

Rail transportation in Canada, 2020



In Canada, **CN and CP** are the mainline freight companies, along with several short-line companies, while **VIA Rail** is the mainline passenger company.

The industry's total operating revenue was **\$16.5 billion**, while total operating expenses were **\$10.9 billion**.



There were **31,607** employees in the rail transportation industry, whose average salary was **\$95,937**.

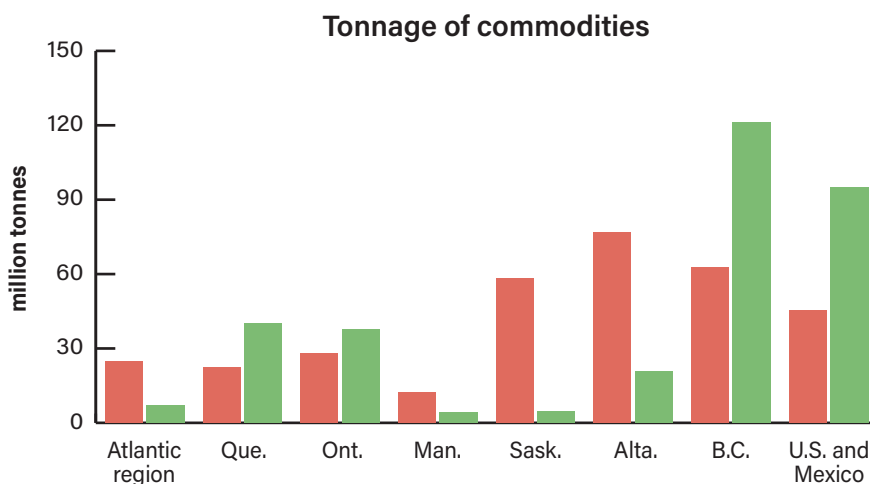
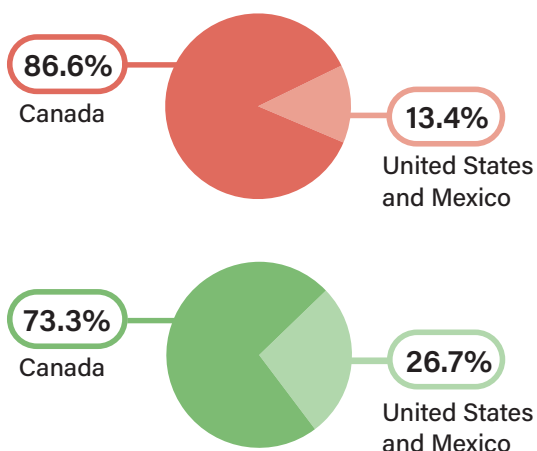
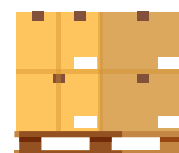


There were **2,470** freight locomotives and **57,158** freight cars.

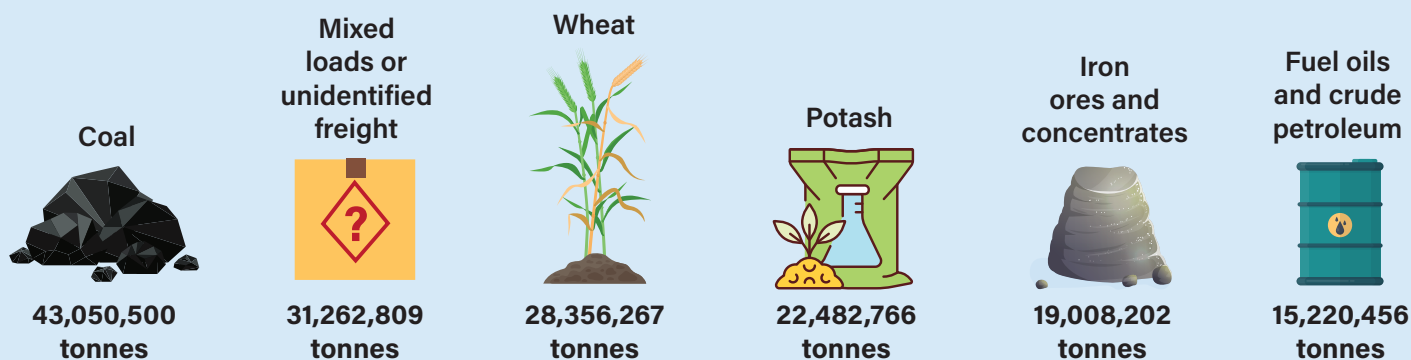
Origin and destination of all rail shipments, by weight

- Origin
- Destination

Alberta was the top **origin** for cargo carried by railways, while British Columbia was the top **destination**.



Non-intermodal traffic accounted for **88%** of all tonnage moved by rail. Of the **321.7 million** tonnes of shipments, coal was the top commodity moved by rail, at **43.1 million** tonnes.



Source: Statistics Canada, Annual Survey on Rail Transportation, 2020, Rail Commodity Origin and Destination Statistics, 2020.