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Highlights

- In July 2002, the freight loaded by railways in Canada (excluding intermodal traffic) totaled 19.0 million metric tonnes. This represented a decrease of 3.5% compared to July 2001.
- The intermodal tonnage, represented by "container-on-flat-cars" (C.O.F.C.) and "trailer-on-flat-cars" (T.O.F.C.) increased by 14.3% compared to the same period in 2001, to 2.4 million metric tonnes.
- The five main loaded commodities were: coal (2.8 million metric tonnes), iron ores and concentrates (2.9 million metric tonnes), wheat (1.5 million metric tonnes), lumber (1.0 million metric tonnes), and potash (0.6 million metric tonnes)
- The cumulative freight loaded (excluding intermodal traffic) for the first seven months of 2002 reached 165.6 million metric tonnes.

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Table 1
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada - Total¹

Commodity	Jul	y 2002	July 2001		
Commodity	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes	
Wheat	16,927	1,527,984	20,320	1,841,56	
Other cereal grains	2,409	198,284	3,898	315,213	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	755	61,619	968	78,54	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	1	20	
Colza seeds (canola)	2,425	192,250	3,275	260,310	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	829	66,507	896	72,220	
Animal feed and products	953	74,473	1,365	109,72	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0	, (
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,166	86,214	1,154	84,429	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	1,676	138,101	2,062	163,71	
Sugar	319	28,163	304	26,488	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	141	8,333	43	2,14	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	93	6,865	54	4,010	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	2,770	230,258	2,433	210,477	
Salt	979	90,502	971	90,331	
Phosphate rock	1,014	92,889	715	64,446	
Sulphur	6,425	602,428	5,031	486,876	
Gypsum	X	Χ	Х	2	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	5,608	479,952	5,608	478,530	
Iron ores and concentrates	31,048	2,851,733	34,361	3,175,952	
Copper ores and concentrates	990	87,410	1,979	170,164	
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,351	170,175	0	(
Lead ores and concentrates	608	54,321	320	28,502	
Zinc ores and concentrates	900	79,997	991	88,301	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	151	13,519	191	17,201	
Coal	28,354	2,841,019	34,371	3,363,040	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	2,256	170,219	1,804	134,052	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	4,485	356,895	4,081	322,982	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	5,117	326,082	4,301	277,848	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	1,408	98,259	1,648	105,367	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	2,710	211,065	3,148	240,490	
Sulphuric acid	1,929	168,371	2,142	189,659	
Alumina	5,644	520,329	5,380	495,602	
Other basic chemicals	7,195	605,290	7,088	595,607	
Potash	6,495	623,302	7,210	700,905	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	3,839	323,569	3,701	305,334	
Other chemical products and preparations	981	85,038	1,137	98,756	
Plastic and rubber	3,696	307,683	3,977	335,149	
Logs and other wood in the rough	3,493	219,888	2,600	119,105	
Wood chips	6,705	403,510	6,756	412,901	
Lumber	12,745	1,008,152	12,743	995,937	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	4,565	343,712	4,618	338,235	
Wood pulp	10,445	843,911	9,197	724,838	
Newsprint	6,176	379,405	6,024	361,072	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	5,173	354,332	5,128	329,461	
Cement	3,002	272,994	2,841	257,088	
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,673	144,875	1,131	96,159	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	4,497	366,110	3,646	294,716	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	626	52,006	560	46,595	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	2,274	184,183	1,943	154,080	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	500	40,354	345	29,406	
Articles of base metal	765	54,889	824	58,311	
Machinery	314	18,582	268	12,537	
Automobiles and mini-vans	7,884	129,372	6,980	119,623	
Freight motor vehicles	3,944	74,693	4,186	75,625	
Other vehicles	420	8,880	372	8,176	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	1,599	55,251	1,266	42,633	
Other transportation equipment	1,182	28,841	911	19,095	
Metallic waste and scrap	1,861	147,990	1,915	136,986	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	956	60,272	1,078	69,361	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	156	9,526	295	16,779	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	770	35,355	863	44,259	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	290	17,914	407	20,155	
Less than carload shipments		0		(
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	236,661	19,034,095	243,825	19,717,084	

