



## CANADA

### Porter Airlines' ascent: Can the comfort carrier last in Canadian skies?

Porter Airlines has perhaps the loftiest goals in Canadian skies: compete with the sector's established players, not solely by trying to beat them on cost, but by winning the hearts of its passengers. "It's a completely different way to travel in economy and it's allowed us to grow very quickly over the last 18 months," Porter CEO Michael Deluce told Global News in an exclusive interview this week. The Toronto-based airline has emerged from the COVID-19 pandemic with ambitious growth plans, adding dozens of jets and destinations to its arsenal in a bid to rapidly scale up. But with other promising Canadian airlines routinely coming up short in their bids to add competition to the tightly concentrated field, some experts say Porter could have a narrow runway to success. "The key here is, can they do it profitably and can they make it work? Because everybody's watching right now," says Robert Kokonis, president of consultancy AirTrav Inc.

*Porter Airlines' ascent: Can the comfort carrier last in Canadian skies?*, October 13, 2024, [www.cbcnews.ca](http://www.cbcnews.ca)

## US/WORLD

### WorldACD Weekly Air Cargo Trends (week 40)

Global air cargo spot rates rose to new 2024 highs in the first few days of October 2024 despite a dip in worldwide tonnages linked to national holidays in China and disruptions to air traffic in the Middle East caused by the increased tensions in the region. According to the latest weekly figures and analysis from WorldACD Market Data, average worldwide spot rates edged by a further +1%, week on week (WoW), in week 40 (30 September to 6 October) to US\$2.84 per kilo – their highest level this year – thanks to increases from Asia Pacific (+1%), Africa (+2%) and Central & South America (CSA, +5%) origins. And a

+2% WoW increase in contract rates from Asia Pacific also helped drive a +2% WoW increase in the worldwide full-market average of spot and contract rates to US\$2.65 per kilo. However, tonnages from Asia Pacific origins fell in week 40 by -7%, WoW, mainly due to National Day or Golden Week holidays in China, which this year ran from 1-6 October. Those tonnage drops from Asia Pacific origins explained the majority of the overall worldwide tonnages decline of -5%, WoW, in week 40, although there were also significant WoW tonnage declines from Middle East & South Asia (MESA, -9%), Europe (-4%) and North America (-3%) origins.

*WorldACD Weekly Air Cargo Trends (week 40)*, October 11, 2024, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)

### DOT Penalizes Lufthansa \$4 Million for Violating Passengers' Civil Rights

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on October 15, 2025 announced a \$4 million penalty against Lufthansa for discriminating against Jewish passengers who were traveling from New York City through Frankfurt to Budapest in May 2022. Based on the alleged misconduct of some passengers, Lufthansa prohibited 128 Jewish passengers – most of whom wore distinctive garb typically worn by Orthodox Jewish men – from boarding their connecting flight in Germany. Despite many of the passengers not knowing each other nor traveling together, passengers interviewed by DOT investigators stated that Lufthansa treated them all as if they were a single group and denied them boarding for the alleged misbehavior of a few. Today's penalty is the largest ever issued by DOT against an airline for civil rights violations.

*DOT Penalizes Lufthansa \$4 Million for Violating Passengers' Civil Rights*, October 15, 2024, [www.dot.gov](http://www.dot.gov)

## ✈️ Second Quarter 2024 Average Air Fare Decreases 2.6% from First Quarter 2024

### U.S. Average Domestic Fares

From 1Q 2024: ↓ -2.6%  
From 2Q 2022: ↓ -10.3%



Source: BTS

The average U.S. domestic air fare decreased in the second quarter of 2024 to \$382, down 2.6% from the first quarter 2024 inflation-adjusted fare of \$392.

*Second Quarter 2024 Average Air Fare Decreases 2.6% from First Quarter 2024, October 15, 2024, [www.bts.gov](http://www.bts.gov)*

## ✈️ U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Lost 2,761 Jobs in August 2024



Source: BTS

U.S. airline industry (passenger and cargo airlines combined) employment decreased to 1,001,452 workers in August 2024, 2,761 (0.27%) less workers than in July 2024 (1,004,213). U.S. scheduled-service passenger airlines employed 542,983 workers in August 2024, or 54% of the industry-wide total. Passenger airlines lost 3,100 employees in August 2024. SkyWest Airlines led scheduled passenger carriers, adding 150 employees; Spirit Air Lines added 121, and Republic Airlines added 75. U.S. cargo airlines employed 454,259 workers in August 2024, or 46% of the industry-wide total. Cargo carriers lost 310 employees in August. FedEx, the leading air cargo employer, increased employment by 726 jobs.

