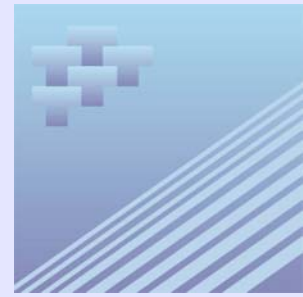




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Monthly Railway Carloadings

November 2007



Highlights

- Following a strong rebound in October, railway loadings fell in November as four of the industry's top five largest commodity classifications by tonnage all declined.
- Canadian Railways loaded a total of 24.5 million metric tonnes of freight in November, a 3.8% drop from the 25.4 million metric tonnes loaded in October. The industry's main transportation systems, non-intermodal and intermodal, each saw decreases in the number of loadings.
- Non-intermodal freight loadings declined 4.1% in November to 21.9 million metric tonnes from the 22.8 million metric tonnes reported in October.
- The fall in non-intermodal loadings was primarily due to reduced tonnage in four commodity classifications: iron ore and concentrates (-16.4%), lumber (-7.9%), potash (-7.7%) and wheat (-1.7%)
- Despite November's decreased loadings, a number of commodities saw a rise in loadings. Among those with rises include hydrocarbon and waste based commodities.
- Hydrocarbon commodities with increased loadings include other refined petroleum and coal products (+11.4%), coal (+10.1%) and gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid propane gas (+6.0%). The increase in hydrocarbon commodities is due to rising demand for transportation fuels and exports.
- Waste commodities with increased loadings include non-metallic waste and scrap (+27.0%), other manufactured and miscellaneous goods (+20.7%), and metallic waste and scrap (+9.3%). The increase in waste commodities is also due to rising demand for exports.
- Intermodal freight loadings dropped 1.6% in November to 2.6 million metric tonnes. For the month, container loadings decreased 1.4% to 2.5 million metric tonnes, while trailer loadings decreased 7.9% to 82,000 metric tonnes.
- Rail freight traffic, either destined for or passing through Canada from the United States, decreased 5.2% to 2.9 million metric tonnes in November.
- On a year-over-year-basis, non-intermodal loadings fell 1.6% from November 2006, while intermodal loadings rose 6.1%. Traffic received from the United States continued its strong advance in 2007, surging 17.1% from November 2006.
- The annual increase in tonnage from US inbound traffic resulted in a 20.9% rise in the number of carloadings.



Statistical tables

Table 1
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada — Total

	November 2007		November 2006	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	16,690	1,532,436	22,355	2,035,886
Other cereal grains	9,127	731,904	5,184	411,354
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	3,224	292,362	2,166	191,958
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	6,612	537,863	6,216	498,701
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	1,577	131,768	1,813	148,936
Animal feed and products	2,113	167,608	2,171	178,568
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3	192	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,240	96,642	972	77,529
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	2,872	230,765	2,606	211,147
Sugar	357	31,401	363	31,691
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	266	19,336	315	21,131
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	186	14,149	194	15,045
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	2,627	218,914	2,787	227,107
Salt	900	80,460	1,199	105,311
Phosphate rock	824	74,370	489	44,058
Sulphur	6,426	622,126	6,492	623,147
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	4,853	431,869	5,327	476,502
Iron ores and concentrates	29,587	2,691,624	34,388	3,167,153
Copper ores and concentrates	1,207	105,792	1,296	113,079
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,225	172,647	2,337	179,640
Lead ores and concentrates	224	17,273	186	14,343
Zinc ores and concentrates	656	56,025	853	71,960
Other metallic ores and concentrates	5,206	496,273	5,714	545,698
Coal	30,343	3,128,955	26,247	2,669,148
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	2,619	196,924	2,427	182,560
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	6,167	488,966	5,764	469,231
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	6,799	431,864	7,413	472,157
Coal coke and petroleum coke	1,556	113,161	1,876	139,828
Other refined petroleum and coal products	3,004	233,835	2,815	217,392
Sulphuric acid	2,497	225,667	2,826	253,585
Alumina	2,968	272,005	3,284	303,402
Other basic chemicals	7,243	630,186	6,914	604,046
Potash	14,891	1,447,453	13,777	1,332,139
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	4,875	408,418	4,765	398,912
Other chemical products and preparations	1,001	86,178	670	56,194
Plastic and rubber	4,023	351,086	4,051	355,184
Logs and other wood in the rough	1,849	100,360	2,594	144,300
Wood chips	4,500	272,755	5,721	345,507
Lumber	11,415	962,517	13,096	1,097,354
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	4,675	370,099	6,084	480,149
Wood pulp	10,176	836,318	9,676	787,771
Newsprint	4,970	320,125	5,769	372,353
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	4,187	288,857	5,701	393,589
Cement	2,537	236,031	2,340	219,270
Other non-metallic mineral products	274	23,621	328	27,057
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	6,297	517,683	4,348	358,258
Copper, primary or semi-finished	441	37,221	439	36,804
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	3,216	267,810	2,872	237,081
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	608	49,875	733	57,907
Articles of base metal	1,466	107,698	1,645	116,928
Machinery	119	5,106	181	6,167
Automobiles and mini-vans	8,716	147,244	8,495	148,386
Freight motor vehicles	8,620	152,958	7,681	137,284
Other vehicles	15	185	48	874
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	2,156	60,034	2,159	60,564
Other transportation equipment	1,408	34,104	2,247	51,560
Metallic waste and scrap	3,404	265,392	3,125	238,873
Non-metallic waste and scrap	684	38,204	613	34,067
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	134	7,585	146	8,007
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	173	7,639	408	20,532
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	321	10,094	548	15,877
Less than carload shipments	...	113	...	15
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	269,349	21,888,119	275,249	22,240,256

