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Revenue freight loadings in the closing eight-day period of February reflected increased activity, moving up to 90,810 cars from 71,618 cars in the preceding week. Daily average loadings thus rose from 10,231 to 11,351 cars or by 10.9 p.c. Compared with approximately the similar period of 1951 on a daily loading basis, betterment was also indicated. In addition, connections furnished 44,843 cars of traffic during the period under review versus 38,049 cars in the 7th period of this year with daily average receipts up from 5,435 to 5,605 cars.

Volume in the eastern division was 59,421 cars compared with 46,915 cars in the week ended February 21st while the western region reported 31,389 cars loaded against 24,705 - both showing considerably heavier daily traffic.

Commodities registered encouraging gains over the previous period and last year included grain, grain products, vegetables, other agricultural products, coal, non-ferrous metals, building products, logs, pulpwood and lumber. Gasoline and petroleum products continued stronger while iron and steel output was well maintained. Fertilizers, newsprint, canned goods and miscellaneous manufactures improved.

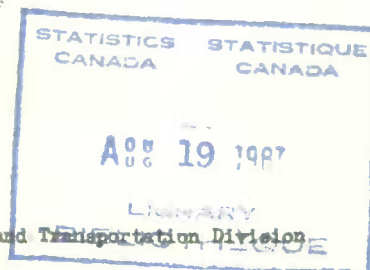
Reduced daily movements were shown from last year in hay and straw, fruit, livestock, dairy products, coke, automobiles and trucks and in L.C.L., according to available comparisons. It is too soon to evaluate the effects of the various embargoes on livestock shipments but their impact on total carloadings will not be significant as such a large percentage of the total normally moves to markets by truck.

In the first two months of 1952, an even 649,000 cars of revenue freight were loaded at Canadian stations. This is a new record and an increase of nearly 4 p.c. or 23,229 cars over January - February of last year which was a day shorter. The 1950 comparative was 552,614 cars. Receipts from connections advanced to 314,688 cars from 299,557 cars one year earlier. The gain in domestic loadings during the elapsed portion of the current year over 1951 was confined to the western division where greatly augmented grain loadings have been a feature of the first eight periods of 1952.

Cumulative carloadings on railroads in the United States were very slightly above 1951 during the first eight weeks of the present year, the gain being limited to 0.1 per cent, but show a good increase over 1950.

