

Transportation's Top Stories

Air Transport Updates

CANADA

Air Canada Rolls Out Comprehensive Transborder Schedule from YVR for Summer 2025



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada announced on December 2, 2024 that its most comprehensive transborder schedule from its Vancouver (YVR) hub. Three new transborder routes to Tampa, Raleigh and Nashville, plus more capacity to Austin, Denver and Miami have been added, offering even more exciting options for travellers on both sides of the border. Together with its partner United Airlines, Air Canada will offer up to 7,700 seats on 58 daily non-stop flights to 21 US destinations next summer, representing an 11% increase in seat capacity from summer 2024. All flights are now available for sale at aircanada.com, through Air Canada Contact Centres and via travel agents.

Air Canada Rolls Out Comprehensive Transborder Schedule from YVR for Summer 2025, December 2, 2024, www.aircanada.ca

Porter Airlines inaugurates flights between Montreal and Fort Myers

Porter is launching a new seasonal route between Montréal-Trudeau International Airport (YUL) and Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) in Fort Myers on November 29, 2024. The airline is the only operator to offer non-stop service between the two airports, providing travellers with a seamless connection to Southwest Florida.

Porter Airlines inaugurates flights between Montreal and Fort Myers, November 29, 2024, www.flyporter.com

Moosehead Breweries gets on board with Porter Airlines

Toronto, Ontario & Saint John, New Brunswick (December 3, 2024) - Moosehead Breweries is now the beer partner of Porter Airlines. The Canadian-owned and operated brewery will have products available on all Porter flights, beginning this week. Passengers will be able to enjoy Moosehead Breweries' flagship beers; Moosehead Canadian Lager, and their premium ultra-light lager, Cracked Canoe, free of charge as part of the airline's signature service.

Moosehead Breweries gets on board with Porter Airlines, December 2, 2024, www.flyporter.com

Porter takes off to Florida with first flights from Halifax

Porter Airlines is inaugurating two new, nonstop routes between Halifax Stanfield International Airport (YHZ) and Florida in the first week of December 2024, marking the first time the carrier has operated U.S. flights from the Nova Scotia capital.

Porter takes off to Florida with first flights from Halifax, December 5, 2024, www.flyporter.com

Air Canada to Adjust its Basic and Comfort Fares Beginning January 3, 2025



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada on December 4, 2024 said it is revising some of the terms of its Basic and Comfort economy fare tickets. These changes align the airline's fare structure with similar fare offerings by other Canadian carriers and better distinguish its fare brands. For its lowest-priced, Basic fare for North America and Sun routes, customers selecting this fare class and travelling on tickets purchased on or after January 3, 2025, will still be able to bring on board one small personal item, such as a purse or computer bag. But larger items, such as rollerboard or duffel bags, or large backpacks, will have to be checked presecurity and standard fees of \$35 for a first bag and \$50 for a second bag will apply. Customers arriving at the boarding gate with ineligible carry-on items will be required to check this baggage for a \$65 fee for each item. Mobility aids, medical devices, and child strollers are exempt from carry-on charges for all customers. As well, Status members, Star Alliance Gold, and Aeroplan premium credit cardholders will continue to be entitled to one carry-on bag, and their other benefits will also continue to apply.

Air Canada to Adjust its Basic and Comfort Fares Beginning January 3, 2025, December 4, 2024, www.aircanada.ca

Message from the Chair for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities - 2024

The International Day of Persons with Disabilities is marked every year on December 3rd. At the Canadian Transportation Agency, we are committed to making travel accessible to all and to fostering an inclusive environment where every individual is valued and empowered. We recognize that accessibility and inclusivity are not just goals but ongoing commitments that require our continuous effort and dedication. To really advance accessibility, partnerships are needed both domestically and internationally, as well as between industry, persons with disabilities and international organizations alike. Engagement with persons with disabilities is, and always will be, at the heart of improving accessibility. We believe strongly in the principle "Nothing about us without us".

Message from the Chair for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities – 2024, December 3, 2024, <u>www.cta-otc.gc.ca</u>

Minister Anand speaks on importance of accessible air travel at International Civil Aviation Organization

The President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, the Honourable Anita Anand, spoke on December 2, 2024 at the Symposium on Accessibility in International Civil Aviation. This event, hosted jointly by the International Civil Aviation Organization, Airports Council International and the International Air Transport Association, aims to address the challenges and efforts of Member States, industry and other stakeholders and to enhance international collaboration to make air travel more accessible. Minister Anand outlined some of the barriers to accessibility that affect the dignity and safety of travellers with disabilities and reduced mobility, insisting that the aviation industry must continue current efforts to pursue a seamless, global approach to ensure accessibility at every stage of the travel experience.

Minister Anand speaks on importance of accessible air travel at International Civil Aviation Organization, December 2, 2024, www.tc.qc.ca

Kumusta! Air Canada to Launch New, Non-Stop Service between Vancouver and Manila

Air Canada on December 5, 2024 announced the strategic expansion of its international network with the addition of non-stop flights between its Pacific hub at Vancouver International Airport and Manila Ninoy Aquino International Airport in the Philippines. The announcement was made during the Government of Canada's Team Canada Trade Mission currently in the Philippines, celebrating 75 years of Canada-

Philippines diplomatic relations. This new service to Manila is Air Canada's third South-East Asia destination launched in the last two years.

