

Transportation's Top Stories

## Air Transport Updates

### **CANADA**

Air Canada flight attendants could strike next week. Here's what you need to know



Source: CBC

Air Canada flight attendants could walk off the job as early as next week after voting overwhelmingly to approve a strike mandate. Members of the Air Canada component of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) voted 99.7 per cent in favour of a strike mandate. But a strike isn't set in stone yet, with both parties back at the bargaining table starting August 88, 2025. More than 10,000 Air Canada flight attendants could walk off the job as early as next week if an agreement isn't reached for a new contract between the union and Air Canada.

Air Canada flight attendants could strike next week. Here's what you need to know, August 8, 2025, <a href="https://www.cbc.ca">www.cbc.ca</a>

# Air Canada flight attendants to picket at four Canadian airports



Source: AJOT

Air Canada flight attendants plan to picket at four airports on August 11, 2025 to highlight their pay demands in contract negotiations with Canada's largest airline, but its operations will not be affected, the union said. The Canadian Union of Public Employees said in a statement on Sunday, August 10, 2025 that the demonstrations would take place at airports in Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver and Calgary at 1 p.m. ET. Negotiators for the two sides returned to the bargaining table on August 8, 2025 after flight attendants overwhelmingly approved a strike mandate last week that could allow them to walk off the job as early as August 16. The union said the main issues include making sure the airline's 10,000 flight attendants get paid for all working hours, not just when planes are in motion, and improving "poverty wages that are no longer consistent with the economic reality of 2025."

Air Canada flight attendants to picket at four Canadian airports, August 11, 2025, www.ajot.com

# Air Canada Receives 72-Hour Strike Notice from CUPE and Issues Lockout Notice in Response

Air Canada on August 13, 2025 said that it has issued the statutory 72hour lockout notice to the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) representing 10,000 flight attendants at Air Canada and Air Canada Rouge after the union provided notice it intends to begin a strike. To provide customers certainty, Air Canada will begin a phased wind down of most of its operations to be completed over the next three days. The airline has also sought government-directed arbitration to resolve the situation. Customers whose flights are cancelled will be notified and can obtain a full refund; Customers without confirmed flights should not go to the airport. Despite eight months of good faith negotiations that included the assistance of federal conciliators, and an offer to enter binding arbitration, Air Canada has been unable to reach a tentative agreement with the union. Air Canada tabled a revised comprehensive proposal to the union on August 11, which sought no concessions in return from its Flight Attendants and provided for a 38 per cent total compensation increase over four years. The offer also addressed the issue of ground pay, improved pensions and benefits, increased crew rest and contained other improvements. In an additional attempt to prevent travel disruption, Air Canada had also offered to CUPE to enter third-party, binding arbitration to settle the outstanding points of discussion. CUPE has responded by issuing a notice to begin a strike as early as August 16.

Air Canada Receives 72-Hour Strike Notice from CUPE and Issues Lockout Notice in Response, August 13, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

# (Air Canada's flight attendants plan to strike from Saturday



Source: Financial Post

Air Canada's more than 10,000 flight attendants said they'll strike for three days beginning Saturday, August 16, 2025 after rejecting a sweetened offer from the airline and declining arbitration. Flight

attendants have served a 72-hour strike notice after failing to reach a deal, their union said in a statement. Members voted 99.7 per cent in favour of a strike mandate, it added.

Air Canada's flight attendants plan to strike from Saturday, August 13, 2025, www.financialpost.ca

### Air Canada Provides Clarity on its Offer to CUPE

Air Canada on August 14, 2025 clarified commentary that has been made publicly about its offer to the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) representing 10,000 flight attendants at the airline. Under the proposal, which seeks no concessions, there is a 38 per cent increase in total compensation over four years and: 1. A new provision for ground pay that is industry leading in Canada. 2. Hourly rates would go as high as \$94 an hour in the first year. 3. Hourly pay would increase by 12-to-16 per cent in the first year. This consists of a combined eight per cent increase in the hourly wage plus another fourto-eight per cent increase through a new ground pay formula in the first year alone. 4. By 2027, senior flight attendants would earn \$87,000 annually on average, and 20 per cent of flight attendants would earn \$90,000 or more a year. 5. There would be significant improvements to health benefits and pension plans, including the legacy Defined Benefit pension plan. Air Canada is the only airline in the country to offer its flight attendants access to a pension that includes a defined benefit component. 6. Meaningful quality of life improvements, including an increase to paid vacation, and measures to address union concerns about rest and work-life balance. This includes changes to crew complement on aircraft to reduce inflight workloads. 7. It will make Air Canada Flight Attendants the best compensated in Canada. Already, cabin crew earn up to \$17 more per hour than their counterparts at the company's largest domestic competitor.

Air Canada Provides Clarity on its Offer to CUPE, August 14, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

### **US/WORLD**

**▼Walsh welcomes competing Heathrow proposals** 



Source: Airlines

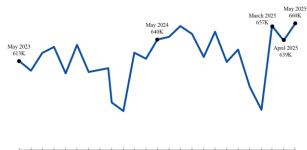
Director General Willie Walsh said the trade body applauds the government decision to expand Heathrow, but warned that it must not assume the current operator is the best fit for all parties as the plans move forward. "There are clear economic arguments pointing to the benefits of expanding airport capacity in the Southeast of the UK—that includes the UK's only global hub, Heathrow Airport," said Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General. "We applaud the government's decision to support the UK's global aspirations by advancing plans to expand Heathrow. This must not, however, come at any cost or make any assumption that the current operator is best placed to deliver the value that the UK's economy will critically need for growth." Aviation is a critical industrial sector for the UK, contributing \$160 billion to its economy (4.8% of GDP) and employing some 1.6 million people. IATA has welcomed proposals for the future development of London's Heathrow Airport by Heathrow Airport Limited (HAL) and by the Arora Group. HAL estimates its plans would be completed within a decade, including building a third runway at 3500m long which would create capacity to 756,000 flights and 150 million passengers a year. The airport currently serves 84 million people annually. Arora Group said its Heathrow West plan could have a new operational runway by 2035. while a new terminal would open in phases, in 2036 and 2040.