Table 2
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada - Eastern Division

Commodity	Jul	y 2002	July 2001		
ouninouty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonne	
Wheat	298	26,975	204	18,35	
Other cereal grains	65	5,663	280	24,89	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	59	5,036	30	2,44	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0		
Colza seeds (canola)	22	1,181	27	1,59	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	41	3,643	131	10,96	
Animal feed and products	348	25,952	370	29,05	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0		
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	74	5,632	88	6,74	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	105	6,959	142	10,92	
Sugar	289	25,431	260	22,35	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	8	501	4	11	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	61	4,175	24	1,55	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,218	92,684	1,132	95,78	
Salt	748	70,328	774	73,53	
Phosphate rock	1,014	92,889	715	64,44	
Sulphur	111	9,797	139	12,85	
Gypsum	X	X	X		
Other non-metallic minerals ²	5,063	430,737	5,182	440,56	
Iron ores and concentrates	31,048	2,851,733	34,361	3,175,95	
Copper ores and concentrates	402	34,713	1,392	117,24	
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,351	170,175	0		
Lead ores and concentrates	132	11,866	114	10,24	
Zinc ores and concentrates	789	69,927	991	88,30	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	35	3,107	41	3,62	
Coal	2,804	237,981	4,663	361,68	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	1,689	130,324	1,335	102,82	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,412	191,799	2,151	173,650	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	3,133	197,321	2,696	174,16	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	807	52,327	1,011	54,97	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	974	71,263	1,956	143,70	
Sulphuric acid	1,667	145,791	1,936	171,52	
Alumina	5,643	520,324	5,377	495,32	
Other basic chemicals	2,544	197,027	2,573	201,98	
Potash	429	39,505	1,022	93,76	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	483	43,889	731	59,65	
Other chemical products and preparations	732	63,447	835	72,67	
Plastic and rubber	2,055	167,282	2,162	179,28	
Logs and other wood in the rough	2,141	114,317	2,011	78,58	
Wood chips	1,422	84,874	1,447	85,78	
Lumber	3,617	271,284	4,291	321,88	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	1,972	146,286	2,101	157,56	
Wood pulp	4,166	324,180	3,558	268,19	
Newsprint	4,941	302,622	4,969	293,80	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	3,640	241,644	3,777	232,62	
Cement	1,295	116,885	1,102	97,40	
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,246	109,672	924	78,78	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	3,933	318,327	3,156	254,82	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	250	21,095	508	42,82	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	2,257	182,815	1,908	151,54	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	215	18,273	301	26,41	
Articles of base metal	397	28,165	411	27,52	
Machinery	222	10,990	216	9,12	
Automobiles and mini-vans	5,829	102,663	5,171	95,68	
Freight motor vehicles	3,663	70,724	3,974	73,07	
Other vehicles	377	7,739	359	7,60	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	1,599	55,251	1,265	42,60	
Other transportation equipment	584	14,069	356	8,20	
Metallic waste and scrap	992	79,986	873	65,58	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	359	22,171	460	28,94	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	90	6,209	107	7,94	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	718	32,451	851	43,81	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	143	5,072	371	18,95	
Less than carload shipments		0		(
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	115,721	8,695,148	119,316	9,016,05	
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Table 3
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada - Western Division

