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The volume of freight handled at Canadian ports during the month of February rose 9.9 per cent to 3,724,474 tons from 3,389,363 in February, 1958. In foreign trade loadings increased 9.1 per cent to 1,833,523 tons from 1,680,268 and unloadings 2.5 per cent to 514,015 tons from 501,392. In coastal trade, loadings rose 25.3 per cent to 709,394 tons from 565,998 and unloadings 4.0 per cent to 667,542 tons from 641,705. For the period January - February, 1959, cargoes handled at Canadian ports increased 23.2 per cent to 7,801,615 tons from 6,331,803 last year. Loadings and unloadings in foreign trade increased to 5,107,202 tons from 4,297,527 and in coastal trade to 2,694,413 tons from 2,034,276. Vessel arrivals and departures in both services increased to 11,022 from 10,682 in February, 1958 with registered net tonnage up to 10,727,146 tons from 8,972,633.

Commodities loaded in greatest volume in foreign trade during February were wheat, lumber, gypsum, barley and general cargo. Compared with February, 1958, loadings of iron ore were up by 78,310 tons, barley by 27,960 tons and limestone by 24,146 tons with total loadings recording an increase of 153,255 tons. Cargoes unloaded from foreign ports were up by 12,623 tons. The largest increases were in petroleum oils, up 16,084 tons, general cargo, up 9,654 tons and sand, gravel and crushed stone, up 9,100 tons.

In coastal trade the greatest volume of shipping was recorded in logs, petroleum oils, pulpwood, sand, gravel and crushed stone, and general cargo. Although unloadings of some commodities, including general cargo and pulpwood, were lower than in February 1958, increases in logs and petroleum oils resulted in an overall increase of 25,837 tons.

Loadings were down 13.3 per cent to 839,818 tons in the Atlantic and lower St. Lawrence River region but up 31.5 per cent to 1,675,914 tons on the Pacific coast. Unloadings showed a slight increase in both areas. In the Atlantic and lower St. Lawrence River region unloading were up 4.0 per cent to 453,340 tons and on the Pacific coast 1.8 per cent to 715,447 tons. Traffic in the Great Lakes area was negligible in February of both years as a result of the winter freeze-up.

Canadian ports registering the greatest volume of shipping during February were: Vancouver, 1,063,059 tons (1,070,627 in February, 1958); Halifax, 560,347 (628,628); and Saint John, 419,434 (410,175).

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Table 1.

Summary of Canadian Shipping Statistics

	February, 1959			February, 1958 Total	Cumulative total	
	Unloaded	Loaded	Total		1959	1958 ^r
<u>Cargo tons of freight</u>						
Foreign	514,015	1,833,523	2,347,538	2,181,660	5,107,202	4,297,527
Coastwise	667,542	709,394	1,376,936	1,207,703	2,694,413	2,034,276
Total	1,181,557	2,542,917	3,724,474	3,389,363	7,801,615	6,331,803
	Arrivals	Departures	Total	Total	Cumulative total	
<u>Number of vessels</u>						
Foreign	1,257	1,287	2,544	2,366	5,389	5,089
Coastwise	4,246	4,232	8,478	8,316	17,379	15,761
Total	5,503	5,519	11,022	10,682	22,768	20,850
<u>Registered net tonnage</u>						
Foreign	2,506,294	2,592,577	5,098,871	4,491,831	10,533,275	8,888,918
Coastwise	2,848,619	2,779,656	5,628,275	4,480,857	11,995,220	9,391,307
Total	5,354,913	5,372,233	10,727,146	8,972,688	22,528,495	18,280,225

Table 2.

