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**CAR LOADINGS**

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The volume of car loadings was fairly well maintained in the 24th week at 79,919 cars compared with 79,977 cars in the preceding week and registered a good gain of 5,426 cars or 7.3 p.c. over the 24th period of last year. The current total is just slightly under the all time record established for the week in 1948 at 80,827 cars.

Eastern division loadings continued to climb at 54,875 cars against 53,984 in the previous week and 50,085 cars in the 24th period of 1949. Advances were shown in grain, vegetables, coke, ores, building products, mine products, lumber, gasoline, autos, woodpulp and paper, and pulpwood. The Western area recovering from the Manitoba floods but beset by a recurrence of trouble in the Fraser Valley reported 25,044 cars against 24,408 cars one year ago. Live stock, coal, logs, lumber, crude oil and autos were heavier.

The national total demonstrated widespread improvement in the output of several industries. Vegetables increased 88 cars to 268, live stock rose from 1,410 to 1,567 cars with U. S. demand strong, coal was up 109 cars to 5,603, while ores improved 384 cars to 3,688 for the week. Building products, reflecting a very active construction program climbed from 5,090 to 5,435 cars, while lumber rose 1,555 cars to 5,636. Pulpwood appears to have come out of the doldrums of the last 14 months and 4,076 cars were loaded as against 3,240 cars in the 24th week last year. In the face of heavy woodpulp and paper shipments, the low level of the pulpwood movement by rail has been puzzling. Woodpulp and paper at 4,267 cars for the week rose from 3,649 cars in 1949. Crude oil at 1,324 cars was up from 902 cars last year while gasoline and other oils rose 278 cars to 4,520.

Autos and trucks really rolled off the assembly lines following industrial peace and 1,805 car loads were shipped during the week compared with only 1,096 last year. Other manufactures and miscellaneous products at 6,187 improved 361 cars. Declines were limited to grain and grain products, other forest products, fertilizers and L.C.L., which eased from 18,423 to 17,836 cars.

Receipts from foreign connections rose from 30,733 to 32,618 cars as Canadian imports from the United States continue to rise as well as intransit traffic.

For the first 24 weeks 1,712,251 cars were loaded in Canada, down some 26,048 or 1.5 p.c. from the same period last year.

**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
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	159.6	152.8	166.7	160.9	146.5	138.0
21	161.7	147.1	170.3	154.5	145.8	133.3
22	160.5	150.1	166.3	156.2	149.2	138.4
23	x 163.6	148.8	x 166.7	153.3	157.4	140.2
24	162.2	151.1	168.7	153.8	149.5	145.7

