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✈️ Jet set to Mexico City: WestJet's new non-stop Calgary route set to take off in summer 2025



Source: AJOT

WestJet on January 14, 2025 announced non-stop service between Calgary and Mexico City International Airport (MEX). Beginning May 14, 2025, WestJet will operate five weekly flights, reaffirming its leadership as the top carrier connecting Canada and Mexico, while reinforcing Calgary's position as a key hub for the airline's global network. Daniel Fajardo, WestJet, Vice-President of Network and Schedule Planning. "WestJet's continued investment in popular sun destinations had made us the gateway between Canada and Mexico, bolstering both countries vital commercial and tourism economies. Service between Calgary and Mexico City opens the door for more Western Canadians to explore Mexico's vibrant culture and history, while boosting trade and tourism across North America."

Jet set to Mexico City: WestJet's new non-stop Calgary route set to take off in summer 2025, January 14, 2025, www.ajot.com

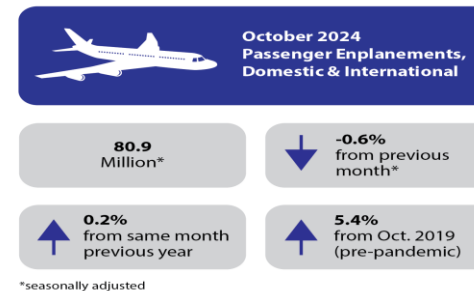
✈️ Porter secures sale and leaseback with Avolon for four Pratt & Whitney PW1921G engines

Porter Aviation Holdings Inc.'s (Porter) wholly-owned subsidiary, Porter Aircraft Leasing Corp., has entered into sale and leaseback financing agreements for four Pratt & Whitney PW1921G engines with Avolon, the international aircraft leasing company. Porter is expected to receive the engines in 2025 and 2026, as part of its ongoing Embraer E195-E2 aircraft deliveries.

Porter secures sale and leaseback with Avolon for four Pratt & Whitney PW1921G engines, January 13, 2025, www.flyporter.com

US/WORLD

✈️ October 2024 U.S. Airline Traffic Data Up 0.2% from the Same Month Last Year



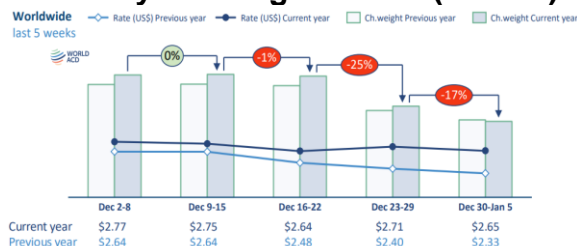
Source: BTS

U.S. airlines carried 82.8 million systemwide (domestic and international) scheduled service passengers in October 2024, according to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS). When adjusted for seasonality, October enplanements are down 0.6% from

September and down 2.5% from the all-time high reached in June 2024. BTS reported 73.1 million domestic passengers and 9.8 million international passengers on U.S. airlines flights in October 2024, not adjusting for seasonality. U.S. airline traffic reports are filed monthly with BTS..

October 2024 U.S. Airline Traffic Data Up 0.2% from the Same Month Last Year, January 10, 2025, www.bts.gov

WorldACD Weekly Air Cargo Trends (week 1) - 2025



Source: AJOT

Worldwide air cargo finished the year at its lowest year-on-year full-month growth, with global tonnages in December around +6% higher than in the final month of 2023, although they were already at relatively high levels back then. Average full-market rates in December were around +7% higher, year on year (YoY), which is half of the growth reported in September, according to the latest figures and analysis by WorldACD Market Data. This means tonnage growth for both November (+8%) and December (+6%) had softened to single-digit figures, possibly indicating the beginning of a new more moderate growth trend. This does not come as a surprise, because Q4 was the first quarter of 2023 showing strong growth, so we are now comparing with a higher base. Total worldwide air cargo tonnages at the start of 2025 recorded only +2% YoY growth in week 1 (30 December to 5 January), although a comparison with the previous year is less straightforward due to the seasonal drop this time of the year, as well as the impact of some severe weather conditions, mainly in the US. *WorldACD Weekly Air Cargo Trends (week 1) – 2025, January 10, 2025, www.ajot.com*

