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U.S. Rail-Carried Trade with Canada and Mexico

U.S. trade with Mexico via rail more than doubled from \$18.2 billion in 1998 to \$46.4 billion in 2007, while U.S. trade with Canada by rail increased 84 percent from \$49.7 billion in 1998 to \$91.5 billion in 2007. (Source: USDOT/Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Transborder Surface Freight Data;

http://www.bts.gov/programs/international/transborder/)

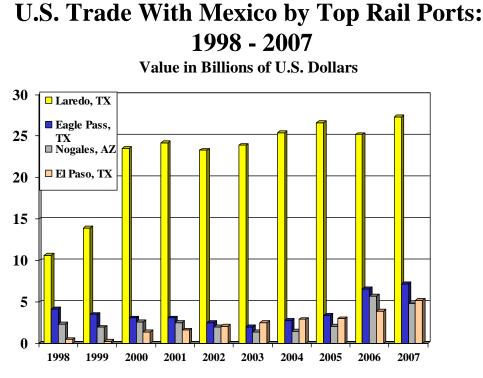
Value in Billions US Dollars 100.0 91.5 90.0 85.7 79.9 80.0 74.6 70.0 64.8 62.6 60.9 60.2 58.0 60.0 49.7 50.0 46. 43.1 36.5 40.0 33.8 32.4 31.6 31.0 30.9 30.0 20.4 18.2 20.0 10.0 0.0 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 Mexico Canada

by Rail 1998-2007

Trade With Canada & Mexico

In 2007, rail accounted for 22 percent of the trade with Canada by rail or truck (\$91.5 billion out of \$416.2 billion). With respect to trade with Mexico, rail accounted for 17 percent by rail or truck (\$46.4 billion out of \$276.5 billion).

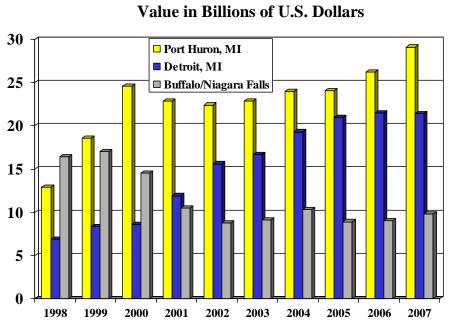
On the Mexican border, Laredo, TX, continues to be the dominant port, accounting for 59 percent of all rail traffic, by value.



Source: BTS Transborder Surface Freight Data

On the Canadian border, Port Huron, MI, continues to lead other ports, with over \$29 billion in trade by rail, while Detroit is second with over \$22 billion. Buffalo/Niagara Falls has declined from a peak in 1999 of over \$15 million to under \$10 billion in 2007.

U.S. Trade With Canada by Top Rail Ports: 1998 - 2007



Source: BTS Transborder Surface Freight Data

Top Commodities—U.S. Trade with Canada

By value, transportation equipment is the largest commodity group for both U.S. exports and imports by rail to/from Canada.

U.S. Rail-Carried Exports to Canada: 2007

By Value (Billions US\$)

٠	Transp. Equip.	10.7
•	All Other	<u>14.8</u>
•	Total	25.5
	Top flows:	
•	Transp. Eq.	
	Mich. to Ontario	3.0
٠	Transp. Eq.	
	Ohio to Ontario	2.2

U.S. Rail-Carried Imports from Canada: 2007

By Value (Billions US\$)

- Transp. Equip. 28.1
- All Other <u>37.9</u>
- Total 66.0

By Weight (Millions of Short Tons)

•	Wood	16.3
٠	Fertilizers	12.5
•	All Other	<u>53.1</u>
٠	Total	81.9

• Top flows:

• **Top flows:**

- Transp. Eq. Ontario to Mich. 17.5
- Transp. Eq. Ontario to Calif. 9.6
- Fertlizers Sask. to Oregon 3.2
- Transp. Eq. Ont. To Mich. 2.7
- Fertilizers Sask. to IL 2.1

Source: BTS Transborder Surface Freight Data

Top Commodities—U.S. Trade with Mexico:

By value, transportation equipment dominates U.S. exports and imports by rail to/from Mexico.

U.S. Rail-Carried Exports to Mexico: 2007

By Value (Billions US\$)

•	Transp. Equip.	5.9
•	All Other	13.4
•	Total	19.3
	Top flows:	
•	Transp. Eq.	
	TX to Guanajuato(1)	1.20
•	Heavy Eq.	
	IN to Coahuila(2)	0.81

Notes: (1) Northwest of Estado de Mexico; adjacent to the Federal District which contains Mexico City;

(2) Across the U.S./Mexico border from Eagle Pass, TX.

U.S. Rail-Carried Imports from Mexico: 2007

By Value (Billions US\$)

- Transp. Equip. 20.4
- All Other <u>6.7</u>
- Total 27.1
- <u>Top flows:</u>
- Transp. Eq. Mexico to Mich. 16.3

By Weight (Millions of Short Tons)

- Transp. Eq. 3.2
 Beverages, spirits, vinegar 2.4
 All Other 5.5
 Total 11.1
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- <u>Top flows:</u>
- Transp. Eq. Mexico to Mich. 2.5
- Salt & Sulfur Mexico to Texas 1.4