Kumusta! Air Canada to Launch New, Non-Stop Service between Vancouver and Manila, December 5, 2024, <u>www.aircanada.ca</u>

US/WORLD

Air Cargo Demand up 9.8% in October 2024 - 15th Month of Consecutive Growth



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for October 2024 global air cargo markets showing continuing strong annual growth in demand. 1. Total demand, measured in cargo tonne-kilometers (CTKs), rose by 9.8% compared to October 2023 levels (10.3% for international operations) for a 15th consecutive month of growth. 2. Capacity, measured in available cargo tonne-kilometers (ACTKs), increased by 5.9% compared to October 2023 (7.2% for international operations). This was largely driven by an 8.5% increase in international belly capacity. Dedicated freighter capacity increased by 5.6%, the seventh consecutive month of growth with volumes nearing 2021 peak levels.

Air Cargo Demand up 9.8% in October 2024 - 15th Month of Consecutive Growth, December 2, 2024, www.iata.org

Solid Growth in Passenger Demand Continued in October



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for October 2024 global passenger demand with the following highlights: Total demand, measured in revenue passenger kilometers (RPK), was up 7.1% compared to October 2023. Total capacity, measured in available seat kilometers (ASK), was up 6.1% year-on-year. The October load factor was 83.9% (+0.8ppt compared to October 2023). International demand rose 9.5% compared to October 2023. Capacity was up 8.6% year-on-year and the load factor rose to 83.5% (+0.6ppt compared to October 2023). Domestic demand rose 3.5% compared to October 2023. Capacity was up 2.0% year-on-year and the load factor was 84.5% (+1.2ppt compared to October 2023). Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General said "Continued strong and stable demand is good news, but just as important is the steady improvement in load factors. It shows what a great job the industry is doing in flying people more efficiently. Average seat factors have risen from around 67% in the 1990's to over 83% today. Politicians thinking of trying to tax passengers off planes to reduce emissions would do well to note this. Even if fewer people fly because taxes make it too expensive, it doesn't automatically mean reduced emissions because the planes will still fly, just with fewer passengers. That would reverse decades hard won progress. We need to see the planes full to generate the economic and social benefits of travel with the most minimal emissions possible.".

Solid Growth in Passenger Demand Continued in October, December 4, 2024, <u>www.iata.org</u>



DOT Launches Rulemaking to Protect Passengers Stranded by Airline Disruptions

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on December 5, 2024 launched a rulemaking to protect passengers stranded by airlines canceling or significantly changing their flights. The Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) seeks public comment on requiring airlines to pay passengers cash compensation, rebook them for free on the next available flight, and cover meals, overnight lodging, and related transportation expenses when a disruption is airline-caused, such as a mechanical issue or an IT airline system breakdown.

DOT Launches Rulemaking to Protect Passengers Stranded by Airline Disruptions, December 5, 2024, <u>www.dot.gov</u>



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Rail Transport Updates

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Freight Rail Services Price Index, November 2024



Source: Statcan

Data for November for the Freight Rail Services Price Index (2018=100) are now available. The index for November 2024 is 126.7 compared to 126.3 for October 2024 and 131.7 in November 2023. Freight Rail Services Price Index, November 2024, November 29, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

■ Ontario Investing \$758 Million for TTC's Line 2 Subway Cars

The Ontario government is investing \$758 million to help the TTC purchase 55 new trains for Toronto's Line 2 subway. This investment is a result of the New Deal for Toronto, which was reached one year ago, and was conditional on the federal government meeting its financial commitment to support this critical public transit project, which was announced on November 29, 2024.

Ontario Investing \$758 Million for TTC's Line 2 Subway Cars, November 29, 2024, www.mto.gov.on.ca

Mexico sourcing competitive even with US tariff threat: CPKC, UP



Source: JOC

Executives from two Class I railroads told investors this week that tariffs against Mexico and Canada threatened by President-elect Donald Trump would not significantly diminish the sourcing of products ranging from automobiles to white goods from the US's neighbours to the north and south. The skilled-yet-cost-competitive Mexican labor force and accessibility to North American trade partners will continue to drive cross-border intermodal traffic growth from Mexico to United States and Canada, Keith Creel, CEO of Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC), said during a UBS Global Industrials and Transportation Conference in Florida.

Mexico sourcing competitive even with US tariff threat: CPKC, UP, December 5, 2024, www.joc.com

US/WORLD

RAC Announces 2024 Safety Award Winners



Source: Railway Age

The Railway Association of Canada (RAC) on Nov. 27, 2024 announced the winners of the 2024 Safety Awards, recognizing the contributions of Canadian railroaders in advancing safety on the country's rail network.