*U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Lost 2,761 Jobs in August 2024, October 16, 2024, [www.bts.gov](http://www.bts.gov)*



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## Rail Transport Updates

### CANADA

#### Government of Canada announces support to keep Canadians safe near railway crossings and Transport Canada Funding Rail Safety Projects



Source: Railway Age

On October 11, 2024, the Honourable Anita Anand, President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, announced over \$45 million for projects to improve railway safety across Canada. This includes over \$44 million for 231 rail safety projects under the Rail Safety Improvement Program. This funding improves safety at grade crossings and along rail lines by supporting infrastructure upgrades and educating Canadians on the importance of safe behaviour around trains and tracks. Today's announcement also includes nearly \$1.2 million under the Program to Enhance Rail Safety Engagement. This program supports Indigenous and local communities develop rail safety awareness campaigns, data collection practices, educational resources, and engage with Transport Canada to improve safety practices. Transport Canada on Oct. 11 reported that it will provide more than C\$45 million for railway safety projects across the country. This includes C\$44 million-plus for 231 projects through the Rail Safety

*Government of Canada announces support to keep Canadians safe near railway crossing, October 11, 2024, [www.tc.gc.ca](http://www.tc.gc.ca) and Transport Canada Funding Rail Safety Projects, October 15, 2024, [www.railwayage.com](http://www.railwayage.com)*

#### **STB Approves Transaction That Creates New CPKC-CSX Class I Connection Linking Mexico, Texas and the U.S. Southeast**

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC), CSX Corporation (CSX) and Genesee & Wyoming Inc. (G&W) on October 17, 2024 said the Surface Transportation Board (STB) has approved CSX's and CPKC's respective applications regarding their acquisition of the rail lines operated by G&W's Meridian & Bigbee Railroad, L.L.C. (MNBR), which will result in the creation of a new direct CPKC-CSX interchange connection in Alabama. Through the now-approved transaction, which was previously announced in June 2023, CPKC will acquire and operate across the 52-mile segment between Meridian, Miss., and Myrtlewood, Ala., currently owned by MNBR, while CSX will operate the lines currently operated by MNBR east of Myrtlewood. As a result, CPKC and CSX will establish a direct Class I-to-Class I interchange at or near Myrtlewood and connect shippers in Mexico, Texas and the Southeast U.S. MNBR will continue to provide local service to customers between Meridian and Myrtlewood.

*STB Approves Transaction That Creates New CPKC-CSX Class I Connection Linking Mexico, Texas and the U.S. Southeast, October 17, 2024, [www.cpkc.ca](http://www.cpkc.ca)*

### US/WORLD

 **North American Rail Volume Up Through Week 41: AAR and AAR reports rail traffic for the week ending October 12, 2024**



Source: Railway Age

Total North American carload and intermodal traffic rose 2.4% through the first 41 weeks of 2024 compared with the prior-year period, the Association of American Railroads (AAR) reported Oct. 16, 2024. The United States, Canada and Mexico all saw gains through the week ending Oct. 12, 2024. For this week, total U.S. weekly rail traffic was 505,033 carloads and intermodal units, up 2.6 percent compared with the same week last year. Total carloads for the week ending October 12 were 222,003 carloads, down 1.3 percent compared with the same week in 2023, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 283,030 containers and trailers, up 5.9 percent compared to 2023. Seven of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2023. They included grain, up 1,346 carloads, to 23,523; metallic ores and metals, up 1,164 carloads, to 19,277; and farm products excl. grain, and food, up 891 carloads, to 17,894. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2023 were coal, down 3,412 carloads, to 58,233; nonmetallic minerals, down 2,473 carloads, to 30,465; and motor vehicles and parts, down 1,301 carloads, to 14,412. Canadian railroads reported 98,096 carloads for the week, up 3.5 percent, and 70,155 intermodal units, up 1.6 percent compared with the same week in 2023. For the first 41 weeks of 2024, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 6,514,669 carloads, containers and trailers, up 0.1 percent.

