

PSA retains port crown

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Singapore's PSA International has retained its ports crown in the latest annual rankings of global container terminal operators from UK consultancy Drewry.

The seven largest terminal operators now handle over 40% of global port throughput on an equityadjusted basis.

Mediterranean Shipping Co (MSC) recorded the strongest growth last year, with equity teu up by more than 10% following the acquisition of Bolloré Africa Logistics in December 2022.

Eleanor Hadland, author of the report and Drewry's senior analyst for ports and terminals, said: "The seven largest global terminal operators all reported equity-adjusted throughput of more than 40m teu in 2023. While several of the smaller global terminal operators have clearly stated their intention to expand their portfolios, there are very limited opportunities to close the 30m teu wide gap that exists between this leading pack and the rest of the table."

Leading global/international terminal operators, equity-adjusted throughput, 2023

Ranking 2023	Operator	2023		
		Million teu	% change vs. 2022	% share world container port throughput
1	PSA International	62.6	4.6%	7.2%
2	China Merchants Ports	55.0	8.7%	6.4%
3	China Cosco Shipping	53.8	1.4%	6.2%
4	APM Terminals	48.9	-1.2%	5.6%
5	DP World	44.3	-4.7%	5.1%
6	Hutchison Ports	43.0	-4.6%	5.0%
7	MSC Group (incl. TIL & AGL)	42.3	10.3%	4.9%
	Sub-total	350.0	2.0%	40.4%
	Other GTOs	78.8	3.1%	9.1%
	Total GTOs	428.8	2.3%	48.6%

Source: Drewry's Global Container Terminal Operators Annual Review and Forecast 2024/25