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 2
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada — Eastern Division

	November 2007		November 2006	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	105	9,276	309	27,628
Other cereal grains	593	51,770	341	28,971
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	36	2,948	30	2,235
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	16	1,309	6	489
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	258	22,009	474	40,513
Animal feed and products	798	62,369	1,069	85,197
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	61	4,597	25	1,971
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	391	30,676	342	26,566
Sugar	305	26,812	324	28,374
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	48	4,192	73	5,462
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	111	8,413	138	10,498
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,117	86,324	1,711	131,644
Salt	274	23,632	617	54,809
Phosphate rock	823	74,347	489	44,058
Sulphur	86	7,755	123	10,932
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	4,324	384,860	4,907	438,862
Iron ores and concentrates	29,587	2,691,624	34,388	3,167,153
Copper ores and concentrates	600	51,962	652	55,803
Nickel ores and concentrates	2,208	171,072	2,337	179,640
Lead ores and concentrates	224	17,273	186	14,343
Zinc ores and concentrates	587	50,647	806	68,396
Other metallic ores and concentrates	5,161	492,309	5,685	543,173
Coal	1,334	118,711	1,747	153,893
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	1,874	141,724	1,736	129,467
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	3,345	268,481	3,209	256,468
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	3,229	208,690	3,584	231,775
Coal coke and petroleum coke	669	43,532	972	68,008
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,179	88,608	1,179	87,471
Sulphuric acid	2,259	204,357	2,400	215,408
Alumina	2,968	272,005	3,283	303,316
Other basic chemicals	2,949	251,459	2,583	220,724
Potash	699	63,651	630	57,813
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	215	18,944	250	22,259
Other chemical products and preparations	949	82,029	604	50,966
Plastic and rubber	1,767	149,705	1,732	148,760
Logs and other wood in the rough	1,522	79,933	2,068	111,176
Wood chips	1,568	97,514	1,941	120,080
Lumber	2,357	196,467	2,811	231,467
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	1,189	84,371	1,872	141,082
Wood pulp	3,005	233,717	2,811	216,378
Newsprint	4,319	276,604	5,096	324,917
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	2,987	204,420	4,473	307,029
Cement	1,531	141,148	1,414	132,351
Other non-metallic mineral products	142	12,572	134	11,022
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	5,653	463,400	3,731	306,112
Copper, primary or semi-finished	369	31,734	357	30,555
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	3,203	266,838	2,850	235,334
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	256	21,553	258	21,976
Articles of base metal	467	34,916	725	52,441
Machinery	83	3,618	124	3,681
Automobiles and mini-vans	6,809	119,462	7,049	127,603
Freight motor vehicles	8,203	146,949	7,350	132,322
Other vehicles	4	4	7	23
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	2,156	60,034	2,159	60,564
Other transportation equipment	1,041	23,293	1,874	41,315
Metallic waste and scrap	2,137	168,430	1,980	155,208
Non-metallic waste and scrap	307	23,046	265	18,325
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	61	3,896	75	4,441
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	172	7,624	403	20,370
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	311	9,222	532	15,551
Less than carload shipments	...	113	...	15
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	121,001	8,898,946	131,300	9,734,383

