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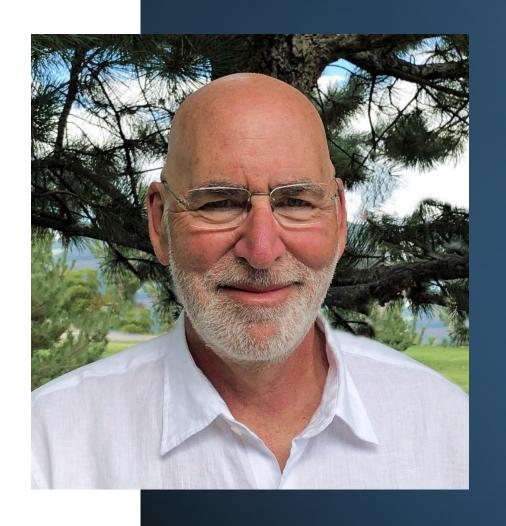
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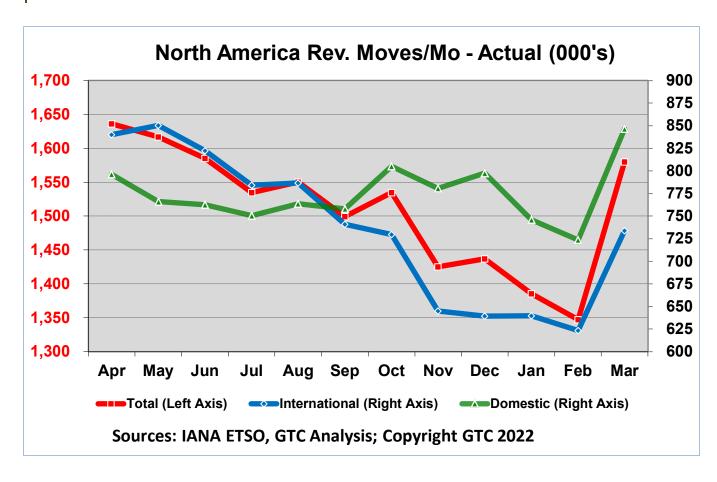
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#### RECENT INTERMODAL PERFORMANCE



Y/Y % Change	2021	2022 Q1	March
<b>Total Intermodal</b>	+3.6%	-6.6%	-5.5%
International	+5.0%	-15.5%	-13.7%
Domestic	+1.6%	+2.8%	+3.0%
Domestic Container	+2.3%	+5.2%	+5.9%
Private Domestic Cont.	+2.9%	+8.0%	+10.2%
Rail Domestic Cont.	+1.0%	-1.7%	-4.4%
TOFC	-3.3%	-12.8%	<b>-15.7</b> %

Sources: IANA ETSO, GTC Analysis





# UNDERSTANDING CALENDAR EFFECTS IS ESSENTIAL

#### February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	
	5	6	7	8	9	
	10	11	12	13	14	
	16	17	18	19	20	
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#### **March 2022**