Commodity	Jul	y 2002	July 2001		
Commonty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes	
Wheat	16,629	1,501,009	20,116	1,823,207	
Other cereal grains	2,344	192,621	3,618	290,319	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	696	56,583	938	76,092	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	1	20	
Colza seeds (canola)	2,403	191,069	3,248	258,718	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	788	62,864	765	61,265	
Animal feed and products	605	48,521	995	80,666	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0	, 0	
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,092	80,582	1,066	77,686	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	1,571	131,142	1,920	152,793	
Sugar	30	2,732	44	4,132	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	133	7,832	39	2,027	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	32	2,690	30	2,458	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,552	137,574	1,301	114,696	
Salt	231	20,174	197	16,792	
Phosphate rock	0	0	0	0	
Sulphur	6,314	592,631	4,892	474,021	
Gypsum	x	X	X	X	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	545	49,215	426	37,967	
Iron ores and concentrates	0	0	0	0	
Copper ores and concentrates	588	52,697	587	52,923	
Nickel ores and concentrates	0	0	0	0	
Lead ores and concentrates	476	42,455	206	18,254	
Zinc ores and concentrates	111	10,070	0	0	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	116	10,412	150	13,579	
Coal	25,550	2,603,038	29,708	3,001,353	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	567	39,895	469	31,230	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,073	165,096	1,930	149,332	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	1,984	128,761	1,605	103,682	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	601	45,932	637	50,392	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,736	139,802	1,192	96,790	
Sulphuric acid	262	22,580	206	18,135	
Alumina	1	5	3	279	
Other basic chemicals	4,651	408,263	4,515	393,624	
Potash	6,066	583,797	6,188	607,137	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	3,356	279,680	2,970	245,675	
Other chemical products and preparations	249	21,591	302	26,086	
Plastic and rubber	1,641	140,401	1,815	155,862	
Logs and other wood in the rough	1,352	105,571	589	40,519	
Wood chips	5,283	318,636	5,309	327,116	
Lumber	9,128	736,868	8,452	674,050	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	2,593	197,426	2,517	180,670	
Wood pulp	6,279	519,731	5,639	456,644	
Newsprint	1,235	76,783	1,055	67,266	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	1,533	112,688	1,351	96,833	
Cement	1,707	156,109	1,739	159,688	
Other non-metallic mineral products	427	35,203	207	17,379	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	564	47,783	490	39,889	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	376	30,911	52	3,775	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	17	1,368	35	2,537	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	285	22,081	44	2,992	
Articles of base metal	368	26,724	413	30,785	
Machinery	92	7,592	52	3,411	
Automobiles and mini-vans	2,055	26,709	1,809	23,939	
Freight motor vehicles	281	3,969	212	2,551	
Other vehicles	43	1,141	13	575	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	0	0	1	28	
Other transportation equipment	598	14,772	555	10,888	
Metallic waste and scrap	869	68,004	1,042	71,404	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	597	38,101	618	40,420	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	66	3,317	188	8,837	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	52	2,904	12	444	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	147	12,842	36	1,196	
Less than carload shipments		0		0	
		10,338,947			

