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Highlights

- In October 2001, the freight loaded by railways in Canada (excluding intermodal traffic) totaled 21.5 million metric tonnes. This represented a decrease of 1.7% compared to October 2000.
- The intermodal tonnage, represented by "container-on-flat-cars" (C.O.F.C.) and "trailer-on-flat-cars" (T.O.F.C.) increased by 6.8% compared to the same period in 2000, to reach 2.1 million metric tonnes.
- The five main loaded commodities were: coal (3.6 million metric tonnes), iron ores and concentrates (2.9 million metric tonnes), wheat (1.8 million metric tonnes), potash (1.0 million metric tonnes) and lumber (1.0 million metric tonnes).
- The cumulative freight loaded (excluding intermodal traffic) for the first ten months of 2001 reached 200.4 million metric tonnes.

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

Vheat Wheat Other cereal grains resh, chilled or dried vegetables resh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts Tolza seeds (canola)	19,983 6,432 3,444 0	1,783,260	Cars	Metric tonnes
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tther cereal grains resh, chilled or dried vegetables resh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	6,432 3,444	, ,	17,992	1,617,47
resh, chilled or dried vegetables resh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	3,444	496,924	6,304	487,66
resh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts		291,784	3,717	313,47
		0	0	0.0,
	6,010	475,046	7,674	602,23
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	1,440	118,129	1,255	102,62
nimal feed and products	1,311	105,105	1,678	135,05
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	1	50	1	7
filled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,130	83,409	1,101	81,19
nimal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	2,085	167,989	2,677	210,39
ugar	369	31,606	287	25,01
repared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	114	6,693	72	3,77
Icoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	74	5,843	71	5,60
and, gravel and crushed stone	3,125	268,388	3,084	262,61
alt	1,361	126,233	1,159	107,94
Phosphate rock	772	70,334	530	48,02
ulphur	5,953	581,343	5,902	560,16
aypsum	X	X	X	000,10
Other non-metallic minerals ²	5,409	464,737	5,731	492.07
ron ores and concentrates	29,447	2,859,189	35,432	3,574,44
Copper ores and concentrates	1,491	129,587	1,695	149,41
lickel ores and concentrates	3,114	226,367	3,238	232,82
ead ores and concentrates	607	51,726	990	53,63
inc ores and concentrates	1,230	109,642	924	80,68
Other metallic ores and concentrates	201	18,030	116	10,070
coal	35,005	3,636,035	30,886	3,108,72
asoline and aviation turbine fuel	1,606	118,617	1,905	134,18
uel oils and crude petroleum	2,880	231,409	3,718	281,63
iaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	6,479	419,691	6,378	403,67
coal coke and petroleum coke	1,785	104,099	2,039	124,11
·	1,765	145,852	1,997	147,03
hther refined petroleum and coal products	2,241		2,150	191,56
ulphuric acid Jumina	,	200,118	,	468,60
	5,465	501,903	5,097	636,04
hther basic chemicals	7,365	623,390	7,510	,
otash	10,621 4,453	1,011,376 369,473	12,561 6,025	1,182,56 503,76
ertilizers (excluding potash)	1,152	98,471	1,136	95,12
Ither chemical products and preparations Plastic and rubber	3,944			
	,	329,659	3,844	319,793
ogs and other wood in the rough	3,057	181,051	2,875	144,250
Vood chips	7,327	438,009	7,919	477,53
umber	12,368	965,337	12,367	955,429
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	4,842	363,249	5,045	366,732
Vood pulp	10,200	782,276	9,668	734,188
lewsprint	6,248	381,154	7,205	438,04
aper and paperboard, except printed products	4,935	309,548	4,223	265,03
ement	3,087	279,378	2,571	231,44
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,119	97,363	1,136	94,91
ron and steel, primary or semi-finished	3,436	277,765	3,400	274,42
opper, primary or semi-finished	693	58,886	685	55,52
luminum, primary or semi-finished	2,487	196,796	1,516	118,79
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	472	39,465	512	40,31
rticles of base metal	958	67,052	930	65,27
Machinery	217	11,218	203	9,03
automobiles and mini-vans	10,171	175,203	9,248	174,14
reight motor vehicles	7,597	131,899	8,777	155,96
other vehicles	755	18,827	996	22,04
arts and accessories for motor vehicles	2,042	69,250	1,848	64,15
Other transportation equipment	1,044	29,748	1,393	34,15
Metallic waste and scrap	1,958	144,104	2,266	170,66
lon-metallic waste and scrap	1,327	88,748	1,340	86,37
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	332	18,708	261	13,68
ool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	941	49,391	1,214	55,08
Nixed loads or unidentified freight	434	21,961	505	25,72
ess than carload shipments		0		(
otal non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	268,066	21,457,893	274,979	21,826,24

