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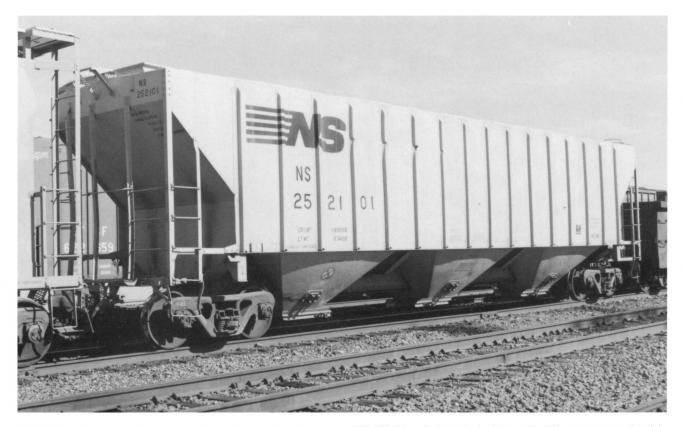
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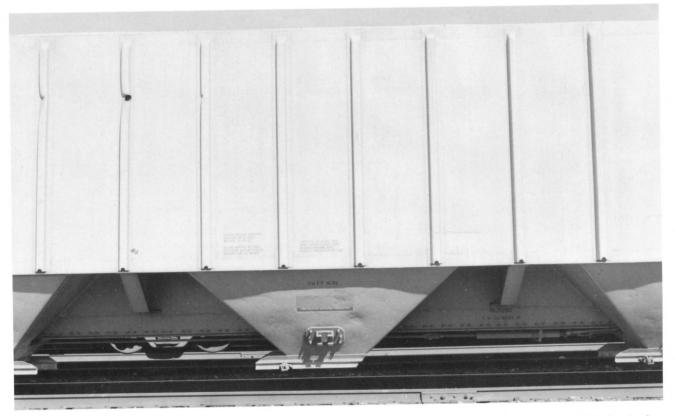


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NS 252101. (Above). Pullman-Standard built 1,000 of these 4,740 cubic-foot capacity covered hoppers in 1969 for the N&W. Originally part of the series NW 173000-173999. The series is now 252000-252901.

NS 252101. (Below). Left side detail. This car was repainted in September 1993 by WARX IN. Note the clean practical lettering using sans-serif lettering styles. Only the load limit and light weight appear (previously included the redundant capacity line).





NS 252101. (Above). Center section of car side. Caution statements warn operators to close hatches before moving car and having at least one hatch open during unloading.

NS 252101. (Below). Right side detail. Norfolk Southern's class is identified as HC-69 (Hopper, Covered, 69th type). This particular car was built in May 1966.





NS 168447. (Above). Norfolk Southern's *Protect II* uses insulated covers to reduce temperature change. This car weighs in at 67,800 lbs or about 7,000 lbs heavier than similar cars with non-insulated covers. This car was built in June 1993 by Thrall Car. NS class CS-14. NS 168400-168499. Equipped with Keystone E-15G-B cushioning.

NW 169639. (Below). A traditional looking purpose built coil steel car. This one was built in February 1990 by Thrall Car - the year before the official merger. Class CS-13. NS 169600-169699. Equipped with Keystone E-15G cushioning.





NS 411112. (Above). NS has a huge fleet of 70-ton box cars such as this one. This car was originally built as part of the SOU 530500-531499. Built in 1978 by Pullman-Standard's Bessemer, AL plant.

NS 411112. (Below). Left side detail. This car was painted at Spartanburg, SC shops in April 1994.



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NS 411112. (Above). Center section detail view. New sliding doors replaced worn-out originals as cars were refurbished. Markings indicate 50,000 lb capacity nailable steel floor.

NS 411112. (Below). Right side detail. Norfolk Southern assigned the class BS-179 to this series. All former Southern cars have a "S" in the class.





