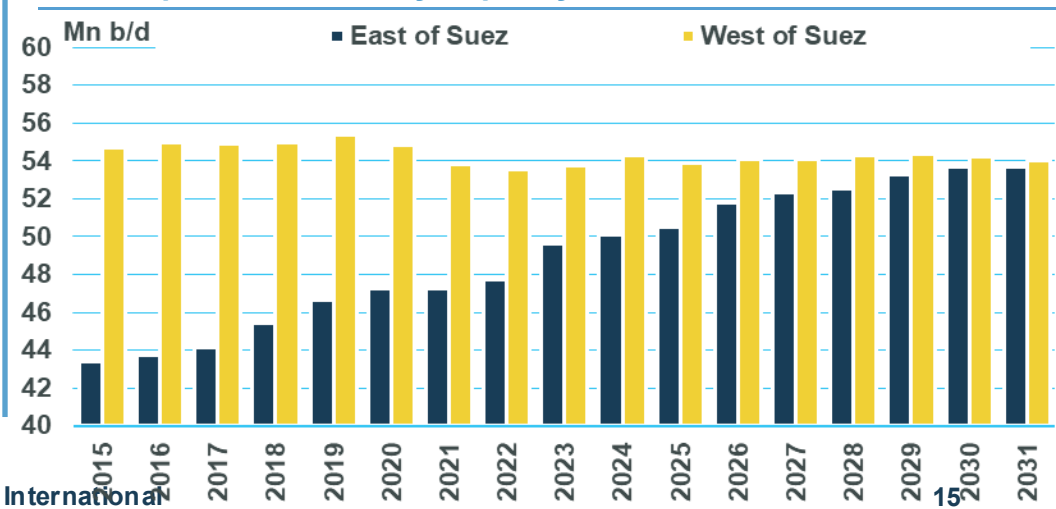
Market dynamics will continue to change driven in large by refinery location

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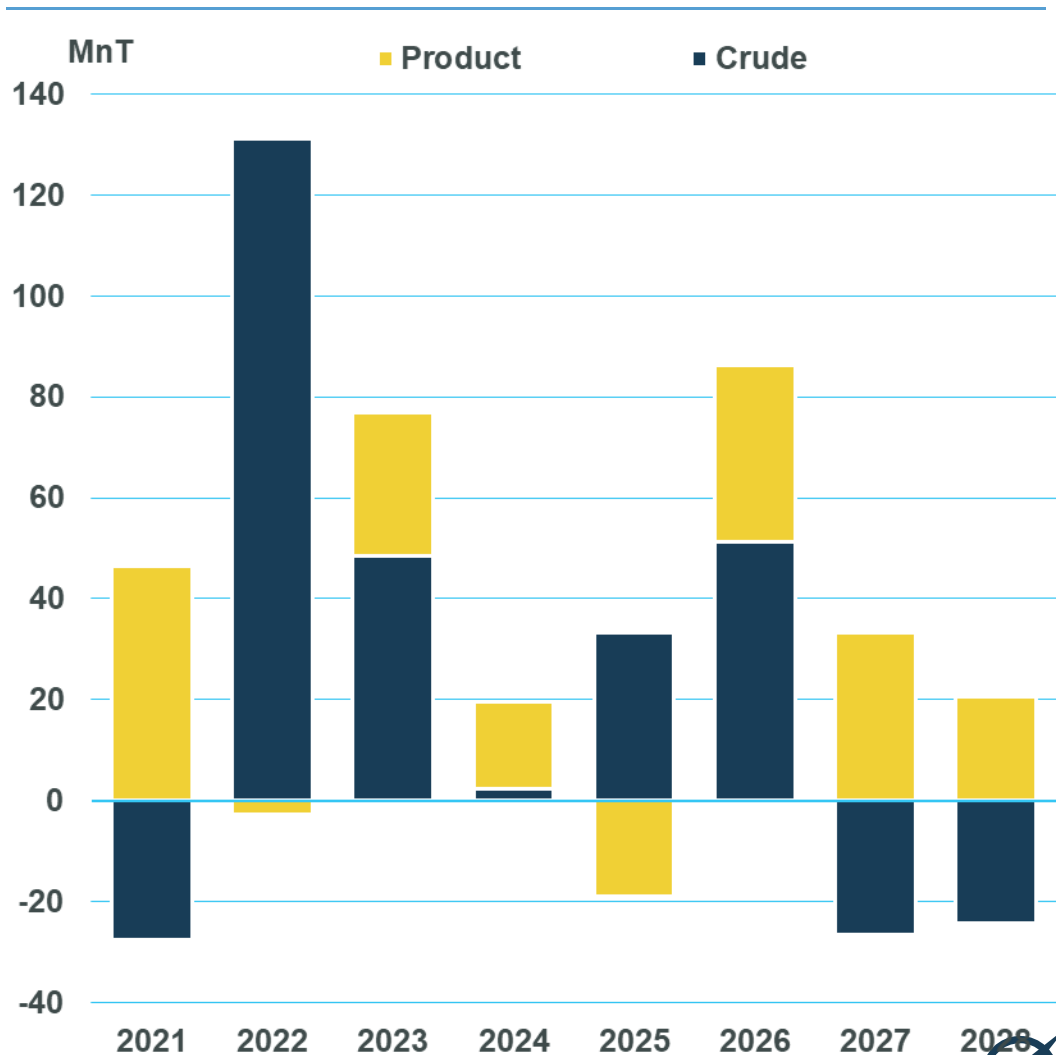
Incremental Refinery Capacity



Development in Refinery Capacity



Incremental Oil Trade

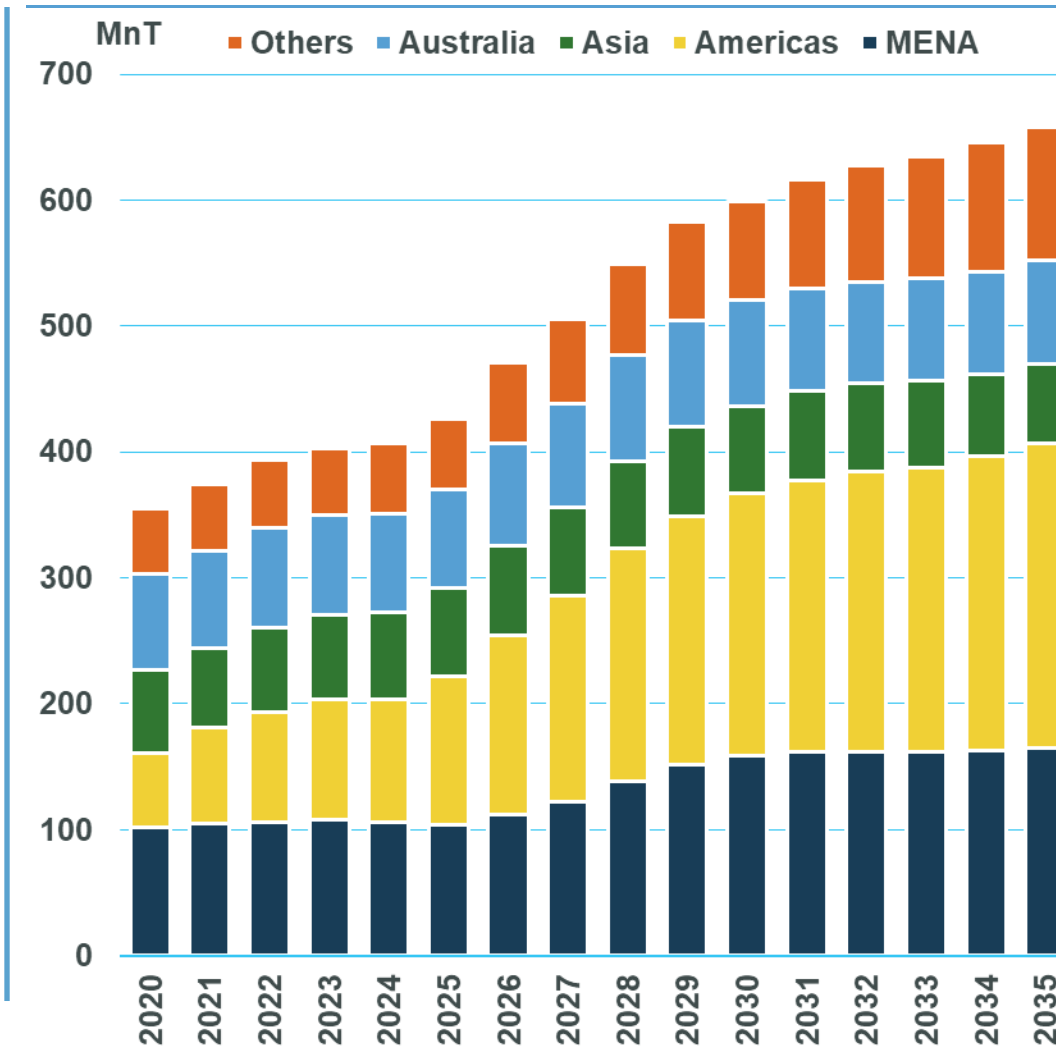


Stella Demand Outlooks

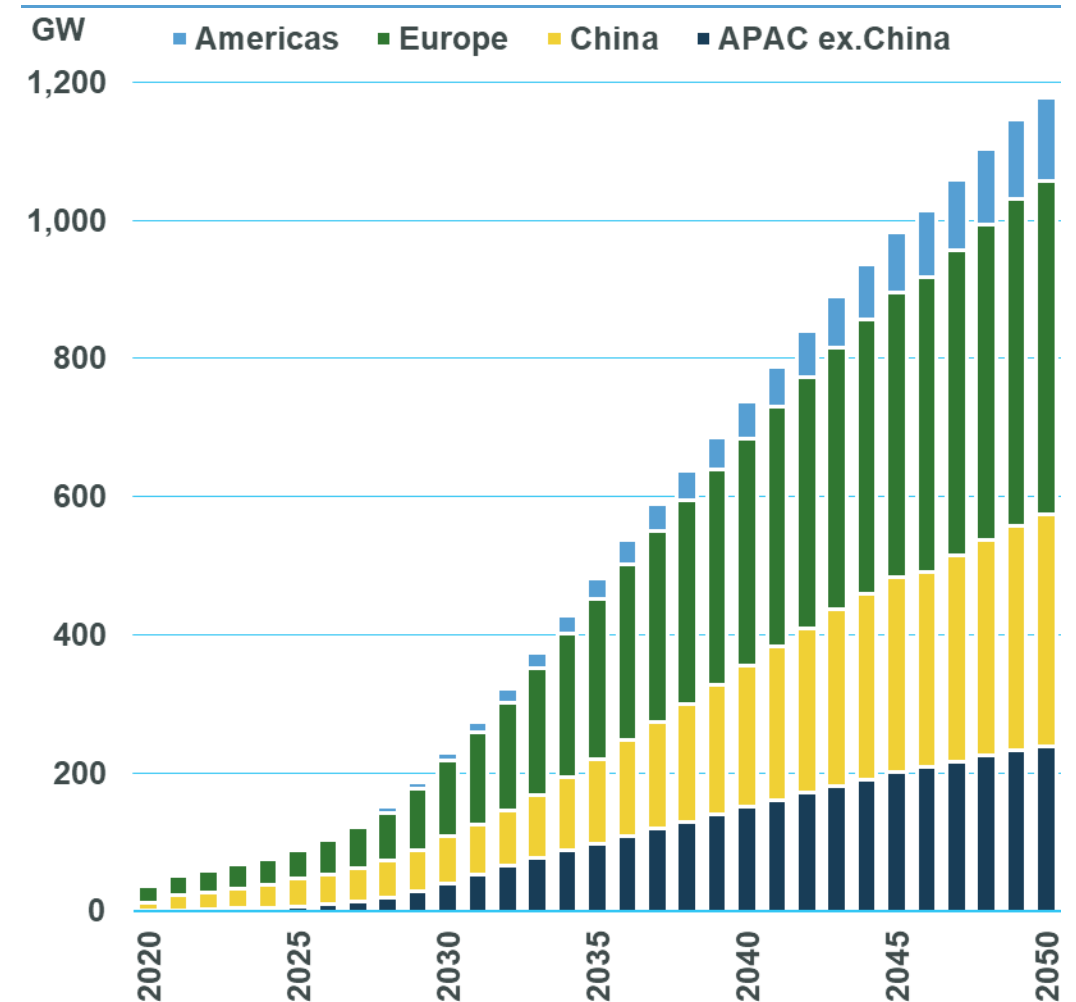
The demand side of the equation looks very promising for some sectors

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LNG Exports by Region



Offshore Wind Energy Generation Capacity





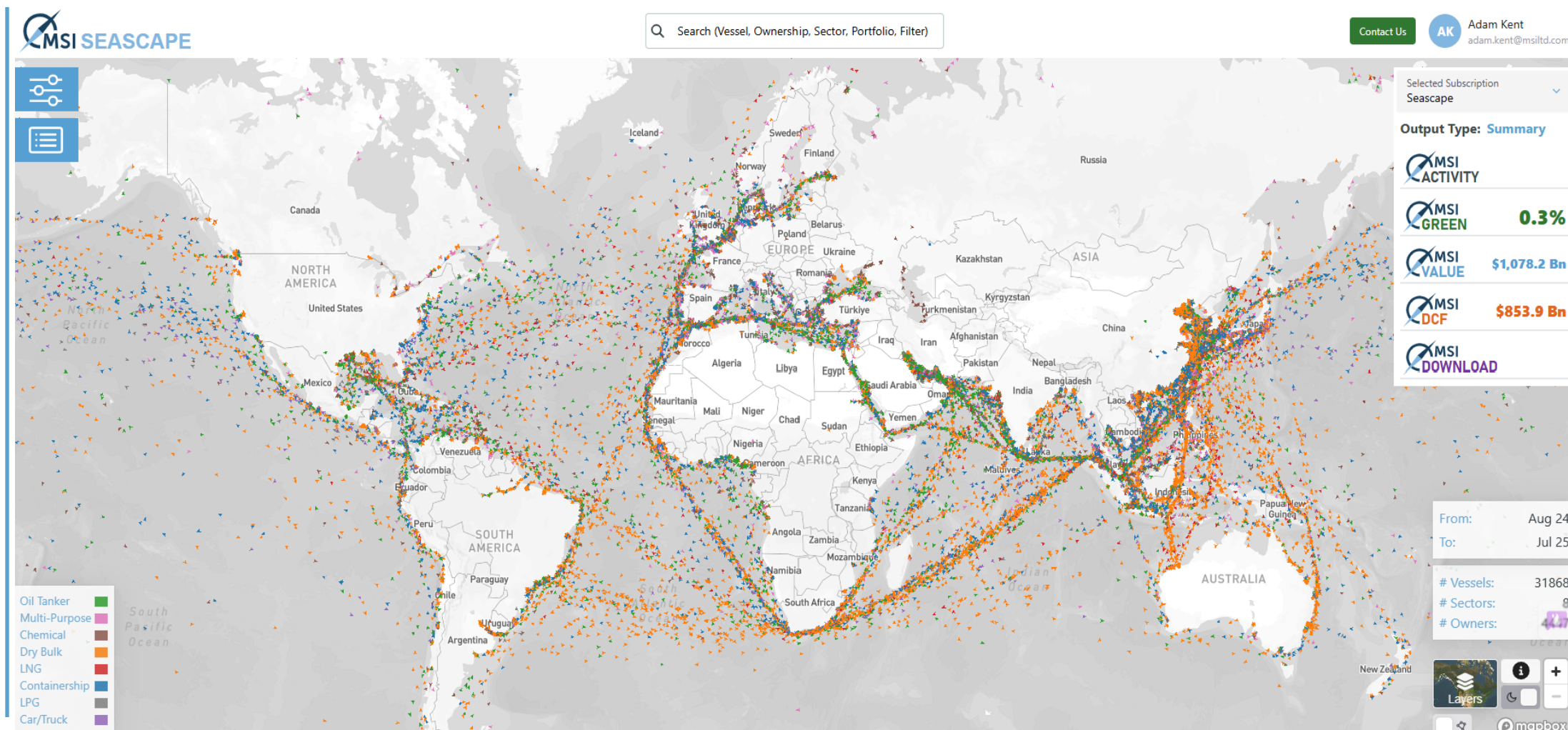
Vessel Demand

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Inefficiencies, Deviations & Tonne Mile

Continue to support earnings but for how long?

