

Cars of revenue freight loaded by the principal railways of Canada during the week ended Decemier 9 th totalled 78,781 . This is an increase of 4.64 p . c. or 3,495 cars over the correspouding period of 1949, and 2,661 cars better than for the same week of 1948. Eastern loadings rose from 47,276 to 51,066 cars in the same comparisan while the western division reported 27,715 cars against 28,010 cars one year ago when the grain movenent there was larger. Freight receipts from foreign connections continued heavy and 34,644 cers were checked in during the week compared with 30,974 cars last year, a gain of 11.85 p.c. with intransit volume considerably increased.

The Canada totals registered advances in grain products up fror 2,674 to 2,840 cars, in vegetables and in other agricultural products some 253 cars heavier at 731. Coal improved from 7,514 to 8,454 cars and ores and concentrates rose nearly 500 cars to 2,902 for the week under review. Non-ferrous metals moved in larger volume while building products totalled 3,453 cars against 3,049 cars as construction continues at record peacetime levels. Other mine products climbed from 1,497 to 1,612 cars.

The forestry group maintained the splendid recovery shown this year over last. Loss were up from 825 to 1,01A cars, pulpwood from 2,150 to 2,556 and lumber rose 331 cars to 3,768. Other forest products advanced from 934 cars in the 49 th week of 1949 to 1,502 cars. The steady Anerican demand for newsprint was reflected in the loading of 4,505 cars of woodpulp and paper compared with 4,217 cars one year ago. Gasoline and petroleum olls totilled 4,327 cars against 3,725 in the similar period of 1949 but crude ofl eased from 826 to 545 cars due to the nem trans-prairie pipeline which is pouring oil steadily into winter storage at Superior, Wisconsin, for spring delivery to Sarnia. Iron and steel products loaded amounted to 1,990 cars or 264 more cars than ono year earlier, implements gained 88 carloads to 568 and the automotive industry continued active, loading 1,290 carloads against 1,096. Canned food jumped from 343 to 514 cars and the miscellaneous group rose from 5,293 to 6,075 cars.

Declines from the 49 th period of 1949 were confined to grain down from 8,196 to 6,928 cars, fruits off from 677 to 421 , live stock at 1,827 against 2,106 cars and dairy products dom from 128 to 75 carloads. Meats were also lighter by 208 cars at 538 for the week. Coke and fertilizers were off alightly while L.C.L. sllpped from 17,466 to 17,033 cars.

Despite reduced grain shipments and the 9-day strike, the cumulative total for 49 weeks at 3,697,352 cars remains only 22,914 cars under the same period of last year, a decrease of less than 1 p.c.

> 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 |
| 42 | 167.2 | 156.1 | 171.9 | 160.1 | 159.7 |  | 150.7 |
| 43 | 173.1 | 164.5 | 177.2 | 164.0 | 166.7 |  | 165.8 |
| 44 | 166.9 | 157.7 | 168.9 | 156.2 | 165.6 |  | 160. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 45 | 162.1 | 155.2 | 163.7 | 156.7 | 159.4 |  | 153.0 |
| 46 | 169.0 | 159.6 | 174.2 | 157.7 | 162.5 |  | 162.9 |
| 47 | 161.4 | 154.8 | 165.3 | 155.2 | 154.6 |  | 154.0 |
| 48 | 161.3 | 153.9 | 168.\% | 158.2 | 150.1 |  | 146.9 |
| 49 | 164.5 | 157.2 | 170.6 | 158.0 | 154.2 |  | 155.9 |

