

now comprising a large percentage of the total. The greatest part of this track is in the Toronto, Niagara and Lake Erie district, on which considerable freight traffic is carried, and on the Pacific coast, where the British Columbia electric railway operated 421 freight cars in 1920.

Development of Electric Railway Traffic.—Figures for the year 1893 show that 30 companies with a paid-up capital of about \$9,000,000 operated 256 miles of railway. By 1897, 35 companies made returns showing 583 miles of track, 1,156 cars, 26,431,017 miles run, 83,811,306 passengers carried and capital of \$18,727,355. In 1904, 46 companies showed 766 miles of track, 2,384 cars, 42,066,124 miles run, 181,689,998 passengers, and capital of \$30,314,730. Steady increases up to 1920 show that during that year 66 companies actually in operation, with 2,427 miles computed as single track, 5,240 cars, 114,481,406 miles run and 804,711,333 fare passengers carried, had a capital of \$170,826,404. The number of employees in the service of electric railways on Dec. 31, 1920, was 17,341 as compared with 16,940 in 1919. Total salaries and wages for the year 1920 were \$24,235,932, as against \$20,211,576 in 1919.

Statistics of Electric Railways.—Summary statistics of the operation of electric railways in Canada from 1901 to 1920 inclusive are given by years in Table 20. In Table 21 statistics of the mileage and equipment are given for the last three railway years, and annual statistics of the capital liability of electric railways are furnished from 1908 in Table 22. Detailed figures for railways of the miles operated, the capital liability, the earnings and operating expenses are given for 1920 in Table 23, while Table 24 gives by years from 1894 to 1920 the number of passengers, employees and others killed and injured on electric railways in Canada.

20.—Summary Statistics of Electric Railway Operation, years ended June 30, 1901-1919, and for calendar years 1919-1920.

Year.	Miles in Operation.	Total Car Mileage.	Passengers.	Freight.	Gross Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Ratio of expenses to receipts.
	Miles.	Miles.	No.	Tons.	\$	\$	p.c.
1901.....	674-58	31,750,754	120,934,656	287,926	5,768,283	3,435,162	59-55
1902.....	557-59	35,833,841	135,681,402	266,182	6,486,438	3,802,855	58-63
1903.....	759-36	38,028,529	155,662,812	371,286	7,233,677	4,472,858	61-83
1904.....	766-50	42,066,124	181,689,998	400,161	8,453,609	5,326,516	63-01
1905.....	793-12	45,959,101	203,467,217	510,350	9,357,125	5,918,194	63-25
1906.....	813-74	50,618,836	237,655,074	506,024	10,966,871	6,675,037	60-87
1907.....	814-52	53,361,227	273,999,404	479,731	12,630,430	7,373,251	58-38
1908.....	992-03	56,964,881	299,099,309	732,475	14,007,049	8,695,880	62-08
1909.....	988-97	60,152,486	314,026,671	-	14,611,484	8,885,235	60-81
1910.....	1,047-07	65,249,166	360,964,876	852,294	17,100,789	10,121,781	59-19
1911.....	1,223-73	72,618,806	426,296,792	1,228,362	20,356,952	12,096,134	59-42
1912.....	1,308-17	82,070,064	488,865,682	1,435,525	23,499,250	14,266,675	60-71
1913.....	1,356-63	89,005,216	597,863,801	1,957,930	28,216,111	17,165,372	62-96
1914.....	1,560-82	98,917,808	614,709,819	1,845,923	29,691,007	19,707,818	64-36
1915.....	1,590-29	96,964,829	562,302,373	1,433,602	26,922,900	18,131,842	67-35
1916.....	1,673-77	82,516,612	580,094,167	1,936,674	27,416,285	18,099,906	66-02
1917.....	1,743-54	84,073,046	629,441,997	2,333,539	30,237,664	20,098,634	66-47
1918.....	1,616-36 ¹	84,435,323 ¹	487,365,456 ¹	2,497,530 ¹	24,299,890 ¹	17,535,975 ¹	72-16 ¹
1919.....	1,696-52	106,961,607	686,124,263	2,474,892	35,696,532	26,839,071	75-18
1919 (Dec. 31).....	1,686-78	110,206,344	749,334,380	2,374,612	40,698,586	31,385,702	77-12
1920 (").....	1,698,76	114,481,406	804,711,333	2,691,150	47,047,246	37,242,483	79-16

¹Not including Montreal Tramways and several other units.