

Service bulletin**Monthly Railway Carloadings****June 2008****Highlights**

- The Canadian railway industry loaded 22.4 million metric tonnes of freight in June, a 6.7% decline from June 2007 levels.
- Contributing to this decline is a continued economic softness in the United States, particularly for forestry and automotive-related products, as well as delays due to flooding in the country's Midwestern states.
- Non-intermodal loadings fell 7.2% to 20.0 million metric tonnes in June, compared with the same month last year. Among the commodity classifications that experienced the largest declines were forestry products, such as lumber and wood pulp, and automotive products, such as automobiles and mini-vans.
- Other commodities that saw decreases in loadings were wheat, potash and iron ore and concentrates.
- Intermodal loadings edged down by 1.9%, from June 2007 levels. This drop is the result of decreased loadings of both containers and trailers on flat cars.
- Rail freight traffic coming from the United States increased to 2.8 million metric tonnes, up 12.9% from June 2007.

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Table 1

Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada — Total

	June 2008		June 2007	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	12,930	1,184,573	19,361	1,761,039
Other cereal grains	4,499	347,891	2,028	162,680
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	1,058	94,194	1,526	134,176
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	5,410	440,015	7,809	626,408
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	788	64,178	1,073	87,888
Animal feed and products	2,147	173,833	2,279	175,514
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3	198	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,255	96,971	1,097	85,406
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	2,645	210,126	2,406	193,965
Sugar	417	36,413	391	34,212
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	247	17,376	283	20,424
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	128	9,646	109	8,867
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	4,809	433,488	2,869	243,380
Salt	609	54,306	477	42,709
Phosphate rock	767	68,936	703	63,410
Sulphur	6,780	650,803	6,594	637,983
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	4,371	396,629	6,114	532,379
Iron ores and concentrates	31,312	2,833,392	30,936	2,877,757
Copper ores and concentrates	890	77,992	1,105	97,031
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,861	216,184	2,037	156,825
Lead ores and concentrates	188	14,506	247	19,101
Zinc ores and concentrates	876	73,260	841	70,674
Other metallic ores and concentrates	5,238	499,426	5,201	495,590
Coal	28,893	2,983,090	28,791	2,966,815
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	2,530	192,444	3,031	233,482
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	5,402	426,872	5,227	420,507
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	4,275	272,762	4,572	292,969
Coal coke and petroleum coke	1,918	134,440	1,330	82,764
Other refined petroleum and coal products	2,821	218,800	2,620	202,028
Sulphuric acid	2,357	212,861	2,559	231,044
Alumina	3,024	277,484	2,907	265,513
Other basic chemicals	6,908	603,418	6,388	558,035
Potash	14,315	1,408,188	15,893	1,552,698
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	3,776	314,358	4,270	354,947
Other chemical products and preparations	1,076	89,443	821	70,440
Plastic and rubber	3,689	321,746	4,107	358,747
Logs and other wood in the rough	1,158	67,993	2,482	140,388
Wood chips	4,032	242,543	4,533	264,472
Lumber	10,117	846,903	14,545	1,225,091
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	3,332	273,907	5,684	446,555
Wood pulp	8,817	726,824	9,588	781,017
Newsprint	4,433	300,287	5,007	326,553
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	4,066	286,613	5,246	368,895
Cement	2,643	250,604	2,651	249,489
Other non-metallic mineral products	205	17,749	293	25,735
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	6,652	543,922	6,067	491,783
Copper, primary or semi-finished	359	29,938	352	29,565
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	2,810	235,188	2,837	234,879
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	557	45,459	844	69,787
Articles of base metal	1,195	89,408	1,863	131,605
Machinery	164	7,979	161	8,567
Automobiles and mini-vans	8,370	138,006	9,242	154,621
Freight motor vehicles	7,077	130,112	8,782	155,275
Other vehicles	10	89	17	255
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	1,382	38,058	2,161	60,545
Other transportation equipment	1,593	25,057	939	23,649
Metallic waste and scrap	3,070	231,664	2,990	231,960
Non-metallic waste and scrap	634	38,080	497	24,502
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	110	6,857	128	7,741
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	329	13,991	376	19,098
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	328	9,192	419	12,815
Less than carload shipments	...	81	...	19
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	244,655	20,046,739	265,706	21,602,262