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 3
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada — Western Division

	November 2007		November 2006	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	16,585	1,523,160	22,046	2,008,258
Other cereal grains	8,534	680,134	4,843	382,383
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	3,188	289,414	2,136	189,723
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	6,596	536,554	6,210	498,212
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	1,319	109,759	1,339	108,423
Animal feed and products	1,315	105,239	1,102	93,371
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	3	192	0	0
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	1,179	92,045	947	75,558
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	2,481	200,089	2,264	184,581
Sugar	52	4,589	39	3,317
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	218	15,144	242	15,669
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	75	5,736	56	4,547
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	1,510	132,590	1,076	95,463
Salt	626	56,828	582	50,502
Phosphate rock	1	23	0	0
Sulphur	6,340	614,371	6,369	612,215
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	529	47,009	420	37,640
Iron ores and concentrates	0	0	0	0
Copper ores and concentrates	607	53,830	644	57,276
Nickel ores and concentrates	17	1,575	0	0
Lead ores and concentrates	0	0	0	0
Zinc ores and concentrates	69	5,378	47	3,564
Other metallic ores and concentrates	45	3,964	29	2,525
Coal	29,009	3,010,244	24,500	2,515,255
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	745	55,200	691	53,093
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	2,822	220,485	2,555	212,763
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	3,570	223,174	3,829	240,382
Coal coke and petroleum coke	887	69,629	904	71,820
Other refined petroleum and coal products	1,825	145,227	1,636	129,921
Sulphuric acid	238	21,310	426	38,177
Alumina	0	0	1	86
Other basic chemicals	4,294	378,727	4,331	383,322
Potash	14,192	1,383,802	13,147	1,274,326
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	4,660	389,474	4,515	376,653
Other chemical products and preparations	52	4,149	66	5,228
Plastic and rubber	2,256	201,381	2,319	206,424
Logs and other wood in the rough	327	20,427	526	33,124
Wood chips	2,932	175,241	3,780	225,427
Lumber	9,058	766,050	10,285	865,887
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	3,486	285,728	4,212	339,067
Wood pulp	7,171	602,601	6,865	571,393
Newsprint	651	43,521	673	47,436
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	1,200	84,437	1,228	86,560
Cement	1,006	94,883	926	86,919
Other non-metallic mineral products	132	11,049	194	16,035
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	644	54,283	617	52,146
Copper, primary or semi-finished	72	5,487	82	6,249
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	13	972	22	1,747
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	352	28,322	475	35,931
Articles of base metal	999	72,782	920	64,487
Machinery	36	1,488	57	2,486
Automobiles and mini-vans	1,907	27,782	1,446	20,783
Freight motor vehicles	417	6,009	331	4,962
Other vehicles	11	181	41	851
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	0	0	0	0
Other transportation equipment	367	10,811	373	10,245
Metallic waste and scrap	1,267	96,962	1,145	83,665
Non-metallic waste and scrap	377	15,158	348	15,742
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	73	3,689	71	3,566
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	1	15	5	162
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	10	872	16	326
Less than carload shipments	...	0	...	0
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	148,348	12,989,173	143,949	12,505,873

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 4
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada (year to date) — Total

