

Telephone Statistics.—The financial statistics of Table 76 show that the investment in telephone property in Canada, represented by the cost of property, is a very large item and is exceeded in the field of transportation and communications only by the investments in steam railways (pp. 657-659) and roads and highways (pp. 687-688).

Up to 1930 there was a steady growth in the number of telephones but in the three following years to 1933 there were declines aggregating 15 p.c. However, there was a slight increase again in 1934. The number of telephones per capita is second only to that of the United States, the numbers being 13.29 telephones per 100 population in the United States and 11.01 in Canada. This is a favourable showing in view of the low density of population in Canada as a whole and the fact that 46 p.c. (46.30 p.c. in 1931) of the population is rural.

Estimates of the numbers of telephone conversations during 1934 were 2,273,112,000 local and 25,395,566 long-distance calls. Systems operating almost 90 p.c. of all telephones in Canada made estimates by actual count on days of normal business, and, after adjusting for uncompleted calls, holidays, Sundays, etc., the average was multiplied by 365. The long-distance calls in practically all cases were the actual long-distance calls put through or completed. The averages were 1,904 local and 21 long-distance calls per telephone and 212 telephone conversations per capita as compared with 213 in 1933. The estimated per capita average for the United States in 1933 was 191.

76.—Summary Financial Statistics of Telephones in Canada, years ended June 30, 1911-18, and Dec. 31, 1919-34.

Year.	Capitalization.		Cost of Property.	Gross Revenue.	Operating Expenses.	Net Operating Revenue.	Salaries and Wages. ¹	Systems.	Telephones.	Telephones per 100 Population.
	Capital Stock.	Funded Debt.								
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	No.	No.	No.
1911..	21,527,375	18,516,608	34,737,530	10,068,220	6,979,045	3,089,175	915,636	537	302,759	4.2
1912..	21,533,605	24,743,247	56,887,799	12,273,627	9,094,689	3,178,938	2,659,642	683	370,884	5.0
1913..	26,590,501	33,256,503	69,214,971	14,897,278 ²	11,175,689	3,721,539	6,839,399	1,075	463,671	6.2
1914..	28,644,340	41,647,554	80,258,356	17,297,269	12,882,402	4,414,867	8,250,253	1,136	521,144	6.8
1915..	28,947,122	45,337,869	83,792,583	17,601,673	12,836,715	6,764,958	8,357,029	1,396	533,090	6.8
1916..	29,416,956	47,503,358	88,520,020	18,594,265	11,147,201	7,447,067	7,852,719	1,592	548,421	6.8
1917..	29,476,367	49,645,335	94,469,534	20,122,282	12,095,426	8,026,856	8,882,593	1,695	604,136	7.4
1918..	29,803,090	55,471,601	104,368,628	22,753,274 ²	13,644,518	9,108,756	10,410,807	2,007	662,330	8.0
1919 ³ ..	35,227,233	65,360,600	125,017,222	29,401,006	20,081,436	9,319,570	15,774,586	2,219	778,758	9.2
1920..	36,149,838	80,539,367	144,560,969	33,473,712	28,044,401	5,429,311	17,294,405	2,327	856,266	9.9
1921..	42,194,426	90,343,345	158,678,229	36,986,913	30,080,035	6,906,878	19,000,422	2,365	902,090	10.3
1922..	48,968,198	94,833,825	167,332,932	39,559,149	29,966,151	9,592,968	17,305,759	2,387	944,029	10.6
1923..	57,366,675	95,306,347	179,002,152	42,656,655 ²	32,390,370	10,266,285	18,182,429	2,459	1,009,203	11.1
1924..	63,798,133	96,216,887	193,884,378	44,322,598	33,615,686	10,706,912	18,293,234	2,466	1,072,454	11.6
1925..	65,514,130	102,653,161	210,535,795	47,233,617	35,566,947	11,666,670	19,106,383	2,495	1,142,876	12.2
1926..	68,345,999	110,805,099	227,155,900	50,522,859	38,141,360	12,381,499	25,219,493	2,479	1,201,008	12.8
1927..	76,460,540	115,981,955	243,999,135	56,907,338	48,561,916	8,345,422	26,254,605	2,462	1,259,987	13.2
1928..	85,913,239	121,528,627	263,201,651	61,791,333	51,542,544	10,248,789	28,501,378	2,447	1,334,534	13.8
1929..	93,737,979	141,205,328	291,589,148	65,240,610	56,559,517	8,681,093	31,672,277	2,415	1,382,822	14.1
1930..	102,777,267	155,411,716	319,101,191	69,420,459	61,886,340	7,534,119	32,085,948	2,414	1,402,861	14.1
1931..	105,765,685	168,224,084	333,055,119	66,806,580	60,067,016	6,739,564	28,493,252	2,399	1,364,200	13.1
1932..	106,161,477 ²	172,158,977 ²	333,169,486	60,684,992	55,344,023	5,340,969	24,115,545	2,414	1,261,245	12.0
1933..	106,336,079 ²	165,229,197 ²	330,490,878	56,062,970	50,423,641	5,639,329	21,276,406	2,403	1,192,330	11.2
1934..	108,638,326	162,660,037	331,187,227	57,380,171	50,989,088	6,391,083	21,167,834	2,388	1,193,729	11.0

¹ Includes salaries and wages chargeable to capital account. For number of employees, see Table 78.

² Revised since the publication of the 1934-35 Year Book.

³ Years ended June 30, 1911-18 and

calendar years 1919-34.