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Air Transport Updates

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 **Air Canada suspends all flights to Tel Aviv and Dubai until March 23**



Source: National Post

Air Canada announced on Monday, February 2, 2026 that it has suspended all flights to and from Dubai and Tel Aviv, with a plan to restart on March 23, 2026. In a [press release](#) shared on social media, the airline also told passengers not to head to the airport if they are in either of these regions. "Your safety is our top priority," it said. The airline said it will be contacting customers directly, and notes that changes to such flights can be made free of charge. It also notes that customers travelling to other cities in the area between now and March 15 can change their flights free of charge to another date between now and March 31, subject to availability in the cabin, and provided the ticket was purchased no later than Feb. 28.

Air Canada suspends all flights to Tel Aviv and Dubai until March 23, March 2, 2026, www.nationalpost.ca

US/WORLD

 **Air Cargo Demand up 5.6% in January 2026**



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for January 2026 global air cargo markets showing: 1. Total demand, measured in cargo tonne-kilometers (CTK), rose by 5.6% compared to January 2025 levels (+7.2% for international operations). 2. Capacity, measured in available cargo tonne-kilometers (ACTK), increased by 3.6% compared to January 2025 (+5.7% for international operations). Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General said "The demand for air cargo had a robust start to 2026, recording 5.6% year-on-year growth in January. At the regional level, the story is more polarized. Carriers in Africa, Middle East, Asia-Pacific, and Europe all reported faster growth than the global average. In contrast, carriers in the Americas reported aggregate contractions. ..."

Air Cargo Demand up 5.6% in January 2026, March 2, 2026, www.iata.org

✈️ Screened passenger traffic at Canadian airports, January 2026



Source: Statcan

In January 2026, 4.5 million passengers passed through pre-board security screening at checkpoints operated at Canada's eight largest airports, up 5.1% from January 2025 and 4.0% above the pre-COVID-19 pandemic level in January 2020. In January 2026, transborder traffic (to the United States) fell 7.9% from January 2025 to 1.1 million screened passengers, marking the 12th consecutive month of year-over-year decline. Transborder passenger counts for January 2026 were 12.5% below the pre-pandemic level from January 2020. In January 2026, seven of the eight largest airports posted higher volumes of screened passenger traffic year over year. Only Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson International (-0.1%) posted a slight decrease.

Screened passenger traffic at Canadian airports, January 2026, March 2, 2026, www.statcan.gc.ca

✈️ 2026 Begins with 3.8% Air Passenger Demand Growth



Source: IATA

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) released data for January 2026 global passenger demand with the following highlights: 1. **Total demand**, measured in revenue passenger kilometers (RPK), was up 3.8% compared to January 2025. Total capacity, measured in

available seat kilometers (ASK), increased 3.5% year-on-year. The load factor was 82.0% (+0.2 ppt compared to January 2025), a record high for January. 2. **International demand** rose 5.9% compared to January 2025. Capacity was up 5.8% year-on-year, and the load factor was 82.5% (+0.1 ppt compared to January 2025). 3. **Domestic demand** increased 0.1% compared to January 2025. Capacity was down -0.4% year-on-year. The load factor was 81.2% (+0.4 ppt compared to January 2025). January demand was skewed by a shift in the Lunar New Year from January in 2025 to February in 2026. Lunar New Year typically drives a spike in demand, as families reconnect to celebrate the holiday. The year-on-year comparison has the effect of making January 2026 demand appear slightly weaker. Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General said "The timing of the Lunar New Year partly explains the slightly slower 3.8% expansion in January, but the fundamentals are in place for demand to continue strong growth in 2026. Schedule data, for example, indicate a 5.2% increase in global seat capacity by March, which would be the fastest expansion since April 2024. Events over the weekend have, however, introduced some uncertainty into the evolution of traffic and fuel costs. We all hope for an early peaceful resolution to the current hostilities. In the meantime, it is critical that states respect their obligation to keep civilians, and civil aviation free from harm."

2026 Begins with 3.8% Air Passenger Demand Growth, March 2, 2026, www.iata.org

✈️ Freight levels prove robust as 2026 gets off to a flying start

Willie Walsh, IATA's Director General said "The demand for air cargo had a robust start to 2026, recording 5.6% year-on-year growth in January 2026. At the regional level, the story is more polarized. Carriers in Africa, Middle East, Asia-Pacific, and Europe all reported faster growth than the global average. In contrast, carriers in the Americas reported aggregate contractions. The resilience of air cargo will continue to be tested in the coming months. In addition to the long-running uncertainties of evolving US trade policies, the outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East will both weigh heavy on global supply chains." Several factors in the operating environment should be noted, such as the global goods trade growing by 4.9% year-on-year in December 2025, jet fuel prices decreasing by 6.5% year-on-year in January 2026, and global manufacturing sentiment strengthening in the same month. The latter saw the global Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rising above the 50-point expansion threshold to 51.8, its highest level in over a year and a half. The PMI for new export orders climbed to 49.9, slightly below the growth threshold but the highest in 10 months, reflecting mixed but cautiously optimistic industrial growth.