Walsh welcomes competing Heathrow proposals, August 5, 2025, <a href="https://www.arlines.iata.org">www.arlines.iata.org</a>

### X Airline Service Quality Performance Data – May 2025

U.S. Airlines Operated Domestic Flights: May 2023—May 2025 Operated = Scheduled - Canceled

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Source: BTS

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on August 11, 2025 released its Airline Service Quality Performance data compiled for the month of **May 2025** for on-time performance, mishandled baggage, mishandled wheelchairs, and scooters. For additional information and interactive charts on transportation's role in aviation, please visit BTS' Aviation Facts and Figures. BTS regularly updates <u>TranStats</u>, with both Marketing Carrier On-Time Performance (Beginning January 2018) and the Reporting Carrier On-Time Performance (1987-present). Airline Service Quality Performance Data – May 2025, August 11, 2025, <u>www.bts.gov</u>

# U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 8,962 Jobs in June 2025



Source: BTS

U.S. airline industry (passenger and cargo airlines combined) employment increased to 1,021,493 workers in June 2025, 8,962 (0.89%) more workers than in May 2025 (1,012,531). U.S. scheduled-service passenger airlines employed 551,287 workers in June 2025, or 54% of the industry-wide total. Passenger airlines gained 1,356

employees in June 2025. Delta Air Lines led scheduled passenger carriers, adding 731 employees; Southwest Airlines added 530, and United Air Lines added 378. U.S. cargo airlines employed 465,930 workers in June 2025, or 46% of the industry-wide total. Cargo carriers gained 7,584 employees in June. FedEx, the leading air cargo employer, increased employment by 7,691 jobs.

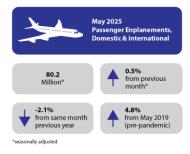
U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 8,962 Jobs in June 2025, August 12, 2025, <a href="https://www.bts.gov">www.bts.gov</a>

# U.S. Transportation Secretary & Acting NASA Administrator Sean P. Duffy Joins President Trump Executive Order Signing to Boost U.S. Space Competitiveness

U.S. Transportation Secretary and Acting NASA Administrator Sean P. Duffy joined President Donald J. Trump on August 13, 2025 at the White House for the historic signing of the Executive Order "Enabling Competition in the Commercial Space Industry." In brief the Order highlights: The "Enabling Competition in the Commercial Space Industry" EO will help to: 1. Streamline commercial license and permit approvals for United States-based operators. 2. Cut unnecessary red tape to make it easier to build new spaceports in the U.S. 3. Promote new space activities like in-space manufacturing and orbital refuelling. 4. Establish a new position in the Office of the Secretary.

U.S. Transportation Secretary & Acting NASA Administrator Sean P. Duffy Joins President Trump Executive Order Signing to Boost U.S. Space Competitiveness, August 13, 2025, www.dot.gov

# May 2025 U.S. Airline Traffic Data Down 2.1% from the Same Month Last Year



Source: BTS

U.S. airlines carried 85.2 million systemwide (domestic and international) scheduled service passengers in May 2025, according to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS). When adjusted for seasonality, May enplanements are up 0.5% from April and down 3.5% from the all-time high reached in June 2024. BTS reported 74.2 million domestic passengers and 11 million international passengers on U.S. airlines flights in May 2025, not adjusting for seasonality. U.S. airline traffic reports are filed monthly with BTS.

May 2025 U.S. Airline Traffic Data Down 2.1% from the Same Month Last Year, August 14, 2025, <a href="https://www.bts.gov">www.bts.gov</a>



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### **CANADA**

# Americold Opens First Import-Export Hub in Partnership with CPKC, Unlocking a New Era of Food Flow Across North America

Americold Realty Trust, a global leader in temperature-controlled logistics, real estate, and value-added services, on August 12, 2025 celebrates the grand opening of its new \$120+ million Import-Export Hub in Kansas City, Missouri. Developed in partnership with Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC), the 335,000-square-foot facility is Americold's first on the CPKC rail network and a key hub for the Mexico Midwest Express (MMX), North America's only single-line rail service for refrigerated goods between the U.S. and Mexico.

Americold Opens First Import-Export Hub in Partnership with CPKC, Unlocking a New Era of Food Flow Across North America, August 12, 2025, www.cpkc.ca

# Province Breaks Ground on Second Ontario Line Tunnel

The Ontario government has broken ground on the second tunnel launch shaft near the site of the future Gerrard Station on the Ontario Line, marking another milestone in the province's plan to protect Ontario by creating jobs, cutting commute times across the Greater Toronto Area and bringing nearly 230,000 more people within walking distance of public transit. "The Ontario Line will introduce all-new rapid transit to the Gerrard and Carlaw community and surrounding neighbourhoods, part of our nearly \$70 billion investment to deliver the largest transit expansion in North America," said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. "In the face of U.S. tariffs and economic uncertainty, we are protecting Ontario's economy by building the next

generation of subway service that will create thousands of good-paying jobs and fuel long-term economic growth."

