

Transportation's Top Stories

Air Transport Updates

CANADA

Judge orders Air Canada to pay passengers \$10 million in class action



Source: Financial Post

The Quebec Court of Appeal has ordered <u>Air Canada</u> to pay passengers more than \$10 million in damages in a <u>class-action lawsuit</u> that alleged they were charged more than the ticket price advertised. In a ruling on April 22, 2025, Justice Judith Harvie wrote that Air Canada showed "ignorance and laxity" when the airline concluded it was exempt from a provincial *Consumer Protection Act* provision because air transport generally falls under federal jurisdiction. "The fault is serious, deliberate and affects a significant number of consumers," the decision states in French.

Judge orders Air Canada to pay passengers \$10 million in class action, April 23, 2025, www.financialpost.ca

★ WestJet Cargo expands service to South Korea



Source: AJOT

WestJet Cargo has announced the expansion of its Calgary-Seoul (Incheon International Airport) service, doubling its flight frequencies to meet growing demand for air cargo and passenger transportation between Canada and South Korea. This enhanced service underscores WestJet Cargo's commitment to providing reliable and efficient air cargo solutions for businesses in both regions. Starting the week of May 19, 2025, the Calgary-Seoul route will increase from three to six flights per week, operating until October 13, 2025. The route will continue to be served by WestJet's Boeing 787 Dreamliner, offering a weekly cargo capacity of approximately 130 tons and 480 cubic meters.

WestJet Cargo expands service to South Korea, April 28, 2025, www.ajot.com

Fast, Free Wi-Fi for Aeroplan Members sponsored by Bell now on Air Canada, Air Canada Rouge and Air Canada Express flights in North America, Mexico and the Caribbean



Source: Air Canada

Fast, free Wi-Fi for Aeroplan members took off on May 1, 2025 on board Air Canada's flights across North America and to-and-from Sun destinations in Mexico and the Caribbean. Sponsored by Bell, the new service means customers can enjoy streaming video services and gaming on their personal devices and makes Air Canada a leader in connectivity. "Quality connectivity has become indispensable for all travelers. Starting today we're thrilled to offer complimentary Wi-Fi on North American, Mexican and Caribbean flights for Aeroplan Members, by partnering with Bell," said Mark Nasr, Executive Vice President & Chief Operations Officer at Air Canada. "This initiative underscores Air Canada's focus on elevating the customer experience, with leadership in providing streaming quality connectivity, at a pace unmatched by other airlines — at home and around the world. We now offer Wi-Fi on 88 per cent of our fleet, with the remaining installations to be completed by early 2026. This will include an industry first with the upcoming launch of Wi-Fi on Air Canada Express Q400s serving Toronto's Billy Bishop Airport." Certification and Wi-Fi installation on Q400 fleet operating at Toronto Billy Bishop is expected later this year. It will be available to Aeroplan Members expanding to international flights in 2026.

Fast, Free Wi-Fi for Aeroplan Members sponsored by Bell now on Air Canada, Air Canada Rouge and Air Canada Express flights in North America, Mexico and the Caribbean, May 1, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

Porter Airlines launches service to New York LaGuardia

Porter Airlines is expanding its New York presence with the launch of year-round service between Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ) and LaGuardia Airport (LGA). The addition of LaGuardia further deepens Porter's commitment to the New York Metropolitan Area,

where the airline has operated between Newark Liberty International Airport and Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport since 2008. With up to three daily roundtrip flights between Toronto Pearson and LaGuardia's new Terminal B, Porter now offers more choice and flexibility for travellers to one of the world's most in-demand business and leisure destinations.

Porter Airlines launches service to New York LaGuardia, May 1, 2025, www.flyporter.com

Air Transat launches exclusive non-stop service between Québec City and Fort-de-France

Air Transat, voted 2024 World's Best Leisure Airline by Skytrax, is consolidating its leadership in the French Antilles with an innovative route from Québec City. The airline is the first to offer a direct connection between Québec City Jean Lesage International Airport (YQB) and Martinique Aimé Césaire International Airport (FDF). The weekly flight, which is now available for booking, will operate on Sundays from December 14, 2025, to April 26, 2026. "This new nonstop service to Fort-de-France strengthens our position as the leading carrier to the South from Québec City," said Sebastian Ponce, Chief Revenue Officer of Transat. "It not only allows us to expand our presence in Martinique, which we already offer year-round from Montréal, but also increases the productivity of our network and the use of our A321LR aircraft. The Québec City region is a priority market for Air Transat, and the opening of this route is a direct response to rapidly growing demand."

