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Air Transport Updates

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✈️ Air Canada and CUPE Head to Mediation Over Outstanding Issue

Air Canada's 10,000 flight attendants, represented by the Canadian Union of Public Employees' Air Canada component (CUPE), voted on the tentative agreement reached on August 19, 2025. This agreement was achieved without concessions from the union and included improvements to wages, pensions and benefits, while also including a mutually agreed-to modernization of compensation for work performed on the ground. CUPE has announced that the tentative agreement was not ratified by union members. Air Canada and CUPE contemplated this potential outcome and mutually agreed that if the tentative agreement was not ratified, the wage portion would be referred to mediation and, if no agreement was reached at that stage, to arbitration. The parties also agreed that no labour disruption could be initiated, and therefore there will be no strike or lock-out, and flights will continue to operate. Air Canada is fully committed to the mediation and arbitration process.

Air Canada and CUPE Head to Mediation Over Outstanding Issue, September 6, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

✈️ Flair Airlines' pilots set to open contract negotiations



Source: Financial Post

Pilots for Flair Airlines are the latest group of workers looking to negotiate their contract with a Canadian airline. Flair pilots, represented by Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA), informed the discount carrier on Sept. 2, 2025 of its intention to formally open contract negotiations on group's new collective agreement.

Flair Airlines' pilots set to open contract negotiations, September 3, 2025, www.financialpost.ca

✈️ X(LR)-cellent News: Air Canada Unveils Palma de Mallorca as its First New Route for Airbus A321XLR Starting Summer 2026



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada announced on September 9, 2025 a Montréal to Palma de Mallorca as its first brand new route to be operated by its Airbus A321 extra-long range (XLR) aircraft. Delivery of the XLR fleet begins in the first quarter of 2026, and in June 2026, Air Canada will inaugurate service from Montréal to the Spanish island in the western Mediterranean onboard this new aircraft. Seats are available for sale now at aircanada.com and through Travel Agents.

X(LR)-cellent News: Air Canada Unveils Palma de Mallorca as its First New Route for Airbus A321XLR Starting Summer 2026, September 9, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

✈️ Global Horizons: Air Canada Further Strengthens Toronto Hub with Expanded International Network



Source: Air Canada

With new, exciting routes already set to begin operating to South America and Mexico this winter from Air Canada's global hub at Toronto Pearson, the airline on September 10, 2025 announced further expansion at its largest hub. Beginning Summer 2026, Air Canada will be returning non-stop to Shanghai and to Budapest, and will also be adding flights to Prague. These new services further strengthen Toronto Pearson as Air Canada's largest hub linking to over 150 destinations across Canada and around the world.

Global Horizons: Air Canada Further Strengthens Toronto Hub with Expanded International Network, September 10, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

✈️ WestJet and CAE sign contract to bring world-class aviation professional training facility to Calgary



Source: AJOT

WestJet and CAE announced the signing of a 15-year training agreement under which CAE will establish the Alberta Training Centre of Excellence (the Centre) for Aviation and Aerospace—a cutting-edge aviation training facility in Calgary, subject to customary contingencies. Slated to open in 2028, the 126,000 square foot facility will house eight full-flight simulators, with capacity for expansion, alongside cabin trainers and state of the art digital learning tools. WestJet will be the Centre's primary commercial airline customer and be the first to schedule initial and recurrent training for pilots and cabin crew on Boeing 737MAX, 737NG, 787 Dreamliner, and De Havilland Dash 8-400 (Q400) aircraft. In partnership with Mount Royal University (MRU), the facility will be the first of its kind in Canada to combine state-of-the-art training equipment with collaborative research and development initiatives.

WestJet and CAE sign contract to bring world-class aviation professional training facility to Calgary, September 10, 2025, www.ajot.com

✈️ Going Global - New Destinations Take Flight as Air Canada Expands Network for Summer 2026

Air Canada on September 10, 2025 announced its international network for Summer 2026 with new destinations taking flight in Europe and Asia. Beginning next year, the airline will launch new routes from Montréal to Catania in Sicily, Italy and, as unveiled yesterday, to Palma de Mallorca, Spain. From Toronto, Air Canada re-establishes non-stop flights to Shanghai and Budapest, and increases flights to Prague. Air Canada's popular seasonal Vancouver-Bangkok route will now become year-round, strengthening the airline's position as the only North American carrier offering direct, non-stop service to the Thai capital.

Going Global - New Destinations Take Flight as Air Canada Expands Network for Summer 2026, September 10, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

US/WORLD

U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 722 Jobs in July 2025



Source: BTS

U.S. airline industry (passenger and cargo airlines combined) employment increased to 1,022,215 workers in July 2025, 722 (0.07%) more workers than in June 2025 (1,021,493). U.S. scheduled-service passenger airlines employed 551,243 workers in July 2025, or 54% of the industry-wide total. Passenger airlines lost 44 employees in July 2025. United Air Lines led scheduled passenger carriers, adding 206 employees; Spirit Air Lines added 172, and SkyWest Airlines added 163. U.S. cargo airlines employed 466,683 workers in July 2025, or 46% of the industry-wide total. Cargo carriers gained 753 employees in July. FedEx, the leading air cargo employer, increased employment by 922 jobs.

U.S. Cargo and Passenger Airlines Gained 722 Jobs in July 2025, September 10, 2025, www.bts.gov



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Rail Transport Updates

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CN Expands Firefighting Fleet with New Assets and Upgrades to Existing Trains

CN announced that it has expanded its firefighting capabilities with new assets and upgrades to its specialized fire suppression fleet. Building on its 2024 wildfire response, CN has strengthened its ability to protect its network infrastructure and support local firefighters during another severe wildfire season. In 2025, CN introduced two independent firefighting railcars, Oceanus and Amphitrite. Each carry 25,000 gallons of water and is equipped with cannons, pumps, and hose support. The units can be deployed rapidly and operate either independently or with larger trains. Mark Grubbs, Vice-President, Safety and Environment said "At CN, our priority is to safeguard the critical rail infrastructure and supply chains that communities and businesses rely on every day. These new assets strengthen our ability to defend our network, protecting supply chain corridors from the threat of wildfires while also supporting emergency responders. Together, we are ensuring resilience where it matters most." *CN Expands Firefighting Fleet with New Assets and Upgrades to Existing Trains, September 8, 2025, www.cn.ca*



CN-CSX joint service to connect west Canada and Nashville



Source: JOC

Canadian National Railway and CSX Transportation are planning a new international intermodal service from Canada's West Coast into Nashville, expanding shipper options outside of the US Southeast. The signing of a memorandum by the two Class I railroads paves the way for a more direct, and thus, faster service and another option beyond routing in and out of the port of Savannah. The move is the latest integration between railroads amid the planned transcontinental merger of Union Pacific-Norfolk Southern, which would create the largest North American railroad.