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	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		
													To			To			To		
	June 17 1950	June 10 1950	June 3 1950	June 18 1949	June 17 1950	June 10 1950	June 3 1950	June 18 1949	June 17 1950	June 10 1950	June 3 1950	June 18 1949	June 17 1950	June 18 1949	June 19 1948	June 17 1950	June 18 1949	June 19 1948	June 17 1950	June 18 1949	June 19 1948
1. Grain	5,292	6,320	6,013	5,454	1,743	2,102	2,115	1,564	3,549	4,218	3,898	3,890	121,608	152,204	118,967	35,060	33,073	28,524	86,548	119,131	90,443
2. Grain Products	2,247	2,176	2,247	2,467	1,202	1,142	1,251	1,417	1,045	1,034	1,096	1,050	55,320	58,328	66,892	28,709	32,870	36,540	26,611	25,458	30,352
3. Hay and Straw	86	85	111	59	58	59	88	35	28	26	23	24	7,240	5,827	10,343	4,406	3,815	5,977	2,234	2,012	4,366
4. Fruits, fresh	92	56	36	104	78	29	27	93	14	27	9	11	6,538	4,199	4,814	1,501	1,310	2,046	5,037	2,889	2,768
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	268	480	648	180	243	458	621	151	25	22	27	29	21,057	18,861	18,226	19,717	17,179	16,235	1,340	1,682	1,991
6. Other Agricultural Products	148	147	121	147	111	93	96	135	37	54	25	12	4,448	4,569	4,535	3,462	3,573	3,134	986	996	1,401
7. Live Stock	1,567	1,488	1,556	1,410	562	569	603	635	1,005	919	953	775	36,868	36,618	47,642	14,867	15,825	19,837	22,001	20,793	27,805
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	142	139	151	153	47	50	72	69	95	89	79	84	2,266	2,297	3,373	1,236	1,240	1,628	1,030	1,057	1,745
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	408	381	421	374	168	155	189	162	240	226	232	212	10,418	9,846	12,249	4,278	3,292	4,237	6,140	6,554	8,012
10. Other Packing House Products	57	46	62	31	43	31	38	16	14	15	24	15	1,129	869	1,442	681	485	840	448	384	602
11. Other Animal Products	96	66	120	94	82	47	57	66	14	19	63	28	2,190	2,145	3,132	1,436	1,534	2,325	754	611	807
12. Coal	5,603	5,169	5,415	5,494	3,768	3,422	3,638	4,012	1,835	1,747	1,777	1,482	143,663	132,022	132,960	81,114	74,051	75,378	62,549	57,971	57,582
13. Coke	679	626	654	577	586	519	550	467	95	107	104	110	16,070	14,623	14,248	13,585	12,580	12,729	2,485	2,043	1,519
14. Ores and Concentrates	3,688	4,506	3,908	3,304	2,464	2,854	2,530	2,101	1,224	1,652	1,378	1,203	67,361	66,300	61,633	45,194	46,616	41,581	22,167	19,684	20,052
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	556	728	548	564	395	514	354	395	161	214	194	169	12,531	11,281	11,584	8,567	7,835	8,946	3,964	3,446	2,638
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	5,435	5,492	5,464	5,090	4,033	3,739	3,896	3,568	1,402	1,753	1,568	1,522	87,478	89,265	88,213	63,787	67,314	68,069	23,691	21,951	20,144
17. Other Mine Products	2,130	2,167	2,171	1,534	1,883	1,987	2,002	1,348	247	180	169	186	56,036	28,498	31,781	33,023	25,301	28,581	3,013	3,197	3,200
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,343	1,246	1,243	1,085	344	363	286	358	999	883	957	727	22,005	24,749	25,654	8,588	12,211	12,675	13,417	12,538	12,979
19. Pulpwood	4,076	3,490	3,063	3,240	3,734	3,313	2,904	2,848	342	177	159	392	71,735	99,903	139,385	56,542	79,107	112,438	15,193	20,796	26,947
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	5,636	5,241	4,872	4,081	3,440	3,129	2,930	2,434	2,196	2,112	1,942	1,647	86,738	74,413	86,556	51,224	42,256	50,792	35,514	32,157	35,764
21. Other Forest Products	552	520	544	983	390	417	443	426	162	103	101	557	9,301	11,636	14,048	7,422	8,004	11,341	1,879	3,632	2,707
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pds.	4,520	4,606	4,597	4,242	3,187	3,038	3,028	2,778	1,333	1,568	1,569	1,464	95,161	106,307	92,878	72,105	59,859	63,099	23,056	46,448	29,779
23. Crude Oil	1,324	1,317	1,221	902	5	4	3	6	1,319	1,313	1,218	896	28,379	2,987	No. 22	142	8	No. 22	28,237	2,979	No. 22
24. Sugar	385	319	364	382	263	227	265	207	122	92	99	175	6,419	7,837	6,822	4,364	5,644	5,144	2,055	2,193	1,678
25. Iron & Steel Pds. (manufactured)	1,897	1,869	1,828	1,861	1,686	1,673	1,671	1,705	211	196	157	156	42,101	44,332	40,586	38,888	41,370	37,043	3,213	2,962	3,543
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	774	781	1,128	781	601	619	917	614	173	162	211	167	18,658	20,766	20,596	14,551	16,307	14,596	4,107	4,459	6,000
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,805	1,388	1,435	1,096	1,611	1,309	1,305	1,039	194	79	130	57	34,595	26,129	22,411	32,485	24,455	21,120	2,110	1,674	1,291
28. Fertilizers	359	459	683	419	192	267	425	238	167	192	258	181	21,500	21,581	22,347	13,666	14,614	15,668	7,834	6,967	6,679
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,267	4,310	4,192	3,649	3,727	3,803	3,674	3,169	540	507	518	480	108,735	98,414	105,495	95,033	85,945	92,270	13,702	12,469	13,225
30. Canned Food Products	464	482	483	487	353	371	362	389	111	111	121	98	9,813	7,487	6,842	7,507	5,698	5,013	2,306	1,789	1,829
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	6,187	5,805	5,977	5,626	4,924	4,553	4,851	4,568	1,263	1,252	1,126	1,258	124,935	121,676	129,507	103,920	99,702	107,522	21,015	21,974	21,985
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	17,836	18,072	17,705	18,423	12,952	13,128	12,779	13,072	4,884	4,944	4,926	5,351	399,955	432,330	439,179	288,209	307,163	307,668	111,746	125,167	131,511
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	79,919	79,977	79,081	74,493	54,875	53,984	53,970	50,085	25,044	25,993	25,111	24,408	1,712,251	1,738,299	1,784,340	1,155,269	1,150,236	1,212,996	556,982	588,063	571,344
34. Received from Connections	32,618	31,483	30,707	30,733	29,616	28,650	28,231	27,943	3,002	2,833	2,476	2,790	732,895	759,823	850,149	673,580	694,981	771,208	59,315	64,842	78,941

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