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 (Eleventh week ended March 18, 1950)

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Revenue cars loaded in Canada during the week ended March 18th improved to 74,511 cars against 71,127 cars in the preceding week and 72,991 cars in the 11th week of last year, an advance of 1.8 p.c. or 1,320 cars over 1949. A reading of the chart on the reverse will illustrate the steady climb in Canadian loadings since the storm induced low levels of early January and the current week is the second time that car loadings have broken through the previous year's line.

Eastern division volume was up from 47,563 cars in the 11th week of 1949 to 49,856 cars as grain, coal, lumber, gasoline and oils, autos and woodpulp and paper advanced. Western loadings were 24,475 against 25,428 cars due mainly to the drop of nearly 2,000 cars in grain.

Compared with 1949, the national totals registered gains in grain products, hay and straw, fruit, coal up from 5,101 to 6,303 cars, other mine products, logs, lumber at 4,018 against 3,212 cars one year earlier, gasoline and crude up from 4,165 to 5,578 cars, autos and trucks increasing 460 car loads to 1,628 for the week, woodpulp and paper at 5,091 compared with 4,358 cars, and in other manufactures. Reductions were evident in grain off from 6,986 to 5,444 cars, live stock, building products, pulpwood 1,547 cars lighter at 3,579, iron and steel, and L.C.L. merchandise down from 18,025 to 16,788 cars.

Receipts from foreign connections totalled 33,060 cars during the week under review compared with 29,448 cars in the previous week and 31,251 cars in the 11th period of 1949.

Upon the settlement of the coal strike, United States loadings soared sharply from 574,395 cars in the 9th week to 707,962 cars in the 10th week and were nearly equal to the corresponding period of 1949. This upswing naturally benefitted receipts from foreign connections, both for delivery to Canadian consumers and intransit across Canadian territory.

Cumulative Canadian loadings for the first eleven weeks were 745,831 cars compared with 797,533 cars in the similar period last year and 806,663 in 1948.

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

Week	TOTAL FOR CANADA		EASTERN DIVISION		WESTERN DIVISION	
	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949
4	140.7	158.6	155.4	162.0	113.6	152.2
5	151.8	163.0	160.5	161.1	134.5	166.8
6	158.3	160.9	162.5	162.6	150.2	157.6
7	157.7	156.3	162.1	161.7	149.4	146.3
8	151.8	158.8	153.1	162.2	149.5	152.4
9	155.5	157.7	156.2	152.9	153.6	166.6
10	148.8	155.3	x 149.4	151.5	147.7	162.5
11	156.4	153.7	158.1	150.9	153.2	159.2