CN-CSX joint service to connect west Canada and Nashville, September 9, 2025, www.joc.com

CN and CSX collaborate to launch new intermodal rail service into Nashville



Source: AJOT

This service will provide customers with a seamless, all-rail alternative for international containers moving from Canada's West Coast gateways through Memphis directly into Nashville. By replacing the current trucking leg with a steel-wheel interchange, CN and CSX will be able to deliver faster, more reliable, and more sustainable supply chain solutions for customers. Janet Drysdale, Interim Chief Commercial Officer, CN, says, "This agreement allows us to expand our reach, enabling our customers to efficiently access more markets. Collaboration like this benefits everyone; railroads, customers, and communities, by driving growth, reliability, optionality, and sustainability."

CN and CSX collaborate to launch new intermodal rail service into Nashville, September 11, 2025, www.ajot.com

MEDIA AVAILABILITY: Uniformed CN Police Officers Available for Media Interviews During See Tracks? Think Train® Week 2025

CN Police officers will be available to members of the media during **See Tracks? Think Train® Week** from September 15-19, 2025. This annual public awareness campaign highlights the importance of safe behaviours near rail crossings and the danger of trespassing on railway property. Uniformed CN Police officers will be available for interviews across CN's network in the United States and will take part in community events throughout the week. Media outlets can contact CN's media relations team to schedule phone, virtual or in-person (where possible) interviews. CN's media relations team can also provide visuals to support broadcast, print, and online coverage.

MEDIA AVAILABILITY: Uniformed CN Police Officers Available for Media Interviews During See Tracks? Think Train® Week 2025, September 10, 2025, www.cn.ca

Class I Briefs: CN, Port of Montreal, NS



Source: Railway Age

CN expands firefighting fleet with new assets and upgrades to existing trains. Also, the Montreal Port Authority (MPA) and DP World in Canada sign a joint development agreement for the design of the land-based works of the future container terminal; and Norfolk Southern (NS) is accepting applications for its Trades on Track scholarship until Sept. 30, 2025.

Class I Briefs: CN, Port of Montreal, NS, September 9, 2025, www.railwayage.com

US/WORLD

A Future With Autonomous Trains?



Source: Railway Age

Autonomous rail already exists in many places around the world, such as airport people-movers or driverless rapid transit like Honolulu's Skyline system. But taking rail to the next level and incorporating autonomous technology into the freight rail space, like that used in Rio Tinto's Australian operations, requires the ability to handle complex situations. Unlike airport people-movers and rapid transit, which operate in a captive, self-contained environment, autonomous freight rail must have systems that can anticipate, analyze and respond to various situations occurring along an open right-of-way, in real time. "You need to have what's called a perception system," Moslener said.

He and his team research new technologies, such as those incorporating AI (artificial intelligence), and see how they can be leveraged in rail operations to support market share growth and reduce carbon emissions. “It could be cameras, LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging), heat sensors, acoustic sensors, you name it. That’s one of the fundamental building blocks of any autonomous system—rail, truck, cars, whatever.”

A Future With Autonomous Trains?, September 5, 2025, www.raileayage.com



AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Dips in Week 36



Source: Railway Age

The Association of American Railroads in reporting freight rail traffic for the week ending Sept. 6, 2025 (Week 36) noted that total U.S. rail traffic was 467,880 carloads and intermodal units, down 2.4% from the same week last year. Total carloads for the week ending September 6 were 214,383 carloads, down 3.5 percent compared with the same week in 2024, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 253,497 containers and trailers, down 1.4 percent compared to 2024. Three of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2024. They were miscellaneous carloads, up 1,132 carloads, to 8,512; motor vehicles and parts, up 973 carloads, to 14,633; and forest products, up 286 carloads, to 7,801. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2024 included chemicals, down 2,875 carloads, to 29,802; coal, down 2,824 carloads, to 60,927; and grain, down 1,570 carloads, to 18,067. Canadian railroads reported 85,891 carloads for the week, down 1.4 percent, and 66,397 intermodal units, up 0.8 percent compared with the same week in 2024. For the first 36 weeks of 2025, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 5,814,174 carloads, containers and trailers, up 2.2 percent.

AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Dips in Week 36, September 10, 2025, www.railwayage.com



American Chemistry Council (ACC) opposes Union Pacific/Norfolk Southern merger



Source: AJOT

Reacting to Union Pacific's merger plans with Norfolk Southern, the ACC argues the consolidation would diminish rail competition and raise shipping costs for manufacturers, farmers, and energy producers. The ACC is calling on regulators to reject the merger unless it demonstrably enhances competition and service reliability.

American Chemistry Council opposes Union Pacific/Norfolk Southern merger, September 10, 2025, www.ajot.com



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DP World to build big-ship container terminal in Montreal

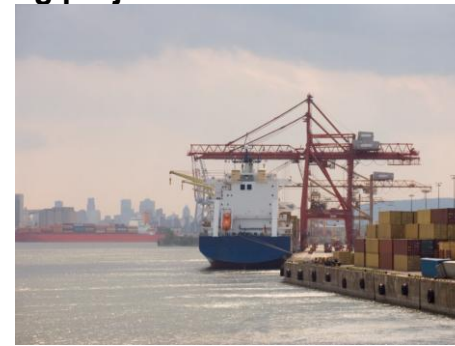


Source: JOC

DP World plans to develop and operate a C\$1.6 billion container terminal outside of Montreal, after the port authority took the first step in securing a development permit for the facility capable of handling post-Panamax vessels. The global terminal operator on September 8, 2025 said it had signed an agreement with the Montreal Port Authority (MPA) to design Contrecoeur's surface work, which would be finalized in the coming weeks before developing a plan for long-term operations. DP World operates the Centerm facility at the Port of Vancouver, as well as the container terminals at the ports of Prince Rupert and Saint John.

