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Highlights

- In November 2002, the freight loaded by railways in Canada (excluding intermodal traffic) totalled 19.9 million metric tonnes. This represented a decrease of 5.3% compared to November 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 10.8% compared to the same period in 2001, to 2.3 million metric tonnes.
- The five main loaded commodities were: coal (2.9 million metric tonnes), iron ores and concentrates (2.3 million metric tonnes), wheat (1.1 million metric tonnes), lumber (1.0 million metric tonnes) and potash (1.0 million metric tonnes).
- The cumulative freight loaded (excluding intermodal traffic) for the first eleven months of 2002 reached 224.0 million metric tonnes.

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

Commodity	Novel	nber 2002	November 2001		
Johnnouty	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonn	
Wheat	11,969	1,077,414	23,221	2,077,38	
Other cereal grains	3,605	288,069	4,619	364,9	
resh, chilled or dried vegetables	1,412	117,479	2,649	223,4	
resh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0		
Colza seeds (canola)	4,257	335,107	3,881	305,0	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	2,284	185,717	1,657	134,80	
Animal feed and products	1,724	129,944	1,581	124,1	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0	04.0	
Ailled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,001	75,527	1,130	84,0	
nimal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	1,595	129,189	2,233 301	178,2	
lugar Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	385 158	34,462 9,556	139	25,7 8,4	
repared 1000 sturis, not eisewhere classified Ilcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	74	5,774	72	5,6	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	2,903	250,368	2,373	210,8	
alt	1,543	136,638	1,417	130,5	
Phosphate rock	1,043	95,605	774	69,6	
ulphur	6,065	573,509	5,820	565,6	
ypsum	X	X	X	000,0	
ther non-metallic minerals ²	4,803	448,971	6,620	558,	
on ores and concentrates	25,469	2,317,298	26,382	2,345,5	
opper ores and concentrates	1,116	98,134	1,407	122,5	
lickel ores and concentrates	2,536	184,485	3,023	219,2	
ead ores and concentrates	341	30,404	838	71,9	
inc ores and concentrates	1,051	93,468	1,211	108,0	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	309	23,657	168	14,4	
oal	28,313	2,862,159	38,016	3,730,2	
asoline and aviation turbine fuel	2,241	166,865	1,932	146,3	
uel oils and crude petroleum	4,901	388,204	4,535	348,2	
aseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	8,659	560,339	6,958	454,8	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	3,413	243,627	1,515	114,4	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	2,230	165,754	2,645	197,6	
ulphuric acid	2,289	203,738	2,412	214,0	
lumina	5,301	485,841	5,308	486,	
ther basic chemicals	7,312	618,785	7,018	595,	
otash	10,019	955,189	9,845	928,7	
ertilizers (excluding potash)	4,684	390,625	5,131	428,4	
other chemical products and preparations	755	64,901	1,046	88,	
Plastic and rubber	4,103	348,355	3,437	285,5	
ogs and other wood in the rough Vood chips	3,910 6,504	239,886 377,158	3,270 7,246	171,7 439,5	
umber	12,431	980,719	10,796	844,0	
umber Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	5,314	406,744	5,039	380,4	
/ood pulp	11,691	936,643	9,832	754,	
ewsprint	5,688	354,419	6,338	386,	
aper and paperboard, except printed products	4,519	290,210	4,651	289,6	
ement	1,887	171,545	2,233	202,	
ther non-metallic mineral products	1,396	118,481	1,207	103,	
on and steel, primary or semi-finished	4,332	353,702	4,045	330,7	
opper, primary or semi-finished	375	33,060	720	61,4	
luminum, primary or semi-finished	2,089	168,719	2,416	192,4	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	762	60,866	550	44,	
rticles of base metal	926	66,624	865	62,8	
lachinery	180	9,618	228	9,	
utomobiles and mini-vans	10,467	183,528	9,478	165,	
eight motor vehicles	9,552	172,922	8,473	149,	
ther vehicles	721	15,605	665	15,	
arts and accessories for motor vehicles	2,496	76,367	2,092	70,	
ther transportation equipment	8,610	457,948	898	32,	
letallic waste and scrap	2,360	184,192	1,878	141,	
on-metallic waste and scrap	795	49,055	1,444	93,	
ther manufactured and miscellaneous goods	245	13,560	337	18,	
ool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	678	30,595	809	39,	
lixed loads or unidentified freight	382	21,017	288	16,9	
		0			
ess than carload shipments		·			