Province Breaks Ground on Second Ontario Line Tunnel, August 14, 2025, www.mto.gov.on.ca

### **US/WORLD**

AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Up Through Week 32



Source: Railway Age

U.S. rail traffic not only rose for the week ending Aug. 9, 2025, vs. the same week last year but also realized a modest gain through 2025's first 32 weeks, the Association of American Railroads (AAR) reported Aug. 13, 2025. Total carloads for the week ending August 9 were 227,327 carloads, up 2.4 percent compared with the same week in 2024, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 283,867 containers and trailers, up 3.4 percent compared to 2024. Seven of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2024. They included metallic ores and metals, up 1,825 carloads, to 21,247; grain, up 1,052 carloads, to 19,454; and coal, up 810 carloads, to 61,843. Commodity groups that posted decreases

compared with the same week in 2024 were petroleum and petroleum products, down 232 carloads, to 10,092; chemicals, down 123 carloads, to 32,838; and farm products excl. grain, and food, down 33 carloads, to 16,161. Canadian railroads reported 84,689 carloads for the week, down 5.6 percent, and 74,518 intermodal units, up 11.4 percent compared with the same week in 2024. For the first 32 weeks of 2025, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 5,194,861 carloads, containers and trailers, up 1.6 percent.

<u>AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Up Through Week 32</u>, August 13, 2025, <u>www.joc.com</u>

## ☐ Union Pacific train derails in Texas, no hazardous ☐ material leaks



Source: AJOT

A Union Pacific Railroad train derailed two miles east of Gordon, Texas, on August 12, 2025, the company said, and emergency responders said the derailed cars did not appear to be leaking their contents. The emergency responders in Palo Pinto County said that, nonetheless, the derailment was "being treated as a HazMat situation." "At about 2 p.m. CDT on August 12, 2025, approximately 35 Union Pacific cars derailed," the company said in a statement. It was not clear what caused the derailment just outside Gordon, a town with a population of 460 located about 95 miles (153 kilometers) west of Dallas. The company did not immediately respond to a request for comment on what materials were being carried in the derailed cars. Officials with the Palo Pinto County Emergency Services District 1 said the derailment had sparked some small grass fires, which firefighters were working to control. "At this time, there are no confirmed hazardous material leaks," the emergency officials wrote on social media. They said that nobody was hurt in the incident and all railroad personnel had been accounted for. The railroad said additional crews were in transit and an incident investigation was underway.

Union Pacific train derails in Texas, no hazardous material leaks, August 13, 2025, <a href="https://www.ajot.com">www.ajot.com</a>



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### Marine Transport Updates

### **CANADA**

# Transport Canada ensuring safety on the water by restricting vessel traffic on the St. Clair River on August 17, 2025

Transport Canada issued a notice to inform all boaters about temporary vessel traffic restrictions during an expected increase in the number of people using the St. Clair River during the Port Huron Float Down event on Sunday, August 17, 2025. To ensure the safety of everyone on the water, Transport Canada is restricting the movement of vessel traffic within the public Port of Sarnia. Under these restrictions, no unauthorized traffic will be permitted on the Canadian side of the St. Clair River, from the Blue Water Bridge to the upper end of Stag Island, between 12 p.m. and 7 p.m. on August 17, 2025. A Navigational Warning (NAVWARN) about temporary vessel restrictions for this day was issued on August 12, 2025.

Transport Canada ensuring safety on the water by restricting vessel traffic on the St. Clair River on August 17, 2025, August 12, 2025, www.tc.gc.ca

### **US/WORLD**

Port of Long Beach achieves busiest July on record



Source: AJOT

A pause in tariffs in recent months lifted the Port of Long Beach to its most active July on record and the third-busiest month in its 114-year history. Dockworkers and terminal operators processed 944,232 twenty-foot equivalent units in July 2025, up 7% from the previous record set in July 2024. Imports rose 7.6% to 468,081 TEUs and exports declined 12.9% to 91,328 TEUs. Empty containers moving through the Port increased 12.3% to 384.824 TEUs. "Retailers are now seeing the arrival of goods that were purchased for lower costs during the temporary pause placed on tariffs and retaliatory tariffs earlier this year," said Port of Long Beach CEO Mario Cordero. "Due to the ongoing uncertainty caused by shifting trade policies, our Supply Chain Information Highway digital tracking tool forecasts that cargo will be down about 10 percent in the second half of 2025, resulting in a flat year for volume." "We appreciate our terminal operators, truckers, dockworkers and all the individuals who are moving cargo through the Port at a record-setting pace," said Long Beach Harbor Commission President Frank Colonna. "We continue to work closely with labor and industry to meet the evolving needs of our customers." The Port has

moved 5,690,863 TEUs through the first seven months of 2025, up 10% from the same period in 2024.

Port of Long Beach achieves busiest July on record, August 8, 2025, <a href="https://www.ajot.com">www.ajot.com</a>

# US retailers project big year-over-year import declines to close out 2025



Source: JOC

US imports for the last four months of 2025 will show sharp year-over-year declines due to a combination of the frontloading that took place at the end of 2024 amid longshore labor concerns and this year's early peak season driven by tariff deadlines, US retailers said on August 8, 2025. The latest Global Port Tracker (GPT) from the National Retail Federation (NRF) and Hackett Associates made just minimal upgrades to import forecasts for September, October and November from projections made in July. Still, the NRF expects significant year-over-year reductions overall, with import volumes for September through December forecast. The National Retail Federation forecasts US imports for all of 2025 will slide to 24.1 million TEUs, down 5.6% from 25.5 million TEUs last year.

