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Aeroplan's Annual Points Matching Week to Help Children and Their Families Flying for Essential Hospital Care Launches Today



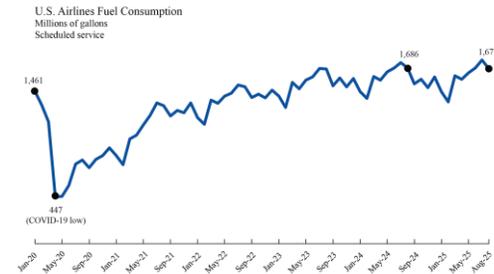
Source: Air Canada

Aeroplan Points Matching Week in support of the Air Canada Foundation Hospital Transportation Program began on October 6, 2025 and will run until October 12, 2025. The program operates on the generous donations from Aeroplan Members to provide relief for families across Canada whose children need to travel for medical care and treatment. The Hospital Transportation Program provides transportation for children who require air travel for medical care and treatment not available within their community. Aeroplan Points donated to the Air Canada Foundation for its Hospital Transportation Program will be matched by Aeroplan and its partners TD, CIBC and Amex up to 10 million points each

Aeroplan's Annual Points Matching Week to Help Children and Their Families Flying for Essential Hospital Care Launches Today, October 6, 2025, www.aircanada.ca

US/WORLD

U.S. Airlines' August 2025 Aviation Fuel Consumption down 4.7%, and Fuel Cost per Gallon down 1.8% from July 2025



Source: BTS

The Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) on October 3, 2025 released U.S. airlines' August 2025 fuel cost and consumption numbers indicating U.S. scheduled service airlines used 1.677 billion gallons of fuel, 4.7% less fuel than in July 2025 (1.760 billion gallons) and 0.5% less fuel than August 2024 (1.686 billion gallons). The cost per gallon of fuel in August 2025 (\$2.30) was down 4 cents (1.8%) from July 2025 (\$2.34) and down 17 cents (7.1%) from August 2024. Total August 2025 fuel expenditure (\$3.85B) was down 6.4% from July 2025 (\$4.12B) and down 7.5% from August 2024 (\$4.16B).

U.S. Airlines' August 2025 Aviation Fuel Consumption down 4.7%, and Fuel Cost per Gallon down 1.8% from July 2025, October 3, 2025, www.bts.gov

Union urges air traffic controllers to remain on job despite shutdown



Source: AJOT

The union representing more than 13,000 air traffic controllers on Monday, October 6, 2025 urged workers to remain on the job during the ongoing partial government shutdown that requires them to work without pay. U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy and the president of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association are holding a press conference on Monday at Newark Liberty International Airport to discuss the impacts of the shutdown. The airport near New York City is a major United Airlines hub. The union told workers that "participating in a job action could result in removal from federal service" and is illegal. "It is more important than ever that we rise to the occasion and continue delivering the consistent, high-level of public service we provide every day," the union told members. "We cannot stress enough that it is essential to avoid any actions that could reflect poorly on you, our union, or our professions." About 50,000 Transportation Security Administration employees who staff airport security checkpoints are also required to keep working, but are not getting paid.

Union urges air traffic controllers to remain on job despite shutdown, October 6, 2025, www.ajot.com

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Secures Critical Funding for Essential Air Service After Democrat-Led Shutdown Threatened Lapse in Funding

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy announced on October 8, 2025 that the Department of Transportation has secured \$41 million in

additional funding to sustain the Essential Air Service (EAS) program, which was in danger of funding lapses due to the Democrat-led shutdown. Additional funding should prevent the program from lapsing into early November.

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Secures Critical Funding for Essential Air Service After Democrat-Led Shutdown Threatened Lapse in Funding, October 8, 2025, www.dot.gov

US airlines say it is 'imperative' FAA get quick wins in air traffic overhaul



Source: AJOT

A group representing major U.S. airlines said it is imperative the Federal Aviation Administration accomplish some "quick wins" in the \$12.5 billion overhaul of the aging air traffic control system, according to a letter seen by Reuters on October 9, 2025. Airlines for America CEO Chris Sununu in a previously unreported letter to Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy said the FAA should quickly implement airspace modernization designs, buy simulators to improve controller training, lay telecommunications fiber and buy new radars and radios. "These initial wins will create tangible benefits for the traveling and shipping public, help coordinate messaging on progress and boost optimism on the prospects of moving the project to completion," Sununu, who heads the group that represents American Airlines, United Airlines Delta Air Lines and Southwest Airlines, wrote. Duffy has said he wants air passengers to see progress by the start of next summer's travel season. He wants Congress to approve another \$19 billion on top of the initial \$12.5 billion to completely overhaul the system. USDOT and FAA did not immediately comment. The FAA has faced criticism for prior lagging modernization efforts.

