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Air Canada Awarded Gold Level Certification for Mental Health at Work from Excellence Canada



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada has been granted Gold Level certification in the category of Mental Health at Work from Excellence Canada, recognizing the airline's dedication to a workplace culture that promotes well-being. The airline is committed to making a difference for its employees by providing the resources, training, and support needed to raise awareness about mental health.

Air Canada Awarded Gold Level Certification for Mental Health at Work from Excellence Canada, October 21, 2024, <u>www.aircanada.ca</u>

Air Canada and airBaltic Announce Codeshare Agreement Expanding Connectivity Between Canada and Northern Europe



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada and airBaltic on October 23, 2024 announced a codeshare agreement providing customers additional, convenient travel options when flying between Canada and Europe's Baltic states. Effective for travel beginning November 6, 2024, Air Canada's marketing code will be placed on 10 routes operated by airBaltic, enabling customers to travel conveniently to Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania on a single ticket. The routes include the capital cities of Vilnius (Lithuania), Riga (Latvia) and Tallinn (Estonia) from several European gateways, including Copenhagen, Amsterdam and Stockholm. Also effective for travel beginning November 6, 2024, airBaltic's marketing code will be placed on two routes operated by Air Canada from Toronto to Copenhagen and Amsterdam. Next summer, airBaltic's marketing code will be added on Air Canada's seasonal services from Montreal to Copenhagen and Amsterdam, as well as Toronto to Stockholm.

Air Canada and airBaltic Announce Codeshare Agreement Expanding Connectivity Between Canada and Northern Europe, October 23, 2024, <u>www.aircanada.ca</u>

Star Alliance Management Team Firmly Focused on Seamless Customer Experience



Source: Air Canada

Star Alliance, the world's leading global airline alliance, firmed up its key management appointments aimed at further enhancing its strategic focus on a seamless experience for member airline customers as they benefit from the Star Alliance network. Ambar Franco joins Star Alliance as Vice President, Customer Experience. Franco will lead the development and implementation of initiatives designed to enhance the overall customer journey across the alliance: their booking experience, the experience of customers at airports and when they connect between Star Alliance member airlines, and then to ensure their continuing loyalty post travel.

Star Alliance Management Team Firmly Focused on Seamless Customer Experience, October 24, 2024, <u>www.aircanada.ca</u>

X Porter Airlines Turns 18

Porter is celebrating 18 years of service and it's been another transformative year for the airline. With its continuing North American expansion, Porter is already the second-largest airline operating flights to the U.S. and Canada at Toronto Pearson International Airport, and the largest airline operating out of Ottawa. In the past 12 months, Porter has: 1. Grown to 3,900+ team members (up from 1,500 in 2022); 2. Taken delivery of 20 new E195-E2 aircraft (operating 42 in total of an order up to 100); 3. Total fleet size of 71 aircraft, including 29 De Havilland Dash 8-400 aircraft; and 4. Added 20 new routes (current total 65) and 11 new destinations (current total 38) *Porter Airlines Turns 18, October 23, 2024, www.flyporter.com*

Porter Airlines becomes Toronto's second-largest carrier with expanded winter service

Porter Airlines is operating its largest-ever winter schedule, establishing its position as the second-largest carrier in Toronto. With up to 180 daily flights across 34 destinations, Porter's elevated economy experience is available to more cities from both Toronto Pearson International Airport and Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. At Toronto Pearson, Porter will operate up to 86 daily flights, a 19% increase from last winter's schedule. The airline is now serving 23 destinations, including four upcoming new options: West Palm Beach, San Diego, Thunder Bay and Palm Springs. Every flight from Toronto Pearson is operated by the state-of-the-art, 132-seat Embraer E195-E2.

