



## CANADA

### Holiday travel mess shows why Canadian air travel industry needs competition: NDP



Source: National Post

New Democrat Leader Jagmeet Singh says the holiday travel woes that left thousands of passengers stranded at airports or struggling to find flights home show why there should be more competition in Canada's airspace. He says the lack of choice for passengers is also making flying less affordable, and he's calling on the Liberal government to find ways to make the airline industry more competitive. The Canadian Transportation Agency requires domestic air service operators to be majority-owned and controlled by Canadians, limiting options for travellers — especially in rural or remote areas. Over the holidays, hundreds of people were stranded in Mexico when Sunwing cancelled flights, and the airline has stopped flying from Saskatchewan entirely until next month. Air Canada is discontinuing flights from Saskatoon and Regina to Calgary this month, after it discontinued flights from Yellowknife to Edmonton last year. Singh says he wants the CEOs of both companies to answer questions at a future transport committee meeting, but that Transport Minister Omar Alghabra should also ensure there's better oversight.

"We need to make sure people have access to being able to get around the country, and that it is affordable," Singh said Wednesday (January 4, 2023). "And right now, for many people, it is not at all. It's something we need to look at and find solutions for."

*Holiday travel mess shows why Canadian air travel industry needs competition: NDP, January 4, 2023, [www.nationalpost.ca](http://www.nationalpost.ca)*

## US/WORLD

### WorldACD Air cargo trends for the past 5 weeks (wk 51)

In the week in which the holiday season started, global air cargo tonnages have dropped strongly, as is typical for this time of the year. However, despite the weakening trend in air cargo tonnages, this year's decline at the beginning of the holiday season is smaller than last year, the latest preliminary figures from WorldACD Market Data indicate. Figures for week 51 (19 to 25 December) show an overall drop of -11% in worldwide flown tonnages compared with the previous week. The decrease in overall chargeable weight is normal for this time of the year as the holiday period begins, with this year's drop smaller than last year (-14%) when comparing week 51 to week 50. The average rates declined in week 51 by -2% compared to the previous week, which is slightly steeper than during the same period last year and a continuation of the sliding rate levels that we have witnessed since the beginning of the month. Comparing weeks 50 and 51 with the preceding two weeks (2Wo2W), tonnages decreased -7% below their combined total in weeks 48 and 49, while average worldwide rates declined -3%, combined with a -3% decrease in capacity – based on the more than 400,000 weekly transactions covered by WorldACD's data. In this two-week period, tonnages were down between all regions, except from Middle East & South Asia to Asia Pacific (+5%), and intra-Asia Pacific (+3%). Most significant decreases were recorded

from Asia Pacific to Europe (-18%), from North America to Europe (-16%) and from Europe to Africa (-16%).

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## Rail Transport Updates

### CANADA

#### Union Representing Rail Traffic Controllers Ratifies New Agreement

CN on January 3, 2022 announced that on December 23, 2022, the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference ratified a new collective agreement. The agreement covers approximately 160 rail traffic controllers in Canada. Tracy Robinson President and CEO said "We are pleased to have negotiated a new collective agreement before the expiry of the previous one. We are committed to working with our railroaders and their union representatives to create a workplace where employees thrive and together, we deliver better and safer service to our valued customers."

*Union Representing Rail Traffic Controllers Ratifies New Agreement, January 3, 2023, [www.cn.ca](http://www.cn.ca)*

### US/WORLD

#### AAR reports weekly rail traffic for December and the week ending December 31, 2022



Source: Railway Age

The Association of American Railroads (AAR) on January 4, 2023 reported U.S. rail traffic for the week ending December 31, 2022, as well as volumes for December 2022. U.S. railroads originated 842,171 carloads in December 2022, down 4.4 percent, or 38,476 carloads, from December 2021. U.S. railroads also originated 900,213 containers and trailers in December 2022, down 5.2 percent, or 49,107 units, from the same month last year. Combined U.S. carload and intermodal originations in December 2022 were 1,742,384, down 4.8 percent, or 87,583 carloads and intermodal units from December 2021. In December 2022, four of the 20 carload commodity categories tracked by the AAR each month saw carload gains compared with December 2021. Total U.S. carload traffic for the first 12 months of 2022 was 11,976,283 carloads, down 0.3 percent, or 34,001 carloads, from the same period last year; and 13,452,480 intermodal units, down 4.9 percent, or 686,580 containers and trailers, from last year. Total combined U.S. traffic for the first 52 weeks of 2022 was 25,428,763 carloads and intermodal units, a decrease of 2.8 percent compared to last year. Total U.S. weekly rail traffic was 365,553 carloads and intermodal units, down 6.8 percent compared with the same week last year. Total carloads for the week ending December 31 were 179,992 carloads, down 12.5 percent compared with the same week in 2021, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 185,561 containers and trailers, down 0.5 percent compared to 2021. Canadian railroads reported 59,380 carloads for the week, up 3.6 percent, and 47,068 intermodal units, down 1.2 percent compared with the same week in 2021. For the first 52 weeks of 2022, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 7,516,426 carloads, containers and trailers, down 0.6 percent.