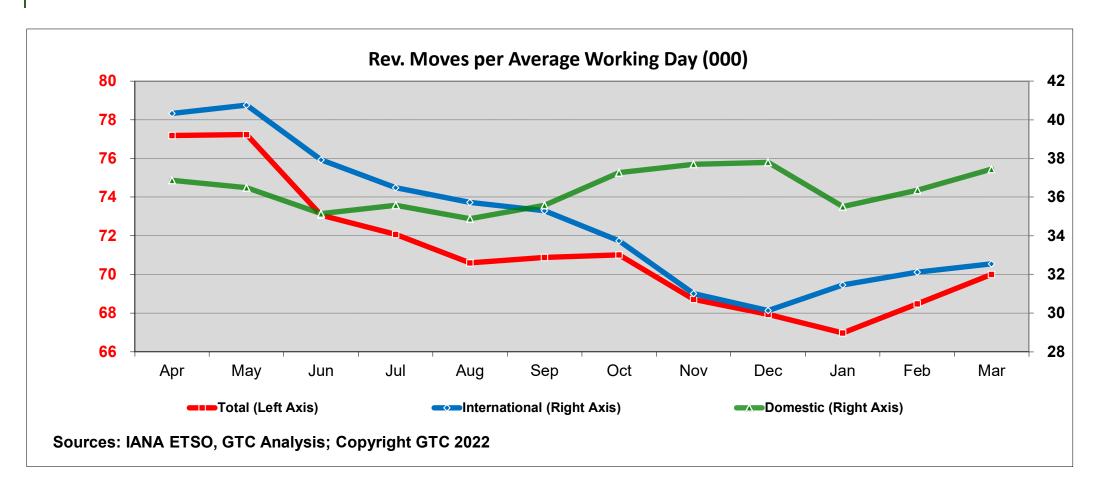
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Roughly 3
more
calendar
days in
March vs.
February =
14.2%
increase

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# CALENDAR DAY ANALYSIS PROVIDES MORE ACCURATE VIEW OF CURRENT TRENDS

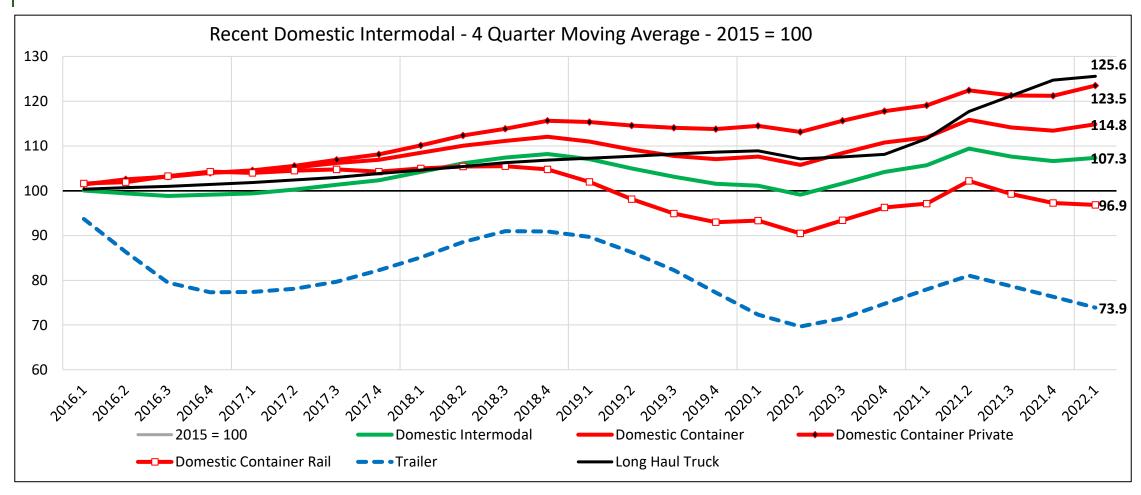


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#### RECENT DOMESTIC VOLUME TRENDS