Porter Airlines becomes Toronto's second-largest carrier with expanded winter service, October 24, 2024, <u>www.flyporter.com</u>

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Air Travel Consumer Report: August 2024 Numbers

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) today released its Air Travel Consumer Report (ATCR) on airline operational data compiled for the month of August 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. In August 2024, reporting marketing carriers posted an on-time arrival rate of 74.9%, up from 68.4% in July 2024 and down from 77.2% in August 2023. The year-to-date on-time arrival rate for 2024 is 75.5%. In August 2024, reporting marketing carriers cancelled 2.0% of their scheduled domestic flights. lower than the rate of 2.9% in July 2024 and higher than the rate of 1.5% in August 2023. The year-to-date cancellation rate for 2024 is 1.7%. In August 2024, reporting marketing carriers handled 42.5 million bags and posted a mishandled baggage rate of 0.64%, lower than the rate of 0.75% in July 2024, and higher than the rate of 0.61% in August 2023. In August 2024, reporting marketing carriers reported checking 79,385 wheelchairs and scooters and mishandling 1,004 for a rate of 1.26% mishandled wheelchairs and scooters, lower than the rate of 1.35% mishandled in July 2024 and lower than the rate of 1.52% mishandled in August 2023.

Air Travel Consumer Report: August 2024 Numbers, October 21, 2024, <u>www.dot.gov</u>

X Laguardia Airport named best U.S. airport by Forbes travel guides first verified air travel awards



Source: AJOT

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey on October 23, 2024 announced LaGuardia Airport's selection as the best airport in the United States by Forbes Travel Guide, which released its first Verified Air Travel Awards based on a survey of 5,000 hospitality and travel expert and the guide's most well-traveled fliers. Today's recognition is the latest in a long list of accolades given to LaGuardia throughout the course of the airport's historic \$8 billion transformation from what was once the nation's worst airport into what is now its best.

Laguardia Airport named best U.S. airport by Forbes travel guides first verified air travel awards, October 23, 2024, <u>www.ajot.com</u>

DOT Issues Landmark \$50 Million Penalty Against American Airlines for Its Treatment of Passengers with Disabilities

On October 23, 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced a \$50 million penalty against American Airlines (American) for numerous serious violations of the laws protecting airline passengers with disabilities between 2019 and 2023. DOT's investigation into American Airlines uncovered cases of unsafe physical assistance that at times resulted in injuries and undignified treatment of wheelchair users, in addition to repeated failures to provide prompt wheelchair assistance. American also mishandled thousands of wheelchairs by damaging them or delaying their return, leaving travelers without the device they need for mobility.

DOT Issues Landmark \$50 Million Penalty Against American Airlines for Its Treatment of Passengers with Disabilities, October 23, 2024, <u>www.dot.gov</u>

Launch Broad Public Inquiry into the State of Competition in Air Travel

On October 24, 2024, the Justice Department's Antitrust Division and the Department of Transportation jointly announced a broad public inquiry into the state of competition in air travel. The agencies are seeking public information on consolidation, anticompetitive conduct, and a wide range of issues affecting the availability and affordability of air travel options. The topics covered in the agencies' joint Request for Information (RFI) include previous airline mergers, exclusionary conduct, airport access, aircraft manufacturing, airline ticket sales, pricing, and rewards practices, and the experiences of aviation workers.

Justice Department and Department of Transportation Launch Broad Public Inquiry into the State of Competition in Air Travel, October 24, 2024, <u>www.dot.gov</u>

(INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$1 Billion in Funding to Modernize Airport Terminals Across 46 States

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is awarding \$970 million from President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to 125 U.S. airports, spanning 46 states, Guam, and Palau. This announcement is the fourth investment of nearly \$1 billion, furthering the <u>Biden-Harris</u> Administration's commitment to rebuilding our nation's infrastructure while lowering costs for families, creating good jobs, and spurring economic growth.