US airlines say it is 'imperative' FAA get quick wins in air traffic overhaul, October 8, 2025, www.ajot.com



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CN Reports September Grain Movement



Source: Yahoo

CN announced on October 8, 2025 that it set a new record for grain movement in September. CN moved over 2.91 million metric tonnes of grain from Western Canada last month, higher by 80,000 metric tonnes from its previous set record for the month. Janet Drysdale, Interim Chief Commercial Officer at CN said “As the harvest season moves into its final stages, our teams are working closely with customers to keep grain moving steadily through the supply chain. September’s results highlight our continued focus on delivering our customers’ goods safely and efficiently to market.”

CN Reports September Grain Movement, October 8, 2025, www.cn.ca

CN and Congevec to Expand Cold Chain Logistics Across North America

CN and Congevec on October 9, 2025 announced that they are coming together to collaborate on a state-of-the-art cold storage facility at CN’s Calgary Logistics Park in Alberta. Strategically located within CN’s integrated logistics hub, the facility will be designed to be in better

proximity, accelerating the conversion of temperature-sensitive goods between rail and warehouse. Customers will benefit from a more reliable, timely and efficient service to get their perishable cargo to domestic and international markets.

CN and Congevec to Expand Cold Chain Logistics Across North America, October 9, 2025, www.cn.ca

US/WORLD

Teamsters, UP Ratify Contract



Source: Railway Age

Approximately 6,000 locomotive engineers at Union Pacific (UP), represented by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET) of the Teamsters Rail Conference, have voted “overwhelmingly” to ratify a new five-year contract.

Teamsters, UP Ratify Contract, October 6, 2025, www.railwayage.com

AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Uptick Continues in Week 40



Source: Railway Age

The Association of American Railroads in reporting freight rail traffic for the week ending Oct. 4, 2025 (Week 40) noted that total U.S. rail traffic was 503,538 carloads and intermodal units, up 3.6% from the prior-year period. Total carloads for the week came in at 224,972, up 0.002% from the same week in 2024, and intermodal volume was 278,566 containers and trailers, up 6.7% from last year. Six of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2024. They included nonmetallic minerals, up 2,057 carloads, to 31,710; chemicals, up 1,841 carloads, to 32,919; and motor vehicles and parts, up 816 carloads, to 16,154. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2024 included coal, down 4,685 carloads, to 56,252; farm products excl. grain, and food, down 376 carloads, to 17,658; and petroleum and petroleum products, down 265 carloads, to 10,538. Canadian railroads reported 93,421 carloads for the week, down 1.4 percent, and 72,787 intermodal units, up 6.0 percent compared with the same week in 2024. For the first 40 weeks of 2025, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 6,473,565 carloads, containers and trailers, up 2.0 percent.

[AAR: U.S. Rail Traffic Uptick Continues in Week 40, October 9, 2025, www.railwayage.com](https://www.railwayage.com)

Norfolk Southern tweaks international services from West, East coasts



Source: JOC

Norfolk Southern Railway (NS) is reshaping its international intermodal network, consolidating and reducing service between the US West Coast and several Midwest markets while expanding train capacity from East Coast ports into the Midwest. The most significant changes affect Ohio and the Upper Midwest, where the railroad will consolidate all Cincinnati-area traffic into a single large terminal in Sharonville, just north of the city. Under the new plan, international trains will interchange in Chicago and terminate in Cincinnati, no longer continuing to Cleveland or Detroit. The changes take effect Oct. 20, 2025.

Norfolk Southern tweaks international services from West, East coasts, October 9, 2025, www.joc.com



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 **Vancouver is Canada's shipping giant, but trade flows may be shifting east**



Source: Financial Post

Traffic at the Port of Vancouver, Canada's gateway to China, is dwarfing that at the major East Coast ports these days, but Montreal and Halifax port officials see a path to closing the gap even with the federal government's increased emphasis on Asian trade. Vancouver annually handles the equivalent of 3.5 million incoming 20-foot shipping containers (TEUs), which is seven times the roughly 500,000 TEUs coming into Halifax and more than twice Montreal's total of 1.5 million TEUs. Vancouver's edge largely comes from its relative proximity to Asia and that area's need for raw materials, a trend that is behind a proposed project to significantly expand the port so that it can handle the annual export of 4.5 million tonnes of potash.

