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## RAILWAY OPERATING STATISTICS

AUGUST 1966


Presented in this report are August 1966 and comparable 1965 financial and traffic results of twenty-three class 1 and 2 railways (the C.N.R., C.P.R. and other lines having average gross revenues of $\$ 500,000$ or more annually). Excluded from both years are details of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Railway which are not available, as well as statistics of class 3 and 4 roads (those with revenues of less than $\$ 500,000$ ) whose operations represent about one per cent of all common carrier railways.

A nation-wide railway strike involving the Canadian National, the Canadian Pacific and six smaller lines went into effect at noon August 26 and continued throughout the remainder of the month. A number of smaller wildcat strikes, involving express freight handlers in Montreal and Toronto, also occurred earlier in this period.

## Financial Statistics

Operating revenues of twenty-three common carrier railways in August 1966, reflecting the efFucts of the strike dropped 10.2 per cent to $\$ 105,832,566$ from the previous year and 9.6 per cent from the preceding month. Operating expenses, in contrast to the earlier year were lower by 1.9 per cent at $\$ 106,373,876$ and were down 6.5 per cent from July 1966. As a result, net operating income dropped to a deficit of $\$ 541,310$ in the period under review in contrast to an income of $\$ 9,457,769$ a year earlier and an income of $\$ 3,338,918$ in the month previous. August 1966 railway expenses amounted to 100.51 cents per dollar of revenue.

The Canadian National Railways recorded a 14.2 per cent decline in August 1966 operating revenues to $\$ 51,184,278$ and a 0.9 per cent rise in operating expenses to $\$ 57,462,861$. This resulted in a net operating deficit of $\$ 6,278,583$ as compared with an income of $\$ 2,654,198$ in August 1965 . The Canadian Pacific Railway Company reported an 8.6 per cent revenue dec line in August 1966 to $\$ 37,964$, 496 and a 5.5 per cent drop in operating expenses to $\$ 36,780,813$. The C.P.R. net railway operating income totalled $\$ 1,183,683$, down from $\$ 2,584,837$ in August 1965.

Rail operating revenues, which comprise those of rallway, express, commercial commulcations and highway transport (rail) services, dropped 9.7 per cent to $\$ 117,214,327$. Operating expenses were down by 2.3 per cent, dropping to $\$ 116,721,124$ and, as a result, the net rail operating income declined to $\$ 493,203$ as compared with $\$ 10,423,150$ in the preceding year.

## Traffic Statistics

A total of 19.1 milion tons of revenue freight was handled by railways in Canada during August, down 6.4 per cent from the same period of 1965 . The number of ton-miles generated decreased to 7,285 million from $7,550 \mathrm{million}$, while the average haul at 380 miles was up 11 from the earlier year. The average revenue earned per ton-mile of freight dropped to 1.297 cents from 1.342 . The number of revenue passengers carried during August declined 26.9 per cent to 1,684 thous and and passenger-miles were down 32.0 per cent to 234 million. The resulting average passenger journey dropped to 139 miles from 150, while the average revenue earned per passenger-mile increased to 2.321 cents from 2.256 cents in the earlier year.

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(1) Excludes the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority Railway line, which is not available.
(2) Includes payments related to the recomendations of the MacPherson Royal Comission and under the Frelght Rates Reduction Act.
r Revised figures.
TABLE 2. Rail Operating Revenues, Expenses and Net Income
August 1966

