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Air Transport Updates

CANADA

Air Canada Resumes Ottawa to London Heathrow Non-stop International Services Beginning Spring 2025



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada on August 14, 2024 announced it is further boosting its schedule serving Canada's capital region with non-stop, international flights from Ottawa to London Heathrow. Flights will be operated four-times weekly with Air Canada's Dreamliner fleet offering a choice of three cabins beginning March 31, 2025. Seats are available for purchase now at aircanada.com, via the Air Canada app, travel agents and Air Canada's contact centres.

Air Canada Resumes Ottawa to London Heathrow Non-stop International Services Beginning Spring 2025, August 14, 2024, www.aircanada.ca

Porter Airlines introducing Toronto-Pearson - Thunder Bay route with Embraer E195-E2

Porter Airlines is introducing the newest route with its Embraer E195-E2 aircraft, between Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ) and Thunder Bay International Airport (YQT). Flights will operate with three roundtrips per week. Porter has been serving the Thunder Bay

community since 2009, currently with up to five times daily roundtrip flights between Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, and twice daily flights between Ottawa using the 78-seat Dash 8-400 aircraft. Toronto-Pearson service begins October 16, 2024.

Porter Airlines introducing Toronto-Pearson - Thunder Bay route with Embraer E195-E2, August 14, 2024, www.flyporter.com

Air Canada Vacations Invites Canadians to Share Their Vacation Mood

Air Canada Vacations is thrilled to announce the launch of its 'Vacation Mood' fall/winter brand campaign. The social-first campaign was designed to put Canadian travellers at the forefront by inviting them to share their vacation mood on social media with the hashtag #MyVacationMood and tagging @aircanadavacations for a chance to be featured on Air Canada Vacations' social channels. The campaign aims to create a travel community of real people on real vacations, exchanging and sharing unique travel experiences. Nino Montagnese, Vice President at Air Canada Vacations said "We want to inspire Canadians to dream about their next vacation by inviting them to have a voice in our campaign. By creating authentic, emotional connections through travel, we celebrate the way it makes us feel and brings us together."

Air Canada Vacations Invites Canadians to Share Their Vacation Mood, August 15, 2024, www.aircanada.ca

✈️ Canada Jetlines grounds all flights, plans to file for creditor protection



Source: CBC

Canada Jetlines is grounding all flights and says it is temporarily ceasing airline operations effective immediately, making it the latest carrier to signal distress within Canada's troubled commercial airline industry. The airline, which flew mainly to sun destinations out of Toronto, said on August 15, 2024 that it has been unable to find the capital needed to stay afloat and plans to file for creditor protection. "The company ... pursued all available financing alternatives including strategic transactions and equity and debt financings," said spokeswoman Erica Dymond in a release. "Unfortunately despite these efforts, the company has been unable to obtain the financing required to continue operations at this time." Passengers with existing bookings should contact their credit card company to secure refunds, the company said. "Every effort is being made to assist passengers at this time."

Canada Jetlines grounds all flights, plans to file for creditor protection, August 15, 2024, www.cbcnews.ca

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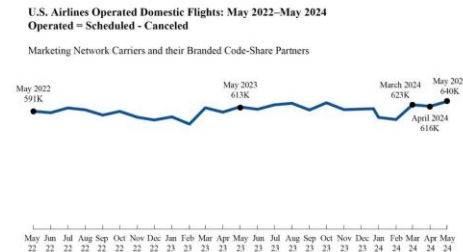
✈️ Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$636 Million in Grants to Improve Airport Infrastructure

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration on August 9, 2024 announced more than \$636 million for 320 grants in 46 states and American Samoa to improve our nation's airport infrastructure. "From passenger travel to cargo operations, the Biden-Harris Administration continues to make our aviation system safer, more accessible, and more resilient through initiatives like the Airport Improvement Program," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. "Thanks to this latest round of funding, passengers across the country will benefit as we make

airports from Rhode Island to American Samoa more modern and efficient."

Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$636 Million in Grants to Improve Airport Infrastructure, August 9, 2024, www.dot.gov

✈️ Air Travel Consumer Report: May 2024 Numbers



Source: BTS

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on August 9, 2024 released its Air Travel Consumer Report (ATCR) on airline operational data compiled for the month of May 2024 for on-time performance, mishandled baggage, and mishandled wheelchairs and scooters. The ATCR is designed to assist consumers with information on the quality of services provided by airlines. For May 2024, 1.4% of flights were cancelled, higher than the 0.6% cancellation rate for May 2023 and lower than the 2.0% cancellation rate in both 2022 and in pre-pandemic May 2019. The submissions about air travel in calendar year 2023 are the highest number on record except for calendar year 2020. In May 2024, airlines reported 38 tarmac delays of more than three hours on domestic flights, compared to 11 tarmac delays of more than three hours on domestic flights reported in April 2024. In May 2024, reporting marketing carriers handled 43.4 million bags and posted a mishandled baggage rate of 0.58%, higher than the rate of 0.46% in April 2024, and higher than the rate of 0.51% in May 2023. For the first quarter of 2024, the 10 U.S. reporting marketing carriers posted an involuntary denied boarding, or bumping, rate of 0.27 per 10,000 passengers, lower than both the rate of 0.29 in the first quarter of 2023 and higher than the rate of 0.20 in the fourth quarter of 2023. In May 2024, carriers reported two incidents involving the death, injury, or loss of an animal while traveling by air, one death and one injury, higher than the zero reports filed in both April 2024 and in May 2023. *Air Travel Consumer Report: May 2024 Numbers, August 9, 2024, www.bts.gov*

U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 200,196 Jobs in June 2024



Source: BTS

U.S. airline industry (passenger and cargo airlines combined) employment increased to 1,002,700 workers in June 2024, 200,196 (24.95%) more workers than in May 2024 (802,504). This sharp increase is due to the merger of FedEx Ground and FedEx Services with FedEx Express to form Federal Express Corporation. U.S. scheduled-service passenger airlines employed 546,446 workers in June 2024 or 55% of the industry-wide total. Passenger airlines gained 1,828 employees in June 2024. Delta Air Lines Inc. led scheduled passenger carriers, adding 1,217 employees; American Airlines Inc. added 193, and SkyWest Airlines Inc. added 181. U.S. cargo airlines employed 452,155 workers in June 2024, or 45% of the industry-wide total. Cargo carriers gained 198,314 employees in June. FedEx, the leading air cargo employer, increased employment by 198,388 jobs.

U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 200,196 Jobs in June 2024, August 12, 2024, www.bts.gov

Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$566 Million in Grants from Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to Modernize Airports

On August 13, 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is awarding \$566.4 million via 296 grants in 47 states to modernize airports as part of President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Airport Infrastructure Grants (AIG) program, part of the \$25 billion total included in the law for airport and air traffic control infrastructure improvements. The AIG funds can be used for airport planning, development, sustainability, terminal expansions, baggage system upgrades, runway safety enhancements and noise compatibility projects at eligible airports.

Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$566 Million in Grants from Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to Modernize Airports, August 13, 2024, www.dot.gov



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Rail Transport Updates

CANADA

CIRB ruling means Canadian rail strike could happen on Aug. 22



Source: JOC

Commodities transported on Canadian rails are not considered essential services because “reasonable alternatives” exist through long-haul trucking, the Canadian Industrial Relations Board (CIRB) ruled August 9, 2024, opening the door for a strike to occur as soon as Aug. 22, 2024 that would shut down both Canadian railroads. If the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference (TCRC) went on strike against Canadian National (CN) and Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC), the result would be “inconvenience and economic hardship ... [but] ... not pose an immediate and serious danger to the safety and health of the public,” the CIRB wrote in its unanimous ruling.

CIRB ruling means Canadian rail strike could happen on Aug. 22, August 9, 2024, www.joc.com

CN Asks Federal Government to Order Binding Arbitration to Protect Canada's Economy

Following the Canada Industrial Relations Board's (CIRB) decision that does not bring the labour conflict any closer to a resolution, CN is formally requesting the Minister of Labour's intervention under section 107 of the Canada Labour Code to protect Canada's economy from the impacts of prolonged uncertainty. Negotiations with the TCRC resumed on August 7, 2024. However, no progress has been made as the TCRC has not engaged meaningfully at the negotiating table. While CN is willing to keep negotiating with the TCRC, the Company has lost faith in the process and is concerned that a negotiated deal is no longer possible without a willing partner. Therefore, the Company formally requests the Minister of Labour's intervention.

