

Fritz says train length is up 20% and mainline / siding derailments are down 26%. But the # of trains running on the system has been cut by easily 30% or more due to the increase in train length. So with all that 4 years ago with 700ish trains running on the system daily and the derailments were around 200 per year on the UP. Now the trains are down to 400 ish on the system per day and the derailments down 26%. That doesn't add up because the derailments are up if you compare the data from 4 to 5 years ago and the derailment rate and the # of trains operated per day on the UP system and compare to today with less trains per day (due to increasing train length) and the rate is about flat compared to 4 to 5 years ago as far as a percentage. That being said the derailments are higher today than compared to then.