|  | Total (1) |  | Canadian National Railways |  | Canadian Pacific Railway Company |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 23 rallways | 23 railways |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1966 | $1965^{5}$ | 1966 | 1965 | 1966 | 1965 |
|  | dollars |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating revenues: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railway ............................... | 105,832,566 | 117,858,081 | 51, 184, 278 | 59,628,195 | 37,964, 496 | 41,517,478 |
| Express ............................. | 4,757,562 | 5,391,339 | 2,777,646 | 3,174,250 | 1,963,603 | 2,188,243 |
| Commercial commulcations ......... | 6,335,344 | 6,260,461 | 3,866,000 | 3,800,000 | 1,954,539 | 1,972,627 |
| Highway transport (rail) ......... | 288,855 | 337,041 | 239,001 | 306,031 | - | - |
| Totals ........................... | 117,214,327 | 129,846,922 | 58,066,925 | 66,908,476 | 42,882,638 | $45,678,348$ |
| Operating expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railway ............................... | 106,373,876 | 108,400,312 | 57,462,861 | 56,973,997 | 36,780,813 | 38,932,641 |
| Express ............................ | 4,736,058 | 5,344,925 | 2,757,364 | 3,135,756 | 1,962,410 | 2,180,323 |
| Commercial commulications ........ | 5,372,823 | 5,401,685 | 3,237,214 | 3,304,186 | $1,828,348$ | 1,796,528 |
| Highway transport (rail) ......... | 238,367 | 276,850 | 211,267 | 257,495 | 1,828, 38 | , 796, |
| Totals ............................ | 116,721,124 | 119,423, 772 | $63,668,706$ | 63,671,434 | 40,571,571 | 42,909,492 |
| Net operating income: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railway ............ | Dr. 541,310 | 9,457,769 | Dr. 6,278,583 | 2,654, 198 | 1,183,683 | 2,584,837 |
| Express ............................... | 21,504 | 46,414 | 20,282 | 38,494 | 1,193 | 7.920 |
| Commercial communications ........ | 962,521 | 858,776 | 628,786 | 495,814 | 126,191 | 176,099 |
| Highway transport (rail) ......... | 50,488 | 60,191 | 27,734 | 48,536 | - | - |
| Total8 ......................... | 493,203 | 10,423,150 | Dr. 5,601,781 | 3,237,042 | $1,311,067$ | $2,768,856$ |

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TABLE 3. Rall Operating Revenues, Expenses and Net Income, by Railway
August 1966

| Railway | Operating revenues |  | Operating expenses |  | Net rall <br> operating income |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1966 | $1965^{\text {r }}$ | 1966 | $1965^{\text {r }}$ |  | 1966 | $1965{ }^{\text {r }}$ |
|  | dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Algoma Central Railway | 772,073 | 940,334 | 644,972 | 761,938 |  | 127, 101 | 178,396 |
| Alma Jonquieres Railway Co. ........ | 42,621 | 49,442 | 40,262 | 43,247 |  | 2,359 | 6,195 |
| Arnaud Ratlway Company .......... | 119,272 | 138,982 | 73,179 | 47,137 |  | 46,093 | 91,845 |
| British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (1) | Not available |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada Southern Radlway Co. (Michigan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central) | 1,716,380 | 1,942,574 | 1,342,693 | 1,533,934 |  | 373,687 | 408,640 |
| Canadian National Railways | 58,066,925 | 66,908,476 | 63,668,706 | 63,671,434 | Dr. | 5,601,781 | 3,237,042 |
| Canadian Pacific Railway Co. | 41,882, 638 | 45,678,348 | 40,571,571 | 42,909,492 |  | 1,311,067 | 2,768,856 |
| Chesapeake \& Ohio Railway Co. | 1, 158,751 | 1,222,236 | 1,091,819 | 1,066,553 |  | 66,932 | 155,683 |
| Cumberland Railway Co. | 150,678 | 165,930 | 202,818 | 207,850 | Dr. | 52,050 | Dr. 41,920 |
| Essex Terminal Railway Co. | 79,767 | 68,793 | 55,540 | 62,268 |  | 24, 227 | 6,525 |
| Grand Falls Central Rallway Co. | 127,125 | 126,875 | 90,928 | 83,934 |  | 36,197 | 42,941 |
| Great Northern Railway Co. | 187,749 | 174,359 | 237,340 | 200,958 | Dr. | 49,591 | Dr. 26,599 |
| Midland Railway of Manitoba | 43,749 | 57,257 | 90,762 | 96,108 | Dr | 47,013 | Dr. 38,851 |
| Napierville Junction Railway Co. .... | 72,171 | 84,450 | 75,633 | 78,461 | Dr. | 3,462 | 5,989 |
| Norfolk and Western Railway Company | 138,320 | 292,509 | 236,014 | 732,069 | Dr. | 97,694 | Dr. 439,560 |
| Northern Alberta Railways Co. | 881,748 | 964,907 | 781,550 | 912,578 |  | 100,198 | 52,329 |
| Ontario Northland Railway Co. | 1,549,023 | 1,433,363 | 1,452,865 | 1,412,686 |  | 96,158 | 20,677 |
| Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. | 1,867,959 | 1,851,730 | 1,190,297 | 1,291,512 |  | 677,662 | 560,218 |
| Quebec North Shore \& Labrador Rly. Co. $\qquad$ | 7,211,618 | 6,543,024 | 3,912,349 | 3,348,597 |  | 3,299,269 | 3,194,427 |
| Roberval \& Saguenay Railway Co...... | 358,571 | 321,898 | 281,652 | 249,445 |  | 76,919 | 72,453 |
| St. Lawrence \& Adirondack Rly. Co. .. | 97,276 | 85,186 | 86,852 | 103,938 |  | 10,424 | Dr. 18,752 |
| Toronto, Hamilton \& Buffalo Rly. Co. | 336,869 | 431,117 | 323,958 | 381,604 |  | 12,911 | 49,513 |
| Wabush Lake Rallway Company ......... | 145,796 | 233,711 | 101,953 | 102,378 |  | 43,843 | 131,333 |
| White Pass \& Yukon Route (lines in |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cansda) | 207,158 | 131,421 | 167,411 | 125,651 |  | 39,747 | 5,770 |
| Total8 | 117, 214, 327 | 129,846,922 | 116,721,124 | 119,423,772 |  | 493,203 | 10,423,150 |