RAC Announces 2024 Safety Award Winners, December 2, 2024, www.railwayage.com

AAR: Carloads, Intermodal Down in Week 48



Source: Railway Age

For this week ending November 30, 2024, total U.S. weekly rail traffic was 439,362 carloads and intermodal units, down 13.8 percent compared with the same week last year. Total carloads for the week ending November 30 were 189,746 carloads, down 19.9 percent compared with the same week in 2023, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 249,616 containers and trailers, down 8.5 percent compared to 2023. One of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2023. It was miscellaneous carloads, up 236 carloads, to 7,833. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2023 included coal, down 16,218 carloads, to 52,126; nonmetallic minerals, down 8,469 carloads, to 20,496; and metallic ores and metals, down 5,821 carloads, to 15,991. Canadian railroads reported 88,468 carloads for the week, down 9.5 percent, and 69,976 intermodal units, down 1.4

percent compared with the same week in 2023. For the first 48 weeks of 2024, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 7,607,064 carloads, containers and trailers, down 0.9 percent.

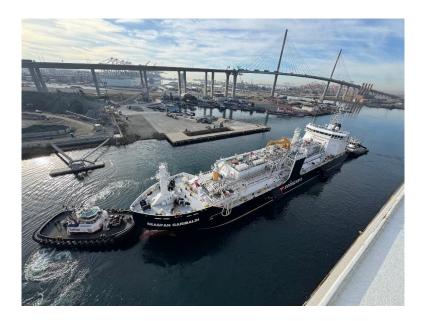
<u>AAR: Carloads, Intermodal Down in Week 48, December 4, 2024, www.railwayage.com; and AAR reports rail traffic for the week ending November 23, 2024, December 4, 2024, www.aiot.com</u>



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Marine Transport Updates

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Seaspan Energy celebrates its first ship-to-ship LNG Transfer

December 4, 2024 – Vancouver, BC – Seaspan Energy (Seaspan) has successfully completed its first LNG ship-to-ship transfer to a containership in the Port of Long Beach. This operation marks the beginning of Seaspan's service offering on the West Coast of North America with two LNG bunkering vessels to soon serve both the Long Beach and Vancouver markets.

"Our first ship-to-ship LNG bunkering has been five years in the making and our team is so proud of this milestone especially as this represents the first ship-to-ship bunkering on the West Coast of North America," said Harly Penner, Senior Vice President, Seaspan Energy. "We are committed to offering large vessel operators a low-carbon fuel solution and this is the first of many successful operations to support a sustainable shift in the global marine sector."

The first ship-to-ship transfer was performed by the Seaspan Garibaldi, the first of three Seaspan Energy 112m-long LNG bunkering vessels to be operational. The Seaspan Garibaldi will soon be joined by the Seaspan Lions and both bunkering vessels will support the market on the West Coast of North America.

Seaspan Energy is the first Canadian company to provide ship-to-ship bunkering solutions.

Seaspan Energy celebrates its first ship-to-ship LNG Transfer, Seaspan Press Release, December 4, 2024, https://www.seaspan.com/

DP World expands Port Saint John capacity

DP World and Port Saint John have welcomed two of the largest cranes ever deployed at the port, marking a major step in enhancing container handling capacity and operational efficiency. The new additions aim to bolster the port's role in global trade and strengthen Saint John's position as a key Atlantic gateway. The cranes, each with an outreach of 65 metres and capable of spanning 24 containers wide, can service vessels exceeding 10,000 TEUs. Their arrival increases the port's total to six quay cranes, the highest capacity in its history. DP World expands Port Saint John capacity, December 2, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

St. Lawrence Seaway to undergo \$350M infrastructure overhaul

The St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC) plans to invest more than \$350 million over the next three years to modernize its infrastructure, boost reliability and strengthen supply chain links across Canada. The funding, set to be allocated from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2027, will target key areas of the Seaway. More than \$170 million is earmarked for the Montreal-to-Lake Ontario (MLO) region, while \$180 million will be directed toward the Welland Canal. The upgrades aim to extend the lifespan of critical assets through work such as maintaining and improving locks and bridges, upgrading energy infrastructure, and enhancing mechanical and structural systems.

St. Lawrence Seaway to undergo \$350M infrastructure overhaul, December 4, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

Moving goods around the world and into our lives

Behind the 140 million tonnes of goods imported and exported every year through the Port of Vancouver is an entire community working to make it happen. Ranging from household goods such as your shoes to the Canadian grain shipped around the world, terminals and supply chain partners move a wide range of imported and exported goods to and from Canada. This movement of goods through the port ensures items such as food, pharmaceuticals, clothing and essential products get to communities across the country. It also means Canadian products such as apples, wheat, and materials for manufacturing are accessible to those around the world. The port connects Canadians and local businesses with up to 170 countries and is home to 29 major terminals that move cargo across four sectors— containerized, bulk, break bulk and auto trade—and passengers through the Canada Place cruise terminal. Every year, port activities enable the trade of approximately \$300 billion in goods and sustains 132,400 jobs across the country. It's all made possible through the dedicated efforts by member of the port community who collaborate to keep Canada's trade moving - including marine carriers and pilots, longshore workers, terminal operators, railway workers, trucking companies and drivers. Moving goods around the world and into our lives, December 3, 2024,

www.portmetrovancouver.com

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Georgia Ports targets community improvements with \$120M in grants for electrical and rail infrastructure