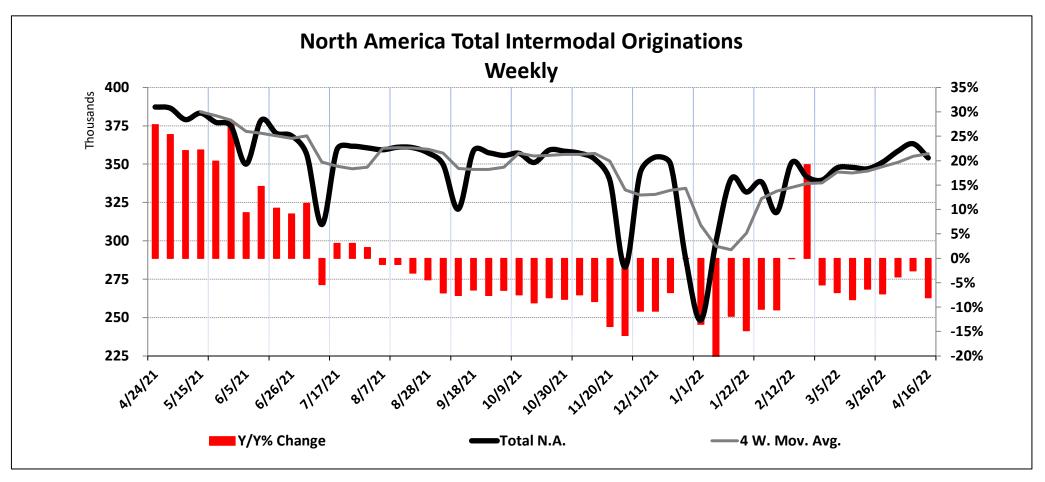


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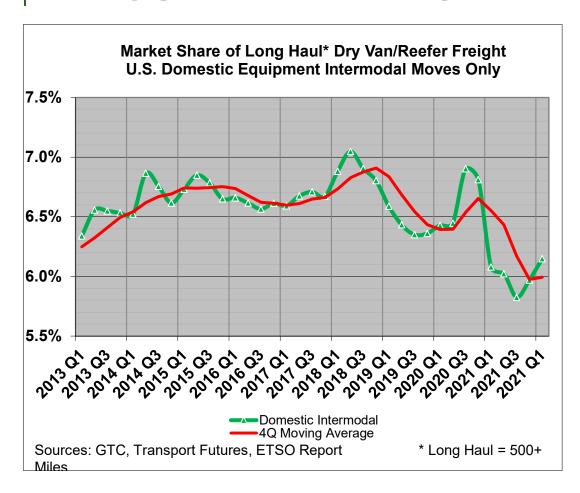
## LATEST AAR DATA SHOWS A SLOW RECOVERY IS CONTINUING

