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n. pl. car·goes or car·gos

Freight carried by a ship, an aircraft, or another vehicle.

[Spanish, from *cargar*, to load, from Late Latin *carricāre*, from Latin *carrus*, a Gallic type of wagon; see **kers-** in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.]

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