*North American Rail Volume Up Through Week 41: AAR, October 16, 2024, [www.railwayage.com](http://www.railwayage.com) and AAR reports rail traffic for the week ending October 12, 2024, October 16, 2024, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

 **Union Pacific, Vena powering up railroad's business**



Source: Freightwaves

In fact, the chief executive of Union Pacific, James Vena, the largest U.S. railroad, wants everyone to have the Czech-Slovak fruit-filled pastry (pronounced ko-LA'-chee). "There's one over there with your name on it," he tells a visitor. So it's hardly by chance, then, that the day's portion of UP's Big Boy steam locomotive tour begins in West, Texas. (The name of the town causes some confusion, located as it is in the northeastern portion of the state. West is actually named for its first postmaster, Thomas West.) West is home to the state's largest Czech population and boasts not one but *two* Czech bakeries. So kolaches all around!

*Union Pacific, Vena powering up railroad's business, October 17, 2024, [www.freightwaves.com](http://www.freightwaves.com)*



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## Marine Transport Updates

### CANADA

 **UPDATED: Port of Montreal faces disruption as longshore workers initiate overtime strike**



Source: Inside Logistics

As the overtime strike began Oct. 10, 2024 at the Port of Montreal, in accordance with the notice filed by the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), Local 375, the Montreal Port Authority (MPA) said it is concerned about the impact on the logistics chain and the supply of goods and commodities for businesses and the public. During the partial strike, all Port of Montreal terminals will remain open, but Port of Montreal longshoremen will not be working overtime as part of their duties. The MPA said this could result in processing delays and a backlog of containers waiting to be handled. The union representing Port of Montreal longshore workers announced Oct. 8 that it would refuse to work overtime starting at 7 a.m. Oct. 10, 2024 for an unlimited period of time. CUPE 375 informed the Maritime Employers Association (MEA) of the move, as negotiation between the two parties continue.

*UPDATED: Port of Montreal faces disruption as longshore workers initiate overtime strike, September 11, 2024, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

 **Canada labour minister proposes new mediator for Montreal port workers strike**



Source: AJOT

Canada's Labour Minister Steve MacKinnon on October 15, 2024 proposed the appointment of a special mediator for a 90-day period for Montreal port workers strike. MacKinnon said that there would be no strike or lock-out during the deadline negotiation period, according to a post on X. Talks between the Maritime Employers Association (MEA) and Montreal Longshoremen's union remain in a deadlock over wages. The parties will have to submit responses to the Labour Ministry no later than Friday, Oct. 18, the MEA said in a statement. The strike has impacted the Vieux and Maisonneuve terminals, which account for about 40% of the port's container traffic. The Montreal Longshoremen's Union did not immediately respond to a Reuters request for comment.

*Canada labour minister proposes new mediator for Montreal port workers strike, October 15, 2024, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

## Ripple effects playing out globally from ILA strike: analyst



Source: JOC

The three-day strike by dockworkers at East and Gulf coast ports earlier this month will bring a delayed reduction in capacity on some trade lanes and could affect cargo frontloading ahead of another potential work stoppage in January, container shipping analyst Lars Jensen said on Thursday, October 17, 2024. Despite its brevity, shippers can expect to see ongoing impacts on tonnage supply on some trade lanes from the Oct. 1-3 strike, Jensen, CEO of Vespucci Maritime and a *Journal of Commerce* analyst, told the South Carolina International Trade Conference. “A three-day strike doesn’t sound like much but that doesn’t mean it’s over,” Jensen said.

*Ripple effects playing out globally from ILA strike: analyst, October 17, 2024, [www.joc.com](http://www.joc.com)*

## Drop in container rates now 69 per cent below 2021 peak

Drewry’s World Container Index (WCI) decreased four per cent to US\$3,216 per 40-ft container for the week of Oct. 14-18, with rates now 69 per cent below the previous pandemic peak of US\$10,377 in September 2021. This week’s WCI composite index is, however, 126 per cent more than the average 2019 (pre-pandemic) rate of US\$1,420. The average composite index for the year-to-date is US\$4,058 per 40-ft container, which is US\$1,225 higher than the 10-year average rate of US\$2,834, which was inflated by the 2020-22 COVID-19 period. Freight rates from Shanghai to Genoa decreased nine per cent to US\$3,438 per 40-ft container, while rates from Shanghai to Rotterdam dropped six per cent to US\$3,373. Rates from Shanghai to New York fell three per cent to US\$5,609 and those from Shanghai to Los Angeles declined two per cent to US\$4,941 per 40-ft container. Conversely, rates from Rotterdam to Shanghai increased one per cent to US\$547 and rates from Los Angeles to Shanghai, New York to Rotterdam and Rotterdam to New York remained stable.