Vancouver is Canada's shipping giant, but trade flows may be shifting east, October 7, 2025, www.financialpost.ca

 **Montreal Port Authority partners with Pomerleau-Aecon and confirms the start of preparatory work**



Source: AJOT

The Montreal Port Authority (MPA) announced the start of preparatory work for its expansion project in Contrecœur and has awarded the contract for water works of the future container terminal to the CTCGP consortium (Contrecœur Terminal Constructors Grand Project), composed of Pomerleau and Aecon. The initial interventions, announced as early as July 2025, are primarily aimed at preparing the site for major phases planned over the coming year. This work will begin gradually between now and October 27th, 2025. These include: 1. Installation of construction site fencing; 2. Development of access roads; 3. Construction of work platforms; 4. Targeted tree cutting; and 5. Installation of site offices and garage. Julie Gascon, President and CEO of the MPA said "Today, we move from planning to action. The launch of preparatory work paves the way for the realization of a major and structuring project for the Quebec and Canadian economy. We are entering this crucial phase with a spirit of responsibility and dialogue with communities to maximize the positive impacts for the entire

region.” In this new implementation phase, the MPA will continue sustained dialogue with stakeholders to ensure the project’s success. It is committed to applying rigorous and responsible measures to mitigate impacts, in compliance with regulatory requirements and commitments made.

Montreal Port Authority partners with Pomerleau-Aecon and confirms the start of preparatory work, October 9, 2025, www.ajot.com

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Port of Los Angeles looks to handle future growth with new terminal project



Source: JOC

Plans by the Port of Los Angeles to build a new 200-acre, two-berth container terminal are being driven by projections that the Southern California gateway of LA and Long Beach will reach its combined capacity of 40 million TEUs in 2040. The proposed Pier 500 container terminal, which will take about 10 years to complete once construction begins, will position the Southern California port complex of Los Angeles and Long Beach to handle growing cargo volumes well beyond 2040, Gene Seroka, executive director of the Port of Los Angeles, told the *Journal of Commerce* Thursday. The LA-LB port complex, the largest in the US, handled a combined 19.9 million laden and empty TEUs in 2024.

Port of Los Angeles looks to handle future growth with new terminal project, October 3, 2025, www.joc.com

IMO steps up efforts to train seafarers on alternative fuels and new technologies



Source: AJOT

The International Maritime Organization is stepping up efforts to prepare seafarers for shipping’s energy transition, to help ensure personnel are properly trained to work safely on ships using zero or near-zero emission fuels, in line with the IMO’s revised strategy to cut greenhouse gas emissions from ships. IMO has issued Generic interim guidelines on training for seafarers on ships using alternative fuels and new technologies (STCW 7/ Circ. 25). The guidelines set out an international framework for the development and approval of training of seafarers serving on all ships using alternative fuels and new technologies.

IMO steps up efforts to train seafarers on alternative fuels and new technologies, October 3, 2025, www.aot.com

Strike action piles new bottlenecks on Europe’s two busiest ports



Source: JOC

Rotterdam and Antwerp are facing increasing congestion this week as strike action from auxiliary companies significantly disrupts container handling operations at Europe’s two busiest ports. Flemish pilotage services have only been working during office hours since Monday, October 7, 2025 in a dispute over recent federal pension reforms, severely disrupting vessel arrivals and departures in the Belgian hubs

of Antwerp and Zeebrugge. In Rotterdam, container lashing companies embarked on a two-day strike on Wednesday, October 9, 2025 in a dispute over working conditions and wages. The strike is affecting all major terminals in Rotterdam.

Strike action piles new bottlenecks on Europe's two busiest ports, October 9, 2025, www.joc.com

U.S. imports seen well below average for rest of 2025



Source: Freightwaves

Monthly import volumes through major U.S. container ports are expected to slip below the 2 million TEU mark through the remainder of the year, according to *Global Port Tracker* data report released on October 8, 2025 by the National Retail Federation and Hackett Associates. “This year’s peak season has come and gone, largely due to retailers frontloading imports ahead of reciprocal tariffs taking effect,” NRF Vice President for Supply Chain and Customs Policy Jonathan Gold said in a release. “New sectoral tariffs continue to be announced, but most retailers are well-stocked for the holiday season and doing as much as they can to shield their customers from the costs of tariffs for as long as they can.” Monthly container imports averaged 2.35 million twenty foot equivalent units in 2024, and around 2.5 million TEUs so far in 2025.

