

Gross revenues, operating expenses and net revenues shown in this table include only those from steam railway operations, but the deficits are for the entire system, including the operating results of the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto railway (electric) and other railways operated separately, hotels, commercial telegraphs, coastal steamships and all other outside operations.

This table shows the continued betterment in the operation from 1923 to 1926, when the deficit was reduced from \$51,697,675 to \$29,701,445. The 1927 operations did not show the same progress, the deficit increasing to \$37,637,722 despite an increase of \$2,516,468 in gross revenues over 1926. There has been only one year, 1926, in which the system has been able to meet all obligations other than the interest due to the Dominion Government on advances.³ The Central Vermont, which was previously included in this table, suffered severe damages from floods during the spring of 1927 and was forced into receivership on Dec. 13, consequently its accounts were not included with those of the Canadian National system. For 1927 the Central Vermont showed a deficit of \$1,326,017 and the debit balance in the profit and loss account amounted to \$6,810,768.

26.—Gross Revenues, Operating Expenses, Net Revenues, Interest on Funded Debt and Annual Deficit of the Canadian National Railways for the calendar years 1923-1927.

Items.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926. ¹	1927. ¹
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gross Railway Operating Revenues—					
Canadian Lines.....	214,787,207	201,224,493	208,218,921	225,547,852	215,432,357
United States Lines.....	38,348,281	34,363,689	30,752,282	40,639,974	41,143,367
Total.....	253,135,488	235,588,182	244,971,203	266,187,826	256,575,724
Eastern Lines (6 months).....					12,128,570
Total.....	253,135,488	235,588,182	244,971,203	266,187,826	268,704,294
Railway Operating Expenses—					
Canadian Lines.....	202,936,659	189,460,404	184,373,201	180,173,271	183,932,853
United States Lines.....	29,768,180	28,883,527	28,333,587	29,531,362	30,528,894
Total.....	232,704,839	218,343,931	212,706,788	219,704,633	214,461,747
Eastern Lines (6 months).....					14,713,852
Total.....	232,704,839	218,343,931	212,706,788	219,704,633	229,175,599
Net Operating Revenues—					
Canadian Lines.....	11,850,548	11,764,089	23,845,720	35,374,581	31,499,504
United States Lines.....	8,580,101	5,480,162	8,418,695	11,108,612	10,614,472
Total.....	20,430,649	17,244,251	32,264,415	46,483,193	42,113,976
Eastern Lines (6 months).....					2,585,282
Total.....	20,430,649	17,244,251	32,264,415	46,483,193	39,528,694
Interest—					
Canadian National—On Funded Debt.....	65,199,324	69,632,747	71,888,617	71,287,687	72,638,923
Eastern Lines—On Funded Debt (6 months).....					392,407
Total.....	65,199,324	69,632,747	71,888,617	71,287,687	73,031,330
Deficit—					
Canadian National.....	51,697,675	54,860,419	41,444,764	29,701,445	34,373,027
Eastern Lines (6 months).....					3,264,695 ²
Total.....	51,697,675	54,860,419	41,444,764	29,701,445	37,637,722 ³

¹ Exclusive of Hudson Bay railway which was included in previous years.

² Includes a loss in revenues of \$931,810 from reduction in rates ordered by the Maritime Freight Rates Act; other railways were reimbursed by the Government for such losses and included these payments with their revenues.

³ Preliminary figures for 1928 indicate that the 1926 record has been repeated.