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## RAILWAY OPERATING STATISTICS

The Railway Operating Statistics Reports for 1956 are not comparable to those for previous years due to two principal changes. The first is the adoption of the "Uniform Classification of Accounts" by four of the reporting railways. The classification, which became effective for the Canadian National Railways, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Quebec North Shore and Labrador Railway Company on January 1, will be applicable to all common carrier railways operating in Canada on January 1, 1957. The Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company commenced using the new accounting classification on March l, 1956. Due to the new accounting system it has been necessary to publish two sets of financial statistics in this report. The first is for 17 railways not on the new classification and the second is for the 4 railways (C.N.R., C.P.R., Q.N.S. \& L. and P.G.E.) which are now using the new system of accounts.

The second major change is that there has been an increase in the number of companies reporting from 17 to 21 . This means that all class 1 and 11 common carrier railways with gross annual revenue of $\$ 500,000$ or more are required to report monthly and weekly statistics. Data for Railway Operating, Railway Freight Traffic, and Carloading statistics will now be more comparable. It had not been possible in the past to make direct comparisons between these statistical series because of the different groups of railways included in each series.

As financial statistics of railway operations are now submitted on a more current basis it has become necessary to publish the operating statistics, one month later than the financial data for the same period. For the 21 railways whose June financial statistics are here reported the May operating statistics are included. These details, being directly comparable between companies are presented on pages 4 and 5 and show that while freight receipts and revenue ton miles increased substantially the average freight receipt per revenue ton mile rose slightly from 1.458 t to 1.471 \&. Passenger miles rose slightly while the average receipt per passenger mile increased from $2.896 k$ to $2.949 k$. The ratio of operating pay roll to operating revenues dropped from 52.33 per cent to 44.98 per cent and the ratio of operating expenses to revenues decreased from 91.21 per cent to 88.38 per cent.

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17 RAILWAYS NOT ON UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF ACCOUNTS, 1956*

| OPERATING REVENUES - | 1956 | 1955 | OPERATING EXPENSES - | 1956 | 1955 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |
| Freight | 8,424,164 | 8,160,008 | Maintenance of way and structures | 1,849,699 | 1,967,247 |
| Passenger | 387,946 | 437,020 | Maintenance of equipment | 1,353,835 | 1, 207,905 |
| Mail | 54,001 | 53,835 | Traffic | 156,448 | 155,233 |
| Express | 229,768 | 208,979 | Transportation | 3,321,535 | 3,014,494 |
| Other passenger train | 18,699 | 14,744 | Miscellaneous operations | 203,426 | 198,511 |
| Water line | $\begin{aligned} & 429,567 \\ & 583,505 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 376,125 \\ & 523,264 \end{aligned}$ | General | 404,548 | 396,458 |
| Total Railway Operating Revenues | $10,127,650$ | 9,773,975 | Total Railway Operating Expenses | 7,289,491 | 6,939,848 |


| OPERATING INCOME - |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net operating revenue | 2,838,159 | 2,834,127 | Joint facility rents | 80,528 | 74,953 |
| Railway tax accruals | 445,328 | 559,700 | Net Railway Operating Income | 1,102,611 | 1,115,863 |
| Hire of equipment | 1,209,692 | 1,083,611 |  |  |  |

4 RAILWAYS ON UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF ACCOUNTS, 1956*



## * See Text for explanation

1/ Excludes electric Lines and Road Transport Trucks.
2/ Railway results of 1955 restated to take into account inclusion of C.P. Electric Lines
and exclusion of Great lakes Steamships results.

MAY, 1956

|  | Total 21 Railways |  | Canadian National Railways |  | Canadian Pacific <br> Railway Company |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | $19551 /$ | 1956 | $19552 /$ |
| Average miles of road operated | 44,432.88 | 44,421.16 | 22,585.35 | 22,613.57 | 17,123.70 | 17,06120 |
| Tons carried............ Revenue Freight | 18,017,089 | 15,529,919 | 7,505,925 | 6,194,779 | $5,817,880$ | 5,155,545 |
| Tons carried one mile . . . Revenue freight . . . . . . . . . . . . . (000) | 6,630,337 | 5,618,625 | 3,209,214 | 2,646,550 | 2,695,499 | 2,339,951 |
| Tons carried one mile ....Revenue and Non-Revenue freight (000) | 7,031,808 | 5,921,994 | 3,446,189 | 2,794,429 | 2,852,714 | 2,485,083 |
| Revenue passengers carried | 2,012,713 | 2,008,423 | 1,158,770 | 1,146,520 | 677,004 | 684,888 |
| Revenue passengers carried one mile ..................... (000) | 225,722 | 223,349 | 105,805 | 105,188 | 103,792 | 101,962 |
| Gross ton miles - Freight train ........................ (000) | $14,881,050$ | 12,985, 262 | 7,283,758 | 6,185,454 | 6,011,295 | 5,252,763 |
| Gross ton miles - Passenger train . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (000) | 2,298,490 | 2,269,428 | 1,221,097 | 1,109,233 | 917,390 | 1,006,227 |
| Freight train miles | 7,356,719 | 6,640,821 | 3,600,499 | 3,187,346 | 3,047,017 | 2,799,393 |
| Passenger train miles | $3,649,648$ | 3,709,835 | 1,893,878 | 1,782,728 | 1,523,638 | 1,700,952 |
| Total Train Miles (transp. and work train service) | 11,378,184 | 10,637,939 | 5,747,521 | 5,158,407 | 4,638,878 | 4,563,448 |
| Freight car miles - loaded (Transportation Service) | 214,633,190 | 191,906,072 | 109,316,703 | 95,162,052 | 85,263,891 | 77,236,652 |
| Freight car miles - empty (Transportation Service) | 110,307,797 | 94,677,979 | 52,845,681 | 45,643, 168 | 44,113,768 | 37,476,999 |
| Freight car miles - Total (Transportation Service) | 332,453, 393 | 293,060,659 | $165,838,882$ | 144,018,937 | 132,427, 394 | $117,516,027$ |
| Passenger car miles - Total (Transportation Service) | $34,733,917$ | 34, 181, 332 | 18,411,936 | 16,696,809 | 13,834, 872 | 15,094,588 |
| Total amount of pay-roll - Railway . .......................... | 54,540,951 | 54,237,836 | 29,455,088 | 30,650,366 | 20,878,002 | 19,658,750 |
| Number of employees - Railway | 181,908 | 183,743 | 99,914 | 104,063 | 69,913 | 67,379 |
| Pay-roll Chargeable to Railway Operating Expenses ........... \$ | 50,580,327 | $50,178,249$ | 26,997,598 | 27,744,793 | 19,681,328 | 18,751,912 |


