





Overview

- Trendlines in the trucking industry
- Tools used to find carriers
- Strategic Shipping Points
- Product Diversity
- Alternatives to trucking
 - Barge
 - Rail
- Questions/Comments



 All the data compiled in the next few slides is by DAT Solutions, a national freight exchange

The Original Load Board - Trusted Since 1978

- The company was established in 1978 as the Dial-A-Truck (DAT) load finder service at Jubitz[®] truck stop in Portland, Or
- About DAT:
- DAT operates the largest truckload freight marketplace in North America. Transportation brokers, carriers, news organizations and industry analysts rely on DAT for market trends and data insights derived from 270 million freight matches (2018 est.) and a database of \$57 billion of market transactions.

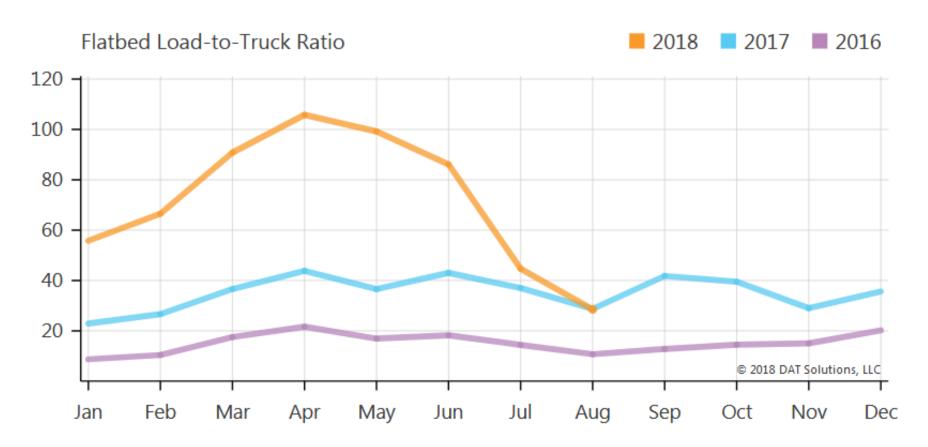
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Current Trendlines as of 9/11/18

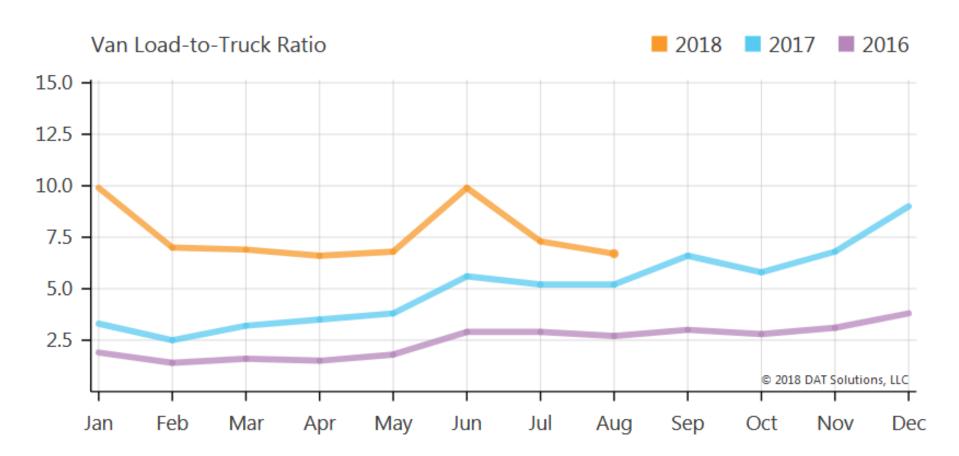
DAT Trendlines [™]							
powered by DAT RateView [™]							
Industry Trends	WEEK Sep 2 - 8 vs. Aug 26 - Sep 1	MONTH Aug 2018 vs. Jul 2018	YEAR Aug 2018 vs. Aug 2017				
Spot Market Loads	- 11%	- 7.1%	+27%				
Spot Market Capacity	- 13%	+10%	+18%				
Van Load-To-Truck	+ 9.4%	- 8.8%	+29%				
Van Rates (Spot)	+ 2.8%	- 5.7%	+20%				
Flatbed Load-To-Truck	+0.8%	- 36%	- 0.8%				
Flatbed Rates (Spot)	- 0.8%	- 4.3%	+21%				
Reefer Load-To-Truck	- 10%	+ 1.4%	- 9.1%				
Reefer Rates (Spot)	+ 3.2%	- 3.9%	+20%				
Fuel Prices	+0.8%	- 0.5%	+24%				





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Load-to-truck ratios represent the number of loads posted for every truck posted on **DAT Load Boards**. The load-to-truck ratio is a sensitive, real-time indicator of the balance between spot market demand and capacity. Changes in the ratio often signal impending changes in rates.