Cargoes Unloaded and Loaded in Foreign Trade by Commodity and Geographic Area, February, 1959

Commodities	At Atlantic and St. Lawrence River ports Montreal and below		At Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River ports above Montreal		At Pacific Coast ports		At all ports	
	Unloaded	Loaded	Unloaded	Loaded	Unloaded	Loaded	Unloaded	Loaded
Tons (2,000 lb.)								
Wheat	-	190,936	-	-	-	334,386	-	525,322
Barley	-	-	-	-	-	133,720	-	133,720
Oats	-	280	-	-	-	11,958	-	12,238
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	4,600	-	-	-	62,166	-	66,766
Iron ore	-	60,995	-	-	-	59,898	-	120,893
Bauxite	-	-	-	-	29,051	-	29,051	-
Coal, bituminous	1,632	-	-	-	-	-	1,632	-
Petroleum, crude	129,148	-	-	-	-	-	129,148	-
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	-	-	7,200	-	1,900	-	9,100	-
Limestone	-	-	-	-	-	29,923	-	29,923
Gypsum	-	183,975	-	-	8,000	-	8,000	183,975
Lumber, timber, box, crate and cooperage material	113	3,523	-	-	206	191,713	319	195,236
Woodpulp	-	6,897	-	-	12,151	25,688	12,151	32,585
Newsprint	21	43,527	-	-	31	33,792	52	77,319
Petroleum oils	64,213	1,973	-	-	52,106	25	116,319	1,998
General	62,411	121,629	-	-	6,500	1,680	68,911	123,309
Other	65,166	100,440	670	27,171	73,496	202,628	139,332	330,239
Total, Month of February	322,704	718,775	7,870	27,171	183,441	1,087,577	514,015	1,833,523
Total cargo carried by Canadian vessels	3,702	7,776	-	-	27,556	110,703	31,258	118,479
Total cargo carried by foreign vessels	319,002	710,999	7,870	27,171	155,885	976,874	482,757	1,715,044
Cumulative total, January - February	692,692	1,791,905	14,770	63,921	368,519	2,175,395	1,075,981	4,031,221
Total cargo carried by Canadian vessels	5,592	12,896	-	-	36,591	199,531	42,183	212,427
Total cargo carried by foreign vessels	687,100	1,779,009	14,770	63,921	331,928	1,975,864	1,033,798	3,818,794

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Table 3.

Cargoes Unloaded and Loaded in Coastal Trade by Commodity and Geographic Area, February, 1959

Commodities	At Atlantic and St. Lawrence River ports Montreal and below		At Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River ports above Montreal		At Pacific Coast ports		At all ports	
	Unloaded	Loaded	Unloaded	Loaded	Unloaded	Loaded	Unloaded	Loaded
Wheat	-	-	-	-	Tons (2,000 lb.) 3,767	3,767	3,767	3,767
Barley	-	-	-	-		-	-	-
Oats	50	-	-	-		-	50	-
Logs, posts, poles, pitprops and piling	182	-	-	-	152,430	128,030	152,612	128,030
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	6,200	-	-	79,642	159,927	79,642	166,127
Iron ore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coal, bituminous	7,109	3,295	-	-	2,371	6,300	9,480	9,595
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	-	485	-	-	70,214	79,597	70,214	80,082
Gasoline	11,724	3,129	-	-	4,219	5,571	15,943	8,700
Petroleum oils	72,284	62,004	-	14	47,867	59,497	120,151	121,515
Cement	25	35	-	-	18,190	10,753	18,215	10,788
General	10,259	30,242	-	-	58,602	40,658	68,861	70,900
Other	33,903	15,653	-	-	94,704	94,237	128,607	109,890
Total, Month of February	135,536	121,043	-	14	532,006	588,337	667,542	709,394
Total cargo carried by Canadian vessels	115,848	104,252	-	14	530,306	585,118	646,154	689,384
Total cargo carried by foreign vessels	19,688	16,791	-	-	1,700	3,219	21,388	20,010
Cumulative total, January - February	324,581	332,096	538	14	1,032,585	1,004,599	1,357,704	1,336,709
Total cargo carried by Canadian vessels	286,310	288,036	538	14	1,019,914	997,780	1,306,762	1,285,830
Total cargo carried by foreign vessels	38,271	44,060	-	-	12,671	6,819	50,942	50,879

Table 4.