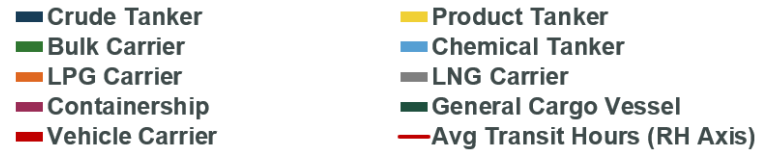
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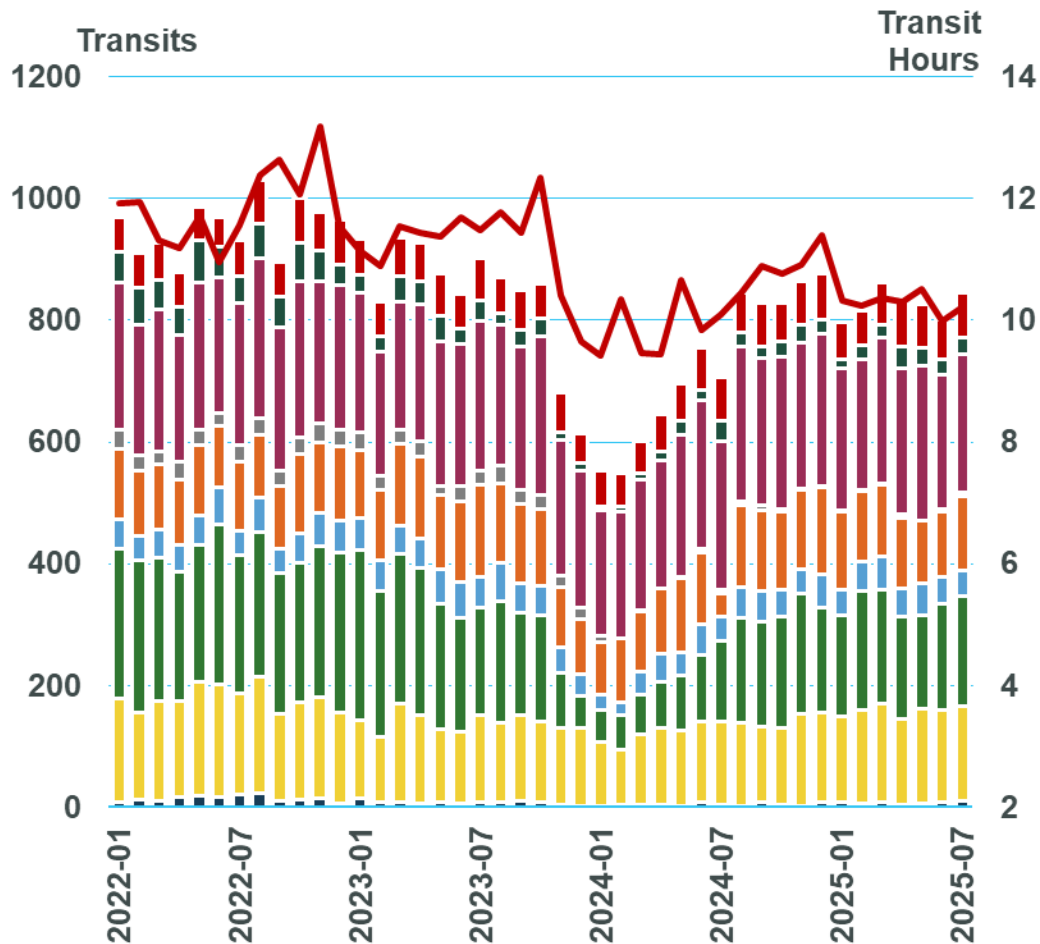
Canal Throughput

Not what it once was

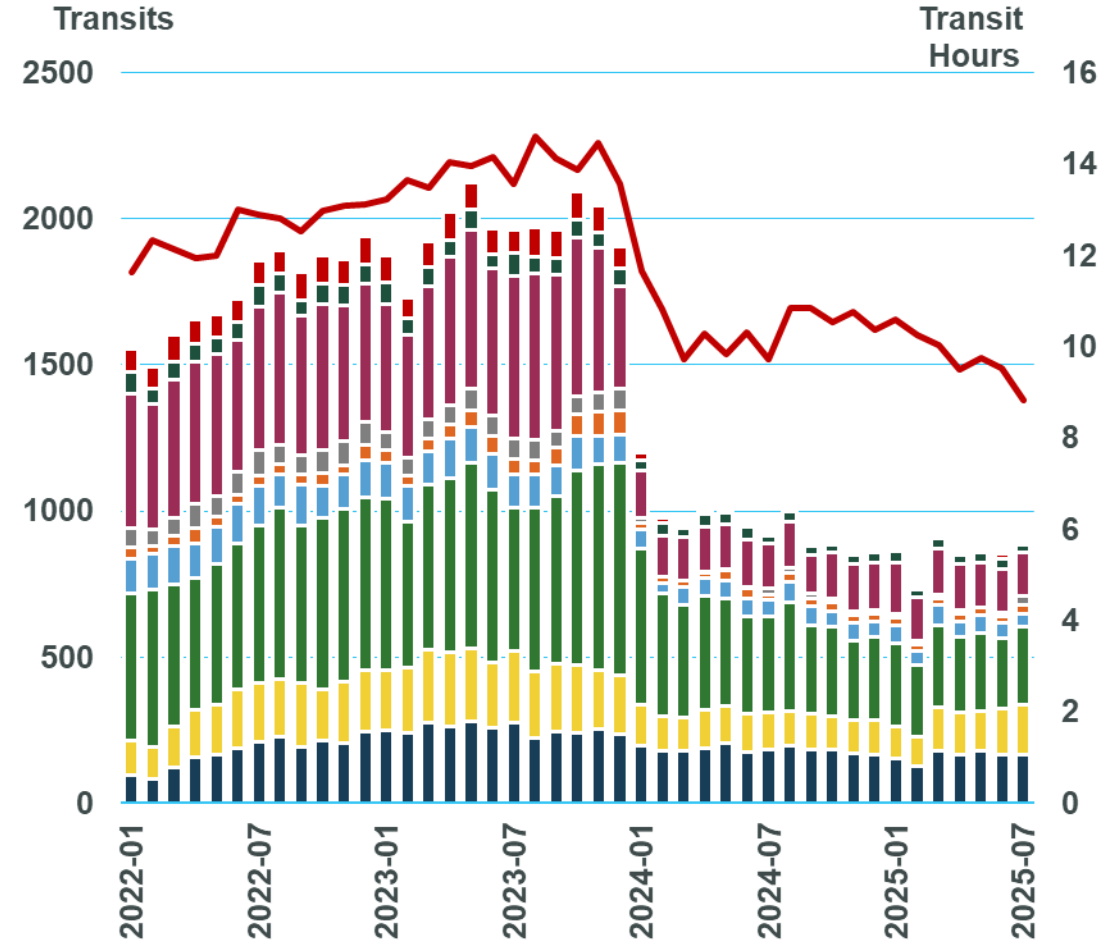
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Panama Canal



Suez Canal

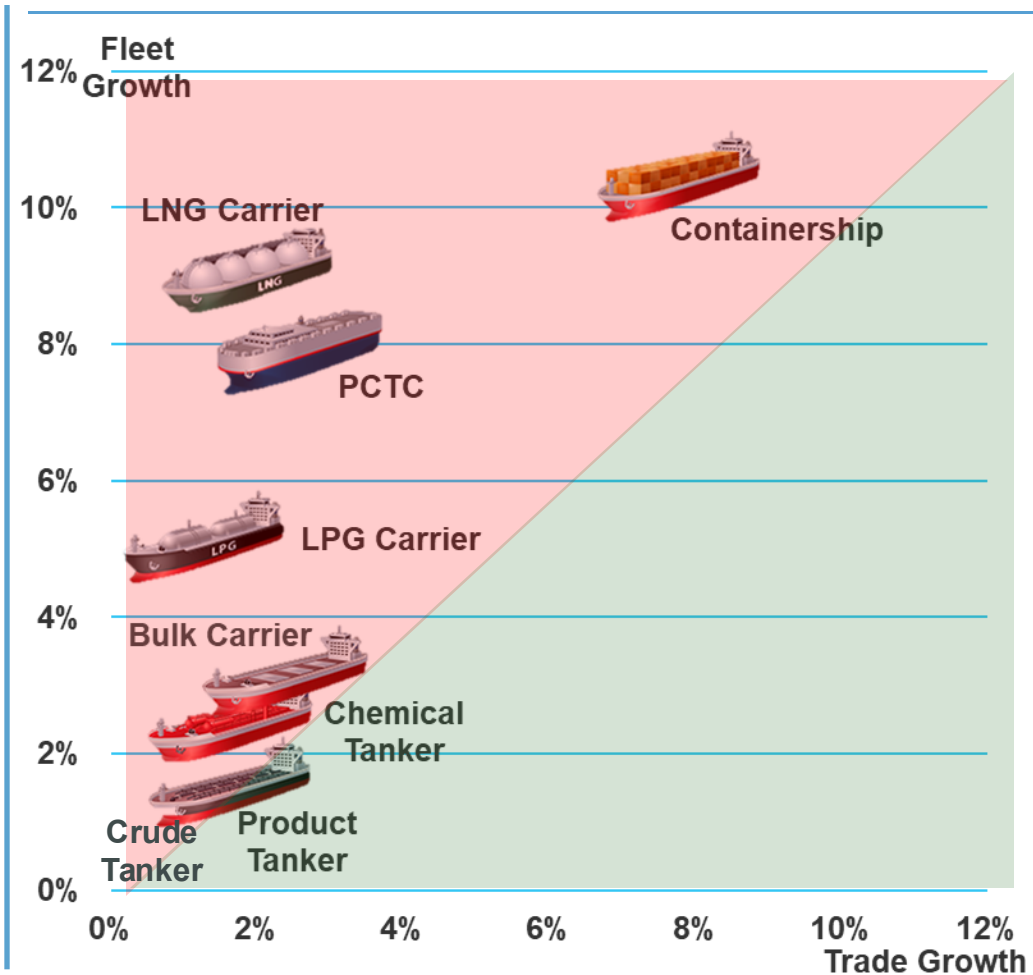


A Slightly Different Story

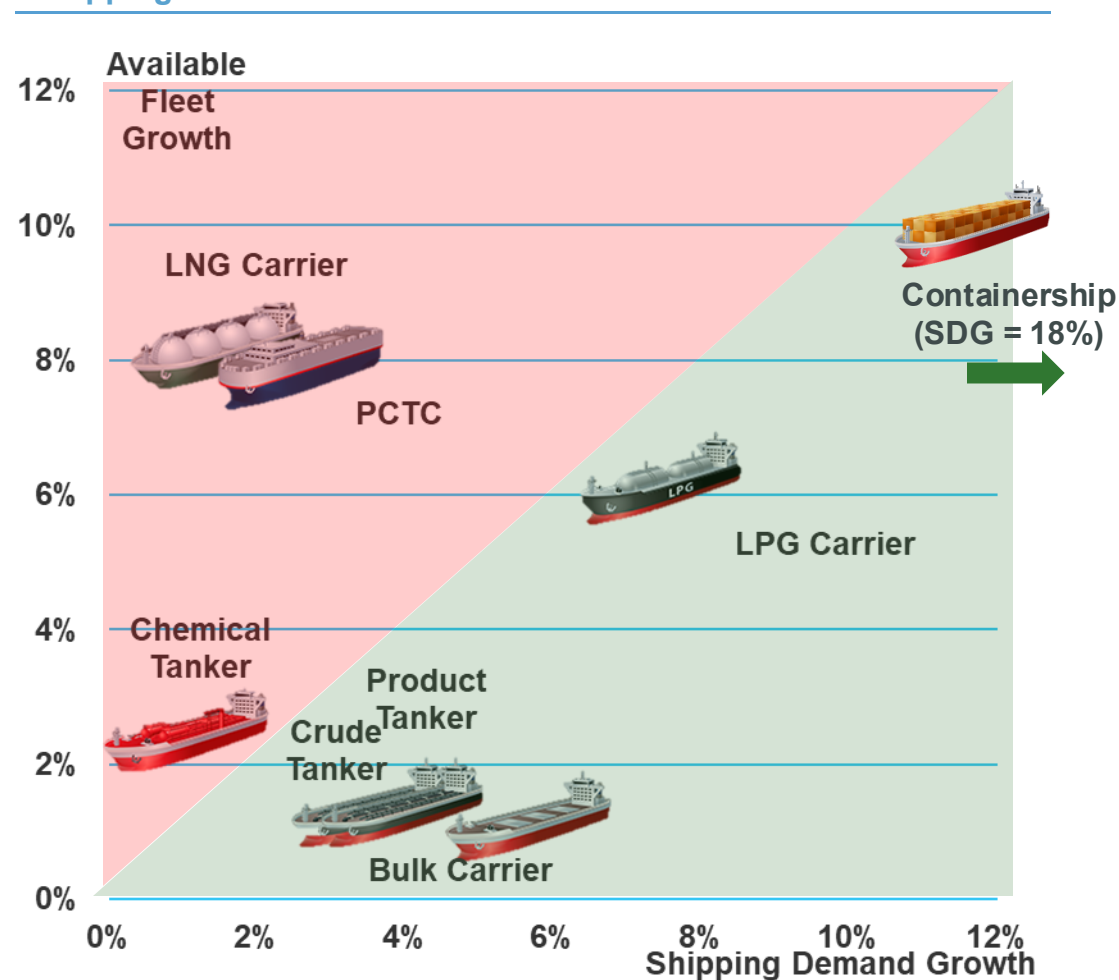
Things could have been a lot worse

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Trade versus Fleet Growth - 2024



