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CAR LOADINGS

(Forty-seventh week ended November 24, 1951)

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Railway freight loadings perked up in the 47th week after running below 1950 levels for five consecutive weeks and totalled 86,221 cars in the week ended November 24th compared with 83,545 cars in the previous week and 82,418 cars in the 47th period of 1950. The increase over the corresponding week of last year was thus 3,803 cars or 4.6 p.c. The eastern division reported 55,383 cars against 53,305 one year ago, while western volume sparked by heavier grain loadings moved up to 30,838 cars from 29,113 cars. Receipts from connections also registered betterment at 33,929 cars for a gain of 1,007 cars over the similar week of 1950.

Total grain loaded required 11,692 cars compared with 8,702 cars last year while grain products improved 176 carloads to 3,150. Vegetables were up 169 cars to 1,093 and other agricultural products 145 cars at 924. Building products totalled 4,324 cars against 3,987 one year earlier. Logs gained 327 cars to 1,376 and pulpwood continued much heavier at 3,543 cars against 2,300. Lumber shipments were nearly maintained at 4,227 cars and have recently shown some recovery. Gasoline and petroleum oils took 4,765 cars last week compared with 4,115 cars a year ago. The iron and steel industry continues very active, sending 2,164 carloads or 211 more than in the same week of 1950. Implements were up 116 cars to 623 and automobiles at 1,166 gained 132 carloads. Woodpulp and paper took 4,737 cars, up 218 over last year. Sugar and canned food shipments improved while miscellaneous manufactures rose 171 cars to 5,847.

The principal declines were shown in live stock at 1,776 cars against 2,282 cars a year ago and in dairy products, and meats; coal eased from 7,804 to 7,773 cars and coke was down 200 cars to 577. Shipments of ores and concentrates totalled 3,407 cars or 422 cars under the similar period of 1950. Crude oil was off from 768 to 305 cars. L.C.L. freight which has been running rather consistently below 1950 since the five-day work week was inaugurated on June 1st, required 16,240 cars or 1,058 cars under the 47th period last year.

Cumulative totals show an improvement of 261,928 cars or 7.4 p.c. over the same period of 1950 and 231,084 cars over the first 47 weeks of 1949. Carloadings on the leading American railroads register an increase of about 5 p.c. over 1950 in a similar comparison.

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

Week	TOTAL FOR CANADA		EASTERN DIVISION		WESTERN DIVISION	
	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950
40	160.3	162.5	169.3	169.1	145.6	151.6
41	170.5	169.3	178.3	176.5	158.5	158.3
42	160.8	167.1	172.9	171.8	142.0	159.7
43	165.1	172.9	172.4	177.1	153.4	166.7
44	160.0	166.9	163.7	168.9	154.0	163.6
45	159.8	162.0	159.4	163.6	160.6	159.4
46	x 160.8	170.0	x 164.2	174.4	155.0	162.5
47	169.0	x 161.5	172.0	x 165.6	163.8	154.6