Number and Registered Net Tonnage of Vessels Arrived at and Departed from Selected Canadian ports in Foreign Service

Ports	February, 1959				Cumulative, 1959			
	Arrivals		Departures		Arrivals		Departures	
	Vessels	Registered net tonnage	Vessels	Registered net tonnage	Vessels	Registered net tonnage	Vessels	Registered net tonnage
Bell Island, Nfld.	4	21,850	4	21,850	16	95,094	17	100,660
Cornerbrook, Nfld.	1	3,534	2	6,229	7	22,069	9	28,301
St. John's, Nfld.	37	35,706	35	36,200	64	75,950	62	76,991
Charlottetown, P.E.I.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax, N.S.	154	608,750	151	587,473	315	1,188,318	322	1,184,349
Sydney, N.S.	-	-	-	-	4	8,032	6	18,534
Saint John, N.B.	80	252,282	80	261,606	151	501,499	157	547,312
Seven Islands, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Port Alfred, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec, Que.	1	2,096	1	2,096	8	15,413	8	15,413
Three Rivers, Que.	-	-	-	-	10	22,457	11	25,830
Sorel, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contrecoeur, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montreal, Que.	-	-	181	-	-	-	10	27,379
Prescott, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Toronto, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hamilton, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Port Colborne, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sarnia, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fort William, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Port Arthur, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Churchill, Man.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Westminster, B.C.	64	192,981	64	223,885	107	323,478	119	392,898
Vancouver, B.C.	253	664,335	252	674,289	486	1,263,135	497	1,313,150
Victoria, B.C.	96	178,824	83	181,300	222	405,535	201	434,894
Atlantic-St. Lawrence River ports Montreal and below	514	1,003,264	519	989,799	1,137	2,158,814	1,236	2,284,597
Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River ports above Montreal	70	23,201	70	23,201	145	48,290	145	48,290
Pacific Coast ports	673	1,479,829	698	1,579,577	1,308	2,816,436	1,418	3,176,848
Total Canadian ports	1,257	2,506,294	1,287	2,592,577	2,590	5,023,540	2,799	5,509,735

Table 5.

Number and Registered Net Tonnage of Vessels Arrived at and Departed from Selected Canadian Ports in Coastwise Service

Ports	February, 1959				Cumulative, 1959			
	Arrivals		Departures		Arrivals		Departures	
	Vessels	Registered net tonnage	Vessels	Registered net tonnage	Vessels	Registered net tonnage	Vessels	Registered net tonnage
Bell Island, Nfld.	2	3,439	2	3,439	5	8,917	5	8,917
Cornerbrook, Nfld.	1	2,695	-	-	2	3,270	1	575
St. John's, Nfld.	22	24,836	26	26,692	61	58,077	60	59,058
Charlottetown, P.E.I.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax, N.S.	49	52,708	54	75,476	117	138,654	124	179,448
Sydney, N.S.	2	1,612	2	1,612	13	13,268	12	13,224
Saint John, N.B.	37	29,182	37	29,987	78	62,448	78	59,721
Seven Islands, Que.	8	4,694	8	4,694	18	8,171	18	8,289
Port Alfred, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec, Que.	9	3,314	15	5,834	27	5,952	44	11,305
Three Rivers, Que.	-	-	-	-	1	3,373	-	-
Sorel, Que.	1	207	-	-	1	207	-	-
Contrecoeur, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montreal, Que.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prescott, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Toronto, Ont.	1	12	-	-	1	12	-	-
Hamilton, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Port Colborne, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sarnia, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fort William, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Port Arthur, Ont.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Churchill, Man.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Westminster, B.C.	301	131,554	301	101,709	569	252,154	569	191,729
Vancouver, B.C.	1,427	1,002,929	1,440	999,628	2,927	2,077,806	3,020	2,091,294
Victoria, B.C.	232	153,519	248	153,443	500	413,879	539	410,833
Atlantic-St. Lawrence River ports Montreal and below ..	868	527,912	862	558,777	1,856	1,277,599	1,860	1,304,958
Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River ports above Montreal .	9	175	8	266	63	1,690	11	746
Pacific Coast ports	3,369	2,320,532	3,362	2,220,613	6,778	4,828,762	6,811	4,581,465
Total Canadian ports	4,246	2,848,619	4,232	2,779,656	8,697	6,108,051	8,682	5,887,169

Table 6.