Shipping Demand versus Available Fleet Growth - 2024

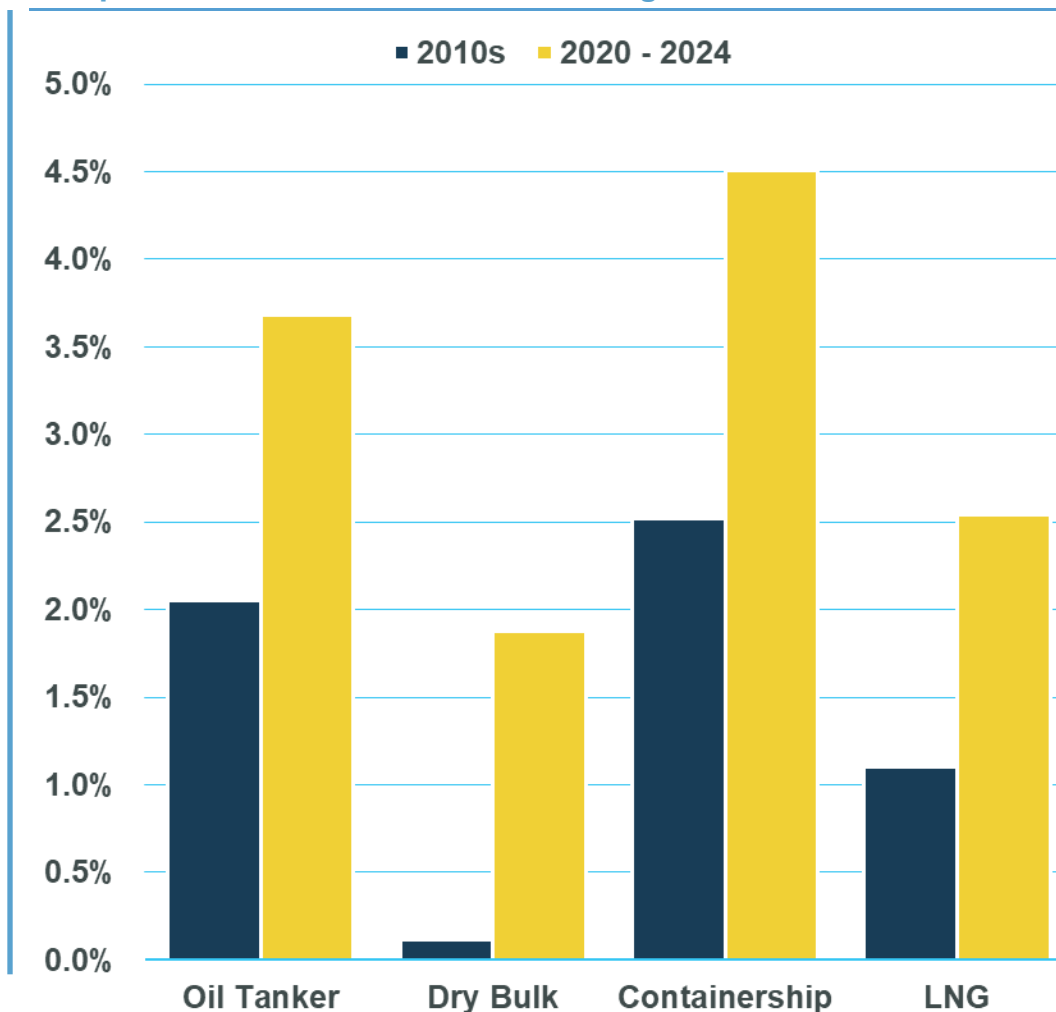


Vessel Demand More Important Than Ever

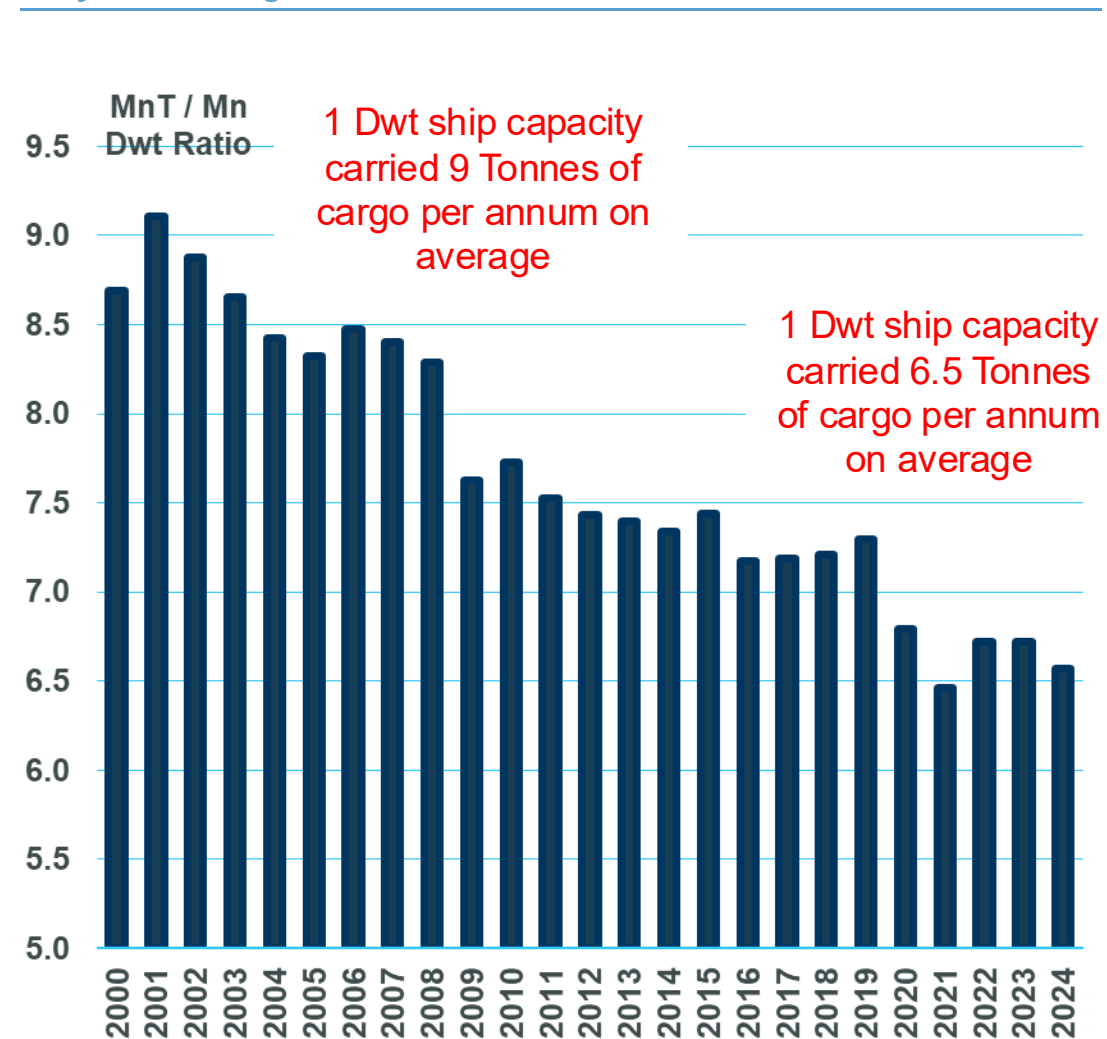
Period of fleet inefficiencies

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Ship Demand Growth Premium vs. Cargo Growth



Dry Bulk – Cargo versus Vessel Demand Ratio





Supply & Shipbuilding

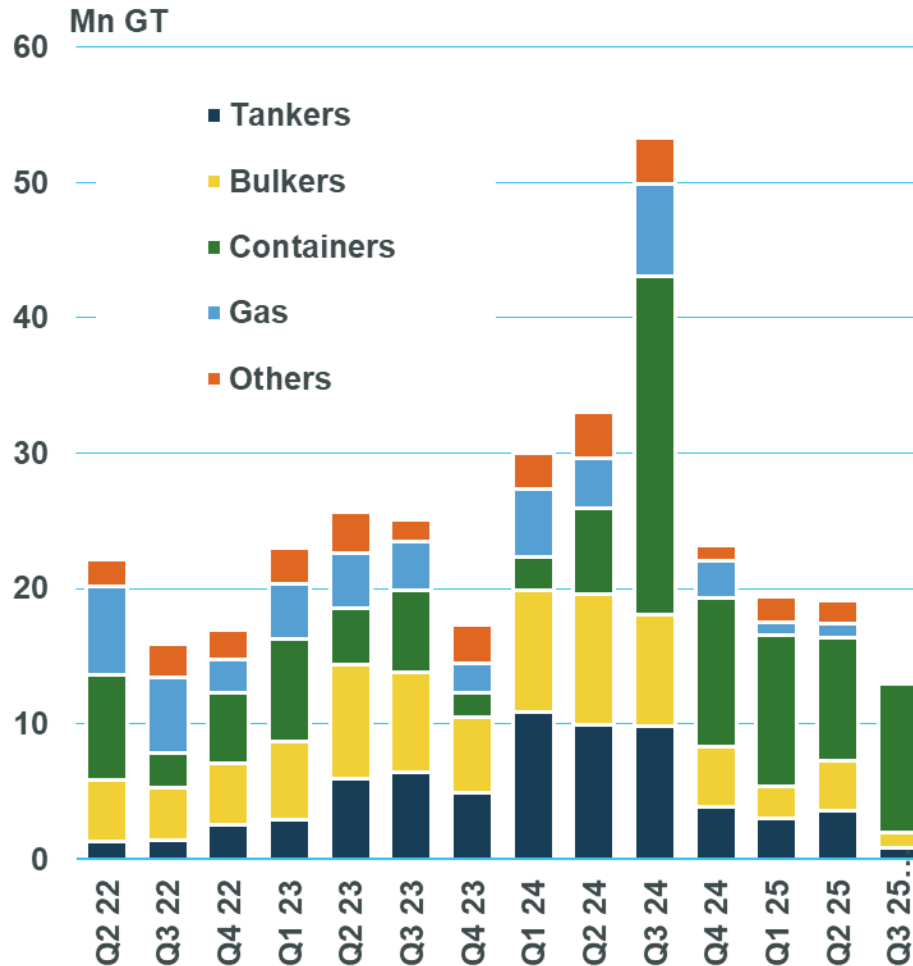
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Contracting