U.S. imports seen well below average for rest of 2025, October 8, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

Philadelphia ranks #1 in North America for productivity for the second year in a row



Source: AJOT

For the second year in a row, The Port of Philadelphia has been recognized as the most productive port in North America, according to the 2024 Container Port Performance Index (CPPI) released by the World Bank Group and S&P Global Market Intelligence. Philadelphia also distinguished itself on the global stage, rising from 55th to 26th place worldwide in the CPPI. It is the only U.S. port ranked in the top 50 out of 403 container ports measured and recorded the fourth-highest growth in global rankings since 2020. The CPPI, now in its fifth year, measures vessel turnaround efficiency at 403 container ports worldwide, analyzing metrics such as docking time, crane operations, and departure schedules. Philadelphia outperformed all other American ports, including New York/New Jersey (139th), Los Angeles (359th), and Long Beach (318th). “This ranking reflects the exceptional efforts of our labor, management, and partners at Holt Logistics,” said Jeff Theobald, Executive Director & CEO of PhilaPort. “Being recognized as the most productive port in North America for the second consecutive year reflects the excellence and collaboration that define the Philadelphia port community and shows that Philadelphia is not just competing, but leading.”

Philadelphia ranks #1 in North America for productivity for the second year in a row, October 9, 2025, www.aot.com



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Alberta shuts down five unsafe truck driver training schools, 13 carriers



Source: Today's Trucking

Alberta has revoked the licences of five commercial driver training schools and shut down 13 trucking companies after a months-long investigation into unsafe practices across the industry. Devin Dreeshen, transportation and economic corridors minister, told trucknews.com the crackdown followed a surge in highway incidents, including bridge strikes involving trucks with high loads. The province's Driver Training and Oversight Unit spent six months investigating schools, uncovering fraudulent reporting and record-keeping that allowed students to bypass required classroom and in-cab training hours. "That type of fraud was the biggest recurring issue," Dreeshen said. The investigation led to 39 disciplinary letters, more than \$100,000 in administrative penalties, six corrective action plans, 12 revoked instructor licenses, and four warning letters to driver examiners.

Alberta shuts down five unsafe truck driver training schools, 13 carriers, October 3, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

Canada Post strike drags on as union rejects new offer, impacting businesses



Source: CBC

Canada Post's latest offer to the union representing 55,000 striking postal workers includes a number of measures from its last offer — while removing a signing bonus the corporation says it can no longer afford. "Due to the company's deteriorating financial situation, a signing bonus for employees is no longer on the table," Canada Post said in a statement Friday. This new offer will "enable the company's modernization" while "maintaining good jobs and benefits for employees over the long term," it said. The union representing 55,000 postal workers says there is no end in sight after Canada Post's latest contract offer. The Canadian Union of Postal Workers says the new proposal removed a previously offered signing bonus and could lead to job cuts and post office closures. The labour dispute has been dragging on for more than a year. As Johnny James reports, some small businesses have had enough.

Canada Post takes signing bonus off the table in latest offer to union, October 3, 2025, www.cbc.ca and Canada Post strike drags on as union rejects new offer, impacting businesses, October 5, 2025, www.ca.news.com

CTA Launches Stop Illegal Trucking Campaign to End Industry Lawlessness



Source: Ontruck

Fed up with rampant lawlessness throughout Canada's trucking industry and years of disregard from Ottawa and many provinces, the Canadian Trucking Alliance has launched Stop Illegal Trucking – a national campaign to end the illicit schemes destroying Canada's trucking industry, abusing workers and engaging in human trafficking, threatening the safety of the travelling public, and costing Canadians billions.

CTA Launches Stop Illegal Trucking Campaign to End Industry Lawlessness, October 7, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

Trump says truck tariffs begin Nov. 1, hosts Carney to talk trade

U.S. President Donald Trump on Oct. 6 announced that 25% duties on heavy- and medium-duty trucks built outside the United States would begin in November. One day later, Trump hosted Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney at the White House to discuss trade policy and other issues. In late September, Trump initially announced tariffs on heavy trucks not built in the United States would begin on Oct. 1. The updated social media post on Oct. 6, pushing the start date to November, added the reference to medium-duty trucks. "Our Great Large Truck Company Manufacturers, such as Peterbilt, Kenworth, Freightliner, Mack Trucks, and others, will be protected from the onslaught of outside interruptions," Trump wrote in his September announcement. "We need our Truckers to be financially healthy and strong, for many reasons, but above all else, for National Security purposes!" Truck manufacturers have been cautious to make public statements, suggesting they are awaiting additional specifics and details about the tariffs.

Trump says truck tariffs begin Nov. 1, hosts Carney to talk trade, October 8, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

CTA Welcomes the Bloc Quebecois Support for Ending Driver Inc.



Source: Ontruck

Xavier Barsalou-Duval, Critic for the Bloc Québécois on Transport, Infrastructure, Communities & the Monarchy, today provided his party's vision for dealing with the crisis in the trucking industry known as Driver Inc. The Bloc's plan outlined several key areas and recommendations that would assist in combatting unsafe trucking companies, unqualified commercial drivers and the out-of-control underground economy that is destroying the ability of law-abiding carriers to compete in the sector. The plan is in response to growing frustration from the motoring public who fear the increase of unsafe trucks and drivers being put on the road by unscrupulous carriers.