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

Commodity	November 2002		November 2001		
Commodity	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes	
Wheat	111	9,925	399	36,27	
Other cereal grains	425	36,507	271	23,82	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	67	5,659	40	3,60	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	(
Colza seeds (canola)	51	3,414	48	3,28	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	109	9,823	88	7,528	
Animal feed and products	943	68,917	573	44,68	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0	(
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	51	4,256	88	5,97	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	227 354	17,153 31,592	176 270	12,99	
Sugar Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	354 17	1,013	21	22,908 1,318	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	33	2,417	27	1,93	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	962	77,591	823	72,95	
Salt	1,045	93,772	1,008	95,126	
Phosphate rock	1,043	95,605	771	69,44	
Sulphur	117	9,857	83	7,33	
Gypsum	X	X	Х	7,00	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	4,429	416,754	6,213	522,736	
Iron ores and concentrates	25,469	2,317,298	26,382	2,345,535	
Copper ores and concentrates	571	49,200	829	71,052	
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,536	184,485	3,023	219,478	
Lead ores and concentrates	92	8,270	183	16,374	
Zinc ores and concentrates	859	76,366	1,128	100,531	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	192	13,062	47	4,076	
Coal	2,428	210,945	5,105	408,725	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	1,883	140,608	1,567	119,215	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,895	228,014	2,774	211,840	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	4,710	308,699	3,916	258,629	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	2,733	191,956	806	57,267	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,324	97,281	1,605	114,097	
Sulphuric acid	1,973	175,752	2,148	190,832	
Alumina	5,301	485,841	5,308	486,502	
Other basic chemicals	2,651	207,298	2,232	178,501	
Potash	63	5,750	99	9,001	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	278	24,011	324	28,708	
Other chemical products and preparations	616	53,007	755	65,412	
Plastic and rubber	2,033	169,524	1,844	148,825	
Logs and other wood in the rough	2,314	120,563	1,887	66,808	
Wood chips	1,671	95,586	1,704	101,512	
Lumber	4,448	335,041	3,609	263,653	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	2,031	153,513	2,126	161,062	
Wood pulp	4,428	338,264	3,922	297,912	
Newsprint	4,709	289,761	4,882	294,464	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	3,421	214,830	3,603	216,530	
Cement	1,008	90,364	1,122	99,851	
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,212	105,012	982	84,302	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	3,554	291,852	3,472	283,117	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	281	24,532	468	40,682	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	2,070	167,131	2,385	189,825	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	400	35,186	320	26,849	
Articles of base metal	346 174	24,478	390	28,517	
Machinery Automobiles and mini yens		9,322	210	9,002	
Automobiles and mini-vans Freight motor vehicles	8,648 9,015	158,957 165,040	7,762 8,104	142,298 144,169	
Other vehicles	9,015 640	13,060	639	144,105	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	2,492	76,172	2,090	69,998	
Other transportation equipment	2,492 8,276	449,737	2,090 465	16,747	
Metallic waste and scrap	1,490	118,688	938	73,082	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	373	24,702	474	29,429	
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	154	10,027	142	8,944	
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	675	30,440	793	37,721	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	272	11,343	174	8,291	
Less than carload shipments	2,2	0		(
		9,185,223	123,637		