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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		
	Nov. 24 1 9 5 1	Nov. 17 1 9 5 1	Nov. 10 1 9 5 1	Nov. 25 1 9 5 0	Nov. 24 1 9 5 1	Nov. 17 1 9 5 1	Nov. 10 1 9 5 1	Nov. 25 1 9 5 0	Nov. 24 1 9 5 1	Nov. 17 1 9 5 1	Nov. 10 1 9 5 1	Nov. 25 1 9 5 0	Nov. 24 1 9 5 1	Nov. 25 1 9 5 0	Nov. 26 1 9 4 9	Nov. 24 1 9 5 1	Nov. 25 1 9 5 0	Nov. 26 1 9 4 9	Nov. 24 1 9 5 1	Nov. 25 1 9 5 0	Nov. 26 1 9 4 9
1. Grain	11,692	11,010	11,896	8,702	2,750	2,359	2,884	2,084	8,942	8,651	9,012	6,618	396,167	277,205	347,703	89,347	65,649	74,340	306,820	211,556	273,363
2. Grain Products	3,150	2,988	3,156	2,974	1,824	1,685	1,705	1,636	1,326	1,303	1,451	1,338	131,191	119,429	119,289	72,488	65,884	66,519	58,703	53,545	52,770
3. Hay and Straw	357	343	345	342	193	153	182	220	164	190	163	122	9,350	12,325	13,129	6,324	7,607	6,794	3,026	4,718	6,335
4. Fruits, fresh	306	336	389	523	53	55	53	71	253	281	336	452	14,227	14,521	16,923	4,262	3,686	5,670	9,965	10,835	11,253
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	1,093	1,310	1,226	924	1,027	1,234	1,130	839	66	76	96	85	34,316	35,579	37,911	30,666	31,958	33,444	3,650	3,621	4,467
6. Other Agricultural Products	924	1,230	816	779	466	405	227	280	458	825	589	499	15,515	16,451	16,770	7,074	7,598	8,692	8,441	8,853	8,078
7. Live Stock	1,776	1,737	1,873	2,282	568	707	733	756	1,208	1,030	1,140	1,526	64,756	80,379	86,654	24,396	29,909	33,059	40,360	50,470	53,595
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	47	65	52	83	35	43	32	45	12	22	20	38	4,162	5,041	5,838	1,808	2,594	3,106	2,354	2,447	2,732
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	458	438	507	519	164	171	225	197	294	267	282	322	20,436	20,329	22,065	8,825	8,092	7,959	11,611	12,237	14,106
10. Other Packing House Products	75	80	58	40	48	59	38	12	27	21	20	28	2,584	2,096	1,815	1,777	1,198	970	807	898	845
11. Other Animal Products	75	63	80	86	60	52	65	73	15	11	15	13	4,125	4,302	4,489	3,049	2,964	3,186	1,076	1,338	1,303
12. Coal	7,773	7,361	7,581	7,804	3,541	3,633	3,449	3,678	4,232	3,728	4,132	4,126	272,717	284,947	278,686	162,311	163,938	161,915	110,406	121,009	116,771
13. Coke	577	613	732	777	476	509	633	684	101	104	99	93	29,096	31,491	28,062	24,602	27,068	23,320	4,494	4,423	4,742
14. Ores and Concentrates	3,407	3,685	3,686	3,829	2,658	2,777	2,444	2,947	749	908	1,242	882	170,435	165,278	153,851	114,523	109,929	99,844	55,912	55,349	54,007
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	563	562	593	580	350	372	308	379	213	190	285	201	25,624	25,080	22,963	17,314	16,640	15,397	8,310	8,440	7,566
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	4,324	4,460	4,652	3,987	3,586	3,703	3,781	3,048	738	757	871	939	219,978	200,251	202,892	165,844	145,891	150,861	54,134	54,360	52,031
17. Other Mine Products	1,848	1,882	1,715	1,857	1,692	1,739	1,550	1,701	156	143	165	156	85,142	80,163	67,740	77,597	72,221	60,421	7,545	7,942	7,319
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,376	1,292	1,292	1,049	233	218	246	212	1,143	1,074	1,046	837	48,620	47,094	47,532	17,493	14,298	17,583	31,127	32,796	29,949
19. Pulpwood	3,543	3,193	2,873	2,300	3,038	2,810	2,562	1,964	505	383	311	336	254,518	148,980	161,890	214,958	127,853	135,115	39,560	21,127	26,775
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,227	3,763	4,018	4,268	2,258	2,054	2,022	2,787	1,969	1,709	1,996	1,481	202,350	207,366	163,321	112,387	126,863	94,919	89,963	80,503	68,402
21. Other Forest Products	1,361	614	453	1,540	1,143	474	369	1,347	218	140	84	193	22,861	21,805	24,157	18,586	16,853	16,852	4,275	4,952	7,305
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pds.	4,765	4,559	4,392	4,115	3,785	3,608	3,355	3,040	980	951	1,037	1,075	213,640	196,853	204,961	156,006	145,220	127,014	57,634	51,633	77,947
23. Crude Oil	305	327	332	768	4	2	4	3	301	325	328	765	19,755	54,131	29,512	176	268	336	19,579	53,863	29,176
24. Sugar	330	287	486	254	236	221	400	194	94	66	86	60	14,433	15,104	16,727	9,443	10,089	11,072	4,990	5,015	5,655
25. Iron & Steel Pds. (manufactured)	2,164	2,222	1,798	1,953	2,005	2,025	1,639	1,771	159	197	159	182	98,295	82,915	80,217	90,122	75,005	73,674	8,173	7,910	6,543
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	623	663	582	507	533	565	438	402	90	98	144	105	34,517	31,613	34,546	27,066	23,995	26,013	7,451	7,618	8,533
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	1,166	1,307	1,225	1,034	1,110	1,254	1,166	985	56	53	59	49	67,228	64,664	50,831	64,438	60,693	47,691	2,790	3,971	3,140
28. Fertilizers	586	724	667	620	315	411	317	305	271	313	350	315	33,328	33,571	33,069	19,968	19,923	20,546	13,360	13,648	12,523
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,737	4,549	4,688	4,519	4,060	3,885	4,064	3,874	677	664	624	645	223,440	203,935	183,939	193,058	177,534	160,800	30,382	26,401	23,139
30. Canned Food Products	506	576	564	429	342	400	364	281	164	176	200	148	22,926	21,427	18,735	16,643	15,500	13,599	6,283	5,927	5,136
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,847	5,460	5,272	5,676	4,680	4,362	4,169	4,653	1,167	1,098	1,103	1,023	275,384	252,537	247,460	221,013	203,705	197,161	54,371	48,832	50,299
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	16,240	15,846	15,988	17,298	12,150	11,917	11,846	12,837	4,090	3,929	4,142	4,461	767,245	779,571	843,600	568,242	567,390	601,051	199,003	212,181	242,549
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	86,221	83,545	83,987	82,418	55,383	53,862	52,400	53,305	30,838	29,683	31,587	29,113	3,798,361	3,536,433	3,567,277	2,541,806	2,348,015	2,298,923	1,256,555	1,188,418	1,268,354
34. Received from Connections	33,929	33,563	31,717	32,922	31,093	30,685	28,845	30,284	2,836	2,878	2,872	2,638	1,620,297	1,481,886	1,451,760	1,486,455	1,360,848	1,325,584	133,842	121,038	126,176

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