NS 235115. (Above). Originally built for Southern as series 91000-91599 by ACF's Huntington, WV plant. This is a 3,300 cubic-foot capacity ACF Center Flow®. It was repainted in July 1993 by GE's Toledo shop. NS class HCS-38.

NS 240686. (Below). This 4,000 cubic-foot capacity covered hopper car started out life as part of Southern's 6765-6964 series built in 1964 by Magor. NS class HCS-18.





NS 29061. (Above). Norfolk Southern began converting a number of old coal hopper into coal gondolas by replacing the original hopper body with a new gondola body. This one was rebodied in July 1993 by the NS Roanoke, VA shops. The cars are gray with black lettering. Photographed in Birmingham, AL during May 1994.

NS 29592. (Below). Another former coal hopper turned coal gondola. This one was rebodied in January 1994. Capacity is 3,725 cubic-feet. Load limit is 100-tons or 200,000 lbs. NS class G-90R.





SOU 77788. (Above). Built in 1971 by Greenville Steel Car as part of Southern's 77200-77799. Norfolk Southern's influence is shown here with the repaint and new class HS-18. These are 3,600 cubic-foot capacity quadruple hoppers used for coal transport. Photographed in Birmingham, AL May 1994.

NS 366982. (Below). Originally built as a 2,868 cubic-foot capacity for the N&W series 66000-66499. It was rebodied in January 1992 as part of an overall coal hopper upgrade program that enlarged each car's capacity to 3,480 cubic-feet. Photographed in Birmingham, AL May 1994.





SOU 9728. (Above). Southern had some very interesting freight cars - none the least is this 84'4" IL Plate F+ double-plug door box car. The car has a 10,036 cubic-foot capacity, 75-ton load limit (on 100-ton trucks) and is equipped with Pullman's very own 30 inch cushioning device.

SOU 90355. (Below). The famous GATX Airslide[®]. This one was repainted by the Coster shops in June 1990. Originally built in 1978 as part of the Southern 90354-90403 series. Capacity, 4,180 cubic-feet. NS class HCS-36. Photographed in Spartanburg, SC during May 1994.

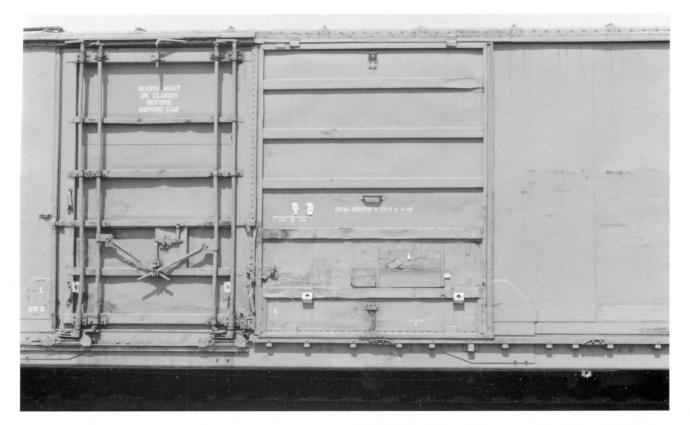




SOU 551370. (Above). At first this may look like a box car. But actually this is an AAR class LC...box car with roof hatches. Southern at one time had quite a fleet of these neat cars. This one's been "Norfolk Southern-ized" with the standard paint scheme and logo. Photographed in Anniston, AL during May 1994.

SOU 551370. (Below). Left side detail. The car was painted at the Hayne Shops (Spartanburg SC) in April 1989. The roof hatch can be seen on the roof to the left of the door track.





SOU 551370. Center section detail. This shows the combination door arrangement of this car. The plug door on the left is an unfamiliar design to me.

