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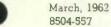
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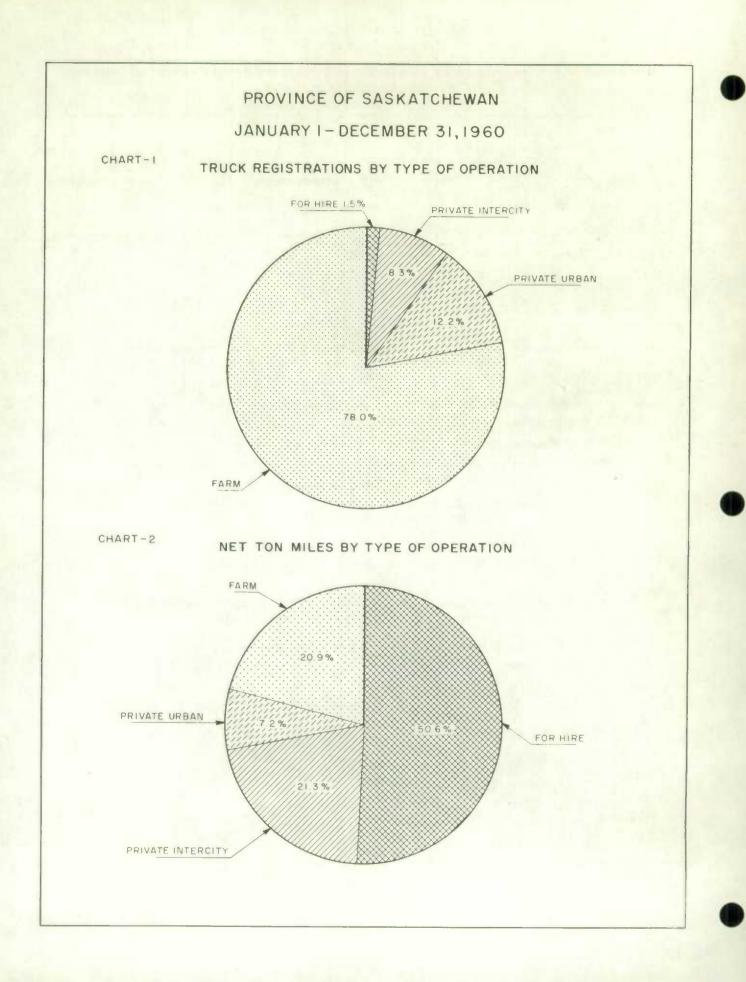
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A. Population B. Survey Response



The 1960 annual report of motor transport traffic in the Province of Saskatchewan is based upon a sample of approximately 8 per cent of trucks registered in the province. (The decrease from 12 per cent in 1959 to 8 per cent in 1960 is due to a change in the sample selection ratios whereby fewer trucks of a low gross vehicle weight were selected while the selection ratios for heavier trucks were increased. This change had a particularly severe effect on the number of farm vehicles included in the sample.) To allow for seasonal variations in traffic and to ensure that the selected vehicles represented current registrations the sample was selected in four quarterly segments with approximately one fourth of the total selected each quarter. Each quarterly sample was spread over three survey weeks with one third of the sample being used for a seven day period, Sunday through Saturday, per month. The surveys were therefore spread over twelve weeks during the year.

All trucks registered in the province are represented except: (a) those not engaged in transportation services; and (b) military and other government-owned vehicles. Trailers as such were excluded from the sample, but details of tractortrailer combinations were obtained by including the power units or tractors in the survey.

Prior to 1959 a sample survey of intercity buses was conducted in conjunction with the truck traffic survey. However, it was not possible to survey buses in all provinces and, as some traffic data are also collected for the annual publication "Passenger Bus Statistics", catalogue no. 53-215, it was decided to discontinue the sample survey of buses for the present.

Vehicles in the sample are stratified by type of operation and by gross vehicle weight group. The four functional categories used are: for hire, private intercity, private urban and farm. For hire vehicles are those operated for compensation or gain according to licence; private intercity vehicles are those owned and operated by firms and individuals on intercity routes to transport their own goods; private urban vehicles are those operated only within urban areas; and farm trucks are those operated by farmers primarily to transport farm produce and supplies.

