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Canadian car loadings for the holiday week ended May 27th continued heavy at 72,773 cars, up 10 p.c. or 6,616 cars of revenue freight above the same week of last year. The Eastern division reported 49,798 cars for the period under review, a betterment of 4,639 cars, while the Western region had 22,975 against 20,998 cars one year earlier.

Twenty-two of the 32 commodities listed registered gains. The grain movement revived somewhat in the 21st week and the national total was 5,222 cars up from 4,978 in the preceding week and 4,847 cars last year. Live stock loaded totalled 1,462 cars, 190 cars heavier while meats were 469 against 379 cars. ores climbed from 3,467 to 4,448 cars, building products were 5,146 against 4,573, other mine products 2,121 compared with 1,253 cars. The lumber market remained strong and 4,380 cars were shipped, up 1,128 cars from the uncertain levels of last year. Gasoline and crude oil totalled 5,696 cars, a gain of 1,118 with both east and west movement considerably increased. Sugar, implements, autos and trucks up from 1,028 to 1,476 cars, woodpulp and paper 640 cars heavier at 4,293 and miscellaneous manufactures at 5,335 cars compared with 5,072 contributed to the advance. Grain products, coal, pulpwood, iron and steel, and L.C.L. were lighter. A considerable volume of railway freight is assured to meet record expenditures of construction this season and to repair the ravages of flood and fire.

Receipts from foreign connections rose to 32,404 cars for the week as against 31,981 cars in the corresponding period of 1949.

The cumulative total of Canadian loadings was 1,473,299 cars this year against 1,517,072 in the 21 week period of 1949, down 2.9 p.c.

Eastern loadings were approaching last year's volume at 992,465 cars compared with 999,857, but the west, due to lighter grain, meats, lumber, pulpwood and L.C.L. movements, was down to 480,834 cars compared with 517,215 in the first 21 weeks of 1949.

INDEX NUMBERS

(Adjusted for seasonal variations and holidays)

(Average 1935-1939 = 100)

Week	TOTAL FOR CANADA		EASTERN DIVISION		WESTERN DIVISION	
	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949
14	150.2	152.0	148.9	153.3	152.9	149.5
15	145.7	153.0	146.4	151.3	144.5	156.4
16	152.4	156.4	155.7	160.0	146.4	149.9
17	159.4	156.4	163.7	159.6	149.8	150.6
18	158.8	159.7	168.5	165.3	141.3	149.6
19	156.8	154.1	167.1	161.6	137.9	140.4
20	x 159.6	152.8	x 166.7	160.9	146.5	138.0
21	161.8	147.1	170.4	154.5	145.8	133.3