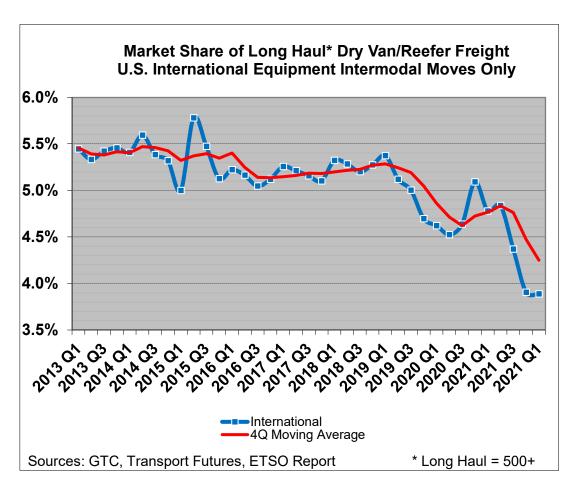


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#### INTERMODAL MARKET SHARE TRENDS RECOVERY AND STABILITY



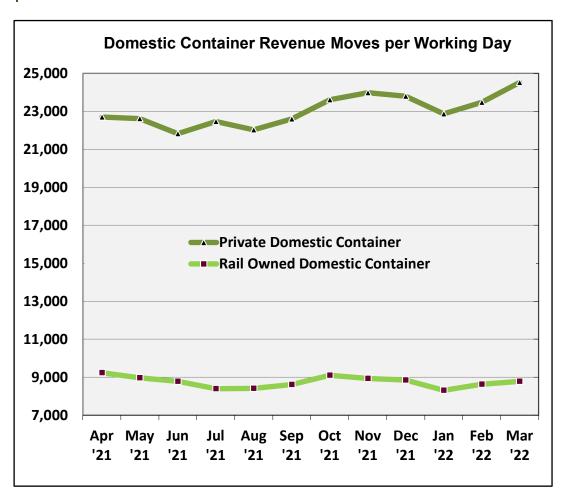


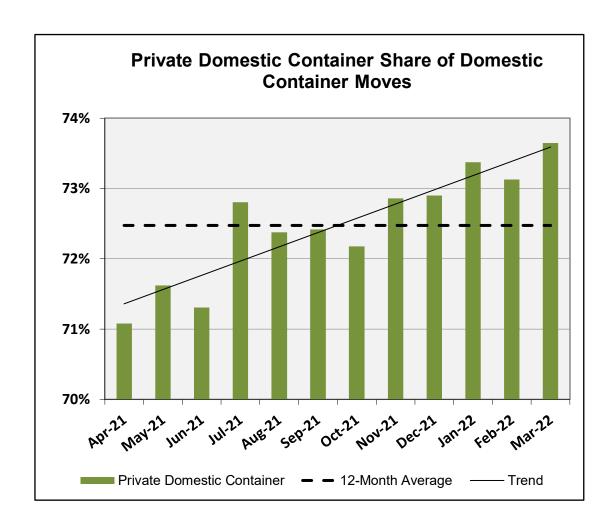
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### IMPROVEMENT IN DOMESTIC CONTAINER MAINLY BEING POWERED BY PRIVATE FLEETS

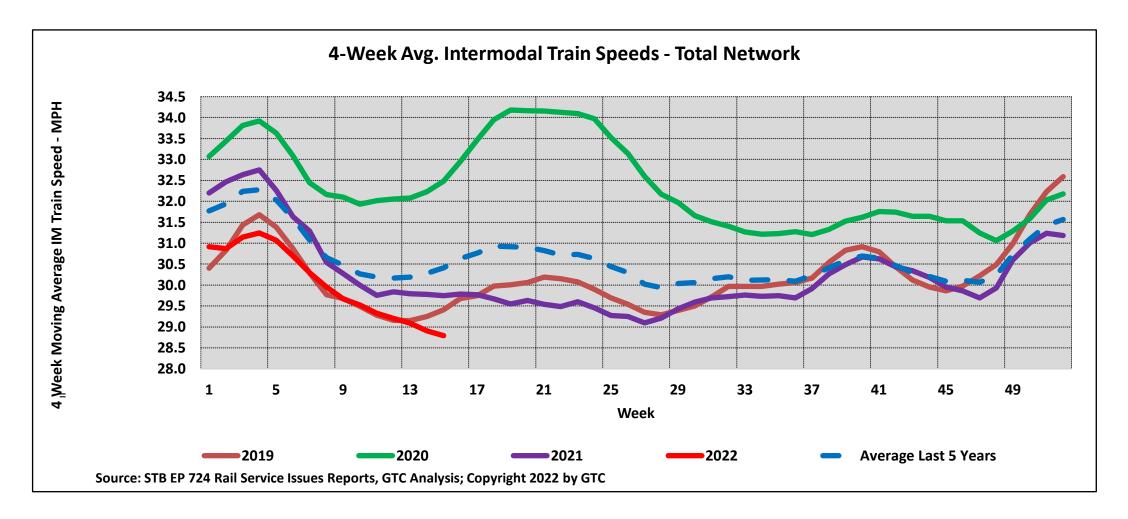




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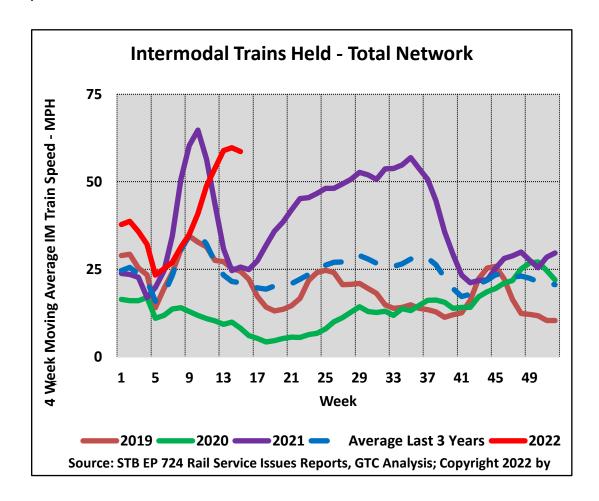