*AAR reports weekly rail traffic for December and the week ending December 31, 2022, January 4, 2023, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com); and For 2022, Overall North American Rail Volume Down, January 4, 2023, [www.railwayage.com](http://www.railwayage.com)*



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## Marine Transport Updates

### CANADA



#### Montreal posts preliminary 2022 results



Source: Inside Logistics

After two years marked by declines in cargo volumes due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Port of Montreal posted a 5.4 percent gain in volumes over last year with a total of 35.9 million tonnes of cargo transiting through its facilities in 2022. These are preliminary (unaudited) results for 2022. "The Port of Montreal, your port, is doing fine, as evidenced by the encouraging preliminary results for 2022," said Martin Imbleau, president and CEO. "In the great disruption caused by the pandemic, we all became aware of the existence and importance of supply chains and the need to restructure them. The Port of Montreal and its partners can help make this possible, specifically with the development of our major container terminal project in Contrecoeur." The container sector saw a slight increase of 1.2 percent with 14.4 million tons handled. With the recovery in movements, the liquid bulk sector enjoyed a net increase of 10.5 percent over 2021 with 13 million tonnes handled.

*Montreal posts preliminary 2022 results, January 2, 2023, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*



#### MSC ship wins Montreal first vessel recognition



Source: Inside Logistics

On January 1, 2023, the MSC Donata was the first ocean-going vessel of the year 2023 to cross the Port of Montreal's downstream limit at Sorel without a stopover. True to a tradition that dates back more than 180 years, the Montreal Port Authority (MPA) is awarding the Gold-headed Cane to its master, Singh Ranjit Kumar. The MSC Donata left the port of Sines, Portugal on 23rd Dec 2022. The Panama-flagged MSC container ship ended its journey at the Viau terminal operated by Termont in section 48 of the Port of Montreal. The MSC Donata will be back at sea in a few days with containers ready for export to Marsaxlokk, Malta.

*MSC ship wins Montreal first vessel recognition, January 3, 2023, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

## US/WORLD

### Port of Long Beach channel deepening project wins Federal authorization

The Port of Long Beach is kicking off 2023 with plenty to celebrate. On Dec. 23, 2022 President Joe Biden signed into law the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2022, the biennial legislation authorizing federal flood control, navigation and ecosystem improvements that include the Port's Channel Deepening Project. "We are grateful to members of the House and Senate and the Army Corps of Engineers who championed this bill, the many lawmakers from both parties who voted for it and President Biden," said Board of Harbor Commissioners President Sharon L. Weissman. "Their overwhelming support recognizes how vital international trade through the Port of Long Beach is to the U.S. economy." The Port's Channel Deepening Project is one of only five navigation projects nationwide that met the goals of the Corps' rigorous planning process to make the cut for construction authorization under the new water resources law. The WRDA was packaged with the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2023.

*Port of Long Beach channel deepening project wins Federal authorization, December 29, 2022, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

### Lithium-ion battery transport causing more catastrophic transport events



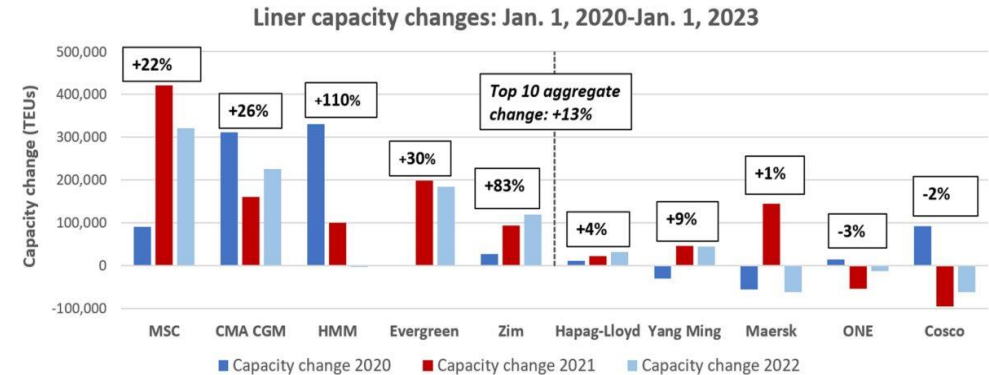
Source: Inside Logistics

The increasing demand for electric-powered vehicles and devices is posing a risk for transportation. TT Club, UK P&I Club and technical and scientific consultancy Brookes Bell have published a paper highlighting the dangers inherent in the transport of lithium-ion batteries, particularly by sea. "Recently, serious and sometimes catastrophic incidents involving lithium-ion batteries have become