Air Transat launches exclusive non-stop service between Québec City and Fort-de-France, May 1, 2025, www.ajot.com

Bombardier buoyant despite trade hurdles, forecasts big demand for business jets



Source: Financial Post

In the face of tariffs, trade uncertainty and a potential recession, Bombardier Inc. chief executive Eric Martel is feeling upbeat. He pointed on May 1, 2025 to the business jet maker's "strong start to the year" and a bright financial outlook that foresees higher revenue, profits and plane deliveries this year. The Montreal-based company expects to crank out more than 150 aircraft in 2025 versus 146 last year. Martel also anticipates a revenue boost of at least seven per cent to more than US\$9.25 billion and an adjusted earnings increase of 14 per cent to more than US\$1.55 billion. The confident tone marks a striking change from three months ago, when Bombardier held off on giving financial guidance due to the uncertainty posed by United States President Donald Trump's tariff threats. "We need to exercise caution until we see how this all unfolds," Martel said on Feb. 6, adding that he was "very disappointed" he could not provide targets. Since then, Bombardier has achieved "tariff clarity," he told analysts on a conference call May 1, 2025.

Bombardier buoyant despite trade hurdles, forecasts big demand for business jets, May 1, 2025, <u>www.financialpost.ca</u>

US/WORLD

Aviation Major Driver of Economic Growth and Connectivity in Egypt



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released a study measuring the significant economic and employment benefits aviation (including aviation-related tourism) generates for Egypt. Based on 2023 figures, this includes: 1. 21.1 billion dollars (US) of economic activity which is equal to 5.3% of Egypt's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (including wider supply chain, employee spending, and tourism activities); 2. 1.4 million jobs (across the supply chain and including tourism), of which 32,800 are directly employed by airlines; and 3. 338,600 tonnes of air cargo handled.

Aviation Major Driver of Economic Growth and Connectivity in Egypt, April 27, 2025, www.iata.org

★ March Passenger Demand Grows 3.3%



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released global passenger demand data for March 2025 for air travel with the following highlights: 1. Total demand measured in revenue passenger kilometers (RPK), was up 3.3% compared to March 2024. Total capacity, measured in available seat kilometers (ASK), was up 5.3% year-on-year. The March load factor was 80.7% (-1.6 ppt compared to March 2024). 2. International demand rose 4.9% compared to March 2024. Capacity was up 7.0% year-on-year, and the load factor was 79.9% (-1.7 ppt compared to March 2024). 3. Domestic demand increased 0.9% compared to March 2024. Capacity was up 2.5% year-on-year. The load factor was 82.0% (-1.3 ppt compared to March 2024). Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General said "Passenger demand grew by 3.3% year-on-year in March, a slight strengthening from the 2.7% growth reported for February. A capacity expansion of 5.3%, however, outpaced the demand expansion leading to a load factor decline from record highs to 80.7% systemwide. There remains a lot of speculation around the potential impacts of tariffs and other economic headwinds on travel. While the small decline in demand in North America needs to be watched carefully, March numbers continued to show a global pattern of growth for air travel. That means the challenges associated with accommodating more people who need to travel—specifically alleviating supply chain problems and ensuring sufficient airport and air traffic management capacity—remain urgent," March Passenger Demand Grows 3.3%, April 30, 2025, www.iata.org

(Air Cargo Demand Grows 4.4% in March



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for March 2025 global air cargo markets showing: 1. Total demand, measured in cargo tonne-kilometers (CTK), increased by 4.4% compared to March 2024 levels (+5.5% for international operations), a historic peak for March. 2. Capacity, measured in available cargo tonne-kilometers (ACTK), expanded by 4.3% compared to March 2024 (+6.1% for international operations). Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General said "March cargo volumes were strong. It is possible that this is partly a front-loading of demand as some businesses tried to beat the well-telegraphed 2 April tariff announcement by the Trump Administration. The uncertainty over how much of the 2 April proposals will be implemented may eventually weigh on trade. In the meantime, the lower fuel costs—which are also a result of the same uncertainty are a short-term positive factor for air cargo. And, within the temporary pause on implementation we hope that political leaders will be able to shift trade tensions to reliable agreements that can restore confidence in global supply chains."

Air Cargo Demand Grows 4.4% in March, April 29, 2025, www.iata.org

JetBlue negotiates partnership with United Airlines, sources say



Source: AJOT

JetBlue Airways and United Airlines have been negotiating a partnership, three industry sources familiar with the matter told Reuters. The New York-based airline has been seeking partnerships after a federal judge blocked its so-called Northeast Alliance with American Airlines in 2023. The partnership with United is envisioned as quite different from the NEA, the sources said. While the alliance is expected to focus on providing greater connectivity to customers and allowing them to earn and burn frequent-flier miles, the two carriers will not coordinate on schedules and pricing, they added. The sources said the two airlines have yet to finalize all the details and cautioned that things could still change. Asked for comment, a JetBlue spokesperson referred to remarks made earlier on April 28, 2025 by the airline's president, Marty St. George, on a conference call after the company released quarterly results. St. George told analysts and investors that the company was negotiating with a domestic airline with a larger network and that an announcement was expected in the current quarter. He did not elaborate. Chicago-based United said it does not comment on industry speculation. JetBlue has been struggling to return to sustained profitability after the COVID-19 pandemic. It has managed to post a profit in just two of the past nine quarters. Its shares have fallen about 47% this year. In a sign of bearish investor sentiment, short interest in the company's shares has risen by 35% since early February2025. A slump in travel demand as a result of the economic uncertainty caused by President Donald Trump's trade war has only exacerbated its pain. Earlier on Tuesday, JetBlue withdrew its outlook for 2025.