Freight levels prove robust as 2026 gets off to a flying start, March 4, 2026, www.airlinesiata.com

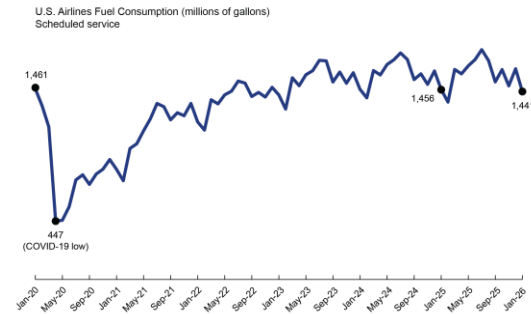
✈️ Air Canada's Fleet Transformation Takes Flight as 737 MAX Aircraft Begin Air Canada Rouge Service



Source: Air Canada

Air Canada on March 5, 2026 announced the first of its updated Boeing 737 MAX 8 aircraft has entered service at Air Canada Rouge, introducing the industry's best leisure carrier experience. This marks the latest milestone in Rouge's comprehensive cabin renewal program, focused on delivering a more comfortable, connected, and consistent onboard experience. This fleet transition will allow most customers flying Rouge leisure and sun routes across North America and the Caribbean to enjoy upgraded interiors, including personal seatback entertainment, reclining seats and complimentary Fast, Free Wi-Fi sponsored by Bell. Mark Nasr, Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer at Air Canada said "When customers step onto our aircraft, they should instantly feel a sense of comfort, care, and pride." *Air Canada's Fleet Transformation Takes Flight as 737 MAX Aircraft Begin Air Canada Rouge Service, March 5, 2026, www.aircanada.ca*

✈️ U.S. Airlines' January 2026 Aviation Fuel Consumption down 10.8%, and Fuel Cost per Gallon up 1.8% from December 2025



Source: BTS

The Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) on March 5, 2026 released U.S. airlines' January 2026 fuel cost and consumption numbers indicating U.S. scheduled service airlines used 1.441 billion gallons of fuel, 10.8% less fuel than in December 2025 (1.614 billion gallons) and 1.0% less fuel than January 2025 (1.456 billion gallons). The cost per gallon of fuel in January 2026 (\$2.36) was up 4 cents (1.8%) from December 2025 (\$2.32) and down 6 cents (2.7%) from January 2025 (\$2.42). Total January 2026 fuel expenditure (\$3.40B) was down 9.2% from December 2025 (\$3.74B) and down 3.7% from January 2025 (\$3.53B). *U.S. Airlines' January 2026 Aviation Fuel Consumption down 10.8%, and Fuel Cost per Gallon up 1.8% from December 2025, March 5, 2026, www.bts.gov*



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Rail Transport Updates

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Freight Rail Services Price Index, February 2026



Source: Statcan

Data for February for the Freight Rail Services Price Index (2018=100) are available on Statistics Canada website. The index for February 2026 is 130.1 compared to 137.1 for January 2026 and 129.1 in February 2025. Indices for individual commodities are available on the website.

Freight Rail Services Price Index, February 2026, February 27, 2026, www.statcan.gc.ca

New Report Concludes VIA Rail is 'Well-Managed,' Recommends Improvements



Source: Railway Age

VIA Rail Canada Inc. (VIA Rail) recently released the report of a special examination completed by the Office of the Auditor General of Canada that focused on the agency's management practices and its management of operations. The report concludes that VIA Rail is "well-managed" but provides recommendations for improvement in several areas. Two of the nine major recommendations were on performance: 1. The corporation should continue to actively engage with the Minister of Transport and central agencies to identify and resolve the causes of delays in corporate plan approval ensuring timely endorsement to support effective governance and implementation of strategic priorities. 2. The corporation should collaborate with third-party asset owners to identify and address the causes of service delays to enhance its service offering and advance its strategic objective." The Corporation agreed with these recommendations. The other recommendations were on corporate governance. *New Report Concludes VIA Rail is 'Well-Managed,' Recommends Improvements, March 2026, www.railwayage.com; and Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Board of Directors of VIA Rail Canada Inc., 2026, www.canada.ca*

CPKC sets new February monthly grain records



Source: CPKC

Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) said on March 3, 2026 it has broken its February monthly record for transporting Canadian grain and grain products, moving 2.232 million metric tonnes (MMT) in February 2026. This new February achievement beat the previous tonnage record set in February 2021. Last month's 23,088 carloads also set a new February monthly record, beating the previous high set in February 2021. Elizabeth Hucker, Vice-President Sales and Marketing Bulk said "This is the second straight monthly Canadian grain record and it continues a strong start to 2026 as our railroaders work safely and efficiently with our supply chain collaborators to move a record grain crop across Western Canada."

CPKC sets new February monthly grain records, March 3, 2026, www.cpkc.ca

CPKC announces US \$1.2 billion debt offering

Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited (CPKC) announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, is issuing US \$600 million of 4.000% Notes due 2029 and US \$600 million of 5.500% Notes due 2056, which will be guaranteed by CPKC. The offering is expected to close on March 6, 2026, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

CPKC announces US \$1.2 billion debt offering, March 4, 2026, www.cpkc.ca

CN Releases its 2025 Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan Annual Report

CN on March 4, 2026 released its Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan (IRAP) Annual Report, reaffirming its commitment to advancing reconciliation through measurable actions. Tracy Robinson, President and Chief Executive Officer, CN said "Our progress reflects our commitment to listen, learn and act with transparency and humility. Several milestones marked this year's success, demonstrating that reconciliation is not a destination but a journey that requires engagement and accountability. While we are proud of the progress we have made, we remain determined to continue to challenge ourselves and remain focused on building stronger relationships with Indigenous communities."

CN Releases its 2025 Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan Annual Report, March 4, 2026, www.cn.ca

CN Reports February Grain Movement

CN announced March 5, 2026 its best February on record for grain movement, shipping more than 2.67 million metric tonnes of grain from Western Canada. Building on its strong start to the year, CN continued to demonstrate its ability to meet heightened seasonal demand during peak grain shipping periods. As grain volumes typically accelerate through the winter months following harvest, CN continues to proactively position resources and work with its grain customers and supply chain partners to support farmers in efficiently getting Canadian grain to domestic and global markets.