US retailers project big year-over-year import declines to close out 2025, August 8, 2025, <a href="https://www.joc.com">www.joc.com</a>

# U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces \$175 Million to Build and Improve Ferry Boat Service



Source: DOT

U.S. Transportation Sean P. Duffy on August 12, 2025 announced \$175 million in funding under the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Ferry Boat Program (FBP) to 35 states, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and American Samoa. The formula funding will improve ferry service and provide more cost-effective travel options for communities across the country that rely on ferries to get to work, promote tourism, and enable commerce. "We make life easier when we make the transportation of people and products smoother," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy. "In places like Alaska, our maritime highways are critical arteries for commuters and regional supply chains. From our skies to our roads, rail networks, and waterways, America is building again thanks to President Trump." U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces \$175 Million to Build and Improve Ferry Boat Service, August 12, 2025, www.dot.gov

Port Authority of NY & NJ breaks ground on expanded truck parking plaza at JFK to improve cargo movement



Source: AJOT

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey on August 11, 2025 joined with elected officials and community leaders from southeast Queens to break ground on a project that will expand a truck parking facility at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), tripling the number of trucks that can park on-airport, and adding new concessions

and bathrooms. Expanded on-airport truck parking will help to better manage the increasing cargo operations at JFK while also addressing community concerns with the growing number of trucks that park illegally on neighborhood streets near the airport. "Breaking ground for the expansion of truck parking facilities at JFK Airport is a win for the airport, a win for the community and a win for the drivers who support our cargo operations and help to keep our region moving," said Port Authority Executive Director Rick Cotton.

Port Authority of NY & NJ breaks ground on expanded truck parking plaza at JFK to improve cargo movement, August 11, 2025, <a href="https://www.ajot.com">www.ajot.com</a>

# Whipsaw from Trump's tariffs drove US container import record in July



Source: JOC

Tariff-driven frontloading pushed US containerized imports to an all-time high in July 2025, with most ports seeing double-digit volume growth over June's numbers. While China remained the top source for overseas goods, US shippers appeared more eager to move freight from other tariff targets in southern Europe and Southeast Asia. Total US container volumes last month reached 2.609 million TEUs, the most ever recorded for a single month by PIERS, a sister company of the *Journal of Commerce* within S&P Global. July's volume was a 17.5% gain from June.

Whipsaw from Trump's tariffs drove US container import record in July, August 13, 2025, <a href="https://www.joc.com">www.joc.com</a>

### The Port of Los Angeles moved 1M containers in July



Source: AJOT

The Port of Los Angeles moved 1,019,837 container units in July 2025. which surpassed its May 2021 pandemic high mark, according to Eugene Seroka, Executive Director, Port of Los Angeles. Speaking at the Port of Los Angeles media briefing on August 13th, Seroka said: "No other port in the Western Hemisphere has moved over a million containers in a single month. Now we've done it twice. This achievement is reflected in the data as July volume outpaced last year by 8 1/2%." He added that: "We had 107 vessel calls in July, 30% more than average over the past five years, 16 of those ships at a capacity over 13,000 TEUs, setting another all-time mark. We saw 11 unscheduled ship arrivals, known as extra loaders, the most since the pandemic." Seroka said the volumes were driven by companies getting ahead of tariff hikes: "Not surprisingly, much of this volume was fueled by importers hustling to bring in cargo ahead of potential tariff hikes later this month and beyond." Seroka noted rises in imports and exports: "... our July imports soared to 544,000 TEUS, setting yet another benchmark at the Port of Los Angeles that outpaces last year by 8% and is 19% higher than our July five-year average. Shifting over to exports, the Port handled 122,000 TEUS, a 6% year-over-year increase."

The Port of Los Angeles moved 1M containers in July, August 14, 2025, www.ajot.com



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### **Road Transport Updates**

### **CANADA**

Ontario rolls out autonomous truck pilot program



Source: Today's Trucking

Ontario has launched a <u>pilot program</u> for the testing of specific truck configurations that weigh more than 4,500 kg and are equipped with automated driving systems that meet the SAE International standard for Level 3, 4, or 5 autonomy. The 10-year pilot program runs from Aug. 1, 2025 to Aug. 1, 2035, the provincial government revealed on its website. The program will allow approved participants to safely test automated commercial motor vehicle (ACMV) technologies on Ontario roads to evaluate their performance, assess opportunities to improve road safety and support the trucking sector. The pilot has two streams. A driver-supervised stream, where a driver will be present in the driver's seat and be prepared to engage and take control of the vehicle as necessary.

Ontario rolls out autonomous truck pilot program, August 7, 2025, <a href="https://www.todaystrucking.com">www.todaystrucking.com</a>

# CCMTA Announces Steps to Restore Safety Confidence, Law and Order in Trucking



Source: Ontruck

A delegation of the Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) in July 2025 asked the Deputy Ministers of Transportation and their collective officials from across Canada to begin a dramatic uptick in enforcement on Driver Inc. carriers of all their illegal practices like misclassification, tax evasion and, most importantly for transportation safety leaders, a complete disregard for public safety. This week, CCMTA officials, who all report to the deputies, announced three days of meetings with the industry to craft how to fix the issues and move on recommendations that will be presented to the Council of Ministers Responsible for Transportation and Highways Safety in February.

