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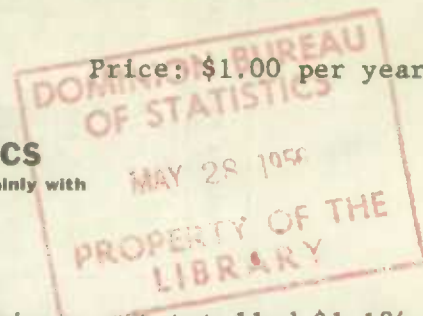
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RAILWAY OPERATING STATISTICS

(Operating Revenues, Expenses and Statistics of 17 Railways mainly with Annual Operating Revenues over \$500,000)



ALL 17 RAILWAYS:

Operating Revenues of the 17 railways included in this report totalled \$1,184,300,079 in 1955 an increase of 8.9 p.c. from \$1,087,382,540 in 1954. The rise was accounted for by a substantial increase of \$88 million in freight revenue to \$953,609,086. Operating expenses rose 2.4 p.c. to \$1,038,050,249 from \$1,014,182,370 with general expenses increasing \$10.3 million, and transportation costs up \$7.2 million. As a result net operating revenue rose to \$146,249,830 nearly double the \$73,200,170 recorded in 1954. Operating income amounted to \$93,930,084 up 175.8 p.c. from \$34,051,789. Revenue freight carried rose 15.4 p.c. to 179,775,794 tons from 155,747,382 and freight ton miles increased to 65,837,336,000 from 57,674,283,000. There were almost exactly 27 million passengers carried down 4.2 p.c. from 28,172,757 but longer average journeys caused passenger miles to rise 1.0 p.c. to 2,885,968,000 from 2,857,102,000. The average passenger trip rose from 101 to 107 miles. The total number of employees was down to 182,960 from 184,757 while payroll earnings increased to \$593,293,150 from \$583,812,044.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS:

Canadian Lines: Operating revenues climbed 6.4 p.c. to \$601,922,937 from \$565,551,866 and operating expenses rose 0.5 p.c. to \$565,680,703 from \$562,688,494. The result was a substantial increase in net operating revenue to \$36,242,234 from \$2,863,372.

The System including United States Lines: Revenues at \$683,088,794 were up 6.6 p.c. from \$640,637,280 and expenses rose 0.4 p.c. to \$629,013,125 from \$626,465,374 leaving a net operating revenue of \$54,075,669 as against \$14,171,906 one year earlier. Operating income increased greatly to \$36,710,636 from \$639,487.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY:

Operating revenues at \$448,598,491 were up 6.1 p.c. from \$422,642,423 and operating expenses rose 2.0 p.c. to \$383,927,466 from \$376,219,898. Net operating expenses amounted to \$64,671,025 as against \$46,422,525 and net operating income amounted to \$37,326,718 versus \$27,032,926. Revenue freight carried increased by 4,283,267 tons to 58,489,144 and freight ton miles rose 2,054,289,000 to 25,722,631,000. Revenue passengers carried numbered 9,543,843 up 0.2 p.c. from 9,528,589 and revenue passenger miles rose 3.8 p.c. to 1,330,957,000 from 1,282,242,000.