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$1 Billion in Funding to Modernize Airport Terminals Across 46 States, October 24, 2024, <u>www.dot.gov</u>

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CN Announces Third Quarter Results and CN Declares Fourth-Quarter 2024 Dividend

CN on October 22, 2024 reported its financial and operating results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2024. Tracy Robinson. President and Chief Executive Officer, CN said "Our scheduled operating plan demonstrated its resilience in the third quarter, allowing us to adapt our operations to challenges posed by wildfires and prolonged labor issues. Our operations recovered quickly and the railroad is running well. As we close 2024, we will continue to focus on recovering volumes, growth, and ensuring our resources are aligned to demand." Quarterly highlights were: 1. Revenue ton miles (RTMs) of 56,548 (millions), an increase of 2%. 2. Revenues of C\$4,110 million. an increase of C\$123 million, or 3%. 3. Operating income of C\$1,515 million was in line with prior year. 4. Operating ratio, defined as operating expenses as a percentage of revenues, of 63.1%, an increase of 1.1-points. 5. Diluted earnings per share (EPS) of C\$1.72, an increase of 2%. CN continues to expect to deliver adjusted diluted EPS growth in the low single-digit range and continues to expect to invest approximately C\$3.5 billion in its capital program, net of amounts reimbursed by customers. The Company also continues to expect adjusted return on invested capital (ROIC) to be in the 13%-15% range. Over the 2024-2026 period, CN continues to target compounded annual adjusted diluted EPS growth in the high singledigit range. CN announced on October 22, 2024 that its Board of Directors has approved a fourth-quarter 2024 dividend on the Company's common shares outstanding. A guarterly dividend of eighty-four and a half cents (C\$0.8450) per common share will be paid on December 30, 2024, to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 9, 2024.

CN Announces Third Quarter Results, October 23, 2024, <u>www.cn.ca</u>; and CN Declares Fourth-Quarter 2024 Dividend, October 22, 2024, www.cn.ca

Manitoba looks at relocating Winnipeg rail lines

The Province of Manitoba is conducting a feasibility study to determine if Winnipeg's rail lines should be relocated, and have selected Lloyd Axworthy as the study lead. "Manitoba's rail lines are an essential part of what makes our province a central, economic hub and it's important we explore the best options for its location," said Premier Wab Kinew. "Dr. Axworthy is the best person to guide this process. With his proven leadership and commitment to our province, I know he will bring together the concerns of residents, the business community and all levels of government to bear on this important issue. We know this will be a long-term project and our government looks forward to receiving the results of this study."

Manitoba looks at relocating Winnipeg rail lines, October 21, 2024, <u>www.insidelogistics.ca</u>

CPKC Q3 earnings: First look



Source: Freightwaves

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CP) said third-quarter 2024 revenues and earnings improved on freight volumes that were slightly higher than the year-ago quarter. The Calgary, Alberta-based railroad forecast freight volume gains in the mid-single digits and double-digit earnings gains for full-year 2024. Third-quarter revenues were up 6% to \$2.53 billion with diluted earnings per share of 65 cents and core adjusted combined diluted EPS of 72 cents. Regarding these results, Keith Creel, CPKC president and chief executive, in an earnings release said "During the third quarter, we delivered strong performance across the operations of our unrivaled North American network, despite dealing with a number of temporary headwinds."

CPKC Q3 earnings: First look, October 23, 2024, <u>www.freightwaves.com</u>

CPKC reports third-quarter results driven by solid execution; poised for strong finish to 2024 and Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited declares dividend