CCMTA Announces Steps to Restore Safety Confidence, Law and Order in Trucking, August 13, 2025, <a href="https://www.ontruck.ca">www.ontruck.ca</a>



Canada Post to meet CUPW on Friday after workers rejected 'best and final' contract offer



Source: Financial Post

CUPW president said the union has been urging Canada Post to come back to the bargaining table. <u>Canada Post</u> will meet with the <u>Canadian Union of Postal Workers</u> (CUPW) on Friday, August 15, 2025 to hear why it rejected the crown corporation's "best and final" contract offer on Aug. 1, 2025 even though the <u>union</u> on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 said "Canada Post has failed to acknowledge that its offers just didn't cut it." The two sides will meet to "resume good faith discussions with the assistance of federal mediators," Canada Post said in a release on Wednesday. "While negotiations remain unresolved, there remains an urgent need to modernize Canada Post and protect this vital national service for Canadians."

Canada Post to meet CUPW on Friday after workers rejected 'best and final' contract offer, August 13, 2025, <a href="https://www.nationalpost.ca">www.nationalpost.ca</a>

### **US/WORLD**



UPS closing operations in three states as downsizing spreads



Source: Freightwaves

UPS continues to lay off workers as it moves forward with a strategy of consolidating parcel distribution facilities to reduce excess capacity. The latest job cuts are in Dallas, Texas, and Wilmington, North

Carolina. The integrated parcel logistics company notified the Texas Workforce Commission last week that it plans to release 62 workers at its Dallas facility on Monroe Drive. Layoffs began Aug. 5. A UPS spokeswoman told The Dallas Express, which first reported on the workforce reduction, that the jobs were expendable because the company is eliminating a day shift at the facility as part of a major network reconfiguration aimed at eliminating 200 sortation centers over five years and deploying automation to improve productivity. The delivery giant on Aug. 8 2025 closed a parcel facility in Pocahontas, Arkansas, spokeswoman Karen Tomaszewski Hill told FreightWaves. She did not have information on how many jobs are impacted.

UPS closing operations in three states as downsizing spreads, August 11, 2025, www.frreightwaves.com



## U.S. trucking industry calls on EPA to delay NOx rule until 2031



Source: Todays Trucking

A coalition of U.S. trucking associations urged the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to delay implementation of its heavy-duty NOx rule until 2031, citing substantial added costs amid already-existing economic and operational pressures facing the trucking industry. In a letter to EPA administrator Lee Zeldin, the industry thanked EPA for reevaluating the heavy-duty NOx regulation. The letter was signed by the American Trucking Associations, its federation of 49 state trucking associations, the Truckload Carriers Association, and the National Tank Truck Carriers. In the letter, ATA stressed that today's modern trucks already meet stringent emissions standards, producing 99% fewer NOx and particulate matter emissions than previous generations. The industry argued that delaying the rule would preserve affordable, reliable equipment while allowing continued environmental progress.

U.S. trucking industry calls on EPA to delay NOx rule until 2031, August 14, 2025, www.www.todaystrucking.ca



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Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, July 2025



Source: Statcan

In July 2025, the preliminary number of international arrivals to Canada (returning Canadian residents and non-residents combined) by air and automobile was 6.3 million, down 15.6% from July 2024. This was the sixth consecutive month of year-over-year declines. Although non-resident arrivals by air increased, this was not enough to offset the decline. The sharpest decline in July 2025, was the number of Canadian-resident return trips by automobile from the United States totalling 1.7 million, a steep decline (-36.9%) from the same month in 2024

Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, July 2025, August 11, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

Supply chain disruptions feared as Air Canada prepares for strike



Source: Freightwaves

Air Canada has begun cancelling long-haul international flights, which carry most of the airline's cargo, in preparation for a planned work stoppage by flight attendants on Saturday, August 16, 2025, executives said on August 14, 2025. The news conference in Toronto was cut short after union members walked in front of the stage with signs, such as "Unpaid work won't fly," critical of Air Canada's negotiating position in stalled contract talks. Air Canada will gradually suspend flights until all flights are grounded by Saturday morning. Dozens of flights will be cancelled on August 14, 2025 and by the end of August 15, 2025 about 500 flights will be cancelled, impacting more than 100,000 travelers.

Supply chain disruptions feared as Air Canada prepares for strike, August 14, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

### **US/WORLD**



### **Transportation Consumer Price Index – July 2025**

The Consumer Price Index (<u>CPI</u>) for all transportation goods and <u>services</u> was unchanged 0.0% from July 2024 to July 2025. Transportation contributed 1.0% to the 2.7% increase in the price of all goods and services, per the CPI. Motor vehicle insurance contributed the most to inflation, rising 5.3% year-over-year and contributing 5.6% to the annual change in the price of all goods and services. By item, the top three contributors to inflation in July 2025 were: 1. Motor vehicle insurance: +5.6%; 2. Used cars and trucks: +4.1%. 3. Motor vehicle maintenance and repair: +2.7%. Gasoline prices decreased. *Transportation Consumer Price Index – July 2025, August 12, 2025, www.bts.gov* 



# The June 2025 Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI) Fell 0.4% from the Previous Month and Fell 0.5% from the Same Month Last Year

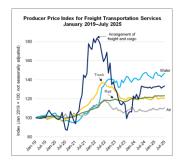


Source: BTS

The Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI), fell 0.4% in June 2025 from May 2025, falling for the first month after two consecutive months of growth, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS). From June 2024 to June 2025 the freight index fell 0.5%. The freight TSI measures the amount of freight carried by the for-hire transportation industry.