DP World to build big-ship container terminal in Montreal, September 8, 2025, www.joc.com

Montreal port expansion included among first five nation-building projects



Source: Today's Trucking

The Contrecoeur terminal container project in Contrecoeur, Que., was among the first five "nation-building" projects to be green-light by Prime Minister Mark Carney, as other ports were left out. "This project will expand the Port of Montreal's capacity by approximately 60%, to give Eastern Canada the trading infrastructure it needs to keep goods moving, meet growing demand, and diversify trade routes," the feds said in an announcement this week. "It will strengthen supply chains, create thousands of jobs, and generate approximately \$140 million annually in local and national economic benefits across Quebec and Canada." Other initiatives among the first five to be announced include mining, green energy and liquefied natural gas projects. Expansion of the Port of Churchill didn't yet make the cut, and the Grain Growers of Canada complained that the Port of Vancouver's chokepoints were also not addressed.

Montreal port expansion included among first five nation-building projects, September 12, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

Drewry: World Container Index - Sept 11, 2025

For many years, World Container Index has been the go-to, independent, global reference for index-linked contracts. If your organisation is considering index-linked contracts or requires regional visibility/coverage beyond the eight trade lanes provided below, contact our ocean freight cost benchmarking team. Drewry's World Container Index decreased 3% to \$2,044 per 40ft container this week. Our detailed assessment for Thursday, 11 Sep 2025 is as follows: 1. The Drewry World Container Index (WCI) fell 3% to \$2,044 per 40ft container, marking the 13th consecutive week of decline. For the second week in a row. 2. Transpacific spot rates are on the rise due to GRI announcements by several carriers.. 3. Asia-Europe spot rates fell this week, as rates declined on Shanghai-Rotterdam by 10% (\$2,143/feu) and on Shanghai-Genoa by 12% (\$2,342/feu). 4. Drewry's [Container Forecaster](#) expects the supply-demand balance to weaken again in 2H25, which will cause spot rates to contract. The volatility and timing of rate changes will depend on Trump's future tariffs and on capacity changes related to the introduction of US penalties on Chinese ships, which are uncertain.

Drewry: World Container Index - Sept 11, 2025, September 11, 2025, www.ajot.com

US/WORLD

Premier Alliance service halt latest sign of trans-Pacific demand downturn



Source: JOC

The Premier Alliance said on September 5, 2025 it is suspending its express Pacific South 5 service between eastern China and the US West Coast after only four months amid a drop in demand on the

eastbound trans-Pacific. The move is the latest sign that bookings before an annual holiday slowdown in Chinese production are weaker than usual, presenting a challenge to carriers trying to stem a container spot rate bleed. Alliance members Ocean Network Express (ONE), HMM and Yang Ming gave no reason for the change in separate customer advisories, but it is possible the fall in trans-Pacific volumes amid US tariff were the reason

Premier Alliance service halt latest sign of trans-Pacific demand downturn, September 5, 2025, www.joc.com

Big fish getting better bite at trans-Pacific container spot rates



Source: Frreightwaves

As September 2025 unfolds, ocean container rate storylines are diverging on the benchmark trans-Pacific trade, particularly to the United States. Smaller shippers are paying more on the spot market, said consultant Xeneta, as bigger importers press carriers for lower prices. The market average spot rate as of Sept. 4 from the Far East to the U.S. West Coast was \$2,010 per forty foot equivalent unit, and \$2,976 to the U.S. East Coast. After consistently falling since June 2025, the average spot rates for containers moving from the Far East to the U.S. West Coast and U.S. East Coast reversed that trend in September 2025. A deeper dive revealed that market mid-high – Xeneta's category for spot rates paid by shippers in the 75th percentile of the market – for Far East to U.S. West Coast was \$2,414 per FEU, up 29.2% from the previous week. Far East to U.S. East Coast was \$3,398 per FEU, an increase of 15.2%.

Big fish getting better bite at trans-Pacific container spot rates, September 5, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

Port of Long Beach named best West Coast port, green port



Source: AJOT

The Port of Long Beach has been named the best West Coast seaport in North America for a seventh consecutive year in addition to being named the best green seaport by readers of the shipping trade publication *Asia Cargo News*. The honors were announced during the Asian Freight, Logistics and Supply Chain Awards held Sept. 3, 2025 in Hong Kong. Asia Cargo News hosts and organizes the awards ceremony yearly to recognize top seaports, shipping lines and other logistics industry leaders. More than 15,000 readers and e-newsletter subscribers of Asia Cargo News nominated leading companies for each category, then determined the winner from a list of four finalists in each category. Find the full list of winners here. “We are honored to be recognized by our customers for delivering the highest standard of service in addition to the environmental achievements gained through our landmark Green Port Policy adopted 20 years ago,” said Port of Long Beach CEO Mario Cordero. “We could not have achieved this without the marine terminal operators, workers and supply chain partners who make the Port of Long Beach the most efficient and greenest gateway for trans-Pacific trade.”

Port of Long Beach named best West Coast port, green port, September 5, 2025, www.ajot.com

Earnings growth outlook ‘bleak’ as ocean shipping profits plunge 56% in Q2



Source: Freightwaves

The container shipping industry faced a challenging second quarter in 2025, recording its third consecutive quarterly decline in earnings. The industry’s net income fell to \$4.4 billion, a 56% drop from the first quarter’s \$9.9 billion and a 63.7% decrease from the \$12 billion earned in the second quarter of 2024. This decline is attributed largely to the ongoing impacts of tariffs and shifting trade policies, particularly involving the United States, said analyst John McCown in a report. The imposition of tariffs by the Trump administration has significantly disrupted trade flows, leading to a pronounced downtrend in inbound U.S. container volumes. This disruption is forecasted to continue, with the National Retail Federation estimating a 5.6% decrease in U.S. inbound volume for the entire year of 2025 compared to 2024. As a result, the second quarter set in motion a ripple effect across the global container shipping network, particularly affecting trade lanes that connect the Asia-Pacific region with North America. Despite adverse U.S. volume trends, McCown said some mitigating factors have been observed in other regions. Increased shipping volumes to North America, excluding the U.S., and Africa helped offset some of the volume declines. However, these increases fell short of significantly impacting the broader trends. The overall global container volume rose by 4.1% in the second quarter, representing a deceleration from higher growth rates seen in previous quarters.