U.S. Airlines' November 2024 Fuel Cost per Gallon up 0.9% from October 2024; Aviation Fuel Consumption up 3.3% from Pre-Pandemic November 2019

The Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) on January 13, 2025 released U.S. airlines' November 2024 fuel cost and consumption numbers indicating U.S. scheduled service

airlines used 1.492 billion gallons of fuel, 5.4% less fuel than in October 2024 (1.577 billion gallons) and 3.3% more than in pre-pandemic November 2019. The cost per gallon of fuel in November 2024 (\$2.31) was up 2 cents (0.9%) from October 2024 (\$2.29) and up \$0.32 (16.1%) from November 2019. Total November 2024 fuel expenditure (\$3.44B) was down 4.5% from October 2024 (\$3.61B) and up 20.0% from pre-pandemic November 2019.

U.S. Airlines' November 2024 Fuel Cost per Gallon up 0.9% from October 2024; Aviation Fuel Consumption up 3.3% from Pre-Pandemic November 2019, January 13, 2025, www.bts.gov

Third Quarter 2024 Average Air Fare Decreases 4.6% from Second Quarter 2024

U.S. Average Domestic Fares

From 2Q 2024: ↓ -4.6%
From 3Q 2023: ↓ -3.1%



Source: BTS

The average U.S. domestic air fare decreased in the third quarter of 2024 to \$366, down 4.6% from the second quarter 2024 inflation-adjusted fare of \$383.

Third Quarter 2024 Average Air Fare Decreases 4.6% from Second Quarter 2024, January 14, 2025, www.bts.gov

✈️ DOT Sues Southwest Airlines for Chronically Delayed Flights

On January 15, 2025, the United States and U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced a lawsuit against Southwest Airlines for illegally operating multiple chronically delayed flights and disrupting passengers' travel. Operating chronically delayed flights is an unrealistic scheduling practice and can harm both passengers and fair competition across the airline industry. DOT's lawsuit against Southwest seeks maximum civil penalties. DOT's lawsuit alleges that Southwest's chronic flight delays were an illegal unrealistic scheduling practice

DOT Sues Southwest Airlines for Chronically Delayed Flights, January 15, 2025, www.dot.gov

✈️ Air Travel Consumer Report: October 2024 Numbers

Air Travel consumer report for October 2024 was released on January 2025. **Flight Operations:** The 649,969 flights operated in October 2024 were 102.62% of the 633,349 flights operated in October 2023. Operated flights in October 2024 were up 2.62% year-over-year from the 633,349 flights operated in October 2023 and up 5.18% month-over-month from 617,979 flights operated in September 2024. **On-Time Arrival:** In October 2024, reporting marketing carriers posted an on-time arrival rate of 86.0%, up from 84.0% in September 2024 and up from 84.1% in October 2023. The year-to-date on-time arrival rate for 2024 is 77.4%. **Flight Cancellations:** In October 2024, reporting marketing carriers cancelled 1.0% of their scheduled domestic flights, higher than the rate of 0.6% in September 2024 and higher than the rate of 0.3% in October 2023. The year-to-date cancellation rate for 2024 is 1.5%. **Mishandled Baggage:** In October 2024, reporting marketing carriers handled 40.4 million bags and posted a mishandled baggage rate of 0.38%, lower than both the rate of 0.42% in September 2024 and the rate of 0.44% in October 2023. **Mishandled Wheelchairs and Scooters:** In October 2024, reporting marketing carriers reported checking 81,367 wheelchairs and scooters and mishandling 954 for a rate of 1.17% mishandled wheelchairs and scooters, higher than the rate of 1.11% mishandled in September 2024 and lower than the rate of 1.33% mishandled in October 2023.

Air Travel Consumer Report: October 2024 Numbers, January 16, 2025, www.dot.gov

✈️ U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 14,163 Jobs in November 2024



Source: BTS

U.S. airline industry (passenger and cargo airlines combined) employment increased to 1,035,476 workers in November 2024, 14,163 (1.39%) more workers than in October 2024 (1,021,313). U.S. scheduled-service passenger airlines employed 543,877 workers in November 2024, or 53% of the industry-wide total. Passenger airlines lost 828 employees in November 2024. United Air Lines Inc. led scheduled passenger carriers, adding 248 employees; Republic Airline added 125, and Allegiant Air added 109. U.S. cargo airlines employed 487,667 workers in November 2024, or 47% of the industry-wide total. Cargo carriers gained 15,288 employees in November. FedEx, the leading air cargo employer, increased employment by 15,185 jobs.