JetBlue negotiates partnership with United Airlines, sources say, April 30, 2025, www.aiot.com

Potential impacts remain as March traveler figures grow



Source: IATA

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Potential impacts remain as March traveler figures grow, May 1, 2025, www.iata.org

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Unveils New Package to Boost Air Traffic Controller Workforce

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy on May 1, 2025 unveiled a new package of actions to further supercharge the air traffic controller workforce. The package will allow more of the best and brightest candidates to get into air traffic facilities and on the job faster, as well as increase retention of experienced controllers. Secretary Duffy first launched the <u>supercharge program</u> in February.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Unveils New Package to Boost Air Traffic Controller Workforce, May 1, 2025, www.dot.gov



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Rail Transport Updates

CANADA

CPKC Increases Dividend By 20 Percent

The Board of Directors of Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited (CPKC) on April 29, 2025 declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.228 per share on the outstanding Common Shares, an increase of 20 percent to the previous dividend of \$0.19 per share.

CPKC Increases Dividend By 20 Percent, April 29, 2025, www.cpkc.ca

Freight Rail Services Price Index, April 2025



Source: Statcan

Data for April for the Freight Rail Services Price Index (2018=100) for April 2025 are now available on the Statistics Canada website. The index was 129.3 for April 2025 down from 130.1 for the previous month but marginally higher than the index a year ago (128.3). Components of the index showed marginal change.

Freight Rail Services Price Index, April 2025, April 30, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

CPKC reports first quarter results; solid demand, precision execution and a resilient network powers strong start to 2025

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) on April 30, 2025 announced its first-quarter results, including revenues of \$3.8 billion, diluted earnings per share (EPS) of \$0.97 and core adjusted diluted EPS of \$1.06. The highlights of the first quarter results were: 1. Revenues increased by eight percent to \$3.8 billion from \$3.5 billion in Q1 2024; 2. Reported operating ratio (OR) decreased by 210 basis points to 65.3 percent from 67.4 percent in Q1 2024; 3. Core adjusted OR1 decreased 150 basis points to 62.5 percent from 64.0 percent in Q1 2024; 4. Reported diluted EPS increased 17 percent to \$0.97 from \$0.83 in Q1 2024; 5. Core adjusted diluted EPS increased 14 percent to \$1.06 from \$0.93 in Q1 2024; 6. Volumes, as measured in Revenue Ton-Miles (RTMs), increased four percent: 7. Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)reportable personal injury frequency decreased to 0.98 from 1.14 in Q1 2024; and 8. FRA-reportable train accident frequency decreased to 0.38 from 0.90 in Q1 2024. Keith Creel, CPKC President and Chief Executive Officer said "These first-quarter results demonstrate the power and resiliency of our unrivalled North American network. Our talented team of world-class railroaders executed our precision scheduled operating plan to safely and efficiently move solid freight demand to start 2025, producing strong first-quarter results amidst ongoing turbulent market and macroeconomic conditions."

CPKC reports first quarter results; solid demand, precision execution and a resilient network powers strong start to 2025, April 30, 2025, www.cpkc.ca

First look: CPKC earnings



Source: Freightwaves

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) on April 30, 2025 said first-quarter profit rose on higher revenues from increased freight on its network. Calgary, Alberta-based reported revenues increased by 8% to \$3.8 billion from \$3.5 billion in the year-ago quarter as freight measured in revenue ton-miles increased 4%. Diluted earnings per share of 97 cents was 17% higher from 83 cents, while core adjusted diluted EPS of \$1.06 improved by 14% from 93 cents y/y. CPKC is the only Class I railroad that operates from Mexico, through the United States, to Canada. The operating ratio (OR), a key indicator of efficiency, decreased by 210 basis points to 65.3% from 67.4% that is efficiency increased. Core adjusted OR decreased 150 bps to 62.5% from 64% y/y.

First look: CPKC earnings, April 30, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

CN Announces First Quarter Results

CN on May 1, 2025 reported its financial and operating results for the first guarter ended March 31, 2025. The -Quarterly highlights were as follows: 1. Revenue ton miles (RTMs) increased 1% to 60,049 (millions). 2. Revenues of C\$4,403 million, an increase of C\$154 million, or 4%. 3. Operating income of C\$1,610 million, an increase of \$64 million, or 4%. 4. Operating ratio, defined as operating expenses as a percentage of revenues, of 63.4%, an improvement of 0.2 points. 5. Diluted earnings per share (EPS) of C\$1.85, an increase of 8%. Tracy Robinson, President and Chief Executive Officer, CN said "Our team delivered a strong performance this guarter through tight cost control and disciplined adherence to our plan, mitigating the impact of winter conditions. In the context of a volatile macroeconomic and geopolitical environment, we will remain focused on agility and customer collaboration. We are committed to continue driving operational and service excellence across our network in 2025 to deliver for our customers and shareholders."

