



Strikes continue from French dock workers today as President François Hollande pushes back on reforms to the El Khorma labor reform law. The Le Havre and Fos-sur-Mer ports will face significant disruptions from blockades by ports and dock workers unions—KWE France reports that cargo delays are to be expected. Aviation workers will also decide on a strike over the next few days. Air France pilots have yet to determine a date to protest, although a vote has already been cast to participate in a strike in June, [says Reuters](#), although the strike is over an unrelated matter dealing with pilot pay.

Workers from oil refineries across France are also in the midst of protest—six of eight refineries are either operating at reduced capacities or shut down. Although transport minister Alain Vidalies reports [via The Guardian](#) that the Métro and Paris train strikes would not cause major disruption, there are plans for Solidaires Unitaires Démocratiques (SUD) union train workers of Paris to launch an open-ended strike in Paris.

June 14 will be a day of national protest, with street demonstrations held in response to the labor reform law.

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