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**MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA**

AUGUST, 1938

Revenue freight loaded on Canadian railways and received from foreign connections during August amounted to 6,123,034 tons, as against 6,920,857 tons in August, 1937, and 6,307,409 tons in 1936. The increases over last year's tonnages were few and with the exception of 332,531 tons in wheat, none was large. Corn, barley, other mill products, cotton, other fruit (fresh), and other agricultural products showed increases, and the total for agricultural products was 389,400 tons, or 44 per cent, greater than in 1937. Animal products decreased by 44,016 tons, or 21 per cent; mine products decreased by 529,371 tons, or 18 per cent, bituminous coal being down by 284,185 tons, sand and gravel by 132,995 tons, and stone (crushed, ground and broken) by 123,922 tons; forest products decreased by 162,726 tons, or 20 per cent, all items showing decreases, and manufactures and miscellaneous decreased by 451,110 tons, or 21 per cent. In this last group some large decreases occurred. Automobiles decreased by 87,625 tons, or 67 per cent, the foreign tonnage across Canada dropping from 105,578 tons in 1937 to 26,606 tons and the imports from 4,437 tons to 1,985 tons. Iron and steel (bar, sheet, structural, pipe) decreased by 49,877 tons, or 40 per cent, cement by 48,784 tons, or 40 per cent, newsprint paper by 64,315 tons, or 34 per cent, and wood pulp by 23,865 tons, or 28 per cent.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

TOTAL FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS

PROVINCES	JULY 1938	AUGUST 1938	AUGUST 1937	AUGUST 1936
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
Prince Edward Island	3,344	4,363	8,472	8,699
Nova Scotia	499,837	478,020	757,351	628,186
New Brunswick	208,041	198,606	308,767	162,547
Quebec	930,837	973,070	1,330,029	999,123
Ontario	2,456,075	2,548,202	2,941,416	2,589,967
Manitoba	339,164	807,444	490,707	551,845
Saskatchewan	203,703	214,568	228,715	607,570
Alberta	342,751	368,919	319,077	356,909
British Columbia	451,165	529,842	536,323	402,563
Total for Canada	5,434,917	6,123,034	6,920,857	6,307,409
<b>PRODUCTS</b>				
Agricultural	797,879	1,275,898	886,498	1,574,122
Animal	163,045	167,676	211,692	180,688
Mine	2,250,695	2,365,360	2,894,731	2,176,749
Forest	638,344	660,443	823,169	621,155
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,584,954	1,653,657	2,104,767	1,754,695
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>5,434,917</b>	<b>6,123,034</b>	<b>6,920,857</b>	<b>6,307,409</b>

**REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS**

DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1938

NO.	COMMODITIES	FREIGHT ORIGINATED						TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from		Total for Month	Increase over August 1937 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Foreign Connections				To Date	Increase over 1937 (Decrease-)		
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points						
		Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	
	<u>AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</u>									
1.	Wheat	639,750	2,833	19,151	661,734	332,531	2,488,857	95,864	558,365	97,997
2.	Corn	13,169	9,413	22,177	44,759	20,216	536,542	242,103	9,908	39,496
3.	Oats	21,765	5,368	11,490	38,623	- 1,519	615,085	117,012	24,416	12,497
4.	Barley	107,915	...	8,504	116,419	19,120	444,193	209,642	107,236	9,704
5.	Rye	11,562	...	1,682	13,244	- 4,758	40,025	- 1,512	10,885	2,071
6.	Flaxseed	916	...	...	916	- 2,657	10,654	- 22,615	917	...
7.	Other Grain	692	564	397	1,653	- 66	25,136	3,104	809	179
8.	Flour	83,079	1,199	29,979	114,257	2,855	815,754	- 54,131	66,027	42,895
9.	Other Mill Products	83,898	1,570	53,717	139,185	12,411	1,065,330	68,382	65,722	65,558
10.	Hay and Straw	5,411	205	79	5,695	- 6,644	447,052	107,019	5,374	440
11.	Cotton	667	4,319	660	5,646	2,376	63,625	- 13,555	5,093	733
12.	Apples (fresh)	2,657	503	1,302	4,462	- 1,193	81,997	1,830	2,640	1,573
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	15,094	22,989	20,638	58,721	13,515	303,265	49,555	36,762	14,432
14.	Potatoes	1,755	8	412	2,175	- 3,478	291,803	- 48,223	1,631	614
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	9,250	521	4,144	13,915	- 691	185,709	2,986	9,723	4,359
16.	Other Agricultural Products	14,824	7,246	32,424	54,494	7,382	529,081	34,095	18,460	26,510
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,012,404</b>	<b>56,738</b>	<b>206,756</b>	<b>1,275,898</b>	<b>389,400</b>	<b>7,944,108</b>	<b>791,556</b>	<b>923,968</b>	<b>319,058</b>
	<u>ANIMAL PRODUCTS</u>									
17.	Horses	3,306	31	252	3,589	- 5,031	46,775	- 7,213	3,281	155
18.	Cattle and Calves	38,067	34	956	39,057	- 39,742	250,969	- 113,586	35,110	4,527
19.	Sheep	2,100	...	442	2,542	- 559	16,904	- 3,774	2,109	445
20.	Hogs	8,193	74	1,906	10,173	- 753	129,392	- 24,371	8,281	269
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	7,262	896	24,748	32,906	- 3,592	273,022	- 28,432	7,192	21,940
22.	Dressed Meats (cured-salted-canned)	6,125	933	4,381	11,439	- 228	106,966	- 7,380	1,778	9,046
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	6,590	499	3,777	10,866	742	94,985	3,552	5,174	5,212
24.	Poultry	58	88	4,200	4,346	1,076	28,236	- 8,694	58	1,802
25.	Eggs	716	11	6,678	7,405	1,026	68,162	- 388	663	3,446
26.	Butter	4,104	98	9,352	13,554	2,594	99,820	2,414	3,817	6,381
27.	Cheese	3,695	14	4,211	7,920	- 365	45,587	- 524	2,615	3,773
28.	Wool	441	398	3,432	4,271	831	28,296	- 8,940	751	3,470
29.	Hides and Leather	3,642	1,000	4,497	9,139	- 1,409	67,967	- 26,967	3,434	4,885
30.	Other Animal Products (non-edible)	4,592	750	5,127	10,469	1,394	68,376	- 14,907	4,695	5,106
	<b>Total</b>	<b>88,891</b>	<b>4,826</b>	<b>73,959</b>	<b>167,676</b>	<b>- 44,016</b>	<b>1,325,477</b>	<b>- 239,210</b>	<b>78,958</b>	<b>70,457</b>
	<u>MINE PRODUCTS</u>									
31.	Anthracite Coal	1,044	148,861	25,305	175,210	33,576	1,731,454	- 47,859	136,366	16,221
32.	Bituminous Coal	522,424	139,624	10,366	672,414	- 284,185	5,834,633	- 936,402	621,515	22,842
33.	Lignite Coal	99,669	...	...	99,669	13,172	1,090,097	- 91,650	98,375	626
34.	Coke	46,773	18,142	623	65,538	- 30,707	686,107	- 145,573	58,587	5,359