Table 4
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada (YTD) - Total¹

Commodity	January 20	02 to July 2002	January 2001 to July 2001		
Commounty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes	
Wheat	111,982	10,053,929	134.936	12,113,48	
Other cereal grains	17,532	1,426,108	33,572	2,666,24	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	9,179	758,126	15,173	1,263,68	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	2	81	
Colza seeds (canola)	17,088	1,339,608	35,011	2,752,09	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	4,656	379,312	5,193	418,849	
Animal feed and products	7,332	568,725	10,399	823,25	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3	212	7	35	
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	7,960	583,826	7,646	559,21	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	11,821	964,425	14,568	1,145,56	
Sugar	2,395	204,182	1,943	168,05°	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	1,144	64,480	596	32,369	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	646	46,990	416	32,256	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	20,435	1,726,157	20,824	1,756,255	
Salt	7,788	662,618	8,267	773,163	
Phosphate rock	6,140	557,780	4,720	426,316	
Sulphur	42,001	4,009,013	38,226	3,703,374	
Gypsum	X	Х	Х	2	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	40,819	3,418,748	37,240	3,193,449	
Iron ores and concentrates	195,750	18,190,878	190,216	18,043,252	
Copper ores and concentrates	10,253	958,515	12,172	1,056,994	
Nickel ores and concentrates	20,801	1,508,183	16,997	902,169	
Lead ores and concentrates	4,238	384,789	4,279	365,529	
Zinc ores and concentrates	7,050	626,175	7,285	633,202	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	1,207	108,276	2,552	243,700	
Coal	195,766	19,704,344	234,122	23,222,482	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	15,518	1,173,605	12,646	938,777	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	30,973	2,436,394	30,402	2,435,685	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	39,910	2,583,843	37,374	2,389,765	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	9,874	706,648	11,497	736,201	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	17,486	1,338,999	16,067	1,219,902	
Sulphuric acid	17,079	1,512,523	15,551	1,378,012	
Alumina	36,690	3,366,016	32,759	2,993,111	
Other basic chemicals	50,950	4,292,663	48,647	4,093,018	
Potash	83,468	7,995,786	82,575	7,909,878	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	33,413	2,819,243	32,046	2,686,372	
Other chemical products and preparations	6,200	530,462	6,276	539,893	
Plastic and rubber	29,262	2,444,263	26,771	2,228,736	
Logs and other wood in the rough	27,719	1,661,797	24,847	1,380,804	
Wood chips	49,289	2,982,060	53,419	3,237,013	
Lumber	93,002	7,236,308	90,021	6,980,814	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	34,901	2,632,812	32,974	2,428,725	
Wood pulp	67,292	5,370,246	61,514	4,836,590	
Newsprint	42,796	2,630,066	43,224	2,633,969	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	33,859	2,223,066	33,909	2,173,173	
Cement	15,506	1,405,998	14,399	1,300,075	
Other non-metallic mineral products	10,035	863,558	7,564	644,889	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	29,453	2,405,415	25,000	2,014,247	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	4,486	377,897	4,121	337,095	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	15,539	1,243,076	13,330	1,046,769	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	3,838	311,000	3,243	267,192	
Articles of base metal	5,971	419,730	6,536	445,560	
Machinery	1,531	78,562	1,675	82,673	
Automobiles and mini-vans	69,401	1,197,419	65,234	1,182,180	
Freight motor vehicles	55,523	1,002,824	51,416	914,323	
Other vehicles	4,711	104,200	4,289	92,413	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	15,342	518,960	11,939	408,060	
Other transportation equipment	7,234	180,176	7,363	210,462	
Metallic waste and scrap	11,983	949,374	16,447	1,229,29	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	6,760	424,723	7,602	468,80	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	1,357	82,314	2,136	124,809	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	4,888	226,554	6,621	327,406	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	1,947	119,386	3,122	154,068	
Less than carload shipments		848		(
	1,729,172	136,094,213	1,780,918	140,766,126	

Table 5
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada (YTD) - Eastern Division