more commonplace, with fires reported in all modes of transport – ocean, air and land – as well as in warehouses and where such consignments are at rest," said Peregrine Storrs-Fox, TT's risk management director.

*Lithium-ion battery transport causing more catastrophic transport events, January 5, 2023, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

### Top 10 container lines: How did rankings change during boom?

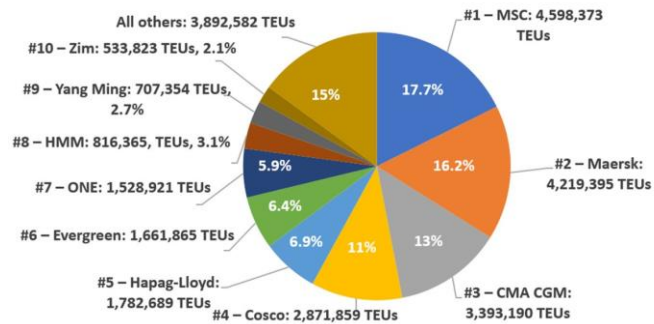


Source: American Shipper

Container shipping lines reaped massive windfalls during the COVID-era consumer boom. Different ocean carriers pursued different fleet strategies in 2020-22, from aggressively maximizing market exposure on one hand to keeping capacity flat or even reducing it on the other. The liner bonanza isn't over yet — high contract rates should keep outsized profits flowing well into this year. But with the historic super-cycle winding down, it's time to take stock of how fleets evolved over the past three years. Alphaliner released its overview of 2022 fleet changes on January 3, 2022. Together with Alphaliner's historical records, the data shows that the aggregate market share of the top 10 lines has stayed steady through the super-cycle — now at 85% of the global fleet versus 84% in early 2020 — but with big changes among individual players. There are "major discrepancies between the 'gainers' and 'losers,'" said Alphaliner.

The big gainers between Jan. 1, 2020, and Jan. 1, 2023, shows the top 10 liners increased aggregate capacity by 2.6 million twenty-foot equivalent units or 13%. Five companies drove the gains. These companies were: 1. MSC 22%; 2. CMA CGM 26%; HMM 110%; Evergreen 30%; and Zim 83%. The changes of the other companies were: 6. Hapag-Lloyd 4%; 7. Yang Ming 9%; 8. Maersk 1%; 9. ONE -3%; and 10. Cosco -2%. The market share of the ten is shown in the chart.

### Top 10 carrier groups' share of global fleet



Source: American shipper

*Top 10 container lines: How did rankings change during boom?, January 5, 2023, [www.americanshipper.com](http://www.americanshipper.com)*

### Drewry World Container Index - 05 Jan

Drewry's detailed assessment for January 5, 2023 was as follows: 1. The composite index increased by 0.7% this week, the first increase in 43 weeks, but has dropped by 77% when compared with the same week last year. 2. The latest Drewry WCI composite index of \$2,1235 per 40-foot container is now 79% below the peak of \$10,377 reached in September 2021. It is 21% lower than the 10-year average of \$2,694, indicating a return to more normal prices, but remains 50% higher than average 2019 (pre-pandemic) rates of \$1,420. 3. The average composite index for the year-to-date is \$2,135 per 40ft container, which is \$559 lower than the 10-year average (\$2,694 mentioned above). 4. The composite index increased by 0.7% to \$2,135.16 per 40ft container, but is 77% lower than the same week in 2021. Freight rates on Shanghai – Rotterdam gained 10% or \$168 to \$1,874 per feu. Spot rates on Shanghai – Genoa climbed 2% or \$47 to \$2,926 per 40ft box. However, rates on Rotterdam – New York dropped 6% or \$400 to \$6,589 per 40ft container. Rates on Los Angeles – Shanghai and Shanghai – New York fell 3% each to \$1,138 and \$3,788 per 40ft box, respectively. Rates on New York – Rotterdam slid 2% to \$1,243 per feu. Similarly, rates on Rotterdam – Shanghai and Shanghai – Los Angeles slipped 1% each to \$785 and \$1,964 per 40ft container, individually. Drewry expects small week-on-week reductions in rates in the next few weeks.