CN Asks Federal Government to Order Binding Arbitration to Protect Canada's Economy, August 9, 2024, www.cn.ca

CPKC to issue TCRC lockout notice for Aug. 22

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) on August 9, 2024 said it will issue notice to the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference (TCRC) – Train and Engine (T&E) division and TCRC - Rail Traffic Controller (RCTC) division of its plan to lock out employees at 00:01 ET on Aug. 22 if union leadership and the company are unable to come to a negotiated settlement or agree to binding interest arbitration. CPKC is committed to continuing good faith negotiation throughout.

CPKC to issue TCRC lockout notice for Aug. 22, August 9, 2024, www.cpkc.ca

Container shipping rates up for rail, down for trucking, says Stats Canada

Statistics Canada released a report indicating that container shipping rates have increased over the past year by rail, but have

decreased on the trucking side. The Freight Rail Services Price Index estimates price changes for the mainline freight rail industry in Canada. In July 2024, the price to move intermodal containers by rail increased 2.5 per cent compared with July 2023. Similarly, the For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index tracks price movements for truck transport. Prices charged by the general freight trucking industry group, which transports a variety of commodities generally palletized and carried in a van trailer, box or container (including intermodal containers), decreased by 3.7 per cent from March 2023 to March 2024.

Container shipping rates up for rail, down for trucking, says Stats Canada, August 12, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

Canadian Rail Shutdown on the Way?



Source: RailwayAge

CN and Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) report that lockdowns could begin as soon as Aug. 22 unless there is progress at the negotiating table or binding arbitration with Teamsters Canada Rail [Canadian Rail Shutdown on the Way?, August 12, 2024, www.railwayage.com](http://www.railwayage.com)

VIA Rail Plots a Path for Transformation



Source: RailwayAge

Canada's passenger operator Via Rail launched a strategic plan earlier this summer. Mark Simmons, Deputy Editor of IRJ, a Railway Age sister publication, talks exclusively to president and CEO Mario Pélouquin about his ambitions to transform the company's operations. [VIA Rail Plots a Path for Transformation, August 12, 2024, www.railwayage.com](http://www.railwayage.com)

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AAR reports rail traffic for the week ending August 10, 2024



Source: Railway Age

The Association of American Railroads (AAR) on August 14, 2024 reported U.S. rail traffic for the week ending August 10, 2024. For this week, total U.S. weekly rail traffic was 496,509 carloads and intermodal units, up 5.2 percent compared with the same week last year. Total carloads for the week ending August 10 were 222,039 carloads, down 0.9 percent compared with the same week in 2023, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 274,470 containers and

trailers, up 10.6 percent compared to 2023. Six of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2023. They included grain, up 3,866 carloads, to 18,402; chemicals, up 2,969 carloads, to 32,959; and farm products excl. grain, and food, up 546 carloads, to 16,193. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2023 included coal, down 7,633 carloads, to 61,031; nonmetallic minerals, down 1,295 carloads, to 31,849; and metallic ores and metals, down 906 carloads, to 19,432. Canadian railroads reported 89,620 carloads for the week, up 2.5%, and 66,976 intermodal units, down 5.5% compared with the same week in 2023. For the first 32 weeks of 2024, Canadian rail reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 5,114,967 carloads, containers and trailers, up 1.4%.

AAR reports rail traffic for the week ending August 10, 2024, August 14, 2024, www.ajot.com; and AAR: North American Rail Volume Up in Week 32, August 14, 2024, www.railwayage.com

Biden-Harris Administration Finalizes National Regulation on Training Requirements to Improve Transit Safety Oversight

The Biden-Harris Administration continues its focus on keeping public transportation the safest mode of surface travel by finalizing training requirements for transit agency and state agency officials who conduct safety oversight of rail transit operations. The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on August 14, 2024, announced a [final rule](#) updating FTA's [Public Transportation Safety Certification Training Program](#). These updates maintain a uniform safety training curriculum and minimum requirements for rail transit and state safety personnel, building upon existing training requirements for safety professionals.

Biden-Harris Administration Finalizes National Regulation on Training Requirements to Improve Transit Safety Oversight, August 14, www.dot.gov



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Marine Transport Updates

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Transport Canada ensuring safety on the water by restricting vessel traffic on the St. Clair River on August 18, 2024

To ensure the safety of everyone on the water, Transport Canada is restricting the movement of vessel traffic within the public Port of Sarnia. Under these restrictions, no unauthorized traffic will be permitted on the Canadian side of the St. Clair River, from the Blue Water Bridge to the upper end of Stag Island, between 12 p.m. and 7 p.m. on August 18, 2024. A Navigational Warning (NAVWARN) about temporary vessel restrictions for this day was issued on August 8, 2024. Mariners are requested to adjust the timing of their transit in the area to avoid entering the safety zone during the temporary restrictions. If a vessel seeks to maneuver within these waters during this time, they must obtain authorization from Transport Canada.

