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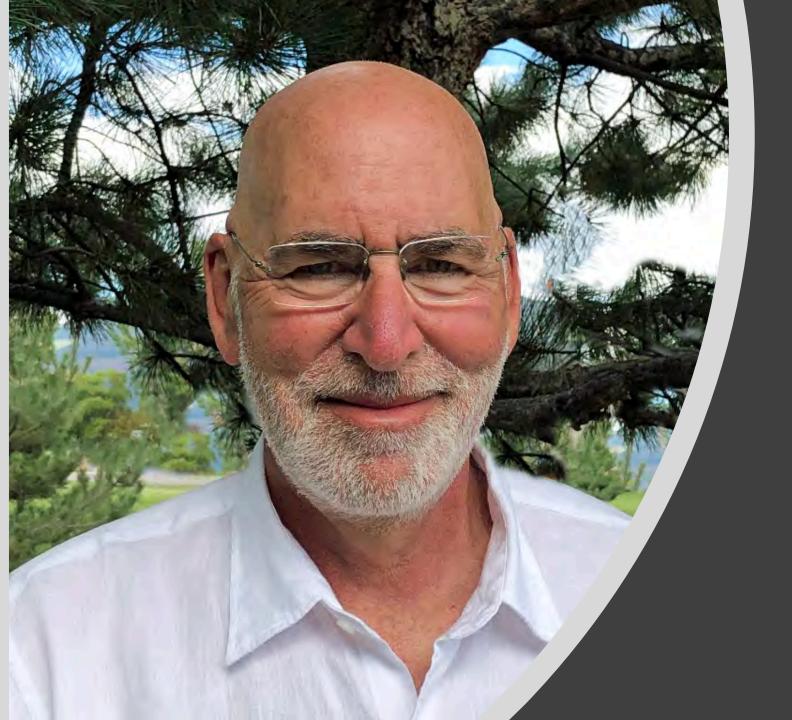






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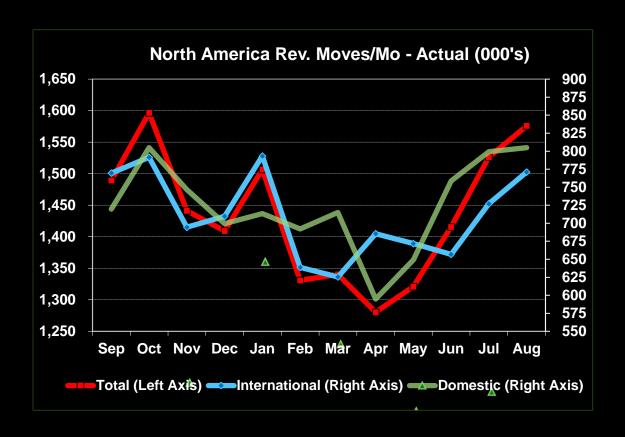
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DOMESTIC GAINS SLOWED IN AUGUST IPI IS CATCHING UP BUT HAS A WAYS TO GO

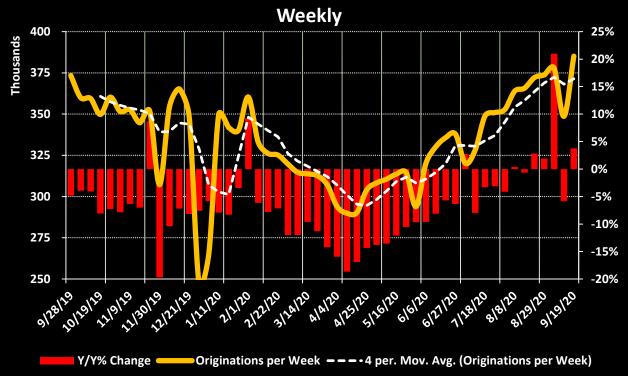


Source: IANA ETSO, GTC Analysis

August 2020	M/M	Y/Y
International	+6.0%	-9.0%
Short Trailer	-6.0%	+5.2%
53' Trailer	+4.8%	+2.5%
Total Trailer	+1.5%	+3.3%
Private Domestic Container	+0.5%	+4.0%
Rail Domestic Container	+0.6%	+5.4%
Total Domestic Container	+0.6%	+4.4%
Domestic	+0.7%	+4.3%
Grand Total	+3.2%	-2.7%