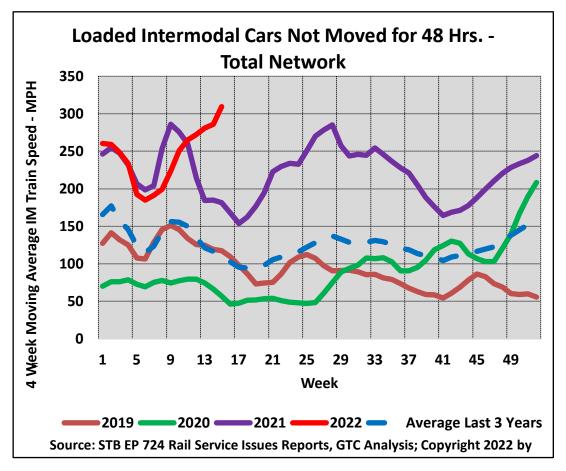
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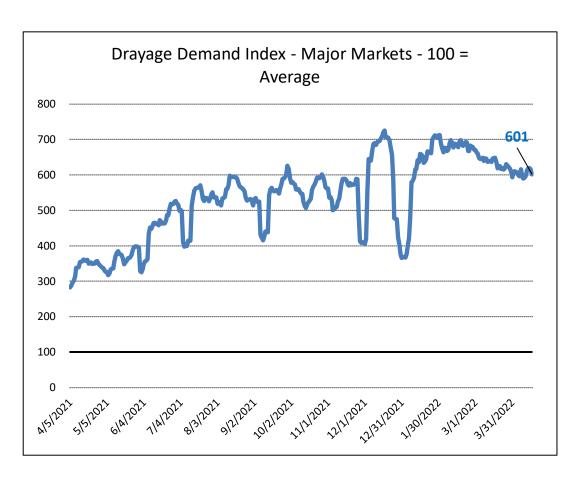