Earnings growth outlook ‘bleak’ as ocean shipping profits plunge 56% in Q2, September 8, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

Ex-FMC chief warns: U.S. maritime push needs deeper look



Source: Freightwaves

As the immediate former chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission-turned-lobbyist, Louis Sola has a unique perspective on the Trump administration’s initiative to revitalize the U.S. maritime sector. The former Army intelligence officer and megayacht entrepreneur backs the plan to build up a domestic commercial fleet and reverse the decline of American shipyards. But he also sees the necessity of addressing the support structure of such far-reaching proposals — and possible unintended consequences. “I definitely

want to see more U.S.-flag ships, but I think there's nothing better than having U.S.-built ships," he said in an interview over lunch at a Washington hamburger bistro. "But it's very restrictive on being built in the United States, being crewed by the United States and being owned by U.S. operators. And I think, eventually, that ends up hurting our exports, since our export industry is much larger than the shipbuilding industry. "With the personnel that we put into [shipping], it's a long-term aspect that we need to definitely invest into our maritime sector like we've never done before, we need better maritime academy grads coming out, and we need to promote that, too."

Ex-FMC chief warns: U.S. maritime push needs deeper look, September 10, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

Port of Long Beach accelerates green future



Source: AJOT

The Port of Long Beach is picking up the pace of progress toward cleaner air and reduced greenhouse gases by investing \$102 million to purchase and sustain zero-emissions cargo-handling equipment, fund cleaner marine engines and plan for a zero-carbon future at terminals. The equipment funding is part of the System-Wide Investment in Freight Transport (SWIFT), a pioneering initiative funded by the California State Transportation Agency's Port and Freight Infrastructure Program. SWIFT is a Port initiative designed to support goods movement efficiency and reduce environmental impacts on neighboring communities. The bulk of the funding blitz, \$93.4 million, will allow tenants to acquire 65 fully zero-emissions cargo-handling equipment units along with associated charging infrastructure, as well as for harbor craft operators to replace 37 marine engines with cleaner engines or zero-emission options. Additionally, the Port will invest \$8.3 million in total to design zero-emissions infrastructure at SSA Terminals at Pier A and Pacific Container Terminal at Pier J.

Port of Long Beach accelerates green future, September 9, 2025, www.ajot.com



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PM Announcement Warns that Rapid Change is Needed, but Will the Trucking Industry Get Change it Needs?



Source: Ontruck

The Prime Minister of Canada on September 5, 2025 informed Canadians we must be ready for a rapidly changing future – one that will disrupt our businesses and has already significantly curbed investment. In response to these economic storm clouds, the Prime Minister announced new measures he says will protect our nation while building and transforming strategic industries within Canada. CTA President & CEO Stephen Laskowski said “Many of our members are facing the worst economic conditions our industry has seen in three decades. Beyond the programs announced today, the biggest message to Canadians and businesses was the free trade economy we have known for over four decades is on life support, and, perhaps, may never come back as we have known it. Although this message is difficult to hear, it also means governments will also be required to make some tough choices and make policy decisions based on what’s best for the economy and not for political positioning.”

PM Announcement Warns that Rapid Change is Needed, but Will the Trucking Industry Get Change it Needs?, September 5, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

Ontario Enhancing Road Safety and Creating Jobs in Rideau Lakes

The Ontario government is building a new roundabout in the Township of Rideau Lakes at the intersection of Highway 15 and County Road 42. The roundabout will improve road safety and create good-paying construction jobs, protecting Ontario's economy in the face of U.S. tariffs. “Our government is investing \$30 billion to build the highway infrastructure we need to get drivers where they need to go on time and safely,” said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. “The new roundabout at Highway 15 and County Road 42 will improve road safety as we continue our work to expand highway infrastructure across the province.”

Ontario Enhancing Road Safety and Creating Jobs in Rideau Lakes, September 8, 2025, www.mto.gov.on.ca

CTA urges caution as federal relief risks rewarding rule-breakers



Source: Today's Trucking

The Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) says the industry is experiencing its toughest economic climate in three decades, warning

that new federal measures may help some carriers while hurting others. “Many of our members are facing the worst economic conditions our industry has seen in three decades,” CTA president and CEO Stephen Laskowski said in a news release. “Beyond the programs announced today, the biggest message to Canadians and businesses was the free trade economy we have known for over four decades is on life support, and, perhaps, may never come back as we have known it.” Prime Minister Mark Carney earlier told Canadians the country must be ready for a rapidly changing future — one that has already disrupted businesses and curbed investment. He unveiled new measures aimed at protecting the economy while transforming strategic industries. The CTA cautioned that while some measures could provide relief for employees and fleet owners, others risk rewarding carriers engaged in misclassification and tax evasion schemes. The alliance stressed that additional employment insurance (EI) weeks for long-tenured workers should not be extended to drivers operating under the personal service business model. CTA maintains this misclassification scheme numbers in the thousands and should not be rewarded.

CTA urges caution as federal relief risks rewarding rule-breakers, September 8, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

Drivers’ Licence Suspensions a Positive Step in Tackling Truck Safety Crisis in Ontario: OTA



Source: Ontruck

As the Province of Ontario continues to address significant challenges and irregularities within its commercial truck driver training and licensing regime, the Ontario Trucking Association (OTA) continues to urge the government to accelerate the process to end lawlessness in the trucking industry. OTA understands the Ministry of Transportation continues to issue letters to Class A license holders, notifying them of a 90-day suspension of their license. The letter reportedly states the suspension is due to “*their dishonesty during the Class A test and or training process*” and “*further communication related to this matter will be forthcoming.*” “It’s time to begin

mandatory audits for all driving schools and the trucking industry in this province to end the lawlessness,” says Laskowski. “The restaurant industry undergoes this easily and effectively to protect consumer safety. We need at least the same level of oversight to protect Ontarians from the lawlessness and recklessness we’re witnessing on the highways every day. And this process needs to begin immediately.”