Commodity	January 20	02 to July 2002	January 2001 to July 2001		
Commounty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes	
Wheat	1,831	164.627	2,735	247,72	
Other cereal grains	1,344	113,823	1,655	145,539	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	344	29,346	366	32,12	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	1	61	
Colza seeds (canola)	166	9,081	569	42,389	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	432	37,809	896	75,41	
Animal feed and products	3,755	285,872	3,877	308,17	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3	212	2	118	
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	548	39,730	345	25,238	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	994	72,949	1,067	79,92	
Sugar	2,146	181,528	1,770	152,179	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	139	8,495	166	9,69	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	393	26,077	169	11,898	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	8,034	641,747	9,187	722,25	
Salt	5,854	494,544	6,613	631,194	
Phosphate rock	6,136	557,453	4,720	426,316	
Sulphur	797	69,765	663	59,333	
Gypsum	X	X	Х)	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	37,841	3,153,537	35,234	3,014,843	
Iron ores and concentrates	195,749	18,190,810	190,216	18,043,252	
Copper ores and concentrates	6,387	612,529	8,238	704,004	
Nickel ores and concentrates	20,801	1,508,183	16,997	902,169	
Lead ores and concentrates	1,134	107,900	1,796	159,651	
Zinc ores and concentrates	6,893	611,949	7,273	632,134	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	434	38,763	296	25,895	
Coal	9,173	820,563	25,737	2,011,381	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	12,314	943,398	10,090	759,030	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	16,541	1,311,767	17,619	1,456,819	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	23,436	1,528,798	22,201	1,424,480	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	5,299	350,304	6,698	360,077	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	8,734	641,502	9,971	728,697	
Sulphuric acid	15,076	1,336,430	13,896	1,231,367	
Alumina	36,640	3,362,595	32,704	2,989,148	
Other basic chemicals	17,265	1,355,306	18,351	1,448,377	
Potash	5,543	507,828	5,287	483,742	
	2,829	255,599	3,800	331,133	
Fertilizers (excluding potash) Other chemical products and preparations	4,891	417,775	4,634	398,754	
Plastic and rubber	15,306	1,247,163	14,475	1,172,805	
Logs and other wood in the rough	14,871	748,313	13,958	614,782	
Wood chips	11.162	668,761	10,677	628,045	
Lumber	31,447	2,332,982	32,276	2,408,924	
	15,750	1,187,955	15,492	1,182,814	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	26,681		24,085	1,795,207	
Wood pulp		2,046,583			
Newsprint	34,500	2,115,849	33,333	1,991,302	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	25,197	1,605,674	25,768	1,600,245	
Cement	7,519	669,942	6,139	539,122	
Other non-metallic mineral products	7,920	690,926	6,034	518,374	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	25,704	2,097,259	20,626	1,665,047	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	3,122	269,994	3,512	293,044	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	15,297	1,223,426	13,041	1,023,686	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	2,408	209,108	2,493	216,139	
Articles of base metal	2,763	185,344	3,788	246,440	
Machinery	1,244	61,780	1,322	64,221	
Automobiles and mini-vans	54,561	1,006,715	53,231	1,027,786	
Freight motor vehicles	53,001	971,509	49,735	894,309	
Other vehicles	4,488	96,495	4,258	91,090	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	15,337	518,897	11,936	407,875	
Other transportation equipment	3,701	86,442	3,757	114,960	
Metallic waste and scrap	6,365	505,658	9,449	749,353	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	3,063	190,884	3,271	201,183	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	713	52,703	803	60,280	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	4,795	221,647	6,582	326,151	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	1,676	97,077	2,840	144,264	
Less than carload shipments		576		C	
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	848,487	60,898,256	838,720	60,051,979	

Table 6
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada (YTD) - Western Division

Commodity	January 20	January 2002 to July 2002		January 2001 to July 2001		
Commonly	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes		
Wheat	110,151	9,889,302	132.201	11,865,755		
Other cereal grains	16,188	1,312,285	31,917	2,520,702		
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	8,835	728,780	14,807	1,231,558		
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	1	20		
Colza seeds (canola)	16,922	1,330,527	34,442	2,709,706		
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	4,224	341,503	4,297	343,436		
Animal feed and products	3,577	282,853	6,522	515,081		
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	5	233		
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	7,412	544,096	7,301	533,977		
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	10,827	891,476	13,501	1,065,644		
Sugar	249	22,654	173	15,872		
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	1,005	55,985	430	22,671		
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	253	20,913	247	20,358		
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	12,401	1,084,410	11,637	1,033,997		
Salt	1,934	168,074	1,654	141,969		
Phosphate rock	4	327	0	0		
Sulphur	41,204	3,939,248	37,563	3,644,041		
Gypsum	X	Х	X	Х		
Other non-metallic minerals ²	2,978	265,211	2,006	178,606		
Iron ores and concentrates	1	68	0	0		
Copper ores and concentrates	3,866	345,986	3,934	352,990		
Nickel ores and concentrates	0	0	0	0		
Lead ores and concentrates	3,104	276,889	2,483	205,878		
Zinc ores and concentrates	157	14,226	12	1,068		
Other metallic ores and concentrates	773	69,513	2,256	217,805		
Coal	186,593	18,883,781	208,385	21,211,101		
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	3,204	230,207	2,556	179,747		
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	14,432	1,124,627	12,783	978,866		
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	16,474	1,055,045	15,173	965,285		
Coal coke and petroleum coke	4,575	356,344	4,799	376,124		
Other refined petroleum and coal products	8,752	697,497	6,096	491,205		
Sulphuric acid	2,003	176,093	1,655	146,645		
Alumina	50	3,421	55	3,963		
Other basic chemicals	33,685	2,937,357	30,296	2,644,641		
Potash	77,925	7,487,958	77,288	7,426,136		
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	30,584	2,563,644	28,246	2,355,239		
Other chemical products and preparations	1,309	112,687	1,642	141,139		
Plastic and rubber Logs and other wood in the rough	13,956 12,848	1,197,100 913,484	12,296 10,889	1,055,931 766,022		
Wood chips	38,127	2,313,299	42,742	2,608,968		
Lumber	61,555	4,903,326	57,745	4,571,890		
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	19,151	1,444,857	17,482	1,245,911		
Wood pulp	40,611	3,323,663	37,429	3,041,383		
Newsprint	8,296	514,217	9,891	642,667		
Paper and paperboard, except printed products		0.17.000				
Cement	8,662 7,987	617,392 736,056	8,141 8,260	572,928 760,953		
Other non-metallic mineral products	2,115	172,632	1,530	126,515		
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	3,749	308,156	4,374	349,200		
Copper, primary or semi-finished	1,364	107,903	609	44,051		
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	242	19,650	289	23,083		
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	1,430	101,892	750	51,053		
Articles of base metal	3,208	234,386	2,748	199,120		
Machinery	287	16,782	353	18,452		
Automobiles and mini-vans	14,840	190,704	12,003	154,394		
Freight motor vehicles	2,522	31,315	1,681	20,014		
Other vehicles	223	7,705	31	1,323		
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	5	63	3	185		
Other transportation equipment	3,533	93,734	3,606	95,502		
Metallic waste and scrap	5,618	443,716	6,998	479,938		
Non-metallic waste and scrap	3,697	233,839	4,331	267,618		
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	644	29,611	1,333	64,529		
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	93	4,907	39	1,255		
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	271	22,309	282	9,804		
Less than carload shipments		272		0,001		
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	880,685	75,195,957	942,198	80,714,147		