VOL. xxvil CARS OF REVENUE FREIGHT LOADED ON CANADIAN RAILWAYS DURING THE WEEK ENDED December 9, 1950

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|  |  | Week | A L |  |  | EASTERN Week | DIVISION Ended |  |  | WESTERN | division Ended |  |  | TOTA |  | EAST | TERN DIVIS | SION | WES | ERN DIVIS | ION |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 9 \\ & 1950 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & t_{1} 9 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } 25 \\ & 1950 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 10 \\ & 1949 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Lec. } 9 \\ & 1950 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Doc. } 2 \\ & f_{1950} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Hov. } 25 \\ 1950 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 10 \\ & 1949 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 9 \\ & 1950 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Doc. } 2 \\ & 1950 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} \text { Nov. } 25 \\ 1950 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } 10 \\ 1949 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 9 \\ & 1950 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Dec. } 10 \\ 1949 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 11 \\ & 1948 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 9 \\ & 1950 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 10 \\ & 1949 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Doc. } 11 \\ & 1948 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 9 \\ & 1950 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } 10 \\ & 1949 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } 11 \\ 1948 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 1. Grain | 6,928 | 7,187 | 8,770 | 8,796 | 1,554 | 1,499 | 2,152 | 1,659 | 5,374 | 5,688 | 6,618 | 6,537 | 295,161 | 364,434 | 320,922 | 72,543 | 77,835 | 74,960 | 222,618 | 286,659 | 245,962 |
| 2. Grain Products | 2,840 | 3,033 | 2,828 | 2,674 | 1,580 | 1,749 | 1,490 | 1,366 | 1,260 | 1,284 | 1,338 | 1,338 | 118,033 | 124,645 | 135,087 | 61,944 | 69,306 | 75,901 | 56,089 | 55,339 | 59,186 |
| 3. Hay and Straw | 314 | 342 | 342 | 332 | 168 | 198 | 220 | 206 | 146 | 144 | 122 | 126 | 13,159 | 13,793 | 20,879 | 8,151 | 7,188 | 11,147 | 5,008 | 6,605 | 9,732 |
| 4. Fruits, fresh | 421 | ${ }^{73}$ | 523 | 677 | 61 | 74 | 71 | 342 | 360 | 639 | 452 | 335 | 15,661 | 18,329 | 18,505 | 3,827 | 6,366 | 6,886 | 11,834 | 11,963 | 11,619 |
| 5. Vegetables, freah or green | 754 | 875 | 924 | 683 | 686 | 781 | 839 | 597 | $8_{8}$ | 94 | 85 | 86 | 37,206 | 39,384 | 39,972 | 33,425 | 34,750 | 35,141 | 3,781 | 4,634 | 4,887 |
| 6. Other Agricultural Products | 731 | 929 | 79 | 478 | 335 | 349 | 280 | 144 | 396 | 580 | 499 | 334 | 18,130 | 17,830 | 17,203 | 8,301 | 9,051 | 9,194 | 9,829 | 8,799 | 8,009 |