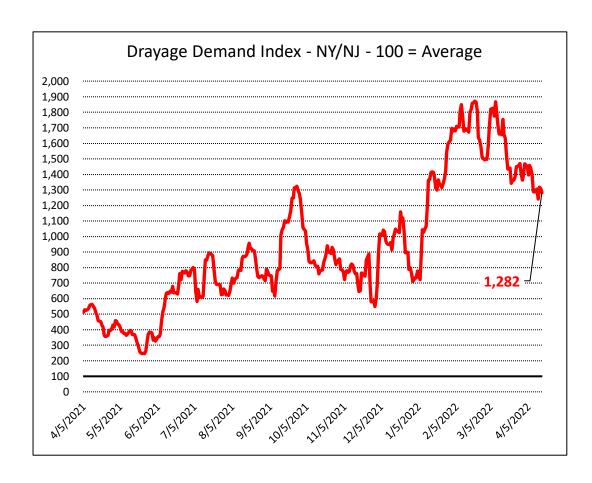






### DRAYAGE MARKET CONTINUES IN A STATE OF DISARRAY

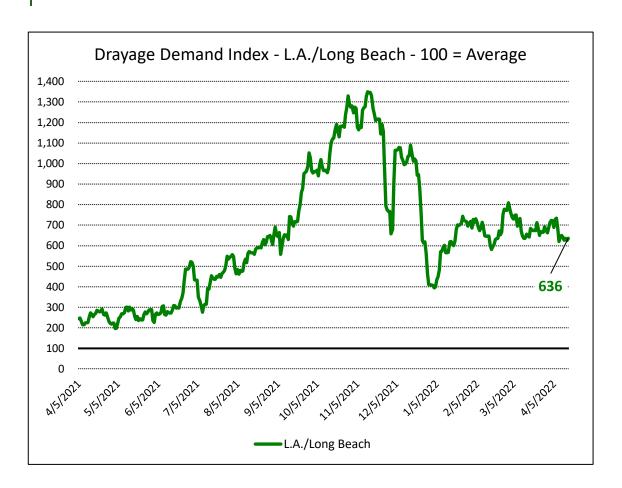


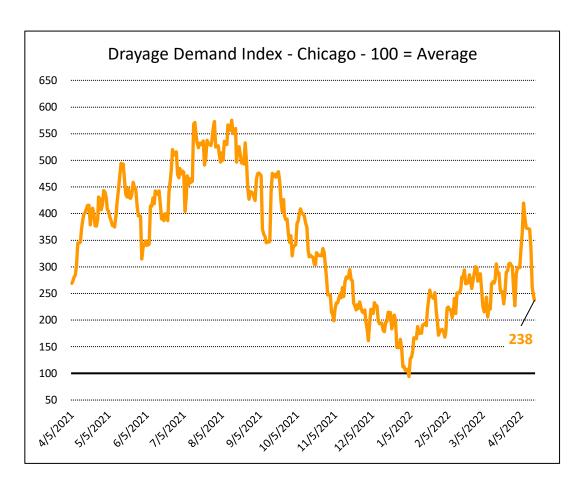


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#### COASTAL REGIONS STILL FARING WORSE THAN INLAND

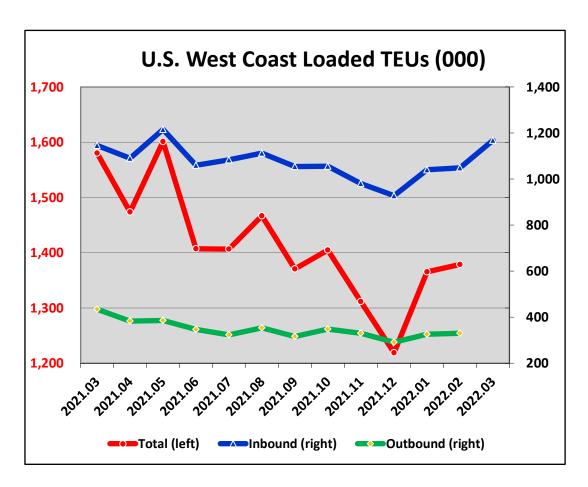


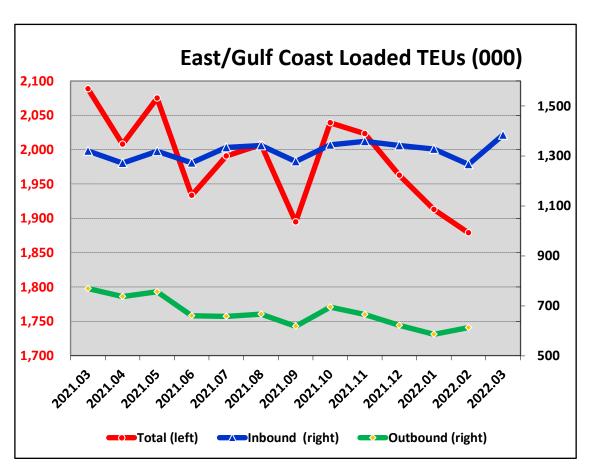


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#### PORT THROUGHPUT IS IMPROVING OUT WEST