| Operating revenue .............................................. . | 81.64 | 69.63 | 79.68 | 64.86 | 82.11 | 73.05 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating expenses . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ | 72.15 | 63.51 | 70.64 | 61.04 | 75.68 | 68.40 |
| No. of tons moved one mile (Rev, Fr.) | 4,814 | 4,080 | 4,584 | 3,775 | 5,078 | 4,424 |
| No. of tons moved one mile (All Fr.) ........................ | 5,105 | 4,300 | 4,922 | 3,986 | 5,374 | 4,699 |
| No. of rev. passengers carried one mile | 164 | 162 | 151 | 150 | 196 | 193 |
| AVERAGSS PER FREIGHT TRAIN MILE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight revenue . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ | 13.25 | 12.33 | 13.63 | 12.38 | 12.14 | 11.50 |
| No. of tons of freight (Rev. Fr.) | 901 | 846 | 891 | 830 | 885 | 836 |
| No. of tons of freight (All Fr.) | 956 | 892 | 957 | 877 | 936 | 888 |
| Loaded freight cars | 29.2 | 28.9 | 30.4 | 29.9 | 28.0 | 27.6 |
| Empty freight cars | 15.0 | 14.3 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 13.4 |
| AVERAGES PER PASSENGER TRAIN MILIS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| passengers carried | 62 | 60 | 56 | 59 | 68 | 60 |
| Passenger cars | 9.5 | 9.2 | 9.7 | 9.4 | 9.1 | 8.9 |
| Average operating expenses per train mile .................. $\$$ | 8.73 | 8.22 | 8.61 | 8.30 | 8.66 | 7.93 |
| Average length of haul (Rev. Fr.) Miles | 368 | 362 | 428 | 427 | 463 | 454 |
| Average passenger journey Miles | 112 | 111 | 91 | 92 | 153 | 149 |
| Average tons per loaded freight. car mile | 32.8 | 30.9 | 31.5 | 29.4 | 33.5 | 32.2 |
| Average freight receipt per revenue ton mile .......... (cents) | 1.471 | 1.458 | 1.530 | 1.491 | 1.372 | 1.376 |
| Aversge passenger receipt per passenger per mile ...... (cents) | 2.949 | 2.896 | 3.110 | 3.063 | 2.867 | 2.803 |
| Ratio of operating pay roll to operating revenues .. (per cent) | 44.98 | 52.33 | 48.40 | 61.02 | 45.15 | 48.53 |
| Ratio of operating expenses to xevenues ............ (per cent) | 88.38 | 91.21 | 88.66 | 94.11 | 92.17 | 93.63 |

- Includes duplications

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## CANADIAN NATIONAL RALLWAYS

(Lines in Canada and the United States)

Canadian lines

|  | \$ | \$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Rail* Operating Revenues $\ldots . .$. | $57,772,500$ | $54,916,600$ |
| Rail* Operating Expenses $\ldots . .$. | $51,530,560$ | $46,489,197$ |
| Net Rail* Operating Income $\ldots .$. | $6,241,940$ | $8,427,403$ |


| June |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1956 | 1955 |
| $\$$ | $\$$ |
| $57,772,500$ | $54,916,600$ |
| $51,530,560$ | $46,489,197$ |
| $6,241,940$ | $8,427,403$ |
|  |  |


| June |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1956 | 1955 |
| $\$$ | $\$$ |
| $7,091,500$ | $6,683,400$ |
| $5,924,203$ | $5,098,500$ |
| $1,167,297$ | $1,584,900$ |
| Dr. 116,541 | 397,057 |

CUMLLATIVE TOTALS


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[^0]:    * Includes Railway, Express, Commercial Commnications and Highway Transport (Rail).

