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the following numbers of railroad tank cars were available in the Soviet Zone of Germany on the days mentioned:

Number of Tank Cars Available for Traffic:

Date	within the Soviet Zone	to the U.S.S.R.	to Poland	with Vegetable Oil	Total
27 March	1,896	245	346	13	2,503
28 March	1,903	223	359	25	2,513
29 March	1,895	198	399	19	2,514
30 March	1,880	199	499	-	2,581
31 March	1,851	193	444	12	2,503
1 April	1,849	159	481	21	2,513
2 April	1,896	191	410	13	2,513
3 April	1,905	184	413	18	2,523
4 April	2,002	177	316	15	2,513
5 April	2,026	177	296	11	2,513
6 April	1,953	182	361	11	2,513
7 April	1,905	214	373	18	2,513

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25X1 [redacted] a total of 10,107 railroad tank cars and carboy-type (tank car with three compartments) cars suitable for the shipment of so-called black products were available to the Soviet Zone railroads as of 1 April 1952. **

25X1 * [redacted] Comment. As compared with the last reported period, there was no change in the number of railroad tank cars available in the Soviet Zone. The number of tank cars sent to the U.S.S.R. decreased slightly, and tank car traffic to Poland increased slightly. The number of tank cars employed for the shipment of vegetable oil was at the previous level.

25X1 ** [redacted] Comment. The stocks of railroad tank cars and carboy-type cars suitable for the shipment of black products are reported for the first time. [redacted] a total of 12,300 tank cars used 25X1 for the shipment of white and black products was available in the Soviet Zone on 1 August 1951. There is a total of 12,620 cars reported in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the present report as available on 1 April 1952. The difference between this figure and the number mentioned in reference is so slight that the reported figure of 10,107 tank cars used for the shipment of black products appears credible. Black products include acids, power gas, fluid chlorine, lyes, lubricants, tar, wine, molasses, alcohol, etc. The tank cars used for the shipment of these products are carried in the category of "Tank Cars and Carboy-Type Cars for Black Products" and include cars of the most diversified types. In order to avoid time-consuming chemical cleaning, railroad tank cars are generally used for the transportation of a special type and hired out to producer firms. The employment of these cars is controlled by the Central Railroad Tank Car Distribution Point, Berlin.