*Drewry World Container Index - 05 Jan, January 5, 2023, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*



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#### Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, November 2022



Source: Statistics Canada

The Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index (2019=100) is now available for November. The couriers and messenger services index was 134.7 for November 2022 compared to 129.0 in October 2022. A year ago the index was 112.0 for November.

*Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, November 2022, January 3, 2023, [www.statcan.gc.ca](http://www.statcan.gc.ca)*

#### Canada-U.S. border saw \$35B in October truck shipments

Trucks moved US\$35.1 billion in freight between Canada and the U.S. in October 2022, accounting for more than half of the \$65.4 billion in transborder freight that crossed the 49th parallel. Combined with the \$48.2 billion in freight that trucks moved across the U.S.-Mexico border, this marked a 12.9% increase in North America's transborder truck freight compared to October 2021, according to the U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics. All figures are reported in U.S. dollars.

The top three truck ports along the Canada-U.S. border included Detroit (\$10.2 billion) and Port Huron, Mich. (\$5.8 billion), and Buffalo, N.Y. (\$5.8 billion). The top three commodities to move by truck included computers and parts (\$5.7 billion), vehicles and parts (\$4.7 billion), and electrical machinery (\$2.4 billion). The remaining Canada-U.S. shipments moved by pipeline (\$10.3 billion), rail (\$9.2 billion), air (\$3.3 billion) and vessels (\$3.2 billion). A 7.4% increase in oil values between October 2022 and October 2021 contributed to the increases for pipelines and vessels.

*Canada-U.S. border saw \$35B in October truck shipments, January 5, 2023, [www.todaystrucking.com](http://www.todaystrucking.com)*

### US/WORLD

#### Big and bulky last-mile delivery in the US continues to be a high-growth 3PL segment

Armstrong & Associates, Inc. (A&A), an internationally recognized leader for third-party logistics market information and consulting, releases its latest market research report "*Making it Count: Big and Bulky Last-Mile Delivery in the United States*". The National Home Delivery Association (NHDA) and A&A partnered for this study covering the Third-Party Logistics (3PL) Big and Bulky U.S. Last-Mile Delivery Market segment to identify current market size, historical growth and outlook, key providers, customers and verticals served, e-commerce's role, employment, and other trends. This report details and compares the use of independent contractors versus employee drivers, customer and revenue trends by vertical industry, and the growing use of freight brokerage to source last-mile carrier capacity. The 3PLs analyzed had last-mile delivery revenues from \$7 million to \$1 billion and represent approximately 40% of the estimated \$9.3 billion U.S. Third-Party Logistics Big and Bulky Last-Mile Delivery Market. A&A estimates the U.S. 3PL Big and Bulky Last-Mile Delivery

Market experienced a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 18.2% from 2017 through 2021 and will have a CAGR of 11.8% from 2022 through 2025. These projections make Big and Bulky Last-Mile Delivery one of the fastest growing 3PL segments over the next three years.

*Big and bulky last-mile delivery in the US continues to be a high-growth 3PL segment, December 29, 2022, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

## Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$2.1 Billion to Improve Four Nationally Significant Bridges Through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law's First Large Bridge Grants

“These first Large Bridge grants will improve bridges that serve as vital connections for millions of Americans to jobs, education, health care and medical care and help move goods from our farms and factories,” said Deputy Transportation Secretary Polly Trottenberg. “And over the next four years we will be able to fund construction for the pipeline of shovel ready projects we are creating through Bridge Planning Grants.” The First Large Bridge Project Grants, awarded in Fiscal Year 2022 are as follows: 1. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will receive \$1.385 billion to rehabilitate and reconfigure the existing Brent Spence Bridge. 2. The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District in California will receive \$400 million. 3. The Connecticut Department of Transportation will receive \$158 million. 4. The City of Chicago, Illinois, will receive \$144 million to rehabilitate four bridges over the Calumet River on the Southside of Chicago.

*Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$2.1 Billion to Improve Four Nationally Significant Bridges Through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law's First Large Bridge Grants, January 4, 2023, [www.dot.gov](http://www.dot.gov)*

## Transportation prices fall at fastest-ever pace in December, LMI says

Supply chain data released Tuesday (January 3, 2022) showed a new “sharpest rate of contraction” for transportation pricing during December 2023. The Logistics Managers’ Index (LMI), a monthly survey of supply chain executives, displayed a 36.9 reading for transportation prices during the month. The rate of decline was the fastest recorded in the six-year history of the data set. A reading above 50 indicates expansion while one below that indicates contraction. Transportation utilization (48.1) fell into contraction territory for the first time since April 2020, while transportation capacity (69.5) expanded at a historically high but more tepid pace. “With warehouses largely full of product before the start of the holiday

season, less transportation than usual was needed to push goods forward at the last minute,” the report said.