Source: AJOT

At the Georgia Ports Authority meeting on December 2,m2024, President and CEO Griff Lynch outlined plans to improve operational sustainability for neighboring communities in Savannah and Brunswick as the driver of three federal grants totaling more than \$120 million. "We are constantly looking for ways to be a good steward for our local communities near our ports in Savannah and Brunswick. These federal grants will help us reduce the community impact of our ship, rail and truck traffic operations and emissions. We'd like to thank our federal partners for their role in supporting our plans to reduce our carbon footprint and strengthen our business resiliency," Lynch said. Georgia Ports has targeted community improvements as the driver of three federal grants to reduce the impact of port operations and emissions on local communities.

Georgia Ports targets community improvements with \$120M in grants for electrical and rail infrastructure, December 2, 2024. www.ajot.com

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$5 Million in Grants to Improve Movement of Goods Along United States Marine **Highways**

On December 3, 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration (MARAD) awarded \$4.85 million in grants to five marine highway projects across the nation via the United States Marine Highway Program (USMHP). The funding will enhance the movement of goods along our navigable waterways while expanding

existing waterborne freight services in Louisiana, Puerto Rico, Washington, and West Virginia.

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$5 Million in Grants to Improve Movement of Goods Along United States Marine Highways, December 3, 2024, www.dot.gov

Union, employers resume war of words in East Coast port contract dispute



Source; Freightwaves

The war of words resumed this week between port employers represented by the United States Maritime Alliance (USMX), and the International Longshoremen's Association union and their 45,000 workers at East and Gulf Coast ports. The sides had agreed to a media blackout when contract negotiations resumed following a three-day strike by the union that shut down container handling in early October. But that ceasefire was apparently abrogated after the ILA broke off talks Nov. 13, 2024 accusing employers of trying to force automation technology language into a new master contract. The union on December 2, 2024 renewed its efforts to sway public opinion by reposting on its Facebook account an image of an ILA flag with the message, "If it's a fight they want, it's a WAR they're going to get." The image was seen frequently online and on picket lines during the strike. Union, employers resume war of words in East Coast port contract dispute, December 3, 2024, www.freightwaves.com



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Road Transport Updates

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Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, October 2024



Source: Statcan

The Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index (2019=100) is now available for October. The index for October 2024 was 136.2 remaining the same as September 2024 but showing a decrease from 137.6 compared to October 2023.

Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, October 2024, November 29, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, third quarter 2024



Source: Statcan

The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index (2021=100) is now available for the third quarter. For the third quarter of 2024 the index for truck transportation is 121.9 compared to 121.4 for the second quarter of 2024 and remaining the same for the same for the third quarter of 2023 (i.e. 121.9). For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, third quarter 2024, November 29, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

Canada Post submits proposal to union, while CUPW files complaint with CIRB



Source: Inside Logistics

Canada Post has presented the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) with a framework in an effort to reach an agreement, which it says includes proposals to bring greater flexibility to its delivery model, while also demonstrating movement on other key issues. "It is our hope that these proposals will reignite discussions and, together with the support of mediators, help the parties work toward final agreements," Canada Post said in a statement Dec. 1. "To facilitate talks, we will not be providing further details outside the negotiations process at this time." Canada Post said it understand the impact the national strike is having on Canadians and that it remains committed to negotiating new collective agreements that will provide its employees and customers with the certainty they are looking for. Meanwhile, CUPW filed an Unfair Labour Practice complaint Nov. 29 with the CIRB against layoffs imposed by Canada Post on workers the union says are exercising their legal right to strike.

Canada Post submits proposal to union, while CUPW files complaint with CIRB, December 2, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca



Canada Post strike to cost small businesses \$1 billion as calls for action mount



Source: Financial Post

The <u>Canada Post</u> strike, now in its third week, is set to cost Canada's small- and medium-sized businesses more than \$1 billion by December 4, 2024, according to the <u>Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB)</u>. The prolonged <u>labour dispute</u>, which began on Nov. 15, has paralyzed operations at the Crown corporation, disrupting supply chains and dealing a significant blow to small businesses during the critical holiday season.

Canada Post strike to cost small businesses \$1 billion as calls for action mount, December 2, 2024, www.financialpost.ca



Most Canadians minimally affected by Canada Post strike, survey finds



Source: National Post

As the strike by Canada Post workers nears the end of its third week, a new poll by Angus Reid finds Canadians split in their sympathies between the Crown corporation and its striking employees. However, the same poll also noted that a sizeable majority of the more than 3,000 surveyed said they were minimally affected by the strike, or in some cases not at all.

