

The following is a statement of the gauge and length of steam railways in operation in Canada in 1901.

	Gauge.		Miles.
	Ft.	In.	
Alberta Railway and Coal Co.....	3	0	64·62
British Yukon	3	0	90·45
Carillon and Grenville.....	5	6	13·00
Kaslo and Slocan.....	3	0	31·80
Canadian Northern.....	4	8½	522·00
Prince Edward Island.....	3	6	209·00
Lenora, Mount Sicker.....	3	0	6·25
Other railways.....	4	8½	17,357·31
Total, miles.....			18,294·43

The Dominion Government has contributed at the rate of \$9,083 per mile constructed, the Provincial Governments at the rate, on an average, of \$1,771 per total mileage constructed, and the municipalities at the rate of \$892 per mile on total mileage.

PARTICULARS OF RAILWAY CAPITAL PAID, 1898 TO 1901.

SOURCE OF CAPITAL.	AMOUNT.			
	1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ordinary share capital.....	264,271,547	267,860,412	276,325,271	291,340,773
Preference ".....	111,166,933	120,659,864	130,642,583	133,073,541
Bonded debt.....	353,540,414	360,040,243	371,623,452	391,696,523
Aid from—				
Dominion Government.....	151,487,412	155,624,019	159,543,370	166,158,731
Ontario ".....	7,200,004	7,281,129	7,291,577	7,839,578
Quebec ".....	15,550,291	15,646,789	15,783,036	16,347,393
New Brunswick ".....	4,429,090	4,506,041	4,529,041	4,529,041
Nova Scotia ".....	1,653,108	1,583,108	1,583,109	1,801,108
Manitoba ".....	2,625,562	1,602,158	2,085,907	1,840,903
British Columbia ".....	37,500	37,500	37,500	37,500
Municipalities.....	15,627,668	15,707,668	15,851,542	16,310,253
Capital from other sources..	8,801,281	9,259,498	6,844,658	11,810,195
Total.....	936,390,810	959,808,429	992,141,047	1,042,785,539

The proportion that each amount bears to the total capital is as follows :—

	1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.
	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
Ordinary share capital.....	28·22	27·91	27·72	27·93
Bonded debt.....	37·75	37·51	37·46	37·56
Dominion Government aid.....	16·18	16·21	16·08	15·93
Preference share capital.....	11·87	12·57	13·17	12·76
Provincial Government aid ..	3·37	3·20	3·28	3·17
Municipal aid.....	1·67	1·64	1·60	1·52
Other sources.....	0·94	0·96	0·69	1·13