CTA Welcomes the Bloc Quebecois Support for Ending Driver Inc, October 9, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

1000 employees out of work as flatbed operator files for bankruptcy

Mutha Trucker, a YouTube news source covering the trucking industry has reported that Montgomery Transport LLC, a Birmingham, Alabama-based trucking company, filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy and ceased operations effective immediately. 1000 employees out of work as trucker files for bankruptcy. The sudden shutdown has left hundreds of drivers stranded across America as the company's leadership instructed them to halt operations. This abrupt closure represents a significant disruption in the trucking industry and has created immediate challenges for both drivers and clients dependent on Montgomery's freight services.

1000 employees out of work as flatbed operator files for bankruptcy, October 9, 2025, www.freightwaves.com

US/WORLD

Federal Signal acquires New Way Trucks

The McLaughlin family has signed a definitive agreement to sell Scranton Manufacturing, which operates under the New Way Trucks brand, to Federal Signal. After more than 50 years in operation, the central Iowa-based business — a privately held refuse equipment manufacturer — will become part of Federal Signal’s specialty vehicle portfolio. The deal is expected to close before the end of the year, subject to regulatory approval and customary closing conditions. *Federal Signal acquires New Way Trucks, October 6, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com*

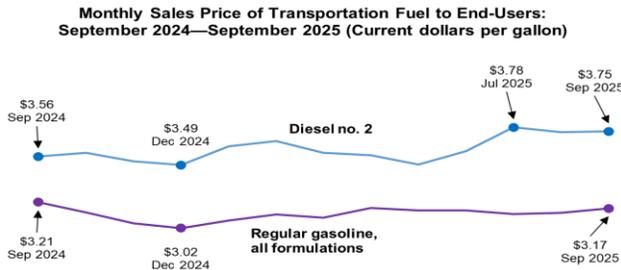
Transportation capacity grew faster than pricing again in September

The Logistics Managers’ Index – a diffusion index in which a reading above 50 indicates expansion while one below 50 signals contraction – registered a 55.1 reading for available transportation capacity in September 2025. That was a 2.2 percentage point decline from August 2025 but still represented a faster growth rate than the transportation pricing index (54.2). The Tuesday, October 7, 2025 report termed the occurrence as a “negative freight inversion.” “In the past, anytime we have seen three consecutive months of either a positive or negative inversion it has signaled a significant shift in the transportation market,” the report said. “This is not a prediction of a freight recession, but that would change if these dynamics remain on their current trajectory.” *Transportation capacity grew faster than pricing again in September, October 7, 2025, www.freightwaves.com*

In September 2025, the average U.S. price for regular motor gasoline was \$3.17 per gallon; up 1.1% from August 2025 and down 1.5% from September 2024. By region, the average price for regular motor gasoline and year-over-year change in September 2025 was: West Coast: \$4.23 (up 3.1%); Central Atlantic: \$3.18 (down 2.4%); Rocky Mountain: \$3.18 (down 6.5%); New England: \$3.08 (down 2.4%); Midwest: \$3.01 (down 2.6%); Lower Atlantic: \$2.91 (down 3.7%); and Gulf Coast: \$2.73 (down 1.0%). The average price for diesel no. 2 rose to \$3.75 in September 2025, up 0.1% from August 2025, and up 5.3% from September 2024.

Motor Fuel Prices – September 2025, October 7, 2025, www.bts.gov

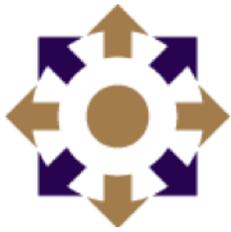
Motor Fuel Prices – September 2025



Notes: Regular motor gasoline (all formulations) and diesel no. 2 (on-highway diesel) fuel prices are retail prices and include taxes paid by the end-user. On-highway diesel does not include bio-diesel or other alternative fuels.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, available at <https://www.eia.gov/opendata/qb.php> (series id =EMM_EPMR_PTE_NUS_DPG, EMD_EPD2D_PTE_NUS_DPG, EMA_EPJK_PTG_NUS_DPG, EMA_EPPV_PTG_NUS_DPG) as of 10/06/2025.

Source: BTS



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Minister's 30-Day Review Must Address Commercial IT Outage Issues



Source: Ontruck

On the heels of the significant and highly disruptive Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) IT system outage last week of September 2025, recent media reports have indicated that Minister of Public Safety, the Honourable Gary Anandsangaree, has ordered the agency to produce a report within 30 days detailing the incident and corrective steps to prevent future occurrences. Although these initial reports indicate that an investigation into the recent kiosk outages at Canadian airports will be part of this report, it is also expected to include investigations into root causes and preventative measures to prevent the IT system outages that have impacted commercial operations at the CBSA as well.