AAR WEEKLY DATA INDICATES THE RALLY CONTINUED INTO SEPTEMBER

North America Total Intermodal Originations



Latest Y/Y Comps:

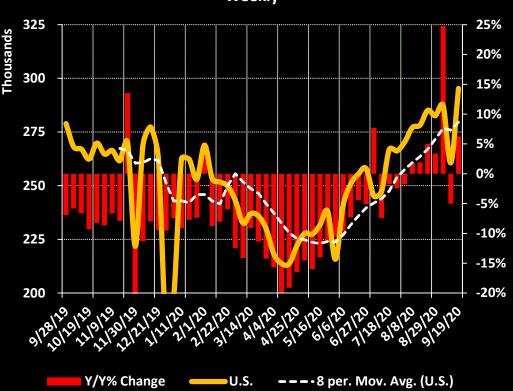
- Weekly: +3.8%
- 4-Week Avg: +4.6%

Source: AAR, GTC Analysis



IN RECENT WEEKS, U.S. HAS BEEN STRONGER THAN CANADA





Canadian Total Intermodal Originations Weekly

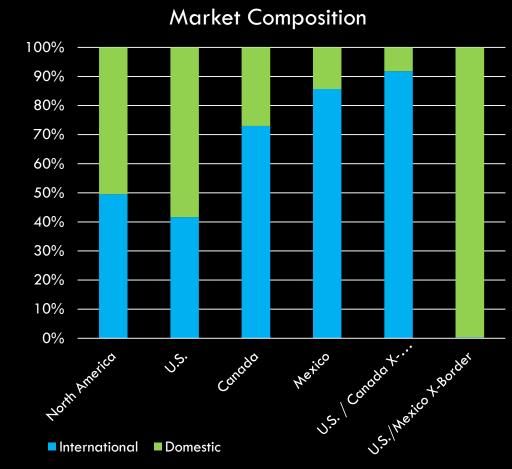


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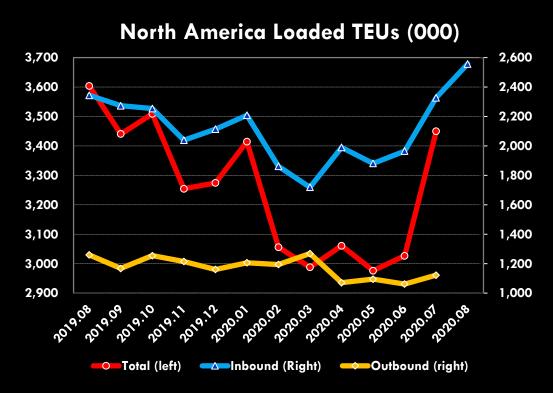
COMPARISON OF KEY NORTH AMERICAN INTERMODAL MARKETS