	January 2007 to November 2007		January 2006 to November 2006	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	206,605	18,832,491	208,688	18,911,015
Other cereal grains	54,313	4,297,452	46,344	3,644,896
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	28,372	2,548,845	28,091	2,500,612
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	66,443	5,359,606	70,843	5,642,791
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	10,678	882,004	9,897	790,589
Animal feed and products	22,766	1,819,669	19,985	1,629,773
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	37	2,368	3	46
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	12,504	975,714	11,918	948,022
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	28,110	2,265,103	27,951	2,212,059
Sugar	4,254	372,384	4,764	417,646
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	3,128	222,985	3,328	204,068
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	1,410	112,243	1,232	96,912
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	29,470	2,511,928	36,683	3,152,837
Salt	8,290	736,866	11,542	1,016,327
Phosphate rock	6,960	627,465	5,563	497,931
Sulphur	71,401	6,882,441	75,179	7,246,823
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	59,709	5,247,245	69,161	6,077,687
Iron ores and concentrates	328,093	30,220,087	336,387	31,030,457
Copper ores and concentrates	12,544	1,103,741	13,653	1,197,746
Nickel ores and concentrates	23,184	1,785,053	22,436	1,724,832
Lead ores and concentrates	2,403	185,350	2,681	206,704
Zinc ores and concentrates	7,535	635,637	8,161	697,350
Other metallic ores and concentrates	57,706	5,503,831	57,229	5,459,197
Coal	311,003	31,852,752	283,174	28,726,963
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	31,281	2,401,488	29,681	2,284,327
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	62,702	5,061,719	55,292	4,484,424
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	63,783	4,045,115	62,751	3,982,351
Coal coke and petroleum coke	18,272	1,224,286	22,725	1,572,169
Other refined petroleum and coal products	30,177	2,343,546	30,697	2,376,341
Sulphuric acid	27,785	2,503,869	28,378	2,532,748
Alumina	33,195	3,039,863	32,779	3,005,528
Other basic chemicals	76,402	6,673,510	83,482	7,312,380
Potash	166,058	16,137,332	126,582	12,246,224
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	50,518	4,220,206	51,466	4,301,086
Other chemical products and preparations	9,127	775,675	7,759	651,623
Plastic and rubber	45,379	3,947,716	45,021	3,891,168
Logs and other wood in the rough	24,787	1,353,634	35,623	2,039,401
Wood chips	53,944	3,216,124	61,639	3,692,619
Lumber	151,606	12,758,103	178,698	14,923,212
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	61,719	4,879,590	79,320	6,196,532
Wood pulp	107,861	8,791,478	111,333	9,005,357
Newsprint	56,569	3,711,638	71,848	4,662,123
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	56,133	3,927,260	61,121	4,189,955
Cement	27,935	2,612,229	27,372	2,551,094
Other non-metallic mineral products	3,417	293,153	4,734	403,291
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	63,826	5,251,305	62,157	5,176,994
Copper, primary or semi-finished	4,658	390,435	4,870	410,970
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	31,702	2,618,715	30,253	2,465,608
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	8,004	647,583	8,092	639,222
Articles of base metal	15,991	1,181,460	14,776	1,089,910
Machinery	1,680	69,440	1,029	39,148
Automobiles and mini-vans	93,239	1,579,974	94,207	1,630,624
Freight motor vehicles	86,242	1,528,723	74,889	1,336,309
Other vehicles	617	22,463	427	9,467
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	23,834	657,728	26,318	744,678
Other transportation equipment	13,170	357,496	18,124	505,854
Metallic waste and scrap	33,172	2,550,577	35,240	2,701,029
Non-metallic waste and scrap	6,218	313,389	8,830	498,033
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	1,472	86,405	1,800	104,155
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	3,208	157,409	4,845	234,397
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	3,958	121,402	5,870	169,614
Less than carload shipments	...	726	...	157
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	2,906,559	236,435,977	2,954,921	238,093,407

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 5
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada (year to date) — Eastern Division