Minister's 30-Day Review Must Address Commercial IT Outage Issues, October 6, 2025, www.ontruck.ca

Public safety minister orders review into CBSA's IT outage



Source: Today's Trucking

Public Safety Minister Gary Anandsangaree has ordered the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) to produce a report within 30 days following last week's widespread IT system outage that disrupted airport kiosks and commercial operations at the border. While the initial reports indicate that an investigation into the recent kiosk outages at Canadian airports will be part of this report, it is also expected to include investigations into the root causes of the outage and preventative measures.

Public safety minister orders review into CBSA's IT outage, October 7, 2025, www.todaystrucking.com

Travel arrangement services, 2024



Source: Statcan

The operating revenue of the travel arrangement and reservation services industry group rose 7.1% to a record high of \$16.5 billion in 2024. This was the first single-digit rate of change since 2019, suggesting a return to more typical conditions and the end of the phase of recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. Operating revenue was 12.7% higher in 2024 compared with 2019. Nevertheless, the Consumer Price Index—which represents changes in prices as experienced by Canadian consumers—rose at a faster pace, increasing 18.3% over the same period. Canada welcomed 29.8 million foreign tourists in 2024, and Canadians made 52.0 million international trips. However, foreign visits to Canada (-2.6 million) and Canadian trips abroad (-4.4 million) remained below their pre-pandemic levels.

Travel arrangement services, 2024, October 6, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

Canadian international merchandise trade, August 2025



Source: Statcan

In August 2025, Canada's merchandise exports fell 3.0%, while imports were up 0.9%. As a result, Canada's merchandise trade deficit with the world widened from \$3.8 billion in July to \$6.3 billion in August 2025. Despite the high volatility in Canadian exports since the beginning of 2025, and the implementation of tariffs by the US

government, total exports for the first eight months of the year were still up slightly (+0.3%) compared with the same period in 2024. Overall, decreases were observed in 8 of the 11 product sections in August 2025. In real (or volume) terms, total exports were down 2.8%. Following a 1.3% decrease in July, total imports rose 0.9% in August. The gain was largely the result of an increase in imports of metal and non-metallic mineral products, for which large imports of unwrought gold were reported in August. Excluding this product section, total imports were down 1.0%. Overall, decreases were observed in 6 of 11 product sections. Higher prices contributed to the monthly increase in imports; in real (or volume) terms, total imports were down 0.3% in August.

Canadian international merchandise trade, August 2025, October 7, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

Canadian international trade in services, August 2025



Source: Statcan

Canada's monthly international trade in services surplus narrowed from \$0.4 billion in July 2025 to \$0.3 billion in August 2025. Overall, exports of services edged down 0.2% to \$18.7 billion, and imports of services remained unchanged, at \$18.4 billion. Exports of travel services fell 1.7% to \$5.4 billion in August 2025, mostly due to a decrease in spending in Canada by travellers from countries other than the United States. Exports of commercial services rose 0.8% to \$11.2 billion, led by an increase in financial services. Exports of transportation services were down 1.4% to \$1.9 billion. Imports of commercial services increased 0.8% to \$10.5 billion in August 2025, mostly due to an increase in financial services. Imports of transportation services declined 1.5% to \$3.2 billion, as services related to the marine transportation of goods and passenger fares fell. Imports of travel services were down 0.7% to \$4.5 billion.

Canadian international trade in services, August 2025, October 7, 2025, www.statcan.gc.ca

🛑 Trump promises trade fairness for Canada, noncommittal on USMCA deal



Source: AJOT

President Donald Trump on Tuesday, October 7, 2025 promised to treat Canada fairly in talks over punishing U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods, but was less committed about a continental trade deal that also includes Mexico. "I think they're going to walk away very happy," Trump said, referring to Canada, in Oval Office remarks ahead of a meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney to discuss trade. "We're going to treat people fairly. We're going to especially treat Canada fairly." Trump, complaining that "we're the king of being screwed" by trading partners, said Washington would continue to target some Canadian exports. Carney, making his second visit to the White House in five months, is under increasing pressure to address U.S. tariffs on steel, autos, and other goods that are hurting Canada's economy. Carney initially responded to tariffs by pushing for a separate trade and security deal with the United States, but as talks ran into trouble, he switched his attention to a review of the U.S.-Canada-Mexico free trade deal scheduled for next year. "We can renegotiate it, and that would be good, or we could just do different deals," said Trump. "We might make deals that are better for the individual countries."

