

25.—Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour of Employees of Steam Railways in Canada, 1920-1926.

NOTE.—The unit for the running trades is 100 miles, except for telegraphers and despatchers, who are paid by the month. Maintenance-of-way employees are paid by the day, and car and shop employees by the hour. Increases to certain employees in the running trades became operative Dec. 1, 1926.

Occupations.	September, 1920.		September, 1921.		September, 1922.	
	Wages.	Hours per week.	Wages.	Hours per week.	Wages.	Hours per week.
	\$		\$		\$	
Running trades—						
Conductors, passenger.....	4.67	2	4.27	2	4.27	2
Conductors, freight (Irreg.).....	6.44	2	5.80	2	5.80	2
Brakemen, passenger.....	3.33	2	2.93	2	2.93	2
Brakemen, freight (Irreg.).....	5.12	2	4.48	2	4.48	2
Baggagemen, passenger.....	3.44	2	3.04	2	3.04	2
Engineers, passenger.....	6.48	2	6.00	2	6.00	2
Engineers, freight (Irreg.).....	7.28	2	6.64	2	6.64	2
Firemen, passenger.....	4.96	2	4.48	2	4.48	2
Firemen, freight (Irreg.).....	5.52	2	4.88	2	4.88	2
Despatchers ¹	247.00-255.00	48	230.00-238.00	48	230.00-238.00	48
Telegraphers ¹	130.00-141.00	48	117.00-128.00	48	117.00-128.00	48
Maintenance-of-Way—						
Foremen (on line).....	5.80	48	4.50	48	4.26	48
Sectionmen (on line).....	3.88	48	3.20	48	2.80	48
Car and Shop Trades—						
Blacksmiths.....	.85	44	.77	44	.70	44
Boilermakers.....	.85	44	.77	44	.70	44
Machinists.....	.85	44	.77	44	.70	44
Moulders.....	.85	44	.77	44	.70	44
Carpenters, freight.....	.80	44	.72	44	.63	44
Painters, freight.....	.80	44	.72	44	.63	44
Repairers, freight.....	.80	44	.72	44	.63	44
Cleaners.....	.50	44	.42	44	.37	44

Occupations.	September, 1923-26.		December, 1926.	
	Wages.	Hours per week.	Wages.	Hours per week.
	\$		\$	
Running trades—				
Conductors, passenger.....	4.27	2	4.47	2
Conductors, freight (Irreg.).....	5.80	2	6.16	2
Brakemen, passenger.....	2.93	2	3.13	2
Brakemen, freight (Irreg.).....	4.48	2	4.84	2
Baggagemen, passenger.....	3.04	2	3.24	2
Engineers, passenger.....	6.00	2	6.00	2
Engineers, freight (Irreg.).....	6.64	2	6.64	2
Firemen, passenger.....	4.48	2	4.48	2
Firemen, freight (Irreg.).....	4.88	2	4.88	2
Despatchers ¹	230.00-238.00	48	230.00-238.00	48
Telegraphers ¹	117.00-128.00	48	117.00-128.00	48
Maintenance-of-Way—				
Foremen (on line).....	4.40	48	4.40	48
Sectionmen (on line).....	3.04 ²	48	3.04 ²	48
Car and Shop Trades—				
Blacksmiths.....	.70	44	.70	44
Boilermakers.....	.70	44	.70	44
Machinists.....	.70	44	.70	44
Moulders.....	.70	44	.70	44
Carpenters, freight.....	.63	44	.63	44
Painters, freight.....	.63	44	.63	44
Repairers, freight.....	.63	44	.63	44
Cleaners.....	.38	44	.38	44

¹ Rates for running trades and despatchers and telegraphers in British Columbia are slightly higher than above. Where ranges are shown for despatchers and telegraphers, the lower rate is that paid east of Fort William, and the higher rate is that paid west of Fort William to British Columbia.

² Basis of 20 miles per hour. ³ Basis of 12½ miles per hour. ⁴ First year, \$2.88.