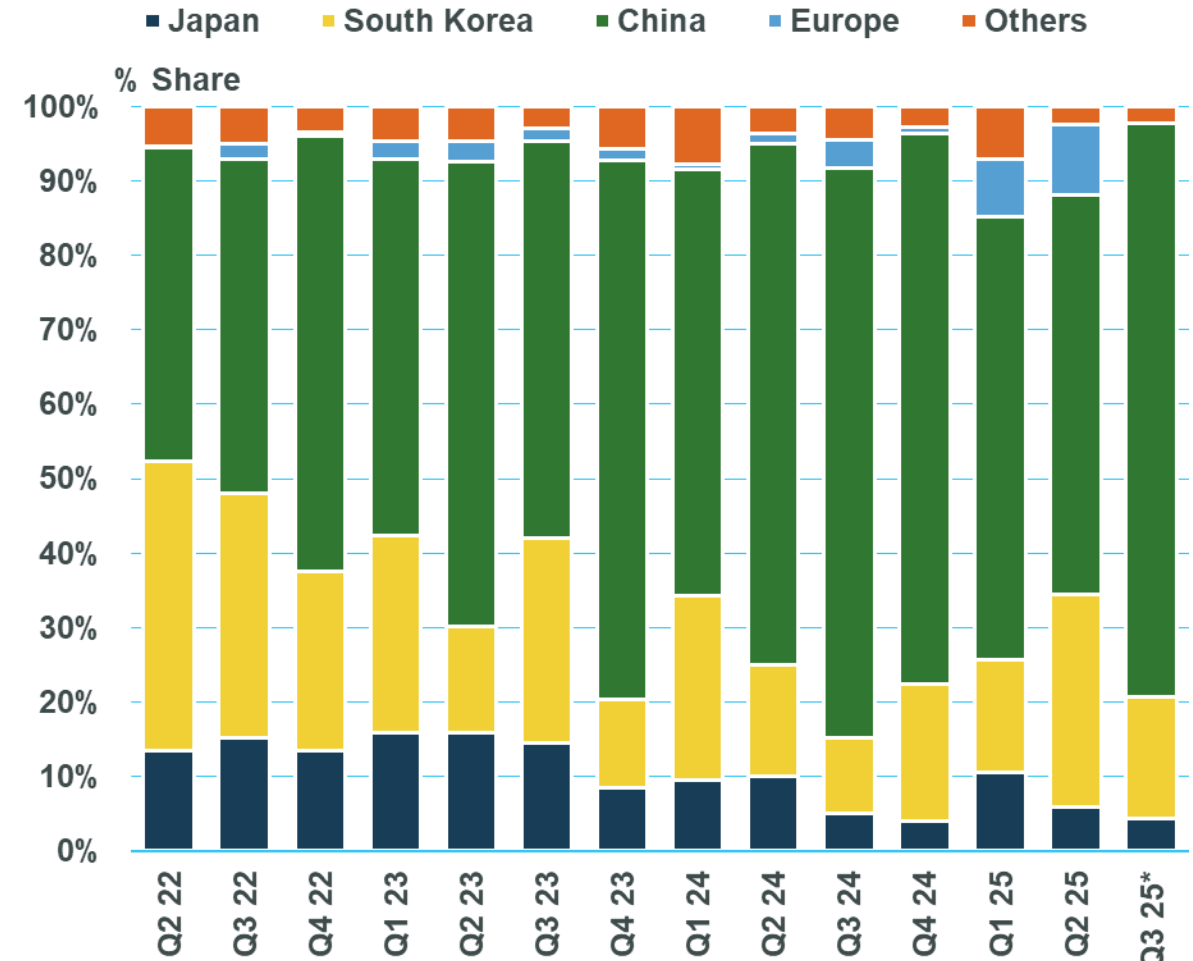
New contracts keep coming

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Quarterly Contracting



Contracting Share by Shipbuilding Nation



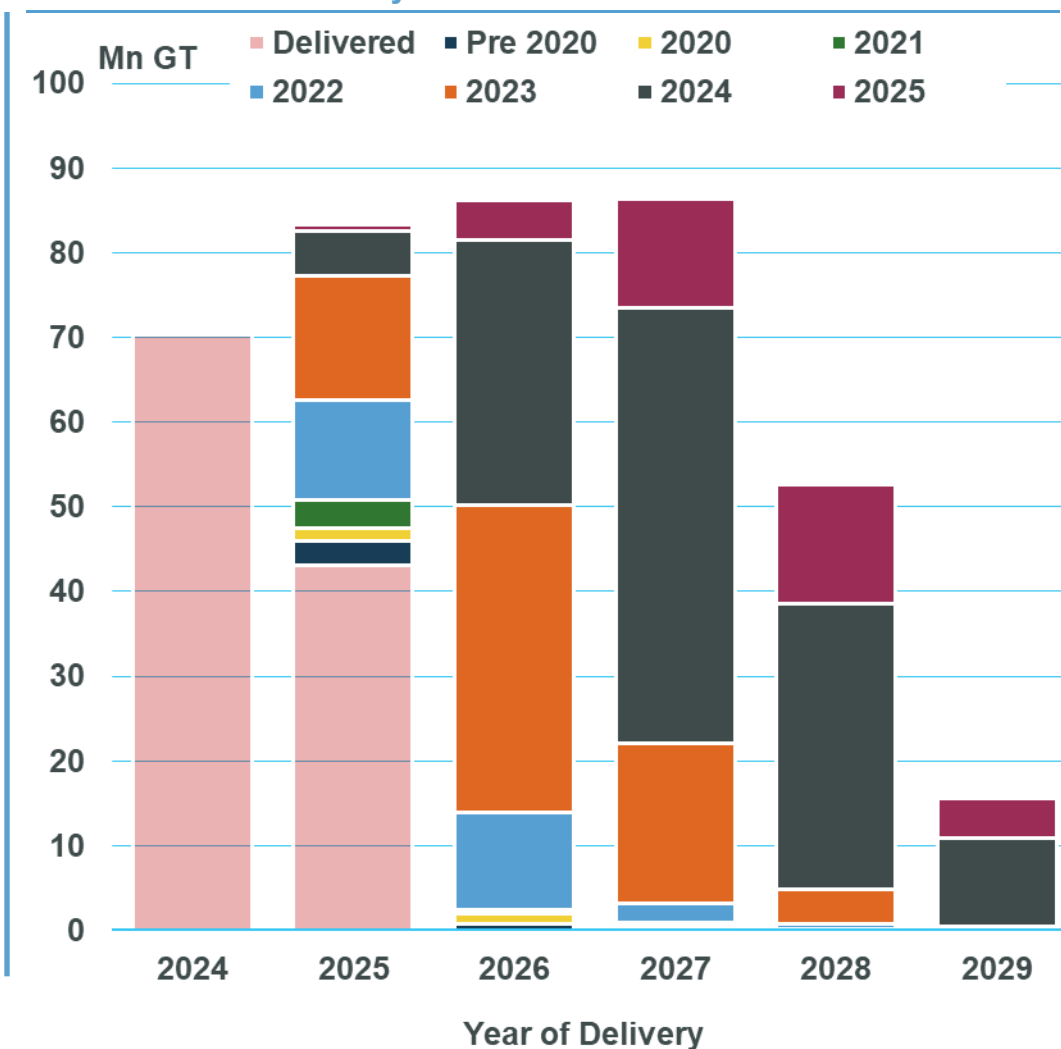
* Q3 2025 = July to Aug Only

Yard Delivery Profile

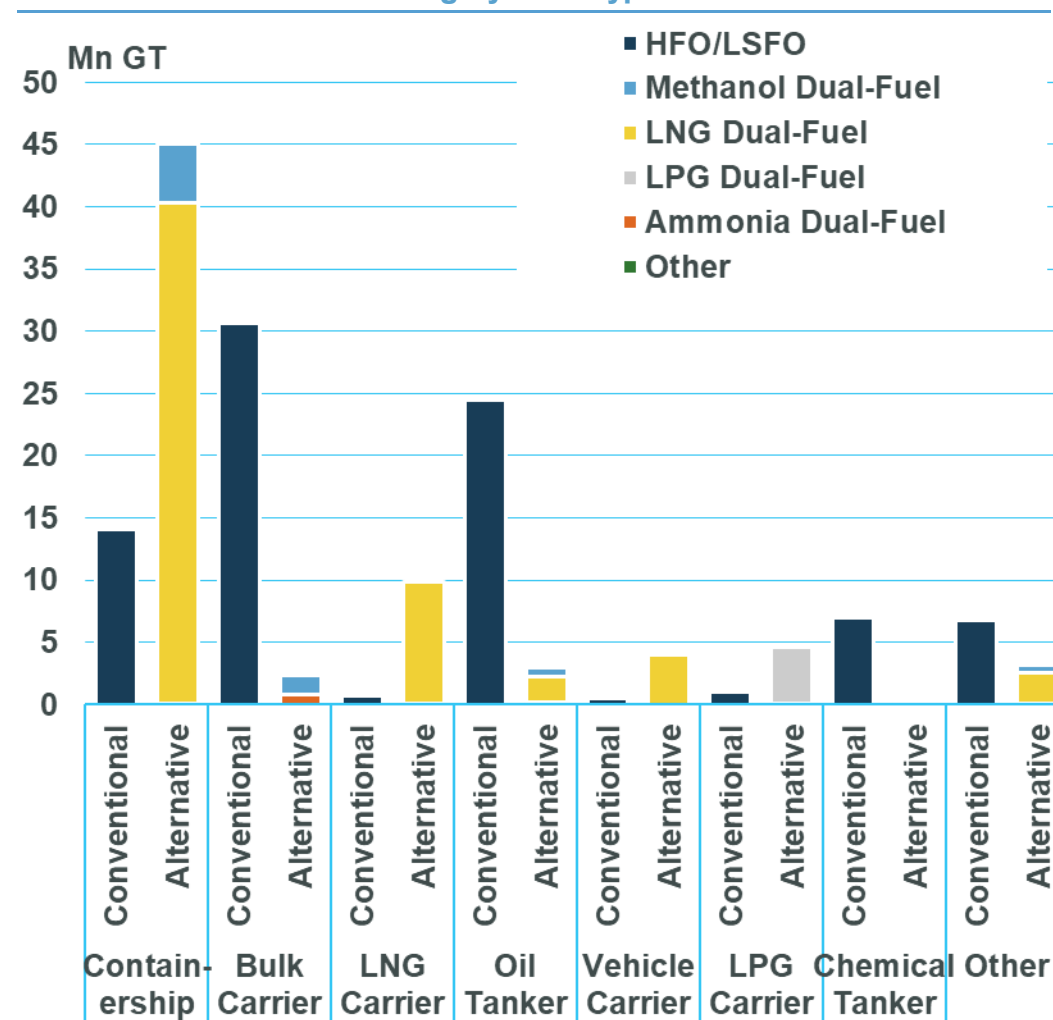
Yards are full, but not with alternatively fuelled bulkers and tankers

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Orderbook Schedule by Year of Contract



Last 18 Months Contracting by Fuel Type

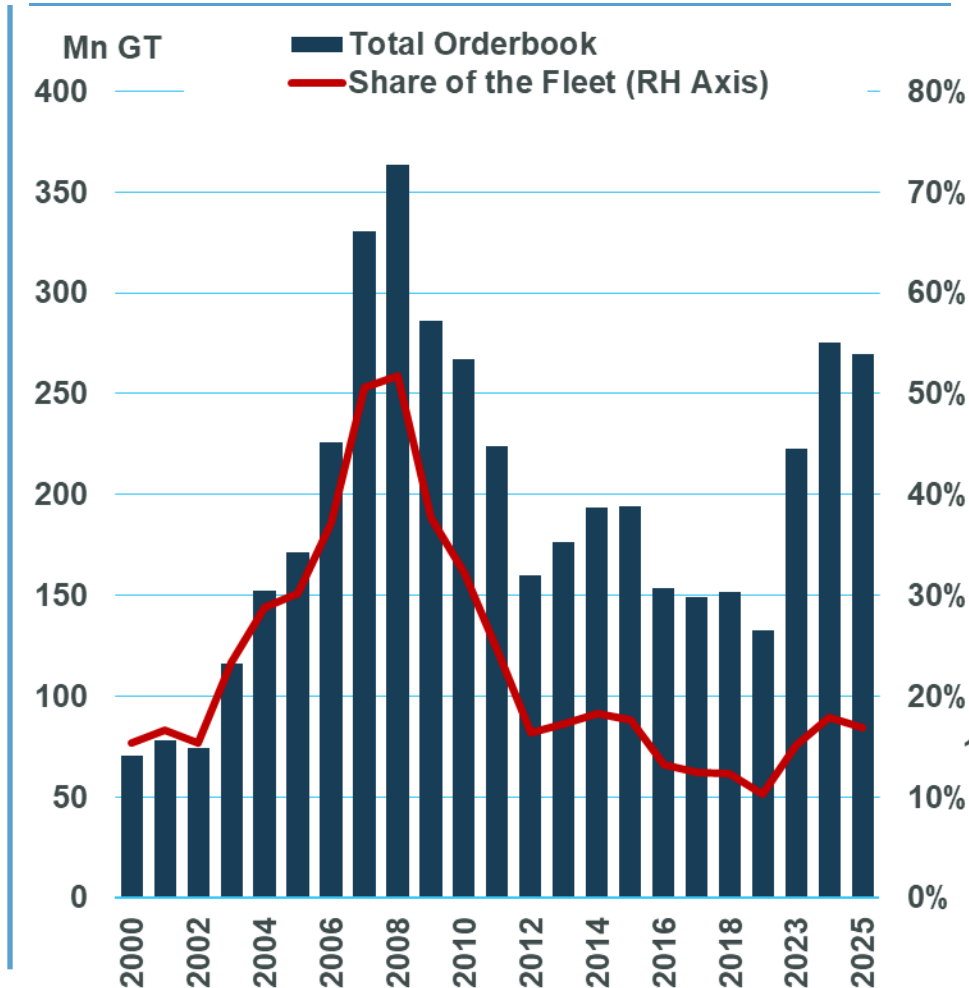


Orderbook

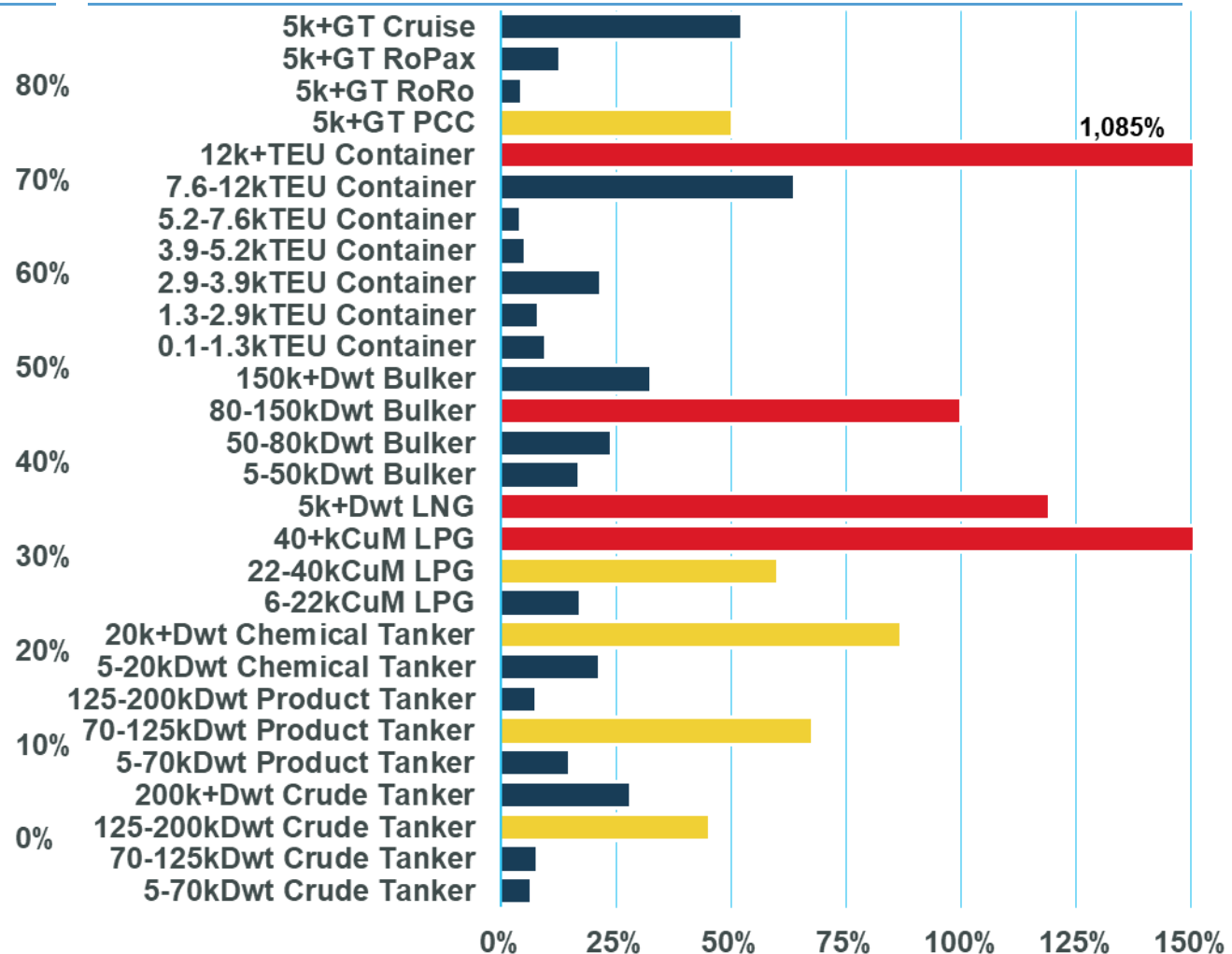
The orderbook has ballooned

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Orderbook and Share of Fleet