*Transportation prices fall at fastest-ever pace in December, LMI says, January 3, 2023, [www.freightwaves.com](http://www.freightwaves.com)*



## North American Transborder Freight up 13.9% in October 2022 from October 2021



Source: BTS

Total transborder freight: \$133.8 billion of transborder freight moved by all modes of transportation, up 13.9% compared to October 2021. The highlights were as follows: 1. Freight between the U.S. and Canada totalled \$65.4 billion, up 11.6% from October 2021; 2. Freight between the U.S. and Mexico totalled \$68.4 billion, up 16.2% from October 2021; 3. Trucks moved \$83.3 billion of freight, up 12.9% compared to October 2021; 4. Railways moved \$17.2 billion of freight, up 4.2% compared to October 2021; 5. Pipelines moved \$11.4 billion of freight, up 37.3% compared to October 2021; 6. Vessels moved \$10.8 billion of freight, up 22.7% compared to October 2021. US-Canada trade in both directions were as follows: truck \$35.1b; pipeline \$10.3b; road \$9.2 ; rail \$3.3b ; and vessel \$3.2b.

*North American Transborder Freight up 13.9% in October 2022 from October 2021, January 5, 2023, [www.bts.gov](http://www.bts.gov)*



## Ford more than doubles EV sales in race behind Tesla



Source: Financial Post

Ford Motor Co.'s electric vehicle sales more than doubled last year in the U.S., fortifying its standing as No. 2 in the EV race behind Tesla Inc. The Dearborn, Michigan-based automaker sold 61,575 EVs last year, a 126 per cent surge as it debuted the F-150 Lightning plug-in pickup and E-Transit van. Ford's overall U.S. light-vehicle sales fell 2.2 per cent to 1,850,925, according to a statement on January 5, 2023, but that was still enough to give the company a small market share gain of 0.7 percentage points. EVs accounted for 3.3 per cent of Ford's sales last year, but chief executive officer Jim Farley has plans for the company to be producing two million EVs a year by the end of 2026 and he's spending US\$50 billion to roll out battery-powered models. Strong sales of Bronco sport-utility vehicles helped partially offset a 9.9 per cent decline in F-Series pickup sales last year. Ford said it has sold 15,617 electric versions of the F-150 since it went on sale in May 2022, making it the best-selling electric pickup on the market. Sales of the electric Mustang Mach-E rose 45 per cent to 39,458 models, closing in on the gas-fuelled version of the pony car that generated 47,566 sales last year, down 9.2 per cent.

*Ford more than doubles EV sales in race behind Tesla, January 5, 2023, [www.financialpost.ca](http://www.financialpost.ca)*



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## Other Transport Updates

### US/WORLD



#### Transportation Statistics Annual Report 2022

The Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) on December 30, 2022 released the 28th edition of the Transportation Statistical Annual Report (TSAR). The report is a collection of key transportation indicators along with an overview of the transportation system, to display ongoing technological change, shifting national priorities, and cultural, demographic, and economic challenges that have altered expectations of what is important to report to transportation stakeholders.

*Transportation Statistics Annual Report 2022, December 30, 2022, [www.bts.gov](http://www.bts.gov)*



#### One third of world economy expected to be in recession in 2023, says IMF chief



Source: CNN

2023 year is going to be tougher on the global economy than the one we have left behind, the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) chief Kristalina Georgieva has warned. "Why? Because the three big

economies, US, EU, China, are all slowing down simultaneously," she said in an [interview](#) that aired on CBS Sunday, January 1, 2023. "We expect one third of the world economy to be in recession," she said, adding that even for countries that are not in recession: "It would feel like recession for hundreds of millions of people." While the US may end up avoiding a recession, the situation looks more bleak in Europe, which has been hit hard by the war in Ukraine, she said. "Half of the European Union will be in recession," Georgieva added. The IMF currently projects global growth to be at 2.7% this year, slowing from 3.2% in 2022. The deceleration in China will have a dire impact globally. The world's second largest economy weakened dramatically in 2022 because of its rigid zero-Covid policy, which left China out of sync with the rest of the world, disrupting supply chains and damaging the flow of trade and investment.