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

Commodity	Octo	ber 2001	Octobe	October 2000		
Commodity	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes		
Wheat	1,688	153,072	562	50,73		
Other cereal grains	315	27,357	297	26,27		
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	125	11,202	67	5,984		
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	(
Colza seeds (canola)	35	2,136	86	6,462		
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	158	13,659	232	20,529		
Animal feed and products	467	36,456	517	40,336		
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	1	50	1	78		
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	67	4,376	42	3,165		
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	181	12,923	168	12,448		
Sugar	347	29,672	271	23,636		
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	5	298	19	1,067		
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	28	2,039	28	2,051		
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,386	114,666	1,196	95,561		
Salt	946	90,390	859	82,041		
Phosphate rock	769	70,089	527	47,783		
Sulphur	108	9,572	92	8,176		
Gypsum	X	χ	X)		
Other non-metallic minerals ²	4,895	419,822	5,168	442,444		
Iron ores and concentrates	29,447	2,859,189	35,432	3,574,445		
Copper ores and concentrates	892	76,112	1,017	88,685		
Nickel ores and concentrates	3,114	226,367	3,238	232,829		
Lead ores and concentrates	236	21,216	350	1,224		
Zinc ores and concentrates	1,230	109,642	881	76,904		
Other metallic ores and concentrates	98	9,229	20	1,970		
Coal	3,057	429,440	1,997	178,616		
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	1,226	91,336	1,475	105,214		
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	1,500	122,333	2,166	167,152		
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	3,863	253,575	3,519	222,426		
Coal coke and petroleum coke	1,215	60,004	1,325	68,743		
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,114	81,328	1,283	92,609		
Sulphuric acid	1,992	178,400	1,872	166,908		
Alumina	5,465	501,903	5,097	468,600		
Other basic chemicals	2,380	189,627	2,611	205,253		
Potash	860	78,489	599	55,043		
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	141	12,310	694	62,374		
Other chemical products and preparations	701	60,888	735	62,225		
Plastic and rubber	2,127	173,117	2,159	174,049		
Logs and other wood in the rough	2,121	117,283	2,186	96,150		
Wood chips	1,533	87,942	1,446	83,342		
Lumber	4,664	349,133	4,626	343,302		
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	1,868	141,458	2,369	177,032		
Wood pulp	3,783	285,716	3,480	258,307		
Newsprint	4,711	283,733	5,516	332,073		
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	4,136	256,125	3,563	221,223		
Cement	1,322	117,116	1,169	103,286		
Other non-metallic mineral products	974	85,341	766	65,348		
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	2,782	225,480	2,866	232,362		
Copper, primary or semi-finished	624	53,918	558	46,308		
	2,446	193,756	1,482			
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	392	34,075	306	116,231 26,244		
Articles of base metal	519		551	38,237		
	202	34,637	184	,		
Machinery Automobiles and mini-vans		10,379		8,089		
	8,231	149,294	7,604	153,070		
Freight motor vehicles	7,270	127,582	8,557	153,354		
Other vehicles Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	744	18,306	772	16,05		
	2,038	69,197	1,848	64,158		
Other transportation equipment Matallia weets and cores	526	17,253	957	22,322		
Metallic waste and scrap	1,029	80,634	1,317	106,629		
Non-metallic waste and scrap	423	25,887	451	29,227		
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	116	9,435	62	4,433		
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	941	49,391	1,208	54,943		
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	387	20,230	457	23,951		
Less than carload shipments		0		(
	125,961	9,375,585	130,903	9,649,704		

Table 3
Railway Carloading Statistics for Non-Intermodal Traffic by Commodity in Canada - Western Division

