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MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT

of the

RAILWAYS OF CANADA

For  
MARCH  
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MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT  
OF  
RAILWAYS OF CANADA  
FOR  
MARCH, 1929  
COMPARATIVE SUMMARY  
TOTAL FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS

<u>PROVINCES</u>	March 1929 Tons	March 1928 Tons	February 1929 Tons
Prince Edward Island	17,578	23,071	13,799
Nova Scotia	616,649	537,166	583,842
New Brunswick	299,699	332,744	264,441
Quebec	1,277,242	1,348,699	1,282,729
Ontario	4,858,621	4,429,635	4,611,161
Manitoba	391,278	412,917	381,531
Saskatchewan	477,721	430,645	350,049
Alberta	884,739	941,163	1,023,623
British Columbia	662,687	636,141	523,740
Total for Canada	9,486,214	9,092,181	9,034,915
<u>PRODUCTS</u>			
Agricultural	1,986,696	1,956,320	1,775,465
Animal	233,445	244,521	200,969
Mine	2,763,578	2,504,880	3,199,615
Forest	1,618,546	1,840,269	1,478,825
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	2,883,949	2,546,191	2,380,041
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	9,486,214	9,092,181	9,034,915

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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED  
DURING THE MONTH

NO.	COMMODITIES	ORIGINATED		
		Loaded at: : Stations: : in : : Canada : : : Tons	Received from Foreign Connections Destined to Canadian : Foreign Points : Points Tons	Foreign Points Tons
<u>AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</u>				
1.	Wheat	913,229	32,445	53,378
2.	Corn	3,517	32,634	32,096
3.	Oats	127,326	8,834	18,796
4.	Barley	61,781	191	3,175
5.	Rye	8,264	33	11,313
6.	Flax	4,150	-	6
7.	Other Grain	14,490	829	2,615
8.	Flour	168,898	1,500	48,820
9.	Other Mill Products	122,193	2,862	53,583
10.	Hay and Straw	40,462	72	1,338
11.	Cotton	516	8,033	6,182
12.	Apples (fresh)	8,922	1,880	3,561
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	1,572	20,129	9,438
14.	Potatoes	35,448	525	22,041
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	7,775	11,727	14,660
16.	Other Agricultural Products	19,543	20,850	25,064
	Total	1,538,086	142,544	306,066
<u>ANIMAL PRODUCTS</u>				
17.	Horses	15,331	85	339
18.	Cattle and Calves	44,404	46	1,316
19.	Sheep	2,028	25	1,041
20.	Hogs	22,072	-	1,816
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	10,352	1,218	27,502
22.	Dressed Meats (cured or salted)	3,937	1,445	12,880
23.	Other Packing House Products	3,456	4,750	14,367
24.	Poultry	139	-	5,170
25.	Eggs	930	499	13,130
26.	Butter and Cheese	1,937	1,516	15,480
27.	Wool	794	819	1,777
28.	Hides and Leather	4,956	2,314	6,597
29.	Other Animal Products	3,518	740	4,719
	Total	113,854	13,457	106,134
<u>MINE PRODUCTS</u>				
30.	Anthracite Coal	1,785	214,924	79,584
31.	Bituminous Coal	562,129	619,094	17,190
32.	Lignite Coal	182,625	-	-
33.	Coke	40,020	107,959	1,597
34.	Iron Ores	476	75	179
35.	Other Ores & Concentrates	354,039	11,520	11,630
36.	Base Bullion and Matte	12,190	-	11
37.	Clay, Gravel, Sand, Stone (crushed)	294,713	25,352	6,757
38.	Slate-Dimension or Block Stone	11,500	5,210	9,254
39.	Crude Petroleum	6,998	79,256	360
40.	Asphaltum	3,300	1,791	3,001
41.	Salt	13,380	4,539	12,192
42.	Other Mine Products	34,886	13,263	20,799
	Total	1,518,041	1,082,983	162,554

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BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
OF MARCH, 1929.