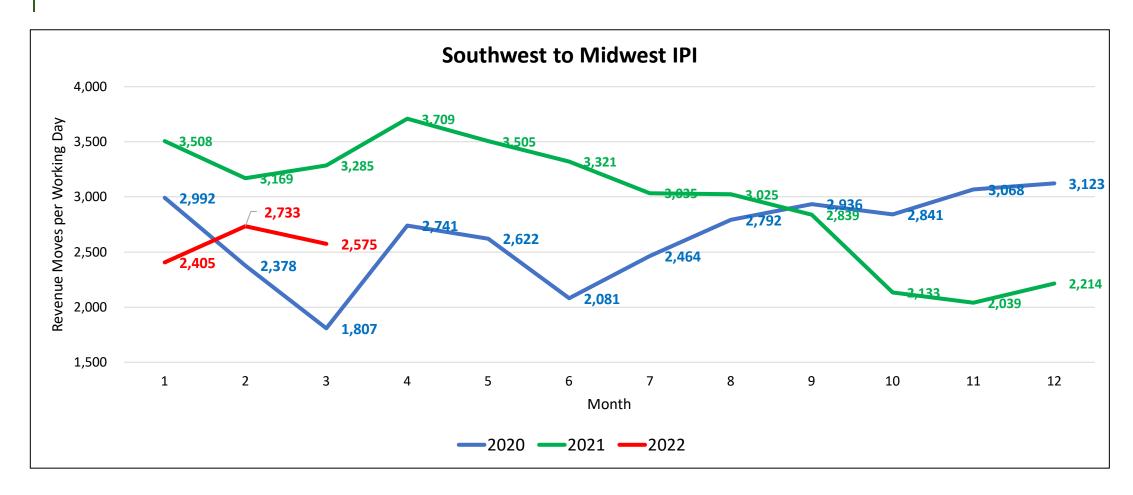




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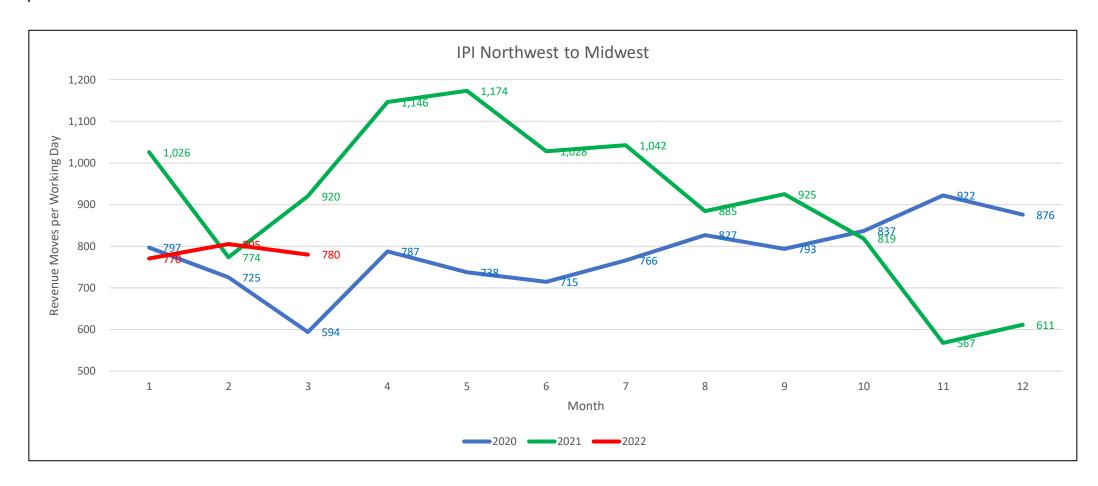
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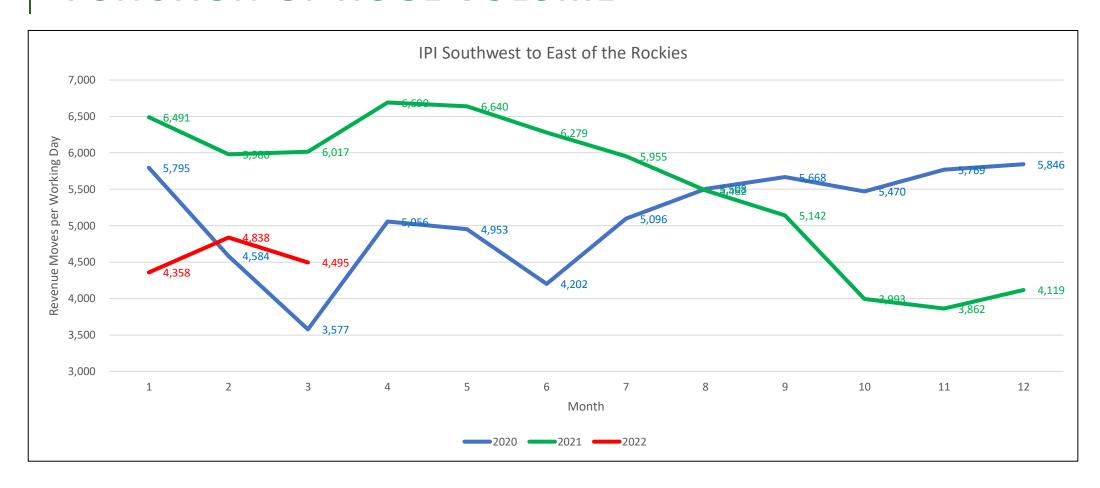