Most Canadians minimally affected by Canada Post strike, survey finds, December 5, 2025, www.nationalpost.ca



Mullen Group buys Pacific Northwest Moving, expands reach in the North



Source: Todays Trucking

Mullen Group has announced its purchase of Pacific Northwest Moving (Yukon), and its parent company Pacific Northwest Investments. A share purchase agreement was signed, and the deal closed on Dec. 1, Mullen said in a release. Pacific Northwest (PNW) operates from two owned terminals in Whitehorse and Edmonton. It provides LTL services, including temperature-controlled, dry van, and deck, as well as last-mile deliveries in Whitehorse and Dawson City, Yukon. It also operates a small moving and storage division. Mullen Group chairman and senior executive officer Murray Mullen said the acquisition of the facilities expands its real estate network into Northern Alberta and the Yukon.

Mullen Group buys Pacific Northwest Moving, expands reach in the North, December 2, 2024, www.todaystrucking.com





Source: Todays Trucking

Citing safety concerns, the City of Kamloops, B.C. has paused a truck route pilot program days after it was implemented. In early November, the city authorized the removal of Lansdowne Street and Seymour Street truck route designations from Nov. 15 to May 15, 2025. According to news reports, council voted 7-1 last week to delay the program. The <u>six-month pilot project</u> was aimed at allowing city staff to gain insight into the impacts of the possible removal of truck route designations in the downtown core. Councilor Bill Sarai, who had recommended the pilot project, noted that the alternative route for commercial vehicles was dangerous during the winter. "To avoid downtown, trucks come up a large hill, go through some school zones, then down a steep incline and back up again," he told *TruckNews.com*. "Let's not do it in wintertime when it's the most dangerous."

Kamloops, B.C. pauses downtown truck rerouting pilot project, December 2, 2024, www.todaystrucking.com



Tell Government: 'We Matter Too. Do the Right Thing & Enforce the Law'



Source: Ontruck

The underground economy is thriving in Canada's trucking industry because the federal government refuses to take meaningful action against those in the trucking industry who cheat, defraud the system and exploit their own workers. We need everyone in the industry to tell their MP that their party needs to do something about it. Canadian businesses who pay their fair share and comply with Canadian rules and regulations are saying enough is enough. And every political party needs to stand up for them. To support this initiative, the Canadian Trucking Alliance is launching a new email generating campaign designed to let political leaders know our voices count.

Tell Government: 'We Matter Too. Do the Right Thing & Enforce the Law', December 4, 2024, www.ontruck.ca



Zonar Systems merges with GPS Trackit

Smart transportation mobility solutions provider Zonar Systems announced its merger with GPS Trackit, provider of IoT and GPS fleet tracking and a portfolio company of Inverness Graham. This partnership brings together fleet management technology providers, leveraging GPS Trackit's industry expertise and infrastructure, according to a news release. Zonar will operate as part of the GPS

Trackit portfolio while providing fleet health and safety products. The two companies will form a platform that serves fleets, delivering telematics and cloud-based products for commercial fleet, field services, and passenger vehicle industries.

Zonar Systems merges with GPS Trackit, December 3, 2024, www.todaystrucking.ccom

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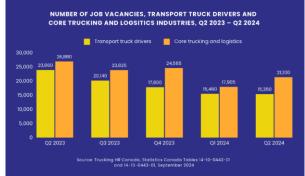
Docked Bikeshare Ridership Increase in 2023 on Most but Not All Systems

Most but not all docked bikeshare systems experienced an increase in ridership in 2023. In 2023, ridership declined 3% on BlueBikes (serving the Boston, MA metro area) and 2% on Bay Wheels (serving the San Francisco, CA area). With the exception of Bay Wheels, growth on BlueBikes in years prior to 2023 more than offset the decline experienced during 2020, when COVID-19 significantly reduced ridership on nearly all systems. Ridership on Bay Wheels, on the other hand, was 1% percentage point below the 2019 level in 2023.

Docked Bikeshare Ridership Increase in 2023 on Most but Not All Systems, December 2, 2024, www.dot.gov

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Truck driver vacancies drop 36% in Q2 2024 as nondriving roles lag behind



Source: Todays Trucking

Truck driver vacancies in Canada dropped by 36% in Q2 2024 compared to the same period last year, according to Trucking HR Canada's (THRC) latest national job vacancy update. This decrease represents a drop of 8,510 open positions for transport truck drivers, reflecting an easing of labor pressures in driving roles. The report

highlights that the job vacancy rate for truck drivers dropped to 4.5%, down from 7% in Q2 2023. Across the broader trucking and logistics sector, the vacancy rate declined from 4.5% to 3.5% over the same period. However, non-driving roles have not seen the same level of improvement, indicating ongoing labor challenges in other key positions within the sector.

Truck driver vacancies drop 36% in Q2 2024 as non-driving roles lag behind, December 3, 2024, www.todaystrucking.com



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Other Transport Updates

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Multimodal Safety and Security Programs Oversight Delivery Indicators, first and second quarter 2024/2025



Source: Statcan

Transport Canada's Multimodal Safety and Security Programs Oversight Delivery Indicators are now available for the first and second quarters of the 2024/2025 fiscal year (i.e., April to June and July to September 2024). It includes statistics on various measures (written warnings, monetary penalties, prosecutions, etc.) taken for each sector or transportation. The data can be found on Statistics Canada website.