U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 14,163 Jobs in November 2024, January 15, 2025, www.bts.gov



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CN's Acquisition of Iowa Northern Approved by STB



Source: AJOT

CN is pleased to announce that the U.S. Surface Transportation Board (STB) has approved CN's acquisition of Iowa Northern Railway Company (IANR). The decision allows CN to combine IANR's 175 route miles with CN's nearly 20,000-mile rail network as early as February 13, 2025. A combined CN-IANR will offer single-line service to better connect grain, fertilizer, renewable fuels, and industrial markets to CN's North American network. Customers and local businesses along the IANR network will benefit from new optionality to respond to the needs of their existing markets and accelerate growth in new markets. Tracy Robinson, President and Chief Executive Officer, CN said "We recognize and thank the STB for its commitment to a rigorous process that has yielded the right outcome. We look forward to welcoming the team at Iowa Northern Railway into our CN family of railroaders, and we are carefully preparing for a successful integration. We are excited to grow our network, offering customers, farmers and our supply chain partners with single-line access to new markets. This is an important step in our growth plan, reinforcing our commitment to providing customers with exceptional rail service and powering the economy."

CN's Acquisition of Iowa Northern Approved by STB, January 14, 2025, www.cn.ca; and STB Green-Lights CN IANR Acquisition, January 14, 2025, www.railwayage.com

CN Launches New Medium Horsepower Hybrid Locomotive Pilot Project

CN is proud to announce the launch of its new medium horsepower hybrid electric locomotive developed in collaboration with Knoxville Locomotive Works (KLW). This innovative hybrid locomotive will undergo testing in various operational conditions across CN's network as a pilot project, to evaluate its potential to enhance operational efficiency and fuel savings, marking another step towards more modern and sustainable rail operations. The 3,200 medium horsepower hybrid unit is built on the traditional CN low horsepower locomotive operating in yards and branch lines.

CN Launches New Medium Horsepower Hybrid Locomotive Pilot Project, January 16, 2025, www.cn.ca

Made-in-Ontario rail cars supporting manufacturing jobs and economic prosperity in Thunder Bay

The Ontario government is investing nearly \$500 million to refurbish 181 GO Transit bi-level rail coaches at the Alstom plant in Thunder Bay. This investment is part of the ongoing service expansion across the GO rail network and will support hundreds of manufacturing jobs and economic prosperity in northwestern Ontario.

Made-in-Ontario rail cars supporting manufacturing jobs and economic prosperity in Thunder Bay, January 15, 2025, www.mto.gov.on.ca

CPKC workers vote to begin strike on Jan. 29



Source: Today's Trucking

Unifor members at Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) Railway have voted 99% in favor of a strike mandate, authorizing potential strike action if a new contract is not reached by 12:01 a.m. EST on Jan. 29, 2025. Unifor national president Lana Payne says members are demanding job security, work ownership, fair wages, and improved working conditions. The union's Local 101R represents over 1,200 workers employed in CPKC's mechanical shops, where they inspect and maintain locomotives and freight cars.

CPKC workers vote to begin strike on Jan. 29, January 15, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

US/WORLD

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces Over \$1.1 Billion in New Rail Grants to Reduce Train-Vehicle Collisions and Blocked Railroad Crossings

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) on January 10, 2025 announced that it has awarded more than \$1.1 billion in Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program funding to 123 rail projects, improving or studying more than 1,000 highway-rail crossings nationwide. This announcement is the largest single investment in grade crossing safety in FRA's history. Combined with previous rail investments announced under the Biden-Harris Administration, FRA has now invested a historic \$48.5 billion in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding in more than 445 rail projects across the country and Amtrak.

