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## RAILWAY OPERATING STATISTICS

On January 1, 1956 the Railway Operating statistical series underwent two principal changes. The first was 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 system on March 1, 1956. Since the adoption of the new classification by some railways it has been necessary to present 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 the P.G.E.) which are now using the new system.

The second major change is that there has been an increase in the number of railways reporting from 17 to 21 . This change has been made in order that only class I and II common carriers will be included in the statistics published on a more frequent than annual basis. This means that all railways having gross annual revenues of $\$ 500,000$ per annum or more are required to report monthly and weekly statistics. Data for Rallway Operating, Railway Freight Traffic and Carloading statistics will now be more comparable. It has not been possible in the past to make comparison due to the different groups reported in each series.

As financlal statistics of rallway operations are now submitted on a more current basis it has become necessary to publish the operating statistics, for each monthly period, one month later than the financial data. For the 21 railways whose July financial statistics are here reported the June operating statistics are included. The operating data, being directly comparable between companies, have been presented in a single table on pages 4 and 5 and show that, while total freight receipts and revenue ton miles increased substantially the average freight receipt per revenue ton mile dropped from 1.503 to 1.359 . Passenger miles dropped slightly while the average receipt per passenger mile rose slightly from 2.837 to 2.902 k . The ratio of operating payroll to operating revenues increased from 48.66 per cent to 49.11 per cent and operating expenses to revenues increased from 85.77 per cent to 87.59 per cent.

Prepared in the Transportation and Public Utilities Section,

17 RAILWAYS NOT ON UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF ACCOUNTS, 1956*

| OPERATING REVENUES - | 1956 | 1955 | OPERATING EXPENSES - | 1956 | 1955 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |
| Freight | 8,547,334 | 8,261,785 | Maintenance of way and structures | 1,731,855 | 1,705,149 |
| Passenger | 519,102 | 504,266 | Maintenance of equipment | 1,238,472 | 1,205,256 |
| Ma11 .... | 54,040 | 54,536 | Traffic | 150,219 | 144,345 |
| Express | 230,925 | 219,691 | Transportation | 3,221,095 | 3,025,794 |
| Other passenger train | 21,266 | 20,466 | Miscellaneous operations | 213,461 | 199,902 |
| Water line | $485,999$ | $\begin{aligned} & 388,545 \end{aligned}$ | General | 447,087 | 371,590 |
| All other | 591,360 | 533,318 |  |  |  |
| Total Railway Operating Revenues | 10,450,026 | 9,982,607 | Total Railway Operating Expenses | 7,002,189 | 6,652,036 |

## OPERATING INCONE -


$3,447,837$
519,411
$1,193,152$
$3,330,571$
892,370
$1,152,485$
Joint facility rents ..................
84,085
$1,651,189$

82,996
1,202,720

4 RAILWAYS ON UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF ACCOUNTS, 1956*

| is | Total 4 Railways |  | Canadian National Railways |  | Canadian Pacific Railway Co. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | $19551 /$ | 1956 | 1955 2/ |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Freight | 88,227,858 | 71,575,146 | 46,498,000 | 38,519,000 | 34,815,966 | 28,161,364 |
| Passenger | 9,672,625 | 9,558,467 | 5,051,000 | 4,680,500 | 4,595,710 | 4,842,733 |
| Sleeping and parlour car | 1,301,304 | 1,245,011 | 552,447 | 553,534 | 746,646 | 689,750 |
| Mail | 1,053,776 | 1,105,338 | 622,200 | 563,300 | 431,265 | 541,822 |
| Express | 1,871,774 | 1,519,248 | 1,032,453 | 852,058 | 825,660 | 656,458 |
| Switching | 642,529 | 530,775 | 384,075 | 318,083 | 258,454 | 212,692 |
| Incidental | 3,252,160 | 3,068,253 | 1,944,546 | 1,584,035 | 1,296,244 | 1,478,267 |
| All other | 462,304 | 469,311 | 334,032 | 349,148 | 128,266 | 120,162 |
| Total Railway Operating Revenues | 106,484,330 | 89,071,549 | 56,418,753 | 47,419,658 | 43,098,211 | 36,703,248 |