Transport Canada ensuring safety on the water by restricting vessel traffic on the St. Clair River on August 18, 2024, August 9, 2024, www.tc.gc.ca

Ottawa rejects call to head off Canada rail work stoppage



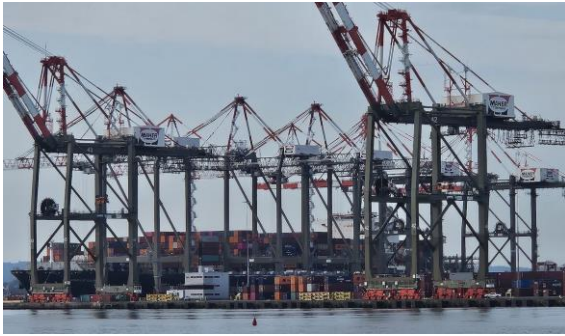
Source: JOC

The decision by Canada's labor minister to not intervene in contract talks between the country's Class I railroads and unions has upped the risk of a work stoppage within the next week, and both railroads have stopped accepting containerized freight in response. The Port of Vancouver will see the most immediate impact from a Canadian rail strike as the port is already dealing with a sizeable intermodal backlog. Labor Minister Steve MacKinnon declined a request by Canadian National Railway (CN) to invoke a labor law the railroad had argued would "secure industrial peace" in contract talks with Teamsters Canada Rail Conference (TCRC), his office said in a letter sent on August 15, 2024.

Ottawa rejects call to head off Canada rail work stoppage, August 15, 2024, www.joc.com

US/WORLD

Report finds US container imports could approach monthly record



Source: Freightwaves

The threat of a strike by longshore workers at U.S. ports could swell import container traffic to “a near-record surge” as shippers look to get holiday goods ashore by August, 2024. Fresh off June’s early peak shipping season for end-of-year holiday merchandise, the latest Global Port Tracker indicates container traffic approaching record monthly levels as retailers bring in merchandise ahead of a potential job action at East Coast and Gulf Coast ports this fall, according to the report by the National Retail Federation and Hackett Associates. The contract between the International Longshoremen’s Association and the United States Maritime Alliance expires on Sept. 30, 2024. Negotiations have stalled, and the ILA has threatened a walkout if a new contract is not agreed to by then.

Report finds US container imports could approach monthly record, August 9, 2024, www.freightwavess.com

Great Lakes Seaway Announces Port Winners of 2023 Season “Pacesetter Award”

Last week, the U.S. Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (GLS) announced that two U.S. ports in the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway System received the Robert J. Lewis Pacesetter Award for increases in international cargo tonnage shipped through their ports during the 2023 navigation season. “Great Lakes ports play a key role in moving goods through our nation’s supply chains and lowering costs for consumers, as I recently saw firsthand with visits to ports in Menominee, Manitowoc, and Milwaukee,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. “This year’s winners reflect the vital importance of these ports and are a credit to the skill and dedication of workers who do so much for our freight systems.”

Great Lakes Seaway Announces Port Winners of 2023 Season “Pacesetter Award”, August 12, 2024, www.dot.gov

Port Authority receives \$24.2 million federal grant for runway improvement at NY Stewart International Airport

Rehabilitation project completed in 2017, restored two airport runways and replaced embedded runway lighting with environmentally friendly fixtures. The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey on August 12, 2024 announced that New York Stewart International Airport has received a \$24.2 million grant from the Biden-Harris administration for a rehabilitation project that restored two airport runways to a state of good repair and installed new environmentally friendly LED lights into the runway pavement, ensuring safe aircraft operations at the airport.