*Drop in container rates now 69 per cent below 2021 peak, October 18, 2024, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

## Port of Long Beach sees strongest September on record



Source: JOC

Demand for holiday-related goods nudged the Port of Long Beach to its most active September and busiest quarter on record as shippers continued to move goods ahead of a labor contract deadline for seaports on the East and Gulf coasts that resulted in a three-day strike at the start of October 2024. Dockworkers and terminal operators moved 829,499 twenty-foot equivalent units last month, up just 70 TEUs from the previous record set in September 2023. September also marked the Port’s fourth consecutive monthly year-over-year cargo increase. Imports increased 2% to 416,999 TEUs, exports declined 12.8% to 88,289 TEUs and empty containers moving through the Port rose 1.5% to 324,211 TEUs. The Port has moved 6,917,373 TEUs during the first nine months of 2024, up 18.8% from the same period last year. It was also the Port’s busiest quarter overall with 2,625,747 TEUs moved between July 1 and Sept. 30, breaking the previous record set during the second quarter of 2022 by 78,628 TEUs.

*Port of Long Beach sees strongest September on record, October 17, 2024, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

## US/WORLD

## IMO proposes 'Pricing Mechanism' for ships to reduce Ghg emissions



Source: AJOT

The United Nations' International Maritime Organization (IMO) is considering a 'pricing mechanism' to accelerate international shipping's transition away from greenhouse gases (ghg) and toward zero emissions. The proposal came out of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) session that was held at IMO Headquarters in London from September 30th to October 4<sup>th</sup>. On October 10<sup>th</sup> the IMO announced that the Marine Environment Protection Committee: "made progress on the development of mid-term measures aimed at cutting down greenhouse gas emissions to meet the ambitions set out in the 2023 IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships. These proposed regulations are scheduled for adoption in late 2025, building on previously adopted "short-term measures" for GHG reduction which focus on enhancing the energy efficiency of ships. The mid-term measures under discussion include: 1. a technical element, i.e., a global marine fuel standard regulating the phased reduction of a marine fuel's GHG intensity; and 2. an economic element, i.e., a maritime GHG emissions pricing mechanism."

*IMO proposes 'Pricing Mechanism' for ships to reduce Ghg emissions, October 14, 2024, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

## Port of Oakland container volume continues to grow anticipating strong 4th quarter



Source: AJOT

The Port of Oakland's loaded container volume recorded a 7% increase in September 2024, compared to the same time last year. For the second month, loaded imports experienced double digit growth. Port operators recorded 10.4% growth, handling 82,180 TEUs (twenty-foot containers) in September 2024, compared to 74,428 TEUs in September 2023. Loaded exports rose 2.9% year over year. Port operators processed 61,466 TEUs in September 2024, versus 59,757 TEUs in September 2023. "Oakland has benefited from a final push by importers wanting to ensure supplies for the holiday season," said Port of Oakland Maritime Director Bryan Brandes. "We expect to have a strong fourth quarter for container volume because it's also harvest time. We are seeing more agricultural exports going to overseas markets."

*Port of Oakland container volume continues to grow anticipating strong 4th quarter, October 14, 2024, [www.ajot.com](http://www.ajot.com)*

## Asia-Europe carriers target pre-Lunar New Year demand with rate hikes, blank sailings



Source: JOC

Forwarders expect freefalling Asia-North Europe ocean spot rates to bottom out in October and then climb through the remainder of the year as carriers increase blank sailings and roll out rate hikes to target early Chinese New Year demand. In an advisory to customers this week, a Europe-based global forwarder said there is less volume currently on the Asia-Europe trade because some factories and shippers were holding cargo back in anticipation of rates falling further. But that will change. November demand is expected to be strong because the blank sailings will limit capacity and the Chinese New Year peak.

*Asia-Europe carriers target pre-Lunar New Year demand with rate hikes, blank sailings, October 15, 2024, [www.joc.com](http://www.joc.com)*





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## Road Transport Updates

### CANADA

#### **OTA Provides Trucking Perspectives to Global Automakers Canada**

OTA had the opportunity this week to speak at the quarterly meeting of Transportation and Logistics Committee of the Global Automakers of Canada. Like similar messaging delivered to supply chain groups across the country, OTA's message was simple: "Driver Inc and the Underground Economy are flourishing due to a lack of enforcement at the federal level. All supply chain members need to be aware of this, do their part to eradicate the practice and protect themselves from this exposure," said Geoff Wood, OTA's Sr VP Policy.