CN Reports February Grain Movement, March 5, 2026, www.cn.ca

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For BNSF, 2025 Revenue, Volume Flat



Source: Railway Age

Berkshire Hathaway-owned BNSF posted total revenue and volume that for 2025 were relatively unchanged from 2024 and that for fourth-quarter 2025 saw declines. Total revenues for the fourth quarter decreased 3% and were relatively unchanged for the full year 2025 compared with the same periods in 2024. The fourth quarter decrease was primarily due to a 4% decline in unit volumes, partially offset by a 2% increase in average revenue per car/unit resulting from higher yield. Revenues for the full year reflected a 1% decline in average revenue per car/unit resulting from lower fuel surcharge and unfavourable business mix, partially offset by higher yield. For the fourth quarter of 2025, total revenue was \$5,976m, operating income was \$2,074m, and net income was \$1,347m, a change of -3%, 11%, and 5%. Operating expenses declined 8% to \$3,902m. Operating ratio in the 2025 fourth quarter was 65.2 compared to 69.4 in the same quarter in 2024.

For BNSF, 2025 Revenue, Volume Flat March 3, 2026, www.railwayage.com

The Union Pacific-Norfolk Southern merger is built for reliability



Source: AJOT

A transcontinental railroad is a more reliable railroad. Fewer handoffs mean fewer opportunities for delay while expediting our customers' shipments. A larger pool of crews and locomotives means better resilience and faster recovery. One customer service system means one team responsible for resolving issues from origin to destination. Those long-term benefits are clear. Still, some stakeholders worry that a merger between Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern could cause short-term disruption. Our railroads operate in different parts of the country, with virtually no overlap. Most trains will continue running exactly as they do today. Most yards and terminals will see little change in activity. The biggest initial change will be to streamline traffic the railroads currently interchange, which will actually reduce opportunities for service disruptions while creating capacity at current interchange points. We can move slowly and deliberately, working in phases to ensure success. This will be the most carefully planned merger integration in railroad history. The partners are stronger, our technology is superior and the networks are entirely different. The result will be a smooth integration that provides customers with greater reliability, faster service and a lower cost structure.

The Union Pacific-Norfolk Southern merger is built for reliability, March 3, 2026, www.ajot.com

Rail Traffic Up for Third Consecutive Week



Source: Railway Age

For the week ending Feb. 28, 2026, total U.S. rail traffic rose 1.6% from the same point last year, with carload gains offsetting intermodal losses, according to the Association of American Railroads' (AAR) latest report. This marked the third consecutive week of traffic upticks. Total carloads for the week ending February 28 were 238,131 carloads, up 6.9 percent compared with the same week in 2025, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 278,598 containers and trailers, down 2.5 percent compared to 2025. Eight of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2025. They included grain, up 4,210 carloads, to 25,210; coal, up 3,864 carloads, to 63,950; and chemicals, up 2,900 carloads, to 36,642. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2025 were forest products, down 427 carloads, to 7,905; and miscellaneous carloads, down 302 carloads, to 8,599. Canadian railroads reported 93,668 carloads for the week, up 2.5 percent, and 74,256 intermodal units, up 11.3 percent compared with the same week in 2025. For the first eight weeks of 2026, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 1,274,116 carloads, containers and trailers, up 2.5 percent.

[Rail Traffic Up for Third Consecutive Week, March 4, 2026, www.railwayage.com](http://www.railwayage.com)



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Port of Metro Vancouver: Container Statistics January 2026

For the **Port of Metro Vancouver**, total traffic for January 2026 in terms of TEUs changed **-3.93%** to 316,797 TEUs compared to 329,756 TEUs for the same period in 2025. Inbound traffic was 173,505 TEUs and outbound traffic was 143,293 TEUs, a change of 1.55% and -9.82% (i.e. from 897,972 TEUs and 807,536 TEUs) compared to the same period in 2025.

Port of Metro Vancouver: Container Statistics January 2026, March 4, 2026, www.portmetrovancover.com

Port of Metro Halifax: Container Statistics for the fourth quarter of 2025 and for 2025

For the **Port of Halifax**, for the 2025 fourth quarter, total container traffic in TEUs changed -30% i.e. to 117,452 from 167,710 in the fourth quarter of 2024. Total import traffic for the **fourth** quarter of 2025 changed -36.4% i.e. to 59,018 from 92,791 in the fourth quarter of 2024. Total export traffic for the **fourth** quarter of 2025 changed -22.0% i.e. to 58,434 from 74,919 in the third quarter of 2024. For 2025, total container traffic in TEUs changed -1.4% i.e. to 502,180 from 509,273 in of 2024. Total import traffic for 2025 changed -2.9% i.e. to 257,552 from 265,260 in 2024. Total export traffic for the 2025 changed 0.3% i.e. to 244,628 from 244,013 in 2024. Cruise passengers fell 0.7% in 2025 to 357,003 from 359,579. The decline was due to the fall in passenger traffic in the first quarter (-14.3%), not withstanding the positive results in the second quarter (+0.2%) and third quarter (+3.3%).