CN Announces First Quarter Results, May 1, 2025, www.cn.ca

US/WORLD



NTSB Determines Probable Cause for NS Three-Train Accident

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) has released the final report for its investigation of the March 2, 2024, collision and derailment of three Norfolk Southern (NS) trains near Easton, Pa. The accident, it said, underscores the importance of the Federal Railroad Association (FRA) "completing research into PTC [Positive Train Control] technologies to prevent train-to-train collisions during restricted speed operations," and continuing work on "analyzing data that will help revise training and increase oversight to ensure that operating crews use restricted speeds correctly."

NTSB Determines Probable Cause for NS Three-Train Accident, April 28, 2025, www.railwayage.com





Source: Railway Age

Total U.S. rail traffic was up for the ninth consecutive week, according to the Association of American Railroads' (AAR) latest report. For this week, total U.S. weekly rail traffic was 502,105 carloads and intermodal units, up 5.5 percent compared with the same week last year. Total carloads for the week ending April 26 were 233,411 carloads, up 9.0 percent compared with the same week in 2024, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 268,694 containers and trailers, up 2.6 percent compared to 2024. Seven of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2024. They included coal, up 14,090 carloads, to 59,726; grain, up 4,945 carloads, to 25,181; and chemicals, up 1,379 carloads, to 35,183. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2024 were nonmetallic minerals, down 1,834 carloads, to 32,343; motor vehicles and parts, down 1,448 carloads, to 15,618; and petroleum and petroleum products, down 63 carloads, to 9,732. Canadian railroads reported 94,065 carloads for the week, up 1.0 percent, and 80,430 intermodal units, up 6.4 percent compared with the same week in 2024. For the first 17 weeks of 2025, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 2,730,377 carloads, containers and trailers, up 0.2 percent.

<u>U.S. Rail Traffic Uptick Continues in Week 17</u>, April 30, 2025, <u>www.railwayage.com</u>

CSX Signalman, Boilermakers Ratify Five-Year Deals



Source: Railway Age

CSX on April 30, 2025 reported securing the ratification of new fiveyear collective bargaining agreements with the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen (BRS) and the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Forgers & Helpers (IBB).

CSX Signalman, Boilermakers Ratify Five-Year Deals, May 1, 2025, www.railwayage.com



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Marine Transport Updates

CANADA

CMA CGM becomes majority shareholder in Santos Brasil terminal operator



Source: JOC

CMA CGM is on course to take full ownership of Santos Brasil, which operates South America's largest container terminal, in a deal worth about \$2.3 billion, the company confirmed on April 25, 2025. The shipping, air cargo and ports conglomerate said it became the majority shareholder in Santos Brasil with a 51% stake after its \$1 billion purchase of a 47.9% interest from fund management company Opportunity was approved by Brazil's regulatory authorities. The acquisition will give CMA CGM direct control of its container operations in the Port of Santos. CMA CGM already held a 3.1% share in the terminal operator that it bought in September 2024, the same time it made its initial bid for the stake held by Opportunity.

CMA CGM becomes majority shareholder in Santos Brasil terminal operator, April 25, 2025, www.joc.com

Mexico expands its largest port as it bets on global trade despite Trump's tariffs



Source: AJOT

A massive expansion of Mexico's largest seaport is under way as Mexican authorities bet on positive economic growth and the strength of global trade despite the gloomy outlook sparked by U.S. President Donald Trump's trade wars. The Mexican government aims to transform the Port of Manzanillo on Mexico's Pacific Coast into the busiest seaport in Latin America, capable of processing some 10 million 20-foot (6.1-meter) containers, according to the Mexican Navy, which runs the facility. It is already Mexico's largest port and the third largest in Latin America, handling nearly 4 million 20-foot containers in 2024. The multibillion dollar port expansion is one of Mexican President Claudia Sheinbaum's major infrastructure projects. The investment is part of Mexico's efforts to defy an economic downturn as Trump's trade wars have created widespread financial uncertainty. Earlier this week, the International Monetary Fund slashed its growth forecasts for most countries. That included Mexico, which the IMF

predicted will have a 0.3% contraction in economic growth for 2025 as U.S. tariffs bite into exports.

Mexico expands its largest port as it bets on global trade despite Trump's tariffs, April 25, 2025, www.ajot.com

Container lines warn of congestion threat when Asia imports rebound



Source: JOC

Container line executives warn that the inevitable rebound in Asian imports that will come at some point after the expected plunge in volumes linked to US tariffs may overwhelm major US ports because the supporting systems aren't significantly better prepared than they were during the pandemic. The timing and scale of the rebound isn't yet known. But import volumes from Asia are expected to recover eventually either because tariffs are eased or cargo owners ultimately decide there's no relief coming and eat the higher costs due to a need to replenish inventories. Regardless of whether the demand will go up the resumption last week of shipments from China by Walmart, Target and other major importers is pushing industry attention toward what a volume recovery could look like.