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces Over \$1.1 Billion in New Rail Grants to Reduce Train-Vehicle

Collisions and Blocked Railroad Crossings, January 10, 2025, www.dot.gov

AAR sees 'uncertainty' for US railroads in 2025



Source: Freightwaves

The first word in the Association of American Railroad's annual Rail Industry Outlook is "uncertainty," as a slew of economic and policy issues weigh on the business in 2025. To further temper optimism, the report says that uncertainty is more pronounced amid cyclical factors and expectations for policy changes in the year ahead. "Potential shifts in fiscal policy, trade, immigration, taxation and regulatory frameworks — alongside evolving monetary policy from the Federal Reserve — are contributing to heightened economic uncertainty as we enter 2025," wrote Rand Ghayad, AAR chief economist and senior vice president of policy and economics, in the report. "The interplay between these policies will be critical in determining whether the labor market remains resilient enough to sustain consumer spending and support continued rail intermodal growth, as seen in 2024.

AAR sees 'uncertainty' for US railroads in 2025, January 13, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

For North American Rail Traffic, a Positive Start to 2025



Source: Railway Age

For the two-week period ending Jan. 11, 2025, North American rail volume on nine reporting U.S., Canadian, and Mexican railroads came in at 1,236,879 carloads and intermodal containers and trailers. Cumulative volume in the U.S. was 886,800 carloads and intermodal units, up 1.4% from the same point in 2024; in Canada, 304,983 carloads and intermodal units, up 3.1%; and in Mexico, 45,096 carloads and intermodal units, down 6.4%. For the week ending Jan. 11, 2025, four of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week last year. They included grain, up 2,386 carloads, to 21,124; farm products excluding grain, and food, up 1,424 carloads, to 17,442; and forest products, up 401 carloads, to 8,588. Commodity groups that posted declines included coal, down 6,241 carloads, to 52,232; motor vehicles and parts, down 3,886 carloads, to 9,788; and nonmetallic minerals, down 3,211 carloads, to 22,229. Canadian railroads reported 91,438 carloads for the week ending Jan. 11, 2025, up 5.8%, and 71,361 intermodal units, up 11.2% from the year-ago period.

For North American Rail Traffic, a Positive Start to 2025, January 15, 2025, www.railwayage.com



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 **Cosco forecasts 95% jump in 2024 net profit on robust volumes, freight rates**



Source: JOC

Cosco Shipping Holdings, the parent of Cosco Shipping and OOCL, on January 10, 2025 said it expects \$7.5 billion in net profit for 2024, a 95% year-over-year jump that the carrier attributed to an increase in volumes and higher freight rates. While Cosco did not provide the volume or revenue figures in its estimated annual results, the China state-owned carrier noted in an announcement to the Hong Kong Exchange that the Red Sea diversions had caused a shortage in capacity and kept rates at “a relatively high level.”
Cosco forecasts 95% jump in 2024 net profit on robust volumes, freight rates, January 10, 2025, www.joc.com

 **Ocean Alliance network to grow trans-Pacific, Asia-Europe coverage**



Source: JOC

The Ocean Alliance of COSCO Shipping, OOCL, Evergreen Line and CMA CGM has unveiled its new shipping network, expanding direct coverage of both the Asia-Europe and trans-Pacific trades from April. “They [Ocean Alliance] are clearly increasing capacity,” Stefan Verberckmoes, senior analyst at Alphaliner, told the *Journal of Commerce* on January 13, 2025. Ocean Alliance’s so-called “Day 9” product was announced by member carrier OOCL on the same day and will comprise 41 service loops and 390 vessels. Three new services will be introduced: the trans-Pacific PSX from Xiamen and Yantian to Long Beach and back via Kaohsiung
Ocean Alliance network to grow trans-Pacific, Asia-Europe coverage, January 13, 2025, www.joc.com

US ports urge Trump, Congress to keep funds in place but tariffs at bay



Source: JOC

US ports on January 15, 2025 laid out legislative priorities for the incoming Trump administration and new Congress that include continued federal spending for maritime transportation and navigation. While many of the priorities of the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) align with the president-elect's campaign pledges, issues such as tariffs and clean energy funding at ports may face more challenges. AAPA said it met with Trump's transition team and US Department of Transportation nominee Sean Duffy to discuss its policy agenda for 2025. Among the group's asks are permitting reform, easing restrictions on liquefied natural gas (LNG) development and reducing restrictions. Ports have used the Biden administration's clean energy funding for switching out diesel-powered infrastructure for electric charging infrastructure.