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

Commodity	Novemb		Novemb	er 2001
Commodity	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	11,858	1,067,489	22,822	2,041,11
Other cereal grains	3,180	251,562	4,348	341,08
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	1,345	111,820	2,609	219,82
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	
Colza seeds (canola)	4,206	331,693	3,833	301,78
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	2,175	175,894	1,569	127,27
Animal feed and products	781	61,027	1,008	79,44
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	71.071	0	70.10
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	950	71,271	1,042	78,10 165,27
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours Sugar	1,368 31	112,036 2,870	2,057 31	2,82
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	141	8,543	118	7,09
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	41	3,357	45	3,70
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,941	172,777	1,550	137,86
Salt	498	42,866	409	35,39
Phosphate rock	0	0	3	24
Sulphur	5,948	563,652	5,737	558,29
Gypsum	X	X	X	
Other non-metallic minerals ²	374	32,217	407	35,40
Iron ores and concentrates	0	0	0	
Copper ores and concentrates	545	48,934	578	51,52°
Nickel ores and concentrates	0	0	0	(
Lead ores and concentrates	249	22,134	655	55,538
Zinc ores and concentrates	192	17,102	83	7,530
Other metallic ores and concentrates	117	10,595	121	10,40
Coal	25,885	2,651,214	32,911	3,321,493
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	358	26,257	365	27,129
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,006	160,190	1,761	136,375
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	3,949	251,640	3,042	196,236
Coal coke and petroleum coke	680	51,671	709	57,166
Other refined petroleum and coal products	906	68,473	1,040	83,51
Sulphuric acid	316	27,986	264	23,25
Alumina	0	0	0	447.00
Other basic chemicals	4,661	411,487	4,786	417,069
Potash Fortilizare (evaluding notash)	9,956	949,439 366,614	9,746 4,807	919,744 399,76
Fertilizers (excluding potash) Other chemical products and preparations	4,406 139	11,894	4,607 291	23,093
Plastic and rubber	2,070	178,831	1,593	136,704
Logs and other wood in the rough	1,596	119,323	1,383	104,96
Wood chips	4,833	281,572	5,542	338,005
Lumber	7,983	645,678	7,187	580,395
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	3,283	253,231	2,913	219,351
Wood pulp	7,263	598,379	5,910	456,471
Newsprint	979	64,658	1,456	91,683
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	1,098	75,380	1,048	73,103
Cement	879	81,181	1,111	102,254
Other non-metallic mineral products	184	13,469	225	19,013
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	778	61,850	573	47,647
Copper, primary or semi-finished	94	8,528	252	20,75
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	19	1,588	31	2,610
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	362	25,680	230	17,87
Articles of base metal	580	42,146	475	34,34
Machinery	6	296	18	979
Automobiles and mini-vans	1,819	24,571	1,716	23,64
Freight motor vehicles	537	7,882	369	5,112
Other vehicles	81	2,545	26	1,138
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	4	195	2	10:
Other transportation equipment	334	8,211	433	15,505
Metallic waste and scrap	870	65,504	940	68,508
Non-metallic waste and scrap	422	24,353	970 105	64,259
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	91 3	3,533	195	9,142
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated Mixed loads or unidentified freight		155 9,674	16	1,376
Mixed loads or unidentified freight Less than carload shipments	110	9,674	114	8,671
	407 400		440.475	
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	125,480	10,683,117	143,475	12,308,16