Drivers’ Licence Suspensions a Positive Step in Tackling Truck Safety Crisis in Ontario: OTA, September 10, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

US/WORLD

Electric truck maker ZM Trucks celebrates North American launch, opens factory



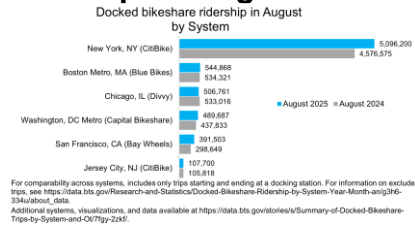
Source: Today's Trucking

A new electric truck maker has landed in the U.S., and recently celebrated the opening of a 210,000 sq.-ft. factory outside Los Angeles, Calif. ZM Trucks produces an electric terminal tractor and medium-duty trucks. It has established a regional headquarters in Fontana, Calif. “Despite policy uncertainty, we’re charging ahead,” said Joost de Vries, global chief executive officer of ZM Trucks. “Our investment in Fontana demonstrates that commercial EVs are not just viable, they’re a superior solution for urban truck operators, delivering lower costs, higher performance, and a smarter path toward total cost of ownership.” The company acknowledges its U.S. expansion comes against a backdrop of policy change and market headwinds, including the phasing out of federal EV tax credits, the slowing rollout of charging infrastructure, and confusing messaging around tariffs. However, the company still sees a strong opportunity in North America where transportation accounts for 6.7% of U.S. GDP and nearly 28% of greenhouse gas emissions.

Electric truck maker ZM Trucks celebrates North American launch, opens factory, September 5, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com



Docked Bikeshare Trips – August 2025



Source: BTS

On September 9, 2025, the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) released docked bikeshare trips for August 2025. From August 2024 to August 2025, docked bikeshare trips starting and ending at a docking station on six of the largest systems grew 11.4%. By area served and system, the number of docked bikeshare trips in August 2025 and the percentage change from August 2024 on six of the largest systems with data are: 1. New York, NY (CitiBike): 5,096,200 (up 11.4%); 2. Boston Metro, MA (Blue Bikes): 544,868 (up 2.0%); 3. Chicago, IL (Divvy): 506,761 (down 4.9%); 4. Washington, DC Metro (Capital Bikeshare): 489,687 (up 11.8%); 5. San Francisco, CA (Bay Wheels): 391,503 (up 31.1%); and 6. Jersey City, NJ (CitiBike): 107,700 (up 1.8%).

Docked Bikeshare Trips – August 2025, September, 9, 2025, www.bts.gov

distance PPI, jumped 1.8% in August from the previous month, its biggest sequential leap since December 2024, but was still 0.2% lower than in the same month a year ago.

LTL, truckload pricing rising despite soft demand, September 11, 2025, www.joc.com



LTL, truckload pricing rising despite soft demand



Source: JOC

US truck pricing rose in August 2025 despite what carriers referred to as a continuing soft freight market, a sign that shippers are balancing current capacity needs and future demand. The total cost of both truckload and less-than-truckload (LTL) services to shippers increased in August 2025 from July 2025, according to the producer price indexes (PPIs) released on September 10, 2025 by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Truckload pricing, as measured by the long-



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Canadian Transportation Agency publishes its Red Tape Review Report

The Canadian Transportation Agency (CTA) has issued its Red Tape Review Progress Report 2025. The Report identifies three initiatives to ease the administrative burden for organizations within the transportation system and support the commitment by the Government to lower costs for Canadians and to build a stronger economy. This report illustrates the CTA's commitment to help ensure that the national transportation system runs efficiently and smoothly in the interests of all Canadians. The Government launched a Red Tape Review across departments and agencies with regulatory responsibilities in July 2025. The CTA initiatives are: 1. Reducing reporting requirements for air carriers related to tariffs; 2. Improving internal processes for railway construction applications; and, 3. Removing unnecessary and outdated air carrier requirements.

Canadian Transportation Agency publishes its Red Tape Review Report, September 8, 2025, www.cta-otc.gc.ca



Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, August 2025



Source: Statcan

In August 2025, the preliminary number of international arrivals to Canada (returning Canadian residents and non-residents combined) by air and automobile was 6.6 million, down 14.9% from August 2024. This was the seventh consecutive month of year-over-year declines. Most notably, in August 2025, the number of Canadian-resident return trips by automobile from the United States totalled 1.9 million, a steep decline (-33.9%) from the same month in 2024. August 2025 marked the eighth consecutive month of year-over-year declines.

Leading indicator of international arrivals to Canada, August 2025, September 10, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

US/WORLD

August 2025 U.S. Transportation Sector Unemployment (5.9%) Rises Above the August 2024 Level (4.8%)

U.S. Unemployment Rate (Not Seasonally Adjusted) August 2025 4.5%	Transportation Sector Unemployment Rate (Not Seasonally Adjusted) August 2025 5.9%
▲ 0.1 change from same month last year	▲ 1.1 change from same month last year

Source: BTS

The unemployment rate in the U.S. transportation sector was 5.9% (not seasonally adjusted) in August 2025 according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). These data have been updated on the Bureau of Transportation Statistics' (BTS) [Unemployment in Transportation](#) dashboard. In August 2025, the transportation sector unemployment rate rose 1.1 percentage points from 4.8% in August 2024. Unemployment in the transportation sector reached its highest level during the COVID-19 pandemic (15.7%) in May 2020 and July 2020. Unemployment in the transportation sector was higher than overall unemployment. BLS reports that the U.S. unemployment rate, not seasonally adjusted, in August 2025 was 4.5% or 1.4 percentage points below the transportation sector rate. Seasonally adjusted, the U.S. unemployment rate in August 2025 was 4.3%.