US ports urge Trump, Congress to keep funds in place but tariffs at bay, January 15, 2025, www.joc.com

China's 'predatory' maritime policies threaten global trade: White House



Source: JOC

China's manipulation of market policies and practices gives the country an unfair advantage in global trade, including control of 95% of the world's shipping containers, according to a new White House report. "China's so-called 'socialist market economy' has evolved and turned decidedly predatory in nature," said the report, released by the Biden administration on January 15, 2025. Maritime trade is particularly impacted by China's business practices, which have resulted in a boom for the country's shipbuilding market, said the report. While Chinese shipbuilders contributed only 5% of global merchant tonnage produced in 1999, that figure leapt to over 50% in 2023.

China's 'predatory' maritime policies threaten global trade: White House, January 16, 2025, www.joc.com



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Pause of the Incentives for Zero-Emission Vehicles Program

The Government of Canada is dedicated to supporting Canada's transition to net-zero emissions, including accelerating the transition to zero-emission vehicles. This is why Transport Canada introduced the Incentives for Zero-Emission Vehicles (iZEV) Program in 2019. The iZEV Program has been a huge success. Over 546,000 vehicles have been incented through this program since it began, helping Canada reach a new ZEV market share of 11.7% in 2023, a significant increase from 3.1% in 2019. New ZEV market share reached 14.2% in the first three quarters of 2024, including a new record high of 16.5% in the third quarter of 2024. The iZEV Program was scheduled to pause on March 31, 2025, or once all the available funding has been accessed by Canadians. Canadians will benefit from incentives until Program funds are exhausted.

Pause of the Incentives for Zero-Emission Vehicles Program, January 10, 2025, www.tc.gc.ca

Canada's small fleets lag in EV adoption: Pembina Institute

As global electric vehicle (EV) sales are hitting record highs with a projected 16.7 million units sold in 2024, small fleet operators in Canada are struggling to keep up, Pembina Institute found. While EVs now represent one in six new vehicle registrations worldwide, electric vans, trucks, and buses remain a small fraction of the Canadian market, accounting for just 2% of sales by the end of 2023. From the interviews with small fleet operators — from florists and bakers to electricians and delivery services — Pembina Institute uncovered that lack of accessible information and skepticism about whether electric

models can handle the demands of commercial use are the two biggest challenges cited. To address these challenges, the organization launched *Moving to Electric*, a new guide offering tools, guidance, and practical solutions for small fleet operators considering EV adoption.

Canada's small fleets lag in EV adoption: Pembina Institute, January 14, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

Industry Offers Guidance to Premiers in Dealing with Potential US Tariff Threat

“Just as during the COVID crisis, the Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) will provide input and assistance in the design of tax and program measures to assist carriers through this potential economic crisis,” said Laskowski. “As a country, we need to also urgently act on long term tax and competitiveness measures that can make our sector and the sectors we serve more resilient and competitive. These include items like accelerated CCA rates, changes to corporate and personal taxes, along with reviewing and changing measures that have been introduced which make us less competitive in a global market.”

Industry Offers Guidance to Premiers in Dealing with Potential US Tariff Threat, January 15, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

 **Quebec Liberals want Lion founder Marc Bedard to answer to parliamentary commission**



Source: Todays Trucking

At the end of the parliamentary session before the holidays, Quebec Premier François Legault declared in the House that he wanted to start the year 2025 “as a Lion.” The Liberal opposition took him at his word and published a press release earlier on January 16, 2025 in which it called for a “parliamentary commission to hear, in particular, the CEO of [Lion Electric], Marc Bedard.” The movement is led by Monsef Derraji, spokesperson for Transport and Sustainable Mobility. In his request, Derraji refers to a [Radio-Canada article](#) which, he says, reports the submission of false orders, unrealistic forecasts, superficial optimism and the failure to communicate bad news such as the cancellation of orders or persistent problems with products, particularly trucks. Possible breaches of the Securities Act are also mentioned, the Liberal MP points out.