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

Commodity	January 2002	to November 2002	January 2001 to November 2001		
Continuous	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonne	
Wheat	158,862	14,274,741	212,017	19,041,70	
Other cereal grains	38,129	3,041,080	54,584	4,288,88	
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	14,601	1,210,445	27,732	2,338,19	
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	1		
Colza seeds (canola)	33,901	2,658,490	51,247	4,033,86	
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	9,705	791,481	9,878	800,12	
Animal feed and products	17,266	1,326,280	15,947	1,268,15	
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	7	438	12	89	
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	12,171	901,133	11,969	878,25	
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	18,985	1,549,384	22,550	1,793,1	
Sugar	3,607	313,083	3,306	285,67	
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	1,672	95,825	1,010	56,12	
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	1,150	85,744	696	53,92	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	31,785	2,695,517	32,980	2,805,06	
Salt	13,906	1,232,433	13,608	1,268,63	
Phosphate rock	10,051	916,686	7,914	715,77	
Sulphur	67,767	6,446,550	60,089	5,835,52	
Gypsum	X	Х	X		
Other non-metallic minerals ²	62,411	5,290,630	61,537	5,158,99	
Iron ores and concentrates	301,214	27,634,307	288,265	26,315,12	
Copper ores and concentrates	13,640	1,194,190	17,998	1,562,96	
Nickel ores and concentrates	29,056	2,108,506	32,424	2,353,44	
Lead ores and concentrates	5,975	534,393	6,122	524,07	
Zinc ores and concentrates	11,213	997,976	11,822	1,035,88	
Other metallic ores and concentrates	3,965	292,788	1,746	155,65	
Coal	325,410	32,556,729	382,354	37,672,78	
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	24,922	1,871,394	18,756	1,393,68	
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	49,720	3,910,718	46,340	3,607,10	
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	67,538	4,338,330	60,659	3,910,68	
Coal coke and petroleum coke	21,622	1,573,205	18,124	1,210,06	
Other refined petroleum and coal products	28,340	2,163,505	25,388	1,926,40	
Sulphuric acid	26,046	2,314,737	24,198	2,148,22	
Alumina	59,009	5,417,254	54,421	4,981,15	
Other basic chemicals	80,977	6,788,848	77,513	6,539,52	
Potash	127,881	12,232,273	124,638	11,908,06	
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	53,767	4,525,956	49,516	4,143,71	
Other chemical products and preparations	9,455	810,205	10,356	888,62	
Plastic and rubber	45,578	3,829,984	42,584	3,557,55	
Logs and other wood in the rough	45,896	2,854,222	39,360	2,192,80	
Wood chips	74,939	4,523,437	81,691	4,951,25	
Lumber	149,044	11,606,769	137,637	10,706,76	
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	59,632	4,522,222	53,027	3,936,81	
Wood pulp	128,891	10,227,530	101,320	7,968,97	
Newsprint	66,589	4,092,564	67,217	4,115,98	
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	54,689	3,618,689	53,756	3,439,08	
Cement	25,301	2,298,192	25,544	2,309,19	
Other non-metallic mineral products	15,984	1,382,634	12,406	1,061,58	
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	49,930	4,057,285	43,958	3,518,14	
Copper, primary or semi-finished	6,262	534,364	6,478	539,25	
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	24,194	1,941,271	22,938	1,809,43	
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	6,386	522,853	4,671	386,63	
Articles of base metal	9,062	645,648	9,734	681,87	
Machinery	2,427	126,991	2,605	127,54	
Automobiles and mini-vans	110,477	1,921,178	102,947	1,844,34	
Freight motor vehicles	92,769	1,673,768	83,592	1,477,60	
Other vehicles	8,113	180,751	7,544	175,30	
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	25,771	792,741	20,453	693,10	
Other transportation equipment	99,804	4,984,204	10,550	330,08	
Metallic waste and scrap	24,852	1,926,846	24,569	1,840,05	
Non-metallic waste and scrap	9,696	604,069	12,364	778,3	
Non-metallic waste and scrap Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	9,696 4,524	327,434	3,408	197,10	
Other manufactured and miscenaneous goods Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	4,524 7,649		3,408 10,189	,	
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	7,649 5,107	362,210 276,235	4,678	511,27 233,54	
Less than carload shipments	J, IU/	276,235	4,0/0	233,52	
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	2,889,292	223,929,377	2,822,937	222,284,25	

