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National Railway Freight Volume Reached 2.35 Billion Tons From January To July

From January to July, China's national railway freight volume reached 2.35 billion tons (+0.7% year-on-year), 187,000 carriages per day (+2.1% YoY). Among them, coal freight volume reached 1.216 billion tons (including 813 million tons of power coal). 21,570 China-Europe/Central Asia trains were operated (+10.3%); water intermodal transport up 9.2%. +9.2% **(Xinhua News)**

Freight Transport Volume On The China-Laos Railway Exceeds 90 Million Tons

As of Aug 18, 2026, the China–Laos Railway (opened Dec 3, 2021) had moved over 90 million tonnes of cargo, including 21M tonnes cross-border; run 80,000+ freight trains (23,000+ cross-border). In 2026 daily avg >67,000 t. Daily cross-border trains rose from 2 to 23; traction from 2,000 to 2,800 t. Goods cover 19 countries, 4,000+ types. **(Xinhua News)**

Guangdong-Shanghai Rail-Sea Logistics Corridor Officially Launches

The first Guangdong-Shanghai rail-sea inter-modal logistics corridor has officially launched, carrying export goods from Guangzhou to Shanghai for shipment to North America. Replacing road transport, the new route streamlines customs procedures and reduces logistics costs by approximately 20 percent per export container while offering predictable transit lead times. **(China Daily)**

Shanghai eyes 58 million TEUs in 15th Five-Year Plan (2026-30)

Shanghai has unveiled its 15th Five-Year Plan (2026–30) guidelines for transportation development, targeting an annual container throughput exceeding 58 million TEUs and 150 million air passenger trips by 2030. The municipal strategy focuses on strengthening Shanghai's role as a global shipping hub, upgrading multimodal transit networks, and expanding rail operating mileage to 1,260 kilometers. **(China Daily)**

Airbus Strategic Alignment with China's Aviation Infrastructure Push

Under China's 15th Five-Year Plan (2026–30), the nation is accelerating civil aviation capacity and air cargo logistics. Airbus highlights expanding opportunities for wide-body and freighter aircraft, driven by surging cross-border e-commerce, while welcoming market competition as China's all-cargo fleet is projected to nearly triple by 2044. **(China Daily)**