In Saskatchewan trucks operated provincially for compensation are classed as "Public Service Vehicles". Public service vehicles used for transporting general merchandise over a given route or for certified chartered operations are issued with an "A" licence, while those restricted to transporting specified commodities provincially are provided with an "E" licence. Vehicles owned and operated by farmers and used for their own farm operations are classified as farm vehicles and issued with an "F" licence. All other trucks are classified as commercial vehicles and are issued with a "C" licence if used within a radius of 35 miles of the owner's headquarters or a "D" licence if operated provincially.

In this report vehicles have been classified into the four functional categories as follows:

For hire	- "A" and "E" licensed vehicles.
Private intercity	- "C" and "D" licensed ve- hicles operating outside ur- ban areas.
Private urban	- "C" and "D" licensed ve- hicles operating only within urban areas.
Farm	- "F" licensed vehicles.

It is known that some "C" and "D" licensed trucks are operated for compensation but these vehicles were not included in the for hire category. As a result, the for hire data are understated by the extent of these operations.

Further information on the history and the organization of motor transport traffic surveys may be found in the reports entitled "Motor Transport Traffic, National Estimates", catalogue no. 53-207, for 1957, 1958 and 1959.

#### **Expansion of Survey Results**

Prior to 1959 the distribution of sample vehicles by gross vehicle weight group and by type of operation was used to provide population estimates as at the time of the sample selection. Sample results were then expanded to represent the operations of all trucks registered in the province by multiplying the sample results by the inverse ratio of the sample to the population and by the ratio of three months to one week. The expanded data for each of the four quarterly segments were added together to obtain annual provincial estimates.

Using this method it was found that in some provinces the truck population varied greatly from quarter to quarter. In many cases these changes were not due to an increase or decrease in the actual truck population but were merely the result of the sample being chosen from an incomplete set of registration files.

To improve the accuracy of the provincial estimates the sample results, since 1959, have been blown up to represent the characteristics of a constant average population throughout the year rather than the population as at four different periods during the year. For this purpose the peak quarterly registration population of the preceding year is deemed to be the average population for the current year. The breakdown of the average population into classes and gross vehicle weight groups is based upon the distribution reported in the whole of the previous year.

### Review of Survey Results

The estimated population of trucks performing transportation services in Saskatchewan during the year rose 0.5 per cent to 104,400 from 103,860 in 1959. Of these 1,600 or 1.5 per cent were for hire trucks; 8,618 or 8.3 per cent were private intercity vehicles; 12,782 or 12.2 per cent were private vehicles operating wholly within urban areas; and 81,400 or 78.0 per cent were farm trucks.

In the following tables blanks appear for some breakdowns of diesel fuel and other fuel by type of operation and by gross vehicle weight. In most of these instances no vehicles were chosen belonging to these classifications in any of the quarterly sample selections. However in one or two cases a few vehicles were selected but the data collected were considered too unreliable to publish. Even where no vehicles were selected it does not necessarily follow that there were no vehicles in the province belonging to these classifications.

#### Section I: Traffic Inside and Outside the Province

Section I contains estimates of total traffic performed both inside and outside the province by Saskatchewan registered trucks.

A new table has been added to this section which summarizes for the year the quarterly commodity tables included in the quarterly report "Motor Transport Traffic, National Estimates", catalogue no. 53-004.

Although comprising only 1.5 per cent of Saskatchewan's truck population, for hire vehicles accounted for 50.6 per cent of the total net ton miles and 7.2 per cent of the total tons of goods carried during 1960. This results from the high average yearly mileage of these trucks, 37,700 miles as compared with 4,300 miles for all trucks, and from the heavy average load carried of 9.8 tons compared to 4.1 tons for all trucks. Since over four fifths of all for hire vehicles have a gross vehicle weight of over 10 tons the heavier loads carried by these trucks are to be expected. The predominance of heavier vehicles in the for hire class also explains the low estimate of miles per gallon of gasoline, 5.6 compared with 10.1 for all trucks.