Port Authority receives \$24.2 million federal grant for runway improvement at NY Stewart International Airport, August 12, 2024, www.ajot.com

Biden-Harris Administration Expands FLOW Initiative to Largest West Coast Container Ports, Strengthening Our National Supply Chains

On August 13, 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced that the Port of Oakland and the Northwest Seaport Alliance, which includes the Port of Seattle and Port of Tacoma, are now members of the Freight Logistics Optimization Works (FLOW) initiative, expanding the initiatives reach to the five largest container ports on the West Coast. FLOW is a first-of-its-kind private-public partnership created and led by DOT that helps create a shared picture of the U.S. supply chain for members, which include the nation’s busiest container ports, major ocean carriers, and some of the largest retail importers. FLOW is a critical part of the Biden-Harris Administration’s work to strengthen our supply chains, which has lowered everyday costs and supported American workers and businesses.

Biden-Harris Administration Expands FLOW Initiative to Largest West Coast Container Ports, Strengthening Our National Supply Chains, August 13, 2024, www.dot.gov

A record-setting July at Port of Los Angeles as cargo soars 37%

The Port of Los Angeles handled a record-breaking 939,600 Twenty-Foot Equivalent Units (TEUs) in July 2024, a 37% increase over the previous year. It was the best July in the Port’s 116-year history and the busiest month in more than two years. Seven months into 2024, the Port of Los Angeles is 18% ahead of its 2023 pace. “We’ve seen an influx of year-end holiday goods coming across our docks a bit

earlier than usual to avoid any risk of delay later in the year,” Port of Los Angeles Executive Director Gene Seroka said at a media briefing. “These goods – think toys, electronics and clothing – are arriving at the same time as more typical back-to-school, fall fashion and Halloween merchandise. An early peak season has helped to boost volumes here in Los Angeles.

A record-setting July at Port of Los Angeles as cargo soars 37%, August 14, 2024, www.ajot.com

Container rates down for fourth straight week



Source: Inside Logistics

Drewry’s World Container Index (WCI) dropped to US\$5,428 per 40-ft container for the week of Aug. 12-16, 2024 the fourth consecutive week rates decreased. The latest WCI composite index of US\$5,428 per 40-ft container is a two per cent drop from the previous week, and is 48 per cent below the previous pandemic peak of US\$10,377 in September 2021, but it is 282 per cent more than the average 2019 (pre-pandemic) rate of US\$1,420.

Container rates down for fourth straight week, August 16, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca



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Road Transport Updates

CANADA

Government of Canada invests in infrastructure projects in the Prairies to connect communities and make life cost less

On August 8, 2024, the Minister of Transport, Pablo Rodriguez, announced an investment of up to \$46.3 million for three projects under the National Trade Corridors Fund in Canada's Prairie provinces. These projects will make products cost less, support economic growth, and better connect communities and regions across Canada. The Government of Canada will contribute up to: 1. \$9.5 million to Perimeter Aviation to renovate and expand the existing Perimeter Aviation terminal building at the Winnipeg Richardson International Airport. 2. \$25 million to the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Highways to upgrade three highways in Northern Saskatchewan. 3. \$11.8 million to the Town of Oyen, Alberta, to expand the Oyen Rail Yard.

Government of Canada invests in infrastructure projects in the Prairies to connect communities and make life cost less, August 8, 2024, www.tc.gc.ca

Canada sees steady trends in marijuana positive tests among truck drivers since legalization



Source: Today's Trucking

Despite the legalization of marijuana in Canada and several U.S. states, the rate of positive drug tests among Canadian cross-border truck drivers has remained consistent. This is according to Jonathan Davids, corporate medical director of DriverCheck Inc., Canada's provider of workplace medical testing and assessments. He says the stability highlights the critical role of testing, education, and supervisor training in maintaining road safety. "In regulated trucking, where drivers cross into the U.S. and are subject to Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations, the positivity rates hover around 1%," said Davids. However, the rates for non-regulated trucking involving domestic routes are about 7%. This is based on 'hundreds of thousands' of annual tests for regulated trucking companies and 'tens of thousands' of tests per year for non-regulated companies.

Canada sees steady trends in marijuana positive tests among truck drivers since legalization, August 12, 2024, www.todaystrucking.ca



Goodyear Canada invests over \$575M to expand Ontario plant



Source: Inside Logistics

Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company is investing more than \$575 million to modernize and expand its plant in Napanee, Ont., which Goodyear says will create an energy-efficient, end-to-end manufacturing process and increase its production capacity, including EV and all-terrain tires. The project will create 200 new, highly skilled manufacturing jobs by 2027 and secure more than 1,000 jobs in Napanee. Goodyear says this project will get its Napanee plant to net-zero emissions by 2040.