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) on October 23, 2024 announced its third-quarter results, including revenues of \$3.5 billion, diluted earnings per share (EPS) of \$0.90 and core adjusted combined diluted EPS of \$0.99. Keith Creel, CPKC President and Chief Executive Officer said "We continue to see strong revenue growth, uniquely enabled by this new network. With our commitment to operational excellence, safety and customer service, we are doing what we said we would do and generating value for all stakeholders." Third-quarter 2024 results are: 1. Revenues increased by six percent to \$3.5 billion from \$3.3 billion in Q3 2023; 2. Reported operating ratio (OR) increased by 120 basis points to 66.1 percent from 64.9 percent in Q3 2023; 3. Core adjusted combined OR¹ increased by 120 basis points to 62.9 percent from 61.7 percent in Q3 2023; 4. Reported diluted EPS increased to \$0.90 from \$0.84 in Q3 2023; 5. Core adjusted combined diluted EPS¹ increased eight percent to \$0.99 from \$0.92 in Q3 2023; 6. Volumes, as measured in Revenue Ton-Miles (RTMs), increased four percent; 7. Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)-reportable personal injury frequency decreased to 0.85 from 1.02 in Q3 2023; and 8. FRA-reportable train accident frequency decreased to 1.27 from 1.38 in Q3 2023. The Board of Directors of CPKC on October 23, 2024 declared a guarterly dividend of \$0.19 per share on the outstanding Common Shares. The dividend is payable on Jan. 27, 2025, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 27, 2024.

CPKC reports third-quarter results driven by solid execution; poised for strong finish to 2024, October 23, 2024, <u>www.cpkc.ca</u> and Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited declares dividend, October 23, 2024, <u>www.cpkc.ca</u>

Binding arbitration meetings to start in March 2025 between CN and the TCRC

Following the August 23, 2024 order from the Canada Industrial Relations Board (CIRB) imposing binding arbitration between CN and the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, both parties have recently agreed on an arbitrator to determine the terms of the next collective agreement. Mediation meetings will occur over seven days in March 2025. If a mediated settlement is not reached during those seven days, arbitration will be scheduled to take place in April 2025. As per the protocol negotiated between the parties, the arbitrator will have sixty days to rule. In view of the foregoing, a decision is expected before the end of Q2. The CIRB has also directed that the current collective agreement remains in place until there is a new agreement, meaning no strike or lockout can occur.

Binding arbitration meetings to start in March 2025 between CN and the TCRC, October 23, 2024, <u>www.cn.ca</u>

Railway carloadings, August 2024



Source: Statcan

In August 2024, Canadian railways transported 27.8 million tonnes of freight, down 10.9% from August 2023, the lowest tonnage for the month in more than 10 years. Shipments of coal and potash as well as containers led the decline, which coincided with a short but impactful work stoppage that affected Canada's mainline rail carriers. The noticeable trends were: 1. Traffic down from East to West; 2. Coal carloadings lead decline; 3. Carloadings of canola partially offset overall decline; 4. Intermodal traffic down; and 5. American freight down.

Railway carloadings, August 2024, October 24, 2024, <u>www.statcan.gc.ca</u>

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Norfolk Southern declares quarterly dividend - 2024



Source: AJOT

Norfolk Southern Corporation on October 18, 2024 announced a quarterly dividend of \$1.35 per share on its common stock. The dividend is payable Nov. 20, 2024, to shareholders of record on Nov. 1, 2024. The company has paid a dividend on its common stock for 169 consecutive quarters since its formation in 1982.

<u>Norfolk Southern declares quarterly dividend - 2024</u>, October 21, 2024, <u>www.ajot.com</u>

Norfolk Southern reaches tentative collective bargaining agreement with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers



Source: AJOT

Norfolk Southern Corporation announced today that it has reached a tentative five-year collective bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). The most recent agreement pushes the coverage of the union workforce under early tentative deals to approximately 67%. The agreement, which is subject to ratification, arrives in advance of the next collective bargaining round, providing covered employees with assurances that they will receive significant upcoming improvements to their pay, healthcare, and vacation benefits.

Norfolk Southern reaches tentative collective bargaining agreement with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, October 21, 2024, <u>www.ajot.com</u>

Norfolk Southern reports strong third quarter 2024 results



Source: AJOT

Norfolk Southern Corporation announced on October 22, 2024 its third quarter 2024 financial results. For the quarter, income from railway operations was \$1.6 billion, the operating ratio was 47.7%, and diluted earnings per share were \$4.85. Railway operating revenues of \$3.1 billion, up \$80 million, or 3%, compared to the third quarter 2023. Norfolk Southern reports strong third quarter 2024 results, October 22, 2024, <u>www.ajot.com</u>