*OTA Provides Trucking Perspectives to Global Automakers Canada, October 11, 2024, [www.ontruck.ca](http://www.ontruck.ca)*

#### **Safety, efficiency and profitability drive design of updated Freightliner Cascadia**



Source: Inside Logistics

The fifth generation of the Freightliner Cascadia has been introduced, featuring new Detroit Assurance safety capabilities, a cleaner electrical architecture, and aero improvements said to improve fuel economy by

1.9%. Since the truck's introduction in 2007, Daimler Truck North America (DTNA) has sold more than 1 million Freightliner Cascadias across the four generations that preceded this fifth-gen version. The truck has been so successful, according to Mary Aufdemberg, general manager, product strategy and market development with DTNA, that it has helped the brand grow its presence among small fleets, allowing Freightliner to shed its mega-fleet-truck image. "They see they can make money with our product," Aufdemberg said, speaking of small fleets and owner-operators. "Drivers love the comfort it delivers, and they appreciate the safety it delivers."

*Safety, efficiency and profitability drive design of updated Freightliner Cascadia, October 15, 2024, [www.todaystrucking.com](http://www.todaystrucking.com)*

#### **Ontario Fighting Gridlock and Making Life Easier for Drivers**

The Ontario government is making life easier for drivers by introducing legislation that would, if passed, require municipalities to receive approval from the province before installing new bike lanes that would result in the removal of lanes for traffic. Municipalities would be required to demonstrate that the proposed bike lanes won't have a negative impact on vehicle traffic. The province is proposing restrictions for bike lanes, raising highway speed limits, freezing knowledge and road test fees and fixing potholes.

*Ontario Fighting Gridlock and Making Life Easier for Drivers, October 15, 2024, [www.mto.gov.on.ca](http://www.mto.gov.on.ca)*

## Peak-season shipping surcharges start to take effect



Source: Inside Logistics

UPS, FedEx and GLS Canada announced peak-season shipping surcharges for the coming season, with additional charges starting to kick in. Beginning Sept. 8 until Jan. 18, 2025, UPS said a fee will apply to packages meeting the criteria for additional handling, large package or over maximum limits. From Sept. 22 to Jan. 18, 2025, a fee will apply to all UPS Canada domestic air and ground services, as well as ground services to or from the U.S. Additional changes applied to air shipments from South Korea, Taiwan and Vietnam and from the U.S. take effect on Oct. 13. FedEx said during times of elevated volumes, high demand for capacity and increased operating costs across its network, the company will implement demand surcharges. Effective Oct. 14, the demand surcharge for international services originating in Canada and destined to Israel will also be reinstated, FedEx indicated. GLS Canada said to stay ahead of shipping demands during this time of year, it will apply a temporary peak-season surcharge from Oct. 15 through Jan. 17, 2025.

*Peak-season shipping surcharges start to take effect, October 16, 2024, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

## ATA's Costello feels a return to normal is in the cards in 2025



Source: Today's Trucking

A return to “normal” is likely in store for the North American trucking industry over the next year, an environment the industry hasn’t experienced since before the pandemic. Bob Costello, chief economist with the American Trucking Associations (ATA) updated Management Conference & Exhibition attendees this week in Nashville, Tenn., where he said “Every cycle is different and this one is no different.” The main drivers of truck freight, he indicated “are going to get no worse, and in some cases could get a little bit better.” While interest rate decreases by the Feds will help consumers, Costello added “It takes a long time for both increases in the Fed funds rate and decreases to work their way through the economy.” He predicted Q3 GDP will come in at about 2.8% growth, getting back closer to historical levels. While the consumer economy has been resilient, factory output has fallen 0.2% this year, which has been a headwind for truck freight.