Container lines warn of congestion threat when Asia imports rebound, April 29, 2025, www.joc.com

Shipping volume will plummet 35% next week, LA port official says in CNBC interview



Source: AJOT

The Los Angeles port is expecting a 35% drop in cargo from Asia next week, Gene Seroka, the port's executive director, said in a CNBC interview on April 29, 2025. "It's a precipitous drop in volume with a number of major American retailers stopping all shipments from China based on the tariffs," Seroka said. Major American retailers have now stopped all shipments from China and that contributes to around 45% of traffic in Los Angeles, he said. Seroka said that until some accord or framework is reached with China, the volume coming out of the country, except for some commodities, would be very light at best. Seroka also reiterated his forecast for imports at the Port of Los Angeles to fall at least 10% in the second half of this year. The adjacent ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are the most exposed to the boiling trade war between the United States and China. Those Southern California ports are the preferred entry gates for goods from China, which is the No. 1 source of imports.

Shipping volume will plummet 35% next week, LA port official says in CNBC interview, April 29, 2025, www.ajot.com



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Road Transport Updates

CANADA



2024-25 Gas Tax Funding by Municipality

The Ontario government is investing over \$380 million to help 106 municipalities improve local transit through the 2024-25 Gas Tax program. For 2024-25, municipal allocations have been maintained at 2023-24 levels. The funding can be used to expand service hours, increase routes, purchase new vehicles and improve accessibility to increase transit ridership.

2024-25 Gas Tax Funding by Municipality, April 25, 2025, <u>www.mtro-gov.on.ca</u>



Gardiner Expressway Construction Months Ahead of Schedule

As a result of the Ontario government's \$73 million investment to speed up the repair of the Gardiner Expressway and allow work to proceed on a 24/7 basis, work is now underway on the third stage of the Gardiner Expressway Section 2 rehabilitation project months ahead of the advanced schedule announced in July 2024. This investment is part of the government's plan to protect Ontario in the face of economic uncertainty, including from U.S. tariffs, by investing in infrastructure to support economic growth, fight gridlock and keep workers on the job.

Gardiner Expressway Construction Months Ahead of Schedule, April 25, 2025, www.mtro-gov.on.ca



Ontario Fighting Auto Theft by Cracking Down on Car Thieves

As part of a <u>series of proposed changes</u> to protect Ontario communities by cracking down on crime, the province is proposing new legislation that would amend the *Highway Traffic Act* to give police the authority to search for and seize electronic devices that are intended to be used for vehicle theft. The change would provide law enforcement with stronger tools to keep keyless devices off the streets and out of the hands of would-be criminals. "No matter where you live, every family deserves peace of mind knowing their homes – and their vehicles – are safe," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. "By cracking down on these illegal devices, we're disrupting criminal activity and giving police the tools they need to stop thefts before they happen, helping keep our communities safe for everyone."

Ontario Fighting Auto Theft by Cracking Down on Car Thieves, April 29, 2025, www.mto.gov.on.ca



Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, March 2025



Source: Statcan

The Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index (2019=100) is now available for March 2025 on the Statistics Canada website. The index was 144.7 for March 2025 unchanged from February 2025 but was higher than the 134.7 index a year ago. The courier component of the index showed a small change (-0.1) and the local index rose marginally (0.5).

Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index, March 2025, April 30, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

Canadian Trucking Alliance Launches Enhanced Website, Strengthening Advocacy and Industry Connection



Source: Ontruck

The Canadian Trucking Alliance is thrilled to unveil its newly redesigned website, cantruck.ca. This enhanced platform is *the* central destination for advocacy priorities, the latest industry news, and crucial resources, further uniting the trucking sector and serving as a key resource for all industry stakeholders. The revitalized CTA website offers a more intuitive, in-depth user experience. Visitors will find detailed insights into the Alliance's advocacy work across key pillars, including safety and compliance, supply chain efficiency, and workforce development. It will be the go-to source for staying informed on the latest developments and understanding the critical issues shaping Canadian trucking.

Canadian Trucking Alliance Launches Enhanced Website, Strengthening Advocacy and Industry Connection, May 1, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

US/WORLD



DHL upgrades next-day Medical Express service for Latin America



Source: Freightwaves

International shipper <u>DHL Express</u> has grown its next-day delivery capabilities by adding a Brazil-to-U.S. lane to its Medical Express service. According to a news release emailed to FreightWaves by DHL, this new connection links South America and Puerto Rico to the U.S., with the goal of expediting deliveries to customers in pharmaceutical and clinical research sectors. "With its Medical Express service, DHL Express expertly manages the export and regulatory requirements for urgent shipments that necessitate specific temperature controls," the company stated in its news release.

DHL upgrades next-day Medical Express service for Latin America, April 25, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy: Truck Drivers Who Want to Share Our Roads Must Share Our

Language

On April 28, 2025, U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy announced steps to rescind a dangerous Obama-era policy that dismissed English language proficiency (ELP) requirements for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers. This action prioritizes safety on America's roadways in line with President Trump's Executive Order signed today. At the direction of Secretary Duffy, the Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) will take immediate actions to execute the President's EO and strengthen English language enforcement.

Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy: Truck Drivers Who Want to Share Our Roads Must Share Our Language, April 28, 2025, www.dot.gov

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Updated rules for safer roads, less air pollution and digital vehicle documents

For better road safety and air quality across the EU, the Commission is proposing a comprehensive overhaul of the EU's road safety and vehicle registration rules. The new rules will take into account the

growing presence of electric vehicles and adapt to emerging technologies. They will introduce enhanced inspections, including periodic technical inspections for electric vehicles and advanced driver-assistance systems, annual inspections for older cars and vans, and advanced emission testing methods to detect high-emitting vehicles to reduce fine particles pollution. Additionally, the Commission proposes to introduce digital vehicle registration and periodic testing certificates, simplify cross-border data sharing, and protect citizens against fraudulent activities such as odometer tampering. Also, periodic technical inspections will be made easier for those temporarily residing in another EU country.

Updated rules for safer roads, less air pollution and digital vehicle documents, April 23, 2025, www.europa.eu

UPS profit beats estimates, to cut 20,000 jobs on economic worries



Source: AJOT

United Parcel Service reported 2025 first-quarter profit that beat market expectations and said it will cut 20,000 jobs as the parcel giant looks to trim costs in an uncertain economy, sending its shares up more than 5% before the bell on April 29, 2025. Extensive tariffs by U.S. President Donald Trump have slowed down trade and led companies to reduce costs in anticipation of a demand hit. For parcel delivery firms, the slowdown is likely to reduce the need for shipping services between companies. "The actions we are taking to reconfigure our network and reduce cost across our business could not be timelier," CEO Carol Tome said. UPS said it was not providing any updates to its full-year outlook due to the economic uncertainty even as it lowers costs through jobs cuts, warehouse closures, increased automation and asset sales. The company last year said it cut its workforce by 12,000 jobs. UPS said on Tuesday, April 29, 2025 that it will shut 73 leased and owned buildings by the end of June 2025. The company expects to save \$3.5 billion from its initiatives in 2025. Its first-guarter revenue fell marginally to \$21.5 billion but beat Wall Street expectations of \$21.05 billion, according to data compiled by LSEG. Its U.S. domestic segment revenue grew 1.4% to \$14.46 billion in the first quarter, driven by increase in air cargo and improving revenue per

piece, even as volumes declined. UPS posted an adjusted profit per share of \$1.49 compared with expectations of \$1.38. The world's largest package delivery firm had in January forecast full-year revenue of \$89 billion and operating margin of about 10.8%.

UPS profit beats estimates, to cut 20,000 jobs on economic worries, April 29, 2025, www.ajot.com



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Other Transport Updates

CANADA

Canada auto parts get Trump tariff exemption under CUSMA, U.S. says



Source: Global News

Canadian auto parts traded under North American free trade rules will be exempted from U.S. President <u>Donald Trump's</u> 25 per cent <u>auto tariffs</u> due to start Saturday, according to new U.S. guidance. <u>The bulletin from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)</u>, issued to American importers Thursday May 1, 2025, says auto parts that are eligible for preferential treatment under the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement (CUSMA) on free trade will be subject to a zero per cent tariff, "other than automobile knock-down kits or parts compilations." All other parts, as well as non-U.S. parts in passenger vehicles completed outside the U.S., will still be subjected to a 25 per cent tariff starting at 12:01 a.m. Eastern on May 3, the bulletin says. Canada auto parts get Trump tariff exemption under CUSMA, U.S. says, May 1, 2025, www.globalnews.ca

Trump eases auto tariffs burden



Source: Ajot

President Donald Trump signed a pair of orders to soften the blow of his auto tariffs on April 29, 2025 with a mix of credits and relief from other levies on materials, and his trade team touted its first deal with a foreign trading partner. The developments helped eased some investor worries about the erratic trade policies of Trump as the president visited Michigan, a cradle of the U.S. auto industry, just days before a fresh set of 25% import taxes was set to kick in on automotive components. The trip, on the eve of his 100th day in office, came as Americans take an increasingly dim view of Trump's economic stewardship, with indications his tariffs will weigh on growth and could drive up inflation and unemployment. In his latest partial reversal of tariff policies, the Republican president agreed to give carmakers two years to boost the percentage of domestic components in vehicles assembled domestically. It will allow them to offset tariffs for imported auto parts used in U.S.-assembled vehicles equal to 3.75% of the total value of the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price of vehicles they build in the U.S. through April 2026, and 2.5% of U.S. production through April 30, 2027.

US/WORLD



Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces Effort to Update Outdated Liquefied **Natural Gas Regulations**

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy on April 29, 2025 announced that the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) is seeking comment to inform a rulemaking proposal to update decades old regulations for liquified natural gas (LNG) facilities, fast-track new LNG infrastructure projects, expand domestic export capacity, and grow the small-scale LNG market. This is one of several "Unleashing American Energy" rulemakings that are expected to reduce regulatory burdens on industry.

Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces Effort to Update Outdated Liquefied Natural Gas Regulations, April 29, 2025, www.dot.gov

US economy contracts as tariffs unleash flood of imports

The U.S. economy contracted for the first time in three years in the 2025 first quarter, swamped by a flood of imports as businesses raced to avoid higher costs from tariffs and underscoring the disruptive nature of President Donald Trump's often chaotic trade policy. The Commerce Department's advance gross domestic product (GDP) report on April 30, 2025, however, grossly exaggerated the economy's dimming prospects. Though consumer spending slowed considerably. the pace of growth remained healthy. Businesses also boosted investment in equipment. Nonetheless, both consumer and business spending likely reflected front-loading before the import duties kicked in. As such, the report reinforced Americans' growing disapproval of Trump's handling of the economy as he marks 100 days in office. Trump swept to victory last November (i.e. 2024) on voter angst over the economy, especially inflation. Consumer confidence is near fiveyear lows and business sentiment has tanked, while airlines have pulled their 2025 financial forecasts, citing uncertainty over spending on nonessential travel because of tariffs, which economists said will raise costs for companies and households.

US economy contracts as tariffs unleash flood of imports, April 30, 2025, www.ajot.com



National Transportation Statistics BTS Updates 4/30/2025

The Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) on April 30, 2025 released its monthly update to National Transportation Statistics (NTS), a guide to historical national-level transportation trends. It also indicates a list of papers that have been updated.

BTS Updates National Transportation Statistics 4/30/2025, April 30, 2025, www.bts.gov



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EVENTS & WORKSHOPS



Synergenics Consulting presents "Electronic Trade Documentation" virtual workshop on Friday, May 30 at 3 pm PT.

Note this is a paid event and will be in Canadian dollars noting it says American on the introduction of the workshop but on the registration form it is in Canadian currency.

Materials Included: E-workbook for full course to cover course sections outlined on this page, legal decisions found under UK, New York case law, including arbitration awards.

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 27, 2025 by 5pm PDT.

OVERVIEW

This workshop is titled, 'Electronic Trade Documentation.'

This month, we are offering a workshop titled 'Electronic Trade Documentation', with a focus on the E-Ocean Bill of Lading as a Trade Document, under the Carriage of Goods Act by Sea, normally a paper document versus a digital copy.

We cover the UK Electronic Trade Documentation Act 2023. Chapter 38, to establish if UK legislation compromises state, nation legislation and its sovereign principles including the best interests of industry, companies, and the end consumer/public. Comparisons are brought forward between the US, Canadian and UK jurisdictions in terms of its adoption of the Act, if it is acceptable under each nation's sovereign laws, and if not, can bills still be converted from digital to hard copy without loss or delay of cargo delivery?

We discuss the topic of legal efficacy and integrity of the original bill of lading used as evidentiary documentation in litigated disputes, if they should arise.

We examine the impacts to Industry and companies having to exchange bills of lading in terms of added capital, human resources and training, cost of software and its implementation across all regions.

TAKE AWAY

The workshop will provide strategies, and identify tools to adopt in your organization, to navigate successfully through proposed new regulations in the Canadian and US jurisdictions, assuring choices, and the best interest of your operations, are not compromised.

To register, please visit: https://synergenicsconsulting.ca/professional-development/https://lnkd.in/qnCnsY74



<u>British Columbia Aviation Council (BCAC)</u> Conference 2025 Kamloops (YKA): Innovation – Eyes on the Horizon

Starts: 02 Jun 2025 @ 12:00pm PDT Ends: 04 Jun 2025 @ 5:00pm PDT

Where: Delta by Mariott Hotel, 540 Victoria Street, Kamloops, British

Columbia, Canada, V2C 2B2

To register, please visit:

https://bcaviationcouncil.silkstart.com/events/bcac-2025-june-2-4-

<u>conference</u>



The 36th Annual Conference on Transportation Innovation and Cost Savings – September 25, 2025

This year's conference will take place on Thursday, September 25, 2025 at The Toronto Hunt Club, 1355 Kingston Road, Scarborough, ON, M1N 1R1.

In addition to a full day of engaging content, the conference includes a continental breakfast, lunch and many opportunities for networking. The Conference will also feature a number of industry leaders delivering their perspectives on transportation issues, including transport law and automotive logistics.

For more details and to register, please visit: https://www.transportconference.ca/register



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Job Postings

* Logistics Coordinator, IMT Group, Ingersoll, ON

Location:

Ingersoll, ON

Responsibilities:

- · Provide support in all areas of freight scheduling.
- Inbound from globally sourced vendors.

- Outbound to internal and external customers and third-party storage facilities.
- Customs and Regulatory document control.
- Ensure compliance with import & export documentation prepared by IMT and our vendors and customers.
- Determine shipping requirements by coordinating with relevant functional areas, i.e. Quality, Engineering, Sales, Production, and Shipping
- Coordinate and collect any special receiving instructions/equipment requirements for inbound/outbound shipments.
- Collect, organize, and retain historical bid/actual data for all freight quoted and shipped for customers.
- Responsible for request for quote process and selecting carrier(s). Coordinate with multiple carriers, as appropriate.
- Analyze and validate freight invoices are complete and accurate.
- Measure functional metrics to evaluate and improve the overall process.
- Ensure IMT has, and maintains, visibility of all freight charges (i.e. freight, permits, detention, etc)
- Negotiate freight rates.
- Manage any claims that result from damage, delays or charges related to the transportation of shipments.
- Develop and maintain a good working relationship with all departments, suppliers, subcontractors and freight forwarders.
- Participate in proactive team efforts to achieve departmental and company goals.
- Protect confidential information by not communicating, disclosing to, or using for benefit of third parties.
- Ensure Tariff codes are updated in MRP/ERP and used for all cross-border shipping.
- Prepare monthly reports to submit to management and identify cost saving opportunities