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 2
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada — Eastern Division

	June 2008		June 2007	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	276	24,688	335	29,384
Other cereal grains	500	43,501	159	13,660
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	43	3,435	48	3,931
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	0	0	0	0
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	121	9,107	78	6,458
Animal feed and products	783	60,902	912	70,952
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	1	70	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	90	6,751	35	2,727
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	328	24,261	328	25,540
Sugar	379	33,587	354	31,347
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	21	1,434	52	4,324
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	75	5,300	55	4,483
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	850	68,751	890	71,067
Salt	242	21,058	228	19,915
Phosphate rock	767	68,936	703	63,410
Sulphur	183	16,231	149	13,330
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	3,873	351,586	5,678	493,519
Iron ores and concentrates	31,312	2,833,392	30,936	2,877,757
Copper ores and concentrates	392	33,724	560	48,663
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,856	215,716	2,027	155,869
Lead ores and concentrates	188	14,506	236	18,190
Zinc ores and concentrates	831	69,636	699	59,158
Other metallic ores and concentrates	5,238	499,426	5,189	494,537
Coal	2,113	185,189	2,049	177,180
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	1,841	140,124	2,309	179,353
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,797	223,222	2,479	196,891
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	2,605	166,086	3,002	191,658
Coal coke and petroleum coke	738	40,261	700	31,495
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,171	86,930	1,107	81,625
Sulphuric acid	2,066	186,983	2,188	197,823
Alumina	3,024	277,484	2,907	265,513
Other basic chemicals	2,950	254,479	2,708	232,814
Potash	757	69,043	798	72,317
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	154	13,458	196	17,462
Other chemical products and preparations	1,018	84,902	792	68,107
Plastic and rubber	1,194	100,731	1,695	142,616
Logs and other wood in the rough	817	46,267	1,864	101,083
Wood chips	1,270	80,176	1,160	66,009
Lumber	2,326	192,103	3,574	300,068
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	705	52,697	1,809	131,742
Wood pulp	2,679	207,870	3,094	238,336
Newsprint	3,846	260,610	4,183	268,632
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	2,926	201,507	4,051	282,220
Cement	1,485	139,750	1,785	168,007
Other non-metallic mineral products	67	5,784	120	10,266
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	6,007	487,661	5,380	433,206
Copper, primary or semi-finished	257	22,165	258	22,402
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	2,783	232,957	2,826	234,031
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	177	14,979	369	31,889
Articles of base metal	416	30,486	436	30,175
Machinery	117	4,621	141	7,062
Automobiles and mini-vans	6,489	110,128	7,382	127,609
Freight motor vehicles	6,578	123,007	8,330	148,988
Other vehicles	8	11	15	234
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	1,382	38,058	2,161	60,545
Other transportation equipment	791	11,986	485	12,207
Metallic waste and scrap	1,627	123,055	1,701	133,773
Non-metallic waste and scrap	276	21,211	132	8,905
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	56	3,536	70	4,137
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	325	13,900	374	19,054
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	327	9,138	418	12,737
Less than carload shipments	...	81	...	19
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	115,514	8,668,629	124,699	9,216,406

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 3
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada — Western Division