It is estimated that urban operations accounted for 0.4 per cent of the total net ton miles performed by Saskatchewan registered for hire trucks and 1.7 per cent of the total net ton miles performed by private intercity vehicles.

Some trucks in Saskatchewan under 10,000 lb. gross vehicle weight are used essentially for personal transportation. Such vehicles accounted for about 14 per cent of the total mileage travelled by Saskatchewan registered trucks.

## Section II: Traffic Within the Province

This section presents estimates of traffic performed by Saskatchewan registered trucks entirely inside the province and excludes the "outside the province" portion of interprovincial and international traffic as well as any traffic performed entirely outside the province. Comparing the data in Section I and Section II it will be noted that for hire vehicles accumulated 31.8 per cent and private intercity 14.6 per cent of their total net ton suits outside Saskatchewan.

#### Section III: Interprovincial and International Traffic

Interprovincial and international traffic accounted for a significant proportion of the total traffic performed by for hire vehicles, representing approximately one third of the total net ton miles performed and almost one third of the revenue earned by these vehicles. Three fifths of the total tons of goods carried in this type of traffic by Saskatchewan registered for hire trucks was transported to or from Manitoba.

#### Appendix

During the year survey questionnaires were sent to the owners or operators of 7,769 trucks. Of this number 2,521 were returned completed and 2,781 trucks were reported not used during the survey week. The remaining 2,467 were either returned incomplete and unusable or not returned at all.

February 12, 1962.



# SECTION I. TRAFFIC PERFORMED BY SASKATCHEWAN REGISTERED TRUCKS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 1960

# TABLE 1. All Trucks by Type of Operation

	The block		Private		Total
	For hire	Interc ity	Urban	Farm	I OTRI
Mileage:					
Total mileage travelled	60,303 37,700 174.4 33.1	95,234 11,100 25.9 56.5	62,477 4,900 7.3 51.7	227,693 2,800 10.8 65.0	445,707 4,300 24,7 57.0
Fuei:					
Total gallons of gasoline consumed	8,119 5.6 2,405 6.1 -	9,298 10,0 443 6.1 -	5,786 10,8 — — —	19,168 11.9 _ _ _	42,371 10.1 2,848 6.1
Weight of goods carried:		Contraction of the second			
Totai tons of goods carried	2,269 9,8	6,455 4.0	7,718	15,214 2,1	31,656 4.1
Net ton miles:					
Total net ton miles performed	395,805 247,400	166,950 19,400	56,487 4,400	163,635 2,000	782,877 7,500
Capacity ton miles:					
Total capacity ton miles <sup>2</sup>	759,113 474,400 52.1	427,875 49,600 39,0	163,466 12,800 34.6	574,310 7,100 28,5	1,924,764 18,400 40.7
Gross ton miles:					
Total gross ton miles <sup>3</sup>	975,331 609,600	519,832 60,300	218,608 17,100	802,434 9,900	2,516,205 24,100
Revenue:					
Total revenue       \$'000         Revenue per ton mile       ¢         Revenue per mile (total mileage travelled)       ¢         Average revenue per truck       \$	21,326 5.4 35.4 13,300				-
I stimated annual population	1,600	8,618	12,782	81,400	104,400