Goodyear Canada invests over \$575M to expand Ontario plant, August 14, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca



Ontario Upgrading Batchawana Bay Rest Area

The Ontario government is making travel easier for drivers and truck drivers in northern Ontario by investing more than \$6 million to upgrade the Batchawana Bay rest area on Highway 17 north of Sault Ste. Marie. The rest area is being expanded to accommodate commercial vehicles and support the safe movement of people and goods across the region.

Ontario Upgrading Batchawana Bay Rest Area, August 13, 2024, www.mto.gov.on.ca



TFI International acquires Quebec carrier CMW Express



Source: Today's Trucking

TFI International has acquired Beauce, Que.-based carrier CMW Express and its subsidiary FRL Express. Headquartered in Sainte-Marie-de-Beauce, the company also has facilities in Saint-Joseph-de-Beauce. The company specializes in truckload and less-than-truckload transport, serving Quebec, the Maritimes, Ontario and the eastern United States, Transport Routier reported. It also handles specialized and dangerous goods transport.

TFI International acquires Quebec carrier CMW Express, August 15, 2024, www.todaystrucking.ca

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Small- to medium-sized businesses slow to invest in AI, says report



Source: Inside Logistics

Research into today's largest supply chain trends has revealed that only 23 per cent of small- to medium-sized businesses (SMBs) are investing in artificial intelligence (AI). Netstock's latest Inventory Management Benchmark Report highlights issues like AI adoption, rising inventory challenges and best practices for optimization across supply chains in 2024.

Small- to medium-sized businesses slow to invest in AI, says report, August 15, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca



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CANADA

 **Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, July 2024**



Source: Statcan

In July 2024, the preliminary number of international arrivals to Canada by air and automobile increased 6.5% from July 2023. By air, the number of non-resident arrivals in Canada totalled 1.4 million in July 2024, up 7.9% year over year. Meanwhile, the number of Canadian-resident return trips from abroad by air reached 1.5 million, an 11.6% increase from July 2023. By automobile, US residents took 1.9 million trips to Canada in July 2024, up 5.5% from the same month in 2023. The number of Canadian-resident return trips by automobile also rose, up 3.7% year over year to reach 2.7 million trips in July 2024.

Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, July 2024, August 12, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

 **Union ratifies new agreement with Ontario logistics firm**



Source: Inside Logistics

Union members ratified a new collective agreement on Aug. 9, 2024 with warehousing firm HCL Logistics, ending an 18-day strike. Members of Unifor Local 27 said in a release that they secured a wage increase in the new agreement. "Local 27's fight for fairness has resulted in a contract that ensures wages and working conditions keep up with Ontario's rising costs of living," said Unifor national president Lana Payne. The three-year contract increases wages by more than 17 per cent by 2027. The agreement also improves health and safety procedures and augments the boot allowance. HCL Logistics provides warehousing and logistics support to companies large and small. The 147 members of Local 27 began strike action July 22. The new contract will expire in July 2027.

Union ratifies new agreement with Ontario logistics firm, August 13, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

Traffic Flow Dashboard



Source: Statcan

Statistics Canada has launched the Traffic Flow Dashboard as a source of experimental statistics to provide information on the traffic flow on selected road segments in the cities of Calgary and Toronto. This dashboard shows traffic count data that are obtained from traffic camera imagery using a computer vision-based system developed at Statistics Canada's Data Exploration and Integration Lab.

Traffic Flow Dashboard, August 15, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

CTA Urges Suspension of Carbon Tax on Diesel, Excise Tax Relief in Pre-Budget Submission



Source: Cantruck

The Canadian Trucking Alliance outlined a path to a greener trucking industry and a fairer tax and policy system in its pre-budget submission for 2025. CTA president Stephen Laskowski said "The trucking industry needs to be a part of the solution to a zero-carbon based transportation sector. The industry is currently spending billions of dollars on technologies to reduce its carbon footprint and we continue this financial commitment towards capital purchases and operational practices designed to reduce carbon. In turn, the Government of Canada policy and regulations must come to the hard realization of the technological limitations for the trucking industry in obtaining this solution and an understanding that the journey towards zero emission engines for the heavy truck industry is a long one."