	June 2008		June 2007	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	12,654	1,159,885	19,026	1,731,655
Other cereal grains	3,999	304,390	1,869	149,020
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	1,015	90,759	1,478	130,245
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	5,410	440,015	7,809	626,408
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	667	55,071	995	81,430
Animal feed and products	1,364	112,931	1,367	104,562
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	2	128	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,165	90,220	1,062	82,679
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	2,317	185,865	2,078	168,425
Sugar	38	2,826	37	2,865
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	226	15,942	231	16,100
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	53	4,346	54	4,384
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	3,959	364,737	1,979	172,313
Salt	367	33,248	249	22,794
Phosphate rock	0	0	0	0
Sulphur	6,597	634,572	6,445	624,653
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	498	45,043	436	38,860
Iron ores and concentrates	0	0	0	0
Copper ores and concentrates	498	44,268	545	48,368
Nickel ores and concentrates	5	468	10	956
Lead ores and concentrates	0	0	11	911
Zinc ores and concentrates	45	3,624	142	11,516
Other metallic ores and concentrates	0	0	12	1,053
Coal	26,780	2,797,901	26,742	2,789,635
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	689	52,320	722	54,129
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,605	203,650	2,748	223,616
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	1,670	106,676	1,570	101,311
Coal coke and petroleum coke	1,180	94,179	630	51,269
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,650	131,870	1,513	120,403
Sulphuric acid	291	25,878	371	33,221
Alumina	0	0	0	0
Other basic chemicals	3,958	348,939	3,680	325,221
Potash	13,558	1,339,145	15,095	1,480,381
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	3,622	300,900	4,074	337,485
Other chemical products and preparations	58	4,541	29	2,333
Plastic and rubber	2,495	221,015	2,412	216,131
Logs and other wood in the rough	341	21,726	618	39,305
Wood chips	2,762	162,367	3,373	198,463
Lumber	7,791	654,800	10,971	925,023
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	2,627	221,210	3,875	314,813
Wood pulp	6,138	518,954	6,494	542,681
Newsprint	587	39,677	824	57,921
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	1,140	85,106	1,195	86,675
Cement	1,158	110,854	866	81,482
Other non-metallic mineral products	138	11,965	173	15,469
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	645	56,261	687	58,577
Copper, primary or semi-finished	102	7,773	94	7,163
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	27	2,231	11	848
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	380	30,480	475	37,898
Articles of base metal	779	58,922	1,427	101,430
Machinery	47	3,358	20	1,505
Automobiles and mini-vans	1,881	27,878	1,860	27,012
Freight motor vehicles	499	7,105	452	6,287
Other vehicles	2	78	2	21
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	0	0	0	0
Other transportation equipment	802	13,071	454	11,442
Metallic waste and scrap	1,443	108,609	1,289	98,187
Non-metallic waste and scrap	358	16,869	365	15,597
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	54	3,321	58	3,604
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	4	91	2	44
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	1	54	1	78
Less than carload shipments	...	0	...	0
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	129,141	11,378,110	141,007	12,385,856

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 4
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada (year to date) — Total

	January 2008 to June 2008		January 2007 to June 2007	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	92,895	8,524,201	117,256	10,670,413
Other cereal grains	34,246	2,710,871	20,289	1,622,765
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	10,724	962,956	12,143	1,078,351
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	37,620	3,069,270	34,660	2,780,581
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	4,008	329,847	4,362	357,361
Animal feed and products	14,274	1,129,427	11,987	972,126
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	15	912	25	1,600
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	7,283	564,621	6,662	519,455
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	16,303	1,303,750	14,317	1,158,612
Sugar	2,118	183,391	2,295	200,386
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	1,660	115,563	1,635	117,118
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	957	72,247	724	58,295
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	16,849	1,478,490	15,416	1,336,222
Salt	4,339	387,408	4,753	420,550
Phosphate rock	4,611	415,494	2,921	263,327
Sulphur	38,997	3,742,169	37,843	3,647,769
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	25,143	2,169,275	30,802	2,698,832
Iron ores and concentrates	185,347	16,560,076	156,280	14,424,116
Copper ores and concentrates	6,271	547,931	6,962	610,317
Nickel ores and concentrates	16,808	1,274,807	13,411	1,026,771
Lead ores and concentrates	1,224	94,393	1,387	107,006
Zinc ores and concentrates	4,185	352,981	4,232	354,162
Other metallic ores and concentrates	31,106	2,965,982	30,715	2,929,621
Coal	174,664	17,978,103	165,433	16,867,504
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	15,958	1,216,808	15,506	1,197,251
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	33,012	2,651,806	33,915	2,749,100
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	33,608	2,141,430	35,045	2,227,007
Coal coke and petroleum coke	10,952	751,979	9,639	653,908
Other refined petroleum and coal products	15,923	1,224,083	16,386	1,274,037
Sulphuric acid	15,618	1,410,202	15,531	1,398,035
Alumina	17,781	1,631,928	17,476	1,597,434
Other basic chemicals	40,945	3,572,475	40,458	3,538,003
Potash	96,599	9,439,930	94,712	9,182,746
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	27,028	2,255,319	28,098	2,334,784
Other chemical products and preparations	6,316	539,371	4,324	365,832
Plastic and rubber	22,765	1,979,293	24,359	2,117,010
Logs and other wood in the rough	8,567	492,088	14,964	827,684
Wood chips	25,252	1,522,785	30,715	1,840,971
Lumber	62,195	5,219,240	88,041	7,407,456
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	21,732	1,765,989	36,359	2,863,449
Wood pulp	56,785	4,653,164	57,484	4,663,781
Newsprint	28,998	1,940,334	31,001	2,029,901
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	24,428	1,706,020	31,769	2,210,090
Cement	12,599	1,187,201	13,802	1,292,732
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,458	127,693	1,899	160,964
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	38,940	3,196,282	34,646	2,858,681
Copper, primary or semi-finished	2,338	195,539	2,583	215,577
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	17,806	1,482,627	16,516	1,360,626
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	3,899	315,454	4,654	372,285
Articles of base metal	8,342	602,636	9,141	667,280
Machinery	645	33,056	871	35,756
Automobiles and mini-vans	49,560	821,255	53,706	907,022
Freight motor vehicles	36,802	677,007	47,439	844,274
Other vehicles	233	4,349	495	19,928
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	8,054	244,932	13,560	374,645
Other transportation equipment	12,441	190,903	7,255	200,538
Metallic waste and scrap	18,178	1,384,209	18,207	1,390,061
Non-metallic waste and scrap	3,849	221,163	3,343	176,573
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	689	40,698	815	49,711
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	1,454	62,398	2,027	102,112
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	1,866	55,853	2,208	66,249
Less than carload shipments	...	1,916	...	146
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	1,515,212	123,893,555	1,555,459	125,796,887