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Price per year \$1.50



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	TOTAL				EASTERN DIVISION				WESTERN DIVISION				Cumulative Totals from First Week of Year to Date								
	Period Ended				Period Ended				Period Ended				TOTAL			EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION		
	Feb. 29	Feb. 21	Feb. 14	Same Period	Feb. 29	Feb. 21	Feb. 14	Same Period	Feb. 29	Feb. 21	Feb. 14	Same Period	Feb. 29	Total to	Total to	Feb. 29	Total to	Total to	Feb. 29	Total to	Total to
	1952	1952	1952	1951	1952	1952	1952	1951	1952	1952	1952	1951	1952	(estimated)	(estimated)	1952	(estimated)	(estimated)	1952	(estimated)	(estimated)
1. Grain	9,756	7,100	7,147		1,137	1,250	1,083		8,599	5,850	6,064		66,104			10,956			55,168		
2. Grain Products	3,182	2,522	2,886		1,686	1,226	1,505		1,496	1,296	1,381		23,147			12,145			11,002		
3. Hay and Straw	194	149	253		123	75	141		71	74	112		1,704			1,011			693		
4. Fruits, fresh	158	159	243		79	45	78		79	94	165		1,622			477			1,145		
5. Vegetables, fresh or green	829	520	543		763	478	489		66	42	54		5,934			5,445			489		
6. Other Agricultural Products	268	195	210		216	167	164		52	28	46		1,877			1,478			399		
7. Live Stock	1,177	866	970		560	320	349		617	546	621		8,737			3,375			5,362		
8. Butter, Cheese, Eggs	156	58	74		115	33	53		41	25	21		707			457			250		
9. Fresh Meats & Packing House Products (edible)	453	345	380		154	138	148		279	207	232		3,182			1,178			2,004		
10. Other Packing House Products	84	62	82		64	50	65		20	12	17		597			474			123		
11. Other Animal Products	65	78	63	NOT AVAILABLE	50	59	45	NOT AVAILABLE	15	19	20	NOT AVAILABLE	560	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	419	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	141	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
12. Coal	5,946	5,442	5,663	NOT AVAILABLE	3,133	2,827	3,180	NOT AVAILABLE	2,813	2,615	2,483	NOT AVAILABLE	54,983	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	25,537	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	29,446	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
13. Coke	562	704	757	NOT AVAILABLE	447	607	637	NOT AVAILABLE	115	97	100	NOT AVAILABLE	5,955	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	5,165	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	790	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
14. Ores and Concentrates	2,749	2,433	2,222	NOT AVAILABLE	1,883	1,678	1,537	NOT AVAILABLE	866	755	685	NOT AVAILABLE	19,068	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	13,260	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	5,808	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
15. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	723	481	611	NOT AVAILABLE	532	286	395	NOT AVAILABLE	191	195	216	NOT AVAILABLE	4,966	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	3,392	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE	1,574	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
16. Sand, Stone, Gravel, Plaster, Lime Brick, Cement, Sewer pipe, Tile	3,315	2,887	2,952		2,470	2,179	2,196		845	708	756		23,511			17,897			5,614		
17. Other Mine Products	1,705	1,311	1,425		1,563	1,213	1,289		142	98	136		11,925			10,868			1,057		
18. Logs, Piling, Cordwood	1,848	1,366	1,273		926	550	553		922	816	720		9,671			5,166			4,505		
19. Pulpwood	8,976	6,887	8,080		5,879	4,174	5,553		3,097	2,713	2,527		65,705			44,308			21,397		
20. Lumber, Lath, Shingles	4,167	2,842	3,376		1,918	1,274	1,497		2,249	1,568	1,879		25,658			12,501			13,157		
21. Other Forest Products	539	381	388		433	322	335		104	59	53		3,516			3,024			492		
22. Gasoline, Petroleum Oils & Pdts.	5,603	4,644	5,028		4,452	3,745	3,976		1,151	899	1,050		44,098			34,532			9,566		
23. Crude Oil	409	382	398		15	6	2		394	376	396		2,992			41			2,951		
24. Sugar	246	187	218		148	111	136		98	76	82		1,773			1,038			735		
25. Iron & Steel Pdts. (manufactured)	2,823	2,133	2,048		2,633	2,033	1,887		170	120	161		18,827			17,574			1,253		
26. Implements, Tractors, Machinery, Boilers	977	736	741		854	626	602		123	110	139		6,543			5,583			960		
27. Autos, Trucks and Parts	2,112	1,486	1,510		2,064	1,439	1,455		48	47	55		12,551			12,145			406		
28. Fertilizers	841	697	714		375	348	355		486	349	359		6,671			3,442			3,229		
29. Woodpulp and Paper	6,414	5,113	5,200		5,594	4,416	4,443		820	697	757		44,325			38,091			6,234		
30. Canned Food Products	584	426	422		491	384	327		93	42	95		3,600			2,928			672		
31. Other Products of Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,967	4,787	5,052		5,071	4,178	4,283		898	609	769		42,906			36,462			6,444		
32. Merchandise, L.C.L.	18,022	14,239	14,881		13,571	10,678	11,025		4,451	3,561	3,856		125,585			93,625			31,960		
33. Total Revenue Cars Loaded	90,810	71,618	75,788		59,421	46,915	49,781		51,389	24,703	26,007		649,000	625,771	552,614	423,974	424,545	376,193	225,026	201,226	176,421
34. Received from Connections	44,843	38,049	38,440		40,680	35,096	35,073		4,163	2,953	3,367		314,888	299,557	232,776	288,873	278,242	215,395	26,015	21,315	17,381

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DAILY AVERAGE CARS OF REVENUE FREIGHT LOADED IN CANADA