Commodity	UCTO	ber 2001	October 2000		
	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonne	
Wheat	18,295	1,630,188	17,430	1,566,74	
Other cereal grains	6,117	469,567	6,007	461,39	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	3,319	280,582	3,650	307,48	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0		
Colza seeds (canola)	5,975	472,910	7,588	595,77	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	1,282	104,470	1,023	82,09	
Animal feed and products	844	68,649	1,161	94,71	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0		
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,063	79,033	1,059	78,03	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	1,904 22	155,066	2,509	197,94	
Sugar Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	109	1,934 6,395	16 53	1,38 2,70	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	46	3,804	43	3,55	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,739	153,722	1,888	167,05	
Salt	415	35,843	300	25,90	
Phosphate rock	3	245	3	23,30	
Sulphur	5,845	571,771	5,810	551,98	
Gypsum	X	X	X	001,00	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	514	44,915	563	49,62	
Iron ores and concentrates	0	0	0	.0,02	
Copper ores and concentrates	599	53,475	678	60,72	
Nickel ores and concentrates	0	0	0		
Lead ores and concentrates	371	30,510	640	52,41	
Zinc ores and concentrates	0	0	43	3,78	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	103	8,801	96	8,10	
Coal	31,948	3,206,595	28,889	2,930,10	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	380	27,281	430	28,96	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	1,380	109,076	1,552	114,48	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	2,616	166,116	2,859	181,25	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	570	44,095	714	55,37	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	806	64,524	714	54,42	
Sulphuric acid	249	21,718	278	24,65	
Alumina	0	0	0		
Other basic chemicals	4,985	433,763	4,899	430,79	
Potash	9,761	932,887	11,962	1,127,51	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	4,312	357,163	5,331	441,38	
Other chemical products and preparations	451	37,583	401	32,89	
Plastic and rubber	1,817	156,542	1,685	145,74	
Logs and other wood in the rough	936	63,768	689	48,10	
Wood chips	5,794	350,067	6,473	394,18	
Lumber	7,704	616,204	7,741	612,12	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	2,974	221,791	2,676	189,70	
Wood pulp	6,417	496,560	6,188	475,88	
Newsprint	1,537	97,421	1,689	105,96	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	799 1,765	53,423	660	43,81	
Cement Other pen metallic mineral products		162,262	1,402 370	128,16	
Other non-metallic mineral products Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	145 654	12,022 52,285	534	29,56 42,06	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	69	4,968	127	42,00 9,22	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	41	3,040	34	2,56	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	80	5,390	206	14,07	
Articles of base metal	439	32,415	379	27,03	
Machinery	15	839	19	94	
Automobiles and mini-vans	1,940	25,909	1,644	21,07	
Freight motor vehicles	327	4,317	220	2,60	
Other vehicles	11	521	224	5,99	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	4	53	0	0,00	
Other transportation equipment	518	12,495	436	11,83	
Metallic waste and scrap	929	63,470	949	64,03	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	904	62,861	889	57,14	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	216	9,273	199	9,25	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	0	0	6	14	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	47	1,731	48	1,77	
Less than carload shipments		0		,	