*One third of world economy expected to be in recession in 2023, says IMF chief, January 2, 2023, [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com)*



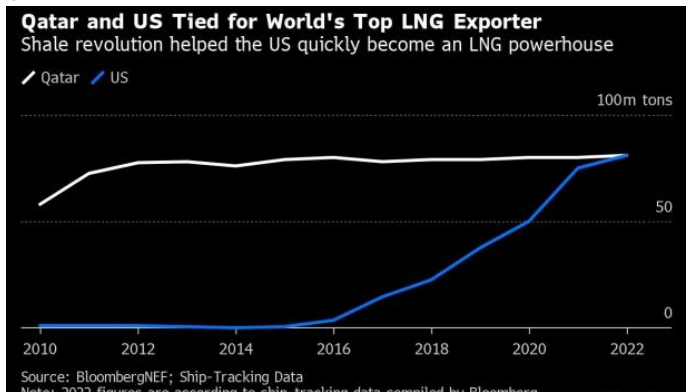
#### European Single Market is turning 30

This year, the EU celebrates the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its Single Market – one of the major achievements of European integration, and one of its key drivers. Established on 1 January 1993, the European Single Market allows goods, services, people and capital to move around the EU freely, making life easier for people and opening up new opportunities for businesses. Over 30 years, the Single Market has led to an unprecedented market integration between Member States' economies, serving as a driver for growth and competitiveness and supporting Europe's economic and political power at a global level. It also played a key role in accelerating the economic development of new Member States that joined the EU, removing barriers to entry and boosting growth. More recently, the Single Market has been essential in helping Europe to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic and the energy crisis resulting from Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Preserving and

strengthening the integrity of the Single Market will remain essential to allow Europe to respond to new challenges in a coordinated way and continue supporting the competitiveness of European economies. Thanks to the Single Market, the EU has been able to improve the lives of all Europeans including by: 1. Accelerating the transition to a greener and more digital economy; 2. Guaranteeing high safety and leading global technological standards; and 3. Responding to recent crises with unprecedented speed and determination.

*European Single Market is turning 30, January 2, 2022, [www.europa.eu](http://www.europa.eu)*

## US surges to top of LNG exporter ranks on breakneck growth



Source: AJOT

The US tied Qatar as the world's top exporter of liquefied natural gas last year, a milestone for the meteoric rise of America as a major supplier of the fuel. Both countries exported 81.2 million tons in 2022, according to ship-tracking data compiled by Bloomberg. While that's a modest increase for Qatar, it marks a huge leap for the US, which only began exporting LNG from the lower-48 states in 2016 and has seemingly overnight become a dominant force in the industry. A shale gas revolution, coupled with billions of dollars of investments in liquefaction facilities, transformed the US from a net LNG importer to a major supplier. The global energy crisis and a shift away from Russian pipeline gas has increased demand for US LNG, which could also help support construction of several new export projects across the Gulf Coast. The US would have been the world's top LNG exporter if not for a fire at the Freeport export plant in Texas, which has kept the plant shut since June. The facility is slated to resume operations later this month, which will cement the US as the biggest exporter of the fuel.

*US surges to top of LNG exporter ranks on breakneck growth, January 3, 2023, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

## Fresh fragility in global trade set to be revealed in 2023



Source: AJOT

It's been almost two years since an Arabian sandstorm roiled the world's supply networks by nudging a 1,300-foot-long container ship into the muddy bank of the Suez Canal. The EverGiven's week-long grounding delivered a key warning: The global trading system isn't as stable as we thought. Since then, a pandemic-fuelled supply crunch, Russia's war with Ukraine, and a deepening rift in the US-China trade relationship have hammered home the idea that the world needs more resilient trade networks. As these supply-chain shocks begin to dissipate this year, the next fragility to be exposed will reveal how outdated the global trading system is in an era where the world's largest nations are stepping back from the founding principles of globalization. Here are five ways that global trade will transform in 2023: 1. Biden's Trade War; 2. Transatlantic Tensions; 3. Global Subsidies War; 4. Multilateralism in a Coma?; and 5. Return to Clubs

*Fresh fragility in global trade set to be revealed in 2023, January 3, 2023, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*



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#### \* **Manager, Service Planning – Long Beach Transit (Long Beach, California)**

The position of Service Planning Manager is responsible for managing the activities of the Service Planning Department and directly supervises the personnel within the Service Planning Department. The Service Planning Manager ensures that Long Beach Transit Fixed Route services are designed to achieve customer satisfaction and to support overall community development and growth. The Service Planning Manager monitors the service performance, develops long and short-range transit plans and programs to optimize transit services and ensures that service is in compliance with local, state, and federal mandates.

#### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following:**

- Manages and prioritizes service development staff activities to achieve company standards, and business plan objectives
- Oversees the development and production of schedules; ensures that run cutting, scheduling and the operator general bid process is efficient and productive
- Develops department budget including preparation of the annual capital budget
- Provides appropriate data for projecting annual service hours and miles for operating budget
- Actively participates in strategic business planning process
- Develops new and innovative service concepts that continuously improve the quality of Long Beach Transit services and the communities we serve
- Coordinates all service quality issues and works with other transit systems, developers, city/county agencies, and the community in the development of new transportation services
- Provides data to appropriate departments in the preparation of Short- and Long-Range funding marks for annual budget process

- Oversees the development of the Short-Range Transit Plan, National Transportation Data Base, State Transit Performance Measures, Title VI, and other statistical reporting and operational analyses
- Participates in the development of operational policies and procedures for company services.
- Communicates and implements safety rules, polices, and procedures in support of the agency's safety vision and goals; and maintains accountability for the safety performance of all subordinate employees
- Develops scopes of work for contracts, resolves legal, contractual, and technical issues
- Directs the technical monitoring, analysis, and evaluation of analytical, quantitative, and statistical methods and tools
- Represents LBT before various public, private, and government audiences

#### **EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:**

A bachelor's degree in urban planning, transportation, public administration, or other transportation or management related field, and five (5) years of progressively responsible public transit experience that would demonstrate the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities to manage a transportation service development department is required. Experience in service development, project management, and/or planning preferred.

Upon Request, a Driving Record printout is required with application (must be current within the 30 days of the printout).

Salary Range: \$101,241 - \$118,958 (Depending on Qualifications)

#### **Application**

Apply online at [www.ridelbt.com/careers](http://www.ridelbt.com/careers). Online applications must include past work history and be fully completed to be considered. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a complete online application.

Candidate must be eligible to work in the United States. Long Beach Transit does not sponsor H-1B or other related work visas. COVID-19 Vaccine Required.

### **\* President and CEO (Subsidiary of VIA's TGF) - Quebec, Canada**

The Government of Canada is committed to transforming how people move and live in Canada's busiest region, the Toronto to Quebec City corridor. High Frequency Rail (HFR) is a once in a generation project that will transform passenger rail service in Canada through the creation of a faster, more frequent, more reliable rail service in this corridor. Through a novel procurement approach (i.e., co-development of the project with a private developer), the HFR project will leverage world-class expertise and private sector innovation early in the project. HFR will reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve accessibility, increase integration with communities by servicing new cities such as Peterborough and Trois-Rivières and local connectivity through access to other modes of transportation, and contribute to the Government's commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.

HFR also promises a better future for workers in the passenger rail sector by modernizing, enhancing and greatly expanding service, creating new job opportunities for current and future employees. VIA Rail, its unions and its employees are critical to the success and advancement of the HFR project. VIA Rail is a key partner in the project by providing all necessary support and operational expertise in the delivery of the project and will continue to play a key role across Canada as our national passenger rail provider.

As such, VIA Rail Canada Inc. has been authorized by the Governor in Council to incorporate a wholly-owned subsidiary "VIA-HFR" in accordance with the Canada Business Corporations Act.

VIA HFR will be independent, with the mandate to develop and implement HFR in Ontario and Quebec by developing one or more agreements with the private sector on behalf of the Minister of Transport. It will have its own authorities and resources to deliver the project, as well as a distinct reporting and accountability structure through the Minister to Parliament. VIA-HFR's head office will be located in Montreal.

VIA-HFR is looking for its inaugural Chief Executive Officer (CEO), to lead this new organization in the development of the HFR project. The new CEO who will report to the VIA-HFR Board of directors will be responsible for three principal objectives: 1) establishing the new

organization, 2) establishing the skill sets required for the organization to function as the project management office, and 3) undertake the management of the project with the private sector partner to be chosen by the Government of Canada. At this time, the Government of Canada has launched a competitive procurement process and will lead the selection of the Private Developer Partner, with the support of VIA-HFR who will be instrumental in developing the project and readying it for a final investment decision by the Government of Canada.

As the ideal Chief Executive Officer candidate, you have excelled as a senior executive and have in-depth experience leading organizations and major transportation infrastructure projects within complex multi-stakeholder environments. This has developed your business acumen, along with the operational know-how, to oversee the establishment of the new corporation. As an experienced C-suite executive, you are an inspiring leader and are known for your strategic thinking, your ability to create and translate a vision to action, building high-performing teams, and welcoming and encouraging diverse thought perspectives.

You are a skilled communicator and relationship builder, which is especially evident given your experience working with Indigenous groups and communities.

