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Car loadings reported for the week anded Jume 19 th amounted to 80,739 cars, a minor decline of less than 1 p.c. or 689 cars from the seme weak of 1947, and an incresbe of nearly 5,600 cars over last week. Through shipments to the Pacific Cosst were resumed on the l6th with the temporary exception of some perishableb, live stock and a few export commodities. The C.A.R. western return is again preliminary but next weak's car loeding report will contain complete statistice for the weeks, May 29th to June 19th.

Loadinge in the eastern division totalled 55,720 cars compared with 52,388 cars in the preceding weak and 54,168 in the similar week of 1947. Increases over last year were recoried in frult, coal up froas 2,967 to 4,414 cars, coke, ores, sand and stone, pulpwood, iron and steal, implements and camed foods, while grain was dom fram 2,791 to 1,078 cars, grain products 2,092 to 1,670 cars, and vegetables, dairy products, lumber, gesoline, woodpulp and peper, and other manufactures moved in amaller volume. Foreign receipts were dom 2,518 cars from 1947 in the east.

With the easing of Nood conditions the western civision registered recovery from the low levels of the four preceding weoks at 25,018 cars against 22,769 in the weak of June 12, but still 2,241 cars below loadings in the same week last year. Grain shipments rose to 4,334 cars from 3,445 in the preceding weak but only pulpwood, gesoline and petroleum oils, iron and steel, and sand and stone showed much improvement over the 25 th week of 1947.

The cumulative Canadian loadings in the first 25 weaks aggregatad $1,837,331$ cars, up 2.5 p.c. compared with 1,792,632 cars in the same period of 1947 while $1,662,435$ cars were loaded in the same period of 1946. The gain in the eastern division over last year was nearly 66,500 cars contrasting with a decine of 21,799 in the west. However a consideruble backlog has been built up in British Columbia and loadings should be more active there in the inmediate future.

American loaöings to June 12th - 24 weaks - ware reported as 18,97,844 cars against 19,922,160 one year previous - off 951,316 cars or $4.8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$.

INDEX NUMBERS
(Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)
(Average $1935-1939=100$ )

| Week | TOTAL FOR CANADA |  | EASTERN DIVICION |  | HESTERN DIVISION |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1948 | 1947 | 1948 | $:$ | 1947 | 1948 |
| 18 | 157.0 | 158.7 | 170.5 | 158.7 | 131.8 | 158.7 |
| 19 | 161.9 | 164.9 | 172.3 | 166.4 | 142.8 | 162.2 |
| 20 | 161.1 | 162.0 | 172.2 | 164.3 | 140.8 | 157.9 |
| 21 | 159.3 | 158.2 | 170.6 | 159.8 | 138.7 | 155.2 |
| 22 | - | 168.6 | 169.8 | 174.3 | - | 158.1 |
| 23 | - | 160.7 | 169.3 | 160.0 | - | 162.0 |
| 24 | - | 159.8 | 161.7 | 161.1 | - | 157.2 |
| 25 | - | 165.2 | 17.3 | 166.5 | - | 165.1 |

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