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Results: 6th Annual Railroad Report Card – 2015

OVERALL RANKINGS (2015):

	Overall % ↑or ↓ from 2014
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	个5%
2.) BNSF Railway	个26%
3.) CSX Transportation	↓ 4%
4.) Norfolk Southern Railway	↓15 %
5.) Canadian National Railway	↓ 6%
6.) Kansas City Southern Railway	↓17%
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	↑15%

OVERALL RANKINGS (2014):

- 1.) Union Pacific Railroad
- 2.) Norfolk Southern Railway
- 3.) CSX Transportation
- 4.) Canadian National Railway
- 5.) Kansas City Southern Railway
- 6.) BNSF Railway
- 7.) Canadian Pacific Railway

OVERALL RANKINGS (2013):

- 1.) CSX Transportation
- 2.) Union Pacific Railroad
- 3.) Norfolk Southern Railway
- 4.) BNSF Railway
- 5.) Canadian National Railway
- 6.) Kansas City Southern Railway
- 7.) Canadian Pacific Railway

OVERALL RANKINGS (2012):

- 1.) Union Pacific Railroad
- 2.) BNSF Railway
- 3.) CSX Transportation
- 4.) Norfolk Southern Railway
- 5.) Canadian National Railway

- 6.) Kansas City Southern Railway
- 7.) Canadian Pacific Railway

OVERALL RANKINGS (2011):

- 1.) Union Pacific Railroad
- 2.) BNSF Railway
- 3.) Canadian National Railway
- 4.) Norfolk Southern Railway
- 5.) CSX Transportation
- 6.) Kansas City Southern Railway
- 7.) Canadian Pacific Railway

On Time Performance

1.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), rate the following seven Class I railroads in their ability to provide on time service.

	<u> 2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	7.39	6.52 (1 st)	7.78 (2 nd)	7.81 (1 st)	7.31 (1 st)
2.) Canadian National Railway	6.57	5.69 (3 rd)	6 (7 th)	7.17 (4 th)	6.85 (2 nd)
3.) BNSF Railway	6.56	3.53 (6 th)	7.25 (4 th)	7.57 (2 nd)	6.53 (3 rd)
4.) CSX Transportation	6.23	5.56 (5 th)	7.83 (1 st)	7.5 (3 rd)	5.87 (5 th)
5.) Norfolk Southern Railway	5.64	5.67 (4 th)	7.67 (3 rd)	6.75 (5 th)	5.64 (6 th)
6.) Kansas City Southern Railway	4.83	5.75 (2 nd)	6.5 (5 th)	6.67 (6 th)	6.5 (4 th)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	4.4	2.94 (7 th)	6.2 (6 th)	5.64 (7 th)	4.29 (7 th)

2.) When provided an estimated time of arrival or delivery from a railroad, within which timeframe will that arrival or delivery typically occur?

NOTE: Kansas City Southern Railway, BNSF Railway, CSX, Canadian National and Norfolk Southern each had an average score between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs". Union Pacific Railroad had the highest score. Canadian Pacific had the lowest score.

2015 Rankings

1.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
2.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
3.)	BNSF Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
4.)	CSX Transportation	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
5.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
6.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "12-24 hrs" and ">24 hrs"

2014 Rankings:

1.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
2.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
3.)	CSX Transportation	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
4.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
5.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
6.)	BNSF Railway	Between "12-14 hrs and "> 24 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "12-14 hrs and "> 24 hrs"

2013 Rankings:

1.) CSX Transportation	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
2.) Union Pacific Railroad	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
3.) Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
4.) Canadian National Railway	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
5.) BNSF Railway	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
6.) Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
7.) Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"

2012 Rankings:

1.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
2.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
3.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
4.)	BNSF Railway and	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
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6.)	CSX Transportation	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"

2011 Rankings:

1.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "4-8 hrs" and "8-12 hrs"
2.)	BNSF Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
3.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
4.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
5.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
6.)	CSX Transportation	Between "8-12 hrs" and "12-24 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "12-24 hrs" and "More than 24 hrs"

Customer Service

1.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), rate the following seven Class I railroads in their ability to provide quality customer service.

	<u> 2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	7.28	6.67 (1 st)	7.50 (2 nd)	7.94 (1 st)	7.19 (1 st)
2.) BNSF Railway	6.69	4.39 (6 th)	6.76 (4 th)	5.93 (5 th)	6.4 (3 rd)
3.) CSX Transportation	6.25	6.07 (4 th)	8 (1 st)	6.82 (2 nd)	6.13 (4 th)
4.) Canadian National Railway	5.67	6 (5 th)	6.2 (6 th)	6.31 (4 th)	6.54 (2 nd)
5.) Kansas City Southern Railway	5.33	6.17 (3 rd)	6.5 (5 th)	5.86 (6 th)	6 (5 th)
6.) Norfolk Southern Railway	5.33	6.29 (2 nd)	7.44 (3 rd)	6.75 (3 rd)	5.64 (6 th)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	4.13	3.13 (7 th)	6.09 (7 th)	5.53 (7 th)	4.36 (7 th)

2.) When a service problem arises, within which timeframe will that problem typically be resolved to your satisfaction?