Your background and experience bring credibility, as well as technical and operational knowledge of the transportation industry, including rail and other related sectors. You also possess an understanding of all aspects of large public infrastructure projects, including acquisition, procurement, P3s, and project management.

You have extensive delivery experience in at least two of the three areas: 1) very large capital investments or infrastructure projects, 2) complex procurement processes, or 3) passenger transportation. As someone known to have worked on sustainable projects, you are well acquainted with environmental impact assessments. You have outstanding communication skills, can operate in both official languages, and appreciate the importance of public affairs.

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### **\* The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) headquarters' Office of Freight Management and Operations (HOFM) is growing!**

This Office implements FHWA's freight program and also provides support across many program areas in the US Department of Transportation. HOFM is currently seeking applications for three Transportation Specialists.

## Positions include:

**Freight Transportation Specialist (GS-2101-13/14)** - This person is responsible for overseeing and administering various national freight transportation programs relating to highways and trucking and will serve as a national advisor in providing direction and guidance to FHWA Divisions, States, and other stakeholder. The position is located in the FHWA Headquarters Office of Operations in Washington, DC.

**Freight Transportation Specialist (GS-2101-13/14)** - This person is responsible for overseeing and administering the National Highway Freight Program, a national Federal Aid program to the States as well as other freight transportation programs. This person provides direction and guidance to FHWA Divisions, States, and other stakeholders. The position is located in the FHWA Headquarters Office of Operations in Washington, DC.

**Truck Size and Weight Specialist (GS-2101-13)** - This person is responsible for overseeing and administering the Federal Truck Size and Weight regulations and serves as a national advisor in providing direction and guidance to FHWA Divisions, States, the freight industry, and other stakeholders. The Truck Size and Weight Transportation Specialist is a full-time remote work position.

## How to Apply:

We are using the Direct Hire authority to fill this vacancy and will be looking at applications and resumes for this position submitted by December 16, 2022. To apply, prepare a resume describing your work experience applicable to the primary duties and responsibilities of the positions for which you would like to be considered, send your resume directly to [Caitlin.Hughes@dot.gov](mailto:Caitlin.Hughes@dot.gov) and [Jeffrey.Purdy@dot.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Purdy@dot.gov) and refer to the position title in the subject line.

You may also complete an application at USA Jobs under <https://lnkd.in/eMr5PTY9> for Transportation Specialist - Direct Hire (FHWA.BIL-2023-0001). If you have already entered an application in USAJobs, please send an email to Caitlin and Jeff indicating your interest in being considered.

## \* Principal Planner: Freight Planning, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority

Under the direction of the Director of Freight Planning, the Principal Planner: Freight Planning will be responsible for performing a full range of technical planning, research, analysis, written reports, and outreach

activities in the specialized field of freight and goods movement planning. The job requires knowledge of goods movement, the application of tools of analysis, the ability to research freight and related topics and produce reports, as well as the ability of effectively engage and interact with stakeholders in the public and private sector. To apply, please click here:

<https://njit.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/1/home/requisition/4582?c=njit>

## \* Postdoctoral Scholar in Sustainable Freight Transportation Technologies

The College of Engineering – Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) at the University of California, Riverside, is seeking a highly motivated postdoctoral scholar to join our Transportation Systems Research (TSR) group in conducting research related to sustainable freight transportation technologies. Candidates with knowledge and research experience in freight travel demand modeling, vehicle scheduling and routing, vehicle energy and emissions modeling, geospatial data analysis, advanced optimization, machine learning, and high-performance computing, are encouraged to apply.

The TSR group consists of a multidisciplinary team of more than 20 faculty members, graduate and undergraduate students, and staff engineers. We conduct research in the areas of advanced vehicles and intelligent transportation systems with a focus on developing and evaluating technologies that improve the travel and energy efficiencies as well as reduce the environmental impact of transportation activities. Several recent and current research projects involve the development

of novel sustainable freight transportation technologies, all the way from conceptualization to design, simulation, prototyping, and real-world demonstration.

Specific activities of the successful candidate may include:

- Develop new vehicle scheduling and routing techniques and evaluate their effectiveness
- Model energy, emissions, and air quality impacts of freight movement
- Conduct field testing of new vehicle scheduling and routing techniques
- Perform mining, analysis, visualization, and interpretation of vehicle activity big data
- Assist in producing high-quality publications, reports, and research proposals
- Support additional related research projects as needed

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Those interested should send their curriculum vitae and a cover letter to [certjobs@cert.ucr.edu](mailto:certjobs@cert.ucr.edu) with the subject "TSR Postdoc Position". In the cover letter, please provide a statement of research interests and experience.

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