(1) See footnote (1) Table 1, page 2.

TABLE 4. Cumulative Rail Operating Revenues, Expenses and Net Income
January 1 to Auguse 31, 1966

|  | Total (1) |  | Canadian National Rallways |  | Canadian Pacific Railway Company |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 23 railways | 23 railways |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1966 | $1965{ }^{\text {r }}$ | 1966 | 1965 | 1966 | 1965 |
| Operating revenues: dolla |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railway .............................. | 962,849,393 | 895,749, 221 | 486,297, 581 | 445,338,936 | 365,492,394 | 340,090,761 |
| Express .............................. | 45,660,129 | 40,817, 893 | 26,348,045 | 24,156,901 | 19,168,924 | $16,488,844$ |
| Commerctal communications ......... | 50,324,101 | 45,735,723 | 30,844,000 | 27,845,000 | 15,717,121 | 14,321,440 |
| Highway transport (radl) ........... | 2,450,808 | 2,489,489 | 2,224,605 | 2,316,554 |  | -(2) |
| Totals ........................... | 1,061,284,431 | 984,792,326 | 545,714,231 | 499,657,391 | 400,378,439 | 370,901,045 |
| Operating expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railway ................................ | 907, 169,097 | 850,566,595 | 480,018, 137 | 442,965,547 | 333,918,358 | 314,838,381 |
| Express .............................. | 45,303,568 | 40,429,143 | 26,091,442 | 23,853,569 | 19,067,739 | 16,398,123 |
| Commercial communications ......... | 44,059,644 | 41,117,365 | 27,080, 110 | 25,402,484 | 14,631,244 | 13,469,223 |
| Highway transport (radi) .......... | 2,046,911 | 2,052,476 | 1,885, 285 | 1,912,735 | 14,631,24 | -(2) |
| Totals | 998,579, 220 | 934,165,579 | 535,074,974 | 494, 134,335 | 367,617,341 | 344, 705, 727 |
| Net operating income: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Railway . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 55,680,296 | 45,182,626 | 6,279,444 | 2,373,389 | 31,574,036 | 25,252,380 |
| Express . ... .......................... | 356,561 | 388,750 | 256,603 | 303, 332 | 101,185 | 90,721 |
| Commercial communications | 6,264,457 | 4,618,358 | 3,763,890 | 2,442,516 | 1,085,877 | 852,217 |
| Highway transport (rail) ........... | 403,897 | 437,013 | 339,320 | 403,819 | 1,085,877 | -(2) |
| Totals | 62,705,211 | 50,626,747 | 10,639,257 | 5,523,056 | 32,761,098 | 26,195, 318 |

