

Oil Train Derailments Report

July 17, 2015

Location: Culbertson, Montana

Rail Car Type: Unknown

Details: Four tank cars leaked an estimated 35,000 gallons of oil after a train hauling fuel from North Dakota derailed in rural northeastern Montana.

Article: <http://bigstory.ap.org/article/54798cc649994f9c83daf232fbd29702/2-rail-cars-leaking-crude-after-oil-train-derails-montana>



May 6, 2015

Location: Heimdahl, North Dakota, United States

Rail Car Type: CPC-1232

Details: A train hauling crude from the state's oil patch derailed and caught fire 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday May 6th in rural [North Dakota](#). No injuries were reported in the derailment of the 109-car BNSF railway train, but the 20-resident town of Heimdahl, about 115 miles northeast of Bismarck had to be evacuated.

Article: <http://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/heimdahl-north-dakota-evacuated-after-fiery-oil-train-crash-n354686>



March 7, 2015

Location: Gogama, Ontario, Canada

Derailment Number: R15H0021

Rail Car Type: DOT 111

Details: A Canadian National Railway Co. train carrying crude oil derailed in a remote area of northern Ontario, sparking a fire, damaging a bridge and leaving five tank cars in a waterway.

Article with video and photos: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/sudbury/gogama-derailment-fire-extinguished-train-cars-pulled-from-river-1.2988574>

Official Report: <http://www.tsb.gc.ca/eng/medias-media/communiques/rail/2015/r15h0021-20150317.asp>



March 5, 2015

Location: Galena, Illinois, United States

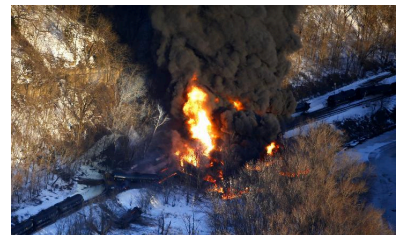
Rail Car Type: Model CPC 1232

Details: Twenty-one of the 105 cars of a BNSF train containing Bakken crude oil derailed and caught fire, which burned for several days.

Article with photos: <http://news.yahoo.com/train-carrying-bakken-crude-derails-burns-illinois-062821405.html>

Article with video: <http://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/fires-finally-dwindling-days-after-illinois-oil-train-derailment-n319666>

Official Press release: <http://www.fra.dot.gov/eLib/details/L16249>



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February 16, 2015

Location: Mount Carbon, West Virginia, United States

Rail Car Type: Model CPC 1232

Details: A train carrying more than 3 million gallons of crude derailed in a snowstorm, shooting fireballs into the sky.

Hundreds of families were evacuated and nearby water treatment plants were temporarily shut down after 19 tanker cars derailed and caught fire, leaking oil into a Kanawha River tributary and burning a nearby house down to its foundation.

Article with image and video: <http://wvmetronews.com/2015/02/16/oil-train-derails-in-fayette-county-causing-explosion-tanker-cars-in-kanawha-river/>

Official Statement: <http://www.fra.dot.gov/eLib/details/L16235>



February 14, 2015

Location: Gogama, Ontario Canada

Derailment Number: R15H0013

Rail Car Type: DOT 111

Details: Seven cars caught fire when a CN train carrying crude oil derailed in northern Ontario.

Article: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/sudbury/train-derailment-cleanup-continues-near-gogama-ont-1.2959067>

Official Report: <http://www.tsb.gc.ca/eng/enquetes-investigations/rail/2015/r15h0013/r15h0013.asp>



January 31, 2015

Location: South Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States

Railcar Type: Information unavailable

Details: Eleven tank cars of a CSX train carrying Bakken crude oil derailed in South Philadelphia. No injuries or spills were reported.

Investigative report video: <http://6abc.com/news/special-investigation-trains-transporting-hazardous-chemicals-across-region/503280/>

May 9, 2014

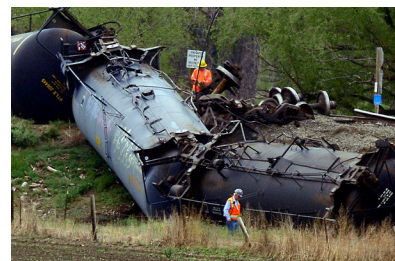
Location: LaSalle, Colorado, United States

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: A train derailed and spilled 6,500 US gallons of oil west of LaSalle, Colorado. Later tests revealed this accident polluted area groundwater with toxic levels of benzene.

Article with photo: <http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Latest-News-Wires/2014/0510/Colorado-derailment-Six-crude-oil-tankers-jump-track>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Kk-Fen2X8s>



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April 30, 2014

Location: Lynchburg, Virginia, United States

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: A 105-car train carrying crude oil derailed, caught fire and spilled 30,000 gallons of oil into the James River near downtown Lynchburg, Virginia. The city reports that 12 to 14 tanker cars were carrying crude oil when the CSX train crashed. Of those cars, three or four tanker cars breached.