Port of Metro Halifax: Container Statistics for the fourth quarter of 2025 and for 2025, March 5, 2026, www.portofhalifax.ca

US/WORLD

Shipping avoids Middle East region after US, Israel begin strikes on Iran



Source: JOC

Commercial shipping and airlines continued to avoid the Middle East on Sunday, March 1, 2026 as the US and Israel launched a second day of massive military strikes on Iran. The bombardment, meanwhile, prompted Tehran-backed Houthi militants in Yemen to threaten retaliation by saying they may resume attacks on commercial shipping in the Red Sea. Airlines have suspended passenger and freighter flights across the Middle East and the US has established a maritime warning zone in the Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, North Arabian Sea and the Strait of Hormuz, effectively placing the region out of bounds to shipping.

Shipping avoids Middle East region after US, Israel begin strikes on Iran, February 28, 2026, www.joc.com

🚢 What Would Closure of the Strait of Hormuz Mean for Shipping?

Hormuz is dominated by oil tankers and liquid natural gas carriers, so disruption directly hits global energy supplies. In addition, a lesser-known dependency is that one-third of the world's fertiliser trade passes through the strait. Both energy and agricultural supply chains have already been destabilised by the Ukraine war. Further price rises could have far-reaching consequences. The Strait of Hormuz is one of the world's most important waterways, with 20% of the global trade in oil flowing through a narrow maritime channel according to Wikimedia Commons. Supply chains will be disrupted as they rely on predictability. The persistent geopolitical uncertainty has complicated operations worldwide. Limited alternatives make the de facto closure of the Strait of Hormuz all the more impactful. The longer the disruption persists, the more significant and structural the economic damage will become.

What Would Closure of the Strait of Hormuz Mean for Shipping?, March 1, 2026, www.maritime-executive.com

🚢 TPM26: Middle East conflict to ripple across global trade lanes: industry experts



Source: JOC

The container shipping supply chain is bracing for the ripple effects of the war launched by the US and Israel against Iran that will be felt across global trade lanes, industry executives said on Monday, March 2, 2026. As the regional conflict extends into its third day, about 10% of the global container shipping fleet remains stranded inside the Persian Gulf or held up outside the critical waterway, according to Jeremy Nixon, CEO of Ocean Network Express (ONE). "Most of the carriers, including ONE, have had to stop all bookings to the Middle East, and it is a significant trade,"...

TPM26: Middle East conflict to ripple across global trade lanes: industry experts, March 2, 2026, www.joc.com

🚢 Study: Ocean Warming Puts "Constant Negative Pressure" on Fish Populations



Source: Maritime-Executive

A new meta-study published in Nature Ecology & Evolution suggests that ocean warming has an outsize impact on the total amount of fish in the water, enough to have major implications for global fisheries. The study, led by researchers at Spain's Museo Nacional de Ciencias Naturales, looked at hundreds of thousands of studies of fish populations in the Northern Hemisphere over a period of nearly 30 years, spanning 1993-2021. The vast data set covered more than 1,500 fish species and nearly 34,000 distinct populations, primarily in the Mediterranean, North Atlantic and Mediterranean.

Study: Ocean Warming Puts "Constant Negative Pressure" on Fish Populations, February 25, 2026, www.maritime-executive.com

🚢 Trump: U.S. Will Provide "Risk Insurance" For All Shipping in the Gulf



Source: Maritime-Executive

One day after leading marine insurance underwriters decided to withdraw war risk cover for the Persian Gulf and Strait of Hormuz, the White House has ordered a foreign-aid policy bank to begin offering "guarantees" for shipping of all nations through the strategic waterway. The decision, if implemented, would relieve pressure on foreign-flag shipowners and allow overseas energy buyers - particularly in China - to continue to purchase Mideast oil and gas. In a statement, President Donald Trump said that he has ordered the U.S. Development Finance Corporation (DFC) to provide "political risk insurance and guarantees"

for the financial security of all maritime trade - especially petroleum - in the Gulf region.

Trump: U.S. Will Provide "Risk Insurance" For All Shipping in the Gulf, March 3, 2026, www.maritime-executive.com

Middle East war slows trans-Pacific service contract talks further



Source: JOC

Container lines are pausing or slowing annual trans-Pacific service contract negotiations as they assess the impact the war in the Middle East will have on their cost structures and how much functional capacity they can offer. Ocean carriers and US importers had already been slow-walking negotiations for the 2026–27 service year, but the war — which has tied up between 2% and 10% of global container tonnage, according to various estimates — is preventing them from finalizing agreements.

Middle East war slows trans-Pacific service contract talks further, March 4, 2026, www.joc.com

Port of Oakland opens 2026 with modest cargo growth in January



Source: AJOT

The Port of Oakland began 2026 with steady cargo performance, handling 195,897 twenty-foot containers (TEUs) in January 2026, a

1.4% increase compared to January 2025 and a 9.1% rise from December 2025 volumes. The results signal a stable start to the year, supported primarily by stronger import activity following the holiday shipping season. Port of Oakland Maritime Director Bryan Brandes said “January’s results reflect a solid start to the year, with improving import activity and steady vessel calls. Oakland continues to deliver the reliability and efficiency that importers and exporters depend on as supply chains adjust to changing market conditions, including maintaining cargo flows during severe winter weather, supported by increased rail volumes overall, including through inland hubs such as Fernley, NV.”

Port of Oakland opens 2026 with modest cargo growth in January, March 4, 2026, www.ajot.com



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Road Transport Updates

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Ontario Taking Next Steps to Widen Highway 17 Between Renfrew and Arnprior

The Ontario government on February 27, 2026 issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to design the expansion of Highway 17 from two to four lanes between the Town of Renfrew and Arnprior. Highway 17 is a critical link in the Trans-Canada highway system and a vital trade corridor, connecting communities across Eastern Ontario and supporting the movement of people and goods throughout the region.