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

Commodity	January 2001	to October 2001	January 2000 to October 2000		
Continuous	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes	
Wheat	187,694	16,859,357	200,776	18,031,48	
Other cereal grains	50,163	3,936,122	45,928	3,603,639	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	24,268	2,040,738	24,359	2,023,978	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	2	80	0	2,020,010	
Colza seeds (canola)	47,441	3,736,470	41,968	3,315,665	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	8,145	658.116	7,980	650.971	
Animal feed and products	14,242	1,130,499	16,347	1,302,625	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	8	401	4	301	
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	10,899	797,787	10,935	793,493	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	20,378	1,610,578	22,989	1,794,910	
Sugar	3,030	261,324	3,016	258,308	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	878	48,059	596	35,777	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	630	48,766	614	46,935	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	29,614	2,513,055	30,946	2,562,008	
Salt	11,820	1,103,667	10,714	1,002,402	
Phosphate rock	7,217	653,349	3,929	355,555	
Sulphur	54,040	5,247,175	65,535	6,198,209	
Gypsum	X	X	X)	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	53,039	4,553,243	72,722	4,740,389	
Iron ores and concentrates	266,790	25,378,391	347,371	33,315,916	
Copper ores and concentrates	16,874	1,464,931	14,007	1,236,846	
Nickel ores and concentrates	22,413	1,295,781	27,517	1,989,881	
Lead ores and concentrates	5,324	455,728	11,130	914,405	
Zinc ores and concentrates	10,632	929.653	11,007	975,642	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	3,071	290,302	935	80,261	
Coal	338.029	33,577,642	332,399	33,052,924	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	16,752	1,241,751	18,016	1,296,587	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	40,348	3,242,657	33,790	2,709,981	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	54,099	3,476,831	54,740	3,478,435	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	16,407	1,049,668	17,945	1,088,830	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	22,600	1,716,890	22,662	1,717,115	
Sulphuric acid	21,656	1,921,232	22,445	1,998,385	
Alumina	49,101	4,494,158	46,108	4,220,618	
Other basic chemicals	70,130	5,908,833	76,427	6,392,424	
Potash	114,853	10,983,805	129,510	12,336,274	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	44,463	3,725,157	51,736	4,345,153	
Other chemical products and preparations	9,286	798,986	10,167	865,946	
Plastic and rubber	39,401	3,285,649	33,671	2,770,595	
Logs and other wood in the rough	34,345	1,887,766	37,565	1,967,948	
Wood chips	75,325	4,564,458	76,313	4,602,527	
Lumber	126,513	9,827,114	126,436	9,657,807	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	46,645	3,443,938	47,703	3,475,496	
Wood pulp	88,871	6,972,705	94,900	7,419,095	
Newsprint	61,103	3,733,812	69,666	4,245,482	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	49,333	3,163,341	42,077	2,617,890	
Cement	23,189	2,095,356	24,204	2,166,803	
Other non-metallic mineral products	11,212	960,925	10,592	870,286	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	34,990	2,821,801	38,306	3,095,606	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	5,656	466,833	6,357	515,972	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	20,502	1,614,757	15,636	1,223,046	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	4,328	359,837	4,764	381,944	
Articles of base metal	9,038	621,756	11,645	819,481	
Machinery	2,380	116,086	2,111	97,508	
Automobiles and mini-vans	93,544	1,679,318	88,923	1,575,048	
Freight motor vehicles	74,820	1,324,079	95,259	1,661,259	
Other vehicles	6,912		3,078	69,019	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	18,185	159,129 617,861	21,035	655,317	
	10,454		12,630	269,636	
Other transportation equipment Metallia waste and corns		308,610		1,700,974	
Metallic waste and scrap	22,929	1,716,479	22,557	, ,	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	10,964	685,897	10,198	615,296	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	2,963	172,791	2,951	162,591	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	9,485	476,075	12,926	571,523	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	4,406	209,951	4,801	212,585	
Less than carload shipments		0		4	
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	2,533,829	200,437,506	2,703,574	212,153,013	

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

Commodity		January 2001 to October 2001		January 2000 to October 2000		
Commonty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes		
Wheat	7,114	644.075	4,094	368,733		
Other cereal grains	2,453	213,697	3,736	332,498		
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	1,090	97,312	549	46,749		
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	1,030	60	0	10,71		
Colza seeds (canola)	723	53,630	703	53,090		
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	1,154	96,916	970	85,990		
Animal feed and products	5,160	407,499	5,481	430,013		
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3,100	168	4	301		
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	534	38,637	432	31,875		
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	1,601	118,859	1,936	144,237		
Sugar	2,759	236,723	2,876	245,427		
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	184	10,328	187	11,997		
·	257	,	232			
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages		18,011		15,238		
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	12,870	1,029,115	13,340	1,009,383		
Salt	9,170	875,707	8,503	811,667		
Phosphate rock	7,214	653,104	3,925	355,219		
Sulphur	1,011	90,086	796	71,170		
Gypsum	X	X	Х	>		
Other non-metallic minerals ²	49,581	4,246,421	62,712	3,907,472		
Iron ores and concentrates	266,790	25,378,391	346,755	33,315,916		
Copper ores and concentrates	11,134	950,070	8,380	732,487		
Nickel ores and concentrates	22,413	1,295,781	27,517	1,989,881		
Lead ores and concentrates	2,290	204,024	5,449	455,261		
Zinc ores and concentrates	10,620	928,585	9,977	885,130		
Other metallic ores and concentrates	540	48,057	128	9,547		
Coal	39,916	3,335,661	31,572	2,595,128		
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	13,105	987,077	12,810	937,240		
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	22,925	1,896,653	15,981	1,335,443		
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	32,531	2,100,323	32,089	2,039,562		
Coal coke and petroleum coke	9,707	526,940	11,761	609,321		
Other refined petroleum and coal products	13,449	979,538	14,060	1,030,777		
Sulphuric acid	19,421	1,723,370	19,515	1,739,008		
Alumina	49,046	4,490,195	46,070	4,217,805		
Other basic chemicals	25,449	2,011,649	29,412	2,298,733		
Potash	7,827	715,098	8,688	795,378		
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	4,895	428,867	4,165	372,679		
Other chemical products and preparations	6,857	591,348	7,858	673,379		
Plastic and rubber	21,190	1,719,099	20,582	1,648,197		
Logs and other wood in the rough	20,163	893,217	25,488	1,117,897		
Wood chips	15,175	897,658	13,958	807,583		
Lumber	45,094	3,365,514	47,553	3,493,211		
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	21,594	1,644,765	21,775	1,625,094		
Wood pulp	34,506	2,579,939	37,150	2,744,247		
Newsprint	47,360	2,846,226	52,449	3,169,727		
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	37,305	2,314,987	36,562	2,254,529		
Cement	9,837	867,078	11,489	1,020,234		
Other non-metallic mineral products	9,071	785,535	6,771	557,656		
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	28,904	2,334,434	32,593	2,651,301		
Copper, primary or semi-finished	4,978	417,814	5,114	424,714		
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	20,121	1,584,651	15,034	1,179,259		
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	3,488	302,625	3,085	268,091		
Articles of base metal	5,228	343,010	6,804	478,472		
Machinery	1,947	93,933	1,841	84,211		
Automobiles and mini-vans	75,328	1,442,335	73,762	1,376,626		
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Freight motor vehicles	72,365	1,294,454	92,998	1,630,719		
Other vehicles	6,648	148,442	2,604	53,204		
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	18,177	617,613	21,033	655,278		
Other transportation equipment	5,475	173,011	10,012	191,589		
Metallic waste and scrap	12,609	1,000,766	13,079	1,043,024		
Non-metallic waste and scrap	4,477	277,297	4,745	293,449		
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	1,084	83,028	1,035	73,128		
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	9,433	474,476	12,872	569,795		
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	3,901	194,756	3,986	183,931		
Less than carload shipments		0		4		