	January 2007 to November 2007		January 2006 to November 2006	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	3,336	296,849	4,330	388,195
Other cereal grains	2,874	239,229	2,018	168,212
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	345	28,109	176	13,857
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	17	1,389	47	3,605
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	1,713	144,340	1,657	132,061
Animal feed and products	8,742	688,564	7,667	609,146
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	0	0	2	9
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	461	36,119	455	36,377
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	3,685	289,655	3,315	251,322
Sugar	3,879	342,476	3,840	336,457
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	517	44,054	513	42,572
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	742	58,133	631	47,774
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	10,820	879,822	15,601	1,279,241
Salt	3,817	335,225	6,745	588,917
Phosphate rock	6,958	627,426	5,563	497,931
Sulphur	1,271	113,592	1,289	115,476
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	54,704	4,801,842	63,524	5,578,063
Iron ores and concentrates	328,086	30,219,447	336,387	31,030,457
Copper ores and concentrates	5,682	493,518	5,848	503,399
Nickel ores and concentrates	23,055	1,773,552	22,436	1,724,832
Lead ores and concentrates	2,392	184,439	2,681	206,704
Zinc ores and concentrates	6,659	567,010	6,818	587,967
Other metallic ores and concentrates	57,416	5,478,374	56,732	5,414,849
Coal	20,858	1,802,396	21,657	1,878,262
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	23,450	1,805,802	21,953	1,694,467
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	30,781	2,451,240	28,297	2,251,493
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	34,057	2,176,852	32,994	2,098,741
Coal coke and petroleum coke	9,521	529,711	14,073	900,351
Other refined petroleum and coal products	13,053	975,586	13,308	986,839
Sulphuric acid	24,470	2,208,343	24,621	2,198,002
Alumina	33,195	3,039,863	32,776	3,005,267
Other basic chemicals	32,449	2,790,864	32,118	2,744,504
Potash	8,032	734,592	7,488	687,983
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	1,865	162,902	2,505	220,795
Other chemical products and preparations	8,623	735,778	7,005	595,029
Plastic and rubber	19,945	1,681,136	20,581	1,715,641
Logs and other wood in the rough	19,912	1,049,967	24,185	1,301,322
Wood chips	15,234	923,053	15,029	920,735
Lumber	34,430	2,876,322	43,256	3,547,621
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	18,441	1,348,057	26,952	2,007,775
Wood pulp	32,521	2,510,698	34,350	2,612,781
Newsprint	48,829	3,184,900	62,261	3,991,592
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	42,752	2,969,600	46,039	3,130,493
Cement	16,105	1,501,923	16,085	1,494,332
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,663	144,645	2,603	225,014
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	56,758	4,653,102	54,226	4,502,730
Copper, primary or semi-finished	3,647	312,776	3,898	337,547
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	31,559	2,607,806	29,996	2,445,264
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	3,190	271,660	3,081	260,016
Articles of base metal	4,804	352,312	6,499	476,851
Machinery	1,339	53,528	821	28,937
Automobiles and mini-vans	73,096	1,283,058	76,202	1,357,700
Freight motor vehicles	81,603	1,458,928	69,702	1,258,307
Other vehicles	403	17,314	284	5,369
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	23,834	657,728	26,318	744,678
Other transportation equipment	9,838	254,593	14,819	402,898
Metallic waste and scrap	18,894	1,477,690	21,613	1,694,081
Non-metallic waste and scrap	1,878	133,253	4,489	300,260
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	670	42,323	881	52,585
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	3,179	156,658	4,804	233,189
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	3,840	117,474	5,725	165,798
Less than carload shipments	...	726	...	157
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	1,335,889	99,098,299	1,401,769	104,032,831

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.
2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 6
Railway carloading statistics for non-intermodal traffic by commodity in Canada (year to date) — Western Division