Ontario Taking Next Steps to Widen Highway 17 Between Renfrew and Arnprior, February 27, 2026, www.ontruck.ca

REMINDER: CRA Compliance for the Trucking Industry Coming into Force

The CRA has lifted the moratorium on penalties for failing to report fees for services for the 2025 tax year and subsequent tax years. Businesses in this sector will now be assessed penalties if they fail to report payments for services exceeding \$500 in a calendar year that are made to a Canadian-controlled private corporation in the trucking industry. These payments must be reported to the CRA in box 048 – fees for services – of the T4A slip by February 28, 2026. Since this date falls on a Saturday, an information return will be considered on time if the CRA receives it or it is postmarked on or before March 2, 2026.

REMINDER: CRA Compliance for the Trucking Industry Coming into Force, February 27, 2026, www.cantruck.ca

For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, fourth quarter 2025



Source: Statcan

The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index (2021=100) for Canada is now available for the fourth quarter in the Statistics Canada website. For truck transportation the index was 122.1 for the fourth quarter of 2025 compared to 121.1 for the previous quarter and 121.7 for the same quarter a year ago. A breakdown of indices into general freight trucking and specialized freight trucking are also provided in the Statistics Canada website.

For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, fourth quarter 2025, March 3, 2026, www.statcan.gc.ca

IMC Logistics expands into Canada with new Toronto operation



Source: Today's Trucking

IMC Logistics is expanding into Canada with plans to launch a marine drayage operation in Toronto, marking the company's first international location. The Collierville, Tenn.-based logistics provider said the new facility is expected to become operational in the second quarter of 2026 and will support cross-border freight movements between Canada and the United States. Located near one of the busiest trade corridors between the two countries, the Toronto operation will allow IMC to move containerized cargo across North America while also offering domestic marine drayage services within Canada. "This expansion is part of an effort to better support Canadian shippers who are broadening their sourcing strategies to stay competitive," said Joel Henry, CEO of IMC Logistics, in a release. The company said growing container volumes and evolving supply chain strategies are driving demand for cross-border logistics capacity.

IMC Logistics expands into Canada with new Toronto operation, March 4, 2026, www.todaystrucking.com

Proposed Huron Church Road Truck Tolls Not Practical, Harmful to Windsor-Detroit Economy: OTA



Source: Ontruck

The Ontario Trucking Association (OTA) is questioning the proposal by the Mayor of Windsor to impose temporary tolls on trucks using Huron Church Road to access the Ambassador Bridge. The mayor has indicated the truck tolls would take effect May 1, 2026, and remain in place until the opening of the Gordie Howe International Bridge. The opening of the new international border crossing has been a major

topic of bilateral discussions in recent weeks but remains on schedule to open later this year. "The proposal does not make sense from a practical perspective by adding additional stops on an already congested stretch of road," says Lak Shoan, OTA's director of Policy and Industry Awareness Programs. "There could be ramifications to local businesses, the regional economy, and goods movement through a critical trade corridor."

Proposed Huron Church Road Truck Tolls Not Practical, Harmful to Windsor-Detroit Economy: OTA, March 6, 2026, www.ontruck.ca

US/WORLD

Trump's Transportation Secretary Announces \$100 Million in Funding to Enhance Public Transportation in 2026 FIFA World Cup Host Cities

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy on February 3, 2026 announced the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is investing \$100.3 million into public transit systems within host cities preparing to welcome millions of fans during the 2026 FIFA World Cup. The funding will ensure communities can expand transit options to meet increased demand in services around stadiums.

Trump's Transportation Secretary Announces \$100 Million in Funding to Enhance Public Transportation in 2026 FIFA World Cup Host Cities, February 3, 2026, www.dot.gov

Judge orders refunds after Supreme Court strikes down tariffs



Source: Today's Trucking

A judge with the U.S. Court of International Trade on March 4, 2026 ordered refunds for companies that paid tariffs later struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court. The court last month ruled it was not legal for President Donald Trump to use the *International Emergency Economic Powers Act*, better known as IEEPA, for his "Liberation Day" tariffs.

The Supreme Court ruling did not say whether there should be refunds, leaving companies that paid the duties to sue the federal government. In the trade court decision, Judge Richard Eaton said that all importers who paid IEEPA duties are “entitled to the benefit” of the Supreme Court’s decision. Eaton was ruling specifically on a case brought by Atmus Filtration, a filtration company in Tennessee, but said he will be the only judge to hear cases about refunds.

Judge orders refunds after Supreme Court strikes down tariffs, March 4, 2026, www.todaystrucking.com



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Gross domestic product, income and expenditure, fourth quarter 2025



Source: Statcan

Real gross domestic product declined 0.2% in the fourth quarter of 2025, after rising 0.6% in the third quarter. The fourth quarter decrease was due to withdrawals of business inventories following inventory accumulations in the third quarter. Offsetting some of the decline was higher exports, household spending and government capital investment. On a per capita basis, GDP was unchanged in the fourth quarter after increasing 0.5% in the previous quarter. Real GDP increased 1.7% in 2025, the slowest pace of annual growth since the decline in 2020. Lower exports, particularly to the United States, were the main contributor to the slower rise in GDP in 2025. *Gross domestic product, income and expenditure, fourth quarter 2025, February 27, 2026, www.statcan.gc.ca*

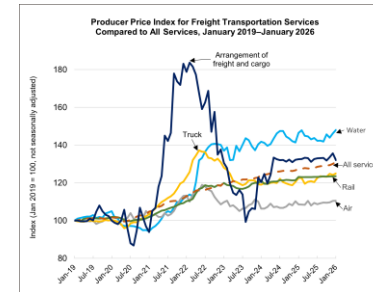
Trade Diversification Corridors Fund: Call for proposals now open

On March 3, 2026, the Honourable Steven MacKinnon, Minister of Transport and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, announced the launch of the calls for proposals for both the \$5 billion Trade Diversification Corridors Fund and the \$1 billion Arctic Infrastructure Fund. The first will be concerned with proposals on trade-enabling transportation infrastructure and help double non-U.S. exports. The second will be concerned with proposals on advancing strategic northern transportation projects.