August 2025 U.S. Transportation Sector Unemployment (5.9%) Rises Above the August 2024 Level (4.8%), September 4, 2025, www.bts.gov

From promise to progress: what the European Commission has delivered in its first year of office



Source: Europa

Last year, **almost 200 million Europeans** cast their ballots to elect their representatives in the European Parliament. It was the moment of **Europe's choice**. **Turnout was the highest it had been in 20 years**. This is proof that Europeans care about our Union and expect it to

deliver on the challenges ahead. And this is the mission that the new Commission has taken on – to deliver on our citizens' expectations and aspirations. The world around us is more conflictual and competitive than it has been in the last decades. The events since the beginning of the year underscore a new geopolitical reality: the age of great-power competition is back. The security architecture that Europe was able to rely on since the end of the Cold War can no longer be taken for granted. Economic competition has grown harsher and is increasingly tied to security. The energy crisis triggered by Russia's invasion of Ukraine illustrates this, as do today's power struggles over supply chains and trade. This directly affects European companies, which call for protection from unfair practices and a supportive business environment. Europe is working to strengthen its competitiveness in traditional industries while becoming a leading hub for clean tech and artificial intelligence (AI). People across our Union want action to address **inflation**, the **cost of living**, **energy prices**, the **housing crisis** and the growing impact of **extreme weather events**. These are the main challenges that the new von der Leyen Commission has been tackling since the start of the mandate on 1 December 2024. We have worked for a strong and competitive Europe, in line with President **von der Leyen's political guidelines for 2024–2029**.

From promise to progress: what the European Commission has delivered in its first year of office, September 5, 2025, www.europa.eu

New EU-funded railway line brings Ukraine even closer to EU

Ukraine On September 5, 2025 opened its first railway line based on the European Union standard for track width, marking a significant step in deepening the country's transport integration with the EU. The 22-kilometre line, funded by an EU grant from the Connecting Europe Facility and an EIB loan backed by the Ukraine Facility, connects the Ukrainian cities of Uzhhorod (on the border with Slovakia) and Chop (near Ukraine's border with Hungary). As a result, rail travel between Uzhhorod and Chop and onward to EU cities such as Košice in Slovakia, Budapest in Hungary, and Vienna in Austria will be smoother. The new railway line will prevent delays caused by the previous need to change trains at the borders due to the different rail gauges.

New EU-funded railway line brings Ukraine even closer to EU, September 5, 2025, www.europa.eu

National Retail Federation: Imports declining following summer surge ahead of tariffs



Source: AJOT

Following a near-record peak this summer, import cargo volume at the nation's major container ports is expected to steadily decline for the remainder of the year amid rising tariffs, according to the Global Port Tracker report released today by the National Retail Federation and Hackett Associates. "We have seen the implementation of reciprocal tariffs across the globe, with a number of key trading partners being subjected to tariffs higher than the earlier 10% tariffs," NRF Vice President for Supply Chain and Customs Policy Jonathan Gold said. "We also continue to see more and more sectoral tariffs impacting a wider scope of products. Retailers have stocked up as much as they can ahead of tariff increases, but the uncertainty of U.S. trade policy is making it impossible to make the long-term plans that are critical to future business success. These tariffs and disruptions to the supply chain are adding costs that will ultimately lead to higher prices for American consumers."

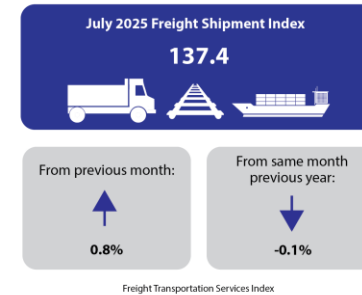
National Retail Federation: Imports declining following summer surge ahead of tariffs, September 9, 2025, www.ajot.com

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Calls Out 'Soft on Crime' Leaders in Charlotte, Launches Investigation of North Carolina CATS' Security Spending & Safety Plans

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy on September 10, 2025 called out the 'soft on crime' policies that allowed a deranged criminal to murder Iryna Zarutskya in cold blood. The Secretary also announced that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is launching an investigation of North Carolina's Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS). The investigation will review the transit agency's security spending, safety plans, and ongoing risks to operators and customers being assaulted on the system.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Calls Out 'Soft on Crime' Leaders in Charlotte, Launches Investigation of North Carolina CATS' Security Spending & Safety Plans, September 10, 2025, www.dot.gov

The July 2025 Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI) Rose 0.8% from the Previous Month and Fell 0.1% from the Same Month Last Year



Source: BTS

The Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI), rose 0.8% in July 2025 from June 2025, rising after two months of decline, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS). From July 2024 to July 2025 the index fell 0.1%. The freight TSI measures the amount of freight carried by the for-hire transportation industry.

The July 2025 Freight Transportation Services Index (TSI) Rose 0.8% from the Previous Month and Fell 0.1% from the Same Month Last Year, September 10, 2025, www.bts.gov

Retailers see import decline through end of 2025

Amid rising tariffs, import cargo volume at U.S. container ports is anticipated to decline steadily through the end of this year following a near-record summer peak, according to the nation's biggest retailers. Major U.S. container ports handled 2.36 million twenty foot equivalent units (TEUs) in July, according to the National Retail Federation's Global Port Tracker. That was a gain of 20.1% from June as retailers brought in merchandise ahead of tariffs set to take effect in August. It was also 1.8% higher year-over-year, and the second-busiest month since 2.4 million TEUs in May 2022. Several factors have been cited for this – federal court decision on Trump's tariff, delays to tariff on Chinese imports, uncertainty, etc.

Retailers see import decline through end of 2025, September 11, 2025, www.freightwaves.com



Transportation Consumer Price Index[CPI] – August 2025

The CPI for all transportation goods and services rose 0.9% from August 2024 to August 2025. Transportation contributed 5.8% to the 2.9% increase in the price of all goods and services, per the CPI. Used cars and trucks contributed the most to inflation, rising 6.0% year-over-year and contributing 4.7% to the annual change in the price of all goods and services. By item, the top three contributors to inflation in August 2025 were: 1. Used cars and trucks: +4.7%; 2. Motor vehicle insurance: +4.6%; and 3. Motor vehicle maintenance and repair: +3.1%. The top three items dampening transportation's contribution to inflation in August 2025 were: 1. Gasoline (all types): -8.1%; 2. Leased cars and trucks: -0.3%; 3. Other intercity (ship, bus, and train) fares: -0.2%; and 4. Car and truck rental (tied for 3rd): -0.2%

Transportation Consumer Price Index – August 2025, September 11, 2025, www.bts.gov



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CANADA'S WEST COAST ENERGY POWERHOUSE
A CONVERSATION WITH KEY PLAYERS

In its response to economic challenges from the US-driven upheaval in global trade relations, Canada is emerging as an energy powerhouse with exports through its West Coast Gateway.