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

Commodity	January 2001	to October 2001	January 2000 t	o October 2000
Commonty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	180,580	16,215,282	196.682	17,662,754
Other cereal grains	47,710	3,722,425	42,192	3,271,14
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	23,178	1,943,426	23,810	1,977,229
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	1	20	0	1,577,220
Colza seeds (canola)	46,718	3,682,840	41,265	3,262,575
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	6,991	561,200	7,010	564,981
Animal feed and products	9,082	723,000	10,866	872,612
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	5	233	0	072,012
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	10,365	759,150	10,503	761.618
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	18,777	1,491,719	21,053	1,650,673
Sugar	271	24,601	140	12,881
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	694	37,731	409	23,780
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	373	30,755	382	31,697
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	16,744	1,483,940	17,606	1,552,625
Salt	2,650	227,960	2,211	190,735
Phosphate rock	3	245	4	336
Sulphur	53,029	5,157,089	64,739	6,127,039
Gypsum	X	X	X X	3,127,000
Other non-metallic minerals ²	3,458	306,822	4,731	420,374
Iron ores and concentrates	0,400	0	0	420,014
Copper ores and concentrates	5,740	514,861	5,627	504,359
Nickel ores and concentrates	0	0	0,027	004,000
Lead ores and concentrates	3,034	251,704	5,681	459,144
Zinc ores and concentrates	12	1,068	1,030	90,512
Other metallic ores and concentrates	2,531	242,245	807	70,714
Coal	298,113	30,241,981	300,827	30,457,796
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	3,647	254,674	5,206	359,347
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	17,423	1,346,004	17,809	1,374,538
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	21,568	1,376,508	22,651	1,438,873
Coal coke and petroleum coke	6,700	522,728	6,184	479,509
Other refined petroleum and coal products	9,151	737,352	8,602	686,338
Sulphuric acid	2,235	197,862	2,930	259,377
Alumina	55	3,963	38	2,813
Other basic chemicals	44,681	3,897,184	47,015	4,093,691
Potash	107,026	10,268,707	120,822	11,540,896
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	39,568	3,296,290	47,571	3,972,474
Other chemical products and preparations	2,429	207,638	2,309	192,567
Plastic and rubber	18,211	1,566,550	13,089	1,122,398
Logs and other wood in the rough	14,182	994,549	12,077	850,051
Wood chips	60,150	3,666,800	62,355	3,794,944
Lumber	81,419	6,461,600	78,883	6,164,596
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	25,051	1,799,173	25,928	1,850,402
Wood pulp	54,365	4,392,766	57,750	4,674,848
Newsprint	13,743	887,586	17,217	1,075,755
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	12,028	848,354	5,515	363,361
Cement	13,352	1,228,278	12,715	1,146,569
Other non-metallic mineral products	2,141	175,390	3,821	312,630
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	6,086	487,367	5,713	444,305
Copper, primary or semi-finished	678	49,019	1,243	91,258
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	381	30,106	602	43,787
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	840	57,212	1,679	113,853
Articles of base metal	3,810	278,746	4,841	341,009
Machinery	433	22,153	270	13,297
Automobiles and mini-vans	18,216	236,983	15,161	198,422
Freight motor vehicles	2,455	29,625	2,261	30,540
Other vehicles	264	10,687	474	15,815
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	8	248	2	
Other transportation equipment	o 4,979	135,599	2,618	39 78,047
Other transportation equipment Metallic waste and scrap	10,320	715,713	2,618 9,478	657,950
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Non-metallic waste and scrap	6,487	408,600	5,453	321,847
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	1,879	89,763	1,916	89,463
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	52	1,599	54	1,728
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	505	15,195	815	28,654
Less than carload shipments		0		0
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	1,336,577	114,318,868	1,380,642	118,191,566