The June 2025 Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI) Fell 0.4% from the Previous Month and Fell 0.5% from the Same Month Last Year, August 14, 2025, <a href="https://www.bts.gov">www.bts.gov</a>

### Transportation Producer Price Index – July 2025



Source: BTS

On August 14, 2025, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) released the change in the costs faced by producers purchasing transportation services and industries producing them, from July 2024 to July 2025, 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 freight transportation and equipment 1.9% in July 2025 from July 2024. Increases in transportation services PPI indicate increases in production costs faced by industries purchasing the services. From July 2024 to July 2025, the transportation services PPI changed, by mode: 1. Air: +3.6%; 2. Rail: +1.4%; 3. Truck: -0.6%; 4. Water: -0.5%; and 5. Arrangement of freight and cargo: +1.1% Transportation Producer Price Index - July 2025, August 14, 2025, www.bta.gov





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### **EVENTS**

# Town Hall: BC Energy Reality – Trade Wars & Regional Interdependence

The energy future of British Columbia is being shaped not only at home but across our borders. Join us for the next Energy Futures Town Hall on August 28th at 10:00 a.m. for an in-depth discussion on the evolving energy landscape in the Pacific Northwest and its implications for BC. We will discuss the importance of resilience, common assumptions about electrification, and the practical realities of natural gas and electricity supply. Featuring Dan Kirschner, Executive Director of the Northwest Gas Association, it is sure to be a Town Hall you don't want to miss.

In this Town Hall, we will explore:

- The growing interdependence between BC, Washington, and Oregon.
- Common assumptions about electrification in BC and its limits.
- The practical realities of natural gas and electricity supply.
- How to build resilience in a changing trade environment.

### Speakers:

- Dan Kirschner, Executive Director Northwest Gas Association
- Barry Penner, Chair Energy Futures Institute
- Moderator: Stewart Muir CEO, Resource Works

#### Date & Time:

Thursday, August 28, 2025

① 10:00 - 11:00 AM (PT)

### Zoom Webinar:

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### Registration is now open for the CILT International Convention 2025!

Join CILT in Colombo, Sri Lanka from 14th – 17th September for our flagship global event, bringing together professionals, thought leaders and decision-makers from across the world.

Hosted by CILT Sri Lanka, this year's Convention will explore the theme Future Ready Logistics: Embracing Change and Driving Sustainability through keynote sessions, panels, workshops and curated local experiences.

The Convention is a key opportunity to connect with the global CILT community, gain insight into industry developments and contribute to the future of supply chain, logistics and transportation.

Register now https://www.ciltsl.com/ic-2025/



### **Supply Chain Canada is hosting BC Supply Chain**

**Week** from Sept 15th-19th, an in-person Supply Chain Summit at Langara College at 100 W 49th Ave., Vancouver, BC.

They have set up a promo code for **5 CILT Members** to save \$45 and get the Member Rate of \$50.00. The promo code to use is: **CILT2025**. Please enter this code below your email at the start of the registration process.

To register, please visit:

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For any questions, please email Amber Davies at: adavies@supplychaincanada.com



**CITT Vancouver Area Council Invites You** 

# BC Supply Chain Week WRAP UP MIXER

Join us for an unforgettable evening as we celebrate BC Supply Chain Week with professionals, students and leaders from across the supply chain ecosystem!

Want to contribute a prize? We'd love to spotlight your organization as an event sponsor!

September 19, 2025 | 5 PM - 8 PM

The Terminal Pub 115 12th Street New Westminster, BC



Wrap up the week with great food, meaningful conversations & plenty of fun!











Questions? You can reach us at: mmulcahy@telus.net

Join CITT Vancouver Area Council for US Supply Chain Week Wrap Up Mixer on September 19, 2025, from 5-8 PM PT at The Terminal Pub, 115 12<sup>th</sup> Street, New Westminster, BC.

This will be an unforgettable evening as we celebrate BC Supply Chain Week with professionals, students and leaders from across the supply chain ecosystem!

Connect with members from Supply Chain Canada, LogisticsBC, CILTNA, SELC College, Ascenda College, BCIT and others --- bringing together industry associations and post-secondary partners from across Vancouver.

To register, please visit: <a href="https://www.citt.ca/events/bc-supply-chain-week-wrap-up-mixer">https://www.citt.ca/events/bc-supply-chain-week-wrap-up-mixer</a>



Join the National Institute of Supply Chain Leaders for a day of networking, fun, and friendly competition at the Delta Golf and Country Club!

Friday, September 19, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Register now to reserve your spot: https://portal.niscl.ca/mpower/event/landing?id=1903b



### 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



### Register now - it's open!

Everyone is welcome at our annual aviation and aerospace Silver Wings Industry and Scholarship Awards Celebration.

**Date**: Friday, November 14th, 2025 at 17:45 **Venue**: Vancouver Convention Centre West **Registration**: bit.ly/SW-25





# **BCAC Silver Wings Industry and Scholarship Awards Celebration 2025**

At the annual Silver Wings Industry and Scholarship Awards Celebration on November 14th, 2025, the BCAC recognizes aviation and aerospace industry colleagues for specific achievements. As well, they disburse almost \$200,000.00 through our Aviation and Aerospace Scholarship Awards Program to hard-working students enrolled in aviation and/or aerospace programs in British Columbia. They invite you to join them at this annual Celebration at the Vancouver Convention Centre West for an evening of fine food, live entertainment, an online auction, a 50/50 Draw, a vibrant awards ceremony and unparalleled networking opportunities.