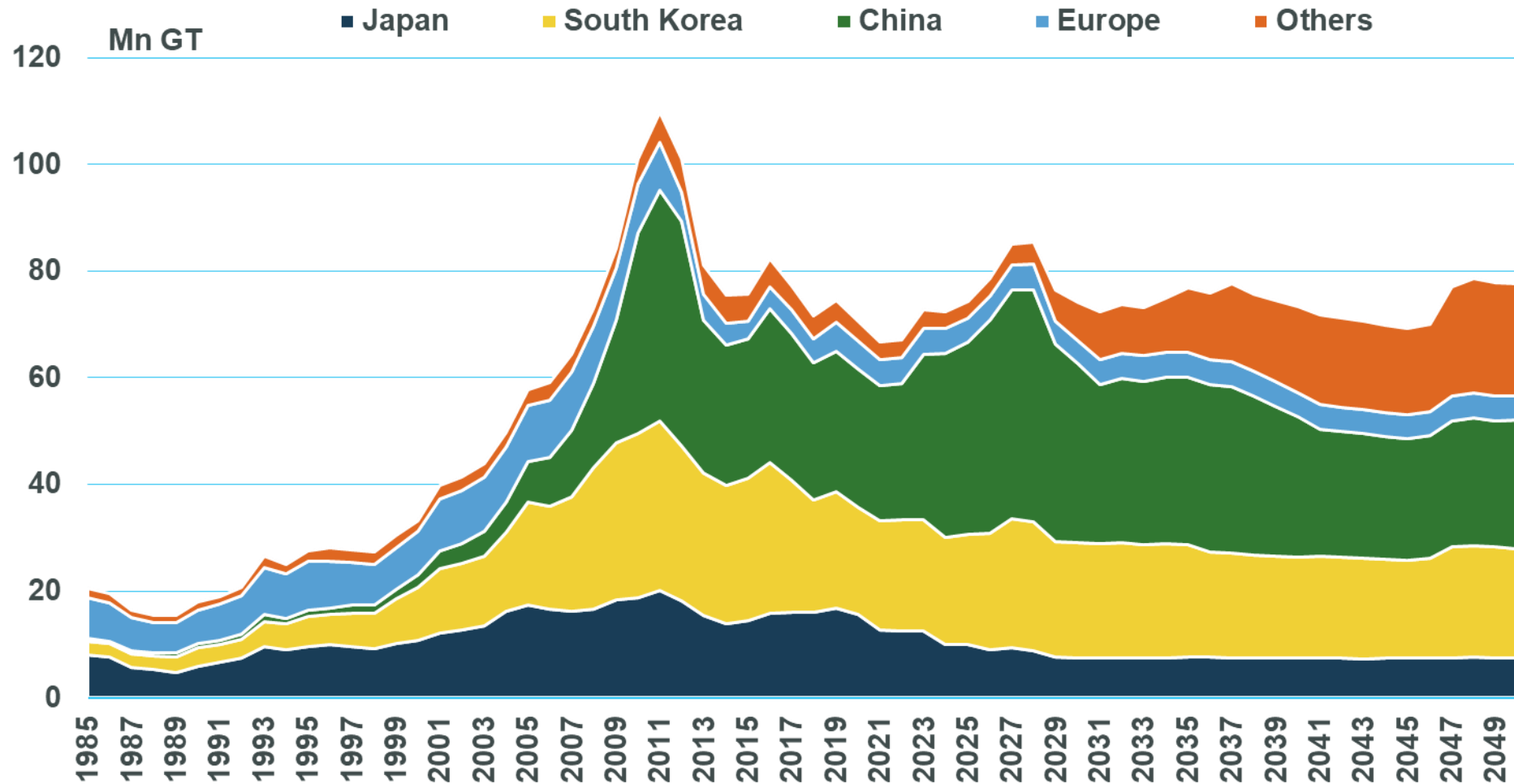
Orderbook as a % of the 15+ Yr Old Fleet



New Shipyards and Changing Capacity

“Others” to take a larger share

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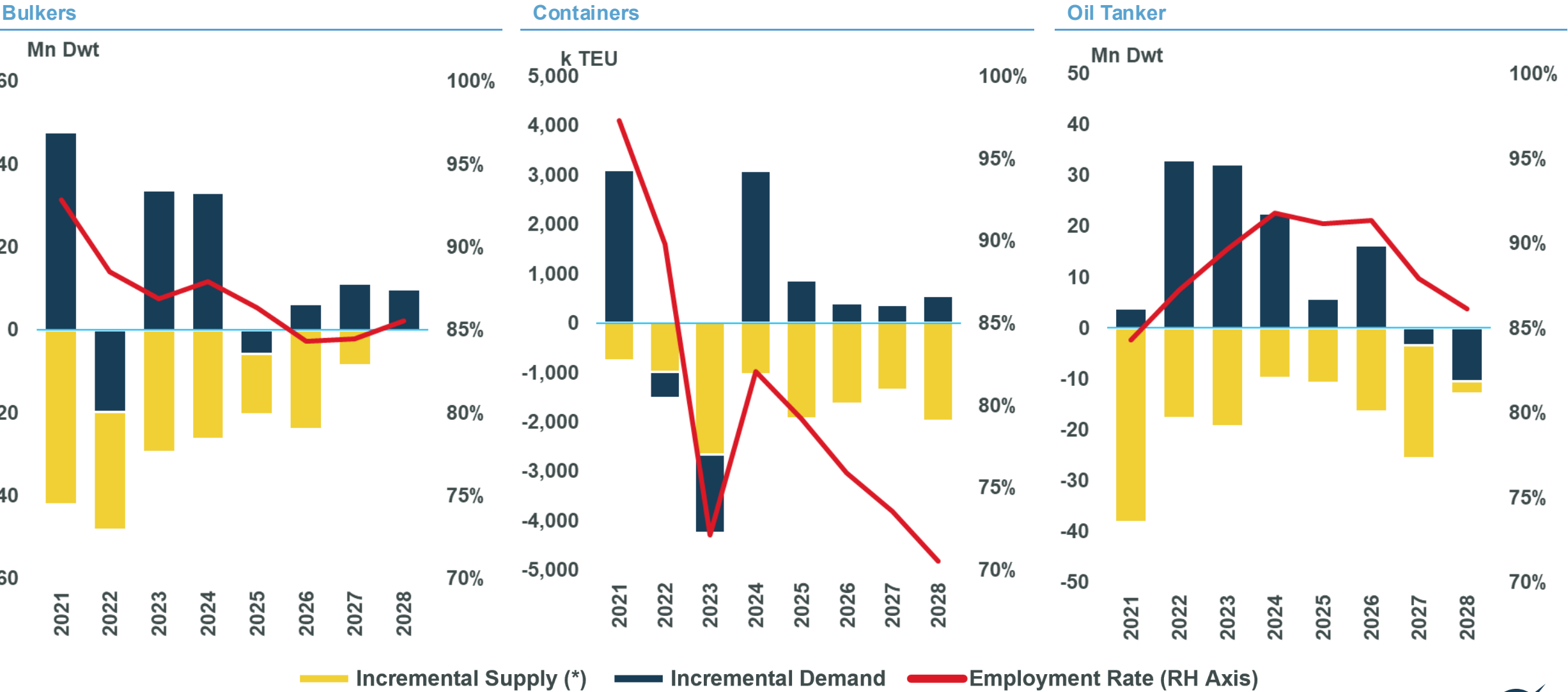


Earnings and Values

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Market Balances

A period of softening (* supply growth inverted)

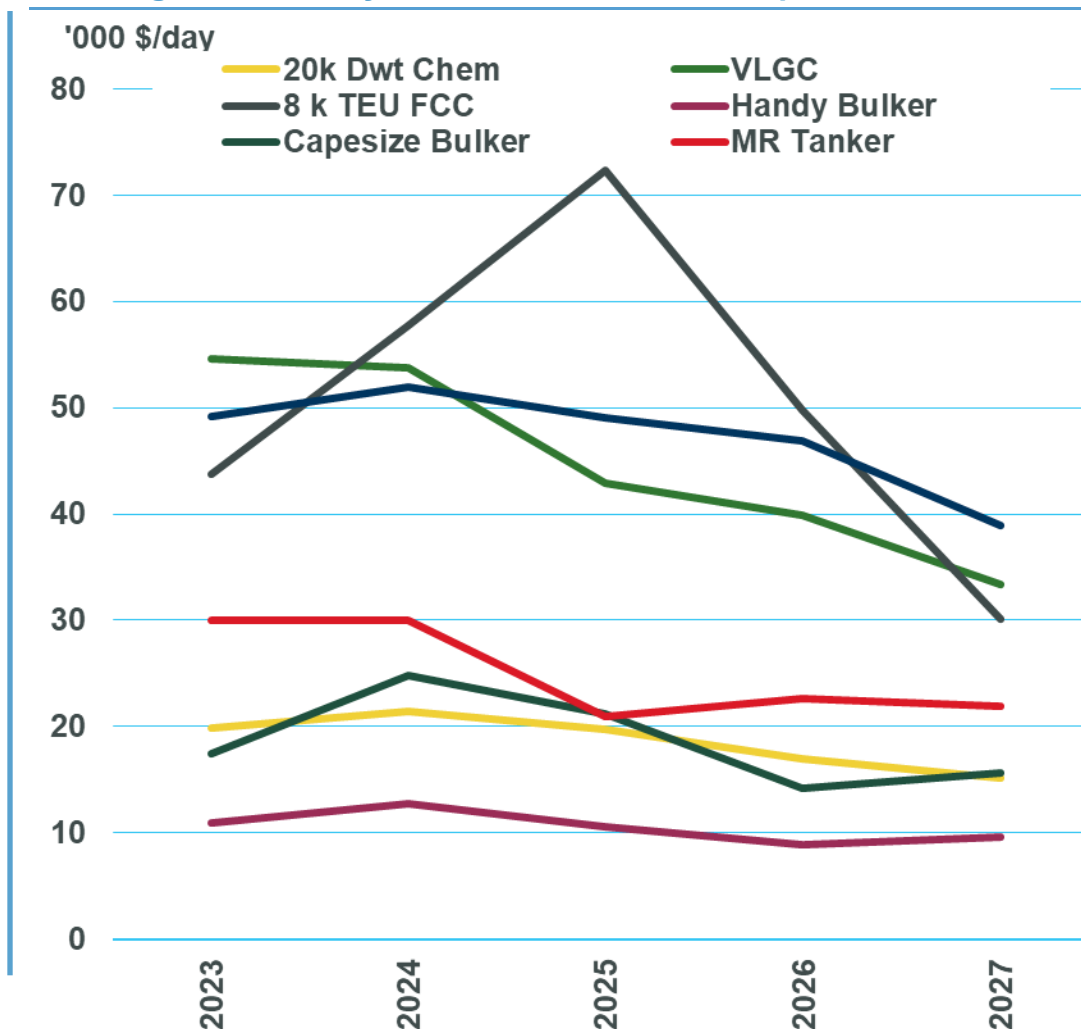


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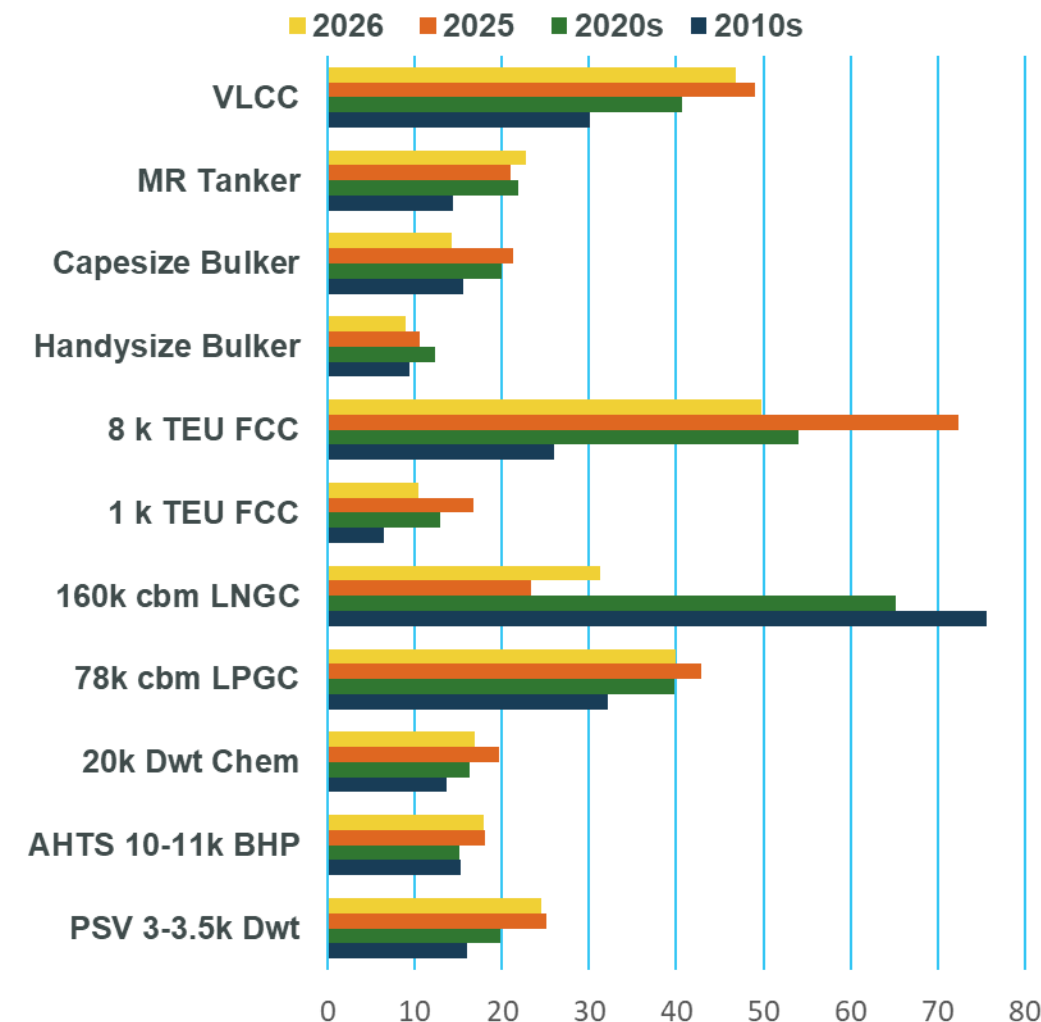
A period of softening, though has to be viewed in context

