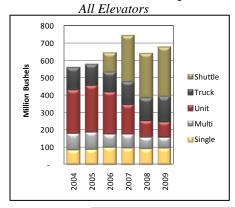
NORTH DAKOTA ELEVATOR ACTIVITIES & TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

March 2010

ND Grain & Oilseed Shipments



Destinations Reported

All Elevators

	Duluth	Other MN	Gulf	PNW	ND
2004	7%	33%	9%	19%	15%
2005	9%	28%	9%	21%	15%
2006	6%	22%	8%	34%	13%
2007	6%	20%	8%	35%	15%
2008	2%	20%	6%	37%	18%
2009	5%	21%	6%	32%	20%

Sum Less Than 100% Due to Unknown/Other

Average Truck Rate per Loaded Mile

Survey Responses

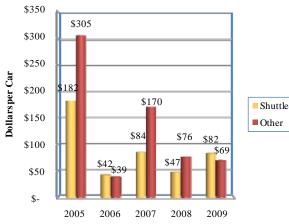
Loaded Miles	2008	2009	2010
1 to 25	3.86	3.68	3.64
26 to 100	3.41	3.39	3.10
101 to 200	2.37	2.70	2.88
201 or more	1.54	1.80	1.71

SURVEY RESPONSES

Response Rate: 71 responses from 163 total mailed = 44% ● Response Location by Region: West=11, Central=12, East=38

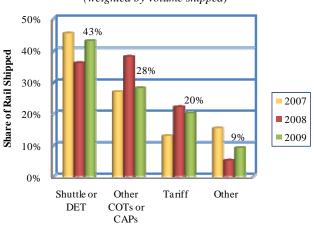
Average Premium for Guaranteed Freight

(weighted by volume shipped)



Program Accessed for Rail Freight Orders

(weighted by volume shipped)



Service Rating for Primary Rail Carrier During 2009 ($1 = poor \text{ and } 5 = excellent$)									
	Marketing and Sales Service	Timely Delivery of Equipment	Car Ordering Alternatives/Process	Condition of Equipment	Availability of Order Information	Access to Marketing Personnel	Average 2010	Average 2009	Average 2008
BNSF	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.2
CPR	2.6	2.9	3.1	1.7	2.5	2.5	2.1	2.1	3.9
RRVW	4.5	4.0	4.2	3.2	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.1	3.2
DMVW	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a	3.6
NPR	4.3	3.3	3.1	2.4	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.0	2.8
Average	3.6	3.3	3.5	3.0	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.3

Premiums

Shuttle: Average \$47; Range (\$0...\$100) Other Guaranteed: Average \$75; Range (\$0...\$300)

Current Rail Delivery Delay: Shuttle 0 to 7 days & Other Guaranteed 0 to 45 days

Early Purchases

Share of Expected 2010 Rail Freight Ordered: Average 49%; Range (0%...100%)

Premiums (weighted by volume shipped): Shuttle: Average \$32; Range (\$-125...\$140)
Other Guaranteed: Average \$33; Range (\$0...\$200)

e (0%...100%) 2010 49% \$32.00

Ordered

by

March

2008 2009

Early Rail Freight Purchases for Market Year

Share

of

Estimated 20%

29%

Average

premium paid

Other

\$53.00

\$28.00

\$33.00

Shuttle

\$27.00

\$55.00

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