When: November 14, 2025 at 5:45 PM PT

**Where:** Vancouver Convention Centre- West 3rd Floor, 1055 Canada Place, Downtown Vancouver

For more information and to register, please visit: <a href="https://bcaviationcouncil.silkstart.com/events/silver-wings-industry-and-scholarship-awards-celebration-2025">https://bcaviationcouncil.silkstart.com/events/silver-wings-industry-and-scholarship-awards-celebration-2025</a>

### **Job Postings**

### \* Logistics Manager, Alstom, Toronto, ON, Canada

The Logistics Manager will be responsible for the development and implementation of the Project's logistics strategy. The ideal candidate will have the following:

- Able to demonstrate significant expertise in site logistics, traffic management, site coordination, material and equipment delivery, and other applicable technical fields.
- Demonstrated experience in managing teams to deliver integrated logistics solutions on complex projects and programs.
- Strong technical capability in all project phases, including design, planning, construction, operations, and maintenance preferably large program/projects.
- Demonstrable experience in managing senior stakeholder relationships and providing strategic level reporting to enable effective decision making.
- Excellent stakeholder engagement and communication skills including the ability to facilitate meeting / workshops with large groups of stakeholders.
- Drive and optimise all logistics operations to support all installation activities.
- Experience with Third-Party Logistics (3PL) subcontractors and contracts.
- Experience with international logistics including supply chain, freight, customs, duties, import and export.
- Provide strong leadership to the logistics team.
- Responsible for the budgets based on schedule and project needs for all program logistic

### Mandatory:

- A recognised university degree;
- 7-10 years experience in a logistics-related leadership role;
- Minimum 5 years of professional experience in large railway projects or equivalent infrastructure programs;
- A working understanding of the requirements from the Ontario Health and Safety Act;
- Proven track record of managing logistics programs including warehousing, logistics management, and transportation management;
- Fluent in English;
- Knowledge of the typical logistics, supply chain and warehousing processes supporting major projects.

### Competencies and Skills:

- Relevant industry software to support logistics, supply chain and administrative duties.
- Ability to make critical decisions based on evidence
- Exceptional communication and collaboration skills

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### \* Logistics Manager, Amrize, Mississauga, ON, Canada

#### **About The Role**

The GTA Logistics Manager (LM) is to implement logistics, sourcing, inventory management, and customer service strategies for the supply of aggregates. The LM is responsible for planning and executing process optimization and cost saving efforts pertaining to Greater Toronto Area (GTA) logistics business, and supports the development, execution, and measurement of initiatives to support the long-term Eastern Canada Aggregates Logistics strategy. The LM will leverage emerging digital trends to create new offerings for an improved customer delivery experience and develops relationships with internal stakeholders and haulers as a means to drive performance, communicate transparently, and to influence change.

### What You'll Accomplish

 Safety: Responsible for the development, execution, and communication of the Amrize Logistics Road Safety identified in the annual HSEIP. Utilize the logistics team to coordinate and train haulers on our safety procedures. Assist in the

- management of the Safe Trucking Program and ensure safety compliance and targets zero incidents.
- Financial Management: Deliver continuous gross delivery margin and operating profit improvements. Prepare annual budgets for logistics operations and report on in-year actual performance against the logistics financial ambition.
- Sourcing, Production Planning & Inventory Control: Accountable for the development, communication, implementation, and tracking of inventory and sourcing strategy. Formulate logistic and sourcing strategies, minimize inventory working capital, and maximize customer service through KPI target setting and tracking.
- Performance Optimization and Analysis: Manage the Logistics team to establish competitive and fair freight rates for zone maps, large projects, and annual supply contracts. Coordinate the effective implementation and use of the ECAN TMS system, report on performance KPIs, and recommend optimization opportunities based on data analysis.
- Hauler Management: Establish regular contact with major carriers building win-win relationships to provide the best transportation services at or below market rates, keeping in mind a sustainable trucking cost structure.
- Market Management: Identify other market sources of supply into the respective territory. Continuously monitor market activity, communicate, and recommend any necessary actions. Track aggregate haul industry logistic market players, units, and demand.
- Commercial Growth: Support the GTA Commercial & Logistics Manager by actively building strategic partnerships to support the objectives of the supply organization within the region both internally and externally.
- Strategy and Process: Support the implementation of the GTA Logistics strategy in collaboration with the ECAN Commercial & Logistics Performance Manager, aligning expectations on the implementation of initiatives, tools, and operational efficiency targets.
- Core Fleet Initiative: Champion the GTA Logistics core fleet initiative, model target scale and profitability ambitions, and define and track key utilization and profitability variables and metrics.
- Demonstrate a commitment to communicating, improving and adhering to health, safety and environmental policies in all work environments and areas. Promote a culture of safety and exhibit these behaviours.

### What We're Looking For

- Education & Work Experience:
- Post secondary degree/diploma; Construction industry and/or logistics experience.

### **Knowledge & Skills**

- Strong customer focus.
- Results oriented. Disciplined and process oriented.
- Excellent people skills able to develop effective working relationships internally and externally.
- Strong work ethic. Strong problem solving and analytical skills.

### **Additional Requirements**

Successful candidates must adhere to all safety protocols and proper use of Amrize approved Personal Protection Equipment ("PPE"), including but not limited to respirators. Employees that are required to wear respirators must be clean shaven where the respirator seal meets the face in order to pass the qualitative and quantitative fit tests.