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 5
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada (year to date) — Eastern Division

	January 2008 to June 2008		January 2007 to June 2007	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	1,663	146,809	2,044	182,858
Other cereal grains	1,946	167,045	1,403	116,038
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	157	12,825	167	13,492
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	8	639	1	80
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	543	42,872	635	51,987
Animal feed and products	5,090	399,669	4,746	373,729
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	4	208	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	347	25,991	202	16,117
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	2,097	162,157	1,740	135,747
Sugar	1,845	162,297	2,101	185,606
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	336	21,841	255	21,852
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	625	45,048	368	29,215
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	5,228	425,461	4,742	403,908
Salt	1,692	146,920	2,480	219,032
Phosphate rock	4,611	415,494	2,921	263,327
Sulphur	973	86,059	666	59,498
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	22,835	1,961,373	28,358	2,480,985
Iron ores and concentrates	185,346	16,560,017	156,280	14,424,116
Copper ores and concentrates	2,894	247,969	3,271	282,785
Nickel ores and concentrates	16,744	1,268,995	13,332	1,019,819
Lead ores and concentrates	1,224	94,393	1,376	106,095
Zinc ores and concentrates	3,836	325,154	3,703	312,202
Other metallic ores and concentrates	30,996	2,956,484	30,594	2,919,031
Coal	12,730	1,123,447	11,802	1,008,943
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	12,010	916,712	11,810	917,160
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	18,137	1,454,566	17,028	1,356,025
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	17,559	1,136,775	18,559	1,189,200
Coal coke and petroleum coke	5,583	323,801	4,842	269,668
Other refined petroleum and coal products	7,327	548,380	7,243	543,106
Sulphuric acid	13,858	1,253,451	13,749	1,239,063
Alumina	17,780	1,631,838	17,476	1,597,434
Other basic chemicals	17,037	1,466,201	17,505	1,507,263
Potash	4,029	366,800	4,685	428,807
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	961	83,530	983	85,998
Other chemical products and preparations	6,078	520,499	4,073	345,976
Plastic and rubber	9,542	805,514	10,845	913,769
Logs and other wood in the rough	5,893	318,637	11,789	625,290
Wood chips	8,383	531,913	9,186	562,568
Lumber	13,862	1,148,924	21,472	1,795,499
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	4,968	373,725	11,033	808,229
Wood pulp	17,455	1,355,335	18,040	1,390,986
Newsprint	25,287	1,694,438	26,561	1,723,139
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	17,374	1,186,789	24,613	1,703,137
Cement	6,338	591,917	7,862	735,082
Other non-metallic mineral products	615	55,948	924	79,630
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	35,177	2,871,149	30,805	2,533,874
Copper, primary or semi-finished	1,828	156,678	2,059	175,647
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	17,662	1,470,409	16,419	1,353,114
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	1,400	115,499	1,874	159,356
Articles of base metal	2,640	190,463	2,664	194,032
Machinery	470	21,465	758	30,598
Automobiles and mini-vans	36,768	636,192	41,916	732,835
Freight motor vehicles	33,922	635,762	45,149	809,491
Other vehicles	109	1,933	358	16,765
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	8,053	244,916	13,560	374,645
Other transportation equipment	7,568	118,504	5,326	144,277
Metallic waste and scrap	9,569	743,877	10,467	816,813
Non-metallic waste and scrap	1,701	131,177	1,138	79,438
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	299	19,026	393	26,510
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	1,434	61,892	2,008	101,579
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	1,841	54,998	2,121	64,262
Less than carload shipments	...	1,916	...	146
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	694,237	52,040,694	710,480	52,056,867