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# IPI NETWORK EVIDENTLY STILL VERY FRAGILE

- IPI revenue moves per working day have increased 8% in the past two months. This has been enough to create capacity issues and chassis shortages inland.
- But March IPI moves were still almost 14% lower than prior year.
- Things can't get back to "normal" until the network has the capability to handle "normal" volume.

# THE DOMESTIC INTERMODAL SITUATION CONTINUES TO EVOLVE

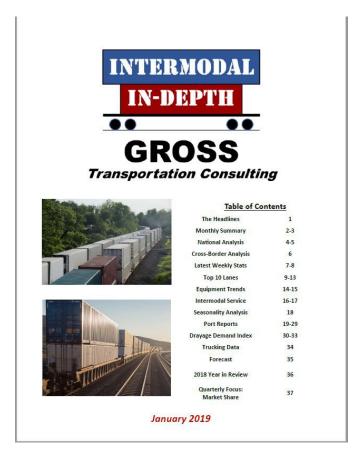
- Private Domestic Container moves grew 8% y/y in March. Rail Box moves dropped 1.7%.
- Between 2021 and 2022, over 55,000 new Private boxes are expected to join the fleet. These include substantial quantities for BCO's Amazon and Walmart
- Meanwhile, the Rail Fleet shrank by 2,500 units in 2021
- There will be plenty of box capacity. But what about railroad terminal and chassis capacity?



#### **OUTLOOK**

- IPI will eventually turn positive vs. prior year in Q3. This will be a function of recovery plus easier prior-year comps. But it won't be enough to save the year.
- Domestic will look more normal from a seasonal perspective.
- Domestic container will grow more briskly, powered by Private fleets more than offsetting continued softness in Rail fleet activity and TOFC.

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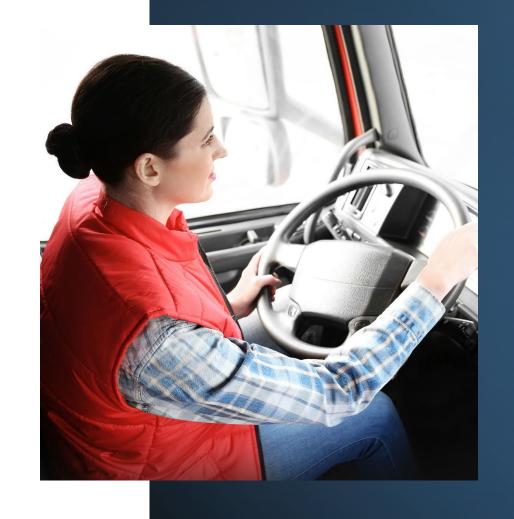
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