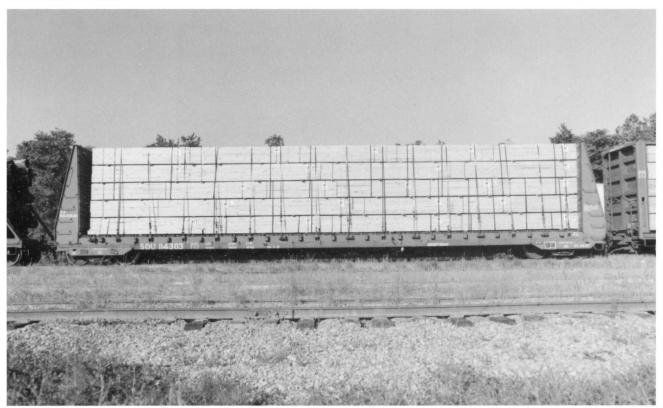
SOU 551370. (Below). This car was built in June 1967. NS class BS-191. This car came from the NS 1800-series (the original or first NS).





SOU 1088. (Above). Certainly one of the first aluminum-bodied unit trains to be placed in regular service was the Southern 1000-1749 series. The cars were built in 1960 by Pullman-Standard's Bessemer, AL plant. Each car had a whopping 3,620 cubic-foot capacity. NS class GS-1. The warning in the center says...Do not unload with clam shell.

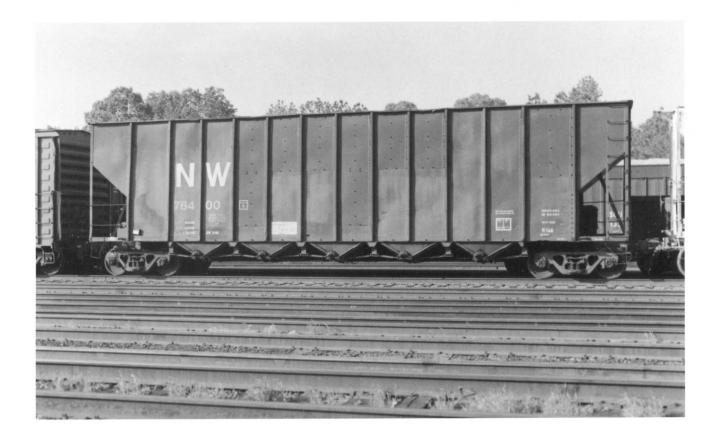
SOU 114303. (Below). Built in 1974 by Greenville Steel Car as part of the Southern 114250-114349 series. This 61-foot bulkhead flat is seen here loaded with bundled lumber in Macon GA during May 1994. NS class FS-44.





NW 172911. (Above). This huge 100-ton 5,200 cubic-foot capacity covered hopper was built in 1967 by N&W's Roanoke, VA shop. Series, NW 172900-172999. N&W/NS class HC-65. Photographed in Crewe, VA during May 1995.

NW 76400. (Below). This is a 5,390 cubic-foot capacity open hopper generally used for woodchip service. Series, NW 76400-76474. Built in 1965 by Ortner Freight Car. N&W/NS class H14A. Photographed in Crewe, VA during May 1995.





SOUTHERN 142095. (Above). Still in original paint as delivered from the builder (Greenville Steel Car) in July 1980. This is a 50-foot Plate C pulpwood car. Series, Southern 141300-142099. The remaining cars would become NS class FS-95 after the merger. Photographed in Crewe, VA during May 1995.

SOUTHERN 142482. (Below). Built in July 1981 by United American Car's shops in Cartersville, GA. Series, Southern 142100-142799. These 50-foot pulpwood cars would later be classed by NS as FS-96. Photographed in Crewe, VA during May 1995.





NS 196855. (Above). This unusual car is a 69'10" IL Plate F+ covered high-side gondola car used for refuse transport. NS purchased thirty of these unusual cars in 1993 from builder, Trinity Industries. Each car has an 8,000 cubic-foot capacity!

NS 196855. (Below). Left side detail. The cars are green with yellow lettering. Note the 89,000 lb light weight.





NS 196855. (Above). Center section view.

NS 196855. (Below). Right side view. NS class G-92. NS also assigns classes to its trucks. These have class T-268 trucks. Photographed in Roanoke, VA during May 1995.



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