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### **America's Container Ports**

Friday, June 19, 2009 - The Bureau of Transportation Statistics of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration today released "America's Container Ports: Freight Hubs That Connect Our Nation to Global Markets", an overview of the movement of maritime freight handled by the nation's container seaports in 2008 and trends in maritime freight movement since 1995. The report covers the impact of the recent U.S. and global economic downturn on U.S. port container traffic, trends in container throughput, concentration of containerized cargo at the top U.S. ports, regional shifts in cargo handled, vessel calls and capacity in ports, the rankings of U.S. ports among the world's top ports, and the number of maritime container entries into the United States relative to truck and rail containers. The report can be found at [http://www.bts.gov/publications/americas\\_container\\_ports/2009/](http://www.bts.gov/publications/americas_container_ports/2009/) Contact Dave Smallen: 202-366-5568.