Multimodal Safety and Security Programs Oversight Delivery Indicators, first and second quarter 2024/2025, December 2, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

Canada Needs an Action Plan to Secure Border and Brace for Tariffs



Source: Ontruck

The Canadian Trucking Alliance is calling on the Prime Minister and provincial premiers to develop a joint action plan that improves border security by addressing red flags before they ever reach the border. CTA president Stephen Laskowski said "All provinces, independent of federal regulations, have the power to send a strong message to Washington that you are securing your trucking transportation supply chain before these vehicles enter the United States. The trucking industry has provincial on-road inspection and audit enforcement systems that need to be more aligned in detecting and prosecuting immigration, labour, and illegal cargo shipment offenses."

Canada Needs an Action Plan to Secure Border and Brace for Tariffs, December 5, 2024, www.ontruck.ca



Canadian international trade in services, October 2024



Source: Statcan

Canada's monthly international trade in services balance went from a surplus of \$0.2 billion in September to a small deficit of \$0.1 billion in October. Overall, imports of services increased 2.0% to \$18.4 billion, and exports of services were up 0.7% to \$18.3 billion. Imports of travel services were up 5.1% to \$5.1 billion in October, mainly because of higher spending by Canadian travellers overseas. Imports of transportation services also increased, up 2.7% to \$3.2 billion. Exports of transportation services rose 6.4% to \$2.0 billion in October, largely due to higher receipts of passenger fares. Offsetting movements in exports of travel services (+0.3%) and commercial services (-0.2%) were observed during the month.

Canadian international trade in services, October 2024, November 5, 2024, www.statcan.gc.ca

Report forecasts major shifts in procurement and supply chains by 2025



Source: Inside Logistics

A new report from GEP outlines six key trends poised to reshape supply chains and procurement strategies by 2025, including Al-driven decision-making, tariffs and trade barriers. The report highlights six critical forces set to influence procurement and supply chains in 2025.

The key predictions and guidance are: 1. Al-driven decision-making: 2. New value metrics; 3. Regulatory scrutiny; 4. Trade restrictions; 5. Energy volatility and sustainability; and 6. Price pressures.

Report forecasts major shifts in procurement and supply chains by 2025, December 6, 2024, www.insidelogistics.ca

US/WORLD



Record high trust in the EU, finds survey



Source: Europa

A new survey has found that 51% of Europeans tend to trust the EU, the highest result since 2007. It also shows that 74% of Europeans support the euro currency, and that many Europeans would like to see a stronger and more independent EU, especially in the face of the current global challenges.

Record high trust in the EU, finds survey, November 29, 2024, www.europa.eu



North American transportation to balance forward momentum with policy shifts in 2025

North American airports, toll roads and ports have settled into a new normal heading into 2025, though Fitch Ratings says in its 2025 transportation infrastructure outlook that the coming year will not be without some potential disruptions, particularly for ports. Fitch's sector outlook for all three major subsets of transportation remains neutral. Airports have reached full pre-pandemic recovery with mildly positive increases for 2025 as the sector moves more in line toward its historical correlation with GDP. "While consumer spending for travel still remains largely healthy, general economic pressures may diminish the demand while political decisions brought on by the incoming administration could create obstacles to perform in-line with expectations," said Senior Director Seth Lehman. The same steady growth trajectory appears set for toll road traffic in the coming year. Telecommuting has shifted traffic patterns with more dispersion across commuting hours and observable declines in remote work, if continued, would be positive for the sector. Conversely, toll hikes tied to inflation or to offset capital investments may soften the upside in volume growth.

North American transportation to balance forward momentum with policy shifts in 2025, December 3, 2024, www.ajot.com



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Ladies, grab a drink on **Wednesday, December 18 at 5 pm ET/2 pm PT** and join us online for an hour for the WiLAT NA Holiday Trivia & Sip. Test your holiday knowledge all while making new friends and reconnecting with those you already know.

We hope to see you all there!

*This event is open to CILTNA Members and their supporters so please share this invite with anyone you feel would be interested in joining us.

To register, please visit: https://ciltna.com/events/wilat-na-holiday-trivia-sip/



"Trump Tariffs — beneath the headlines — potential impacts in the US, Canada, Mexico and beyond" complimentary webinar hosted by KPMG on 18 December 2024

The incoming US President has recently made news headlines with his proposal to pass Executive Orders on or after 20 January 2025 to impose a 25% tariff on all products coming into the US from Canada and Mexico. Similar announcements have been made around a 10% increase in tariffs on products coming from China.

While there is a degree of uncertainty around the likelihood and extent of these proposals being put into action, the use of tariffs as an instrument of trade policy is a well-worn path. In this session, KPMG Trade & Customs professionals will delve beneath the headlines and explore the implications of these developments and address the concerns businesses may have in the new trade environment we are entering.

The panel will be led by Andrew Siciliano, KPMG's Global Practice Leader, Trade & Customs, together with representatives from KPMG firms in the US, Canada and Mexico.

