

mining centres in the interior; and finally the overland telegraph line to Dawson and other settlements in Yukon. All these services, on Mar. 31, 1934, comprised 8,864 miles of pole line, 10,782 miles of wire, 326 knots of cable and 705 offices, with 422 salaried employees engaged in operation and maintenance, as well as 242 other persons operating offices on a commission basis. The lines in operation amounted to 3,797 miles of pole line in British Columbia and an additional 535 miles in Yukon, 1,671 miles in Quebec, 1,442 in Alberta and 877 miles in Nova Scotia, as well as smaller mileages in New Brunswick, Ontario and Saskatchewan.

Telegraph Systems.—The Canadian telegraph systems are composed of lines owned by the Dominion Government and by chartered railway and telegraph companies. The lines previously owned by the Great North Western Telegraph Co., the Grand Trunk Pacific Telegraph Co., the Canadian Northern Railway Co and the National Transcontinental Railway are now owned by the Government and are operated by the Canadian National Telegraph Co. (formerly Great North Western Telegraph Co.). The Dominion Government Telegraph Service operates the line to Yukon and other lines in outlying districts.

The Canadian system, in proportion to population, is one of the most extensive in the world, and is operated under considerable climatic and geographic disadvantages. In the operation of railways and in the receipt and dispatch of market and press reports, its services to the nation are invaluable.

Telegraph Statistics.—A brief summary table giving the more important figures of the operation of Canadian telegraphs from 1920 to 1933 follows. For details see the Annual Report on Telegraph Statistics published by the Bureau of Statistics.

69.—Summary Statistics of All Canadian Telegraphs, calendar years 1920-33.

Year.	Gross Revenue.	Operating Expenses.	Net Operating Revenue.	Pole Line Mileage.	Wire Mileage.	Em- ployees.	Offices.	Messages, Land.	Cable- grams. ³	Money Trans- ferred.
	\$	\$	\$	miles.	miles.	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$
1920..	11,337,428	9,589,982	1,747,446	52,393	238,866	7,508	4,825	15,589,711	1,162,204	7,045,661
1921..	11,310,969	9,734,299	1,576,690	52,828	250,802	7,818	4,901	15,013,993	1,154,787	5,150,916
1922..	11,018,762	9,846,425	1,172,337	53,096	262,343	8,500	4,762	15,271,410	4,736,204	4,404,407
1923..	11,417,284	9,931,815	1,485,439	53,383	270,782	8,275	4,961	16,150,106	5,065,115	5,326,352
1924..	10,930,020	9,603,620	1,326,400	54,742	268,632	8,909	4,945	15,460,811	5,790,582	6,428,080
1925..	11,520,322	9,681,200	1,839,122	51,726 ¹	284,121	7,224 ²	4,664	14,460,988	6,104,025	6,680,595
1926..	12,143,388	10,166,040	1,977,348	52,612 ¹	305,933	6,755 ²	4,801	14,934,683	6,421,673	7,790,127
1927..	12,990,549	10,600,412	2,390,137	52,731 ¹	323,539	7,338 ²	4,885	15,564,067	6,664,771	9,241,864
1928..	14,740,641	11,647,063	3,093,578	53,777 ¹	337,971	7,639 ²	4,909	16,857,220	6,861,195	9,776,090
1929..	16,256,441	12,590,364	3,666,077	52,835 ¹	360,883	8,056 ²	4,766	18,029,973	5,210,926	11,295,857
1930..	14,264,997	11,791,291	2,473,706	52,824 ¹	371,747	7,331 ²	4,661	15,558,224	6,745,220	10,213,475
1931..	11,641,729	10,720,949	920,780	53,228 ¹	368,583	6,637 ²	4,474	13,200,198	6,097,713	7,475,928
1932..	9,381,075	9,020,052	361,023	52,362 ¹	366,142	5,786 ²	4,248	10,519,433	5,664,171	4,698,660
1933..	9,267,715	8,122,964	1,144,751	52,112 ¹	365,489	5,263 ²	4,115	10,135,653	5,504,227	3,632,910

¹Excluding U.S. lines of Canadian National Telegraphs. ²Excluding railway employees.

³Including transatlantic cablegrams relayed between Canso, N.S., and the United States.