| 7. Live Stock | 1,827 | 2,118 | 2,282 | 2,106 | 556 | 641 | 56 | 687 | 1,271 | 1,477 | 1,526 | 1,419 | 84,301 | 90,995 | 113,004 | 31,110 | 34,469 | 43,712 | 53,191 | 56,526 | 69,292 |
| 8. Butter. Cheese, Eggs | 75 | 78 | ${ }_{83}$ | 28 | 47 | 45 | 45 | 68 |  | 33 | 38 | 60 | 5,191 | 6,095 | 7,178 | 2,683 | 3,253 | 5,756 | 2,508 | 2,842 | 3,422 |
| 9. Fresh Meats \& Packing House Products (edible) | 538 | 511 | 519 | 746 | 182 | 190 | 197 | 218 | 356 | 321 | 322 | 528 | 21,375 | 23,523 | 26,371 | 8,461 | 8,412 | 8,877 | 12,914 | 15,111 | 17,494 |
| 10. Other Packing House Producta | 40 | 52 | 40 | 52 | 21 | 20 | 12 | 28 | 19 | 32 | 28 | 24 | 2,187 | 1,905 | 2,847 | 1,238 | 1,018 | 1,642 | 949 | 887 | 1,205 |
| 11. Other Animal Products | 90 | 99 | 86 | 108 | 65 | 70 | 73 | 77 | 25 | 29 | 13 | 31 | 4,497 | 4,686 | 6,304 | 3,105 | 3,350 | 4,628 | 1,392 | 1,356 | 1,676 |
| 12. Coal | 8,454 | 8,409 | 7,804 | 7,514 | 3,756 | 3,861 | 3,678 | 3,902 | 4,6e8 | 4,548 | 4,126 | 3,612 | 301,803 | 293,290 | 300, 198 | 171,548 | 169,300 | 17,929 | 130,255 | 123,990 | 128,269 |
| 13. Coke | 693 | 739 | 777 | 124 | 605 | 645 | 684 | 601 | 88 | 94 | 93 | 123 | 32,927 | 29,466 | 30,912 | 28,322 | 24,470 | 27,388 | 4,605 | 4,996 | 3,524 |
| 14. Oree and Concentrates | 2,902 | 3,021 | 3,829 | 2,405 | 2,134 | 2,281 | 2,947 | 1,603 | 768 | 760 | 882 | 802 | 171,214 | 158,630 | 150,007 | 114,337 | 103,212 | 103,129 | 56,877 | 55,418 | 46,878 |
| 15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig \& Ingot | 514 | 555 | 580 | 464 | 302 | 339 | 379 | 267 | 212 | 216 | 201 | 197 | 26,161 | 23,897 | 24,015 | 17,293 | 15,956 | 17,774 | 8,868 | 7,941 | ,247 |
| 16. Sand,Stome,Gravel,Plaster, Lime Brick,Cement,Sewer pipe, Tile | 3,453 | 3,876 | 3,987 | 3,049 | 2,677 | 3,064 | 3,048 | 2,294 | 776 | 912 | 939 | 755 | 207,958 | 209,416 | 219,114 | 152,013 | 1.55,754 | 162, 519 | 55,945 | 58,662 | 56,595 |
| 17. Other Mine Producte | 1,612 | 1,617 | 1,856 | 1,497 | 1,45? | 1,441 | 1,700 | 1,381 | 160 | 176 | 156 | 116 | 83,394 | 70,923 | 75,376 | 75,126 | 63,360 | 87,459 | 8,278 | 7,563 | 7,917 |
| 18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood | 1,014 | 1,071 | 1,049 | 825 | 238 | 224 | 212 | 236 | 776 | 847 | 837 | 589 | 43,181 | 49,134 | 53,072 | 14,762 | 18,095 | 21,987 | 34,419 | 51,039 | 31,135 |
| 19. Pulpwood | 2,556 | 2,244 | 2,300 | 2,150 | 2,002 | 1,693 | 1,964 | 1,774 | 554 | 451 | 336 | 376 | 153,835 | 166, 144 | 244,214 | 131, 703 | 138,677 | 204,669 | 22,132 | 27,467 | 9,545 |
| 20. Lumber, Lath, Shinglea | 3,768 | 4,031 | 4,263 | 3,437 | 2,547 | 2,546 | 2,782 | 1,984 | 1,421 | 1,485 | 1,481 | 1,453 | 225,120 | 170,483 | 196,012 | 131,729 | 99,227 | 117,957 | 83,391 | 77,256 | 78,055 |