Table 7
Railway Carloading Statistics for Intermodal and Non-Intermodal Traffic in Canada - Total¹

	July 2002					
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³ Container-on-flat-car Trailer-on-flat-car Traffic received from United States connections	125,813 11,050	246,350	19,034,095 2,025,552 175,431 1,988,600	107,709 8,867	209,647	19,717,084 1,685,819 149,376 1,832,542
Total traffic carried ³			23,223,678			23,384,821
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Traffic received from Canadian connections	13,160 1,366	25,478	173,738 18,946 4,644,268	11,523 1,958	22,406	148,417 27,674 4,148,243

Table 8
Railway Carloading Statistics for Intermodal and Non-Intermodal Traffic in Canada - Eastern Division

	July 2002		July 2001		l	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³ Container-on-flat-car Trailer-on-flat-car Traffic received from United States connections	72,522 8,569	140,687	8,695,148 1,211,786 129,691 x	67,069 6,589	129,318	9,016,056 1,048,931 106,181 x
Total traffic carried ³			x			х
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Traffic received from Canadian connections	x x	x	x x 3,132,126	x x	x	x x 3,381,528

See footnote(s) at the end of tables.

Table 9
Railway Carloading Statistics for Intermodal and Non-Intermodal Traffic in Canada - Western Division

	July 2002			July 2001		
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³ Container-on-flat-car Trailer-on-flat-car Traffic received from United States connections	53,291 2,481	105,663	10,338,947 813,766 45,740 x	40,640 2,278	80,329	10,701,028 636,888 43,195 x
Total traffic carried ³			x			х
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Traffic received from Canadian connections	x x	X	x x 1,512,142	x x	X	x x 766,715

Table 10
Railway Carloading Statistics for Intermodal and Non-Intermodal Traffic in Canada (YTD) - Total¹

	January 2002 to July 2002		January 2001 to Ju		July 2001	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³ Container-on-flat-car Trailer-on-flat-car Traffic received from United States connections	811,173 72,864	1,584,952	136,094,213 13,322,173 1,180,845 13,850,206	752,798 57,653	1,461,836	140,766,126 12,029,316 997,196 18,584,361
Total traffic carried ³			164,447,437			172,376,999
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Traffic received from Canadian connections	98,407 12,896	192,479	1,240,461 176,418 29,480,553	91,021 16,983	178,300	1,172,832 244,534 25,697,501