# TABLE 2. All Trucks by Gross Vehicle Weight Group

	0 - 2½ tons 0 - 5,000 lb.	2½-5 tons 5,001-10,000 Ib.	5-7½ tons 10,001-15,000 1b.	7½ - 10 tons 15,001-20,000 lb.	10-15 tons 20,001-30,000 lb.	Over 15 tons 30,001 lb. and over	Total
Mileage:				-			
Total mileage travelled	126,115 4,800 9.7 70.2	$144,240 \\ 3,500 \\ 11.0 \\ 64.2$	32,870 2,700 9.9 51.0	26,741 1,900 11.3 43.4	49,146 5,400 16.0 42.5	66,595 29,900 65.5 35.6	445,707 4,300 24.7 57.0
Fuel:					-		
Total gallons of gasoline consumed       '000         Miles per gallon of gasoline       '000         Total gallons of diesel oil consumed       '000         Miles per gallon of diesel oil       '000         Miles per gallon of other fuel consumed       '000         Miles per gallon of other fuel       '000	8,364 15.0 —	11,664 12.4 — —	3,180 10,3 	3,189 8.4 - - -	6,535 7,5 - -	9,419 5.2 2,848 6.1 —	42,371 10,1 2,848 6.1
Weight of goods carried:							
Total tons of goods carried	1,540 0,4	5,261	3,550 2.2	5,179 3.9	8,891 5.0	7,235 11,1	31,656 4.1
Net ton miles:							
Total net ton miles performed	14,912 600	57,984 1,400	35,119 2,900	58,477 4,200	142,263 15,700	474,122 213,100	782,877 7,500
Capacity ton miles:							
Total capacity ton miles <sup>2</sup>	110,801 4,200 13,4	276,183 6,800 21.0	102,580 8,600 34,2	148,846 10,800 39.0	369,271 40,600 38,5	916.083 411,700 51.8	1,924,764 18,400 40.7
Gross ton miles:					2	-	
Total gross ton miles <sup>3</sup>	222,079 8,400	444,202 10,900	146,208 12,200	168,065 12,100	378,357 41,600	1, 157, 294 520, 100	2,516,205 24,100
Estimated annual population	26,430	40,801	11,997	13,861	9,086	2,225	104,400

See footnotes at end of Table 6, page 9.

				For hire			
Gross vehicle weight	Weight of goods carried	Total miles travelled with load	Total net ton miles	Average weight carried	Average distance per ton	Total revenue	Revenue per ton mile
	'000 tons	'000	'000	tons	miles	\$'000	¢
30,000 lb, and under	414	7,090	28,427	4.0	68.6	4,090	14.4
30,001-50,000 lb.	921	16,661	154,060	9.1	167.1	9,601	6.2
50,001 lb, and over	934	16,373	213, 318	13.0	228.6	7,635	3.6
Totals	2, 269	40, 324	395,805	9.8	174.4	21, 326	5.4
			Р	rivate intercity			

Total miles travelled with load

'000

17,756

5,381

10,622

7,694

41, 453

Weight of

goods carried

'000 tons

283

1,128

2,371

2,673

6,455

# TABLE 3. Selected Statistics by Gross Vehicle Weight Group

## TABLE 4. Selected Statistics by Commodity Group

				For hire			
Commodity group	Weight of goods carried	Total miles travelled with load	Total net ton miles	Average weight carrled	Average distance per ton	Total revenue	Revenue per ton mile
	'000 tons	'000	'000	tons	miles	\$'000	¢
Agricultural products	113	338	2,888	8.5	25.5	164	5.7
Animals and animal products	142	3,929	31,870	8.1	223.9	1, 586	5.0
Mine products	21	356	3,670	10.3	174.0	160	4.4
Forest products <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manufactures and miscellaneous	1,480	25,937	278, 303	10.7	188.0	14, 394	5.2
N.O.S. general freight	513	9,764	79,074	8.1	154.3	5,022	6.4
Totals	2, 269	40, 324	395,805	9,8	174.4	21, 326	5.4

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Total net

ton miles

'000

14, 144

16, 586

52,975

83, 245

166,950

Average weight carried

tons

0.8

3, 1

5.0

10.8

4.0

Average distance per ton

miles

50.0

14.7

22.3

31.1

25.9

	Weight of goods carried	Total miles travelled with load	Total net ton miles	Average weight carried	Average distance per ton
	'000 tons	'000'	'000'	tons	miles
Agricultural products	122	464	2,630	5.7	21.6
Animals and animal products	95	2,387	17,026	7.1	180.0
Mine products	3,971	3,877	41,877	10.8	10.5
Forest products	95	993	7.275	7.3	76.7
Manufactures and miscellaneous	2,030	28,990	90, 359	3.1	44.3
N.O.S. general freight	142	4,742	7,783	1.6	53.0
Totals	6,455	41, 453	166,950	4.0	25.9

' Reliable statistics not available.

10,000 lb, and under .....

10,001 - 20,000 lb, .....

20,001-30,000 lb.

30,001 lb, and over .....