NOTE: Union Pacific and Kansas City Southern Railway had average scores between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs". BNSF Railway, CSX Transportation, Norfolk Southern, Canadian National and Canadian Pacific had average scores between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs". Union Pacific had the highest score. Canadian Pacific had the lowest.

2015 Rankings:

1.) Union Pacific Railroad	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
2.) Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
3.) BNSF Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
4.) CSX Transportation	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
5.) Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
6.) Canadian National Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"

2014 Rankings:

1.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
2.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
3.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
4.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
5.)	CSX Transportation	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
6.)	BNSF Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"

2013 Rankings:

1.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
2.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
3.)	BNSF Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
4.)	CSX Transportation	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
5.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
6.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
7.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"

2012 Rankings:

1.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
2.)	CSX Transportation	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
3.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
4.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
5.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
6.)	BNSF Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"

2011 Rankings:

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1.)	Union Pacific Railroad	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
2.)	CSX Transportation	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
3.)	BNSF Railway	Between "2-4 hrs" and "4-6 hrs"
4.)	Canadian National Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
5.)	Kansas City Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
6.)	Norfolk Southern Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"
7.)	Canadian Pacific Railway	Between "4-6 hrs" and "More than 6 hrs"

3.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), do you have around the clock access (including weekends and holidays) to a customer service official who is able to resolve problems to your satisfaction?

	<u> 2015</u>	<u> 2014 (rank)</u>	<u> 2013 (rank)</u>	<u> 2012 (rank)</u>	<u> 2011 (rank)</u>
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	7.33	6.45 (3 rd)	7.71 (2 nd)	7.33 (1 st)	7.13 (2 nd)
2.) BNSF Railway	6.25	5.33 (6 th)	6.76 (4 th)	6.15 (4 th)	7.14 (1 st)
3.) CSX Transportation	5.64	6.83 (2 nd)	7.83 (1 st)	6.7 (2 nd)	6.5 (4 th)
4.) Canadian National Railway	5.31	5.64 (5 th)	6 (5 th)	5.83 (5 th)	6.92 (3 rd)
5.) Norfolk Southern Railway	5.25	7.07 (1 st)	7.11 (3 rd)	6.58 (3 rd)	6.29 (5 th)
6.) Kansas City Southern Railway	4.83	5.8 (4 th)	5.67 (7 th)	4.75 (7 th)	6.17 (6 th)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	3.50	3.33 (7 th)	5.73 (6 th)	5.43 (6 th)	4.92 (7 th)

4.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), rate the websites of the seven Class I railroads in providing costs and marketing information (tariffs, pricing, etc.).

	<u>2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	7.47	7.38 (1 st)	7.65 (2 nd)	8.38 (1 st)	8.13 (1 st)
2.) BNSF Railway	7.44	6.79 (3 rd)	7.06 (3 rd)	7.5 (2 nd)	7.4 (2 nd)
3.) CSX Transportation	6.46	6.8 (2 nd)	7.71 (1 st)	6.55 (4 th)	7.23 (4 th)
4.) Norfolk Southern Railway	6	6.65 (4 th)	6.44 (5 th)	6.67 (3 rd)	7.31 (3 rd)
5.) Canadian National Railway	5.67	6 (5 th)	6.6 (4 th)	6.38 (5 th)	6.23 (5 th)
6.) Kansas City Southern Railway	5.33	4.14 (6 th)	6.17 (6 th)	5.67 (6 th)	5 (6 th)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	4.15	3.56 (7 th)	5.2 (7 th)	4.6 (7 th)	4.58 (7 th)

5.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), rate the websites of the seven Class I railroads in providing operations-related information (tracking, billing, rail car profiles, etc.).

	<u> 2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	8.24	7.67 (1 st)	7.83 (1 st)	7.81 (1 st)	7.67 (1 st)
2.) BNSF Railway	7.06	6.63 (3 rd)	7.53 (3 rd)	7.62 (2 nd)	7.2 (4 th)
3.) CSX Transportation	6.69	6.47 (4 th)	7.43 (4 th)	7 (3 rd)	7.5 (3 rd)
4.) Norfolk Southern Railway	6.62	6.71 (2 nd)	7.67 (2 nd)	7 (3 rd)	7.5 (2 nd)
5.) Canadian National Railway	5.79	6.06 (5 th)	6 (5 th)	6.38 (5 th)	6.62 (6 th)
6.) Kansas City Southern Railway	5	4.67 (6 th)	5.17 (7 th)	6.25 (6 th)	6.67 (5 th)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	4.77	3.75 (7 th)	5.55 (6 th)	5.21 (7 th)	5.83 (7 th)

Costs

1.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), do you feel the rail service your company receives is commensurate with the cost of that service?