Requirements:

- Post Secondary Degree/Diploma in Supply Chain Management, Logistics or equivalent. CCS preferred
- Minimum of 3-5 years of related logistics experience with cross border shipments and 3+ year's experience in a manufacturing environment
- Working knowledge of cross border shipments and experience working to directly resolve challenges presented during border crossings.
- Working knowledge of ACE and CERS portals.

- Strong proficiency with ERP/MRP systems and Microsoft Office.
- Advanced MS Excel skills are essential, with a requirement to create detailed spreadsheets for presentation to management.
- Strong understanding of inventory, and warehousing processes.
- Excellent organizational, planning and prioritization skills.
- High-level attention to detail and accuracy oriented.
- Excellent communication, problem solving and decisionmaking skills.
- Exceptional task management abilities.
- Growth mindset, goal oriented and focused on continuous improvement and cost savings
- High level of interpersonal skills to work effectively in a team environment.
- Proactive, with the ability to work with limited guidance.
- Flexibility to work extended hours as required, based on business needs.
- Knowledge of tariff classification(s)
- Knowledge of CUSMA and certification of goods
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* Warehouse Order Coordinator, BFG Enterprise Services, Markham, ON

About the job WAREHOUSE ORDER COORDINATOR **Role:** Coordinates the timely movement of products to meet contractual commitments and client needs. Performs systems and carrier tracking, customs coordination, confirmations, and related activities for the movement of products. Daily activities include file creation, in-transit report creating, disbursements and usage, etc.

Responsibilities:

- Manage priorities to meet shipping volumes
- Ensure that customer orders are delivered on time and in full as per service level agreements.
- Provide shipping department with schedules and documentation for next day loading.
- Verify completion of applicable delivery documentation.
- Confirm deliveries have been made and resolve discrepancies.
- Act as liaison between logistics and program management.
- Communicate daily with carriers, freight forwarders and clients in coordinating pick-up and delivery of shipments when required.
- Coordinate the activities of product flow from receiving, warehouse, assembly, and shipping on a timely and accurate basis. Report on issues, gaps and take corrective action where required.
- Comply with the organizations environmental, health & safety, recycling, sustainability efforts and quality assurance policies and standards.
- Prepare reports, metrics and analysis with the use of functions on MS Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access and Outlook) for distribution within the organization
- File maintenance, including but not limited to, invoices, waybills, international shipment, storage, daily shipment, inventory and monthly shipping lists.
- Expedites, traces and obtains verification of shipment delivery, audits inbound and outbound freight bills, files carrier damage claims and updates carrier contract information
- Perform any other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Completion of college courses in Logistics or Distribution an asset
- Experience with Microsoft GP is an asset
- Minimum two years of experience in Logistics/Warehousing

- Strong knowledge of Logistics and transportation
- Have strong attention to detail and the ability to prioritize and organize work
- Have excellent customer service and communication skills, and the ability to build collaborative relationships with clients and internal BFG staff
- Proficient with Microsoft Office

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* Logistics Coordinator, Forte Village Resort, North Tonawanda, NY

Job Summary:

Buffalo Pumps is seeking a detail-oriented and proactive Logistics Coordinator to support and enhance our shipping and order fulfillment processes. This role plays a critical part in ensuring that all pumps and parts are accurately documented, labeled, and shipped according to customer and regulatory requirements. As a member of the Production Planning Department, the Logistics Coordinator will collaborate closely with manufacturing, sales, and shipping teams to manage outbound logistics, maintain accurate records, and deliver exceptional service to our global customer base.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Receive and record weights and dimensions for all outgoing parts and pumps.
- Utilize our ERP system to reserve parts for shipment, ensuring proper handling and packaging.
- Create and print packing lists and commercial invoices for shipments.
- Enter tracking information from daily shipping reports into ERP.
- Facilitate the photographing of marine and commercial pump orders prior to shipment.
- Monitor carrier performance, track open shipments, and ensure on-time delivery and freight compliance.
- Work with sales to resolve shipping discrepancies or urgent order requests.
- Collaborate with freight providers to schedule pickups, secure quotes, and confirm bookings.
- Help maintain inventory of shipping materials and coordinate restocking needs.

- Support internal process improvements related to shipping accuracy, customer documentation, and freight cost controls.
- Ensure compliance with DOT, ITAR, and international export regulations.
- Perform other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the Technical Operations Manager.

Requirements:

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE

- Previous experience working with an MRP based production planning and scheduling system.
- Experience with preparation of freight/traffic paperwork, including export shipping papers.
- 1-3 years of experience in a shipping or logistics role is desired.

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