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

Commodity	January 2002	January 2002 to November 2002		January 2001 to November 2001		
Commonly	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes		
Wheat	2,501	225.315	3,647	330,220		
Other cereal grains	1,913	157,634	1,912	165,674		
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	571	49,186	384	33,23		
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	(00,20		
Colza seeds (canola)	308	17,911	527	37,485		
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	893	78,867	1,358	113,931		
Animal feed and products	9,960	746,304	5,531	436,279		
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	4	270	3	168		
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	752	56,545	618	44,536		
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	1,909	143,502	1,749	130,133		
Sugar	3,240	279,266	2,971	254,943		
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	197	11,919	204	11,636		
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	735	51,444	283	19,844		
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	11,460	926,020	13,367	1,077,512		
Salt	10,107	908,474	10,549	1,003,071		
Phosphate rock	10,051	916,686	7,908	715,281		
Sulphur	1,167	102,039	1,086	96,251		
Gypsum	X	X	x)		
Other non-metallic minerals ²	57,388	4,842,392	57,577	4,807,809		
Iron ores and concentrates	301,213	27,634,220	288,155	26,305,143		
Copper ores and concentrates	7,365	633,292	11,214	954,414		
Nickel ores and concentrates	29,056	2,108,506	32,424	2,353,449		
Lead ores and concentrates	1,676	151,007	2,437	217,151		
Zinc ores and concentrates	10,314	916,751	11,371	994,995		
Other metallic ores and concentrates	2,768	185,036	673	59,307		
Coal	29,202	2,552,489	47,022	3,744,468		
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	20,026	1,520,182	14,676	1,106,535		
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	27,767	2,176,838	26,823	2,092,903		
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	39,254	2,523,732	36,291	2,349,768		
Coal coke and petroleum coke	14,528	1,023,923	10,728	628,164		
Other refined petroleum and coal products	15,064	1,108,984	15,083	1,094,213		
Sulphuric acid	22,996	2,044,966	21,688	1,925,464		
Alumina	58,940	5,412,165	54,369	4,977,466		
Other basic chemicals	28,955	2,239,183	27,508	2,176,869		
Potash	7,863	721,384	7,955	726,968		
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	3,800	341,529	5,202	450,925		
Other chemical products and preparations	7,704	660,116	7,702	663,413		
Plastic and rubber	23,736	1,947,243	22,945	1,863,338		
Logs and other wood in the rough	24,516	1,283,910	21,239	866,502		
Wood chips	17,158	1,016,359	16,807	995,588		
Lumber	50,085	3,702,458	47,852	3,548,929		
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	25,099	1,898,831	25,018	1,912,262		
Wood pulp	49,521	3,717,826	40,695	3,062,827		
Newsprint	53,943	3,297,476	52,048	3,134,674		
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	39,314	2,496,12 <i>7</i> 1,089,113	39,620	2,419,846		
Cement Other parameters are a restricted.	12,191	, ,	10,816	954,340		
Other non-metallic mineral products	12,614	1,106,971	10,040	868,045		
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	42,949	3,492,888	37,255	2,978,482		
Copper, primary or semi-finished	3,715	323,385	4,655	388,458		
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	23,843	1,912,816	22,529	1,776,876		
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	3,531	306,028	3,126	267,344		
Articles of base metal	4,022	281,465	5,460	365,339		
Machinery	1,975	98,216	2,135	101,367		
Automobiles and mini-vans	86,985	1,612,293	83,002	1,578,453		
Freight motor vehicles	88,457	1,617,264	80,755	1,437,713		
Other vehicles	7,446	158,069	7,238	161,905		
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	25,759	792,349	20,442	692,509		
Other transportation equipment	95,133	4,850,918	5,342	179,020		
Metallic waste and scrap	15,080	1,193,694	13,370	1,055,295		
Non-metallic waste and scrap	4,309	272,277	4,936	306,718		
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	1,633	111,409	1,286	94,369		
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	7,532	355,794	10,036	500,276		
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	3,759	157,025	3,033	116,116		
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Less than carload shipments		02		·		

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

Commodity	January 2002	to November 2002	January 200	1 to November 2001
Commodity	Cars	Metric tonnes	Cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	156,361	14,049,426	208,370	18,711,48
Other cereal grains	36,216	2,883,446	52,672	4,123,21
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	14,030	1,161,259	27,348	2,304,96
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	1	2,00 .,00
Colza seeds (canola)	33,593	2,640,579	50,720	3,996,380
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	8,812	712,614	8,520	686,194
Animal feed and products	7,306	579,976	10,416	831,874
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3	168	9	727
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	11,419	844,588	11,351	833,723
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	17,076	1,405,882	20,801	1.663.027
Sugar	367	33,817	335	30,728
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	1,475	83,906	806	44,490
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	415	34,300	413	34,084
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	20,325	1,769,497	19,613	1,727,556
Salt	3,799	323,959	3,059	265,567
Phosphate rock	0	0	6	490
Sulphur	66,600	6,344,511	59,003	5,739,275
Gypsum	X	X	X	,
Other non-metallic minerals ²	5,023	448,238	3,960	351,188
Iron ores and concentrates	, 1	87	110	9,979
Copper ores and concentrates	6,275	560,898	6,784	608,553
Nickel ores and concentrates	0	0	0	Ć
Lead ores and concentrates	4,299	383,386	3,685	306,923
Zinc ores and concentrates	899	81,225	451	40,893
Other metallic ores and concentrates	1,197	107,752	1,073	96,352
Coal	296,208	30,004,240	335,332	33,928,319
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	4,896	351,212	4,080	287,148
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	21,953	1,733,880	19,517	1,514,203
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	28,284	1,814,598	24,368	1,560,914
Coal coke and petroleum coke	7,094	549,282	7,396	581,896
Other refined petroleum and coal products	13,276	1,054,521	10,305	832,191
Sulphuric acid	3,050	269,771	2,510	222,760
Alumina	69	5,089	52	3,693
Other basic chemicals	52,022	4,549,665	50,005	4,362,651
Potash	120,018	11,510,889	116,683	11,181,099
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	49,967	4,184,427	44,314	3,692,789
Other chemical products and preparations	1,751	150,089	2,654	225,215
Plastic and rubber	21,842	1,882,741	19,639	1,694,213
Logs and other wood in the rough	21,380	1,570,312	18,121	1,326,304
Wood chips	57,781	3,507,078	64,884	3,955,665
Lumber	98,959	7,904,311	89,785	7,157,831
Other wood products (plywood, veneer et cetera)	34,533	2,623,391	28,009	2,024,548
Wood pulp	79,370	6,509,704	60,625	4,906,148
Newsprint	12,646	795,088	15,169	981,309
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	15,375	1,122,562	14,136	1,019,239
Cement	13,110	1,209,079	14,728	1,354,859
Other non-metallic mineral products	3,370	275,663	2,366	193,536
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	6,981	564,397	6,703	539,659
Copper, primary or semi-finished	2,547	210,979	1,823	150,793
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	351	28,455	409	32,556
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	2,855	216,825	1,545	119,291
Articles of base metal	5,040	364,183	4,274	316,539
Machinery	452	28,775	470	26,181
Automobiles and mini-vans	23,492	308,885	19,945	265,896
Freight motor vehicles	4,312	56,504	2,837	39,954
Other vehicles	667	22,682	306	13,462
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	12	392	11	594
Other transportation equipment	4,671	133,286	5,208	151,039
Metallic waste and scrap	9,772	733,152	11,199	784,759
Non-metallic waste and scrap	5,387	331,792	7,428	471,616
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	2,891	216,025	2,122	102,795
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	117	6,416	153	10,997
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	1,348	119,210	1,645	117,425
Less than carload shipments		0		272
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ³	1,423,340	121,369,064	1,500,262	128,558,041