Cargoes Unloaded and Loaded at Selected Canadian Ports by Commodity and by Type of Trade

Ports and Commodities	February, 1959							Cumulative total 1959	
	Foreign			Coastwise					
	Unloaded	Loaded	Total	Unloaded	Loaded	Total	Grand total		
Tons (2,000 lb.)									
<u>Bell Island, Nfld.</u>									
Iron ore	-	60,995	60,995	-	-	-	60,995	265,408	
Coal, bituminous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,220	
Other	-	-	-	800	-	800	800	1,436	
Total	-	60,995	60,995	800	-	800	61,795	271,064	
<u>Cornerbrook, Nfld.</u>									
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Woodpulp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,105	
Newsprint	-	9,230	9,230	-	-	-	9,230	28,835	
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
General	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	
Other	-	-	-	46	-	46	46	2,799	
Total	-	9,230	9,230	46	-	46	9,276	34,744	

<u>Sr. John's, Nfld.</u>								
Coal, bituminous	1,632	-	1,632	5,474	-	5,474	7,106	14,386
Newspaper	-	8,250	8,250	-	-	-	8,250	8,250
Gasoline	-	-	-	1,422	-	1,422	1,422	6,278
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	14,336	365	14,701	14,701	37,825
General	2,897	311	3,208	2,787	349	3,136	6,344	17,208
Other	3,840	371	4,211	8,562	20	8,582	12,793	21,761
Total	8,369	8,932	17,301	32,581	734	33,315	50,616	105,708

<u>Charlottetown, P.E.I.</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Potatoes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fertilizers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gasoline	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<u>Halifax, N.S.</u>								
Petroleum, crude	129,148	-	129,148	-	-	-	129,148	291,582
Gypsum	-	117,400	117,400	-	-	-	117,400	207,467
Gasoline	13,521	-	13,521	-	3,070	3,070	16,591	38,891
Petroleum oils	48,221	1,973	50,194	-	61,364	61,364	111,558	306,024
General	22,337	46,194	68,531	282	7,607	7,889	76,420	135,150
Other	15,158	90,816	105,974	781	2,475	3,256	109,230	265,990
Total	228,385	256,383	484,768	1,063	74,516	75,579	560,347	1,245,104

<u>Sydney, N.S.</u>								
Iron ore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,220
Coal, bituminous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Limestone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	3,467	-	3,467	3,467	5,667
Rails and fastenings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,244
Other	-	-	-	-	300	300	300	8,648
Total	-	-	-	3,467	300	3,767	3,767	33,779

<u>Saint John, N.B.</u>								
Wheat	-	115,651	115,651	-	-	-	115,651	209,977
Sugar, raw, refined	13,674	-	13,674	-	-	-	13,674	37,121
Gasoline	-	-	-	8,563	50	8,613	8,613	21,522
Petroleum oils	15,992	-	15,992	40,985	75	41,060	57,052	121,030
General	21,446	50,148	71,594	15,837	26,385	42,222	113,816	251,652
Other	7,181	77,399	84,580	10,828	15,220	26,048	110,628	171,807
Total	58,293	243,198	301,491	76,213	41,730	117,943	419,434	813,108

<u>Seven Islands, Que.</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Iron ore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Woodpulp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	3,046	154	3,200	3,200	5,995
Total	-	-	-	-	3,046	154	3,200	3,200	5,995

Table 6. Cont'd.