Article with video: <http://www.bostonglobe.com/news/nation/2014/04/30/tankers-catch-fire-lynchburg-derailment/dKRhQGblhInt30bY9VsPEP/story.html>

Article with photos: <http://www.nydailynews.com/news/national/train-derails-lynchburg-va-creating-massive-fire-smoke-article-1.1774353>

Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q_wWk68kgxQ



January 31, 2014

Location: New Augusta, Mississippi, United States

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: A CN train carrying crude oil, methane and liquid fertilizer derailed near New Augusta, Mississippi. Eighteen to 24 cars of the 85-car train derailed and began leaking. The derailment occurred in a rural area, but resulted in 12 families being evacuated and four lanes of U.S. 98 closed as emergency responders began to clean up the spill. No injuries were reported.

Article: <http://usnews.nbcnews.com/news/2014/01/31/22524183-50-evacuated-after-chemical-train-derailment-in-mississippi>



January 20, 2014

Location: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States

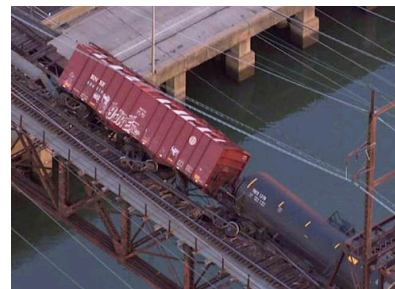
Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: Seven cars of a 101-car CSX train carrying crude oil derailed on a bridge over the Schuylkill Expressway, causing the road to be shut down for a brief period of time as emergency crews drained the tankers. No injuries were reported.

Article: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/01/20/us-usa-derailment-pennsylvania-idUSBREA0J1GO20140120>

Article with image: <http://www.nbcchicago.com/traffic/transit/CHI-COPYTrain-Headed-to-Chicago-Derails-on-Bridge-Over-Schuylkill-River-241126061.html>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ORKy5xoTul0>



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January 7, 2014

Location: Plaster Rock, New Brunswick, Canada

Derailment Number: R14M0002

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: A huge fireball was released after 17 cars of a 122-car train derailed. Nobody was injured during the blaze, but about 150 people were evacuated.

Article: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/01/08/us-train-idUSBREA0703S20140108>

Article with videos: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/cn-derailment-near-plaster-rock-involved-mechanical-failure-1.2488358>

Transportation Safety Board of Canada: <http://www.tsb.gc.ca/eng/enquetes-investigations/rail/2014/r14m0002/r14m0002.asp>

Photos: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/tsbcanada/sets/72157639594501893>

Official Report: <http://www.tsb.gc.ca/eng/enquetes-investigations/rail/2014/r14m0002/r14m0002.asp>



December 30, 2013

Location: Casselton, North Dakota, United States

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: Several grain cars from a westbound train derailed and struck an eastbound train carrying crude oil on an adjoining track near Casselton, North Dakota. Several crude oil cars exploded, resulting in large clouds of black smoke, which forced an evacuation of the area. No casualties were reported.

Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Casselton_train_derailment

Article: <http://in.reuters.com/article/2013/12/30/northdakota-derailment-idINL2NOK919L20131230>

Photos: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/greenpeaceusa09/sets/72157639337210693/>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxkUhVswF5U>



November 8, 2013

Location: Aliceville, Alabama, United States

Railcar Type: DOT 108

Details: A 90-car freight train carrying crude oil from the Bakken shale patch in North Dakota derailed and exploded. The flames, which shot upward 300 feet high, were left to burn themselves out. There were no fatalities or injuries.

Article: <http://articles.latimes.com/2013/nov/09/nation/la-na-nn-train-crash-alabama-oil-20131109>



Oil Train Derailments Report

October 19, 2013

Location: Gainford, Alberta, Canada

Derailment Number: R13E0142

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Details: A 134-car train with 13 cars carrying crude oil and liquefied petroleum gas derailed west of Edmonton, Alberta. Local residents were evacuated in Gainford, Alberta located some 85 km (53 miles) from the capital. A fire resulted and no one was injured.

Article: <http://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/train-derailment-fire-will-have-to-burn-itself-out-before-residents-can-go-home-1.1504179>

Video: <http://www.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=191462>

Official Report: <http://www.tsb.gc.ca/eng/enquetes-investigations/rail/2014/r14m0002/r14m0002.asp>



July 6, 2013

Lac-Mégantic, Quebec, Canada

Derailment Number: R13D0054

Railcar Type: DOT 111

Location: Lac-Mégantic, Quebec, Canada

Details: A freight train containing 72 tank cars of crude oil ran away while unattended and derailed in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec. Several cars exploded, resulting in 42 confirmed dead and 5 missing and presumed dead. More than 30 buildings in the town's center, roughly half of the downtown area, were destroyed.

Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lac-M%C3%A9gantic_rail_disaster

Large image available for download: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Lac_megantic_burning.jpg

Link to videos: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tVl6r7tQVeo>

Official Report: <http://www.tsb.gc.ca/eng/enquetes-investigations/rail/2013/r13d0054/r13d0054.asp>