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 6

Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada (year to date) — Western Division

	January 2008 to June 2008		January 2007 to June 2007	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	91,232	8,377,392	115,212	10,487,555
Other cereal grains	32,300	2,543,826	18,886	1,506,727
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	10,567	950,131	11,976	1,064,859
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	37,612	3,068,631	34,659	2,780,501
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	3,465	286,975	3,727	305,374
Animal feed and products	9,184	729,758	7,241	598,397
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	11	704	25	1,600
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	6,936	538,630	6,460	503,338
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	14,206	1,141,593	12,577	1,022,865
Sugar	273	21,094	194	14,780
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	1,324	93,722	1,380	95,266
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	332	27,199	356	29,080
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	11,621	1,053,029	10,674	932,314
Salt	2,647	240,488	2,273	201,518
Phosphate rock	0	0	0	0
Sulphur	38,024	3,656,110	37,177	3,588,271
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	2,308	207,902	2,444	217,847
Iron ores and concentrates	1	59	0	0
Copper ores and concentrates	3,377	299,962	3,691	327,532
Nickel ores and concentrates	64	5,812	79	6,952
Lead ores and concentrates	0	0	11	911
Zinc ores and concentrates	349	27,827	529	41,960
Other metallic ores and concentrates	110	9,498	121	10,590
Coal	161,934	16,854,656	153,631	15,858,561
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	3,948	300,096	3,696	280,091
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	14,875	1,197,240	16,887	1,393,075
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	16,049	1,004,655	16,486	1,037,807
Coal coke and petroleum coke	5,369	428,178	4,797	384,240
Other refined petroleum and coal products	8,596	675,703	9,143	730,931
Sulphuric acid	1,760	156,751	1,782	158,972
Alumina	1	90	0	0
Other basic chemicals	23,908	2,106,274	22,953	2,030,740
Potash	92,570	9,073,130	90,027	8,753,939
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	26,067	2,171,789	27,115	2,248,786
Other chemical products and preparations	238	18,872	251	19,856
Plastic and rubber	13,223	1,173,779	13,514	1,203,241
Logs and other wood in the rough	2,674	173,451	3,175	202,394
Wood chips	16,869	990,872	21,529	1,278,403
Lumber	48,333	4,070,316	66,569	5,611,957
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	16,764	1,392,264	25,326	2,055,220
Wood pulp	39,330	3,297,829	39,444	3,272,795
Newsprint	3,711	245,896	4,440	306,762
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	7,054	519,231	7,156	506,953
Cement	6,261	595,284	5,940	557,650
Other non-metallic mineral products	843	71,745	975	81,334
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	3,763	325,133	3,841	324,807
Copper, primary or semi-finished	510	38,861	524	39,930
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	144	12,218	97	7,512
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	2,499	199,955	2,780	212,929
Articles of base metal	5,702	412,173	6,477	473,248
Machinery	175	11,591	113	5,158
Automobiles and mini-vans	12,792	185,063	11,790	174,187
Freight motor vehicles	2,880	41,245	2,290	34,783
Other vehicles	124	2,416	137	3,163
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	1	16	0	0
Other transportation equipment	4,873	72,399	1,929	56,261
Metallic waste and scrap	8,609	640,332	7,740	573,248
Non-metallic waste and scrap	2,148	89,986	2,205	97,135
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	390	21,672	422	23,201
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	20	506	19	533
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	25	855	87	1,987
Less than carload shipments	...	0	...	0
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	820,975	71,852,861	844,979	73,740,020