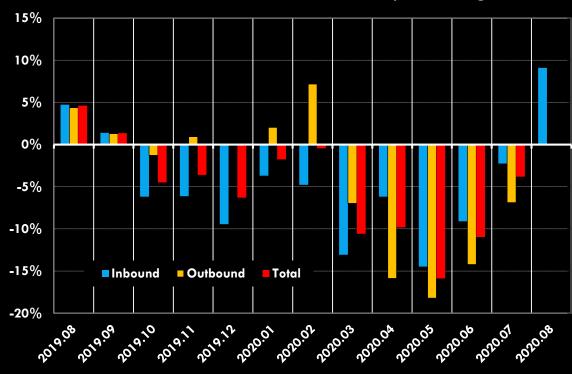




IMPORTS HAVE MOVED UP SHARPLY IN THE PAST TWO MONTHS



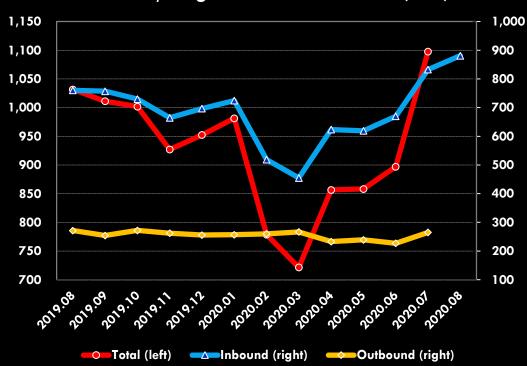
North America Loaded TEU's - Y/Y Change



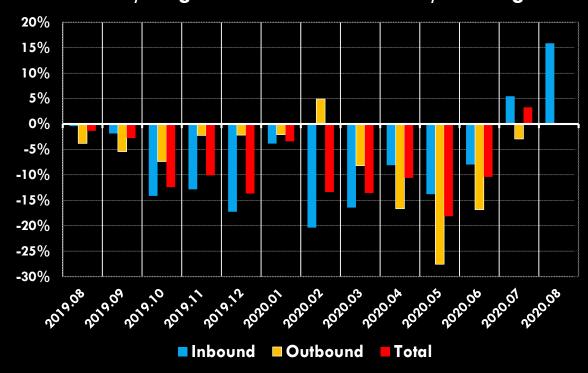


L.A./LONG BEACH HAS BEEN THE EPICENTER OF THE IMPORT SURGE



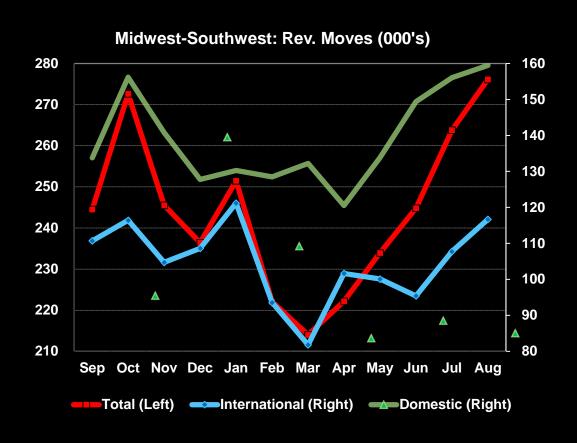


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TRANSLOADING HAS BEEN THE MODE OF CHOICE OUT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

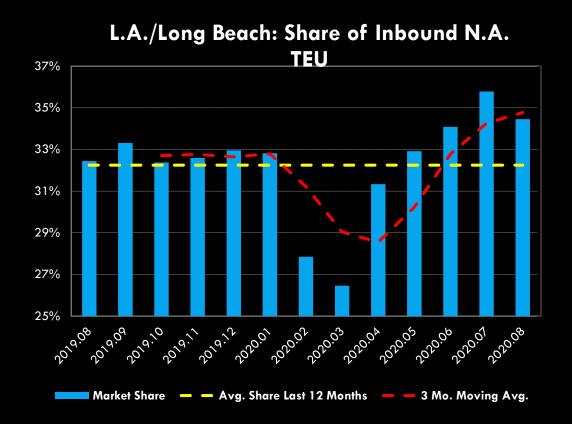


	Q3 To Date Y/Y
N.A. Import TEUs	+3.4%
International/IPI — Network	-10.9%
L.A./L.B. Import TEUs	+10.6%
Midwest-Southwest IPI / International Rev. Moves	-10.2%
Midwest-Southwest Domestic Container Rev. Moves	+16.1%
Midwest-Southwest Trailer Rev. Moves	+1.5%



