

1918, and the net revenue \$9,319,570 as against \$9,108,762. The number of telephone employees was 20,491, as compared with 17,336, and the salaries and wages amounted to \$15,774,586, as compared with \$10,410,807 in 1918. The general progress of telephones in Canada since 1915 is shown in Table 62.

62.—Progress of Telephones in Canada for the years ended June 30, 1915-1919, and for the Calendar Year 1919.

Items	June 30,					Dec 31,
	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1919.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Capitalization.....	74,284,991	76,920,314	79,121,702	85,274,691	91,004,925	100,587,833
Cost.....	83,792,583	88,520,020	94,469,534	104,368,628	113,296,160	125,017,222
Revenue.....	17,601,673	18,594,268	20,122,282	22,753,280	24,600,536	29,401,006
Operating expenses.....	12,836,715	11,147,201	12,095,426	13,644,518	16,167,992	20,081,436
Salaries and wages.....	8,357,029	7,852,719	8,882,593	10,410,807	13,048,055	15,774,586
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Telephone Companies.....	1,396	1,592	1,695	2,007	2,047	2,219
Wire mileage.....	1,452,360	1,600,564	1,708,202	1,848,467	1,951,562	2,105,240
Telephones.....	533,090	548,421	604,136	662,330	724,500	778,758
Employees.....	15,072	15,247	16,490	17,336	19,057	20,491
Persons per telephone.....	15.1	14.8	13.8	13.0	12.2	11.3
Persons per mile of wire.....	5.6	5.1	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.2

63.—Number of Telephone Companies reporting to the Department of Railways and Canals, by Provinces, December 31, 1919, with totals for the years ended June 30, 1914-19.

Provinces.	Government.	Municipal.	Stock.	Co-operative.	Partnership.	Private.	Total.
1919.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Island.....	—	—	3	35	—	—	38
Nova Scotia.....	—	—	24	144	—	7	175
New Brunswick.....	—	—	17	10	1	2	30
Quebec.....	—	—	71	61	2	27	161
Ontario.....	2	76	201	245	15	55	594
Manitoba.....	1	7	3	22	—	3	36
Saskatchewan.....	1	4	328	808	—	—	1,141
Alberta.....	1	1	7	21	—	1	31
British Columbia.....	—	1	11	—	—	—	12
Yukon.....	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Totals, 1919, Dec. 31.....	5	89	666	1,346	18	95	2,219
Totals, 1919, June 30....	5	82	690	1,163	11	96	2,047
Totals, 1918, June 30....	5	74	735	1,085	12	96	2,007
Totals, 1917, June 30....	5	73	645	841	17	114	1,695
Totals, 1916, June 30....	4	67	622	765	23	111	1,592
Totals, 1915, June 30....	4	62	584	601	28	117	1,396
Totals, 1914, June 30....	4	58	611	297	48	118	1,136