Quebec Liberals want Lion founder Marc Bedard to answer to parliamentary commission, January 16, 2025, www.todaystrucking.ca

US/WORLD

 **ACT Expo to focus on changing landscape of sustainable transportation**



Source: Todays Trucking

ACT Expo this year will focus on the changing landscape of sustainable transportation, preparing fleets to navigate the transition to cleaner vehicles while maximizing the economics involved. This four-day event will be held April 28-May 1 at the Anaheim Convention Center, featuring keynote presentations, executive panels, technical workshops and a trade show. The full agenda can be found at www.actexpo.com/agenda and visitors can save more than 35% off registration if they register before Feb. 1.

ACT Expo to focus on changing landscape of sustainable transportation, January 16, 2025, www.todaystrucking.ca



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Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, December 2024



Source: Statcan

In December 2024, the preliminary number of international arrivals to Canada by air and automobile reached 5.3 million, up 5.5% from December 2023. By air, the number of non-resident arrivals in Canada totalled 761,300 in December 2024, up 4.0% year over year. Meanwhile, the number of Canadian-resident return trips from abroad by air reached 1.6 million, a 3.3% increase from December 2023. By automobile, US residents took 1.1 million trips to Canada in December 2024, up 8.1% from the same month in 2023. The number of Canadian-resident return trips from the United States by automobile also rose, up 6.6% year over year to reach 1.8 million trips in December 2024.

Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, December 2024, January 10, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca



Government of Canada announces approval of Bunge Global SA's acquisition of Viterra Limited

On January 14, 2025, the Honourable Anita Anand, Minister of Transport and Internal Trade, announced the Government of Canada has approved the acquisition of Viterra Limited by global agri-business Bunge Global SA. The decision, firmly rooted in Canada's public interest, comes with extensive terms and conditions to protect competition, encourage investment in Canada and secure economic benefits for Canadians. The terms and conditions help ensure that the acquisition will not have a negative impact on competition in Canada's grain and oilseed sector, notably for grain purchasing in Western Canada and the sale of canola oil in Central and Atlantic Canada. Farmers will have a wide range of competitive options when they sell their canola and other crops, as well as continue to receive fair prices for their produce.

Government of Canada announces approval of Bunge Global SA's acquisition of Viterra Limited, January 14, 2025, www.tc.gc.ca

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December 2024 U.S. Transportation Sector Unemployment (4.3%) Was the Same As the December 2023 Level (4.3%) And Above the Pre-Pandemic December 2019 Level (2.8%)

U.S. Unemployment Rate (Not Seasonally Adjusted) December 2024 3.8%	Transportation Sector Unemployment Rate (Not Seasonally Adjusted) December 2024 4.3%
▲ 0.3 change from same month last year	↔ 0.0 change from same month last year

Source: BTS

The unemployment rate in the U.S. transportation sector was 4.3% (not seasonally adjusted) in December 2024 according to Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). In December 2024, the transportation sector unemployment rate remained unchanged from 4.3% in December 2023 and was above the pre-pandemic December 2019 level of 2.8%. Unemployment in the transportation sector reached its highest level during the COVID-19 pandemic (15.7%) in May 2020 and July 2020. Unemployment in the transportation sector was higher than overall unemployment. BLS reports that the U.S. unemployment rate, not seasonally adjusted, in December 2024 was 3.8% or 0.5 percentage points below the transportation sector rate. Seasonally adjusted, the U.S. unemployment rate in December 2024 was 4.1%.

December 2024 U.S. Transportation Sector Unemployment (4.3%) Was the Same As the December 2023 Level (4.3%) And Above the Pre-Pandemic December 2019 Level (2.8%), January 10, 2025, www.bts.gov

INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces 26 Tribes and Alaska Native Villages Receive \$9.6 Million From the President's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for Transit

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration on January 13, 2025 announced \$9.6 million in grants to 26 American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native communities to improve their public transit systems in 14 states. The competitive grants through FTA's Tribal Transit Program enable Tribes to buy transit vehicles, upgrade bus facilities, and expand or improve transit service. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law includes nearly \$46 million in competitive funding over five years for the Tribal Transit Program, an increase of nearly 83%.