Union Pacific Q3 earnings: First look



Source: Freightwaves

Union Pacific Corp. said third-quarter net income was \$1.7 billion, or \$2.75 per diluted share, up from net income of \$1.5 billion, or \$2.51 per diluted share, for the same period in 2023. "Our third quarter results demonstrate the success of our strategy," said Union Pacific Chief Executive Jim Vena, in a release. "Improved safety and service performance supported solid revenue growth that we converted into double-digit improvement in third quarter operating income and earnings per share. "The entire Union Pacific team is focused on delivering for our customers and shareholders, and is energized to

build on these accomplishments to drive sustainable long-term success." Union Pacific Q3 earnings: First look, October 24, 2024, <u>www.freightwaves.com</u>



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Another strike notice issued for Port of Montreal workers



Source: Inside Logistics

The Maritime Employers Association (MEA) said it received a strike notice from the Port of Montréal Longshoremen's Union, CUPE Local 375, the morning of Oct. 24, which consists in a complete 24-hour work stoppage at the Port of Montréal from 7 a.m. Oct. 27, including the Contrecœur terminal. The MEA said the strike that ensued Sept. 30 paralyzed operations for three days at the Viau and Maisonneuve (Termont) terminals, which represent 41 per cent of Port of Montréal's activities. Also, the strike that began Oct. 10, which halted overtime in all its forms, is still ongoing. The MEA said in a statement that the work stoppages have caused significant operational problems, which are in addition to a number of obstacles that are seriously affecting stability and reliability at the Port of Montréal, as well as in the Québec and Canadian supply chain. Part of that impact is a loss of cargo. The cargo handled by Montréal longshore workers has decreased by 24 per cent since 2022, according to the MEA. Another strike notice issued for Port of Montreal workers, October 24, 2024, <u>www.insidelogistics.ca</u>

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Borderlands Mexico: Port of Corpus Christi becomes global crude oil supplier



Source: Freightwaves

The shores along the Corpus Christi Ship Channel are lined with massive storage tanks, grain elevators and oceanbound vessels docked along the 34-mile blue-green waterway. Since Congress repealed the crude oil export ban in 2015 and allowed U.S. crude oil to be sold on the world market, the Port of Corpus Christi has become a global crude oil refinery hub. Through the first eight months of the year, trade at the Port of Corpus Christi, Texas, rose 9% year over year to \$60.29 billion. The port is the largest exporter of oil and fuels in the U.S. and the third-largest exporter of crude oil in the world, behind the top-ranked Ras Tanura port in Saudi Arabia and the Basrah Oil Terminal in Iraq.

Borderlands Mexico: Port of Corpus Christi becomes global crude oil supplier, October 20, 2024, <u>www.freightwaves.com</u>

Port of Long Beach: Gene Seroka announces historic third quarter



Source: AJOT

The Port of Los Angeles handled a record 954,706 Twenty-Foot Equivalent Units (TEUs) in September 2024, a 27% increase over the previous year. It marked the close of the busiest quarter ever at the Port, which processed 2,854,904 TEUs in the last three months. Nine months into 2024, the Port of Los Angeles is 18% ahead of its 2023 pace. September 2024 loaded imports landed at 497,803 TEUs, a 26% increase compared to the previous year. Loaded exports came in at 114,702 TEUs, a 5% decrease compared to 2023. The Port processed 342,201 empty containers, a 45% jump compared to 2023. Overall, the Port has moved 7,586,395 TEUs the first nine months of 2024, an 18% increase over the 2023 mark.

Port of Long Beach: Gene Seroka announces historic third quarter, October 21, 2024, <u>www.ajot.com</u>

Hapag-Lloyd has joined soon-to-be alliance partner Maersk in raising its full-year profit forecast following the release of preliminary ninemonth figures that beat the carrier's expectations. Even though the results are significantly below the same period a year ago, this year's early peak season out of Asia and the high rates and demand that sustained through the third quarter enabled Hapag-Lloyd to raise its 2024 profit guidance. Given the current course of business, characterized by stronger-than-expected demand and improved freight rates, and despite increased expenses related to the necessary diversion of vessels around the Cape of Good Hope, Hapag-Lloyd is raising its full year forecast.

