

International Container Terminal Services Inc (ICT PM)

FUNDAMENTAL VIEW 1 As of 20 Aug 2025

- We expect ICTSI to remain resilient amid global growth slowdown fears owing to yield improvements and strong cost control.
- ICTSI has steadily deleveraged over the past 5 years which we see as prudent financial management. Yet management's recent lean towards growth at the expense of deleveraging could restrain improvements in credit metrics.
- While ICTSI is exposed to material EM-related geopolitical risks, we think its geographically diversified revenue base across 20 countries limits countryspecific risks.
- While sizable capex and high dividend payouts could strain ICTSI's credit profile, we take comfort in ICTSI's robust OCF generation that should keep FCFs positive.

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- ICTSI is exposed to EM-related geopolitical, regulatory and operating risks. That said, we think the impact is mitigated by its geographically diversified revenue base across 20 countries that limits country-specific risks.
- Trade uncertainties from Trump's policies could hamper cargo volume growth.
- Growing capex tendencies and high dividend payouts could strain ICTSI's free
 cash flows and credit metrics, though we think the impact is mitigated by ICTSI's
 robust operating cash flow generation.
- While ICTSI is exposed to FX depreciation risks as most of its revenues and cash
 expenses are in EM currencies, natural hedging has been fairly effective thus far.



KEY METRICS As of 20 Aug 2025

\$ MN	FY22	FY23	FY24	1H24	1H25
Debt to Book Cap	71.9%	73.0%	70.1%	74.3%	73.5%
Net Debt to Book Cap	58.2%	61.0%	52.6%	59.4%	55.2%
Debt/Total Equity	255.3%	269.9%	233.9%	289.2%	276.8%
Debt/Total Assets	62.5%	60.3%	58.2%	60.7%	58.2%
Gross Leverage	3.1x	2.9x	2.5x	2.7x	2.3x
Net Leverage	2.5x	2.4x	1.9x	2.2x	1.8x
Interest Coverage	4.6x	4.4x	4.9x	4.6x	5.3x
EBITDA Margin	62.8%	63.0%	65.0%	65.4%	65.6%

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION

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- ICTSI develops and operates common user container terminals, with a focus on those within Origin and Destination (O&D) ports based in emerging markets.
- ICTSI provides integrated ports services that facilitate the receiving, handling and storage of cargo. These are broadly split into four streams: vessel charges (i.e. services relating to moving cargo on and off ships), yard charges (i.e. services relating to moving cargo in the container and storage yards), storage fees (i.e. services relating to cargo and container storage), and other ancillary fees.
- ICTSI currently operates across 33 port concessions in 19 countries. As of end-1H25, ICTSI's revenues are well diversified across the Asia (43%), EMEA (19%) and the Americas (38%).
- ICTSI operates its container terminals under long-dated concession agreements
 (typically ~25 years) with the relevant local port authorities or governments. For
 some concessions, fees charged to customers are regulated by the authorities
 that prescribe maximum price limits and, in some cases, allow for CPI-linked tariff
 hikes. For other concessions, fees charged are unregulated and allow for greater
 price-setting flexibility and volatility too.
- ICTSI is required to make periodic fee payments to the respective authorities for the right to operate the concessions. These payments are typically a combination of fixed charges and variable charges based on cargo traffic volume or gross revenues.

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