	January 2007 to November 2007		January 2006 to November 2006	
	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes	Number of rail cars	Metric tonnes
Wheat	203,269	18,535,642	204,358	18,522,820
Other cereal grains	51,439	4,058,223	44,326	3,476,684
Fresh, chilled or dried vegetables	28,027	2,520,736	27,915	2,486,755
Fresh, chilled or dried fruit and nuts	0	0	0	0
Colza seeds (canola)	66,426	5,358,217	70,796	5,639,186
Other oil seeds and nuts, other agricultural product	8,965	737,664	8,240	658,528
Animal feed and products	14,024	1,131,105	12,318	1,020,627
Meat, fish, seafood and preparations	37	2,368	1	37
Milled grain production and preparations, bakery products	12,043	939,595	11,463	911,645
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and flours	24,425	1,975,448	24,636	1,960,737
Sugar	375	29,908	924	81,189
Prepared food stuffs, not elsewhere classified	2,611	178,931	2,815	161,496
Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages	668	54,110	601	49,138
Sand, gravel and crushed stone	18,650	1,632,106	21,082	1,873,596
Salt	4,473	401,641	4,797	427,410
Phosphate rock	2	39	0	0
Sulphur	70,130	6,768,849	73,890	7,131,347
Gypsum	x	x	x	x
Other non-metallic minerals ¹	5,005	445,403	5,637	499,624
Iron ores and concentrates	7	640	0	0
Copper ores and concentrates	6,862	610,223	7,805	694,347
Nickel ores and concentrates	129	11,501	0	0
Lead ores and concentrates	11	911	0	0
Zinc ores and concentrates	876	68,627	1,343	109,383
Other metallic ores and concentrates	290	25,457	497	44,348
Coal	290,145	30,050,356	261,517	26,848,701
Gasoline and aviation turbine fuel	7,831	595,686	7,728	589,860
Fuel oils and crude petroleum	31,921	2,610,479	26,995	2,232,931
Gaseous hydrocarbons, including liquid petroleum gas (LPG's)	29,726	1,868,263	29,757	1,883,610
Coal coke and petroleum coke	8,751	694,575	8,652	671,818
Other refined petroleum and coal products	17,124	1,367,960	17,389	1,389,502
Sulphuric acid	3,315	295,526	3,757	334,746
Alumina	0	0	3	261
Other basic chemicals	43,953	3,882,646	51,364	4,567,876
Potash	158,026	15,402,740	119,094	11,558,241
Fertilizers (excluding potash)	48,653	4,057,304	48,961	4,080,291
Other chemical products and preparations	504	39,897	754	56,594
Plastic and rubber	25,434	2,266,580	24,440	2,175,527
Logs and other wood in the rough	4,875	303,667	11,438	738,079
Wood chips	38,710	2,293,071	46,610	2,771,884
Lumber	117,176	9,881,781	135,442	11,375,591
Other wood products (plywood, veneer)	43,278	3,531,533	52,368	4,188,757
Wood pulp	75,340	6,280,780	76,983	6,392,576
Newsprint	7,740	526,738	9,587	670,531
Paper and paperboard, except printed products	13,381	957,660	15,082	1,059,462
Cement	11,830	1,110,306	11,287	1,056,762
Other non-metallic mineral products	1,754	148,508	2,131	178,277
Iron and steel, primary or semi-finished	7,068	598,203	7,931	674,264
Copper, primary or semi-finished	1,011	77,659	972	73,423
Aluminum, primary or semi-finished	143	10,909	257	20,344
Other non-ferrous metal, primary or semi-finished	4,814	375,923	5,011	379,206
Articles of base metal	11,187	829,148	8,277	613,059
Machinery	341	15,912	208	10,211
Automobiles and mini-vans	20,143	296,916	18,005	272,924
Freight motor vehicles	4,639	69,795	5,187	78,002
Other vehicles	214	5,149	143	4,098
Parts and accessories for motor vehicles	0	0	0	0
Other transportation equipment	3,332	102,903	3,305	102,956
Metallic waste and scrap	14,278	1,072,887	13,627	1,006,948
Non-metallic waste and scrap	4,340	180,136	4,341	197,773
Other manufactured and miscellaneous goods	802	44,082	919	51,570
Pool car traffic of freight forwarder and ship associated	29	751	41	1,208
Mixed loads or unidentified freight	118	3,928	145	3,816
Less than carload shipments	...	0	...	0
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded ²	1,570,670	137,337,678	1,553,152	134,060,576

1. Includes loadings of gypsum.

2. Excludes goods transported in containers or trailers on flat cars.

Table 7
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada — Total

	November 2007			November 2006		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	21,888,119	.	.	22,240,256
Container-on-flat-car	160,571	285,891	2,491,055	149,801	262,658	2,339,785
Trailer-on-flat-car	6,574	.	81,948	6,372	.	84,373
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	2,946,086	.	.	2,515,958
Total traffic carried	.	.	27,407,208	.	.	27,180,372
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	22,807	38,623	326,378	17,302	29,929	232,347
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	1,873	.	28,140	1,507	.	21,732
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	3,152,513	.	.	3,434,102

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 8
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada — Eastern Division

	November 2007			November 2006		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	8,898,946	.	.	9,734,383
Container-on-flat-car	84,151	150,878	1,358,799	84,399	148,263	1,330,117
Trailer-on-flat-car	6,095	.	72,856	5,895	.	76,140
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	740,287	.	.	688,913
Total traffic carried	.	.	11,070,888	.	.	11,829,553
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	5,114	10,319	64,307	4,602	9,179	56,208
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	239	.	4,755	134	.	2,392
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	2,603,250	.	.	2,894,408

