

Table 1124. Railroads, Class-I Cars of Revenue Freight Loaded, 1990 to 2010, and by Commodity Group, 2009 and 2010

[In thousands (16,177 represents 16,177,000). Figures are 52-week totals]

| Year | Car-loads ¹ | Commodity group | Carloads | | Commodity group | Carloads | |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | | | 2009 ² | 2010 ^{2,3} | | 2009 ² | 2010 ^{2,3} |
| 1990 | 16,177 | Coal | 6,580 | 6,674 | Metals and products | 315 | 456 |
| 2000 ² | 16,354 | Metallic ores | 101 | 230 | Stone, clay, and glass products | 327 | 352 |
| 2004 ² | 16,600 | Chemicals, allied products | 1,353 | 1,483 | Crushed stone, gravel, sand | 700 | 809 |
| 2005 ² | 16,691 | Grain | 1,038 | 1,150 | Nonmetallic minerals | 243 | 253 |
| 2006 ² | 16,936 | Motor vehicles and equipment | 535 | 627 | Waste and scrap materials | 359 | 407 |
| 2007 ² | 16,564 | Pulp, paper, allied products | 294 | 299 | Lumber, wood products | 119 | 132 |
| 2008 ² | 16,208 | Primary forest products | 79 | 83 | Coke | 139 | 171 |
| 2009 ² | 13,563 | Food and kindred products | 396 | 407 | Petroleum products | 278 | 294 |
| 2010 ^{2,3} | 14,562 | Grain mill products | 426 | 435 | All other carloads | 240 | 252 |

¹ Excludes intermodal. ² Excludes 3 Class I railroads. See text this section for definition of class 1 railroads. ³ 2010 data preliminary.

Source: Association of American Railroads, Washington, DC, *Weekly Railroad Traffic*, annual. See also <<http://www.aar.org/NewsAndEvents.aspx>>.

Table 1125. Petroleum Pipeline Companies—Characteristics: 1980 to 2009

[173 represents 173,000. Covers pipeline companies operating in interstate commerce and subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission]

| Item | Unit | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Miles of pipeline, total | 1,000 | 173 | 171 | 168 | 177 | 152 | 131 | 147 | 147 | 149 |
| Gathering lines | 1,000 | 36 | 35 | 32 | 35 | 18 | 14 | 15 | 12 | 11 |
| Trunk lines | 1,000 | 136 | 136 | 136 | 142 | 134 | 118 | 132 | 135 | 137 |
| Total deliveries | Mil. Bbl. | 10,600 | 10,745 | 11,378 | 12,862 | 14,450 | 12,732 | 13,934 | 12,972 | 12,791 |
| Crude oil | Mil. Bbl. | 6,405 | 6,239 | 6,563 | 6,952 | 6,923 | 6,675 | 7,038 | 6,858 | 6,431 |
| Products | Mil. Bbl. | 4,195 | 4,506 | 4,816 | 5,910 | 7,527 | 6,057 | 6,896 | 6,114 | 6,360 |
| Total trunk line traffic | Bil. Bbl. miles | 3,405 | 3,342 | 3,500 | 3,619 | 3,508 | 3,485 | 3,459 | 3,438 | 3,337 |
| Crude oil | Bil. Bbl. miles | 1,948 | 1,842 | 1,891 | 1,899 | 1,602 | 1,571 | 1,451 | 1,581 | 1,462 |
| Products | Bil. Bbl. miles | 1,458 | 1,500 | 1,609 | 1,720 | 1,906 | 1,914 | 2,008 | 1,856 | 1,875 |
| Carrier property value | Mil. dol. | 19,752 | 21,605 | 25,828 | 27,460 | 29,648 | 29,526 | 35,863 | 39,069 | 41,565 |
| Operating revenues | Mil. dol. | 6,356 | 7,461 | 7,149 | 7,711 | 7,483 | 7,917 | 8,996 | 9,244 | 9,987 |
| Net income | Mil. dol. | 1,912 | 2,431 | 2,340 | 2,670 | 2,705 | 3,076 | 3,757 | 3,932 | 4,131 |

Source: PennWell Publishing Co., Houston, Texas, *Oil & Gas Journal*, annual (copyright).

Table 1126. U.S. Postal Service Rates for Letters and Postcards: 1991 to 2011

[In dollars. International rates exclude Canada and Mexico]

| Domestic mail date of rate change | Letters | | Post-cards | Express mail—first 1/2 pound | International air mail date of rate change | Letters—first ounce ¹ | Post-cards | Aero-grammes |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| | First ounce | Each added ounce | | | | | | |
| 1991 (Feb. 3) | 0.29 | 0.23 | 0.19 | 9.95 | First 1/2 ounce | | | |
| 1995 (Jan. 1) | 0.32 | 0.23 | 0.20 | 10.75 | 1991 (Feb. 3) | 0.50 | 0.40 | 0.45 |
| 1999 (Jan. 10) | 0.33 | 0.22 | 0.20 | 11.75 | 1995 (July 9) | 0.60 | 0.40 | 0.45 |
| 2001 (Jan. 7) | 0.34 | 0.21 | 0.20 | 12.25 | 1999 (Jan. 10) | 0.60 | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| 2001 (July 1) | 0.34 | 0.23 | 0.21 | 12.45 | First ounce¹ | | | |
| 2002 (June 30) | 0.37 | 0.23 | 0.23 | 13.65 | 2001 (Jan. 7) | 0.80 | 0.70 | 0.70 |
| 2006 (Jan. 8) | 0.39 | 0.24 | 0.24 | 14.40 | 2006 (Jan. 8) | 0.84 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
| 2007 (May 14) | 0.41 | 0.17 | 0.26 | 16.25 | 2007 (May 14) | 0.90 | 0.90 | (²) |
| 2008 (May 12) | 0.42 | 0.17 | 0.27 | ³ 12.60 | 2008 (May 12) | 0.94 | 0.94 | (²) |
| 2009 (May 11) | 0.44 | 0.17 | 0.28 | ⁴ 13.05 | 2009 (May 11) | 0.98 | 0.98 | (²) |
| 2010 (January 4) | 0.44 | 0.17 | 0.28 | ⁵ 13.65 | 2010 (no change) | 0.98 | 0.98 | (²) |
| 2011 (April 17) | 0.44 | 0.20 | 0.29 | ⁶ 13.25 | 2011 (no change) | 0.98 | 0.98 | (²) |

¹ International letter prices after the first ounce vary according to the price group that is applicable to each destination country.

² Aero-grammes were discontinued on May 14, 2007. ³ On May 12, 2008, the Postal Service initiated a zoned pricing structure for Express Mail. Prices for a mail piece weighing up to a half-pound range from \$12.60 to zones 1 and 2 to \$19.50 to zone 8.

⁴ Express Mail prices increased on January 18, 2009. Prices for a mail piece weighing up to a half-pound range from \$13.05 to zones 1 and 2 to \$21.20 to zone 8. ⁵ Express Mail prices increased on January 4, 2010. Prices for a mail piece weighing up to a half-pound range from \$13.65 to zones 1 and 2 to \$22.20 to zone 8. ⁶ Express Mail prices changed on January 2, 2011. Prices for a mail piece weighing up to a half-pound range from \$13.25 to zones 1 and 2 to \$26.65 to zone 8.

Source: U.S. Postal Service, *United States Domestic Postage Rate: Recent History* and unpublished data. See also <<http://www.usps.com/prices/welcome.htm>>.