Hapag-Lloyd raises full-year forecast on 'stronger than expected' Q3, October 24, 2024, <u>www.joc.com</u>

Container rates continue to plunge

Drewry's World Container Index (WCI) sank four per cent again the week of Oct. 21-25 to US\$3,095 per 40-ft container, despite spike in Rotterdam to New York route. The latest drop puts container rates 70 per cent below the previous pandemic peak of US\$10,377 in September 2021, but 118 per cent more than the average 2019 prepandemic rate of US\$1,420. The average year-to-date composite index is US\$4,036 per feu, which is US\$1,200 higher than the 10-year average of US\$2,836, which is inflated by the COVID-19 period. *Container rates continue to plunge, October 24, 2024, www.insidelogisitcs.ca*

Hapag-Lloyd raises full-year forecast on 'stronger than expected' Q3



Source: JOC



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Q3 cargo theft incidents 14% higher than last year

Cargo thefts across the U.S. and Canada saw a sharp rise in the third quarter of 2024, with 776 theft events reported, representing a 14% increase compared to the same period in 2023, according to a new report from CargoNet. The total value of stolen goods in the third quarter of the year exceeded \$39 million. Despite a slight 1.6% decrease in incidents compared to the second quarter of 2024, the gap is expected to close as delayed reports come in, CargoNet said. The report added that organized crime groups continue to drive the increase in cargo theft turning to increasingly sophisticated tactics of strategic nature, that typically involve some form of document fraud, identity theft, and intent to steal the property they are being entrusted to transport.

Q3 cargo theft incidents 14% higher than last year, October 18, 2024, www.todaystrucking.com

The Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act

The Government of Ontario is proposing new legislation that, if passed, would make life easier for drivers, getting them out of gridlock and where they need to go. The proposed legislation would create a new *Building Highways Faster Act* that would speed construction of Highway 413, Bradford Bypass, Garden City Skyway bridge and other priority highway projects designated by the province. The new Act would accelerate access to property and property acquisitions and introduce new penalties for obstructing access for field investigations or damaging equipment. The legislation would also allow regulation-making authority to facilitate around-the-clock, 24/7 construction on priority highway projects.

The Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act, October 21, 2024, <u>www.mto.gov.on.ca</u>

TFI International Announces 2024 Third Quarter Results

TFI International Inc. a North American leader in the transportation and logistics industry, on October 21, 2024 announced its results for the third guarter ended September 30, 2024. 1. Third guarter operating income of \$203.3 million increased from \$200.6 million the same quarter last year, primarily from contributions from business acquisitions offset by weaker market conditions and higher net gains on sale of assets held for sale in the prior year period. 2. Third quarter net income of \$128.0 million compared to \$133.3 million in Q3 2023, while adjusted net income1 of \$136.6 million increased from \$136.0 million. 3. Third guarter diluted earnings per share (diluted "EPS") of \$1.50 compared to \$1.54 in Q3 2023, while adjusted diluted EPS 1 of \$1.60 increased from \$1.57. 4. Third quarter net cash from operating activities of \$351.1 million increased from \$278.7 million in Q3 2023 and free cash flow 1 of \$272.5 million increased from \$198.3 million, used in part to repay over \$130 million of debt. 5. The Board of Directors approved a \$0.45 guarterly dividend, an increase of 13%. (All figures in US \$).