NO.:	TOTAL FREIGHT ORIGINATED				TERMINATED	
	Total for Month	Increase Over March, 1928 (Decrease-)	Cumulative Total To Date	Total Increase Over 1928 (Decrease -)	Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
1.	999,052	70,873	2,834,572	- 789,520	313,121	734,477
2.	68,247	- 26,749	271,827	- 20,832	30,097	35,047
3.	154,956	472	379,322	- 105,719	123,798	30,338
4.	65,147	21,291	239,960	- 27,847	27,480	32,425
5.	19,610	- 5,026	67,347	- 23,186	9,900	11,908
6.	4,156	- 4,141	14,325	- 9,890	4,673	599
7.	17,934	6,234	48,630	- 9,196	10,334	4,023
8.	219,218	1,759	659,923	- 51,619	84,321	152,076
9.	178,638	- 1,354	541,628	- 45,814	85,880	84,992
10.	41,872	- 23,546	135,998	- 59,406	35,529	10,560
11.	14,731	4,252	51,109	- 14,859	6,696	6,599
12.	14,363	5,558	54,917	- 10,648	5,741	8,841
13.	31,139	3,628	81,644	- 14,798	20,631	9,460
14.	58,014	- 20,482	163,113	- 28,473	26,954	32,514
15.	34,162	- 5,819	97,912	- 270	14,147	21,701
16.	65,457	3,426	169,898	- 2,999	28,381	31,346
	1,986,696	30,376	5,812,125	- 823,310	827,683	1,206,906
17.	15,755	737	29,289	- 26	15,519	407
18.	45,766	1,976	118,541	- 8,105	39,624	5,044
19.	3,094	691	11,872	- 2,381	1,656	1,177
20.	23,888	- 8,463	83,511	- 21,395	22,920	1,827
21.	39,072	2,239	124,319	- 10,904	9,999	28,781
22.	18,262	- 6,181	57,257	- 5,822	1,959	15,428
23.	22,573	981	66,950	- 2,728	2,831	18,866
24.	5,309	101	21,769	- 2,652	102	5,265
25.	14,559	- 3,660	30,238	- 5,535	1,303	13,139
26.	18,933	1,648	55,421	- 9,501	3,003	15,567
27.	3,390	264	10,027	- 865	1,247	1,913
28.	13,867	- 911	39,105	- 7,286	4,775	7,942
29.	8,977	- 498	25,766	- 445	2,160	6,351
	233,445	- 11,076	674,065	- 21,261	107,098	121,707
30.	296,293	- 38,247	1,265,282	- 273,490	196,563	78,721
31.	1,198,413	158,043	3,738,634	- 551,052	1,071,280	57,617
32.	182,625	- 46,323	988,812	- 24,966	202,157	1,533
33.	149,576	2,280	513,100	- 96,454	146,009	3,151
34.	730	375	12,519	- 8,653	388	373
35.	377,189	84,610	1,044,554	- 180,968	345,494	18,931
36.	12,201	2,254	45,980	- 19,617	8,526	4,332
37.	326,822	62,057	863,211	- 230,404	303,381	9,159
38.	25,964	64	58,214	- 8,339	16,675	8,486
39.	86,614	22,177	216,988	- 44,535	75,080	550
40.	8,092	1,458	23,275	- 8,284	4,302	3,001
41.	30,111	43	80,303	- 4,332	17,152	12,512
42.	68,948	9,907	194,485	- 29,777	16,202	57,543
	2,763,578	258,698	9,045,357	- 1,414,261	2,403,209	255,909





REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED  
DURING THE MONTH

NO.	COMMODITIES	ORIGINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from Foreign Connections Destined to Canadian Points	Foreign Points
		Tons	Tons	Tons
<u>FOREST PRODUCTS</u>				
43.	Logs, Posts, Poles, Cordwood	424,857	2,633	15,830
44.	Ties	10,792	507	2,504
45.	Pulpwood	518,373	8	14,651
46.	Lumber, Timber, Box Shooks, Staves, Heading	466,274	41,260	73,669
47.	Other Forest Products	29,042	8,666	9,480
	Total	1,449,338	53,074	116,134
<u>MANUFACTURES &amp; MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
48.	Refined Petroleum & its Products	114,051	47,771	9,050
49.	Sugar	23,123	14,973	31,553
50.	Iron, pig and bloom	33,586	5,858	32,353
51.	Rails and Fastenings	49,668	502	1,561
52.	(Bar and Sheet Iron - Structural Iron and Iron Pipe	62,755	118,929	69,758
53.	Castings, Machinery and Boilers	22,171	17,351	28,860
54.	Cement	60,095	565	2,676
55.	Brick and Artificial Stone	46,806	23,909	3,966
56.	Lime and Plaster	30,315	3,319	1,477
57.	Sewer Pipe and Drain Tile	4,119	1,055	219
58.	(Agricultural Implements and Vehicles other than Autos	36,516	17,364	10,457
59.	Automobiles and Auto Trucks	66,365	38,961	242,465
60.	Household Goods	9,352	355	259
61.	Furniture	5,480	598	5,038
62.	Liquor Beverages	23,427	1,704	513
63.	Fertilizers, all kinds	53,653	21,704	10,077
64.	Paper, Printed Matter, Books	203,616	2,938	48,193
65.	Wood Pulp	69,383	2,722	16,001
66.	Fish (fresh, frozen, cured, etc.)	6,955	98	1,435
67.	Canned Meats	660	135	82
68.	(Canned Goods (All Canned Food Products other than Meat)	14,010	3,216	21,464
69.	Other Manufactures & Miscellaneous	299,802	122,644	269,460
70.	Merchandise	250,440	45,640	98,373
	Total	1,486,348	492,311	905,290
GRAND TOTAL		6,105,667	1,784,369	1,596,178

RATIOS OF COMMODITY GROUP TOTALS  
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Commodity Group	Total Freight Carried	Loaded at Stations in Canada
Agricultural	20.95	16.21
Animal	2.46	1.20
Mine	29.13	16.00
Forest	17.06	15.28
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	30.40	15.67
Total	100.00	64.36



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BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
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NO.:	TOTAL FREIGHT ORIGINATED				TERMINATED	
	Total	Increase	Cumulative Total	Increase	Unloaded at	Delivered
	for	Over March	To	Over	Stations	to
	Month	(Decrease-)	Date	1928	in	Foreign
				(Decrease -)	Canada	Connections
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
43.	443,320	2,622	1,148,848	- 46,039	404,460	38,884
44.	13,803	1,818	25,427	- 3,348	6,358	6,220
45.	533,032	- 194,824	1,391,116	- 724,931	292,139	273,545
46.	581,203	- 26,324	1,456,729	- 53,200	370,495	228,291
47.	47,188	- 5,015	131,061	- 12,938	38,108	14,755
	1,618,546	- 221,723	4,153,181	- 840,456	1,111,560	561,695
48.	170,872	16,738	482,151	97,300	156,428	10,717
49.	69,649	1,048	151,408	- 10,336	35,395	32,176
50.	71,797	25,445	161,576	52,866	35,197	32,453
51.	51,731	- 2,322	115,568	13,219	22,175	1,694
52.	251,442	79,899	661,100	212,438	152,129	76,562
53.	68,382	13,327	178,398	39,945	36,060	30,257
54.	63,336	796	152,759	22,442	54,268	7,366
55.	74,681	15,845	177,039	13,416	58,580	5,833
56.	35,111	- 1,151	91,910	4,669	33,752	2,213
57.	5,393	1,457	11,703	852	7,018	384
58.	64,337	6,054	142,602	4,750	42,778	22,335
59.	347,791	115,808	810,034	269,196	79,548	266,150
60.	9,966	- 3,746	15,287	- 5,241	9,223	276
61.	11,116	1,071	30,453	2,396	5,739	5,442
62.	25,644	- 240	67,845	- 4,021	23,749	1,862
63.	85,434	- 7,600	151,181	- 12,725	52,876	30,250
64.	254,747	35,782	690,602	81,785	26,029	255,604
65.	88,106	- 30,317	281,629	- 43,708	24,016	89,759
66.	8,488	644	36,828	1,812	3,947	5,021
67.	877	180	1,812	- 784	579	277
68.	38,690	2,221	103,237	9,851	12,840	24,882
69.	691,906	66,253	1,906,541	212,538	368,553	358,486
70.	394,453	566	998,906	- 19,379	291,932	107,725
	2,883,949	337,758	7,420,569	943,281	1,532,811	1,367,724
	9,486,214	394,033	27,105,297	672,515	5,982,361	3,513,941