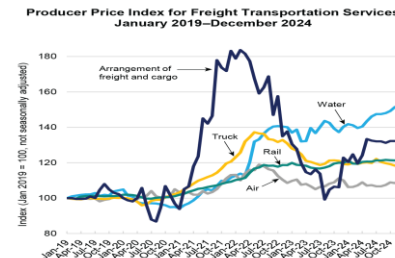
INVESTING IN AMERICA: Biden-Harris Administration Announces 26 Tribes and Alaska Native Villages Receive \$9.6 Million From the President's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law for Transit, January 13, 2025, www.dot.gov

Copernicus Global Climate Report 2024 confirms last year as the warmest on record, first ever above 1.5°C annual average temperature

The *Copernicus Global Climate Highlights Report 2024*, published today, confirms 2024 as the warmest year on record and the first to exceed 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels for the annual global average temperature. Last year was also the warmest for all continental regions, including Europe, except Antarctica and Australasia.

Copernicus Global Climate Report 2024 confirms last year as the warmest on record, first ever above 1.5°C annual average temperature, January 13, 2025, www.europa.eu

Transportation Producer Price Index – December 2024



Source: BTS

On January 14, 2024, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) released the change in the costs faced by producers purchasing transportation services and industries producing them, from December 2023 to December 2024, as measured by the Producer Price Index (PPI). The PPI measures inflation from the perspective of costs to industry or producers of products. Transportation equipment PPI indicate the changes in transportation equipment prices faced by transportation providers, and any increase, increases providers costs. The PPI shows that prices increased for transportation and freight equipment 1.6% in December 2024 from December 2023. Increases in transportation services PPI indicate increases in production costs faced by industries purchasing the services. From December 2023 to December 2024, the transportation services PPI changed, by mode: 1. Air: -0.1%; 2. Rail: +1.1%; 3. Truck: -0.3%; 4. Water: +8.1%; 5. Arrangement of freight and cargo: +7.7%

FHWA Announces Updates to Buy America Requirements to Promote Domestic Manufacturing in Transportation Projects

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced a new final rule to end FHWA's longstanding waiver that allows manufactured products used in federal-aid highway projects not to comply with FHWA's Buy America requirements. Since day one of the administration, President Biden and Vice President Harris have worked to make "Made in America" a reality. In his 2024 State of the Union address, the President announced the Biden-Harris Administration's historic step to boost domestic manufacturing in transportation by proposing to discontinue a sweeping Reagan-era Buy America waiver for manufactured products in federal-aid highway projects, a significant loophole in Buy America. The January 14, 2025 rule finalizes that proposal and ultimately will bolster our nation's manufacturing and help create good-paying, American jobs that support the growth of domestic manufacturing.

FHWA Announces Updates to Buy America Requirements to Promote Domestic Manufacturing in Transportation Projects, January 14, 2025, www.dot.gov

USDOT Publishes National Roadway Safety Strategy Progress Report; Welcomes New Allies in Action

Following the announcement of 10 consecutive quarters of declining roadway fatalities across America, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced on January 15, 2025 its 2025 National Roadway Safety Strategy (NRSS) Progress Report, along with an additional 15 new commitments from businesses and organizations to support the NRSS and take action to reverse the crisis on America's roads. The report provides an update on the Department's efforts to address serious and fatal injuries on our roadways, details the Department's accomplishments related to addressing the NRSS actions in 2024.

USDOT Publishes National Roadway Safety Strategy Progress Report; Welcomes New Allies in Action, January 15, 2025, www.dot.gov

USDOT Proposes New Rule to Strengthen Safety Requirements for Carbon Dioxide Pipelines

On January 15, 2025, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) announced new comprehensive proposed requirements for carbon dioxide (CO₂) and hazardous liquid pipelines. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) will strengthen existing standards for hazardous liquid and CO₂ pipelines (including CO₂ that is transported in a supercritical fluid state), and for the first-time, establish new standards for transporting carbon dioxide in a gaseous state via pipeline. The proposal also specifically addresses lessons learned from PHMSA's multi-year investigation into a CO₂ pipeline failure in Sartoria, Mississippi, in 2020 as well as input from the public in what has been PHMSA's largest public outreach campaign on record.

