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Dry Van Trailer Net Orders Lead Gains for Commercial Trailers

COLUMBUS, IN – June commercial trailer net orders were up 103 percent from a very weak June of 2009, continuing a healthy rebound for the commercial trailer industry, according to ACT Research Co. (ACT), the premier source of analysis in the market for commercial trucks and trailers. Through June, year-to-date net orders for trailers are up 74 percent.

In the latest release of *State of the Industry: U.S. Trailers*, ACT noted that dry van orders, a segment hit hard in 2009, had a very strong June, especially considering June is normally a seasonally slow month for trailer orders. Year-to-date, dry van net orders are up 164 percent. Reefer van net orders, which held up fairly well during the recession, are up 5 percent on a year-to-date basis.

“Truckload carrier profitability is the key to improved orders of commercial vehicles,” said John Burton, vice president with ACT Research. “Initial reports from publicly traded truckload carriers are confirming the healthy rebound we have been sensing in the trucking sector. With capital expenditures muted the past two years, carriers are beginning to show some profits and are reinvesting in their fleets,” added Burton.

ACT is the recognized leading publisher of new and used commercial vehicle (CV) industry data, market analysis and forecasting services for the North American market, as well as the China CV market. ACT's CV services are used by all major North American truck and trailer manufacturers and their suppliers, as well as the banking and investment community. For more information on ACT, please go to our web site at <http://www.actresearch.net>.

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