TO TOTAL FREIGHT CARRIED DURING MONTH  
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RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS			Unloaded at	Delivered
Destined to			Stations	to
Canadian	Foreign	Total	in	Foreign
Points	Points		Canada	Connections
1.50	3.23	4.73	8.73	12.72
.14	1.12	1.26	1.13	1.28
11.42	1.71	13.13	25.33	2.70
.56	1.23	1.79	11.72	5.92
5.19	9.54	14.73	16.16	14.42
18.81	16.83	35.64	63.07	37.04



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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED  
DURING THE MONTH

PRODUCTS	ORIGINATED		
	Loaded at	Received from	
	Stations	Foreign Connections	
	in	Destined to	
Canada	Canadian	Foreign	
	Points	Points	
	Tons	Tons	Tons
<u>PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND</u>			
Agricultural	12,972	-	-
Animal	664	-	-
Mine	304	-	-
Forest	1,238	-	-
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	2,400	-	-
Total	17,578	-	-
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>			
Agricultural	8,306	1,955	61
Animal	595	2,524	23
Mine	460,177	1,229	-
Forest	58,024	46	-
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	71,770	11,055	884
Total	598,872	16,809	968
<u>NEW BRUNSWICK</u>			
Agricultural	20,491	3,295	19,982
Animal	1,017	573	36
Mine	16,842	4,810	247
Forest	124,795	48	4,412
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	42,483	38,701	21,967
Total	205,628	47,427	46,644
<u>QUEBEC</u>			
Agricultural	94,104	12,937	12,333
Animal	9,062	631	2,328
Mine	89,878	117,777	56,778
Forest	288,003	4,355	23,489
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	416,474	46,388	102,705
Total	897,521	182,088	197,633
<u>ONTARIO</u>			
Agricultural	428,654	111,572	273,390
Animal	44,530	9,282	103,362
Mine	456,930	899,043	105,468
Forest	503,679	44,833	64,481
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	691,642	349,894	771,861
Total	2,125,435	1,414,624	1,318,562
<u>MANITOBA</u>			
Agricultural	122,015	4,972	-
Animal	17,559	50	-
Mine	30,104	4,392	-
Forest	107,686	721	-
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	82,043	21,736	-
Total	359,407	31,871	-
<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>			
Agricultural	300,074	1,585	18
Animal	13,009	24	-
Mine	15,466	36,631	26
Forest	32,181	512	35
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	63,044	13,576	1,540
Total	423,774	52,328	1,619
<u>ALBERTA</u>			
Agricultural	539,166	296	-
Animal	24,748	68	-
Mine	190,713	17,076	-
Forest	39,693	-	-
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	70,241	2,738	-
Total	864,561	20,178	-
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>			
Agricultural	12,304	5,932	282
Animal	2,670	305	385
Mine	257,627	2,025	35
Forest	294,039	2,559	23,717
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	46,251	8,223	6,333
Total	612,891	19,044	30,752