TFI International Announces 2024 Third Quarter Results, October 21, 2024, <u>www.tfiinter.com</u>

TFI's Bedard: Buying UPS' LTL operations was not a mistake



Source: Freightwaves

Alain Bedard, the CEO of TFI International, assured analysts on the company's earnings call on October 22, 2024 that he wasn't sorry the <u>company bought less-than-truckload carrier UPS Freight</u> in early 2021. "If you asked me the question, 'Hey, you think that you made a mistake with this purchase?" Bedard said, "Not at all." But the fact that the question even came up, as the fourth anniversary of the acquisition looms in just a few months, highlights the fact that TFI's LTL operations, mostly made up of the legacy UPS Freight business, remain a significant laggard in the trucking conglomerate's overall performance. For example, the operating ratio at TFI's U.S. LTL operations in the third quarter, which ended Sept. 30, was 92.2%. That is a deterioration of 140 basis points from the 90.8% recorded in the third quarter of 2023. In Canada, TFI's LTL operations posted an improved OR of 76.3%, compared to 77.2% a year ago.

TFI's Bedard: Buying UPS' LTL operations was not a mistake, October 22, 2024, <u>www.freightwaves.com</u>

MTA raises concerns over restored apprentice-tojourneyperson ratio



Source: Todays Trucking

The Manitoba Trucking Association (MTA) is expressing concerns about the recently restored one-to-one apprentice-to-journeyperson ratio, fearing it could negatively impact apprentices in Manitoba's trucking industry without improving safety. Aaron Dolyniuk, executive director of the MTA, said in a news release that while safety remains a top priority, the association's members believe that a two-to-one ratio for truck and transport mechanics, as well as transport trailer technicians, is both safe and practical. "The negative impact will come from the inability to find enough journeypersons to take on this role to match the number of apprentices hoping to come into the industry. With retirements, that will become increasingly challenging," he said. *MTA raises concerns over restored apprentice-to-journeyperson ratio*, *October 23, 2024, www.todaystruckingcom*

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Bridge study shows impact closures have on transportation



Source: Inside Logistics

A Geotab Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) study on commercial freight data on five key U.S. bridges reveals that closures, whether short or long term, can cause disruptions to the movement of goods beyond the region, have a significant impact on traffic congestion and increase the risk of harsh events. In its bridge analysis report, which included the Ambassador Bridge connecting Detroit and Windsor, Ont., Geotab ITS studied the widespread effects of potential closures to show organizations how they can form better transportation plans with real world data. The study focused on five major U.S. bridges in and across California, New York, Tennessee, Maryland and Michigan and included the impact of closures, severe weather and traffic patterns so that communities can prepare for replacement projects in advance.

Bridge study shows impact closures have on transportation, October 21, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

Uber Freight expands reach, services across Mexico with new location



Source: Freightwaves

Uber Freight wants a bigger piece of the booming cross-border Mexico freight pie. The company recently opened a new office in the Mexican

border city of Nuevo Laredo and has expanded its workforce in the country. Uber Freight also recently appointed Jesus Ojeda, who led customs solutions as senior vice president at Transplace before its acquisition by Uber Freight, as executive vice president of Mexico operations. Last year, the company achieved 77% growth in U.S.-Mexico cross-border business, managing more than 2,000 daily shipments and processing over 25,000 monthly customs entries. Ojeda sees the freight market between the U.S. and Mexico expanding even more in the future because of nearshoring — companies shifting production and manufacturing to Mexico to be closer to the U.S. *Uber Freight expands reach, services across Mexico with new location, October 22, 2024, www.freightwaves.com*



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Seven projects funded under the National Trade Corridors Fund in Quebec



Source: Inside Logistics

On October 18, 2024, the President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, the Honourable Anita Anand, announced up to \$38 million for seven projects under the National Trade Corridors Fund. By supporting our supply chains, the Government of Canada is ensuring that goods move faster and cheaper, making life cost less for Canadians. The funding recipients and project details are below. 1. Montreal Port Authority - Increased export capacity for Canadian containerized grains (\$12,500,000); 2. QSL International Ltée -Development of the port terminals in the cities of Sorel-Tracy and Saint-Joseph-de-Sorel (\$13,613,683); 3. Quebec Port Authority -Increase the terminal storage space at Pier 103 (\$1,198,185); 4. Quebec Port Authority - Relocation of a strategic and essential infrastructure for the electrical supply of the L'Anse au Foulon sector (Pier 104 and 105) (\$1,638,500); 5. Quebec Port Authority - Project to increase the capacity and efficiency of the estuary rail vard (\$723.600): 6. Quebec Port Authority - Agreement for the development of a new dry bulk and cargo terminal behind pier 108 in the Anse au Foulon

