## Jones Act Shipping to Puerto Rico is Reliable and Cost-Effective

- The dedicated Jones Act fleet is a vital and cost-effective link between the U.S. mainland and Puerto Rico.
- The fleet provides faster, more regular, and direct service to and from U.S. mainland with 40% greater cargo capacity per container.
- Shipping costs represent a tiny fraction of retail prices on the island. -Like the U.S.mainland, these retail prices are set by retailers and grocers, not shippers, based on factors including real estate costs, supply, demand and profit margins.

JONES ACT 53ft

container

routinely uses 53-foot

standard containers.

than 40 percent compared to

STANDARD 40ft

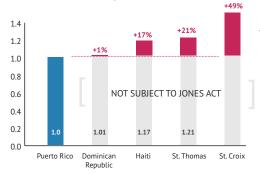
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-The Jones Act does not interfere with international trade nor impose any additional taxes or tariffs.

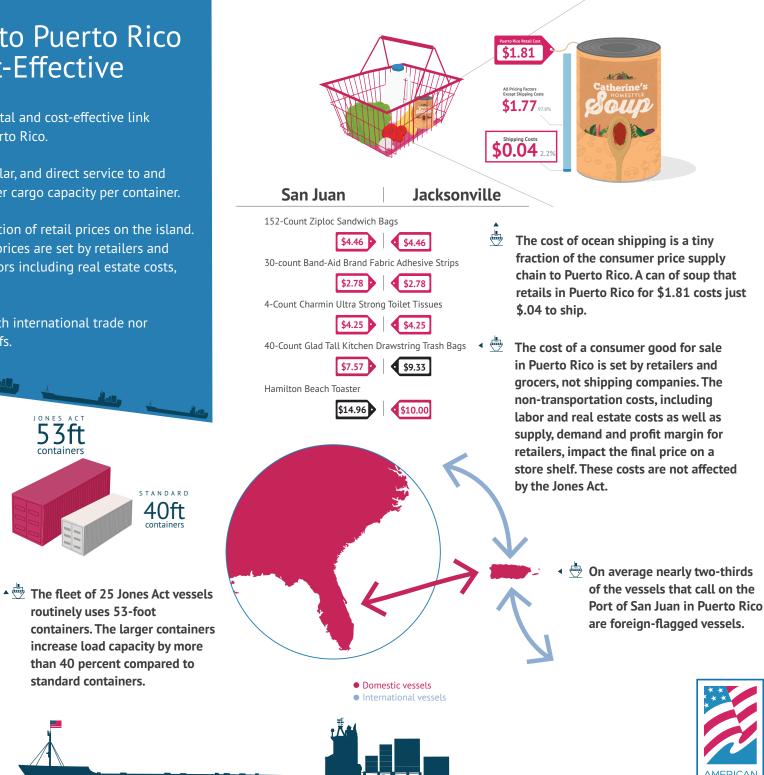
## Know the Facts

Shipping rates from the U.S. mainland to Puerto Rico are lower than to any other place in the Caribbean, leading to greater efficiencies and reducing costs.

## Combined Average Rates Per TEU Indexed



Twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU) describes the nominal capacity of container ships and terminals. This chart provides an overview of indexed rates in the region, with Puerto Rico representing the baseline rate at 1.00. (data from January to June 2015)



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