

10.—Mileage and Rolling Stock of Steam Railways, calendar years 1921-1926.

Mileage and Equipment.	1921.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Mileage and Engines.						
Miles in operation (single track).....	39,192	39,360	39,665	40,061	40,362	40,353
Miles of sidings.....	9,755	9,892	9,680	10,012	9,579	9,716
Miles of industrial track.....	—	—	—	—	1,555	1,591
Miles of double track.....	2,629	2,608	2,591	2,619	2,615	2,620
Engines in use.....	6,027	5,955	5,897	5,857	5,752	5,679
Passenger Cars.						
First class.....	2,218	2,057	1,968	1,981	1,960	1,693
Second class.....	552	514	429	419	426	408
Combination.....	350	348	424	426	430	398
Immigrant.....	677	697	704	703	704	668
Dining.....	223	209	194	196	198	198
Parlour.....	173	194	223	243	249	255
Sleeping.....	645	640	675	819	822	893
Baggage, express and postal.....	1,807	1,803	1,859	1,855	1,843	1,850
Motor cars.....		28	28	42	57	60
Other.....	122	310	281	165	150	149
Freight Cars.						
Box.....	161,259	158,622	159,276	155,656	154,527	150,499
Flat.....	24,391	24,186	23,321	22,748	22,308	21,631
Stock.....	12,585	11,542	12,204	12,335	12,025	11,746
Coal.....	20,079	20,557	22,854	23,486	23,445	23,663
Tank.....	413	405	438	453	466	456
Refrigerator.....	7,012	6,463	6,504	6,329	6,286	6,616
Other.....	5,824	6,800	5,017	5,156	5,170	6,644

Commodities hauled.—Statistics of the commodities hauled in the years 1923, 1924, 1925 and 1926, show that in 1926 there was an increase over 1925 of 10,597,307 tons in the total hauled (Table 11). In fact, the revenue freight carried in 1926 created a record for Canadian railways, being 3,000,000 tons more than in 1918 or 1923 and 5,000,000 tons more than 1920, the highest previous years. Mine products were the chief factor in the increase over 1925, accounting for 6,700,000 tons, due principally to increases in coal, ores and concentrates, and gravel, sand, etc. There were also increases of 1,100,000 tons in forest products and 2,100,000 tons in manufactures and miscellaneous merchandise. In this last class, refined petroleum products, motor vehicles and paper each reached the highest point on record. Agricultural and animal products showed little change from the previous year.