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NATIONWIDE LOAD-TO-TRUCK RATIO: MAY 2018



Van Loads to Truck

Ratio: 6.8

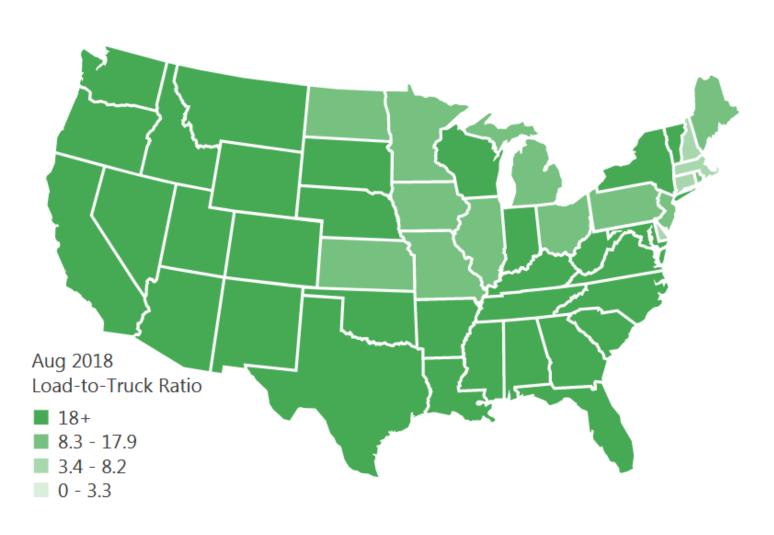


Flatbed Loads to

Truck Ratio: 99.2



National Flatbed Demand and Capacity





Factors

Factors that have impacted the trucking industry:

- 1. The economy
- 2. The weather
- 3. Driver shortage
- 4. ELD implementation





Factors

The economy

• Example: Home Depot's earnings 2017 vs 2018

THE HOME DEPOT, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended		
in millions, except per share data	July 29, 2018	July 30, 2017	% Change	July 29, 2018	July 30, 2017	% Change
Net sales	\$ 30,463	\$ 28,108	8.4 %	\$ 55,410	\$ 51,995	6.6 %
Cost of sales	20,098	18,647	7.8	36,428	34,380	6.0
Gross profit	10,365	9,461	9.6	18,982	17,615	7.8



Tools Used to Build Carrier Base

- Load Boards
- Databases













Load Boards

- www.Gartran.com
 - Garick's load board
 - Connected with our inhouse operating system
 - Automatic posting
 - Daily email blast
 - Spider out

- Independent load boards and Databases
 - DAT
 - Truckstop
 - Bulk Loads Now
 - Trucking Planet (FMCSA Database)



Strategic Shipping Points

- Near Vendors
 - How do we work with vendors closer to our plants?
 - FOB pricing vs. Delivered





Product Diversity

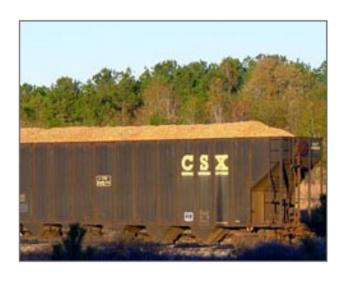


 Diversifying product line provides opportunities to utilize various modes of transportation and truck types



Trucking Alternatives

- Rail
- Barge







Rail

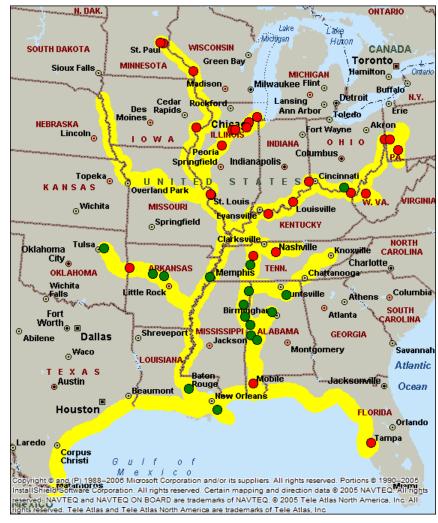
- Commodity hauled:

 Lightweight aggregate,
 white marble, decorative
 stone
- Capacity: 100 tons
- Main rail lines Garick uses:
 - BNSF
 - CSX
 - Norfolk Southern
 - IORY
- Moved over 1,000 rail cars this year





- Garick's barge operations:
- Points of origin:
 - Baton Rouge, LA
 - Saltillo, TN
 - Chattanooga, TN
- Points of destination:
 - All inland river points





- Products we ship via barge:
 - Bark (wood fiber)
 - Lightweight aggregate
 - Decorative stone
 - Other commodities on request
- Capacity:
 - Approx. 15-1,600 tons
 - 35-45,000 yards depending on density



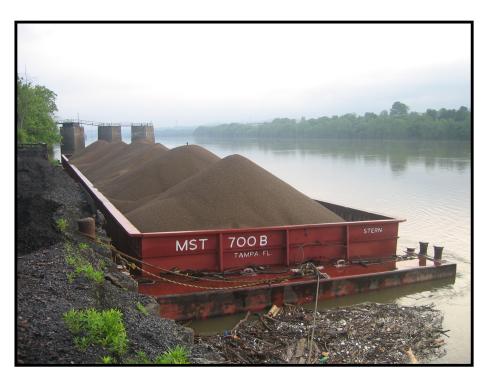




 Saltillo, TN – Point Pleasant Terminal







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Questions?