sector (\$6,800,000); and 7. Saguenay Port Authority – New storage area in the southwest sector of the Terminal (\$1,261,343). Seven projects funded under the National Trade Corridors Fund in Quebec, October 18, 2024, <u>www.tc.gc.ca</u>

Travel between Canada and other countries, August 2024



Source: Statcan

In August 2024, US residents took 3.2 million trips to Canada, and residents of overseas countries took 811,200 trips. The number of nonresident arrivals (US-resident and overseas-resident arrivals combined) in Canada represented 86.9% of the number observed in August 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic. In August 2024, Canadian residents returned from 5.3 million trips abroad, which represented 90.2% of the level recorded in August 2019. n August, US residents took 3.2 million trips to Canada, up 12.7% from the same month in 2023. The number of trips recorded in August 2019, before the pandemic. In August, 811,200 overseas residents arrived in Canada, an increase of 5.2% compared to the same month in 2023. *Travel between Canada and other countries, August 2024, October 22, 2024, <u>www.statcan.gc.ca</u>*

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INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces More Than \$4.2 Billion From the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for Transformational, National Infrastructure Projects

On October 21, 2024, U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg announced more than \$4.2 billion in funding from the Biden-Harris Administration's Investing in America agenda through two major discretionary grant programs, the National Infrastructure Project Assistance (Mega) grant program and the Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) grant program, both of which have historic levels of funding thanks to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces More Than \$4.2 Billion From the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for Transformational, National Infrastructure Projects, October 21, 2024, <u>www.dot.gov</u>

North American Transborder Freight declined 0.9% in August 2024 from August 2023



August 2023; 3. Freight between the U.S. and Mexico: \$73.8 billion, up 4.2% from August 2023 - Mexico continued to lead Canada in freight dollar value for the last 18 months 4. Trucks moved \$90.7 billion of freight, up 3.3% compared to August 2023; 5. Railways moved \$16.9 billion of freight, down 4.3% compared to August 2023; 6. Vessels moved \$9.8 billion of freight, down 17.2% compared to August 2023 - Vessels moved \$9.8 billion of freight, down 17.2% compared to August 2023 - Vessels moved \$9.8 billion of freight, down 17.2% compared to August 2023 - Vessels moved \$9.8 billion of freight, down 20% compared to August 2023; and 7. Air moved \$4.7 billion of freight, down 8.8% compared to August 2023. U.S.-Canada (both directions) were as follows: 1. Truck \$36b; 2. Pipeline \$8.3b; Rail \$8.4b; Vessel \$3.5b; and 5. Air \$2.9b.

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EU invests over €380 million in 133 new LIFE projects to support the green transition all around Europe

The Commission has granted on October 20, 2024 more than €380 million to 133 new projects across Europe under the <u>LIFE Programme</u> for environment and climate action. The allocated amount represents more than half of the €574 million total investment needs for these projects - the remainder coming from national, regional and local governments, public-private partnerships, businesses, and civil society organisations.

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Source: BTS

On October 23, 2024, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics reported Total Transborder Freight by Border in August 2024, Compared to August 2023. The results for transborder freight between the U.S. and North American countries Canada and Mexico were as follows: 1. Total transborder freight: \$136.7 billion of transborder freight moved by all modes of transportation, down 0.9% compared to August 2023; 2. Freight between the U.S. and Canada: \$ 63.0 billion, down 6.4% from



North America



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To see the draft agenda, please click HERE.

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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: <u>AGM Package and Proxy Form</u>.

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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 costeffective 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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