The Port of Prince Rupert's northern export terminals and LNG Canada's Kitimat facility are already shipping LNG, Liquid Petroleum Gas and Propane overseas. These terminals will soon be followed by Indigenous-owned or regulated coastal LNG terminals. In addition, the Port of Vancouver is shipping expanded TMX volumes of Alberta crude to Asia, along with Fortis BC's LNG shipments to Asia and local LNG marine refueling. Canada is announcing itself on the world stage as a major reliable energy supplier.

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 JORGE LOBO Senior Manager, LNG Commercial & Industrial Projects, FortisBC	 DEBORAH BAKER Council Member Squamish Nation

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NON-MEMBER: \$80 MEMBER: \$65 STUDENT: \$55

October 15, 2025
4:30 pm – Registration 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm – Reception / Presentation
Terminal City Club - 837 West Hastings Street

The Pacific Chapter of CILTNA invites you to join them for a reception and presentation by a distinguished guest speaker, Shaun Stevenson, President & CEO, Prince Rupert Port Authority, Geoff Morrison, Director, BC Regulatory and Operations, Canadian Association of petroleum Producers (CAPP), Jorge Lobo, Senior Manager, LNG Commercial & Industrial Projects, FortisBC and Deborah Baker, Council Member, Squamish Nation. Moderated by: John Dymond, Retired Business Development Manager, BCIT School of Transportation.

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Where: Terminal City Club, 837 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 1B6

Cost:

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To register, please visit: <https://ciltna.com/events/canadas-west-coast-energy-powerhouse/>



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:
<https://bcportal.supplychaincanada.com/mpower/event/loadevent.action?e=561#home>

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

Transportation Research Board Webinar: Find Transportation Research That is Happening Today - Wednesday, September 17, 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM Eastern

The Research in Progress (RIP) database provides access to information on current transportation research and highlights what other institutions are working on. Together, RIP and TRID (an integrated database of transportation research) are essential tools for developing research problem statements, preparing and responding to requests for proposals (RFPs), and planning future projects. The Transportation Research Board will host a webinar on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM Eastern that will guide participants on how to search RIP and TRID to find ongoing and

recently completed research. The presenter will demonstrate how to create an account, enter and update project records, and ensure compliance with US DOT's Public Access Plan requirements.

To register please visit:
https://www.nationalacademies.org/event/45585_09-2025_trb-webinar-find-transportation-research-that-is-happening-today?utm_source=Transportation+Research+Board&utm_campaign=27d2580448-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_06_12_07_16_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_c66acb9bce-536f248fd6-532433722

Transportation Research Board Webinar: The Future of Commuter Rail in North America - Monday, September 22, 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM Eastern

Implement long-term, practical strategies to make commuter rail a successful part of regional mobility. TRB will host a webinar on Monday, September 22, 2025 from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM Eastern that will explore how commuter railroads are navigating the market dynamics, service, and upcoming funding challenges. Presenters will discuss current trends, examples in CA and PA, and explores alternative approaches to service schedules, simplified fare structures, and infrastructure options to address changing goals and circumstances at the agency, regional, and national levels in the United States and Canada.

This webinar is based on TCRP Research Report 254: The Future of Commuter Rail in North America.

This webinar is sponsored by TRB's Transit Cooperative Research Program.
 There is no fee to attend this webinar. Registration is required.

A recording will be sent to all registrants after the webinar.

To register please visit:
https://www.nationalacademies.org/event/45591_09-2025_trb-webinar-the-future-of-commuter-rail-in-north-america?utm_source=Transportation+Research+Board&utm_campaign=27d2580448-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_06_12_07_16_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_c66acb9bce-536f248fd6-532433722

Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP) Webinar Celebrating 20 Years: How You Can Drive Airport Innovation with ACRP - Friday, September 26, 1:00 PM to 1:45 PM Eastern

Join the Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP) for an engaging virtual event celebrating 20 years of impactful research. Discover how ACRP has helped the airport industry tackle real-world challenges, explore ACRP's evidence-based tools and resources, and learn how you can get involved—plus we'll have some fun along the way! This interactive session offers a unique opportunity to connect with fellow airport professionals and gain an insider's look at ACRP's role in advancing practical, responsive solutions.

To register please visit:

https://www.nationalacademies.org/event/1065_09-2025_celebrating-20-years-how-you-can-drive-airport-innovation-with-acrp?utm_source=Transportation+Research+Board&utm_campaign=27d2580448-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_06_12_07_16_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_c66acb9bce-536f248fd6-532433722



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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 12th 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: <https://www.citt.ca/events/bc-supply-chain-week-wrap-up-mixer>



 Registration Open for the NISCL (National Institute of Supply Chain Leaders) BC Annual Golf Tournament! 

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>



Save the date on October 23-24th at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia for the 2025 Next-Gen Smart Logistics Conference. Sponsored by: CCALS, CILTNA and Old Dominion University.

Join an international gathering of logistics professionals to hear from industry leaders about trends and advances in the field. Hosted in Norfolk, VA, home to one of the world's safest and most advanced ports and a gateway to multimodal transportation through the US and beyond, the conference will bring together leaders from industry, government, and academia to explore how artificial intelligence, digital twins, robotics, and advanced analytics are reshaping freight movement, multimodal logistics, and supply chain resilience.

From AI-powered rail scheduling to smart ports, from ethical AI governance to workforce transformation, attendees will explore the latest innovations and practical applications that are transforming logistics networks across rail, maritime, road, and intermodal systems.