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

	November 2002		1	01		
	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	131,632 12,506	260,085	19,868,340 2,082,513 219,883 2,436,654	114,157 10,060	222,560	20,983,547 1,917,247 159,854 2,032,955
Total traffic carried ³			24,607,390			25,093,603
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	15,518 2,204	30,090	196,521 30,383 4,147,266	13,227 1,943	25,897	162,394 24,053 3,606,699

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

	November 2002		November 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	74,322 11,131	146,178	9,185,223 1,203,223 196,987 941,271	71,449 7,647	137,843	8,675,387 1,199,187 107,402 839,323
Total traffic carried ³			11,526,704			10,821,299
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	5,665 1,305	10,522	70,657 18,364 2,637,944	5,092 1,170	9,681	61,635 14,729 2,446,887

See footnote(s) at the end of tables.

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

	November 2002		November 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	57,310 1,375	113,907	10,683,117 879,290 22,896 1,495,383	42,708 2,413	84,717	12,308,160 718,060 52,452 1,193,632
Total traffic carried ³			13,080,686			14,272,304
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	9,853 899	19,568	125,864 12,019 1,509,322	8,135 773	16,216	100,759 9,324 1,159,812

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

	January	January 2002 to November 2002			ary 2001 to N	ry 2001 to November 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	1,325,475 115,745	2,599,764	223,929,377 21,510,640 1,903,682 24,627,443	1,213,927 100,337	2,354,704	222,284,251 19,594,711 1,729,289 22,168,816	
Total traffic carried ³			271,971,142			265,777,067	
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	163,024 21,937	318,976	2,068,480 314,095 49,070,980	146,587 24,219	286,411	1,853,266 333,841 45,872,228	

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

	January 2002 to November 2002		January 2001 to Nov		vember 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	766,126 100,037	1,494,074	102,560,313 12,766,702 1,639,576 10,661,126	756,237 74,716	1,452,989	93,726,210 12,207,351 1,192,876 9,206,151
Total traffic carried ³			127,627,717			116,332,588
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	65,417 8,719	124,893	809,555 137,699 34,321,277	56,122 12,824	106,019	711,205 180,189 34,006,557

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 November 2002		January 2001 to November 20			
	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	559,349 15,708	1,105,690	121,369,064 8,743,938 264,106 13,966,317	457,690 25,621	901,715	128,558,041 7,387,360 536,413 12,962,665
Total traffic carried ³			144,343,425			149,444,479
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	97,607 13,218	194,083	1,258,925 176,396 14,749,703	90,465 11,395	180,392	1,142,061 153,652 11,865,671

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.
- 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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