CTA Urges Suspension of Carbon Tax on Diesel, Excise Tax Relief in Pre-Budget Submission, August 15, 2024, www.ontruck.ca

US/WORLD

U.S. DOT Awards \$2.4 Million to 12 Small Businesses for the Complete Streets Artificial Intelligence Initiative

On August 13, 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced that it intends to award a total of \$2.4 million in contracts to twelve (12) American small businesses from across the country to leverage advancements in Artificial Intelligence (AI) to improve transportation. With funding from the Department's Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, the Complete Streets AI Initiative is a multi-phase effort to develop robust new decision support tools for state, local, and Tribal transportation agencies that assist in the sitting, design, and deployment of Complete Streets, which are streets and networks that prioritize safety, comfort, and connectivity to destinations for all people who use them.

U.S. DOT Awards \$2.4 Million to 12 Small Businesses for the Complete Streets Artificial Intelligence Initiative, August 13, 2024, www.dot.gov

Humanoid robot industry expected to reach \$138.09 billion by 2033



Source: Inside Logistics

The global humanoid robot market is on a trajectory of rapid growth, with industry projections estimating a market valuation of US\$138.09 billion by 2033, according to market research company *The Brains Insights*. This reflects a significant increase from the current valuation of US\$1.38 billion in 2023. Labour shortages in industries such as manufacturing and logistics have accelerated the adoption of humanoid robots to perform repetitive and physically demanding tasks, enhancing efficiency and productivity. The market's expansion is also fuelled by advancements in artificial intelligence (AI), robotics technology and the increasing adoption of humanoid robots across various industries.

Humanoid robot industry expected to reach \$138.09 billion by 2033, August 15, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

Less plastic waste means cleaner beaches



Source: Europa

Since July 3, 2024 single-use plastic bottles sold in the EU must come with their caps or lids attached. This may seem a small change, but its impact could be huge. Plastic caps or lids are part of the *almost 26 million tonnes of plastic waste generated every year in Europe*, much of which washes up on beaches around the world. Some *80% of marine litter is plastic*. Why was the caps change introduced? It's just one of the outcomes of the *EU law on single-use plastics*.

Less plastic waste means cleaner beaches, August 15, 2024, www.europa.eu



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WiLAT NA 1st Anniversary Celebration

Wednesday, September 25 @ 2 pm ET/ 1 pm CT/11 am PT

Via Zoom

Join us for our one-year anniversary celebration hosted by Marc Forgette, Makatew Workshops who will teach a Medicine Bag Workshop. Marc is a proud member of the Apitipi Anicinapek Nation (formerly Wahgoshig First Nation Band), with roots in both Algonquin and French heritage. As the founder of Makatew Workshops, Marc is dedicated to promoting cultural awareness and understanding through immersive experiences.

The medicine bag is so much more than an accessory. In this facilitated workshop, you will learn its history and purpose while making a medicine bag of your own using locally sourced deer leather.

RSVP online by **September 10th** to reserve your space and receive your kit by mail prior to our anniversary event at: <https://ciltna.com/events/wilat-1st-anniversary-celebration/>



This event is open to all women (CILTNA members and supporters) so please share this with anyone you feel would be interested in joining us.



Marc Forgette, Makatew Workshops



Join us for one hour online for our one-year anniversary celebration on Wednesday, September 25 at 2 pm ET/ 1 pm CT/ 11 am PT hosted by Marc Forgette, Makatew Workshops who will teach a Medicine Bag Workshop. Marc is a proud member of the Apitipi Anicinapek Nation (formerly Wahgoshig First Nation Band), with roots in both Algonquin and French heritage. As the founder of Makatew Workshops, Marc is dedicated to promoting cultural awareness and understanding through immersive experiences.

The medicine bag is so much more than an accessory. In this facilitated workshop, you will learn its history and purpose while making a medicine bag of your own using locally sourced deer leather. The workshop provides a comprehensive and insightful exploration of Indigenous knowledge and cultural practices. This workshop covers several crucial topics, offering participants a deep understanding and appreciation of Indigenous traditions and contemporary issues.

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Job Postings

* Operations, Aerospace Specialist (Air Imports & Air Exports)

About the job

DSV – Global Transport and Logistics

DSV encourages inclusivity and are committed to diversity in the workplace while welcoming applications from all qualified individuals including women, members of visible minorities, aboriginal persons, and persons with disabilities. Our goal is to provide an inclusive environment for all to succeed. We work with candidates with disabilities throughout the recruitment process to ensure that they have what they need to be at their best. Please reach out to Human Resources should you require accommodation during the recruitment process.