Table 11
Railway Carloading Statistics for Intermodal and Non-Intermodal Traffic in Canada (YTD) - Eastern Division

	January 2002 to July 2002			Janua	ly 2001	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³ Container-on-flat-car Trailer-on-flat-car Traffic received from United States connections	476,546 57,624	924,584	60,898,256 7,986,110 856,626	471,296 43,758	907,910	60,051,979 7,488,732 682,905 x
Total traffic carried ³	·		X	·	·	x
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Traffic received from Canadian connections	x x	x	x x 22,448,971	х х	x	x x 23,860,685

See footnote(s) at the end of tables.

Table 12
Railway Carloading Statistics for Intermodal and Non-Intermodal Traffic in Canada (YTD) - Western Division

	January 2002 to July 2002		January 2001 to July		ly 2001	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded³ Container-on-flat-car Trailer-on-flat-car Traffic received from United States connections	334,627 15,240	660,368	75,195,957 5,336,063 324,219 x	281,502 13,895	553,926	80,714,147 4,540,584 314,291 X
Total traffic carried ³			х			x
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections Traffic received from Canadian connections	x x	x	x x 7,031,582	х х	X	x x 5,959,854

Methodology and concepts

The *Railway Carloadings (Monthly)* publication presents essential data for timely analysis of the Rail Transport Industry and its contribution to the Canadian economy. Approximately 40 rail carriers report each month on their total intermodal and non-intermodal traffic of the previous month. For non-intermodal traffic, the carriers report the number of cars and tonnes by commodity of revenue-generating freight that they have loaded in Canada. For intermodal freight, the carriers report the number of units and tonnes for containers-on-flat-cars (C.O.F.C.) and trailers-on-flat-cars (T.O.F.C.), with no commodity detail. The carriers also report the total tonnage of revenue freight received from United States connections.

The total quantity of freight carried in Canada is the sum of the non-intermodal and intermodal freight loaded and the traffic received from U.S. connections. Additional information provided includes the number of units and tonnes of C.O.F.C. and T.O.F.C received from U.S. connections and the total tonnes of cargo that the carriers received from other Canadian connections. This freight that is exchanged among Canadian based carriers is counted only once in the total quantity of freight moved as it is counted only when loaded. For intermodal freight, twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) are derived from the dimensions of the freight-laden containers. Empty containers are not included in these statistics.

The data are collected via questionnaires and electronic reports that are filed with Statistics Canada eight working days after the reference month. These questionnaires are captured and edited and the data are then aggregated to produce tables for all of Canada and the Eastern and Western divisions of Canada². Tables show the data for the reference month and the year-to-date. These year-to-date figures include revisions of data from previous months.

Users of *Railway Carloadings (Monthly)* current and historical data should be aware of a break in the continuity of these data. Starting with the January 1999 reference period, the commodities presented in the *Railway Carloadings (Monthly)* publication were modified to conform to the Standard Classification of Transported Goods (SCTG) and the number of carriers surveyed more than doubled from the eighteen carriers surveyed prior to 1999.

The additional carriers were primarily shortline carriers whose data were previously included with the data of mainline carriers. The change in commodity classes has had negligible impact on the reporting of bulk commodities (e.g., wheat, potash and coal) which represent the majority of the total number of cars and tonnes. However, the reporting of manufactured and miscellaneous goods has changed significantly.

Details of the commodities included in each SCTG class presented in *Railway Carloadings (Monthly)* are available upon request. For further information, please contact Transportation Statistics, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0T6 (tel.: 1-866-500-8400, Internet: TransportationStatistics@statcan.ca.)

¹ Intermodal traffic is for freight carried in containers or truck trailers that are loaded onto flat cars.

Footnotes:

- ¹ Data included in table 1 and 4 represent about 40 railway carriers.
- ² Includes carloadings of gypsum.
- ³ Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Symbols:

- . not available for any reference period
- .. not available for a specific reference period
- ... not applicable
- p preliminary
- r revised
- x suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act
- E use with caution
- F too unreliable to be published

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