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 9
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada — Western Division

	November 2007			November 2006		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	12,989,173	.	.	12,505,873
Container-on-flat-car	76,420	135,013	1,132,256	65,402	114,395	1,009,668
Trailer-on-flat-car	479	.	9,092	477	.	8,233
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	2,205,799	.	.	1,827,045
Total traffic carried	.	.	16,336,320	.	.	15,350,819
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	17,693	28,304	262,071	12,700	20,750	176,139
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	1,634	.	23,385	1,373	.	19,340
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	549,263	.	.	539,694

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 10
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada (year to date) — Total

	January 2007 to November 2007			January 2006 to November 2006		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	236,435,977	.	.	238,093,407
Container-on-flat-car	1,658,386	2,925,936	25,757,648	1,616,104	2,825,205	25,213,165
Trailer-on-flat-car	70,439	.	906,925	67,576	.	909,721
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	29,602,675	.	.	26,064,272
Total traffic carried	.	.	292,703,225	.	.	290,280,565
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	228,615	392,719	3,147,730	187,742	329,048	2,475,054
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from						
United States connections	18,674	.	272,847	15,552	.	235,616
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	37,431,608	.	.	39,689,030

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 11
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada (year to date) — Eastern Division

	January 2007 to November 2007			January 2006 to November 2006		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	99,098,299	.	.	104,032,831
Container-on-flat-car	873,090	1,550,316	14,072,528	876,099	1,539,382	14,107,157
Trailer-on-flat-car	65,214	.	802,093	62,099	.	811,622
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	8,229,294	.	.	7,291,313
Total traffic carried	.	.	122,202,214	.	.	126,242,923
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	58,726	115,552	735,655	56,040	112,147	665,095
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	1,754	.	31,930	1,211	.	21,534
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	30,775,930	.	.	32,267,799

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Table 12
Railway carloading statistics for intermodal and non-intermodal traffic in Canada (year to date) — Western Division

	January 2007 to November 2007			January 2006 to November 2006		
	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes	Units	TEUs ¹	Metric tonnes
Total non-intermodal traffic loaded	.	.	137,337,678	.	.	134,060,576
Container-on-flat-car	785,296	1,375,620	11,685,120	740,005	1,285,823	11,106,008
Trailer-on-flat-car	5,225	.	104,832	5,477	.	98,099
Traffic received from United States connections	.	.	21,373,381	.	.	18,772,959
Total traffic carried	.	.	170,501,011	.	.	164,037,642
Container-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	169,889	277,167	2,412,075	131,702	216,901	1,809,959
Trailer-on-flat-car included in receipts from United States connections	16,920	.	240,917	14,341	.	214,082
Traffic received from Canadian connections	.	.	6,655,678	.	.	7,421,231

1. Estimated numbers.

Note(s): Unit of measure "TEUs" means: twenty-foot equivalent units.

Methodology and concepts

The **Railway Carloadings (Monthly)** publication presents essential data for timely analysis of the Rail Transport Industry and its contribution to the Canadian economy. Approximately 40 rail carriers report each month on their total intermodal¹ and non-intermodal² traffic. For non-intermodal traffic, the carriers report the number of cars and tonnes by commodity of revenue-generating freight that they have loaded in Canada. For intermodal freight, the carriers report the number of units and tonnes for containers-on-flat-cars (C.O.F.C.) and trailers-on-flat-cars (T.O.F.C.), with no commodity detail. The carriers also report the total tonnage of revenue freight received from United States connections.

The total quantity of freight carried in Canada is the sum of the non-intermodal and intermodal freight loaded and the traffic received from U.S. connections. Additional information provided includes the number of units and tonnes of C.O.F.C. and T.O.F.C. received from U.S. connections and the total tonnes of cargo that the carriers received from other Canadian connections. This freight that is exchanged among Canadian based carriers is counted only once in the total quantity of freight moved as it is counted only when loaded. For intermodal freight, twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) are derived from the dimensions of the freight-laden containers. Empty containers are not included in these statistics.

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