USDOT Proposes New Rule to Strengthen Safety Requirements for Carbon Dioxide Pipelines, January 15, 2025, www.dot.gov

Transportation Consumer Price Index – December 2024

On January 15, 2025, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) released the change in the costs faced by consumers for transportation goods and services, from December 2023 to December 2024, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI for all transportation goods and services rose 1.6% from December 2023 to December 2024. Transportation contributed 8.8% to the 2.9% year-over-year increase in the price of all goods and services, per the CPI. Motor vehicle insurance contributed the most to inflation, rising 11.3% year-over-year and contributing 10.9% to the annual increase in the price of all goods and services.

Transportation Consumer Price Index – December 2024, January 15, 2025, www.bts.gov



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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.

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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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* Logistics Coordinator, Cascades, Schenectady, NY

At Cascades in Schenectady, NY you can develop your full potential, sustainably, by applying your expertise within the Container Board Packaging Division of our team as the Logistics Supervisor:

- Coordinate and manage daily shipping activities to meet delivery schedules and optimize trailer/transport loading.
- Supervise shipping and receiving employees to ensure efficient warehouse operations and inventory accuracy.
- Implement and monitor health and safety processes and standard operating procedures (SOPs) for logistics activities.
- Communicate proactively with Customer Service on production timelines and resolve potential delays in real time.
- Oversee the external warehouse management strategy and implement cyclical counting processes based on business rules.

Bring out the best in yourself! Every day, our colleagues choose to respect their true nature by contributing with passion to our mission.

You too, put forward your strengths:

- Proven experience in logistics or warehouse supervision and a solid understanding of logistics processes.
- Strong leadership skills to inspire a collaborative team environment and promote safety and operational excellence.
- Excellent communication skills to ensure smooth coordination between departments and proactive problem-solving abilities.
- Demonstrated sense of responsibility, autonomy, and an ethical approach to your work.

To apply for this job, please visit:

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* Senior Logistics Coordinator ocean, ShipWise Logistics Inc., Mississauga, ON

Position: Logistics Coordinator

Location: Office-Based in Mississauga, Monday to Friday, 8 AM - 5 PM

Job Overview: As a Logistics Coordinator, you will be instrumental in managing ocean shipments for both import and export processes. This role demands precise coordination with transportation companies for shipment delivery and pick-up, meticulous tracking of shipments to their final destinations, and ensuring optimal methods are used for shipping.

Key Responsibilities:

- Handle ocean shipments for both import and export, ensuring the timely and cost-effective delivery of goods.
- Arrange and plan shipment delivery/pick-up with transportation companies; track and trace shipments until final delivery.
- Verify the accuracy of all freight documentation and booking information prior to shipment execution, ensuring compliance with the approval process.
- Prepare essential import/export documentation, including House Bill of Lading (HBL), Master Bill of Lading (MBL), and Air Waybills.
- Communicate with global offices/agents to ensure proper documentation and compliance for shipments.
- Collaborate with customs brokers for customs release and compliance with other government agencies as required.

- Negotiate with carriers to secure optimal freight rates and maintain effective service relationships.
- Manage documentation to meet customer and insurance requirements, adhering to international regulations and fiscal policies.
- Deliver exceptional client service and maintain robust business relationships with clients and carriers.
- Handle all client and partner communications promptly and professionally.
- Resolve operational issues and customer complaints, implementing measures to reduce recurrence.
- Audit supplier invoices and reconcile payments/remittances.
- Responsible for accurate billing of shipments, ensuring all service charges are included and billed as per the quotations.
- Perform other duties as may be necessary to support the logistics team.

Required Skills and Experience:

- Proven experience in logistics or a related field, with specific expertise in managing ocean shipments.
- Strong ability to negotiate and maintain professional relationships.
- Excellent communication and organizational skills, with an emphasis on timely and accurate documentation.
- Proficiency in managing multiple tasks and resolving issues promptly.
- Commitment to providing high-quality client service and maintaining effective communication with all stakeholders.
- This position requires physical presence in the office with a standard work schedule of Monday to Friday, from 8 AM to 5 PM, ensuring dedicated handling of our logistics operations.

Job Type: Full-time

Pay: \$40,000.00-\$60,000.00 per year

Additional pay:

Bonus pay

Commission pay

Schedule:

Monday to Friday

Experience:

ocean logistics: 2 years (required)
Ocean import: 2 years (required)
Canadian freight forwarding: 2 years (required)

Language:
Mandarin (preferred)
Korean (preferred)
Work Location: In person

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