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Price per year \$2.00

	TOTAL				EASTERN DIVISION				WESTERN DIVISION				Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date								
	Week Ended				Week Ended				Week Ended				TOTAL			EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION		
	March 18	March 11	March 4	March 19	March 18	March 11	March 4	March 19	March 18	March 11	March 4	March 19	To			To			To		
	1950	1950	1950	1949	1950	1950	1950	1949	1950	1950	1950	1949	March 18 1950	March 19 1949	March 20 1948	March 18 1950	March 19 1949	March 20 1948	March 18 1950	March 19 1949	March 20 1948
1. Grain	5,444	5,182	4,322	6,986	1,453	1,553	1,200	1,016	3,991	3,629	3,122	5,970	45,353	66,785	57,956	14,848	10,906	11,991	30,505	55,879	45,965
2. Grain Products	2,564	2,582	2,470	2,394	1,261	1,298	1,262	1,280	1,303	1,284	1,208	1,114	25,028	25,323	31,469	12,846	15,932	16,395	12,182	11,591	15,074
3. Hay and Straw	472	374	337	350	308	209	171	228	164	165	166	122	3,898	3,853	5,934	2,070	2,533	3,725	1,828	1,320	2,209
4. Fruits, fresh	267	268	771	197	60	76	55	92	207	192	716	105	4,623	3,001	2,558	912	760	740	3,711	2,241	1,618
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	939	938	790	899	868	869	721	763	71	69	69	136	9,220	9,499	9,429	8,641	8,544	8,451	579	955	978
6. Other Agricultural Products	241	239	217	214	195	184	167	155	46	55	50	59	2,526	2,467	2,389	1,938	1,862	1,266	588	605	1,123
7. Live Stock	1,495	1,585	1,420	1,554	618	593	522	689	877	992	898	865	16,495	16,432	23,040	6,096	6,928	8,930	10,399	9,504	14,110
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	96	90	74	59	75	59	51	39	21	31	23	20	911	931	1,776	602	609	933	309	322	843
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	434	435	408	408	163	188	151	135	271	247	257	273	5,176	4,598	6,220	1,960	1,371	2,065	3,216	3,227	4,155
10. Other Packing House Products	46	37	57	37	27	21	28	27	19	16	29	10	565	389	665	341	216	310	224	173	355
11. Other Animal Products	57	70	107	82	41	53	66	54	16	17	41	28	1,015	1,011	1,359	663	716	1,038	352	295	321
12. Coal	6,303	6,889	7,646	5,101	3,564	3,884	3,890	2,775	2,739	3,005	3,756	2,326	77,912	72,606	59,637	38,803	33,255	31,309	39,109	39,351	28,328
13. Coke	686	751	781	631	579	628	673	541	107	123	108	90	8,102	7,082	5,713	6,931	6,185	5,261	1,171	899	452
14. Ores and Concentrates	2,263	2,295	2,253	2,364	1,585	1,570	1,558	1,751	678	725	695	613	24,309	26,114	22,786	16,585	18,714	14,727	7,724	7,400	8,059
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	513	437	460	432	390	287	351	264	123	150	129	168	5,236	4,948	5,404	3,586	3,390	4,080	1,650	1,558	1,324
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	3,107	2,615	2,682	3,354	2,285	1,850	1,844	2,448	822	765	838	906	27,608	30,096	29,724	20,247	22,484	25,006	7,361	7,612	6,718
17. Other Mine Products	1,175	1,417	1,333	985	1,050	1,336	1,214	870	125	81	119	115	14,396	12,077	11,575	13,195	10,853	10,194	1,201	1,224	1,381
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,346	1,049	862	1,084	685	548	462	604	661	501	400	480	7,644	12,368	13,725	4,352	7,613	7,031	3,292	4,755	6,694
19. Pulpwood	3,579	3,117	3,754	5,126	2,701	2,048	2,605	3,985	878	1,069	1,149	1,141	42,462	65,601	77,213	30,389	48,931	58,295	12,073	16,670	18,918
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,018	3,634	3,504	3,212	2,221	1,912	1,869	1,642	1,797	1,722	1,635	1,570	33,166	31,496	39,922	19,752	17,566	22,283	13,414	13,930	17,639
21. Other Forest Products	428	394	358	428	320	281	262	304	108	113	96	124	3,657	4,740	5,948	2,909	3,833	5,054	748	907	894
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pdt.	4,130	3,897	3,671	4,165	3,358	3,232	3,106	2,422	772	685	565	1,743	41,860	46,711	40,095	34,008	27,724	30,255	7,852	18,987	9,840
23. Crude Oil	1,448	1,314	1,698	No. 22	10	6	6	No. 22	1,438	1,308	1,692	No. 22	12,873	Included in No. 22	81	Included in No. 22	12,792	Included in No. 22			
24. Sugar	252	278	195	239	147	171	139	168	105	107	56	71	2,598	3,443	2,790	1,626	2,635	2,096	972	808	694
25. Iron & Steel Pdt. (manufactured)	1,815	1,675	1,709	2,092	1,704	1,563	1,630	1,976	111	112	79	116	18,658	20,467	17,439	17,663	19,336	16,158	995	1,129	1,261
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	882	762	745	883	691	608	580	687	191	154	165	196	6,836	8,828	8,382	5,533	7,140	6,297	1,263	1,688	2,085
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,628	1,547	1,903	1,168	1,560	1,471	1,786	1,132	68	76	117	36	16,246	10,582	9,825	15,421	10,005	9,360	825	577	465
28. Fertilizers	1,066	1,078	1,061	1,085	575	525	587	695	491	553	474	390	8,243	8,480	10,166	5,113	5,225	6,811	3,130	3,255	3,355
29. Woodpulp and Paper	5,091	4,489	4,503	4,358	4,489	3,893	3,891	3,820	602	596	612	538	50,021	48,804	49,563	43,532	42,530	42,937	6,489	6,274	6,426
30. Canned Food Products	422	556	411	276	331	289	325	225	91	67	86	51	4,301	3,009	3,139	3,390	2,404	2,358	911	605	781
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,316	4,938	4,807	4,803	4,477	4,137	4,071	4,015	839	801	736	788	52,173	52,592	57,094	44,692	44,533	48,400	7,481	8,059	8,694
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	16,788	16,395	16,243	18,025	12,045	11,801	11,660	12,761	4,743	4,594	4,583	5,264	172,720	193,200	193,928	125,760	136,910	137,491	46,960	54,290	56,437
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	74,311	71,127	71,552	72,991	49,836	47,143	46,883	47,563	24,475	23,984	24,669	25,428	745,831	797,533	806,663	504,505	521,643	539,247	241,326	275,890	267,416
34. Received from Connections	33,060	29,448	28,497	31,251	30,236	26,841	26,084	28,276	2,824	2,607	2,413	2,975	314,282	353,196	398,062	289,861	323,626	361,450	24,421	29,568	36,612

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