During this webinar, we plan to discuss the following key topics:

- The use of tariffs as a tool of trade policy, including during President Trump's first term in office:
- Understanding how tariffs apply and their economic effect;
- Regulatory mechanisms that the incoming US administration can and may use to implement new tariffs;
- What companies can do now to prepare for these changes;
- Industries and trading activities most likely to be impacted across Canada, Mexico and the US;
- · Potential retaliatory measures;
- Likely opportunities for trade negotiation to mitigate the impact of tariffs or to forestall their implementation.

This session aims to provide you with the necessary insights to navigate the evolving trade and tariff landscape effectively. We hope you can join us for this informative event.

The presenters in the session will include:

- Andrew Siciliano, Partner, Global Practice Leader, Tax, Trade & Customs, KPMG in the US
- Jessica Libby, Principal, Trade and Customs, KPMG in the US
- Luis (Lou) Abad, Principal, Trade and Customs, KPMG in the US
- César Buenrostro, Partner, Trade and Customs (T&C) Practice Partner, Latin

America Deputy Leader for T&C, KPMG in Mexico

• Angelos Xilinas, Partner, Customs & Excise, KPMG in Canada

Date: Wednesday, December 18, 2024

Time:

14:00 - 15:30 New York/Toronto

19:00 – 20:30 London

20:00 - 21:30 Amsterdam

03:00 - 04:30 China and Singapore

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Job Postings

* Senior Consultant / TMS Super User (Oracle Transportation Management) – Contract, Canadian Tire Corporation, Mississauga, ON

What You'll Do

The Senior Consultant, TMS (Oracle Transportation Management) role serves as a technical expert in Oracle Transportation Management (OTM), driving enhancements, support, and delivery of new features for the Operations Planning & Transportation Execution Teams. This position demands a strong background and knowledge in the configuration and impacts of changing, adding, or removing configurations in OTM. The Senior Consultant, TMS (OTM) Super User will coordinate and interact with the TMS Project Team, IT development and shared services teams, vendors and architecture teams to ensure requirements are understood and capable of being implemented. This is a technical role requiring strong analytical skills and a willingness to partner across several teams to implement project deliverables.

This role has project and sustaining accountabilities. It's required to support and tune our OTM West sustaining operations with the rest of our TMS Super User team, as well as participate in our contributions to the project team to build the net new functionality required for OTM East/Central.

For Sustaining

- Support, develop, and maintain our OTM platform to ensure capabilities are delivered through optimal system configurations, settings, and controls. It will include participation in rotation for 24/7 support with the rest of the TMS Super Users.
- Partner with Product Owner on product vision, requirements definition (functional and non-functional), and capability analysis to ensure the product features support the needed business requirements.
- Participate in ongoing interaction with Oracle Support and related teams regarding Quarterly Releases, Patches, Oracle SRs, etc. to ensure timely testing and validation, as well as continued effective and efficient operation of the system and product flow.
- Provide subject matter expertise while developing and maintaining functional system configurations, documentation, and processes.
- Provide data content, modeling, and mapping expertise for OTM.
- Complete both hands-on configuration of the platform as well as management of internal and potentially outsourced configuration resources.

 Assist business stakeholders with testing of system changes and analyze data flows for process improvement opportunities.

For TMS OTM Project

Support testing efforts using business requirements and user acceptance criteria to validate that system configuration is working as expected. This includes Regression Testing to ensure new functionality doesn't harm current functionality in Production from previous phases. Partner with Solution Integrator consultants, to obtain deeper knowledge of Oracle Transportation Management (OTM) functionality and acquire the ability to support configuration efforts.

Manage activities in alignment with Agile approach (sprint planning, story-execution, defect resolution, sprint demos, retrospectives, etc.) Work collaboratively with IT and Solution Integrator to support defect resolution and execute respective assignments captured in project plan.

From an Organizational Change Management (OCM) perspective, act as conduit between business and project team (includes facilitating project updates, responding to inquiries, supporting training efforts). Oversee assigned activities in accordance with project timelines and agreed-upon detailed design.

Partner with project team and stakeholder groups (Transportation, Operations Planning, Distribution, and IT) to support a smooth implementation.

This position will be required to work Monday to Friday as a standard week, with a minimum of 2 days in the office (Mississauga campus). Additional days as required to support pre and post implementation activities. Participation in rotation for On Call 24/7 is also required to support our stakeholders' 7-day per week operations all year round.

What You Bring

- Experience supporting, configuring, and implementing Oracle Transportation Management (OTM) modules.
- Advanced OTM Workflow Agent design and configuration
- Excellent interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills and the ability to interact with a diverse group of team members, including executives, managers, end users across a variety of business units, Technology professionals, and subject matter experts.
- Skilled in data gathering and analysis with the objective of providing solution recommendations and validation from a data and information flow perspective.