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

	October 2001		October 20		2000	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³			21,457,893			21,826,245
Container-on-flat-car	120,023	233,433	1,899,552	112,430	217,177	1,787,629
Trailer-on-flat-car	11,094		175,593	8,638		156,145
Traffic received from United States connections			2,195,152			2,118,065
Total traffic carried ³			25,728,190			25,888,084
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	13,828	27,075	173,174	13,680	26,746	177,349
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	2,127		28,661	3,195		48,918
Traffic received from Canadian connections			3,264,719			4,224,872

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

	October 2001		October 200)00	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³			9,375,585			9,649,704
Container-on-flat-car	74,653	143,771	1,163,143	69,635	133,223	1,089,111
Trailer-on-flat-car	8,357		117,738	5,537		90,613
Traffic received from United States connections			Х			2,013,733
Total traffic carried ³			x			12,843,161
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	Χ	Х	Х	13,397	26,171	173,428
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	X		Х	2,963		46,338
Traffic received from Canadian connections			2,362,061			3,344,466

See footnote(s) at the end of tables.

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

	October 2001			October 2000		
	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	45,370 2,737 	89,662 	12,082,308 736,409 57,855 x	42,795 3,101 	83,954 	12,176,541 698,518 65,532 104,332
Total traffic carried ³			x			13,044,923
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 902,658	283 232 	575 	3,921 2,580 880,406

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

	January 2001 to October 2001		January 2000 to 0		October 2000	
	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	1,097,272 88,082 	2,133,549 	200,437,506 17,438,159 1,481,161 24,743,000	1,048,341 79,037 	2,033,663 	212,153,013 16,725,029 1,468,237 19,696,536
Total traffic carried ³			244,099,826			250,042,815
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	130,865 23,293 	256,158 	1,666,719 330,937 37,591,562	136,030 30,037 	264,923 	1,767,985 478,955 38,199,257

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

	January 2001 to October 2001			Janua	tober 2000	
	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ^e	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³			86,118,638			93,991,447
Container-on-flat-car	681,731	1,315,331	10,762,480	670,090	1,286,610	10,604,909
Trailer-on-flat-car	66,529		1,019,133	49,684		845,281
Traffic received from United States connections			Х			18,741,624
Total traffic carried ³			x			124,183,261
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	х	Х	х	134,566	261,934	1,745,838
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	X		Х	27,842		450,245
Traffic received from Canadian connections			32,783,939			31,146,605

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

	January 2001 to October 2001			January 2000 to October 2000		
	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	415,541 21,553 	818,218 	114,318,868 6,675,679 462,028 x	378,251 29,353 	747,053 	118,191,566 6,120,120 622,956 954,912
Total traffic carried ³			x			125,889,554
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 8,930,661	1,464 2,195	2,989 	22,147 28,710 7,052,652

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-todate. 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 Francesca Thibeault, Transportation Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0T6, (Telephone: 613-951-0123, fax: 613-951-0009, Internet: thibfra@statcan.ca).

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

Footnotes:

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

Symbols:

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- revised figures.
- estimated figures.
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