35. Iron Ores	820	567	50	1,437	- 1,689	11,089	2,323	1,196	194
36. Copper Ore and Concentrates	123,529	218	75	1,3,822	60,703	896,653	746,139	120,993	8,544
37. Other Ores and Concentrates	305,225	61,081	8,607	374,913	- 61,731	2,940,217	300,376	358,656	12,619
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	88,765	90	5,853	94,708	15,948	673,741	- 55,514	27,171	65,964
39. Sand and Gravel	215,508	2,912	1,192	219,612	- 132,995	875,072	- 287,842	218,376	1,172
40. Stone (crushed, ground, broken)	132,415	192	245	132,852	- 123,922	781,337	- 310,384	136,332	229
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	4,515	1,746	4,023	10,284	- 1,659	75,918	1,591	5,816	4,129
42. Crude Petroleum	59,499	5,973	...	65,472	17,867	336,438	49,755	64,778	...
43. Asphalt (Natural, By-product Petroleum)	53,587	1,600	1,331	56,518	- 4,910	196,671	- 14,678	54,295	1,005
44. Salt	16,359	2,034	8,327	26,720	842	184,202	- 9,574	15,942	8,807
45. Other Mine Products	182,914	50,678	12,599	246,191	- 29,681	1,745,137	- 104,595	196,923	43,663
Total	1,853,046	433,718	78,596	2,365,360	- 529,371	18,058,766	- 903,887	2,115,321	191,374
<b>FOREST PRODUCTS</b>									
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	84,271	544	1,963	86,778	- 42,112	695,371	- 155,003	72,531	14,288
47. Cordwood and other Firwood	41,991	...	...	41,991	- 7,376	574,429	- 83,091	41,507	426
48. Ties	2,736	305	83	3,124	- 4,791	39,221	- 19,328	1,700	757
49. Pulpwood	195,264	70	79	195,413	- 27,578	2,218,782	359,938	123,493	66,528
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crate and Cooperage Material	258,303	14,050	31,362	303,715	- 69,788	2,010,066	- 794,644	178,948	122,030
51. Other Forest Products	13,653	7,926	7,843	29,422	- 11,081	240,653	- 86,514	15,097	11,989
Total	596,218	22,895	41,330	660,443	- 162,726	5,778,522	- 778,642	433,276	216,018
<b>MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS</b>									
52. Gasolene	172,406	6,917	6,465	185,788	6,871	991,002	72,150	180,937	3,814
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt and gasolene)	57,302	12,155	6,525	75,982	664	512,413	- 17,600	69,301	5,948
54. Sugar	25,937	963	6,365	33,265	- 10,413	218,203	- 87,417	27,116	6,315
55. Iron, pig and bloom	9,335	73	2,733	12,141	- 9,430	94,745	- 113,160	7,860	2,921
56. Rails and Fastenings	2,205	788	94	3,087	- 3,467	109,476	23,053	2,515	401
57. Iron and Steel (Bar, Sheet, Structural, Pipe)	36,727	17,758	19,003	73,488	- 49,877	656,464	- 574,048	49,443	16,757
58. Castings, Machinery and Boilers	7,545	3,510	9,459	20,514	- 4,306	165,353	- 41,092	10,709	7,899
59. Cement	70,916	138	1,533	72,587	- 48,784	387,705	- 90,299	70,386	1,398
60. Brick and Artificial Stone	16,915	7,226	1,552	25,693	- 8,778	161,498	- 66,447	23,243	789
61. Lime and Plaster	25,356	537	912	26,805	1,439	177,224	- 5,699	24,614	900
62. Sewer Pipe and Drain Tile	3,825	64	270	4,159	592	20,305	- 2	3,591	249
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than Autos	13,233	9,849	3,546	26,628	911	180,019	- 4,248	20,235	5,652
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks & Auto Parts	12,869	1,985	26,606	41,460	- 87,625	770,059	- 785,332	8,653	24,346
65. Household Goods & Settlers' Effects	1,382	27	78	1,487	- 5,494	19,828	- 11,549	1,401	110
66. Furniture	2,493	36	2,568	5,097	- 640	32,298	- 10,465	2,412	2,291
67. Beverages	19,544	314	11,676	31,534	- 1,455	199,879	- 28,644	19,110	8,137
68. Fertilizers, all kinds	27,401	2,329	1,114	30,844	- 4,632	563,380	- 12,935	14,495	16,609
69. Newspaper paper	107,184	50	17,432	124,666	- 64,315	1,145,588	- 589,797	10,108	132,236
70. Other Paper	11,828	311	20,663	32,802	- 6,241	249,763	- 109,039	11,865	20,167
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard and Wallboard (paper)	17,243	1,046	4,131	22,420	- 324	155,566	- 44,388	14,299	7,092
72. Wood Pulp	50,371	69	9,880	60,320	- 23,865	454,405	- 306,841	16,259	47,770
73. Fish (fresh, frozen, cured, etc.)	3,659	85	774	4,518	- 81	49,897	- 291	1,781	1,927
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except Meats)	17,209	1,712	21,489	40,410	2,900	292,150	2,102	16,428	21,678
75. Other Manufactures & Miscellaneous	277,591	58,982	175,091	511,664	- 117,756	3,754,064	-1,358,086	303,575	164,869
76. Merchandise (All L.C.L. Freight)	136,381	15,859	34,058	186,298	- 17,004	1,475,966	- 163,355	148,540	12,013
Total	1,126,857	142,783	384,017	1,652,657	- 451,110	12,837,220	-4,323,429	1,058,876	522,288
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>4,677,416</b>	<b>660,960</b>	<b>784,656</b>	<b>6,123,034</b>	<b>- 797,823</b>	<b>45,944,093</b>	<b>-5,453,612</b>	<b>4,610,399</b>	<b>1,229,195</b>



