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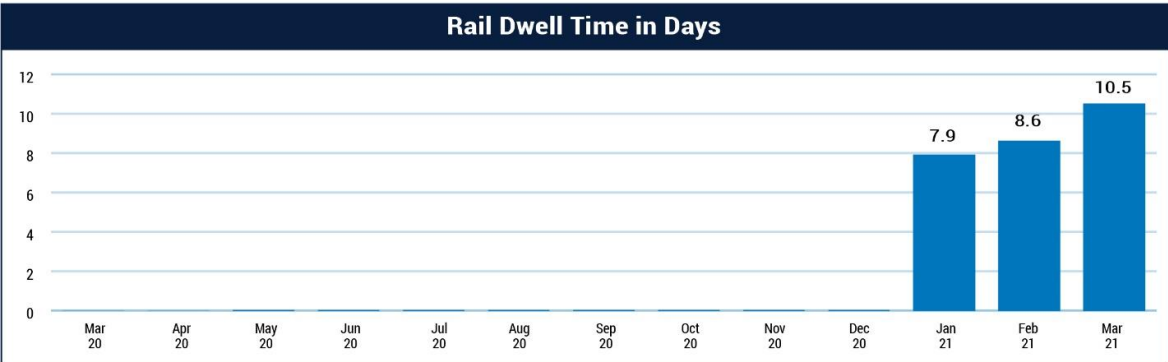
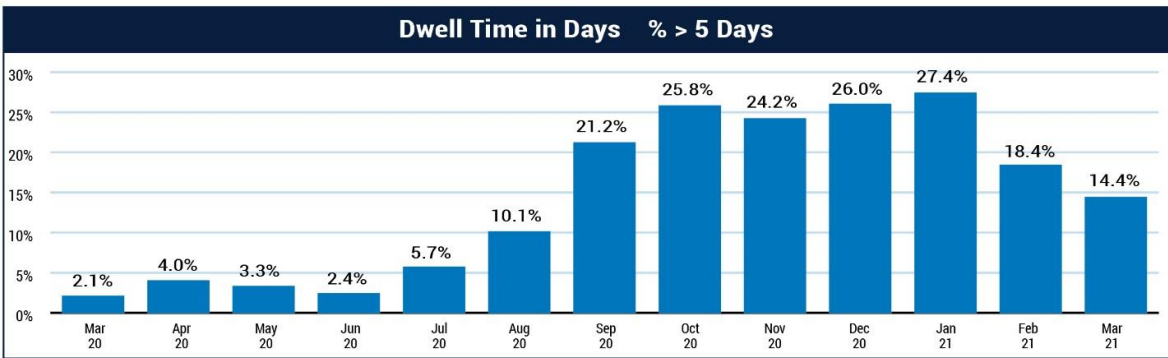
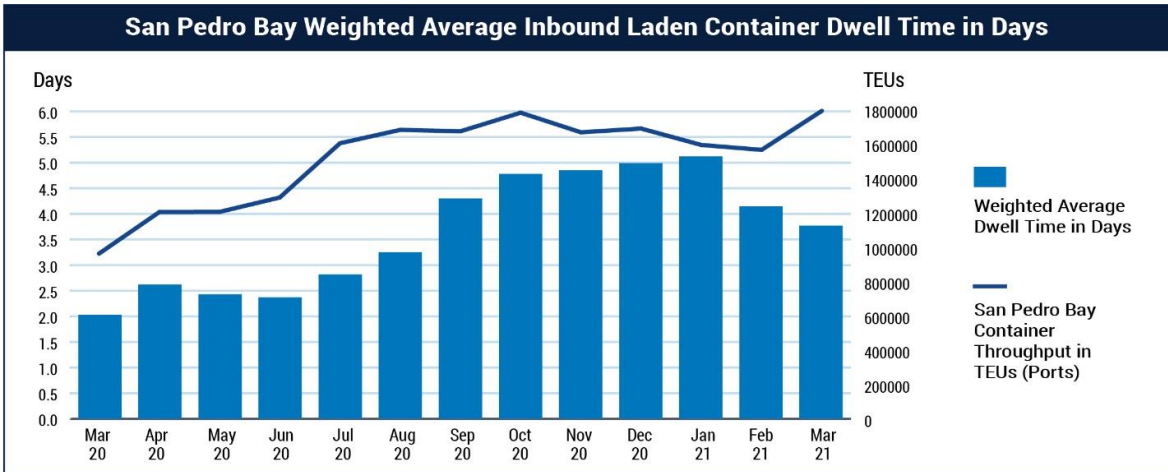
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Container Dwell Time Continues Mixed Results at San Pedro Bay Ports

Local Container dwell time at San Pedro Bay Ports improved slightly in March. On average, containers stayed at terminals for 3.77 days, down from 4.15 days in February and 5.12 the month before. The Dwell time destined for local warehouses in March was the lowest since August 2020. The number of containers that remained on terminals for longer than five days also decreased to 14.4%, down from 18.4% in February and 27.4% the month before.

Conversely, container dwell time for cargo departing via rail has not shown the same progress, instead dwell time has increased. For the month of March, rail dwell time increased to 10.5 days, up from 8.6 days in February and 7.9 days the month before, and continues to be problematic.

In March, marine terminal operators (MTOs) handled a record breaking 1.8 million Twenty-foot Equivalent Units (TEUs), up from over 1.6 million TEUs each month between July to February. “While rail dwell time has worsened, the consistent improvement of container dwell time leaving on trucks signals a positive trend. Despite the recent congestion and longer dwell times, terminals and dock workers have been working diligently to keep cargo flowing efficiently. This is an extraordinary accomplishment and they should be acknowledged for their hard work during a global pandemic, explained Jessica Alvarenga, Manager of Government Affairs for the Pacific Merchant Shipping Association.



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