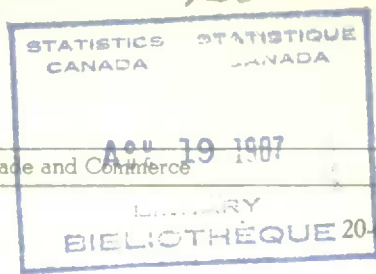


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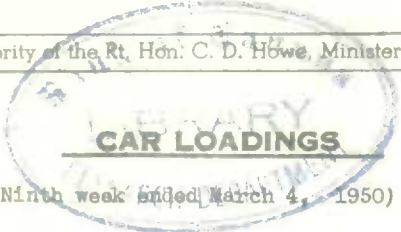
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Cars of revenue freight loaded in Canada during the week ended March 4th amounted to 71,552 cars, up 1,532 cars over the revised total of 70,020 cars reported for the preceding week, but 1.5 p.c. or 1,119 cars under the ninth week of 1949 when the total was 72,671 cars.

Several impressive gains were registered over the corresponding period of last year. Coal loadings were up from 5,367 to 7,646 cars as domestic demand was strong for bituminous in the face of American shortages, fresh fruit rose from 186 to 771 cars, coke advanced 137 cars to 781, other mine products totalled 1,333 cars against 778, lumber at 3,504 cars compared with 2,981 cars one year earlier. Gasoline and crude oil continued steadily in advance of 1949 levels to aggregate 5,369 cars against 4,503 in the 9th week of the previous year. Auto and truck producers not yet affected by shortages of parts from U.S. plants sent 1,903 carloads during the week, an increase of 704 cars over 1949. Canned foods were up from 333 to 411 cars while woodpulp and paper improved 86 cars to 4,503 for the week under review.

Declines were largest in grain off from 6,142 to 4,322 cars, logs down from 1,192 to 862, pulpwood at 3,754 cars against 5,826 cars one year earlier, implements down from 995 to 745 cars, iron and steel products, and in L.C.L. merchandise 1,776 cars lower at 16,243 cars. Live stock shipments were nearly maintained at 1,420 cars compared with 1,443 cars one year earlier.

Receipts from foreign connections improved over preceding weeks to 28,497 cars but remained 4,271 cars under the 9th week of 1949.

The total of eastern division loadings at 46,883 compares favourably with the 45,905 cars loaded in the corresponding period of last year while western volume at 24,869 cars was down 2,097 cars, due mainly to lower grain and pulpwood loadings.

Cumulative totals for the first nine weeks show 600,393 cars loaded in Canada compared with 650,064 in the similar period of 1949 and 655,782 cars in 1948. The decline from the 1949 cumulative was 7.6 p.c. compared to a drop of nearly 17 p.c. experienced by U.S. Railroads.

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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
2	142.8	164.0	149.7	163.4	130.5	165.0
3	138.1	155.5	146.7	157.9	122.1	151.0
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	x 157.7	156.3	162.1	161.7	149.4	146.3
8	x 151.8	158.8	x 153.1	162.2	149.5	152.4
9	155.3	157.7	156.2	152.9	153.6	166.6