Trade Diversification Corridors Fund: Call for proposals now open, March 4, 2026, www.tc.gc.ca

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Transportation Producer Price Index – January 2026



Source: BTS

The Transportation equipment PPI (Producers Prices Index) shows that prices increased for freight transportation and equipment 2.3% in January 2026 from January 2025. Increases in transportation services PPI indicate increases in production costs faced by industries purchasing the services. The PPI indicate the changes in transportation equipment prices faced by transportation providers, and any increase, increases providers costs. From January 2025 to January 2026, the transportation services PPI changed, by mode, as compared to all transportation and non-transportation services: 1. Air: +1.7%; 2. Rail: +0.3%; 3. Truck: +2.0%; 4. Water: +1.0%; 5. Arrangement of freight and cargo: -0.4%; and 6. All services (transportation and non-transportation): +2.9%. Transportation contributed 9.2% to the overall increase in costs faced by producers for transportation and non-transportation services

Transportation Producer Price Index – January 2026, February 27, 2026, www.bts.gov



Statement by the High Representative on behalf of the European Union on developments in the Middle East

The European Union follows developments in Iran and the Middle East with utmost concern. The European Union has adopted extensive sanctions in response to the actions of Iranian authorities, whether their brutal repression and human rights violations against the Iranian people or threats to the region and to European and international security, through Iran's ballistic missile and nuclear programmes, and its support for armed groups in the Middle East. We will continue to protect EU security and interests, including through additional sanctions. The European Union has consistently urged Iran to end Iran's nuclear programme, curb its ballistic missile programme, refrain from destabilizing activities in the region and in Europe, and to cease the appalling violence and repression against its own people.

Statement by the High Representative on behalf of the European Union on developments in the Middle East, March 1, 2026, www.europa.eu



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Policy and Practice: How Single Window Digitalisation Can Boost Canada's Trade Diversification

Tuesday, March 17th at 5:00 pm PT/ 7:00 pm CT/ 8:00 pm ET
8:00 am SGT (March 18)

Free 60-Minute Webinar

To register, please visit: <https://ciltna.com/events/policy-and-practice-how-single-window-digitalisation-can-boost-canadas-trade-diversification/>

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As Canada seeks to diversify and expand its trade in the Indo-Pacific, how can digitalisation facilitate cross-border data exchanges in both the regulatory and commercial realms? Join us for an international Webinar by CILT Singapore and CILTNA Pacific chapters to hear from two leading experts on the latest developments in trade policy reforms and trade technologies emerging in the Indo-Pacific region.

Join us for an international webinar by CILT Singapore and CILTNA Pacific chapter on Tuesday, March 17 at 5:00 pm PT/ 7:00 pm CT/ 8:00 pm ET on “Policy and Practice: How Single Window Digitalisation Can Boost Canada's Trade Diversification”

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Understanding Key Issues in the Canadian Steel Industry

Wednesday, April 8th at 12:00 pm ET/ 9:00 am PT/ 11:00 am CT
Free 60-Minute Webinar

To register, please visit: <https://ciltna.com/events/understanding-key-issues-in-the-canadian-steel-industry/>

Exclusive Interview with François Desmarais, Vice President, Trade & Industry Affairs, Canadian Steel Producers Association

Join us for an essential webinar covering the latest developments impacting Canada's steel industry. Whether you're a steel producer, importer, or related industry stakeholder, this webinar is designed to empower you in the face of tariff uncertainty.

This session offers timely insights into the geopolitical forces shaping the industry and equips you with the knowledge to tackle new challenges head-on.

François Desmarais
Vice President, Trade & Industry Affairs
Canadian Steel Producers Association

Joy Nott
Limited Partner, Trade and Customs
KPMG Canada

Join us on Wednesday, April 8th at 12 pm ET/ 9 am PT/ 11 am CT for the CILTNA webinar: “Understanding Key Issues in the Canadian Steel Industry” covering the latest developments impacting Canada's steel industry. Whether you're a steel producer, importer, or related industry stakeholder, this webinar is designed to empower you in the face of tariff uncertainty.

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Webinar Highlights:

- Comprehensive overview of current tariffs affecting steel trade between Canada and the US

- In-depth conversation on the recent geopolitical shifts impacting the industry
- Exclusive live interview with François Desmarais, Vice President, Trade & Industry Affairs at the Canadian Steel Producers Association
- Discussion on how the Canadian steel industry is responding to and navigating these challenges
- Interactive Q&A session where you can ask your most pressing questions

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Generis Group is excited to announce the 10th Annual American Supply Chain Summit, taking place from April 27-28, 2026!

This two-day event focuses on leadership and aims to explore essential case studies while fostering discussions on navigating trends in supply chain and logistics. It provides an excellent opportunity to network with supply chain executives across the industry.

Join the Generis Group for insightful conversations featuring key industry leaders and organizations discussing topics such as supply chain management, process optimization, supplier relationship management, and technology and innovation.

