



**Monitoring the Canadian
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Transportation System**

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2 Data Tables



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Data Tables

PREFACE

The material presented in the accompanying tables is drawn from data supplied by the various stakeholders in Canada's Grain Handling and Transportation System. These include the Canadian Wheat Board, the Canadian Grain Commission, the Canadian Ports Clearance Association, Statistics Canada, various grain companies, and individual railway companies. The majority of this data is of a secondary nature and reflects the internal data collection practices as well as informational needs of the individual stakeholders. The data also comes in a variety of mediums, structures and levels of detail that require considerable transformation and manipulation in order to be rendered usable.

With this in mind, the reader is cautioned regarding the limitations that must be taken into account when considering the material presented. Firstly, although every reasonable effort has been made to ensure that the data used accurately reflects the activity being reported upon, it is largely drawn from un-audited sources. As such, errors in the data collected – whether by way of inclusion or omission – will also be reflected in the statistics presented. As a result, periodic corrections may result in the restatement of previously calculated measurement values. Where such differences arise, the values presented here should be considered to supersede those found in earlier reports.

Secondly, the point in time at which individual stakeholders collect data often differs, and generally makes exact matches in any direct comparison impossible. These differences, however, do not detract from the relative comparisons and general observations that may be drawn from the statistics.

Thirdly, inconsistent or incomplete reporting makes some estimation necessary. Where such estimations are made, an accompanying footnote will generally detail the specific nature of the approximation.

Finally, not all of the data requested of stakeholders has been made available to the Monitor. As a result, the Monitor is unable to calculate or present a number of the measures originally contemplated under the Grain Monitoring Program.

Special mention must also be made of the fact that several new measures relating to the movement of "special crops," such as peas, were added in the 2006-07 crop year. Accordingly, the reader is reminded that a number of additional tables now appear alongside those of longer standing, and that this has resulted in their partial re-sequencing.

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