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TOTAL FREIGHT ORIGINATED				TERMINATED	
Total	: Increase	: Cumulative Total	: Unloaded at	: Delivered	
For	: Over March,	: To	: Stations	: to	
Month	: 1928	: Date	: in	: Foreign	
	: (Decrease -)	: 1928	: Canada	: Connections	
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Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
<b>F.E. ISLAND</b>					
12,972	- 4,574	31,854	- 38	1,406	-
664	- 97	1,873	- 133	450	-
304	- 90	473	- 52	3,855	-
1,238	- 92	2,643	- 232	1,889	-
2,400	- 824	6,353	- 1,242	5,359	-
17,578	- 5,493	43,196	- 1,697	12,959	-
<b>NOVA SCOTIA</b>					
10,322	- 3,351	44,919	- 9,903	19,050	23,065
3,142	- 718	10,471	- 4,318	1,689	473
461,406	- 91,904	1,374,147	- 324,195	375,264	255
58,070	- 13,149	118,576	- 50,847	39,108	18,122
83,709	- 3,361	204,495	- 22,110	62,271	27,584
616,649	- 79,483	1,752,608	- 289,873	497,382	69,499
<b>NEW BRUNSWICK</b>					
43,768	- 1,587	138,159	- 4,605	15,813	191,139
1,626	- 34	3,936	- 1,140	1,463	7,159
21,899	- 2,520	70,026	- 17,419	46,409	7,112
129,255	- 25,652	326,356	- 129,212	54,252	59,421
103,151	- 11,466	256,582	- 3,015	46,507	33,061
299,699	- 33,045	795,059	- 111,343	164,444	297,892
<b>QUEBEC</b>					
119,374	- 24,577	344,723	- 38,963	175,702	146,150
12,021	- 3,075	35,601	- 6,385	21,927	19,364
264,433	- 36,298	826,665	- 209,442	228,147	56,861
315,847	- 90,578	873,243	- 141,042	193,464	168,534
565,567	- 10,475	1,577,608	- 85,682	339,326	184,110
1,277,242	- 71,457	3,657,840	- 108,734	958,566	575,019
<b>ONTARIO</b>					
813,616	- 16,988	2,539,516	- 317,933	341,968	382,790
157,174	- 10,875	466,963	- 12,775	38,029	91,215
1,461,441	- 199,717	4,679,024	- 974,744	1,210,919	128,018
612,993	- 91,388	1,620,462	- 355,303	429,946	255,100
1,813,397	- 314,544	4,624,168	- 792,038	689,908	1,095,011
4,858,621	- 428,986	13,930,133	- 1,716,637	2,710,770	1,952,134
<b>MANITOBA</b>					
126,987	- 1,407	311,986	- 116,106	89,107	2,440
17,609	- 275	49,194	- 6,136	15,961	1,625
34,496	- 2,388	153,227	- 22,537	115,808	67
108,407	- 27,276	319,493	- 113,852	102,770	1,825
103,779	- 9,157	267,325	- 42,631	111,262	14,931
391,278	- 21,639	1,101,225	- 170,926	434,908	20,888
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>					
301,677	- 42,962	792,378	- 569,218	50,535	370
13,033	- 604	33,498	- 116	8,084	393
52,123	- 5,942	150,564	- 29,113	120,180	443
32,728	- 8,071	78,859	- 39,830	50,904	34,816
78,160	- 5,639	170,368	- 10,385	115,135	1,451
477,721	- 47,076	1,225,667	- 569,666	344,838	37,473
<b>ALBERTA</b>					
539,462	- 1,406	1,551,529	- 416,602	100,527	-
24,816	- 1,746	63,251	- 915	12,961	95
207,789	- 59,297	1,029,447	- 94,598	94,008	-
39,693	- 103	92,255	- 17,369	58,126	-
72,979	- 176	161,000	- 9,748	110,212	46
884,739	- 56,424	2,897,482	- 537,402	375,834	141
<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA</b>					
18,518	- 1,342	57,061	- 4,982	33,575	460,952
3,360	- 338	9,278	- 191	6,534	1,383
259,687	- 15,908	761,784	- 68,539	208,619	63,153
320,315	- 34,402	721,294	- 7,231	181,101	23,877
60,807	- 7,048	152,670	- 4,440	52,831	11,530
662,687	- 26,546	1,702,087	- 51,695	482,660	560,895

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