Cargoes Unloaded and Loaded at Selected Canadian Ports by Commodity and by Type of Trade

Ports and Commodities	February, 1959						Grand total	Cumulative total 1959		
	Foreign			Coastwise						
	Unloaded	Loaded	Total	Unloaded	Loaded	Total				
Tons (2,000 lb.)										
<u>Quebec, Que.</u>										
Wheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Coal, bituminous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Gasoline	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	719	4,145	4,864	4,864	14,710		
Other	-	-	-	719	4,145	4,864	4,864	14,710		
Total	-	-	-							
<u>Three Rivers, Que.</u>										
Wheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Coal, bituminous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	509		
Newsprint	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,806		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,315		
Total	-	-	-							
<u>Sorel, Que.</u>										
Wheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Barley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Ilmenite ore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Fertilizers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Iron, pig and bloom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	-	-	-							
<u>Contrecoeur, Que.</u>										
Iron ore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	-	-	-							
<u>Montreal, Que.</u>										
Wheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,257		
Barley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,836		
Coal, bituminous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Petroleum, crude	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Gasoline	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Petroleum oils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,963		
General	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,450		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41,506		
Total	-	-	-							
<u>Prescott, Ont.</u>										
Wheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Barley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Oats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Flaxseed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Coal, bituminous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	-	-	-							

Toronto, Ont.

Wheat	
Barley	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Gasoline	-
Petroleum oils	-
Other	-
Total	-

Hamilton, Ont.

Iron ore	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	-
Petroleum oils	-
General	-
Other	-
Total	-

Port Colborne, Ont.

Wheat	-
Barley	-
Iron ore	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Other	-
Total	-

Sarnia, Ont.

Wheat	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Gasoline	-
Petroleum oils	-
Other	-
Total	-

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

Iron ore	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Limestone	-
Iron, pig and bloom	-
Iron and steel	-
Other	-
Total	-

Fort William, Ont.

Wheat	-
Barley	-
Oats	-
Other mill products	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Other	-
Total	-

Port Arthur, Ont.

Wheat	-
Barley	-
Oats	-
Iron ore	-
Coal, bituminous	-
Other	-
Total	-

Table 6. Concl'd.

Cargoes Unloaded and Loaded at Selected Canadian Ports by Commodity and by Type of Trade

Ports and Commodities	February, 1959						Grand total Cumulative total 1959	
	Foreign			Coastwise				
	Unloaded	Loaded	Total	Unloaded	Loaded	Total		
Tons (2,000 lb.)								
<u>Churchill, Man.</u>								
Wheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<u>New Westminster, B.C.</u>								
Logs, posts, poles, pitprops and piling	-	-	-	36,830	240	37,070	37,070	
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	6,538	6,538	-	44,820	44,820	51,358	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	-	-	-	-	12,800	12,800	12,800	
Lumber, timber, box, crate and cooperage material	-	25,571	25,571	-	14,023	14,023	39,594	
General	-	1	1	5,280	8,068	13,348	13,349	
Other	20,234	23,154	43,388	23,080	69,117	92,197	135,585	
Total	20,234	55,264	75,498	65,190	149,068	214,258	289,756	
<u>Vancouver, B.C.</u>								
Wheat	-	274,049	274,049	-	48,471	48,471	322,520	
Logs, posts, poles, pitprops and piling	-	-	-	35,680	3,052	38,732	38,732	
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	37,009	37,009	-	40,157	40,157	77,166	
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,800	-	1,800	65,158	2,220	67,378	69,178	
Lumber, timber, box, crate and cooperage material	69	38,925	38,994	6,366	2,334	8,700	47,694	
Petroleum oils	21,945	-	21,945	1	58,415	58,416	80,361	
General	1,779	655	2,434	38,979	25,758	64,737	67,171	
Other	16,919	104,271	121,190	59,563	179,484	239,047	360,237	
Total	42,512	454,909	497,421	205,747	359,891	565,638	1,063,059	
<u>Victoria, B.C.</u>								
Logs, posts, poles, pitprops and piling	91	-	91	2,140	11,520	13,660	13,751	
Pulpwood and pulpwood chips	-	13,317	13,317	-	10,840	10,840	24,157	
Lumber, timber, box and cooperage material	-	15,972	15,972	-	11,711	11,711	27,683	
Petroleum oils	1	-	1	21,122	120	21,242	21,243	
General	-	-	-	13,412	5,793	19,205	19,205	
Other	3,394	297	3,691	12,955	16,925	29,880	33,571	
Total	3,486	29,586	33,072	49,629	56,909	106,538	139,610	

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