(1) See footnote (1) Table l page 2.
(2) Due to the sale of the C.P.R.'s Quebec Central Transportation Company on July 1, 1965, which was retroactive to Jaruary 1 , highway transport (rail) enties covering the January to June period of that year should have been shown as contra entries in the July report. For this reason cumulative detalls are herein omitted and totals have been adjusted accordingly.

TABLE 5. Railway Traffic and Employmenc Statistica
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|  | Total(1) |  |  Railways |  | Cakalian ?azific ant $\begin{array}{c}\text { Company }\end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 23 railways | 23 railways |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1966 | $1265^{5}$ | 1966 | 1965 r | 1966 | 1965 |
| Miles of road operated (monthly average) .. | 44,075.84 | 44,114.14 | 22,909.00 | 22,931.13 | 16,649.70 | 16,662.00 |
| Freight: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tons carried - Revenue freight (2) .... | 19,149,491 | 20,462, 172 | 7,023,534 | 7,715,256 | 5,263,523 | 5,582,916 |
| Ton-miles - Revenue freight ....... (000) | 7,285,459 | 7,549,673 | 3,168,926 | 3,546,051 | 2,798,575 | 2,720,503 |
| Ton-miles - Revenue and non-revenue freight .............. (000) | 7,433,758 | 7,651,297 | 3,241,945 | 3,551,422 | 2,861,941 | 2,795,370 |
| Passengers: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue passengers (2) ..................... | 1,684,246 | 2, 305, 501 | 1,152,364 | 1,602,305 | 410,392 | $570,629$ |
| Revenue passenger-miles ............ (000) | 234,433 | 344,777 | 161,378 | 207,231 | 58,200 | $121,417$ |
| Gross ton-miles: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight train ...................... (000) | 14,483,963 | 15,472,619 | 6,517,891 | 7,441,262 | 5,638,546 | 5,736,206 |
| Passenger train ..................... (000) | 1,665,274 | 2,163, 203 | 1,297,484 | 1,416,987 | 284,824 | 655,836 |
| Totals .......................... (000) | 16,149,237 | 17,635,822 | 7,815,375 | 8,858,249 | 5,923,370 | 6,392,042 |
| Train-miles: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight service ........................... | 4,808,671 | 5,582,940 | 2,438,279 | 2,895,406 | 1,842,147 | 2,102,786 |
| Passenger service ......................... | 2,099,297 | 2,654, 217 | 1,536,766 | 1,728,046 | 425,409 | 767,442 |
| Wark service. | 199,731 | 220,947 | 150,447 | 164,412 | 14,986 | 11,339 |
| Totals | 7,107,699 | 8,458,104 | 4,125,492 | 4,787,864 | 2,282,542 | 2,881,567 |
| Car-miles: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loaded | 171,351,075 | 189, 153,374 | 81,752,146 | 94, 178,655 | 68,656,650 | 73,377,032 |
| Empty . ....................................... | 112,164, 787 | 123,459,069 | 53,695, 014 | 62,546,850 | 42,162,609 | 44,401,099 |
| Cabooses | 5,030,836 | 5,912,449 | 2,562,131 | 3,055,193 | 1,956,297 | 2,280,897 |
| Totals | 288,546,698 | 318,524, 892 | 138,009,291 | 159,780,698 | 112,775, 556 | 120,059,028 |
| Passenger | 23,366, 310 | 31,859,862 | 17,567,555 | 21,096,541 | 4,314,505 | 9,159,274 |
| Total transportation service ........ | 311,913,008 | 350,384,754 | 155, 576,846 | 180,877,239 | 117,090,061 | 129,218,302 |
| Number of employess - Railway .............. | 131,358 | 139,204 | 72,377 | 78,500 | 48,735 | 50,703 |
| Payroll - Railway ......................... \$ | 57, 736,442 | 65,928,365 | 32,363,832 | 37,955,543 | 20,301,840 | 22,850,003 |
| Payroll chargeable to raliway operating expenses .......................................... \$ | 53,361,400 | 60,199,631 | 30,094,671 | 34,686, 135 | 18,863,217 | 21,071,791 |