| Express <br> Commercial comunications Highray transport (Rall) | $\begin{array}{r} 4,855,874 \\ 3,037,833 \\ 456,843 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,356,623 \\ 2,799,949 \\ 36,355 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,570,547 \\ 1,730,000 \\ 424,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,277,742 \\ & 1,596,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,285,327 \\ 1,290,854 \\ 32,843 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,078,881 \\ 1,197,889 \\ 36,355 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TOTAL RAIL OPERATING REVENUES | 114, 834, 880 | 96,264,476 | 61, 143, 300 | 51,293,400 | 46,707,235 | 40,016,373 |
| RAIL EXPENSES <br> Railway Operating Expenses: <br> Road maintenance <br> Equipment maintenance <br> Traffic <br> Transportation (railway line) <br> Miscellaneous railway operations <br> General <br> Equipment rents <br> Joint facility rents <br> Rallway tax accruals | $\begin{array}{r} 21,004,359 \\ 18,241,867 \\ 1,983,244 \\ 39,548,827 \\ 1,857,563 \\ 6,406,032 \\ 341,258 \\ 127,370 \\ 5,022,867 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17,600,199 \\ 15,680,942 \\ 1,808,346 \\ 34,701,747 \\ 1,658,445 \\ 5,458,888 \\ \text { Cr. } 572,193 \\ 156,511 \\ 3,681,448 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10,283,304 \\ 10,151,116 \\ 1,015,694 \\ 23,030,227 \\ 748,119 \\ 3,673,401 \\ 90,110 \\ \text { Cr. } \\ 26,113 \\ 796,610 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9,418,633 \\ 8,987,797 \\ 867,123 \\ 19,642,924 \\ 681,177 \\ 3,142,259 \\ \mathrm{Cr} . \\ \mathrm{Cr} . \\ \\ 762,728 \\ 767,834 \end{array}$ | $7,231,071$ $7,147,713$ 960,314 $15,928,536$ $1,105,099$ $2,498,036$ 176,236 153,483 $4,217,998$ | $\begin{array}{r} 6,742,266 \\ 6,432,882 \\ 930,531 \\ 14,572,315 \\ 973,150 \\ 2,188,126 \\ \text { Cr. } 240,089 \\ 178,637 \\ 2,903,990 \end{array}$ |
| Total Railway Operating Expenses | 94,533,387 | 80, 174,333 | 49,762,468 | $43,108,893$ | $39,418,486$ | 34,681,808 |
| Express <br> Comercial commications Highway transport (Rail) | $\begin{array}{r} 4,861,554 \\ 2,629,652 \\ 426,266 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,397,209 \\ 2,566,993 \\ 35,220 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,523,615 \\ 1,296,046 \\ 391,766 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,247,345 \\ & 1,442,621 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,337,939 \\ 1,221,081 \\ 34,500 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,149,864 \\ 1,105,330 \\ 35,220 \end{array}$ |
| TOTAL RAIL OPERATING EXPENSES | 102,450,859 | 87, 173,755 | $53,973,895$ | 46,798,859 | 43,012,006 | 37,972,222 |
| NET RAIL OPERATING INCOME <br> Railway <br> Express <br> Comercial commulcations <br> Highway transport (Rail) | $\begin{array}{r} 11,950,943 \\ 5,680 \\ 408,181 \\ 30,577 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8,897,216 \\ \text { Dr. } 40,586 \\ 232,956 \\ 1,135 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 6,656,285 \\ 46,932 \\ 433,954 \\ 32,234 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,310,765 \\ 30,397 \\ 153,379 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2,021,440 \\ \text { Dr. } 70,983 \\ 92,559 \\ 1,135 \end{array}$ |
| TOTAL | 12,384, 021 | 9,090,721 | 7,169,405 | 4,494,541 | 3,695,229 | 2,044,151 |

* See Text for explanation

1/ Excludes electric Lanes 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.

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|  | Total 21 Rallways |  | Canadian National Railways |  | Canadian Pacific <br> Railway Company |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1955 | 1956 | $19551 /$ | 1956 | $19552 /$ |
| Average miles of road operated | 44,430.26 | 44,421.16 | 22,581.23 | 22,613.57 | 17,123.70 | 17,061.20 |
| Tons carried .............Revenue Freight | 19,052,403 | 17,122,919 | 7,443,622 | 6,833,993 | 5,670,299 | 5,447,423 |
| Tons carried one mile . . . Revenue Freight . . . . . . . . . . . . . . (000) | 6,965,529 | 5,815,668 | 3,185,575 | 2,669,257 | 2,612,210 | 2,282,610 |
| Tons carried one mile . . . Revenue and Non-Revenue Freight (000) | 7,337,654 | $6,128,927$ | 3,406,628 | 2,818,261 | 2,753,167 | 2,428,018 |
| Revenue passengers carried ......................................... | 2,004,617 | 2,186,396 | $1,180,610$ | 1,237,102 | 650,875 | 766,951. |
| Revenue passengers carried one mile ....................... (000) | 287,058 | 289,592 | 135,899 | 136,709 | 134,777 | 134,827 |
| Gross ton miles - Freight train ............................. (000) | 15,541,779 | 13,365,632 | 7,457,601 | $6,314,160$ | 5,811,701 | 5,219,529 |
| Gross ton miles - Passenger train ........................ (000) | 2,528,760 | 2,395,331 | 1,371,076 | 1,188,537 | 996,658 | 1,049,198 |
| Freight train miles ................................................... | 7,434,844 | 6,666,434 | 3,712,113 | 3,193,552 | 2,962,505 | 2,769,684 |
| Passenger train miles . ............................................. | 3,757,858 | 3,736,187 | 2,057,241 | 1,813,595 | 1,467,418 | 1,691,237 |
| Total Train Miles (transp, and work train service) ............ | 11,550,946 | 10,770,934 | 5,998,101 | 5,237,642 | 4,496,164 | 4,551,530 |
| Freight car miles - loaded (Transportation Service) ........... | 216,934,962 | 193,907,702 | 109, 285, 160 | 96,322,446 | 83, 194, 827 | 75,355,890 |
| Freight car miles - empty (Transportation Service) ............ | 116,925,038 | 104,429,613 | 57,467,599 | $49,398,111$ | 41,732,901 | 41,072,251 |
| Freight car miles - Total (Transportation Service) ............. | $341,595,346$ | 305,200, 304 | 170,641, 230 | 148,975, 285 | 127,947, 266 | 119,233,402 |
| Passenger car miles - Total (Transportation Service).......... | 37,873,843 | 35,615,549 | 20,523,126 | 17,670,676 | 14,777,986 | 15,477,863 |
| Total amount of pay-roll - Railway . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ | 59,899,619 | $54,605,512$ | 33,840,098 | $30,368,762$ | 21,464,945 | 19,939,768 |
| Number of employees - Railway . .................................... | 185,539 | 188,485 | 101,815 | 106,993 | 71,164 | 68,545 |
| Pay-roll Chargeable to Railway Operating Expenses ............ \$ | 54,956,987 | 50,301,119 | 30,426,693 | 27,392,786 | 20,201,966 | 18,891,206 |


