FLOW

Join the FLOW Community

The Freight Logistics Optimization Works (FLOW) program is a voluntary, secure national exchange of freight data. The program helps improve the efficiency and resilience of the U.S. supply chain by providing access to actual daily asset availability and future demand for logistics resources.

The FLOW community is unique because it brings together a diverse group of stakeholders to share ideas and solutions help improve supply chain operations.

HOW TO JOIN THE FLOW COMMUNITY

FLOW is currently open to asset owners and operators who handle imported containerized cargo. Here's how to join:

1 Contact the FLOW Team at FLOW@dot.gov or through the website intake form.

2 Review and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Department of Transportation.

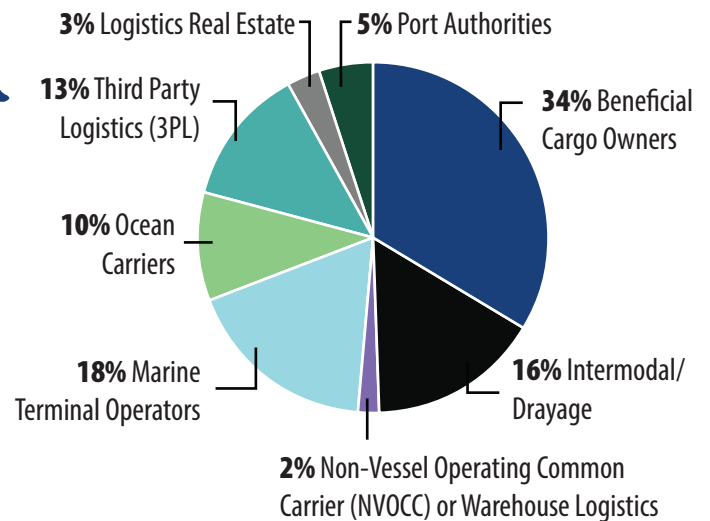**3** Work with the FLOW Data Analysis Team to submit a test file.

4 Set up a FLOW account/SFTP to exchange data.

5 Begin sending and receiving data and join regular FLOW meetings with the FLOW Team and other FLOW participants.

Who participates in FLOW?

8 of the top container ports

- Seattle
- Tacoma
- Oakland
- Los Angeles
- Long Beach
- Houston
- Savannah
- New York/New Jersey

Participant breakdown

- **3%** Logistics Real Estate
- **5%** Port Authorities
- **13%** Third Party Logistics (3PL)
- **34%** Beneficial Cargo Owners
- **10%** Ocean Carriers
- **18%** Marine Terminal Operators
- **16%** Intermodal/Drayage
- **2%** Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC) or Warehouse Logistics

Participating Importers
3 of the top 5
7 of the top 25

80%
of Daily US Container Terminal Capacity

70%
of Ocean Carrier Bookings

By engaging with FLOW, your organization is part of a community working to improve system-level visibility of the U.S. supply chain. Sharing data is just the start. You can interact with other participants and help shape the future of FLOW to ensure it evolves and grows to meet the needs of your company and industry.

It's good for your organization, your customers, and the economy.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP

- Learn more about the program and participants at www.transportation.gov/FLOW.
- Talk about FLOW with your colleagues.
- Ask questions, be connected with a current FLOW participant, or set up a meeting with the FLOW Team by emailing FLOW@dot.gov.

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