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 7
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada — Total

	June 2008			June 2007		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	20,046,739	.	.	21,602,262
Container-on-flat-car	147,329	263,071	2,286,428	148,724	264,234	2,326,854
Trailer-on-flat-car	6,768	.	84,584	6,550	.	89,638
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	2,835,877	.	.	2,511,703
Total traffic carried	.	.	25,253,628	.	.	26,530,457
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	22,706	40,281	302,963	20,885	35,556	294,446
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	2,320	.	32,779	1,902	.	27,726
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	2,722,619	.	.	3,149,403

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 8
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada — Eastern Division

	June 2008			June 2007		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	8,668,629	.	.	9,216,406
Container-on-flat-car	76,155	137,170	1,242,405	79,230	141,304	1,287,016
Trailer-on-flat-car	6,321	.	74,864	6,036	.	78,166
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	620,642	.	.	700,187
Total traffic carried	.	.	10,606,540	.	.	11,281,775
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	6,472	13,437	78,195	5,319	10,364	69,264
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	115	.	2,157	193	.	3,878
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	2,343,435	.	.	2,604,722

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 9
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada — Western Division

	June 2008			June 2007		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	11,378,110	.	.	12,385,856
Container-on-flat-car	71,174	125,901	1,044,023	69,494	122,930	1,039,838
Trailer-on-flat-car	447	.	9,720	514	.	11,472
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	2,215,235	.	.	1,811,516
Total traffic carried	.	.	14,647,088	.	.	15,248,682
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	16,234	26,844	224,768	15,566	25,192	225,182
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	2,205	.	30,622	1,709	.	23,848
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	379,184	.	.	544,681

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 10
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada (year to date) — Total

	January 2008 to June 2008			January 2007 to June 2007		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	123,893,555	.	.	125,796,887
Container-on-flat-car	886,123	1,570,853	13,734,075	864,333	1,514,538	13,551,014
Trailer-on-flat-car	39,489	.	505,086	36,990	.	486,341
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	16,924,592	.	.	15,319,117
Total traffic carried	.	.	155,057,308	.	.	155,153,359
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	137,484	236,701	1,889,089	119,443	205,763	1,619,633
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	12,584	.	183,984	9,385	.	138,589
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	17,860,971	.	.	20,525,385

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 11
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada (year to date) — Eastern Division

	January 2008 to June 2008			January 2007 to June 2007		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	52,040,694	.	.	52,056,867
Container-on-flat-car	457,279	816,206	7,434,823	455,775	803,295	7,344,532
Trailer-on-flat-car	36,857	.	451,270	34,248	.	428,681
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	4,003,142	.	.	4,339,301
Total traffic carried	.	.	63,929,929	.	.	64,169,381
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	31,908	63,739	404,868	31,472	62,178	388,147
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	1,076	.	21,611	1,158	.	20,446
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	15,143,964	.	.	17,368,871

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 12
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada (year to date) — Western Division

	January 2008 to June 2008			January 2007 to June 2007		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	71,852,861	.	.	73,740,020
Container-on-flat-car	428,844	754,647	6,299,252	408,558	711,243	6,206,482
Trailer-on-flat-car	2,632	.	53,816	2,742	.	57,660
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	12,921,450	.	.	10,979,816
Total traffic carried	.	.	91,127,379	.	.	90,983,978
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	105,576	172,962	1,484,221	87,971	143,585	1,231,486
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	11,508	.	162,373	8,227	.	118,143
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	2,717,007	.	.	3,156,514

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

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 intermodal¹ and non-intermodal² traffic. 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 Canada.³ 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.

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