

Railway
statistics of
Canada.

According to the report of the comptroller of railway statistics the increase in the railway mileage of Canada for the year ended June 30 1911 was 669 as compared with 627 in 1910 and 1,138 in 1909. Seventy per cent of the increase in 1910-11 was in the western provinces. The total railway mileage in actual operation on June 30 was 25,400 as against 24,731 in 1910 and 24,104 in 1909. There were in addition 1,577½ miles of railway in actual operation but officially regarded as still under construction.

Mileage under
construction. The following statement shows by provinces the mileage of railways under construction during the year ended June 30 1911:

Province	Graded or being graded	Track laid or being laid	In operation
	miles	miles	miles
Nova Scotia.....	14·89	5·50	-
New Brunswick.....	266·06	256·60	-
Quebec.....	655·70	402·38	-
Ontario.....	1,592·22	792·17	466·56
Manitoba.....	459·09	385·74	302·00
Saskatchewan.....	1,734·00	1,328·65	600·00
Alberta.....	1,120·50	460·20	107·34
British Columbia.....	380·17	198·10	191·60
Total.....	6,222·63	3,820·34	1,577·50

Capital, pass-
engers, earn-
ings, freight,
etc.

During the year ended June 30 1911 \$118,391,514 were added to the total capital liability of railways in Canada. This brings the total amount of capital invested in Canadian railways to \$1,528,689,201 of which \$749,207,687 are stocks and \$779,481,514 are funded debt. Eliminating the capital liability of railways under construction and the mileage of government owned lines, the capital obligation per mile is \$55,829. The railways of Canada carried 37,097,718 passengers and 79,884,282 tons of freight in 1911, an increase of 1,203,143 passengers, or 3·3 p.c., and of 5,401,416 tons of freight, or 7·2 p.c., as compared with 1910. The aggregate earnings for the year from all sources were \$188,733,494, an increase over 1910 of \$14,777,277, or 8·7 p.c. The operating expenses were \$131,033,785, as compared with \$120,405,440 in 1910.

Electric
railways.

The business of the electric railways in Canada has continued to expand during 1911. During the year the total liability was increased from \$102,044,979 in 1910 to \$111,532,347 in 1911. Of this amount \$62,251,203 are in stocks and \$49,281,144 in funded debt. The number of passengers carried was 426,296,792, as compared with 360,964,876 in 1910. The freight handled was 2,496,072 tons in 1911, as compared with 842,294 tons in 1910. Gross earnings were \$20,356,952, as compared with \$17,100,789 in 1910.