Trump promises trade fairness for Canada, noncommittal on USMCA deal, October 7, 2025, www.ajot.com

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🛑 Trump to impose 25% tariff on trucks starting Nov. 1



Source: Freightwaves

President Donald Trump said on Monday, October 6, 2025 that he will impose a 25% tariff on medium- and heavy-duty trucks next month. "Beginning November 1st, 2025, all Medium and Heavy Duty Trucks coming into the United States from other Countries will be Tariffed at the Rate of 25%," Trump wrote in a [Truth Social](#) post. The decision also follows a federal probe launched in April by the Commerce Department under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act, which allows the government to impose import taxes on goods considered vital to national security. The 25% tariff is aimed at protecting U.S. manufacturers like Peterbilt and Kenworth parent company PACCAR, according to an earlier [social media post](#) from Trump. This development led to a rise in PACCAR's stock price and a more modest boost for Ford, as domestic producers are expected to gain a competitive advantage from the tariffs

Trump to impose 25% tariff on trucks starting Nov. 1, October 6, 2025, www.freightwaves.com



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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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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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CILTNA 2025 FALL OUTLOOK CONFERENCE & ANNUAL DINNER

“In Search of Advantage During Volatile Times: Leveraging Opportunities in Logistics and Transportation”

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025
 LUNCHEON & WORKSHOP - 11:30 ET
 CILTNA AGM - 17:00 ET
 RECEPTION - 17:45 ET
 ANNUAL DINNER - 18:45 ET

RIDEAU CLUB – 15th Floor, 99 BANK ST. OTTAWA, ON

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REGISTER NOW for the **CILTNA 2025 Fall Outlook Conference & Annual Dinner: “In Search of Advantage During Volatile Times: Leveraging Opportunities in Logistics and Transportation”** on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at the Rideau Club, 15th Floor, 99 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON.

View the agenda [HERE](#).

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CILTNA 2025 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

6 November 2025

5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. ET

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The 2025 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport – North America (CILTNA) will be held on 06 November 2025 commencing at 5:00 PM ET at the Rideau Club, 99 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON.

Please also find the AGM Notice of Meeting, Agenda, Information Circular, Form of Proxy, and 2024 Minutes. Please review them carefully by clicking here: [AGM Package and Proxy Form](#).

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Date: Friday, November 14th, 2025 at 17:45
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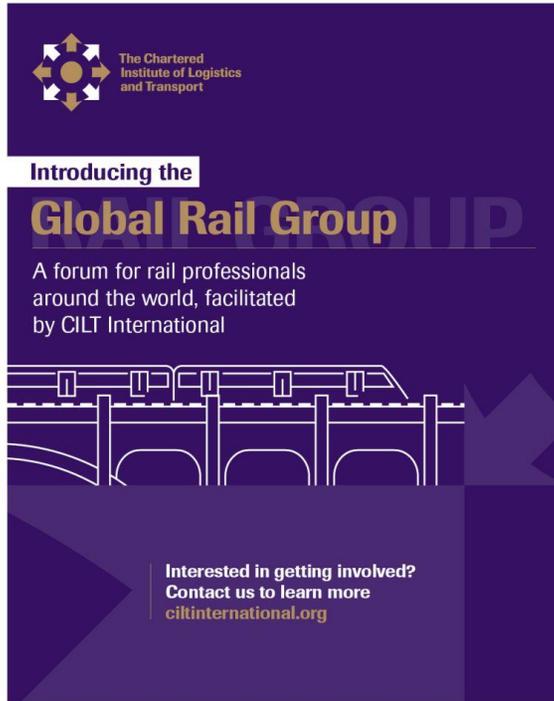
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At the annual Silver Wings Industry and Scholarship Awards Celebration on November 14th, 2025, the BCAC recognizes aviation and aerospace industry colleagues for specific achievements. As well, they disburse almost \$200,000.00 through our Aviation 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.

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

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The GRG is a new professional practice network connecting rail experts worldwide, spanning high-speed rail, light rail, metro and urban systems, regional and intercity rail, and rail freight.

Founded and led by Andrew Young FCILT (Chair) and Darren King FCILT (Vice Chair), the Group will provide a platform for sharing knowledge, developing thought leadership and advancing sustainable, efficient rail systems across the globe.

Find out more and apply to join here [👉 https://ow.ly/pR9I50WXvIY](https://ow.ly/pR9I50WXvIY)

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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*** Supply Chain Specialist, Bombardier, Dorval, QC, Canada**

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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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* **Director, Intermodal Optimization, Halifax Port Authority, Halifax, NS, Canada**

With a core mandate to facilitate the movement of goods and people in support of economic development, and a commitment to safe, efficient, and sustainable operations, the Halifax Port Authority (HPA) plays a vital role as a strategic gateway to global markets. As a strategic port operator, HPA creates value for customers, partners, visitors, and the broader community through its three pillars of business: cargo, cruise, and real estate. The port is a hub of international connectivity, with the world's largest shipping lines calling here and linking Halifax to over 150 countries.