*ATA's Costello feels a return to normal is in the cards in 2025, October 16, 2024, [www.todaystrucking.ca](http://www.todaystrucking.ca)*

## Urban public transit, August 2024



Source: Statcan

In August, 124.8 million passenger trips were taken on urban transit networks in Canada as ridership continued to represent roughly 85% of the pre-COVID-19 pandemic level from August 2019. In August 2024, transit riders took an estimated 124.8 million trips on Canada's urban transit networks, up 5.9% (+7.0 million trips) compared with August 2023. Passenger traffic was the highest for the month of August in five years, recovering 85.4% of the pre-pandemic level from the same month in 2019. While among the highest rates of recovery to date, there were 21.4 million fewer passenger trips in August 2024 compared with August 2019. In the two years prior to the pandemic (2018 and 2019), ridership dipped by roughly 1% from July to August; in 2024, August ridership edged down 0.2% from July. In August 2024, total operating revenue (excluding subsidies) was up 6.7% from the same month in 2023 to \$313.5 million. This was \$28.8 million lower than the pre-pandemic level in August 2019.

*Urban public transit, August 2024, August 16, 2024, [www.statcan.gc.ca](http://www.statcan.gc.ca)*

## Ontario Building Highways Faster to Get Drivers Moving

The Ontario government is introducing legislation that would, if passed, allow the province to build highways faster, getting drivers out of gridlock and where they need to go. The *Building Highways Faster Act* would designate priority highway projects to speed up construction, with Highway 413, the Bradford Bypass and the Garden City Skyway bridge all set to receive this designation.

*Ontario Building Highways Faster to Get Drivers Moving, October 17, 2024, [www.mto.gov.on.ca](http://www.mto.gov.on.ca)*

## Trucking HR Canada recognizes 104 trucking companies as Top Fleet Employers



Source: Today's Trucking

More than 100 Canadian trucking companies were recognized Oct. 17, 2024 as the top employers in the sector. The awards were doled out

during Trucking HR Canada's Top Fleet Employers awards gala in Toronto. There were 104 fleets recognized in the 11<sup>th</sup> year of the program, which celebrates those companies that are the best places to work in the trucking and logistics sector, thanks to their HR practices. "The Top Fleet Employers awards gala is the highlight of Trucking HR Canada's year, giving us a chance to come together and celebrate with the country's top fleets," Angela Splinter, CEO, THRC, said in a release. "The Top Fleet Employers program keeps growing every year, demonstrating the industry's desire to continue reaching high standards of HR excellence in operations, champion best practices across the industry, and position the sector as a rewarding workplace." Four fleets were singled out as best in class. They were: 1. Classic Freight Transport (small fleet category); 2. Polaris Transportation Group (medium-sized fleet); 3. XTL Transport (top large fleet); and 4. Walmart Fleet ULC (private fleet services).

*Trucking HR Canada recognizes 104 trucking companies as Top Fleet Employers, October 17, 2024, [www.todaystrucking.com](http://www.todaystrucking.com)*

## US/WORLD

### ATRI survey: Drivers and carriers see top issues in trucking differently



Source: Freightwaves

The 2024 survey of the top issues in trucking, undertaken each year by the American Transportation Research Institute, once again finds that what drivers think are the big issues aren't the same as those of the industry as a whole. Laying the results of what drivers say are the key issues in trucking against the results of the overall survey – in which driver submissions are part of the final ranking – shows that in 2024, only two issues made it on both the overall top 10 lists and the top 10 list for drivers: truck parking and the state of the economy. ATRI is the research arm of the American Trucking Associations. The results were revealed at the group's annual meeting in Nashville, Tennessee. Only

the economy was closely ranked by both the overall respondents and the driver survey: It was at No. 1 and No. 3, respectively. The issue of parking was on the top for drivers but seventh overall. Fuel was less of concern in 2024.

*ATRI survey: Drivers and carriers see top issues in trucking differently, October 14, 2024, [www.freightwaves.com](http://www.freightwaves.com)*



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## Other Transport Updates

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#### Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, September 2024



Source: Statcan

In September 2024, the preliminary number of international arrivals to Canada by air and automobile reached 5.7 million, up 4.5% from September 2023. By air, the number of non-resident arrivals in Canada totalled 1.0 million in September 2024, up 3.6% year over year. Meanwhile, the number of Canadian-resident return trips from abroad by air reached 1.4 million, a 9.2% increase from September 2023. By automobile, US residents took 1.1 million trips to Canada in September 2024, down 6.1% from the same month in 2023. The number of Canadian-resident return trips from the United States by automobile rose, up 8.2% year over year, to reach 2.1 million trips in September 2024.

*Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, September 2024, September 11, 2024, [www.statcan.gc.ca](http://www.statcan.gc.ca)*

#### Finding and training workers continues to challenge employers, says report

Trucking HR Canada's (THRC) latest Labour Market Information (LMI) snapshot for the second quarter of 2024 shows challenges remain for employers to find and train workers in all occupations, particularly non-driver positions. "The latest report shows our sector added 13,600 jobs in Q2 2024, mostly in positions other than transport truck drivers," says Craig Faucette, chief program officer, Trucking HR Canada. "We are expecting the need to recruit and train new workers into non-driver roles to increase." Highlights of the report include: 1. Employment in the trucking and logistics sector increased by 1.8 per cent in Q2 2024 compared to Q2 2023, with the addition of 13,600 jobs. 2. Labour supply for trucking and logistics dipped slightly in Q2 2024 but remains up compared to Q2 2023. 3. 40 per cent of trucking and logistics sector employers expect that recruiting and training workers in non-driver occupations will continue to be very or extremely challenging.

*Finding and training workers continues to challenge employers, says report, October 15, 2024, [www.freightwaves.com](http://www.freightwaves.com)*

## Quebec company acquires supply chain solutions firm



Source: Inside Logistics

Syntax Systems, a Quebec-based technology solutions and services provider for cloud application implementation and management, has acquired Argon Supply Chain Solutions. Argon, a firm specializing in warehouse management and supply chain optimization solutions and SAP Gold Partner, serves a growing range of multi-national customers across the world through its presence in the UK and South Africa.

*Quebec company acquires supply chain solutions firm, October 16, 2024, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

## Lethbridge event highlights supply chain issues, brings together local industry

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During the first-ever Southern Alberta B2B Trade Show and Conference in Lethbridge, Alta., last week, attendees received an overview of both national and local supply chains, with Canada's relationship with China taking centre stage. Trevor Lewington, CEO of Economic Development Lethbridge, said that although tariffs placed on electric vehicle imports from China help protect the domestic economy, they pose a challenge for Alberta. "Canada is the largest supplier of canola to the world. We are the largest supplier of that commodity and value-added products," said Lewington. "China is the largest market that takes and consumes canola products, so it's not a surprise that a few weeks after Canada implemented a 100 per cent tariff on Chinese imports of adhesive battery components, the Chinese government announced a review of Canada's dumping practices of canola into the global market."

*Lethbridge event highlights supply chain issues, brings together local industry, October 17, 2024, [www.insidelogistics.ca](http://www.insidelogistics.ca)*

## US/WORLD

### Cyberattacks in global supply chain increasing, says survey



Source: Freightwaves

Cyberattacks in the supply chain are becoming increasingly widespread, with several in the industry being impacted by a ransomware attack originating from a software supply chain partner in the past year. Canadian company OpenText released its third annual 2024 Global Ransomware Survey, which reveals the current state of ransomware attacks, including ransom payments, the impact of software supply chain attacks and generative AI. The report found that 62 per cent of respondents have been impacted by a ransomware attack.

*Cyberattacks in global supply chain increasing, says survey, October 15, 2024, [www.freightwaves.com](http://www.freightwaves.com)*

### INVESTING IN AMERICA: U.S. Department of Transportation Celebrates Creation of More Than 1.7 Million Construction and Manufacturing Jobs, 700,000 Transportation Sector Jobs, Since the Start of the Biden-Harris Administration

On October 15, 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation is celebrating the historic opportunity of President Biden's Investing in America agenda and the more than 1.7 million construction and manufacturing jobs, and over 700,000 transportation sector jobs that have been created since the start of the Biden-Harris Administration. Removing residential construction jobs from the total, more than 1.3 million construction and manufacturing jobs have been created under the Biden-Harris Administration. And this agenda is spurring union jobs: the U.S. now has 400,000 more union workers than in 2021.

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*Manufacturing Jobs, 700,000 Transportation Sector Jobs, Since the Start of the Biden-Harris Administration October 15, 2024, [www.dot.gov](http://www.dot.gov)*

## **Department of Transportation Empowers Small and Disadvantaged Businesses to Enter Emerging Transportation Markets**



Source: DOT

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) launched its *“Pathways to Entrepreneurship Program: Powering Small Businesses in Emerging Transportation Markets”* one-day pilot program experience on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at the USDOT Headquarters. The event brought together approximately 400 small business owners, academic leaders, and transportation stakeholders, and provided an overview of the Pathways to Entrepreneurship (P2E) pilot program for small businesses.