| Operating revenue ................................................ | 83.95 | 77.57 | 76.82 | 73.69 | 85.03 | 77.57 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating expenses ............................................... | 73.53 | 66.53 | 69.13 | 63.31 | 76.30 | 71.68 |
| No. of tons moved one mile (Rev, Fr.) | 5,226 | 4,364 | 4,702 | 3,935 | 5,085 | 4,460 |
| No. of tons moved one mile (All Fr.) | 5,505 | 4,599 | 5,029 | 4,154 | 5,359 | 4,744 |
| No. of rev. passengers carried one mile | 215 | 217 | 201 | 202 | 262 | 263 |
| AVERAGES PER FRRIGHT TRAIN MILE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight revenue .................................................... | 12.74 | 13.11 | 12.01 | 13.44 | 12.04 | 11.70 |
| No. of tons of freight (Rev. Fr.) | 937 | 872 | 858 | 836 | 882 | 824 |
| No. of tons of freight (All Fr.) | 987 | 919 | 918 | 882 | 929 | 877 |
| Loaded freight cars | 29.2 | 29.1 | 29.4 | 30.2 | 28.1 | 27.2 |
| Empty freight cars ................................................ | 15.7 | 15.7 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 14.1 | 14.8 |
| AVERAGES PER PASSENGER TRAIN MILE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passengers carried .............................................. | 76 | 78 | 66 | 75 | 92 | 80 |
| Passenger cars ................................................... | 10.1 | 9.5 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 9.2 |
| Average operating expenses per train mile ..................... | 8.48 | 8.23 | 7.81 | 8.20 | 8.72 | 8.06 |
| Average length of haul (Rev. Fr.) Miles ......................... | 366 | 340 | 428 | 391 | 461 | 419 |
| Average passenger journey Miles......................... | 143 | 132 | 115 | 111 | 207 | 176 |
| Average tons per loaded freight car mile .................. | 33.8 | 31.6 | 31.2 | 29.3 | 33.1 | 32.2 |
| Average freight receipt per revenue ton mile ........... (cents) | 1.359 | 1.503 | 1.400 | 1.608 | 1.365 | 1.420 |
| Average passenger receipt per passenger per mile .......(cents) | 2.902 | 2.837 | 2.937 | 2.929 | 2.917 | 2.789 |
| Ratio of operating pay roll to operating revenues ... (per cent) | 49.11 | 48.66 | 58.47 | 54.80 | 46.25 | 47.58 |
| Ratio of operating expenses to revenues .............. (per cent) | 87.59 | 85.77 | 89.99 | 85.91 | 89.74 | 92.41 |

- Includes duplications.

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.

## CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILHAYS

(Lines in Canada and the United States)

| Canadian Lines | July |  | United States Lines | J u 1 y |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1955 |  | 1956 | 1955 |
|  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |
| Rail* Operating Revenues | 61, 143,300 | 51,293,400 | Operating Revenues | 6,653,700 | 6,619,600 |
| Rail* Operating Expenses | 53,973,895 | 46,798,859 | Operating Expenses | 6,096,354 | 5,301,857 |
| Net Rail* Operating Income ... | 7,169,405 | 4,494,541 | Net Operating Revenues .......... | 557,346 | 1, 317,743 |
|  |  |  | Operating Income ................ | Dr. 662,450 | 88,743 |

CUMULATIVE TOTALS


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[^0]:    * Includes Railway, Express, Comercial Communications and Highway Transport (Rall).