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Earnings to Generally Soften Over the Next Couple of Years



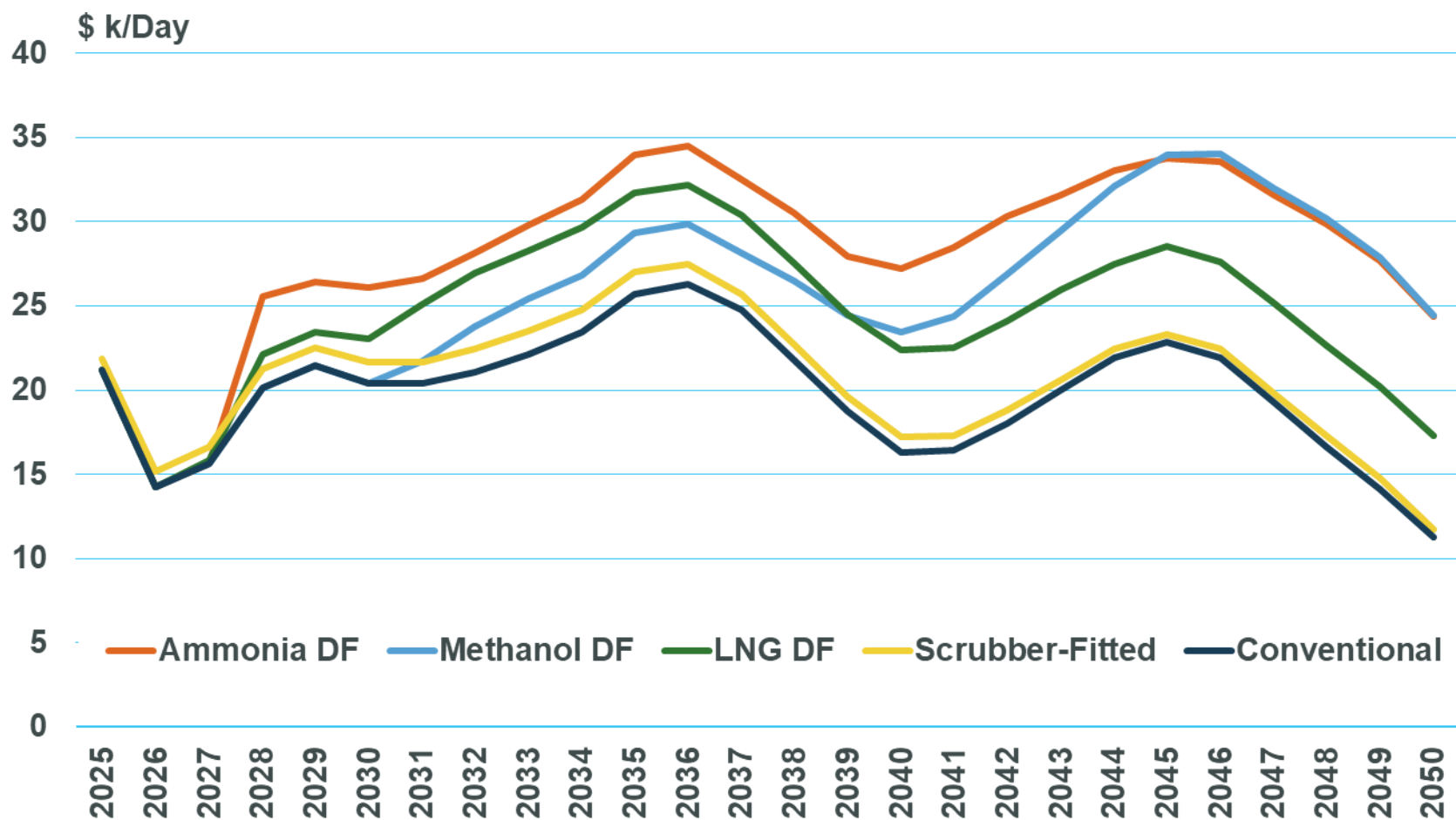
1 Yr TC Rates in Context



Multiple Earnings Benchmarks

Bulker earnings based on fuel options – IMO MTM impact

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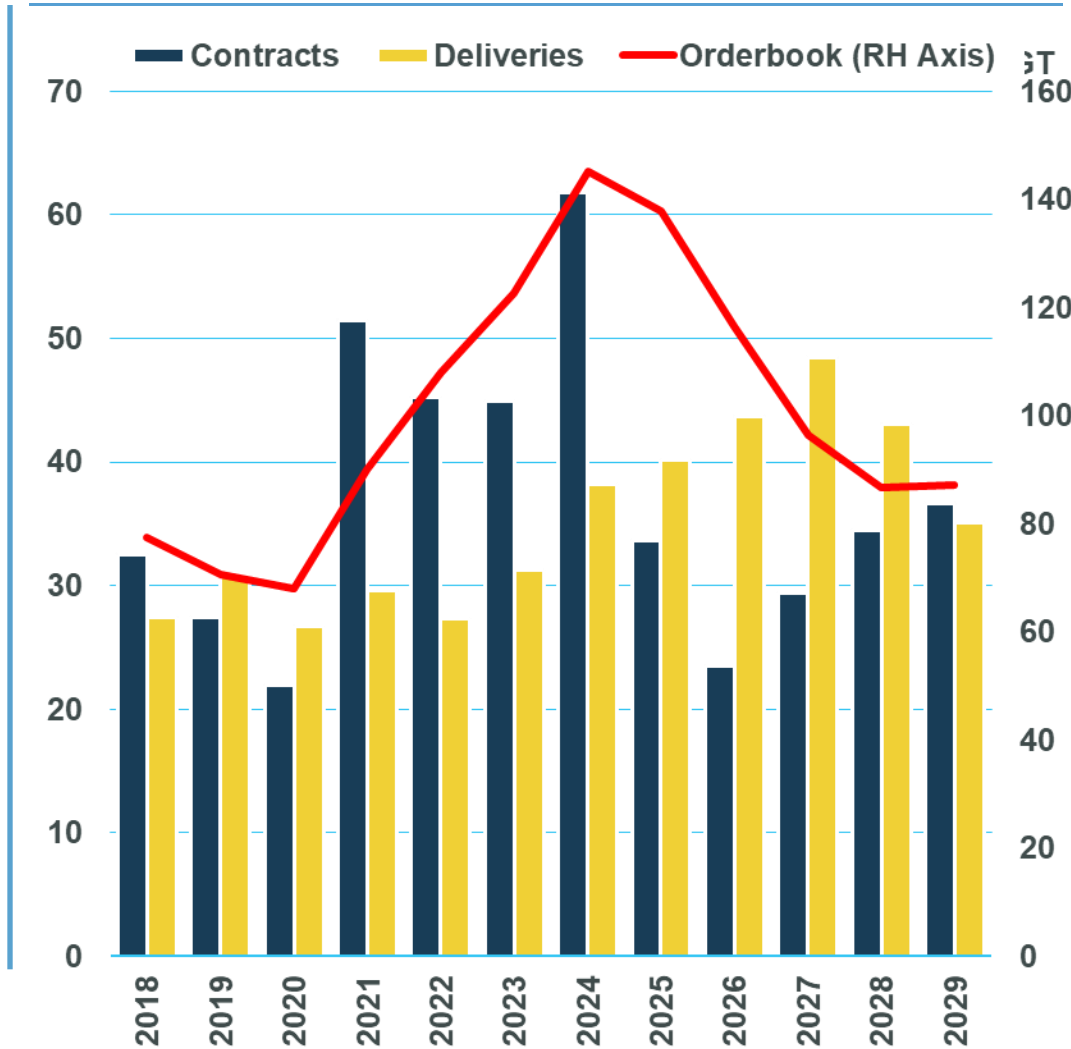


Newbuilding Prices

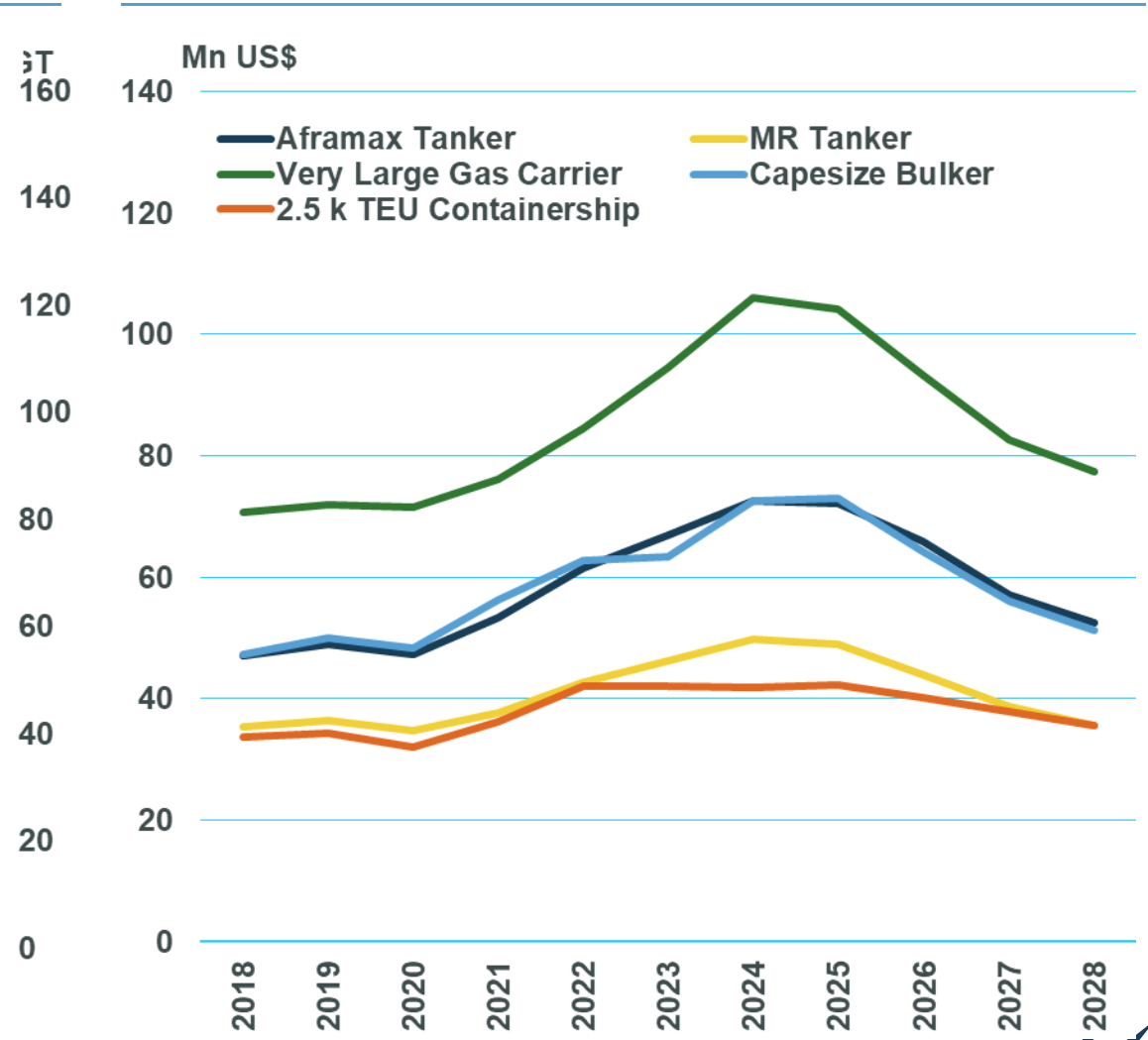
Are and will continue to decline

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Deliveries Will Begin to Outpace Contracts



