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**January Surface Trade with Canada and Mexico Fell 0.9 Percent from
January 2006
(State Rankings in Tables 5 and 7)**

Trade using surface transportation between the United States and its North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) partners Canada and Mexico totaled \$60.6 billion in January 2007, 0.9 percent less than in January 2006, according to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) of the U.S. Department of Transportation (*Table 1*).

BTS, a part of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), reported that total North American surface transportation trade rose 2.7 percent in January from December (*Table 2*). Month-to-month changes can be affected by seasonal variations and other factors.

Surface transportation consists largely of freight movements by truck, rail and pipeline. About 90 percent of U.S. trade by value with Canada and Mexico moves on land.

Total North American surface transportation trade value in January was up 46.8 percent compared to January 2002, and up 86.3 percent compared to January 1997, a period of 10 years (*Table 3*). Imports in January were up 97.9 percent compared to January 1997, while exports were up 72.5 percent.

U.S. Surface Transportation Trade with Canada

U.S.–Canada surface transportation trade totaled \$38.7 billion in January, down 3.2 percent compared to January 2006 (*Table 4*). The value of imports carried by truck was 0.1 percent higher in January 2007 than January 2006, while the value of exports carried by truck was 0.9 percent higher.

Michigan led all states in surface trade with Canada in January with \$5.3 billion (*Table 5*).

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U.S. Surface Transportation Trade with Mexico

U.S. – Mexico surface transportation trade totaled \$21.9 billion in January, up 3.5 percent compared to January 2006 (*Table 6*). The value of imports carried by truck was 10.2 percent higher in January 2007 than January 2006 while the value of exports carried by truck was 0.9 percent higher.

Texas led all states in surface trade with Mexico in January with \$6.9 billion (*Table 7*).

The TransBorder Freight Data are a special extract of the official U.S. foreign trade statistics. The data are tabulated for BTS monthly by the U.S. Census Bureau's Foreign Trade Division. January TransBorder numbers include data received by BTS as of March 13.

The news release and summary tables can be found at www.bts.gov. More information on TransBorder Freight Data and data from previous months are posted on the BTS website at <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>. BTS will release February TransBorder numbers on April 30.

Table 1. Value of Monthly U.S. Surface Trade with Canada and Mexico
(millions of dollars)

Month	2005	2006	2007	Percent Change 2005-2006	Percent Change 2006-2007
January	52,334	61,189	60,649	16.9	-0.9
February	53,592	59,804		11.6	
March	59,436	68,213		14.8	
April	58,297	61,742		5.9	
May	57,870	65,994		14.0	
June	59,431	66,898		12.6	
July	49,690	55,939		12.6	
August	60,188	66,354		10.2	
September	61,166	63,295		3.5	
October	63,985	66,846		4.5	
November	62,894	64,805		3.0	
December	59,104	59,049		-0.1	
Year-to-date	52,334	61,189	60,649	16.9	-0.9
Annual	697,987	760,127		8.9	

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

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Table 2. U.S. Merchandise Trade with Canada and Mexico by Surface Modes of Transportation
(millions of dollars)

Mode		January 2006	December 2006	January 2007	Percent Change Dec. 2006 – Jan. 2007	Percent Change January 2006-2007
All Surface Modes	Imports	36,051	33,910	35,009	3.2	-2.9
	Exports	25,138	25,139	25,640	2.0	2.0
	Total	61,189	59,049	60,649	2.7	-0.9
Truck	Imports	21,318	21,009	22,308	6.2	4.6
	Exports	20,103	19,360	20,288	4.8	0.9
Rail	Imports	7,638	7,680	6,864	-10.6	-10.1
	Exports	2,863	3,385	3,034	-10.4	6.0
Pipeline	Imports	5,555	3,988	4,298	7.8	-22.6
	Exports	235	327	295	-9.8	25.7

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

Note: The value of all surface modes is not equal to the sum of truck, rail and pipeline modes. The value of trade for all surface modes includes shipments made by truck, rail, pipeline, mail, foreign trade zones, other and unknown modes of transportation. For additional detail refer to the TransBorder Freight Data "Sources and Reliability" statement: <http://www.bts.gov/ntda/tbscd/srfin.html>; Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

Table 3. January 2007 Surface Trade with Canada and Mexico Compared with January of Prior Years

Compared to January in...	Percent Change		Total Surface Trade
	Imports	Exports	
2006	-2.9	2.0	-0.9
2005	16.3	15.3	15.9
2004	32.9	32.5	32.8
2003	38.7	38.4	38.6
2002	47.6	45.7	46.8
2001	30.1	32.0	30.9
2000	43.6	37.2	40.8
1999	73.1	61.7	68.1
1998	90.8	59.4	76.1
1997	97.9	72.5	86.3

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data,
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Table 4. U.S. Merchandise Trade with Canada by Surface Modes of Transportation
(millions of dollars)

Mode		January 2006	December 2006	January 2007	Percent Change Dec. 2006 – Jan. 2007	Percent Change January 2006-2007
All Surface Modes	Imports	24,275	21,748	22,660	4.2	-6.7
	Exports	15,722	16,439	16,065	-2.3	2.2
	Total	39,996	38,187	38,725	1.4	-3.2
Truck	Imports	11,768	11,465	11,785	2.8	0.1
	Exports	12,430	12,672	12,547	-1.0	0.9
Rail	Imports	5,626	5,314	5,322	0.2	-5.4
	Exports	1,576	1,924	1,724	-10.4	9.4
Pipeline	Imports	5,555	3,978	4,288	7.8	-22.8
	Exports	177	259	216	-16.4	22.2

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

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Table 5. Top 10 States Trading with Canada
by Surface Modes of Transportation
Ranked by January 2007 Surface Trade Value
(millions of dollars)

Rank	State	January 2007
1	Michigan	5,256
2	Illinois	2,985
3	Ohio	2,660
4	New York	2,604
5	California	2,541
6	Texas	2,175
7	Pennsylvania	1,450
8	Washington	1,417
9	Indiana	1,323
10	Tennessee	1,302

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data,
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Table 6. U.S. Merchandise Trade with Mexico by Surface Modes of Transportation
(millions of dollars)

Mode		January 2006	December 2006	January 2007	Percent Change Dec. 2006 – Jan. 2007	Percent Change January 2006-2007
All Surface Modes	Imports	11,776	12,162	12,349	1.5	4.9
	Exports	9,416	8,700	9,576	10.1	1.7
	Total	21,192	20,862	21,924	5.1	3.5
Truck	Imports	9,550	9,544	10,523	10.3	10.2
	Exports	7,674	6,687	7,741	15.8	0.9
Rail	Imports	2,011	2,366	1,541	-34.8	-23.4
	Exports	1,287	1,461	1,310	-10.4	1.8
Pipeline	Imports	0	10	10	-1.6	NA
	Exports	58	68	79	15.2	36.4

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data, <http://www.bts.gov/transborder/>

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Table 7. Top 10 States Trading with Mexico
by Surface Modes of Transportation
Ranked by January 2007 Surface Trade Value
(millions of dollars)

Rank	State	January 2007
1	Texas	6,928
2	California	3,790
3	Michigan	1,725
4	Arizona	942
5	Illinois	810
6	Tennessee	582
7	Ohio	529
8	New York	434
9	Pennsylvania	410
10	North Carolina	403

Source: BTS TransBorder Freight Data,
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