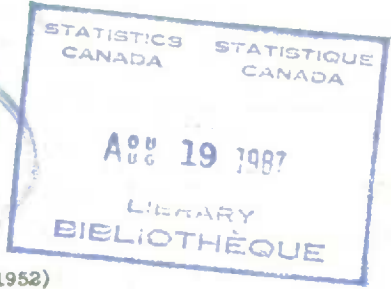
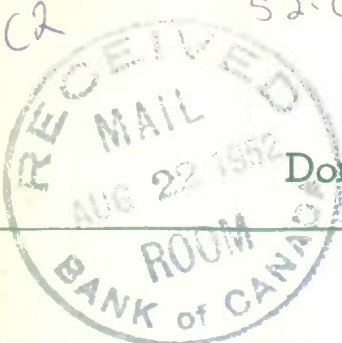


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In the seven days ended August 14th Canadian railways reported 83,001 cars of revenue freight loaded for a daily average of 11,857 cars compared with 11,011 cars in the preceding week. National loadings appear to be about 5 p.c. better than the same period of 1951.

The eastern region to the Head of the Lakes had 51,720 cars against 49,775 one week earlier while the west's total advanced from 27,300 to 31,281 cars. The tremendous grain harvest now underway promises to strain transportation and storage facilities. Over a billion and a half bushels are estimated for the current crop with a large percentage requiring rail movement and new records for carloadings are in the offing. Western Canada is really humming with activity. Receipts from foreign connections amounted to 34,167 cars during the period under review, up from 30,920 cars in the previous week.

Available comparisons with the corresponding seven days last year indicate heavier movements of grain, up about 50 p.c. and of grain products. Fresh fruits, livestock (now freed from the shadow of domestic embargoes) and meats also advanced. Building products and lumber showed some betterment while gasoline and petroleum products continued in greater volume. L.C.L. merchandise has begun to register improvement over last year despite the five-day week.

The principal recessions appeared in coal, pulpwood, crude oil, and automobiles. Shipments of coke, ores, other mine products, logs, iron and steel, woodpulp and paper and miscellaneous manufactures were fairly well maintained at last year's levels.

The cumulative total of loadings to August 14th stands at 2,535,418 cars while 1,087,862 cars were received from connections during the first 30 periods of the current year. Domestic loadings are slightly under the similar period of 1951 while a wider decline is apparent in receipts from connections. However, the total traffic is at near record levels with good promise for peak activity to the end of the year, assuming labour peace.

Price per year \$1.50

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	T O T A L				EASTERN DIVISION				WESTERN DIVISION				Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date								
	Period Ended				Period Ended				Period Ended				T O T A L			EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION		
	To				To				To				To			To			To		
	Aug. 14 1952	Aug. 7 1952	July 31 1952	Same Period 1951	Aug. 14 1952	Aug. 7 1952	July 31 1952	Same Period 1951	Aug. 14 1952	Aug. 7 1952	July 31 1952	Same Period 1951	Aug. 14 1952	Same Date 1951	Same Date 1950	Aug. 14 1952	Same Date 1951	Same Date 1950	Aug. 14 1952	Same Date 1951	Same Date 1950
1. Grain	14,276	11,826	22,505		3,929	3,585	5,762		10,347	8,241	16,743		332,048			76,218			255,830		
2. Grain Products	2,660	2,467	4,157		1,412	1,314	2,179		1,248	1,153	1,978		90,313			49,559			40,754		
3. Hay and Straw	42	57	59		19	21	32		23	36	27		3,019			1,713			1,306		
4. Fruits, fresh	244	181	199		97	67	101		147	114	98		3,953			1,425			2,528		
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	315	222	326		208	154	222		107	68	104		16,856			14,917			1,939		
6. Other Agricultural Products	170	122	168		127	90	120		43	32	48		5,313			4,167			1,146		
7. Live Stock	1,336	1,184	1,571		431	413	533		905	771	1,038		34,039			14,396			19,643		
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	74	100	115		40	59	47		34	41	68		2,605			1,388			1,217		
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	471	377	643		167	127	262		304	250	381		13,480			5,673			7,807		
10. Other Packing House Products	72	66	77		47	43	48		25	23	29		2,200			1,519			681		
11. Other Animal Products	92	95	122	not available	50	54	88	not available	42	41	34	not available	2,428	not available	not available	1,782	not available	not available	646	not available	not available
12. Coal	3,806	3,608	7,410	not available	2,350	2,367	5,309	not available	1,456	1,241	2,101	not available	160,675	not available	not available	99,712	not available	not available	60,963	not available	not available
13. Coke	639	996	936	available	539	902	776	available	100	94	160	available	18,385	available	available	15,130	available	available	3,255	available	available
14. Ores and Concentrates	4,421	4,201	7,898	available	2,776	2,611	4,848	available	1,645	1,590	3,050	available	106,723	available	available	72,875	available	available	33,848	available	available
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	601	465	808	available	361	320	635	available	240	145	173	available	17,900	available	available	12,260	available	available	5,640	available	available
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	6,181	5,424	9,500	available	4,595	4,212	7,246	available	1,586	1,212	2,254	available	144,775	available	available	108,869	available	available	35,906	available	available
17. Other Mine Products	1,595	1,663	2,691	available	1,427	1,501	2,425	available	168	162	266	available	49,579	available	available	45,144	available	available	4,435	available	available
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	793	726	935		383	313	503		410	413	432		37,327			13,966			23,361		
19. Pulpwood	4,743	5,138	7,825		4,216	4,665	7,038		527	473	787		168,763			132,711			36,052		
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,709	4,153	6,378		2,353	2,098	3,795		2,356	2,055	2,583		119,665			60,599			59,066		
21. Other Forest Products	561	537	958		515	468	867		46	69	91		16,395			14,216			2,179		
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pds.	5,726	5,148	7,951		3,633	3,341	5,233		2,093	1,807	2,718		163,189			115,191			47,998		
23. Crude Oil	335	355	426		3	5	5		332	350	421		10,523			138			10,385		
24. Sugar	296	324	511		154	167	249		142	157	262		8,544			5,016			3,528		
25. Iron & Steel Pds. (manufactured)	1,632	1,652	2,692		1,457	1,457	2,310		175	195	382		65,891			59,890			6,001		
26. Implements, Tractors Machinery, Boilers	722	676	1,294		502	470	1,019		220	206	275		28,290			22,734			5,556		
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	542	840	1,784		494	798	1,688		48	42	96		50,391			48,609			1,782		
28. Fertilizers	481	538	699		222	279	407		259	259	292		25,845			14,222			11,623		
29. Woodpulp and Paper	4,129	4,037	6,288		3,542	3,423	5,322		587	614	966		147,311			126,548			20,763		
30. Canned Food Products	424	352	637		253	231	431		171	121	206		13,459			10,182			3,277		
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,295	4,959	8,083		4,025	3,620	5,939		1,270	1,339	2,144		170,924			138,176			32,748		
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	15,618	14,586	24,109		11,393	10,600	17,613		4,225	3,986	6,496		504,610			374,131			130,479		
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	83,001	77,075	129,755		51,720	49,775	83,052		31,281	27,300	46,703		2,535,418			1,663,076			872,342		
34. Received from Connections	34,167	30,920	42,786		10,351	27,728	38,569		3,816	3,192	4,217		1,087,862			980,471			107,391		

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