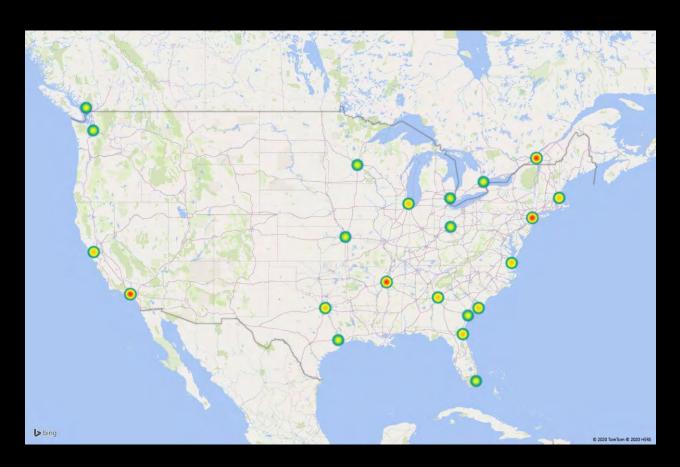
MONTHLY CHANGES SHOW PENDULUM STARTING TO SWING EAST

August Import TEUs	M/M	Y/Y
North America	+9.9%	+9.1%
LA/LB	+5.8%	+15.9%
Nor Cal	-0.2%	+9.0%
PNW	+4.7%	-1.9%
W. Can	+4.3%	+8.2%
Northeast	+12.7%	+6.7%
Southeast	+20.0%	+2.9%
Gulf	+15.9%	+7.9%





DRAYAGE DEMAND INDEX SHOWS WILDLY VARIABLE CONDITIONS



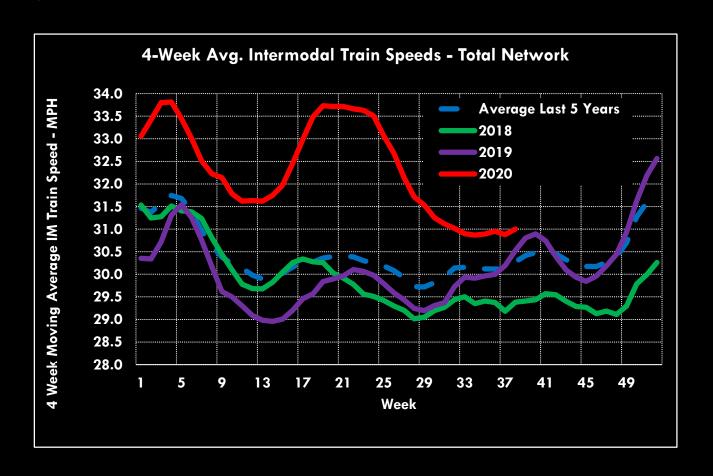
0 to 50	Blue	Loose
51 to 100	Green	Low Normal
101 to 150	Yellow	High Normal
150 to 200	Orange	Tight
Above 200	Red	Very Tight

- Critical conditions in LA, Memphis, NYC, Montreal
- Generally placid elsewhere

Source: Drayage.com, GTC Analysis



INTERMODAL TRAIN SPEEDS HAVE BEEN STABLE AT SLIGHTLY ABOVE-AVERAGE LEVELS



- Average speed most recent week: 31.0 mph
- 2.4%/0.7 mph better than 5-year average
- 1.5%/0.5 mph better than prior year

Source: STB EP 724 Rail Service Issues Reports, GTC Analysis

WHY HAS FREIGHT BEEN SO STRONG?

- Freight is good but not as strong as intermodal makes it appear
 - Truck freight has recovered somewhat but tight conditions are equally due to capacity exiting the system
 - Inventory pipeline was depleted by China shutdown followed by N.A. shutdown and needed to be replenished – fast!
 - Resulting conditions were exceptionally "intermodal friendly"
- Those consumers with \$\$\$ have rerouted spending from "experiences" to "stuff". more "stuff" bought = more freight
- Government support has kept incomes reasonably level up to now.



WILL FREIGHT STAY STRONG? THERE ARE AREAS OF CONCERN

- Virus is accelerating as cold weather approaches. That doesn't even count flu season.
- Many businesses got by so far with "outdoor" options that won't be feasible come
 Winter.
- Government economic support finished or expiring with seemingly little chance of a new bill before the election
- Rehiring appears stalled out at the moment
- Foreclosure and small business bankruptcy waves looming
- Societal fears still high
- Election anxiety "off the charts"

For me, the balance appears negative. But I didn't see the freight wave coming either. Caveat Emptor!



INTERMODAL IN DEPTH

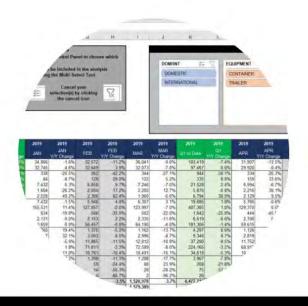
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