| 21. Other Forest Producte | 1,502 | 1,551 | 1,536 | 934 | 1,370 | 1,391 | 1,343 | 817 | 132 | 160 | 193 | 117 | 24,955 | 28,671 | 31,464 | 19, 714 | 19,103 | 25,491 | 5,241 | 7,568 | 5,973 |
| 22. Casoline.Petroleum Oils \& Pdts. | 4,327 | 4,433 | 4,115 | 3,725 | 3,336 | 3,360 | 3,040 | 2,922 | 991 | 1,773 | 1,075 | 803 | 205,856 | 212,303 | 208,943 | 152,164 | 132,731 | 133,598 | 53,692 | 79,572 | 5,345 |
| 25. Crude 011 | 545 | ${ }^{7} 4$ | 768 | 826 | 8 |  |  | 8 | 537 | 741 | 765 | 818 | 55,410 | 31,306 | No. 22 | 269 | 353 | No. | 55,141 | 30,953 | \%. 22 |
| 2.4 Sugar | 259 | 340 | 256 | 252 | 265 | 267 | 196 | 181 | 94 | 73 | 60 | 71 | 15,999 | 17,363 | 16,514 | 10,816 | 11,547 | 11,632 | 5,183 | 5,816 | 4,882 |
| 25.1 Iron \& Steel Pdiea (manufac | 1,990 | 2,143 | 1,952 | 1,726 | 1,755 | 1,925 | 1,770 | 1,573 | 235 | 238 | 182 | 153 | 86,735 | 83,446 | 80,303 | 78,360 | 76,632 | 72,964 | 8,375 | 6,814 | 7,339 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 26. Implementer Tractors } \\ & \text { Machinery, Boilers } \end{aligned}$ | 568 | 583 | 503 | 480 | 414 | 439 | 398 | 356 | 154 | 144 | 105 | 124 | 32,910 | 35,472 | 38,363 | 24,975 | 26,78 | 27,750 | 7,935 | 8,754 | 10,613 |
| 27. Autos, Trucks and Parse | 1,290 | 1,177 | 1,034 | 1,096 | 1,233 | 1,128 | 985 | 1,049 | 57 | 49 | 49 | 47 | 66,974 | 52,955 | 45,464 | 62,903 | 49,724 | 42,837 | 4,071 | 3,231 | 2,627 |
| 28. Ferrilizers | 649 | 635 | 620 | 683 | 290 | 291 | 305 | 271 | 359 | 344 | 315 | 412 | 34,881 | 34,513 | 36,197 | 20,530 | 21,132 | 22,831 | 14,351 | 13,381 | 13,366 |
| 29, Woodpulp and Paper | 4,505 | 4,799 | 4,502 | 4,217 | 3,867 | 4,127 | 5,857 | 3,658 | 818 | 672 | 645 | 559 | 212,888 | 192,463 | 208,789 | 185,195 | 168,187 | 181,269 | 27,691 | 24,276 | 27,520 |
| 50. Canned Food Producte | 514 | 510 | 443 | 343 | 353 | 358 | 295 | 67 | 161 | 152 | 148 | 76 | 23,044 | 19,555 | 19,442 | 16,004 | 14,181 | 13,569 | 6,240 | 5,374 | 5,873 |
| 31. Other Products of Manufactures |  |  |  |  | 4,904 | 4,883 | 4,767 | 4,265 | 1,171 | 1,045 | 1,223 | 1,128 | 269,992 | 258,280 | 274,900 | 228,950 | 205,691 | 221,314 | 51,042 | 52,589 | 53,586 |
| 32. Merchandise, LC.L | 17,035 | 17,188 | 17,193 | 17,466 | 12,583 | 12,757 | 12,732 | 12,575 | 4, 4,50 | 4,431 | 4,461 | 4,891 | 812,196 | 878,857 | 891,475 | 590,130 | 626,680 | 627,556 | 221,068 | 252,197 | 263,919 |
| 33. Total Revenue Care Loaded | 78,781 | 81,430 | 82,333 | 75,286 | 51,066 | 52, 598 | 53,220 | 47, 276 | 27, 71.5 | 28,832 | 29,113 | 28,010 | 3,697,332 | 3,720,246 | 3,853,046 | 2,452,422 | 2,395,668 | 2,551,416 | 1,244,911 | 1,324,578 | 1,301,630 |
| 34. Received from Connections | 34,644 | 33,099 | 32,922 | 30,974 | 31,943 | 30,270 | 33,284 | 28,389 | 2,701 | 2,739 | 2,638 | 2,595 | 1,549,539 | 1,512,806 | 1,699,468 | 1,423,061 | 1,381,167 | 1,542,385 | 126,478 | 131,639 | 157,083 |



