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Napier Port first-quarter 2026 trade volumes

Napier Port (NZX.NPH) today releases trade volume data for the first quarter ended 31 December 2025.

Compared to the first-quarter 2025, trade volumes increased 1.6% for containerised cargo, increased 2.6% for bulk cargo, and decreased 37.5% for cruise.

Container Services

Total container volumes increased by 1.6% to 45k TEU¹ from 44k TEU in the same period a year ago. Underlying full, or “cargo laden”, container volumes (i.e. excluding empties and other container movements) increased 1.4% and total empty and other container movement volumes increased 1.8%.

Dry export cargo increased by 5.9% to 13k TEU from 12k TEU in the same period a year ago. This is mainly due to higher timber exports.

Reefer export cargo increased by 4.9% when compared with the same period a year ago.

Containerised imports increased by 17.5% to 24k TEU from 20k TEU. The increase was driven by empty container imports increasing 32.6% to 17k TEU.

Other container movements, including transhipped containers and DLRs, decreased to 2k TEU from 5k TEU due to lower container repositioning activity compared to the first quarter of the prior year.

Container vessel calls increased to 64 ships from 61 ships in the prior year.

Bulk Cargo

Total Bulk Cargo volume of 0.94 million tonnes increased 2.6% compared to the same period a year ago.

Log exports increased 1.9% to 0.74 million tonnes.

Other bulk exports increased 24k tonnes, or 152%, to 39k tonnes due to higher coastal fertiliser movements.

Bulk cargo imports decreased by 14k tonnes, or 8%, to 159k tonnes as increased fertiliser partially offset decreased oil products imports.

Charter vessel calls increased to 66 from 63 in the same quarter a year ago.

Cruise Services

Cruise vessel calls during the first quarter were 15, down from 24 in the prior year. Average cruise vessel size and passengers per vessel increased by between 15% and 20% compared to the same period a year ago.

Napier Port currently has actual calls plus remaining bookings totalling 59 cruise vessels for this cruise season.

¹ Twenty-foot container equivalent unit.

Napier Port First-Quarter 2026 Trade Volume Data

The below trade volume data provides a summary of the results for the first quarter ended 31 December 2025 compared to the same period in the prior year.

Container Services		Q1 FY2026 Actual	Q1 FY2025 Actual
TEU (000s) [^]			
Exports			
Wood pulp & timber		9	8
Canned food / other food & beverage		2	2
Other dry		3	2
Total dry		13	12
Apples & pears		1	1
Meat		3	3
Fresh & other chilled produce		1	1
Total reefer		5	5
Empty		1	2
Total exports		19	19
Imports			
Dry		6	6
Reefer		1	1
Empty		17	13
Total imports		24	20
Other container movements ('DLRs and Tranships')		2	5
Total Container Services volume		45	44

Vessels

Container vessel calls	64	61
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[^]Rounded to nearest thousand TEU

Bulk Cargo		Q1 FY2026 Actual	Q1 FY2025 Actual
Kilotonnes			
Log exports		740	726
Other exports		39	16
Imports		159	172
Total Bulk Cargo volume		938	914

Vessels

Charter vessel calls	66	63
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Cruise Services	Q1 FY2026 Actual	Q1 FY2025 Actual
Vessels		
Cruise vessel calls	15	24

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About Napier Port

Napier Port is New Zealand's fourth largest port by container volume. We are the gateway for Hawke's Bay and lower North Island's exports and operate a long-term infrastructure asset that supports the regional economy. Our strategic purpose is to collaborate with the people and organisations that have a stake in helping our region grow. View Napier Port's investor centre: <https://www.napierport.co.nz/investor-centre/>