



**Canadian Safety  
Train Express**

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# NEWSLETTER

**Welcome Aboard the Canadian Safety Train Express!**

**We are thrilled to bring you the latest updates and insights on the Canadian Safety Train Express. As we journey together, safety remains our top priority.**

## Spring Farming Season and Rail Safety

As April marks the start of the spring farming season across the Prairies, more farm equipment and heavy machinery will be moving on rural roads and near railway crossings. Tractors, seeders, sprayers, and grain trucks are essential this time of year, but their size, weight, and slower speeds can create additional challenges at crossings.

This year, higher-than-normal snowfall in parts of the Prairies has delayed the start of spring in some areas, meaning snowbanks, soft ground, and reduced visibility may persist longer than usual. These conditions can make approaches to railway crossings more difficult, particularly for large equipment that requires stable ground and clear sightlines.

Farm equipment often requires more time and distance to safely clear tracks, especially when pulling large implements. Limited visibility, wide loads, and uneven or muddy approaches can make it harder to stop or maneuver quickly.

Planning ahead is key when approaching any railway crossing. Drivers of farm equipment and other vehicles should remember:

- Slow down and approach crossings with caution
- Ensure there is enough space to fully clear the tracks before proceeding
- Obey all signals and warning devices
- Never try to rush or “beat” a train

Be patient when following farm equipment and avoid passing near railway crossings, where space and visibility may be limited.

As spring activity ramps up, even if it arrives a little later this year, staying aware around railway crossings helps keep farmers, drivers, and communities safe throughout the busy season.

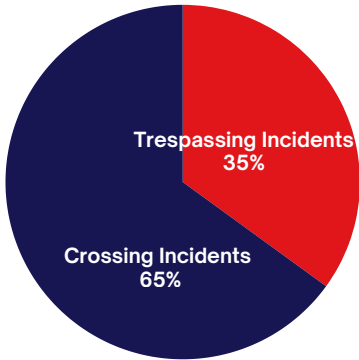
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### KEY INSIGHTS

Current railway crossing and trespassing incidents trends and statistics throughout Canada.

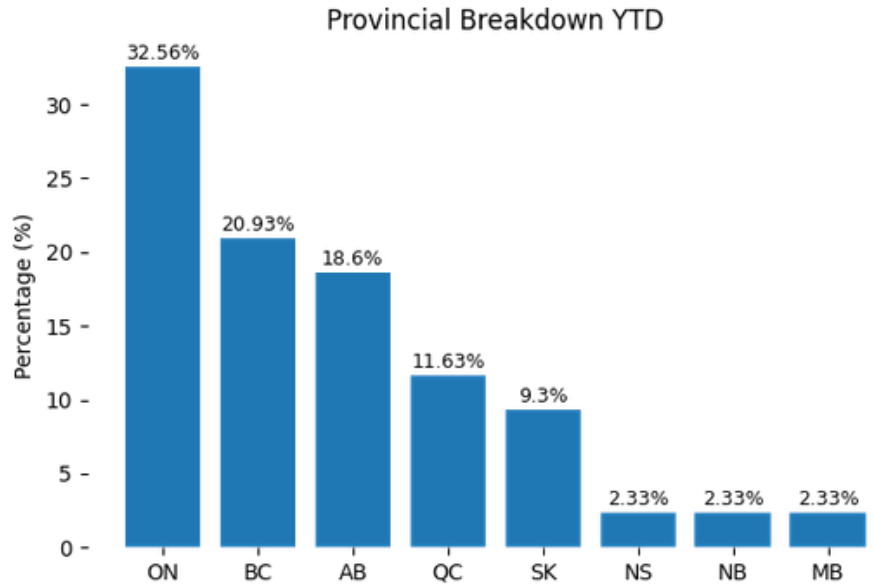
**43 total incidents between January 1 - March 31, 2026**

**43**



**14**

**Total fatalities in 2026**



**41%** ↓

**In Western Canada, railway incidents were reduced by 41% YTD 2026 compared to YTD 2025.**

**1201 - 1800**

48% OF INCIDENTS HAVE HAPPENED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 1201-1800

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY**

ARE THE DAYS WHEN MOST INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED. 46% OF INCIDENTS THIS YEAR HAVE HAPPENED ON THOSE DAYS.

Overall Monthly Incidents											
Jan	Feb	March	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
11	17	15									
26%	40%	35%									