To advance its commitment to innovation and operational excellence, the Halifax Port Authority is seeking a Director, Intermodal Optimization. This is a strategic leadership role designed to optimize the efficiency and transparency of Halifax's supply chain performance through collaboration with the port's principal operators while analyzing and aligning with market demands and financial objectives. Reporting to the Senior Vice President, the Director ensures service level commitments are developed and met through data-driven planning, execution, and continuous improvement. The role involves managing a structured improvement cycle (Plan, Execute, Measure, Adjust), collaborating with key stakeholders, and delivering insights that support operational fluidity. With a focus on facilitation, the Director helps maintain the Port's competitiveness by aligning with national mandates, responding to market needs, and contributing to throughput growth, revenue generation, and long-term sustainability.

HPA is seeking a seasoned professional in supply chain with analytics experience working in container terminal and/or intermodal operations. The successful candidate brings strategic thinking, broad business acumen, and a proven ability to lead analytics or data-driven teams in client-facing environments. With the credibility to serve as an effective facilitator, strong communication and interpersonal skills are essential, along with fluency in performance reporting and metrics. The ability to work independently, manage competing priorities, and maintain

composure under pressure is critical. A second international language is considered an asset. This position demands analytical rigor, discretion, and adaptability, as well as the capacity to build and sustain effective relationships across a wide range of stakeholders.

To Apply

To fill this position, Halifax Port Authority has partnered with leadership advisory firm Odgers. Applications are encouraged immediately and should be submitted online ideally at <https://careers.odgers.com/en-ca/30704>

We thank all those who express an interest, however only those chosen for further development will be contacted.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Halifax Port Authority (HPA) embraces a culture of belonging. No matter who you are, where you're from, how you think, what you believe in, or whom you love, HPA welcomes your application. HPA is made up of diverse backgrounds with unique perspectives and experiences. They encourage applications from 2SLGBTQ+, Black, Indigenous, and people of colour, women, newcomers to Canada, and people with disabilities. If you require any accommodation in the application and interview process, please get in touch.

Odgers is deeply committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all the work that we do. As part of our efforts to better understand our ability to reach as broad a pool of candidates as possible for our searches, our DEI team would like to encourage you to take a moment and access our Self-Declaration Form.

* **Materials Planning and Logistics Manager, Wichita Falls, TX, USA**

Job Description

Main Tasks

- Lead the location specific logistics, materials, and production planning initiatives.
- Assure adherence of safety specifications and processes in the logistics areas that use powered industrial trucks and manual material handling equipment.
- Oversight of Logistics/TMS support- carrier related concerns.

- Lead and support of material handling improvements
- Use Lean manufacturing methodologies in the value chain to drive continuous improvement.
- Work with Sales, Inventory, Operations, Planning lead to drive inventory reduction projects.
- Ensure level loading of the production planning processes for inventory optimization
- Support development and maintenance of PFEP, replenishment, and flow of material strategies into standardized processes.
- Measure and own Logistic Key Performance Indicators such as inventory turns, material variance, on-time delivery (fill rate).
- Study and standardize procedures to improve efficiency of workers.
- Interview and hire new employees.
- Partner with Manufacturing to ensure coordination of other functions such as production planning, raw and finished goods inventory management,
- Leads the communication collaboratively within the site support functions and sales team.
- Conduct annual performance reviews and provide continual feedback on both positive and constructive performance.
- Ensure teams have processes in place to control non-conformance materials to initiate corrective actions, ensure that the commodities are inspected for conformity with other specifications and checked for defects
- Ensure that all activities regarding the transport logistics and/or production logistics and/or logistics planning are performed in time and budget.
- Ensure that the project stages are adequately managed and deadlines are met, ensure that the customer and supplier conditions and requirements are considered.

Your Profile

Education:

Bachelor's degree Required.

Experience:

- 5 years of experience in a logistics capacity or similar with 3 years supervisory experience
- Manufacturing/industry Distribution experience required.
- Lean Manufacturing experience desired.

- Experience or knowledge of raw materials planning/production scheduling process.
- Working knowledge of ERP systems, SAP, SAGE, etc
- Skills:
- Strong communication skills at all levels of the organization.
- Customer and supplier orientation, organization and coordination skills
- Self-initiative and ability to work under pressure
- Interpersonal skills and problem solving skills necessary to work in a cooperative, positive team approach.
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