For more details about the program, the executive attendees, and additional information, please visit: <https://supplychainus.com/>

Job Postings

* Supply Chain Process Analyst, Action Force Transport, Brampton, ON, Canada

Languages

English

Education

- Bachelor's degree

Experience

1 year to less than 2 years

On site

Work must be completed at the physical location. There is no option to work remotely.

Responsibilities

Tasks

- Analyze and provide advice on the managerial methods and organization of an establishment
- Conduct research to determine efficiency and effectiveness of managerial policies and programs
- Propose improvements to methods, systems and procedures
- Plan the re-organization of operations
- Direct and advise staff in the development and implementation of service quality assessment strategies

Experience and specialization

Computer and technology knowledge

- MS Office
- Enterprise resource planning (ERP) software

Type of industry experience

- Automobile and Trucking industry

Area of specialization

- Business management
- Process improvement
- Business methods analysis
- Organizational analysis
- Management analysis
- Operations management
- Operational methods research
- Corporate development planning
- Revenue - cost analysis
- Program evaluation and review

Additional information

Security and safety

- Criminal record check

Personal suitability

- Excellent oral communication
- Excellent written communication
- Judgement
- Organized
- Time management

To apply, please visit: <https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/4381929545>

* Analyst, Inbound Logistics, lululemon, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Description & Requirements

Who We Are

lululemon is an innovative performance apparel company for yoga, running, training, and other athletic pursuits. Setting the bar in technical fabrics and functional design, we create transformational

products and experiences that support people in moving, growing, connecting, and being well. We owe our success to our innovative product, emphasis on stores, commitment to our people, and the incredible connections we make in every community we're in. As a company, we focus on creating positive change to build a healthier, thriving future. In particular, that includes creating an equitable, inclusive and growth-focused environment for our people.

About This Team

The Inbound Logistics team drives predictable, end-to-end logistics flows from global manufacturing locations to distribution and fulfillment centers through scalable operations, strong governance, and data-driven decision-making. The Inbound Logistics Optimization team partners cross-functionally to enable portfolio governance, process standardization, performance visibility, and financial stewardship while supporting execution of strategic initiatives. Together, the team ensures strategic inbound investments deliver measurable value and long-term operational resilience.

Core Responsibilities

- Support global inbound logistics initiatives and projects through data analysis, reporting, process development, and execution support, helping ensure alignment with scope, timelines, and business objectives.
- Develop, maintain, and enhance KPIs to track project and program performance.
- Maintain and govern Inbound Logistics SOPs, RACIs, and operational documentation to support standardization, audit readiness, and operational consistency.
- Support business continuity initiatives by maintaining playbooks, escalation frameworks, and risk mitigation documentation.
- Support CAPEX budget tracking, forecasting, variance analysis, and reporting in partnership with Finance and leadership teams.
- Collaborate cross-functionally with Supply Chain, Technology, Finance, and Operations partners to support inbound strategic initiative execution.
- Champion best practices related to data standards, policies, procedures, and documentation across inbound logistics processes.

Qualifications

- College or bachelor's degree in Supply Chain Management, Business, or related field.
- 3+ years of experience in logistics, supply chain operations, analytics, or project/ program support (retail, apparel or related industry preferred).
- Proficiency in data analysis and reporting tools (e.g., Excel, Power BI, SQL).
- Strong presentation and communication skills with the ability to clearly communicate insights and recommendations.
- Strong analytical, organizational, and problem-solving skills with high attention to detail.
- Experience with ERP systems and Infor Nexus is considered an asset.

Must Haves

- Acknowledge the presence of choice in every moment and take personal responsibility for your life.
- Possess an entrepreneurial spirit and continuously innovate to achieve great results.
- Communicate with honesty and kindness and create the space for others to do the same.
- Lead with courage, knowing the possibility of greatness is bigger than the fear of failure.
- Foster connection by putting people first and building trusting relationships.
- Integrate fun and joy as a way of being and working, aka doesn't take yourself too seriously.

Additional Notes

Authorization to work in Canada is required for this role.

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* Supply Chain Business Analyst II, Nike, Beaverton, OR, USA

About the job

Who You'll Work With

You will collaborate with supply chain stakeholders and senior business analysts to leverage data and drive business results. Your

focus will include aligning analytics with network readiness objectives and identify risks to drive growth within the network.

Who We Are Looking For

We are seeking a motivated self-started with a proven ability to use data analysis to solve complex business challenges. This individual thrives in a fast-paced, dynamic environment, is eager to learn new technologies, and can effortlessly transition between strategic long-term projects and ad-hoc tasks. Success in this role requires a strong analysis foundation, a collaborative mindset, and the ability to work effectively within a team-oriented environment.

Critical Experience Requirements

- Strong problem-solving and data storytelling skills to translate business challenges into actionable insights.
- Intermediate to advanced proficiency with analytical tools (SQL, Excel, Tableau, Alteryx, Snowflake, Databricks, etc.) Python/R is a plus.
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate across teams and stakeholders to drive impactful results.
- Bachelor's degree in Business or related field. Will accept any suitable combination of education, experience and training
- Ability to clearly communicate strategic vision and purpose to internal and external partners, utilizing multiple platforms to drive clarity.