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	T O T A L				EASTERN DIVISION				WESTERN DIVISION				Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date								
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	Week Ended				Week Ended				Week Ended				To			To			To		
	May 27 1950	May 20 1950	May 13 1950	May 28 1949	May 27 1950	May 20 1950	May 13 1950	May 28 1949	May 27 1950	May 20 1950	May 13 1950	May 28 1949	May 27 1950	May 28 1949	May 29 1948	May 27 1950	May 28 1949	May 29 1948	May 27 1950	May 28 1949	May 29 1948
1. Grain	5,222	4,978	6,223	4,847	1,977	1,753	1,951	1,555	3,245	3,225	4,272	3,292	103,983	137,182	104,259	29,100	28,451	24,606	74,885	108,751	79,653
2. Grain Products	2,285	2,399	2,104	2,337	1,833	1,258	1,138	1,388	952	1,141	966	949	48,550	50,751	58,783	25,114	28,438	31,786	23,456	22,513	26,997
3. Hay and Straw	118	185	212	80	82	134	133	45	56	51	79	37	6,957	5,614	9,883	4,200	3,679	5,640	2,757	1,935	4,243
4. Fruits, fresh	26	52	99	27	22	34	36	18	4	18	63	9	6,354	3,972	4,276	1,367	1,099	1,556	4,987	2,873	2,720
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	602	833	1,021	492	569	779	973	471	33	54	48	21	19,661	17,919	17,425	16,395	16,351	15,700	1,286	1,568	1,725
6. Other Agricultural Products	82	130	120	130	68	98	94	111	14	32	26	19	4,032	4,101	3,983	3,162	3,205	2,629	870	896	1,354
7. Live Stock	1,462	1,568	1,410	1,272	664	753	718	535	798	815	692	737	32,257	31,901	41,985	13,133	13,861	17,531	19,124	18,040	24,454
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	109	88	92	91	47	39	40	36	62	49	52	55	1,854	1,892	2,917	1,067	1,050	1,429	787	842	1,488
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	469	429	369	379	193	196	201	140	276	233	168	239	9,208	8,601	10,851	3,766	2,821	3,811	5,442	5,780	7,040
10. Other Packing House Products	44	44	36	29	26	26	21	13	18	18	15	16	964	775	1,270	569	435	725	395	540	545
11. Other Animal Products	96	74	61	85	64	54	41	60	32	20	20	25	1,908	1,903	2,641	1,250	1,365	1,992	658	538	649
12. Coal	4,637	5,446	5,114	5,064	3,307	3,683	3,421	3,747	1,330	1,763	1,693	1,317	127,476	116,778	116,018	70,286	63,088	64,306	57,190	53,690	51,712
13. Coke	568	566	549	589	476	468	450	490	92	98	99	99	14,111	12,951	12,176	11,930	11,223	10,881	2,181	1,728	1,295
14. Ores and Concentrates	4,448	4,311	4,077	3,467	2,625	2,853	2,672	2,373	1,823	1,458	1,405	1,094	55,259	55,918	51,189	37,346	39,530	34,199	17,913	16,388	16,990
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	630	639	699	408	490	454	507	274	140	185	192	134	10,699	9,650	10,329	7,304	6,694	7,832	3,395	2,956	2,497
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	5,146	5,757	5,274	4,573	3,635	3,878	3,846	3,543	1,511	1,879	1,428	1,030	71,087	73,407	72,509	52,119	55,690	56,853	18,968	17,717	15,656
17. Other Mine Products	2,121	1,771	1,769	1,253	1,996	1,644	1,615	1,108	125	127	154	145	29,568	24,232	26,844	27,151	21,565	24,159	2,417	2,667	2,685
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,062	1,128	1,058	925	320	255	211	317	742	875	847	608	18,173	21,290	22,540	7,595	11,079	11,090	10,578	10,211	11,450
19. Pulpwood	2,542	1,823	1,800	2,629	2,441	1,767	1,733	2,434	101	56	67	195	61,106	89,905	120,350	46,591	70,169	95,449	14,515	19,736	24,901
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,380	4,264	3,943	3,252	2,768	2,510	2,333	1,886	1,612	1,754	1,610	1,366	70,989	62,489	74,726	41,725	35,183	42,563	29,264	27,306	32,163
21. Other Forest Products	462	455	453	552	385	371	383	299	77	84	70	253	7,685	9,318	11,619	6,172	6,853	9,687	1,513	2,465	1,932
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pds.	4,501	4,388	4,353	4,578	2,905	2,972	3,021	2,379	1,596	1,416	1,332	2,199	81,438	93,846	77,738	62,852	51,558	55,014	18,586	42,288	22,724
23. Crude Oil	1,195	998	1,124	No. 22	8	3	2	No. 22	1,187	995	1,122	No. 22	24,517	Included in No. 22	130	Included in No. 22	24,387	Included in No. 22	24,387	Included in No. 22	24,387
24. Sugar	402	347	324	255	322	250	204	152	80	97	120	83	5,351	6,787	5,930	3,609	5,003	4,502	1,742	1,784	1,428
25. Iron & Steel Pds. (manufactured)	1,400	1,785	1,767	1,461	1,225	1,523	1,603	1,344	175	262	164	117	36,503	39,030	35,369	33,854	36,492	32,358	2,649	2,558	3,031
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	761	1,065	779	634	555	671	621	447	206	394	158	187	15,975	18,215	18,070	12,414	14,331	12,734	3,561	3,884	5,336
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,476	1,432	1,279	1,028	1,356	1,326	1,204	911	120	106	75	117	29,968	22,798	19,594	28,261	21,298	18,445	1,707	1,500	1,149
28. Fertilizers	928	1,260	1,257	707	570	929	949	415	358	351	308	292	19,999	20,274	21,175	12,782	13,884	14,590	7,217	6,390	6,585
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,293	4,260	4,320	3,653	3,779	3,736	3,807	3,241	514	524	513	412	95,988	87,547	93,263	83,851	76,527	81,505	12,137	11,020	11,758
30. Canned Food Products	382	446	414	343	270	284	294	250	112	162	120	93	8,384	6,247	5,754	6,421	4,730	4,211	1,963	1,517	1,543
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,335	5,839	6,049	5,072	4,195	4,516	4,956	3,860	1,140	1,323	1,093	1,212	106,970	104,645	112,338	89,596	86,365	93,599	17,374	18,280	18,739
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	15,589	18,048	17,225	15,965	11,125	12,683	12,869	11,319	4,464	5,365	4,356	4,646	346,345	377,134	384,785	249,353	267,840	268,590	96,992	109,294	116,195
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	72,773	76,808	75,374	66,157	49,798	51,900	52,047	45,159	22,975	24,908	23,327	20,998	1,473,299	1,517,072	1,550,589	992,465	999,857	1,049,952	480,834	517,215	500,637
34. Received from Connections	32,404	30,340	27,961	31,981	29,902	27,922	25,333	29,271	2,502	2,418	2,628	2,710	637,992	668,255	752,157	586,988	611,506	681,622	51,004	56,749	70,535