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|---|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Freight train miles | 78,140,598 | 74,612,406 | 38,396,430 | 37,270,550 | 32,317,163 | 31,297,097 |
| Passenger train miles | 44,408,856 | 45,601,952 | 21,844,170 | 22,543,076 | 19,891,626 | 20,277,178 |
| Total train miles (transp. & work train service) | 125,492,817 | 122,995,316 | 62,178,709 | 61,723,588 | 52,904,548 | 52,202,153 |
| Freight car miles - loaded | 2,216,594,100 | 2,020,925,584 | 1,123,387,486 | 1,050,874,733 | 857,891,107 | 794,626,580 |
| Freight car miles - empty | 1,108,486,453 | 995,007,063 | 531,309,593 | 494,908,068 | 433,734,001 | 405,322,868 |
| Passenger train car miles | 416,320,681 | 415,819,257 | 208,481,769 | 208,178,169 | 179,289,952 | 178,897,681 |
| Total amount of pay-roll | 1/ \$ 641,272,460 | \$ 630,428,722 | \$ 364,187,472 | \$ 363,573,103 | 1/ \$ 234,549,584 | \$ 230,861,515 |
| Number of employees | 2/ 182,960 | 184,757 | 106,236 | 108,313 | 2/ 66,295 | 66,577 |
| Pay-roll chargeable to Railway Operating Expenses | \$ 593,293,150 | \$ 583,812,044 | \$ 330,160,908 | \$ 330,258,152 | \$ 223,154,583 | \$ 218,956,258 |
| <u>DAILY AVERAGES PER MILE OF ROAD OPERATED</u> | | | | | | |
| Operating revenue | \$ 74.17 | \$ 68.05 | \$ 72.89 | \$ 68.42 | \$ 72.31 | \$ 68.10 |
| Operating expenses | \$ 65.01 | \$ 63.47 | \$ 68.50 | \$ 68.07 | \$ 61.88 | \$ 60.62 |
| No. of tons moved one mile (Rev.Fr.) | 4,123 | 3,609 | 3,817 | 3,520 | 4,146 | 3,814 |
| No. of tons moved one mile (All Fr.) | 4,339 | 3,850 | 4,041 | 3,766 | 4,383 | 4,087 |
| No. of revenue passengers carried one mile | 181 | 179 | 163 | 164 | 215 | 207 |
| <u>AVERAGES PER FREIGHT TRAIN MILE</u> | | | | | | |
| Freight revenue | \$ 12.20 | \$ 11.61 | \$ 12.18 | \$ 11.72 | \$ 11.39 | \$ 11.05 |
| No. of tons of freight (Rev.Fr.) | 843 | 773 | 821 | 781 | 796 | 756 |
| No. of tons of freight (All Fr.) | 887 | 825 | 869 | 835 | 842 | 810 |
| Loaded freight cars | 28.4 | 27.1 | 29.3 | 28.2 | 26.5 | 25.4 |
| Empty freight cars | 14.2 | 13.3 | 13.8 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 13.0 |
| <u>AVERAGES PER PASSENGER TRAIN MILE</u> | | | | | | |
| Passenger train revenues | \$ 3.59 | \$ 3.43 | \$ X 4.14 | \$ X 3.95 | \$ 3.04 | \$ 2.88 |
| Passengers carried | 65 | 63 | 62 | 60 | 67 | 63 |
| Passenger cars | 9.4 | 9.1 | 9.5 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 8.8 |
| Average operating expenses per train mile | \$ 8.27 | \$ 8.25 | \$ 9.10 | \$ 9.12 | \$ 7.26 | \$ 7.21 |
| Average length of haul (Rev.Fr.) Miles | 366 | 370 | 421 | 431 | 440 | 437 |
| Average passenger journey Miles | 107 | 101 | 88 | 83 | 139 | 135 |
| Average tons per loaded freight car mile | 31.3 | 30.4 | 29.7 | 29.6 | 31.7 | 31.9 |
| Average freight receipt per revenue ton mile | 1.448¢ | 1.502¢ | 1.484¢ | 1.501¢ | 1.431¢ | 1.461¢ |
| Average passenger receipt per passenger per mile | 2.870¢ | 2.866¢ | 2.996¢ | 2.969¢ | 2.815¢ | 2.817¢ |
| Ratio of operating pay roll to operating revenues | 50.10% | 53.69% | 54.85% | 58.40% | 49.74% | 51.81% |
| Ratio of operating expenses to revenues | 87.65% | 93.27% | 93.98% | 99.49% | 85.58% | 89.02% |

1/ Includes \$156,714 retroactive pay not shown in 1955 monthly reports (\$47,879 earned in 1954).

2/ Includes \$156,190 retroactive pay not shown in 1955 monthly reports (\$47,356 earned in 1954).

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∅ Includes duplications.

X Includes gross express revenue.



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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS
(Lines in Canada and United States)

For the Twelve Months ended December 31, 1955.

| | 1955 | 1954 |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <u>OPERATING REVENUES</u> | | |
| Canadian Lines | \$601,922,937 | \$565,551,866 |
| United States Lines | 81,165,857 | 75,085,414 |
| Total | 683,088,794 | 640,637,280 |
| <u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u> | | |
| Canadian Lines | \$565,680,703 | \$562,688,494 |
| United States Lines | 63,332,422 | 63,776,880 |
| Total | 629,013,125 | 626,465,374 |
| <u>NET OPERATING REVENUE</u> | | |
| Canadian Lines | \$ 36,242,234 | \$ 2,863,372 |
| United States Lines | 17,833,435 | 11,308,534 |
| Total | 54,075,669 | 14,171,906 |
| <u>OPERATING INCOME</u> | | |
| Canadian Lines | \$ 32,566,429 | \$ 1,586,046 |
| United States Lines | 4,144,207 | Dr. 946,559 |
| Total | 36,710,636 | 639,487 |