	<u> 2015</u>	<u> 2014 (rank)</u>	<u> 2013 (rank)</u>	2012 (rank)	<u> 2011 (rank)</u>
1.) Kansas City Southern Railway	6.5	5.57 (3 rd)	5.5 (5 th)	5 (6 th)	6.5 (2 nd)
2.) Union Pacific Railroad	6.24	6.05 (1 st)	5.61 (3 rd)	6.06 (1 st)	6.53 (1 st)
3.) BNSF Railway	5.6	3.74 (6 th)	5.75 (1 st)	5.5 (4 th)	6 (4 th)
4.) CSX Transportation	5.33	5.27 (5 th)	5.71 (2 nd)	5.6 (3 rd)	5.85 (6 th)
5.) Canadian National Railway	4.92	5.5 (4 th)	5.4 (6 th)	5.67 (2 nd)	6.33 (3 rd)
6.) Norfolk Southern Railway	4.69	5.82 (2 nd)	5.5 (4 th)	5.33 (5 th)	5.92 (5 th)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	3.08	2.94 (7 th)	4.45 (7 th)	4.86 (7 th)	4.23 (7 th)

2.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), are rail service costs clearly explained to you? Is there transparency in the railroad's pricing mechanism?

	<u>2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) BNSF Railway	5.88	5.05 (6 th)	5.71 (5 th)	6.57 (1 st)	5.5 (3 rd)
2.) Union Pacific Railroad	5.67	5.43 (2 nd)	6.31 (2 nd)	6.44 (2 nd)	5.47 (4 th)
3.) Norfolk Southern Railway	4.79	5.82 (1 st)	5.7 (6 th)	5.67 (5 th)	5.92 (1 st)
3.) Canadian National Railway	4.79	5.38 (3 rd)	6.2 (3 rd)	6 (3 rd)	5.25 (5 th)
5.) CSX Transportation	4.69	5.27 (4 th)	6.86 (1 st)	5.82 (4 th)	5.08 (6 th)
6.) Kansas City Southern Railway	4.25	5.13 (5 th)	5.6 (7 th)	5.2 (7 th)	5.57 (2 nd)
7.) Canadian Pacific Railway	3.62	3.69 (7 th)	5.82 (4 th)	5.29 (6 th)	4.73 (7 th)

3.) Accessorial charges – Do you feel railroad accessorial charges are legitimate and used for those purposes advertised by railroads, or do you feel they are simply another avenue for generating additional revenue (1 = Another avenue for revenue; 10 = Legitimate)?

	<u> 2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) BNSF Railway	4.38	3.74 (6 th)	4.75 (5 th)	4.71 (5 th)	4.4 (6 th)
2.) Union Pacific Railroad	4	5.16 (2 nd)	4.76 (4 th)	5.13 (3 rd)	4.47 (5 th)
3.) Canadian National Railway	4	4.38 (5 th)	4 (6 th)	4.77 (4 th)	4.5 (4 th)
4.) CSX Transportation	3.92	5.15 (3 rd)	5.33 (2 nd)	5.18 (1 st)	4.31 (7 th)
5.) Norfolk Southern Railway	3.62	5.71 (1 st)	5.33 (2 nd)	5.17 (2 nd)	4.92 (2 nd)
6.) Canadian Pacific Railway	3	2.86 (7 th)	3.58 (7 th)	4.29 (6 th)	4.58 (3 rd)
7.) Kansas City Southern Railway	2.6	4.5 (4 th)	5.6 (1 st)	3.6 (7 th)	5.75 (1 st)

4.) On a scale between 1-10 (one = worst; ten = best), is your company provided adequate notification when price increases occur?

	<u> 2015</u>	2014 (rank)	2013 (rank)	2012 (rank)	2011 (rank)
1.) Union Pacific Railroad	6.76	6.52 (2 nd)	6.89 (1 st)	6.94 (1 st)	6.81 (1 st)
2.) CSX Transportation	5.92	6.27 (3 rd)	6.43 (2 nd)	6.18 (5 th)	6.21 (3 rd)
3.) BNSF Railway	5.73	4.95 (5 th)	6.13 (3 rd)	6.29 (4 th)	5.38 (7 th)
4.) Norfolk Southern Railway	5.57	6.65 (1 st)	5.78 (6 th)	6.58 (2 nd)	6 (4 th)
5.) Canadian National Railway	5.53	5.93 (4 th)	6 (4 th)	5.69 (7 th)	6 (4 th)
6.) Canadian Pacific Railway	4.64	3.88 (7 th)	5.91 (5 th)	5.93 (6 th)	6.57 (2 nd)
7.) Kansas City Southern Railway	4.5	4.86 (6 th)	5.5 (7 th)	6.4 (3 rd)	5.5 (6 th)

Rail Customer Profile

1.)	Which of the seven Class	s I railroads did you	ır company utilize ove	r the past 12 months?

 BNSF Railway	Kansas City Southern Railway
 Canadian National Railway	Norfolk Southern Railway
 Canadian Pacific Railway	Union Pacific Railroad
CSX Transportation	

Survey respondents utilized, on average, 4 of the 7 Class I railroads over the past 12 months.

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