

Table 68 gives figures of telegraph operation and line and wire mileage of various companies for the years 1924 to 1929. Statistics of the Halifax and Bermudas Cable Co., the Canadian Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. and the Pacific Cable Board are not included.

68.—Statistics of Chartered Telegraph Companies for the calendar years 1924-1929

Company.	Yrs.	Miles of Line.	Miles of Wire.	Number of Messages. ¹	Number of Offices. ²
Canadian National Telegraph Co. ³ (Formerly Great North Western Telegraph Co.)	1924	23,204	109,537	8,376,371	1,901
	1925	22,432	124,760	7,064,885	1,902
	1926	23,031	129,042	7,538,301	1,922
	1927	23,049	136,143	7,875,550	1,941
	1928	23,412	141,523	8,238,893	1,943
	1929	24,565	166,121	9,488,208	2,135
Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	1924	15,353	123,849	4,975,172 ²	1,527
	1925	15,410	124,619	5,671,853 ²	1,407
	1926	15,686	141,924	6,863,568 ²	1,510
	1927	16,775	151,329	6,072,459 ²	1,566
	1928	16,429	160,287	6,858,597 ²	1,638
	1929	18,794	167,664	7,259,205 ²	1,642
Western Union	1924	3,582	18,738	729,730	225
	1925	2,779	18,431	747,144	207
	1926	2,751	18,493	779,188	207
	1927	2,721	18,179	832,312	202
	1928	2,721	18,129	881,245	194
	1929	1,178	10,910	414,506	1
Temiskaming and Northern Ont. Ry. Commission	1924	413	1,817	173,118	34
	1925	424	1,935	115,920	35
	1926	422	2,009	130,770	36
	1927	449	3,270	135,613	37
	1928	450	3,288	153,842	38
	1929	450	3,288	128,852	38
The North American Telegraph Co., Ltd.	1924	-	515	71,429	21
	1925	-	454	71,335	21
	1926	-	445	76,826	19
	1927	-	445	78,531	19
	1928	-	445	84,427	18
	1929	-	445	87,514	18
Dominion Government Telegraph Service	1924	11,210	14,176	526,681	1,192
	1925	10,681	13,913	499,358	1,052
	1926	10,722	14,020	522,796	1,066
	1927	10,737	14,173	536,842	1,082
	1928	10,765	14,299	535,605	1,040
	1929	9,848	12,455	537,080	895

¹Cablegrams not included. The total in Table 67 includes messages handled by the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. ²Not including press messages. ³The total in Table 67 includes offices of wireless and cable companies. ⁴Statistics of the Grand Trunk Pacific Telegraph Company have been included with the Canadian National up to 1927 and the two were amalgamated in 1928. ⁵Included with Canadian National in 1929.

Submarine Cables.—Six transoceanic cables have termini in Canada—five of them on the Atlantic and one on the Pacific coast. The date on which the cable was first shown to be of commercial value was in 1866, and up to the present its use has greatly increased. The Atlantic cables are controlled by English and American interests. The Pacific cable, from Canada to Australia and New Zealand, has been in operation since 1902, and has been owned by a partnership of the Governments of Great Britain, New Zealand, Australia and Canada. As a result of the recommendation of the Imperial Wireless and Cable Conference of