Totals

## SECTION IL TRAFFIC PERFORMED BY SASKATCHEWAN REGISTERED TRUCKS WITHIN THE PROVINCE JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 1960

		The block		Private		
		For hire	Intercity	Urban	Farm	Total
Mileage:		1				
Total mileage traveiled Average yearly mileage per truck Average distance each ton was carried Percentage of total mileage travelled empty	<b>'000</b>	43,649 27,300 125.9 34.6	89.683 10,400 22.4 57.9	62, 477 4, 900 7, 3 51, 7	227, 693 2, 800 10, 8 65, 0	423, 502 4, 100 20, 1 58, 4
Fuel:						
Total galions of gasoline consumed Miles per galion of gasoline Total galions of diesel oil consumed Miles per galion of diesel oil Total galions of other fuel consumed Miles per galion of other fuel	'000 '000 '000	6,089 5,7 1,485 6.0	8,700 10,1 300 6,0	5, 786 10, 8 — —	19,168 11,9 	39, 743 10, 4 1, 785 6, 0 –
Weight of goods carried:						
Total tons of goods carried Average weight carried <sup>1</sup>	'000 ton	2,145	6,350 3.8	7, 718	15,214 2,1	31, 427
Net ton miles:						
Total net ton miles performed Average net ton miles per truck	'000	270, 130 168, 800	142, 525	56, 487 4, 400	163, 635 2, 000	632, 777 6, 100
Capacity ton miles:					0	
Total capacity ton miles <sup>2</sup> Average capacity ton miles per truck Percentage of capacity utilized	'000	548, 866 343, 000 49, 2	378, 983 44, 000 37, 6	163,466 12,800 34.6	574, 310 7, 100 28. 5	1,665,625 16,000 38,0
Gross ton miles:						
Total gross ton miles <sup>3</sup> Average gross ton miles per truck	'000	664, 521 415, 300	456, 980 53, 000	218,608	802, 434 9, 900	2, 142, 543 20, 500
Revenue:					1	
Total revenue	\$'000 ¢ ¢ \$	15,729 5.8 36.0 9,800	-	=		-
Estimated annual population		1,600	8,618	12,782	81,400	104,400

## **TABLE 5. All Trucks by Type of Operation**

## TABLE 6. All Trucks by Gross Vehicle Weight Group

	0 - 2½ tons 0 - 5,000 1b,	2½-5 tons 5,001-10,000 lb.	5-7½ tons 10,001-15,000 lb.	7½- 10 tons 15,001 - 20,000 Ib.	10-15 tons 20,001-30,000 lb,	Over 15 tons 30,001 lb. and over	Total
Mileage:							
Total mileage travelled	124, 581 4, 700 9, 2 70, 6	144,063 3,500 11.0 64.2	32, 870 2, 700 9, 9 51, 0	26,325 1,900 10.8 44.1	47,410 5,200 15,4 42,5	48, 253 21, 700 47, 2 37, 9	423, 502 4, 100 20, 1 58, 4
Fuel:					242.1		
Total gallons of gasoline consumed       '000         Miles per gailon of gasoline       '000         Total gallons of diesel oil consumed       '000         Miles per gallon of diesel oil       '000         Total gallons of other fuel       '000         Miles per gallon of other fuel       '000	15.0	11,647 12.4 — —	3,180 10,3 	3,137 8,4 	6, 295 7, 5 — — —	7, 204 5, 2 1, 785 6, 0 -	39, 743 10, 4 1, 785 6, 0 -
Weight of goods carried:							
Total tons of goods carried	1,540	5,261 1.1	3, 550 2, 2	5,176 3.8	8,834 5,0	7,066 11,1	31. 427 3. 6
Net ton miles:							
Total net ton miles performed	14,139 500	57,653 1,400	35, 119 2, 900	55, 996 4, 000	136, 235 15, 000	333,635 149,900	632, 777 6, 100
Capacity ton miles:							
Total capacity ton miles <sup>2</sup>	109,360 4,100 12,9	275, 817 6, 800 20, 9	102,580 8,600 34,2	146,339 10,600 38,3	355, 257 39,100 38,3	676,272 303,900 49,3	1,665,625 16,000 38.0
Gross ton miles:							-
Total gross ton miles'	218, 817 8, 300	443,351 10,900	146, 208 12, 200	163, 841 11, 800	364, 043 40, 100	806, 283 362, 400	2, 142, 543 20, 500
Estimated annual population	26,430	40, 801	11,997	13,861	9, 086	2, 225	104,400