Location: CAN - Saint-Laurent, Rue Beaulac

Job Posting Title: Operations, Aerospace Specialist (Air Imports & Air Exports)

Time Type: Full Time

The primary function of the Aerospace Specialist (Air Export and Import) is to process all shipments, coordinating the movement and monitoring while in route. The position requires handling of shipments from start to finish ensuring compliance with DSV policies as well as

government regulations. This role serves as the primary point of contact for customers and will provide the highest level of customer service and quality by efficiently processing all inbound and outbound requirements before or within agreed time frames. Direct communication with customers, overseas offices, airlines and truckers is required.

Key Duties and Responsibilities

- Daily management and coordination of shipments
- Establish and coordinate schedules with carriers and tender shipments to the airlines
- Create, coordinate country specific documents
- Adhere to all domestic and international shipping regulations
- Track and trace all shipments
- Prepare and publish reports, as requested
- Proactively identify problems and swiftly implement the appropriate solutions
- Confirm rates with carriers
- Responsible for cost containment of shipments, via accounting system
- Evaluate shipments, consolidate loads, select most cost-effective method of pick up and/or delivery
- Ensure all DSV KPIs met throughout the movement of the shipment
- Lane analysis required on orders to select the most appropriate mode of transport within customer requirements
- Daily Communication with customers on relevant issues and resolution
- Manage new account implementation from standard operating procedure to execution

Quality, Health & Safety:

- Supports organizational commitment to ISO 9001, ISO 45001 certification – Montreal location
- Perform assigned tasks to support DSV meets its objectives and targets regarding quality, health, safety and environment and follow all requirements as set out in the DSV Quality Health Safety Environment policy.
- Staff are required to ensure that their day-to-day activities embrace sustainability, Health and safety therefore reducing the impact upon the environment, supporting the communities we work in and reducing incidents in the workplace.

Qualifications

Education and Experience

- A minimum of two years' experience in airfreight logistics
- Education in supply chain logistics, international transportation, or a related field of study
- Authorized Cargo Representative (ACR) designated status
- Dangerous Goods Certification, an asset
- Experience in Aerospace Vertical, an asset
- CIFFA certificate, an asset

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* Supply chain specialist, Bombardier, Dorval, QC

What are your contributions to the team?

Develop new sources of supply and establish strategic alliances.

Develop negotiation business strategies.

Lead and participate in the development of the commodity by managing projects that would include the preparation of business cases.

Lead, develop and execute the commodity strategy and provide to senior management project and negotiation statuses.

Identify, analyze and realize cost reduction opportunities

Create and maintain formal networks internally and externally.

Act as single interface with suppliers of new business.

Support Sites and/or Business Units with appropriate sourcing strategies.

Coordinate and lead negotiations of any claims with suppliers in support of business unit production issues.

Support Business Units in the application of contractual remedies against material breaches.

Lead contract negotiations with suppliers.

Ensure contracts are maintained in accordance to our business requirements

Coordinate the Procurement Agents activities in relation to the balanced scorecard objectives, the master plans and the detailed plans.

Support Procurement Agents in their contracts negotiations, the commercial agreements and product changes negotiations, as well as the contracts amendments;

Participate in the governance of cost reduction initiatives and ensure projects come to fruition.

Actively participate in supplier program reviews led by the business units.

Develop and coach team members on procurement initiatives and processes.

Support commodity manager in the performance development plan process.

How to thrive in this role? Skills, knowledge & experience:

You have a bachelor's degree in business administration or equivalent.

You have seven (7) to ten (10) years of relevant experience.

You have experience in the aerospace industry and/or manufacturing environment and/or program management, in a commercial role, an asset.

You have excellent negotiation skills and experience in project management.

You are detail oriented, focused and committed to meeting deadlines.

You are a strong team player, recognized for your leadership and innovation, and ability to mobilize a team.

Have a high proficiency and are good communicator in French and English (written and spoken)

You have strong capabilities in operations and financial management.

You are comfortable with complex technical topics, and have knowledge of legal terminology or interpretation of contracts.

You are familiar with Just-In-Time purchasing logistic, integrated supply chain and lean manufacturing concepts.

You can work with MS Project, Word, Excel, Power Point and MS Outlook.

Please note: You don't need all the skills, knowledge, and experience listed for this position! We're not looking for the perfect candidate, we're looking for great talent and resourcefulness.

Now that you can see yourself in this role, apply and join the Bombardier family!

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