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# \* Logistics Generalist – Senior, Amentum, McLean, VA, USA

### About the job:

Logistics Generalist - Senior Duties include adhering to the regulations/guidelines/SOPs of the Office of Logistics and the Sponsor's logistics and supply chain regulations, close coordination with senior Logistics staff officer (or their designated representative) in the appropriate Directorate/Mission Center/Component/Office of assignment, assisting with the administration and control for the purchase of materials and services; directing the complete process for transporting people and goods; overseeing materials management within area of assignment; coordinating and planning facility services; tracking cost issues and personnel resources; and administering elements of multi-faceted programs. Logistics Generalists could potentially travel to CONUS or OCONUS locations in support of temporary logistics requirements of the Directorate/Mission Center/Component/Office of assignment.

### **Duties/Tasks and Responsibilities:**

- The Senior Logistics Generalist contractor is required to
  possess a highly diverse and experienced skill set regarding
  logistics operations. The duties/tasks and responsibilities
  described below are dependent on the office of assignment
  and subject to the priorities set by the senior Logistics staff
  Officer with purview over logistics operations where the
  Logistics Support Generalist is assigned. Duties tasks and
  responsibilities described below are dependent on the office of
  assignment.
- Assists with purchasing of materials and services within area of assignment to include:
- Assisting with the ordering of materials through a variety of internal and external sources; validating customer requirements against regulations and estimates costs.
- Reconciling routine to moderately complex financial statements to ensure expenses are properly recorded; reconciling accounts payable to ensure accuracy and funding availability; and reviewing bills/invoices for accuracy.
- Assists in the coordination and transportation of material and people.
- Coordinates transportation processing by completing proper transportation documentation; learns how to ship and receive material; and assists in arranging transportation of material.
- Arranges for appropriate stock levels of packing material /boxes/tape material for shipment of equipment (sometimes fragile equipment).
- Prepares material for shipment to include safe-handling and packaging for shipment in accordance with Sponsor standards.
- Arranges for courier and/or chauffeur services by coordinating with appropriate transportation office.
- In coordination with the appropriate component/mission support staff/or senior Logistics staff Officer, the contractor will research best transportation options for customers and determine best shipping methods based on customer, cargo type, and/or consignee timeline requirements.
- Obtain approval in advance from the appropriate Logistics Directorate/Mission Center/Component/Office staff officer (or their designated focal point) for any freight/aviation and aviation planning requirements (large or small) that require coordination with the Sponsor's Transportation Fusion Center or any other entity involved in arranging aircraft scheduling.
- Responds to courier and chauffeur requests; resolves scheduling problems.

- Maintain inventories of goods and materials in accordance with this organization's regulations.
- Processes inventory requests and validates receipt of goods and materials against requirements; ensures inventory requests are fulfilled.
- Coordinates the maintenance of a fleet of vehicles by maintaining table of vehicular allowances and tracking database; ensures vehicles are maintained.
- Where required, serves as the Responsible Officer of record.
- Coordinate with Sponsor's Facilities Management in the implementation of office moves, renovations, and maintenance.
- Implements office moves; establishes schedules and procedures; ensures proper number of staff are available.
- Assists Facilities Management in office renovations by serving as a liaison to customers and construction workers.
- Schedules routine office maintenance; works with Facilities Management to ensure offices are properly maintained.
- At any location: Coordinates with Facilities Management and IT Support to facilitate any computer movement, connections, and phone service.
- Other duties as assigned.

### Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Must possess exceptional customer service skills, a willingness to help others, and be flexible throughout any given working day regarding tasks conducted.
- Ability to obtain extensive knowledge and application of overall Agency and logistics processes, policies, regulations, and unique authorities.
- Extensive knowledge of overall logistics processes, policies, and regulations.
- Effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to use various databases and applications independently.
- Ability to comprehend the implications of process, policies and regulations against requirements.
- Ability to manage the general services functional areas: transportation processing, inventory management, vehicle management, and accountable property.
- · Ability to work independently and responsibly.
- Ability to establish a new network of professional working relationships with customers, colleagues, and service providers, while further developing existing networks.

- Ability to make decisions and solve complex problems effectively and independently.
- Ability to anticipate customer needs and requirements.
- Ability to assist in the effective planning, organizing and management of resources
- Ability to develop self and mentor other contractors, and ability to effectively manage and lead other contractors.
- Ability to identify alternative solutions.
- Ability to interact with people who have different values, cultures, or backgrounds.
- Working knowledge of Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) concepts and principles.
- Working knowledge of Project Management concepts and principles.

#### **Work Environment:**

Depending on assignment, work is primarily performed in an office environment and may including conditions vary from an office environment where work is primarily sedentary to environments where extensive standing and/or walking; bending; lifting light to heavy objects or being exposed to noise, dust, dirt, etc. is expected.

### Tools used in this occupation:

- General office equipment
- Office moving equipment
- Forklifts (must have the ability to obtain a certification for safe handling every two years)
- Hand tools

### Technology used in this occupation:

- Sponsor acquisition systems
- Microsoft Office (i.e., Word, Excel, Access, Outlook)
- Various Sponsor databases aligned to logistics activities (property, movement, purchasing, etc.).

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

### **Experience:**

Ten (10) years of relevant logistics experience in the public or private sector.

#### **Education:**

High school diploma or GED equivalent. Bachelor's degree preferred.

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