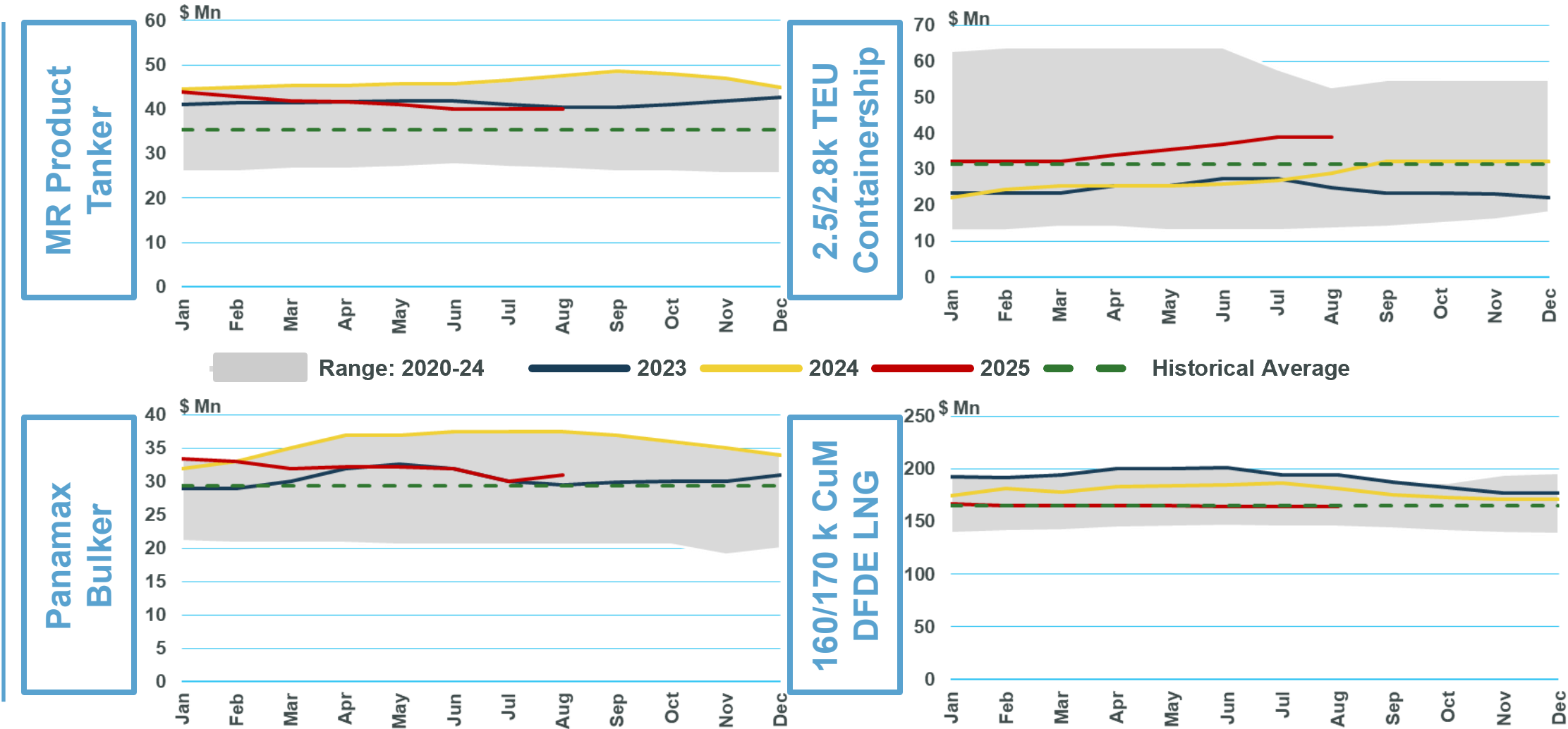
Newbuilding Contract Prices to Slide



Secondhand Prices

Asset values are beginning to slide

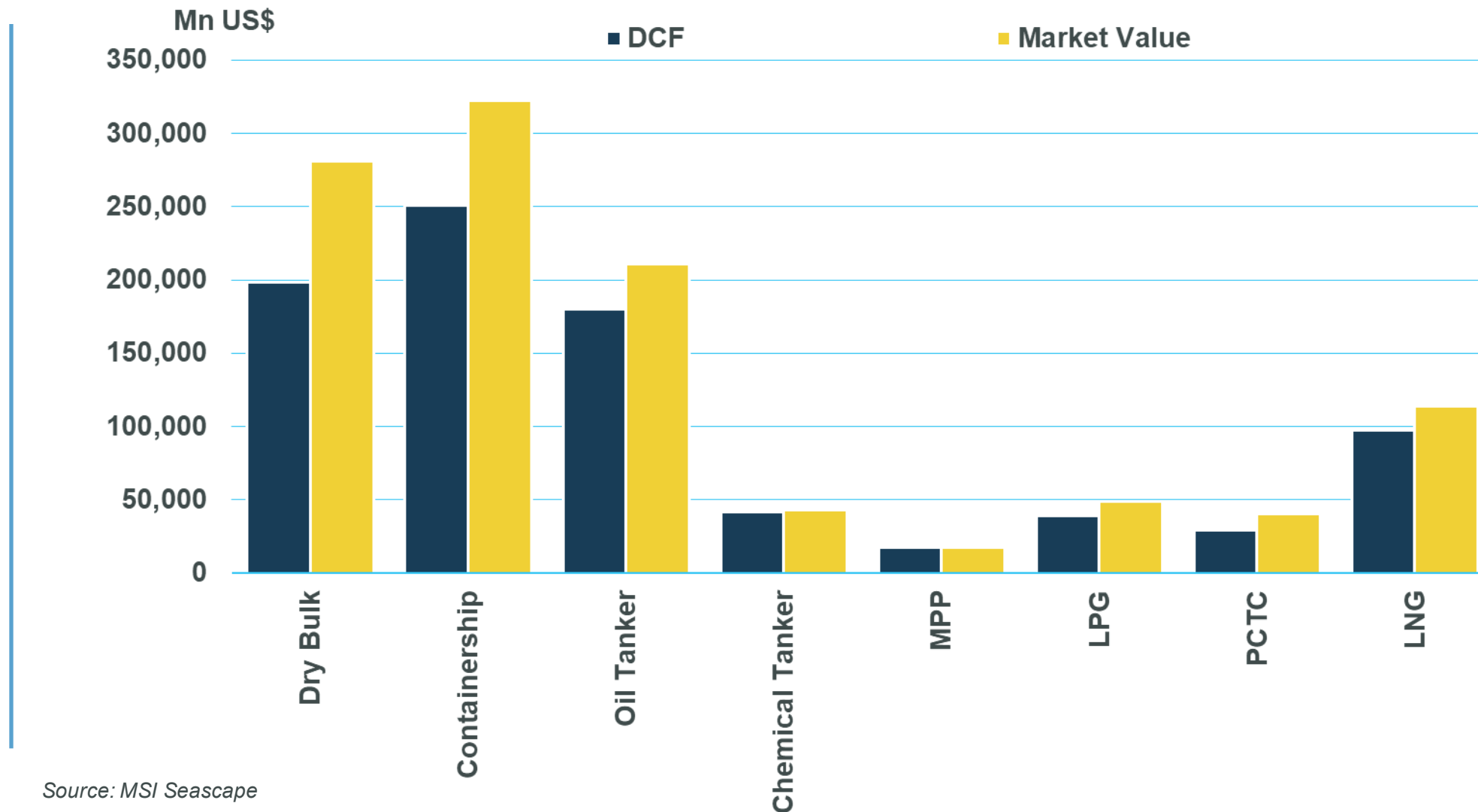
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Fleet Value Disconnect

Market values higher than DCF for most sectors

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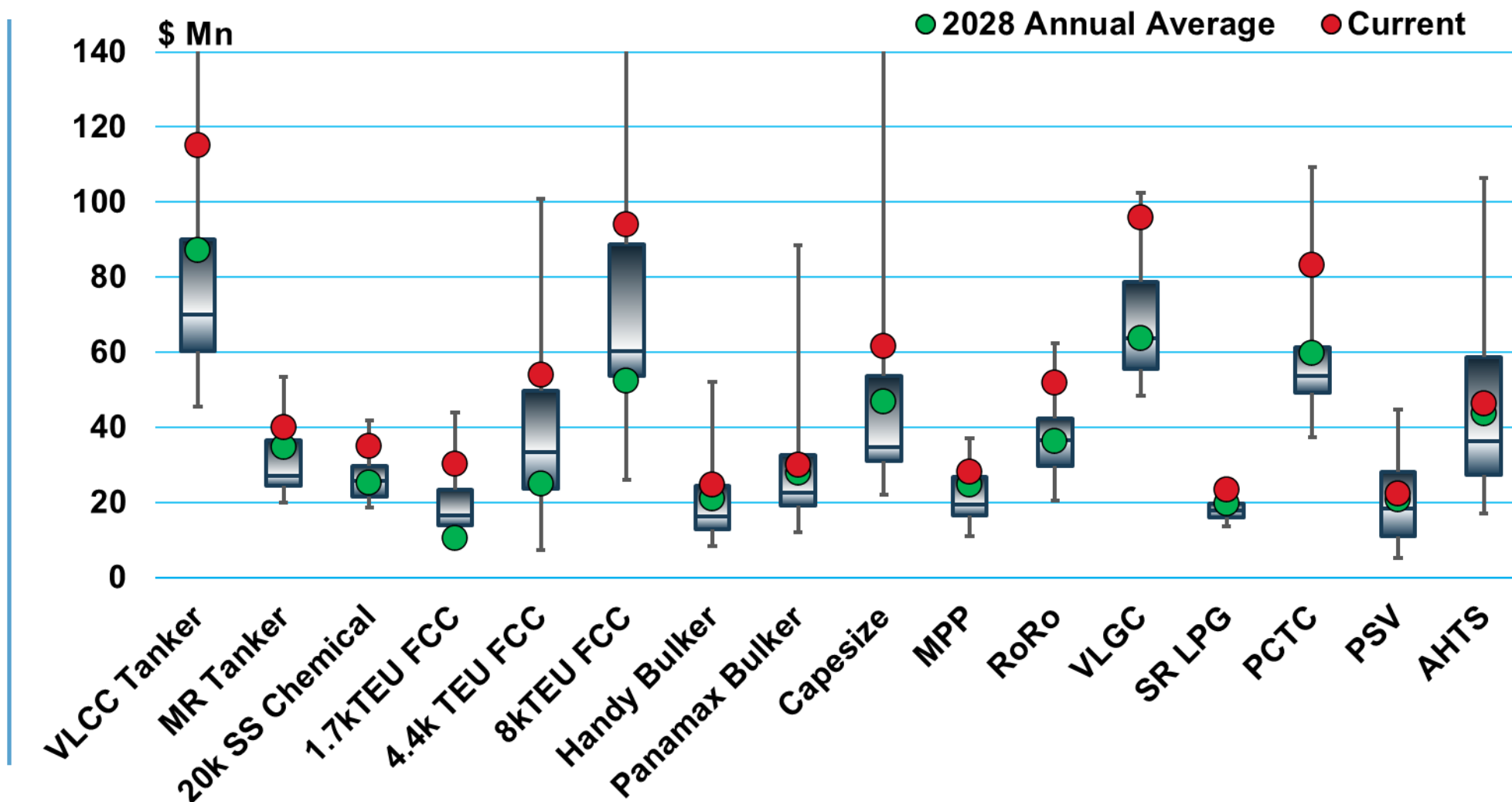


Source: MSI Seascope

Secondhand Values

To soften (but to remain firm for many sectors)

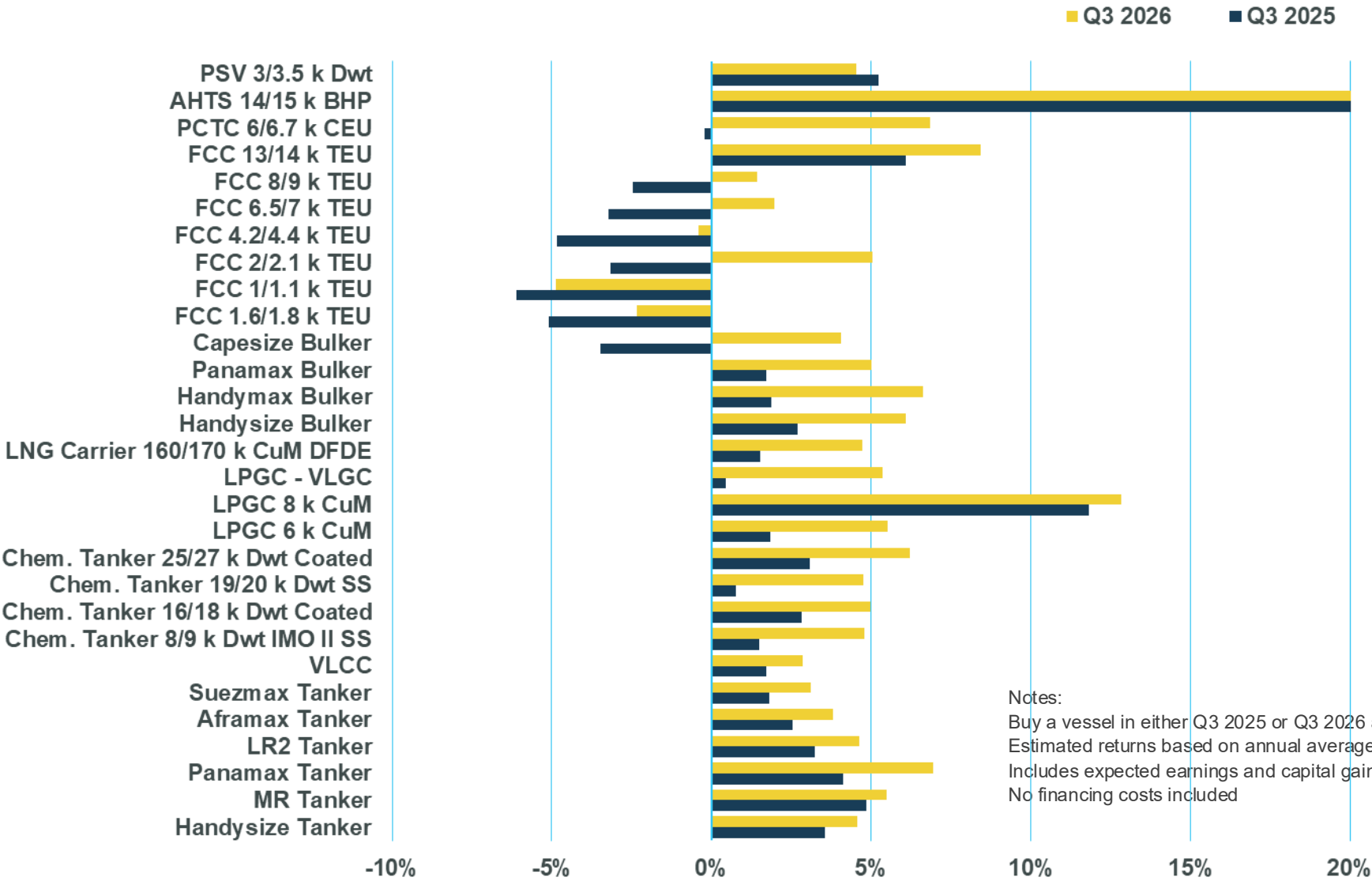
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10 Yr Old IRR – 5 Year Investment

Timing, as ever, remains key

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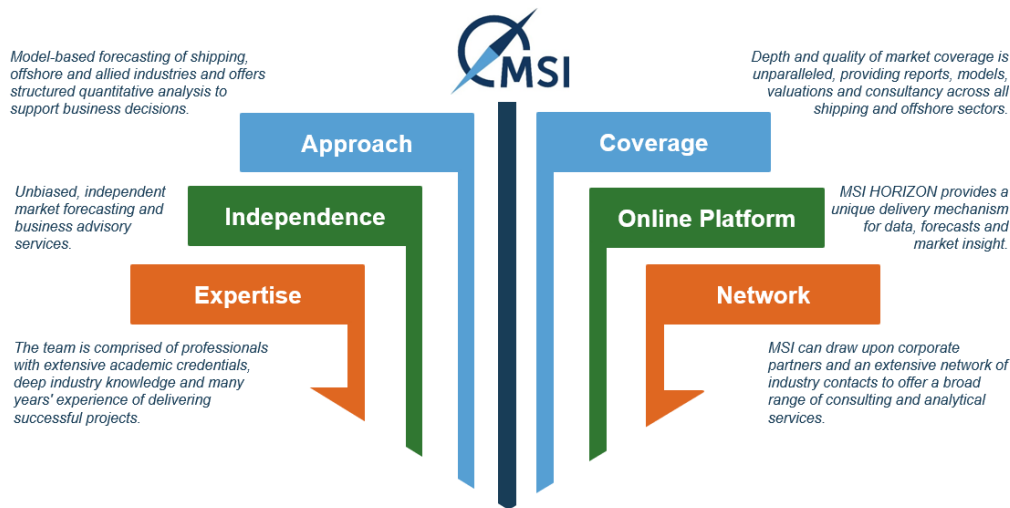
Notes:
Buy a vessel in either Q3 2025 or Q3 2026 and sell +5Yrs
Estimated returns based on annual average values
Includes expected earnings and capital gains
No financing costs included