<sup>1</sup> Net ton miles divided by miles travelied with load. <sup>2</sup> Capacity ton miles are determined by multiplying the actual total number of miles travelled by the estimated capacity or the weight of the heaviest load carried, whichever is larger. <sup>3</sup> Gross ton miles are determined by adding to the total ton miles performed the weight of the vehicle empty (tare) multiplied by total miles travelled.

## SECTION III. INTERPROVINCIAL AND INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC PERFORMED BY SASKATCHEWAN REGISTERED TRUCKS JANUARY 1-DECEMBER 31, 1960

and the second second	For hire			Private intercity <sup>1</sup>			Total <sup>1</sup>		
Origin and destination	Into Saskat- chewan	Out of Saskat- chewan	Total	Into Saskat- chewan	Out of Saskat- chewan	Total	Into Saskat- chewan	Out of Saskat- chewan	Total
Plan and the second					'000 tons				110
Newfoundland		-	-						
Prince Edward Island					1.00				
Nova Scotia	1	-	-				100		110
New Brunswick			-						
Quebec	- 1	-	-						
Ontario	22	2	24						
Janitoba	64	141	205						
Alberta	55	33	88						
British Columbia	-	-	-						
United States	7	7	14		1900		1.1		
Totals	148	183	331						-

## TABLE 7. Tons of Goods Carried by Province of Origin and Destination

## TABLE 8. Selected Statistics by Commodity Group

second productions	For hire								
Commodity group	Weight of goods carried	Total miles travelied with load	Total net ton miles	Average weight carried	Average distance per ton	Total revenue	Revena per toa mile		
	'000 tons	'000	•000	tons	miles	\$'000	¢		
Agricultural products <sup>1</sup>	- X -	_	-		_	-	-		
Animals and animal products	47	1, 640	17, 141	10.5	362.8	536	3.1		
Mine products <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-		-	-	-		
Forest products1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Manufactures and miscellaneous	188	8, 784	93, 624	10.7	498.4	4, 503	4.8		
N.O.S. general freight	96	2,454	24, 013	9.8	250.4	868	3.6		
Totals	331	12,878	134, 778	10.5	407.2	5, 907	4.4		

Private intercity<sup>1</sup>

	Weight of goods carried	Total miles travelled with load	Total net ton miles	Average weight carried	Average distance per ton
	'000 tons	'000'	000	tons	miles
Agricultural products					
Animals and animal products					
Mine products					
Forest products					the second s
Manufactures and miscellaneous			1 C C		
N.O.S. general freight					
Totals					

<sup>1</sup> Reliable statistics not available.

Type of operating	A. Population								
	0 - 2½ tons 0 - 5,000 lb.	2½-5 tor 5,001+10, lb.	ns 000	5-7½ tons 10,001-15,000 lb.	15.00	10 tons 1-20,000 1b.	10 - 15 tons 20,001 - 30,000 lb.	Over 15 tons 30,001 lb. and over	Total
	Estimated Saskatchewan truck population in 1960								
For hire			83	22		72	364	1,059	1,600
Private:									
Intercity	4, 115	1.0	638	223		570	1, 417	655	8, 611
Urban	7,265		416	751		1,082	858	410	12,78
Farm	15, 050	36, (	664	11,001		12, 137	6,447	101	81, 40
Totals	26, 430	40, 1	801	I1, 997		13, 861	9, 086	2,225	104, 40
	B. Survey Response								
	Total number of trucks selected in samples		3	Number of questionnaires returned completed		Number of sampled trucks reported not in use during survey week		Number of questionnaires not returned or returned incomplete and unusable	
For hire		963			466		20	13	274
Private:		-							
Intercity		1, 926		67			64	0	61
Urban		1,632		587		528		8	51
Pare		3, 248			774		1, 41	.0 .	1, 064

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Totals

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