- Strong ability to work effectively within time constraints, changing priorities, and independently.
- Ability to provide reliable solutions to a variety of problems using sound problem solving techniques including the ability to find root cause and corrective action for given problems.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite: Including Intermediate in Excel, Word, and PowerPoint.
- Three or more years' experience as an OTM systems or functional analyst.
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent technical and business experience.
- Intermediate to strong skillset with PL/SQL (Programming Language/Structured Query Language) or other programming languages

Hybrid

We value flexibility. We have adopted a hybrid work model whereby employees use a combination of working in office and virtually in service of outcomes. Each leader is empowered to decide what work is best achieved in person based on the unique needs of their team.

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* Senior Export Control / Customs Analyst, Mitel, Ottawa, ON

About the job

At Mitel, you will have the opportunity to help businesses connect, collaborate and provide better experiences for our customers. You will deliver valuable contributions in creating business success within our global organization utilizing your unique attributes, skills and experience.

Please take a moment to look over this opportunity and if interested, feel free to send us your application. If this is not the right opportunity for you, you can also sign up for Job Alerts by creating an account. This will give you a profile that you can use for all future applications, and you will be notified whenever a new position that matches your criteria becomes available.

Overview

To ensure that Mitel is compliant with all Export Control legislation within the areas that Mitel supplies goods and S/W from within Canada & USA. To also ensure Mitel does not breach international sanctions.

Responsibilities

- Ensuring compliance with all relevant foreign trade regulations incl. all individual instructions of the competent authorities.
- Develop and implement processes and procedures to ensure Import and Export compliance within Canada, U.S, UK, and other EU country's export laws and regulations.
- For such processes/procedures:
- Oversee and manage to ensure compliance.
- Collect and report data for KPI measurement.
- Collect and report data for required government scheduled reporting cycles.
- Be the Export Control expert to ensure that Mitel is aware of what Export Control is, how important it is and the consequences of non-compliance.
- Ability to apply the Export Control requirements to new technologies such as Cloud based products and delivery mechanisms.
- Lead liaison for Global Affairs Canada.
- Maintenance of all foreign trade data for purchased raw materials and sold goods, including classification for EAR, Canadian consolidated list of strategic military and dual-use items, and EU Commerce Control List.

Requirements

- Bachelors degree preferred; or high school diploma + relevant experience
- 5+ years of customs experience
- Sound specialist knowledge and practical application knowledge in the field of customs and export control (DE/FR/EU/USA/CDN), fully conversant with the Canadian and USA Export control legislation
- Good technical understanding of company products, Encryption and Encryption techniques.
- To understand the key parameters that determine if a Mitel product is Dual Use. Specifically, as it relates to Encryption hardware and software.
- To have an excellent understanding of international sanctions and how to apply them in practical situations.

- Good knowledge of standard office tools (MS Office, ERP, SAP,
- Familiar with governmental online-systems (Canada: EXCOL, USA: SNAP-R) and the permit application process
- Understanding of application of Export Regulations to Cloud applications
- Understanding the sanction process, monitoring, analyzing and applying international sanctions

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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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* Supply Chain Specialist I, NIKE, NA

About the job

Who You'll Work With

NIKE's Marketplace Supply Chain (MSC) team is responsible for enabling the best Nike consumer experience by offering the right supply chain and fulfillment services where it matters, and by getting the right product, to the right place, at the right time - in a profitable way. We are continually innovating to meet evolving consumer needs in a digitally connected marketplace.

Who We Are Looking For

The Supply Chain Specialist I, role is a fundamental role within MSC focused on executing tactical order management. You will succeed by utilizing reporting and insights to drive timely delivery of all Nike products to support Nike profitability. You will communicate with, develop, and maintain positive relationships with internal cross functional partners through report interpretation, tools, phone and email. You will implement desk level orderbook tasks to deliver overall orderbook and business KPIs.

The ideal candidate would have the following:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent combination of education, experience or training
- 2 years experience preferred
- Strong written and verbal communication
- Strong time management and attention to detail
- Analyze and influence with data
- Experience with SAP and Excel (or aptitude to learn quickly)
- Retail and supply chain experience a plus

What You'll Work On

- Responsible for executing end-to-end order management activities, problem-solving issues to maintain a shippable orderbook, communicating effectively to internal and external stakeholders, and taking initiative to identify risk and opportunities for Nike and our Partners. Access and leverage data and reporting to support order management execution and communicate delivery visibility to internal and external stakeholders. Monitor key KPI's and escalate risks, opportunities, and recommendations for Nike and Partners. Manage wholistic orderbook as well as key initiatives and assortments.
- Work cross-functionally to maintain a shippable orderbook and execute order management activities (pricing resolution, cancel/returns execution, cancel date management, etc.)
- Proactively track product delivery, order fill rates, delivery, and returns activities
- Provide visibility and respond to questions regarding order status and tracking information
- Execute and communicate standard and ad hoc reports to support execution
- Drive day-to-day problem-solving activities to resolve and escalate issues as required
- Communicate with key stakeholders on existing processes / capabilities

Provide peer mentorship and training

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modifications as needed. If you discover, as you navigate our application process, that you need assistance or an accommodation due to a disability, please complete the <u>Candidate Accommodation Request Form.</u>

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