TABLE 6. Miscellaneous Rallway Averages

|  | Total (1) |  | Canadian NationalRallways |  | Canadian | Railway |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 23 ratlways | 123 railways |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1966 | $1965{ }^{\text {² }}$ | 1966 | $1965^{\text {r }}$ | 1966 | 1965 |
| Per day per mile of road operated: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| operating revenues .................................. | 77.45 | 86.18 | 72.07 | 83.88 | 73.55 | 80.38 |
| Operating expenses ................................... | 77.85 | 79.26 | 80.91 | 80.15 | 71.26 | 75.37 |
| Ton-miles - Revenue freight ........................... | 5,332 | 5,520 | 4,462 | 4,988 | 5,422 | 5,267 |
| Ton-miles - All freight | 5,441 | 5,595 | 4,565 | 4,996 | 5,545 | 5,412 |
| Passenger-miles - Revenue ............................. | 172 | 252 | 227 | 292 | 113 | 235 |
| Per freight train mile: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight revenue ...................................... \$ | 19.65 | 18. 14 | 18.03 | 17.24 | 19.05 | 17.05 |
| Tons carried - Revenue freight ....................... | 1,515 | 1,352 | 1,300 | 1,225 | 1,519 | 1,294 |
| Tons carried - All fretght | 1,546 | 1,370 | 1,330 | 1,227 | 1,554 | 1,329 |
| Freight cars - Loaded .................................. | 35.6 | 33.9 | 33.5 | 32.5 | 37.3 | 34.9 |
| Freight cars - Empty ................................... | 23.3 | 22.1 | 22.0 | 21.6 | 22.9 | 21.1 |
| Per passenger train mile: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passengers carried ....................................... | 112 | 130 | 105 | 120 | 137 | 158 |
| Passenger cars .......................................... | 11.1 | 12.0 | 11.4 | 12.2 | 10.1 |  |
| Other: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating expense per train-mile .................. \$ | 14.97 | 12.82 | 13.93 | 11.90 | 16.11 | 13.51 |
| Miles hauled - Revenue freight | 380 | 369 | 451 | 460 | 551 | 487 |
| Miles carried = Revenue passengers | 139 | 150 | 140 | 129 | 142 | 213 |
| Tons carried per loaded freight-car-mile | 43.4 | 40.5 | 39.7 | 37.7 | 41.7 | 38.1 |
| Revenue per ton-mile of freight ................... | 1.297 | 1.342 | 1.387 | 1.408 | 1.254 | 1.318 |
| Revenue per passenger per mile .................... | 2.321 | 2.256 | 2.339 | 2.314 | 2.151 | 2. 100 |
| Ratio of operating payroll to operating revenues ... \% | 50.42 | 51.08 | 58.80 | 58.17 | 49.69 | 50.78 |
| Ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues .. \% | 100.51 | 91.98 | 112.27 | 95.55 | 96.88 | $93.7 \%$ |
| Ratio of cransportation expenses to operating revenues $\qquad$ | 37.71 | 35.53 | 43.95 | 38.89 | 37.47 | 36.43 |

[^1]Revised figures.


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[^1]:    (1) See footnote (1) Table 1, page 2.