Key Experiences To Gain

- Gain exposure to omnichannel supply chain operations and strategy
- Develop hands-on experience in building analyses to support trade-off decision-making to balance revenue, margin and operational efficiency
- Collaborate with diverse teams, including DC Operations, Accounts/Channels and Supply and Inventory Planning
- Strengthen prioritization skills in a fast-paced dynamic environment
- Learn and apply new technologies and methodologies to drive innovation

What You'll Work On

In this role, you will leverage your analytical expertise to provide actionable insights that drive operational excellence and maximize

revenue and margin. You will work cross-functionally to monitor and improve supply chain performance while contributing to the development of decision-making models and best practices for analytics:

- Mine and explore data sources to build analyses and data findings with clear action points to improve business operations
- Monitor and measure the health of the business through identifying and deploying success metrics in visualization
- Own and drive impactful insights including identifying continuous process improvement opportunities
- Track, trace and communicate omnichannel performance (e.g. DC health, inventory movement, etc.) and recommend solutions to Account, Channel and Seasonal teams
- Work with senior/lead business analysts to develop, leverage, and streamline reporting and analytics best practices
- Build, maintain, and elevate a decision-making model that will enable the MSC team to make better operational, tactical, and strategic decisions with regards to consumer value and profitability
- Participate in a "business analyst" network across the org to collaborate, share and learn

We offer a number of accommodations to complete our interview process including screen readers, sign language interpreters, accessible and single location for in-person interviews, closed captioning, and other reasonable modifications as needed.

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*** Logistics Manager, W.C. Bradley Co., Columbus, GA USA**

Job Summary

The Logistics Manager is responsible for managing and continuously improving domestic and international logistics operations through data analysis, reporting, and systems optimization. This role partners closely with warehousing, finance, and supply chain teams to drive cost efficiency, service performance, and risk mitigation using data-driven insights. The position emphasizes KPI development, dashboarding, trend analysis, and decision support while overseeing day-to-day logistics execution.

This position can be based in Columbus, GA or Scottsdale, AZ Duties and Responsibilities

Strategy & Operations

- Manage day-to-day inbound and outbound logistics operations across multiple transportation modes (ocean, air, truckload, LTL, parcel), ensuring service, cost, and compliance targets are met
- Support development and execution of logistics strategies aligned with business objectives, using analytics to guide trade-offs between cost, service, and speed
- Assist with annual logistics budgeting and forecasting through historical data analysis, scenario modeling, and variance reporting

Data Analytics & Reporting

- Design, maintain, and continuously improve logistics KPIs, dashboards, and scorecards covering cost, service, utilization, carrier performance, and inventory flow
- AI driven analyzes large datasets with from TMS, ERP, WMS, and carrier feeds to identify cost-reduction opportunities, service risks, and process inefficiencies
- Develop automated reporting and ad-hoc analyses to support leadership decision-making, budget tracking, and performance reviews
- Perform root-cause analysis on freight cost variances, accessorials, delays, claims, and service failures

Systems & Process Improvement

- Act as a power user and business owner for logistics systems (TMS, ERP, WMS), ensuring data accuracy, reporting integrity, and effective system utilization
- Support system implementations, enhancements, and integrations related to logistics analytics and reporting
- Standardize data definitions, reporting cadence, and performance metrics across logistics functions

Carrier & Vendor Management

- Support carrier sourcing, RFP analysis, lane benchmarking, and contract compliance through data-driven evaluations

- Monitor carrier performance metrics and participate in quarterly business reviews using structured analytics
- Identify and quantify savings opportunities related to rate optimization, mode shifts, consolidation, and network design

Compliance & Risk Management

- Ensure logistics data supports compliance with U.S. Customs, international trade regulations, tariffs, COO, and documentation requirements
- Monitor trends related to customs delays, duties, and regulatory risks and communicate insights to leadership

Cross-Functional Collaboration

- Partner with Finance on accruals, freight spend visibility, and budget risk communication
- Collaborate with Supply Chain, Planning, and Customer Service teams to improve end-to-end flow and service outcomes
- Present insights and recommendations clearly to both technical and non-technical stakeholders

Licensure / Certifications (Preferred)

- APICS certification (CSCP, CPIM) or equivalent
- Lean, Six Sigma, or data analytics certifications a plus

Qualification Requirements Minimum Education: Bachelor's degree in Business Administration or related field.

Minimum Work Experience: Five (5) years of international logistics experience in the consumer products industry with progressive responsibility for the transportation and importation of products across international borders..

License(s)/Certification(s): Certified Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) or Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) preferred.

Knowledge, Skills And Abilities Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Analytics & Technical Skills

- Advanced proficiency in Excel (pivot tables, Power Query, formulas); experience with Power BI, Tableau, or similar BI tools strongly preferred

- Strong experience analyzing data from ERP, TMS, and WMS platforms (e.g., SAP, Oracle, NetSuite, Manhattan, Blue Yonder)
- Ability to translate complex datasets into actionable insights and executive-ready summaries

Logistics & Compliance Knowledge

- Solid understanding of domestic and international transportation, freight costing, Incoterms, and carrier operations
- Working knowledge of U.S. Customs regulations, duty/tariffs, and trade compliance principles

Professional Skills

- Strong analytical, problem-solving, and critical-thinking skills
- Excellent attention to detail with the ability to see broader operational and financial impacts
- Strong communication skills, with the ability to present data-driven recommendations clearly
- Proven ability to manage multiple priorities in a fast-paced environment
- High degree of integrity, accountability, and continuous-improvement mindset

Physical Requirements Represents the appropriate physical requirements of the job in the course of the work.

Note: Reasonable accommodations may be made for individuals with disabilities in order to perform the essential functions of this job.

For employment within the United States, the W.C. Bradley Co. uses E-Verify to confirm the employment eligibility of all newly hired team members. To learn more about E-Verify, including your rights and responsibilities, please visit the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Service at www.uscis.gov/e-verify.

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