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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1938 (Tons = 2,000 lbs.)

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia
<b>LOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	593	1,464	2,784	29,111	230,328	551,237	101,401	75,121	20,365
Animal Products	718	644	803	8,461	28,508	15,375	11,020	19,598	3,764
Mine Products	452	390,459	94,295	203,755	572,167	133,489	20,625	185,093	252,711
Forest Products	179	32,277	38,271	140,001	156,160	39,992	20,754	14,624	153,960
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	2,421	50,017	44,289	295,878	512,488	49,311	50,997	68,954	52,502
Total	4,363	474,861	180,442	677,206	1,499,651	789,404	204,797	363,390	483,302
<b>RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	...	1,689	2,628	19,426	227,807	2,511	301	625	8,507
Animal Products	...	15	10	2,275	75,697	40	...	...	748
Mine Products	...	247	3,329	161,034	321,269	3,758	1,700	2,118	18,859
Forest Products	...	553	499	11,826	42,510	747	118	26	7,946
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	655	11,698	101,303	381,268	10,984	7,652	2,760	10,480
Total	...	3,159	18,164	295,864	1,048,551	18,040	9,771	5,529	46,540
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Agricultural Products	593	3,153	5,412	48,537	458,135	553,748	101,702	75,746	28,872
Animal Products	718	659	813	10,736	104,205	15,415	11,020	19,598	4,512
Mine Products	452	390,706	97,624	364,789	893,436	137,247	22,325	187,211	271,570
Forest Products	179	32,830	38,770	151,827	198,670	40,739	20,872	14,650	161,906
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	2,421	50,672	55,987	397,181	893,756	60,295	58,649	71,714	62,982
Total	4,363	478,020	198,606	973,070	2,548,202	807,444	214,568	368,919	529,842
<b>UNLOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	1,490	11,328	12,891	72,090	703,630	38,368	33,164	31,069	19,938
Animal Products	380	2,375	1,384	17,990	27,056	12,726	2,947	6,023	8,077
Mine Products	5,040	329,180	126,043	227,524	857,857	172,914	113,964	44,766	238,033
Forest Products	1,273	20,764	11,257	90,280	177,845	26,719	25,017	23,255	56,866
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,947	49,440	39,020	232,844	420,614	96,533	77,502	88,934	48,042
Total	14,130	413,087	190,595	640,728	2,187,002	347,260	252,594	194,047	370,956
<b>DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	...	2,028	2,150	178,821	130,264	248	235	...	5,312
Animal Products	...	328	96	26,307	40,366	1,263	1,308	34	755
Mine Products	...	...	8,221	68,165	72,752	...	45	...	42,191
Forest Products	...	10,847	17,962	50,040	83,930	401	21,892	...	30,946
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	1,718	5,386	102,762	393,408	10,060	1,323	6	17,625
Total	...	14,921	33,815	426,095	720,720	11,972	24,803	40	96,829