*Department of Transportation Empowers Small and Disadvantaged Businesses to Enter Emerging Transportation Markets, October 16, 2024, [www.dot.gov](http://www.dot.gov)*



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REGISTER NOW for the CILTNA 2024 Fall Outlook Conference & Annual Dinner: "Navigating the Supply Chain in Volatile Times: Insights and Innovation in Logistics and Transportation" on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at the Rideau Club, 99 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON.

To see the draft agenda, please click [HERE](#).

To see the Conference schedule and fees for registration, please visit: <https://ciltna.com/events/2024-ciltna-fall-outlook-conference/>

### 2024 CILTNA AGM

The 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport – North America (CILTNA) will be held on 06

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November 2024 commencing at 5:00 PM ET at the Rideau Club, 99 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON.

Please find the AGM Notice of Meeting, Agenda, Information Circular, Form of Proxy, and 2023 Minutes. Please review them carefully by clicking here: [AGM Package and Proxy Form](#).

### Action Required

To register to attend the 2024 Fall Outlook Conference and/or Annual Dinner please use the following link: <https://ciltna.com/events/2024-ciltna-fall-outlook-conference/>. If you only wish to attend the AGM, registration will be done onsite at the meeting.

The Board strongly encourages all Members to vote by returning the completed form of proxy. Please print the proxy form on page 8 of the package (or click [HERE](#)) and return it to CILTNA administration at: [admin@ciltna.com](mailto:admin@ciltna.com) no later than 24 hrs. prior to the event.





In celebration of National Aviation History Month, Linda Freire, Board Chair of the Pan Am Museum and former flight attendant will discuss the history of Pan American World Airways, its connection to Port Washington and the artists behind the airline's iconic posters.

This program and reception to follow, is scheduled in conjunction with the Pan American World Airways Exhibit which will be on display November 5 through November 28. This exciting exhibit will feature vintage posters from the collection of the Pan Am Museum's archive, many of which have never been publicly displayed until now.

This program is dedicated to the memory of Tom Donoghue, long-time PWPL Board of Trustees member.

Lecture and reception are sponsored by the Nautical Advisory Council.

When: Friday, November 22, 2024 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Where: Port Washington Public Library, 1 Library Dr., Port Washington, NY 11050

PLEASE NOTE: This is a 'hybrid' event that can be attended either "In-Person" or "Online" on the Zoom platform. You can choose which option you wish to register for on the Port Washington Library event page.

<https://portwashington.librarycalendar.com/event/sandwiched-66549>

If you are unable to attend the event, please visit the library to view the collection from November 5th through November 28th.

\*This is a free event, and open to the public! \*

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## Job Postings

### \* Operations, Aerospace Specialist (Air Imports & Air Exports) DSV – Global Transport and Logistics

#### 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 - Recent Grad/Full Time, Honeywell, United States

##### About the Role

As a Supply Chain Analyst here at Honeywell, you will play a crucial role in optimizing our supply chain operations and ensuring the efficient flow of goods and materials. You will work closely with cross-functional

teams to analyze data, identify areas for improvement, and implement strategies to enhance supply chain efficiency. Your work will directly impact our ability to meet customer demands, reduce costs, and maintain a competitive edge in the market.

#### In This Role, You Will

Analyze supply chain data and identify trends, patterns, and opportunities for improvement  
 Collaborate with cross-functional teams to develop and implement supply chain strategies  
 Monitor inventory levels and ensure timely replenishment to meet production demands  
 Coordinate with suppliers and logistics partners to optimize transportation and delivery processes  
 Identify and implement cost-saving initiatives to improve supply chain efficiency  
 Utilize supply chain management software and tools to track and manage inventory

**Location:** This position is available in multiple locations across the United States.

#### Pay Range

The annual salary range for this position is \$68,000/yr-\$87,500/yr. Please note that this salary information serves as a general guideline. Honeywell considers various factors when extending an offer, including but not limited to the scope and responsibilities of the position, the candidate's work experience, education and training, key skills, as well as market and business considerations.

#### Minimum Qualifications

Must be currently pursuing a bachelor's degree (or higher) from an accredited college or university in Supply Chain, Manufacturing Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Operations, Procurement, or similar field

Must have graduate from an accredited college or university between December 2024 and May 2025 and be available to begin full-time work between January 2025 - July 2025

Must have obtained degree within 12 months of the date of hire

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