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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		
	To				To				To				To			To			To		
	March 4 1950	Feb. 25 1950	Feb. 18 1950	March 5 1949	March 4 1950	Feb. 25 1950	Feb. 18 1950	March 5 1949	March 4 1950	Feb. 25 1950	Feb. 18 1950	March 5 1949	March 4 1950	March 5 1949	March 6 1948	March 4 1950	March 5 1949	March 6 1948	March 4 1950	March 5 1949	March 6 1948
1. Grain	4,322	4,292	3,809	6,142	1,200	1,352	1,251	929	3,122	2,940	2,558	5,213	34,727	52,952	48,379	11,842	8,784	10,463	22,885	44,168	37,916
2. Grain Products	2,470	2,403	2,195	2,432	1,262	1,185	1,086	1,312	1,208	1,218	1,109	1,120	19,882	20,596	26,111	10,287	11,346	13,601	9,595	9,250	12,510
3. Hay and Straw	337	371	418	346	171	133	163	186	166	238	255	160	3,052	3,184	4,891	1,553	2,113	3,130	1,499	1,071	1,761
4. Fruits, fresh	771	656	652	186	55	81	58	34	716	575	594	152	4,088	2,624	2,173	776	613	594	3,312	2,011	1,579
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	790	701	851	910	721	651	781	813	69	50	70	97	7,343	7,729	7,633	6,904	7,011	6,887	439	718	746
6. Other Agricultural Products	217	289	252	207	167	214	208	153	50	75	44	54	2,046	2,093	2,082	1,559	1,581	1,025	487	512	1,057
7. Live Stock	1,420	1,497	1,508	1,443	522	550	521	584	898	947	987	859	13,415	13,254	18,839	4,885	5,520	7,042	8,530	7,734	11,797
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	74	69	63	53	51	47	33	33	23	22	30	20	725	815	1,589	468	537	836	257	278	755
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	408	407	487	399	151	155	171	117	257	252	316	282	4,307	3,757	5,159	1,609	1,101	1,665	2,698	2,656	3,494
10. Other Packing House Products	57	46	44	38	28	18	22	18	29	28	22	20	482	314	538	293	170	242	189	144	296
11. Other Animal Products	107	121	81	88	66	66	56	74	41	55	25	14	888	833	1,016	569	596	745	319	237	271
12. Coal	7,646	7,414	7,818	5,367	3,890	3,776	3,826	1,742	3,756	3,638	3,992	3,625	64,720	61,491	48,122	31,355	27,590	26,327	33,365	33,901	21,795
13. Coke	781	758	809	644	673	660	696	566	108	98	113	78	6,665	5,774	4,568	5,724	5,048	4,260	941	726	308
14. Ores and Concentrates	2,253	2,332	2,259	2,322	1,558	1,542	1,624	1,611	695	790	635	711	19,751	21,551	18,604	13,430	15,369	12,026	6,321	6,182	6,578
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	460	413	520	488	331	253	331	356	129	160	189	132	4,286	3,966	4,475	2,909	2,726	3,390	1,377	1,240	1,085
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	2,682	2,486	2,605	2,813	1,844	1,764	1,890	2,076	838	722	715	737	21,886	23,571	23,209	16,112	17,758	17,815	5,774	5,813	5,394
17. Other Mine Products	1,533	1,416	1,349	778	1,214	1,247	1,221	652	119	169	128	126	11,804	10,204	9,544	10,809	9,224	8,384	995	980	1,160
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	862	734	705	1,192	462	442	454	712	400	292	251	480	5,249	9,996	10,810	3,119	6,230	5,549	2,130	3,766	5,261
19. Pulpwood	3,754	4,241	5,407	5,826	2,605	2,929	3,740	4,008	1,149	1,312	1,667	1,818	35,766	54,572	63,387	25,640	40,540	47,394	10,126	14,032	15,993
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	3,504	3,269	3,240	2,981	1,869	1,740	1,808	1,580	1,635	1,529	1,432	1,401	25,514	25,223	32,359	15,619	14,258	17,987	9,895	10,965	14,572
21. Other Forest Products	358	344	380	479	262	259	309	394	96	85	71	85	2,835	3,835	4,675	2,308	3,162	3,962	527	673	713
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	3,671	3,587	3,751	4,503	3,106	3,021	3,109	2,405	565	566	642	2,098	33,833	38,142	33,064	27,418	22,969	25,128	6,415	15,173	7,936
23. Crude Oil	1,698	1,663	1,415	No. 22	6	22	5	No. 22	1,692	1,641	1,410	No. 22	10,111	Included in No. 22	65	Included in No. 22	10,046	Included in No. 22			
24. Sugar	195	288	239	381	139	195	136	298	56	93	103	83	2,068	2,804	2,151	1,308	2,139	1,588	760	665	563
25. Iron & Steel Pdts. (manufactured)	1,709	1,710	1,746	1,879	1,630	1,622	1,661	1,745	79	88	85	134	15,168	16,075	14,223	14,396	15,192	13,249	772	883	974
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	745	581	642	995	580	476	524	766	165	105	118	229	5,192	7,106	6,612	4,254	5,787	5,021	938	1,319	1,591
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,903	1,512	1,596	1,199	1,786	1,418	1,498	1,138	117	94	98	61	13,071	8,221	7,570	12,390	7,745	7,169	681	476	401
28. Fertilizers	1,061	793	763	933	587	518	505	595	474	275	258	338	6,099	6,422	7,837	4,013	3,928	5,205	2,086	2,494	2,632
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,503	4,574	4,719	4,417	3,891	3,927	4,115	3,810	612	647	604	607	40,441	40,132	40,393	35,150	34,987	35,091	5,291	5,145	5,302
30. Canned Food Products	411	410	378	333	325	317	292	274	86	93	86	59	3,523	2,474	2,663	2,770	1,982	2,002	753	492	661
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	4,807	4,719	4,814	4,878	4,071	4,055	4,150	4,093	736	664	664	785	41,919	43,169	46,414	36,078	36,617	39,295	5,841	6,552	7,119
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	16,243	15,924	16,150	18,019	11,660	11,373	11,710	12,831	4,583	4,551	4,440	5,188	139,537	157,185	156,692	101,914	113,365	111,117	37,623	43,820	45,575
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	71,552	70,020	71,665	72,671	46,883	46,008	47,954	45,905	24,669	24,012	23,711	26,766	600,393	650,064	655,782	407,526	425,988	438,189	192,867	224,076	217,593
34. Received from Connections	28,497	26,693	27,497	32,768	26,084	24,494	25,292	30,039	2,413	2,199	2,205	2,729	251,774	288,319	321,213	232,784	264,791	291,358	18,990	23,528	29,855

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