There is a **call for presenters** for this event where we invite thought leaders, practitioners, researchers, and innovators to share their expertise, case studies, and forward-looking insights with an engaged, cross-sector audience. We invite you to submit abstracts that explore the future of logistics across eight key tracks (listed below). We encourage submissions not only in these areas but also welcome proposals on any emerging topics related to the evolving landscape of next generation smart logistics.

<https://www.ccals.com/next-gen-smart-logistics-conference-2025-information/#presenters>

Application deadline: September 25, 2025

Registration for this event is coming soon!



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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:

<https://bcaviationcouncil.silkstart.com/events/silver-wings-industry-and-scholarship-awards-celebration-2025>

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 logistics

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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- Procurement Manager
- Procurement Administrator

- Procurement Coordinator

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What are your contributions to the team?

- Develop new sources of supply and establish strategic alliances.
- Develop negotiation business strategies.
- Lead and participate in the development of the commodity by managing projects that would include the preparation of business cases.
- Lead, develop and execute the commodity strategy and provide to senior management project and negotiation statuses.
- Identify, analyze and realize cost reduction opportunities
- Create and maintain formal networks internally and externally.
- Act as single interface with suppliers of new business.
- Support Sites and/or Business Units with appropriate sourcing strategies.
- Coordinate and lead negotiations of any claims with suppliers in support of business unit production issues.
- Support Business Units in the application of contractual remedies against material breaches.
- Lead contract negotiations with suppliers.
- Ensure contracts are maintained in accordance to our business requirements

- Coordinate the Procurement Agents activities in relation to the balanced scorecard objectives, the master plans and the detailed plans.
- Support Procurement Agents in their contracts negotiations, the commercial agreements and product changes negotiations, as well as the contracts amendments;
- Participate in the governance of cost reduction initiatives and ensure projects come to fruition.
- Actively participate in supplier program reviews led by the business units.
- Develop and coach team members on procurement initiatives and processes.
- Support commodity manager in the performance development plan process.

How to thrive in this role?

- You have a bachelor's degree in business administration or equivalent.
- You have seven (7) to ten (10) years of relevant experience.
- You have experience in the aerospace industry and/or manufacturing environment and/or program management, in a commercial role, an asset.
- You have excellent negotiation skills and experience in project management.
- You are detail oriented, focused and committed to meeting deadlines.
- You are a strong team player, recognized for your leadership and innovation, and ability to mobilize a team.
- Have a high proficiency and are good communicator in French and English (written and spoken)
- You have strong capabilities in operations and financial management.
- You are comfortable with complex technical topics, and have knowledge of legal terminology or interpretation of contracts.
- You are familiar with Just-In-Time purchasing logistic, integrated supply chain and lean manufacturing concepts.
- You can work with MS Project, Word, Excel, Power Point and MS Outlook.

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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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*** Procurement Category Specialist - Transportation, Nestle, Arlington, VA, USA**

About the job

Foods you love. Brands you trust. And a career that empowers you to grow.

At Nestlé USA, we're all working towards the same goal – to delight and deliver for our consumers. With a rich portfolio of beloved brands, including DiGiorno, Toll House, and Coffee mate, in 97% of U.S. households, we have a unique opportunity – and responsibility – to be there for every moment in our consumers' lives.

Joining Nestlé means becoming part of an inclusive workplace that inspires innovation, encourages strategic thinking and creativity, and celebrates your achievements. No matter where you work within the organization, you are empowered to challenge the status quo, embrace risk-taking, and pioneer new ideas. Our supportive and collaborative environment encourages bold ambitions and continuous learning so that everyone can grow and thrive.

This position is not eligible for Visa Sponsorship.

We are looking for an enthusiastic transportation professional with a foundational understanding of U.S. domestic freight and cross-border logistics involving Canada and Mexico. This role is essential for supporting the smooth movement of goods across North America while helping to optimize cost, service, and compliance.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Develop comprehensive Category Strategies for each assigned category, in context of business objectives and utilizing the 7 steps to strategic sourcing process to understand and integrate category expertise, to set the direction of sourcing for the categories.
- Collaborate with procurement, supply chain, and transportation teams to align transportation strategies and minimize or eliminate disruptions.
- Manage and optimize transportation operations across U.S., Canadian, and Mexican lanes while maintaining compliance with customs regulations and cross-border documentation requirements.
- Develop and maintain carrier relationships for truckload, intermodal, and cross-border services.
- Build and maintain strategic relationships with suppliers, fostering collaboration and innovation.
- Monitor KPIs and drive continuous improvement in service levels and cost efficiency.
- Ensure Business Continuity Plans (BCPs) are in place for indirect spending within the assigned categories
- Identify and present innovation opportunities from suppliers to Procurement Business Partners and supply chain to drive innovation.
- Conduct Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and negotiations with suppliers to achieve the most favorable price, incoterm and payment terms to reduce Nestle Total Cost of Ownership (TCO), make contracting decisions accordingly.
- Stay updated on market trends, industry best practices, and regulatory requirements related to the assigned categories to reduce and communicate risk and understand price changes.

Requirements And Minimum Education Level

EDUCATION:

Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Supply Chain Management, Economics, or a related field

EXPERIENCE:

- Minimum 3 years of experience in the Strategic Sourcing, Procurement, or Supply Chain fields preferred
- Strong knowledge of customs processes and trade compliance for Canada and Mexico
- Experience in SAP, Power BI and other advanced data analytics tools preferred
- Experience in Excel, Word, & PowerPoint required

SKILLS:

- Understanding of procurement processes, category management, and supplier relationship management.
- Experience with TMS platforms and freight audit/payment systems.
- Communication and negotiation skills.
- Ability to navigate complex problems with support and make decisions to change processes to drive improvements with cross functional teams and improve end to end execution.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to build and maintain relationships with internal stakeholders and external suppliers.
- Proficiency in using SAP, Microsoft; Excel, Prism, PowerPoint, Word, and Power BI.
- Ability to analyze data, identify trends, and make data-driven decisions.
- Ability to work in a fast-paced, collaborative environment.

The approximate pay range for this position is \$65,800 to \$88,888. Please note that the pay range provided is a good faith estimate for the position at the time of posting. Final compensation may vary based on factors including but not limited to knowledge, skills and abilities as well as geographic location.

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