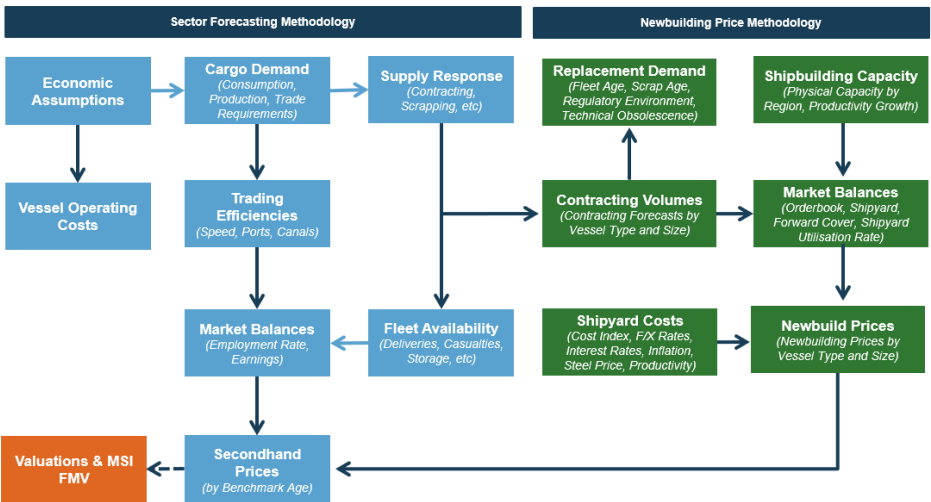
Introduction to MSI

Maritime consultancy firm offering forecasts, sector models, data, asset valuations and strategic advisory services

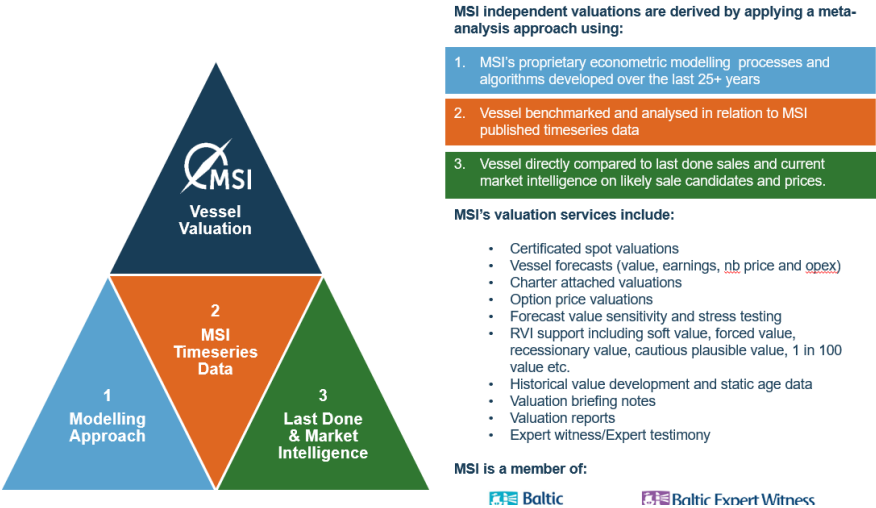
MSI's Strategic Advantage



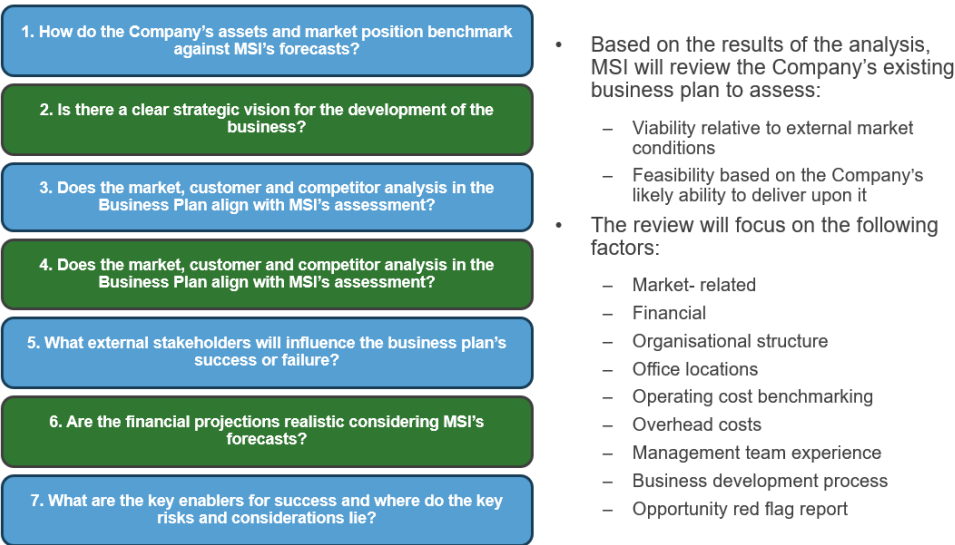
Forecasting Models (All Marine Markets) & Market Reports



Current and Forecast Asset Valuations



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Model Simulations

Simulation Control

Run Simulation Close

Basic Scenario

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Simulation Tables

Select Simulation Table

Add to Simulation Cancel

Dry Bulk: Infrastructure X

Dry Bulk: Steel & Iron Ore X

Dry Bulk: Minor Bulks X

Simulation Updates

Dry Bulk: Minor Bulks

Timeseries	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986
Seaborne Steel Scrap: Cargo	16.94	16.72	16.46	21.09	22.31
Seaborne Other Ferrous: Pig...	3.65	3.90	5.55	7.32	8.06
Seaborne Other Ferrous: Sls...	94.52	99.48	111.74	116.18	107.89
Seaborne Non-Ferrous: Dbl...	0.65	0.67	0.69	0.81	0.99
Seaborne Non-Ferrous: Alum...	5.76	6.00	6.24	6.48	6.73
Seaborne Semi-Processed: C...	15.37	16.41	16.14	17.03	21.46
Seaborne Semi-Processed: C...	9.49	11.38	11.20	10.52	13.26
Seaborne Semi-Processed: C...	56.09	58.84	59.53	40.79	47.56
Seaborne Minor Ores: Manganese	6.67	6.26	6.18	7.27	8.26
Seaborne Minor Ores: Nickel...	3.03	2.32	2.83	3.13	3.89
Seaborne Minor Ores: Chrom...	2.32	2.53	2.63	3.13	3.33
Seaborne Minor Ores: Zinc C...	3.23	3.23	3.64	3.74	3.64
Seaborne Minor Ores: Lead C...	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.81	0.71
Seaborne Minor Ores: Copper...	2.81	2.54	2.44	2.39	2.26

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Sector Reports & Data

Vessel Search

Model Simulations

My Simulations

My Saved Vessels

Vessel Name	Sector	Year of	Last Run (GMT)	Access S...
Clarita	Dry Bulk	1988	20/06/2019 10:50:45	Subscriber
Mercury Hope	Tanker	2011	20/06/2019 09:43:49	Subscriber
Advantage Spring	Tanker	2010	20/06/2019 09:43:49	Subscriber
Fi Endeavor	Tanker	2012		Subscriber
Ultra Regina	Dry Bulk	2013		Subscriber
Paradise Bay	Dry Bulk	2003		Subscriber
Yin Bambo	Contanership	2001	18/06/2019 11:04:12	Subscriber
Jinfa De Solis	Contanership	2017		Subscriber
Maersk Shams	Contanership	2015		Subscriber
Ona Cym Amber	Contanership	2008	18/06/2019 11:10:44	Subscriber
Soar Hydra	Dry Bulk	2011	18/06/2019 11:46:26	Subscriber
Triton Valk	Dry Bulk	2009	20/06/2019 09:43:49	Subscriber
Jawor	Dry Bulk	2010		Subscriber
Jawor	Dry Bulk	2010		Subscriber
Formosabulk Brave	Dry Bulk	2001		Subscriber

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Forecast Marine Valuation (FMV) (FULL WIDTH)

Name	Asset Type	Status	Start Date	Expiry Date	Quantity	Rebate
Proton Dredge	Proton	Not Active	01/03/2019	20/03/2019	100	0%
Standard Dredge	Standard	Not Active	01/03/2019	20/03/2019	100	0%

Current Scenario (15 WIDTH)

Name	Start Date	Expiry Date
191.1.2	20/06/2019 11:10:44	20/06/2019 11:10:44

Latest Data Updates by Sector (20 WIDTH)

Sector	Last Updated on
Contanership	20/06/2019
Dry Bulk	20/06/2019
Tanker	20/06/2019
191.1.2	20/06/2019

Integrated Data / Reports Packages (HALF WIDTH)

Name	Start Date	Expiry Date
Dry Bulk Reports & Modeling	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Contanership Reports & Modeling	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Oil Tanker Reports & Modeling	01/03/2019	01/03/2019

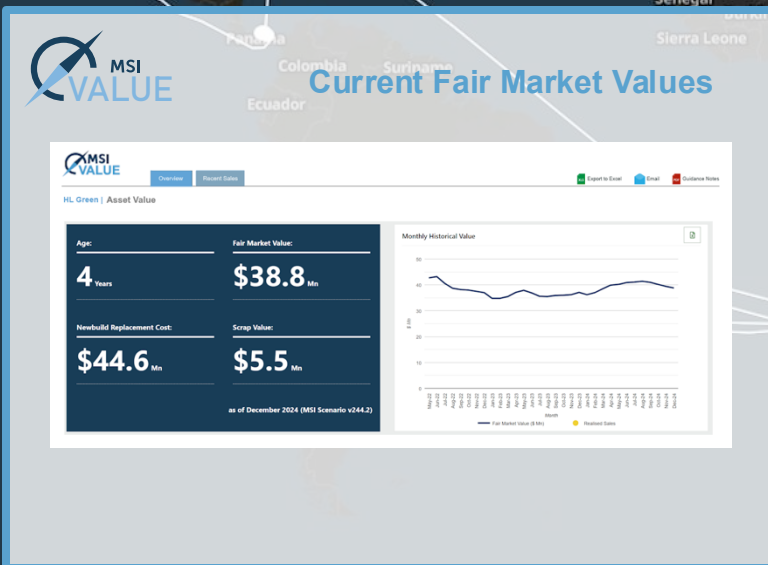
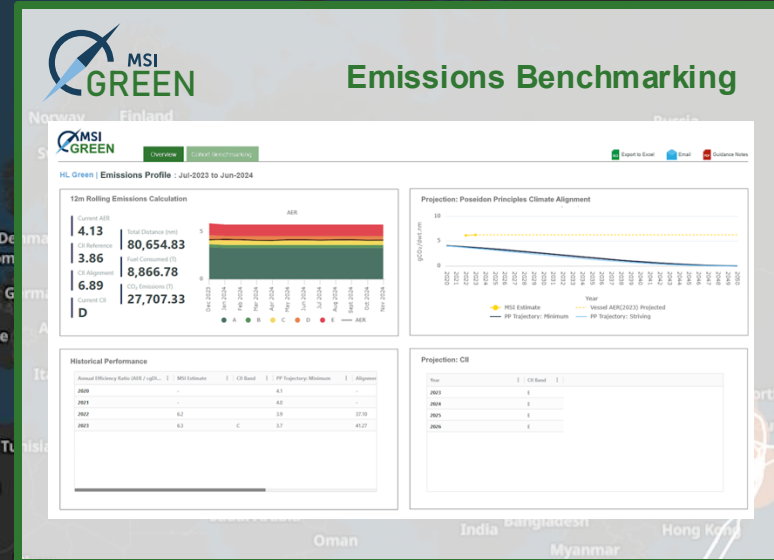
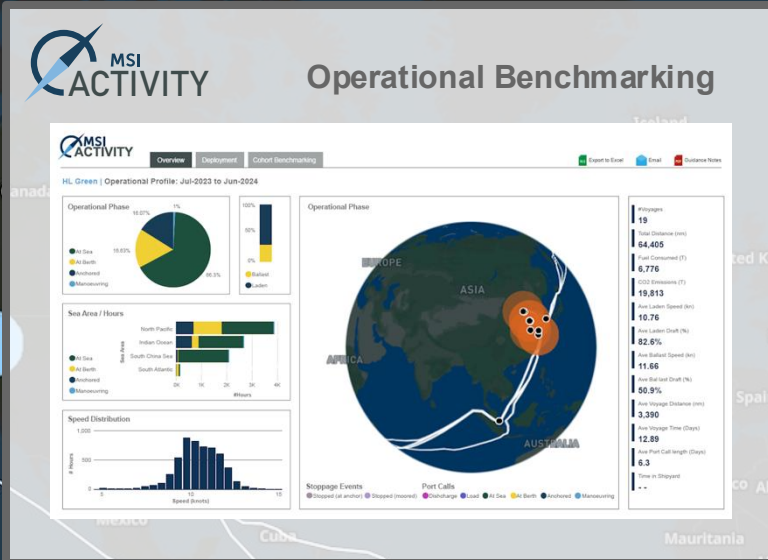
Other Reports / Models / Data (HALF WIDTH)

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Dry Bulk Freight Forecast - Report	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Dry Bulk Freight Forecast - Data	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Contanership Freight Forecast - Report	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Contanership Freight Forecast - Data	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Oil Tanker Freight Forecast - Report	01/03/2019	01/03/2019
Oil Tanker Freight Forecast - Data	01/03/2019	01/03/2019

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Horizon Activity

Output Type: Vessel

MSI ACTIVITY

MSI GREEN 6.89%

MSI VALUE \$38.80 Mn

MSI DCF \$26.01 Mn

Vessels: 1

Sectors: 1

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