

In total railway mileage Canada now ranks fourth with 42,552 miles, the United States, Soviet Russia and British India being the only countries with greater total mileages, and in miles per capita only Australia has a greater average, Canada's density being one mile of line for each 263 persons (exclusive of 339 miles, chiefly main lines, of Canadian railways crossing over United States territory).

The operated mileage in the different provinces is given for recent years in Table 2. Construction was most active in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta during the period covered while there has been a tendency for mileages to decline slightly in the other provinces, due to the abandonment of unprofitable lines.

2.—Operated Steam Railway Mileage, by Provinces, Dec. 31, 1928-36.

Province and Type of Track.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.
	miles.	miles.	miles.	miles.	miles.	miles.	miles.	miles.	miles.
Single Track—									
Prince Edward Island..	276	276	286	286	286	286	286	286	286
Nova Scotia.....	1,421	1,420	1,418	1,418	1,410	1,410	1,406	1,397	1,397
New Brunswick.....	1,935	1,934	1,934	1,934	1,934	1,934	1,930	1,929	1,871
Quebec.....	4,910	4,891	4,891	4,926	4,879	4,863	4,858	4,858	4,777
Ontario.....	10,866	10,872	10,938	10,905	10,908	10,880	10,842	10,821	10,746
Manitoba.....	4,293	4,294	4,420	4,419	4,420	4,433	4,459	4,970	4,860
Saskatchewan.....	7,551	7,761	8,166	8,268	8,438	8,438	8,368	8,556	8,624
Alberta.....	5,307	5,516	5,581	5,630	5,652	5,654	5,696	5,760	5,687
British Columbia.....	4,071	4,024	4,021	4,097	4,085	4,041	4,028	3,942	3,907
Yukon.....	58	58	58	58	58	58	58	58	58
In United States.....	334	334	334	339	339	339	339	339	339
Totals, Single Track.....	41,022	41,380	42,047	42,230	42,409	42,336	42,270	42,916	42,552
Second track.....	2,637	2,658	2,688	2,688	2,682	2,531	2,525	2,507	2,500
Industrial track.....	1,662	1,607	1,623	1,606	1,578	1,534	1,495	1,453	1,401
Yard track and sidings...	10,114	10,168	10,227	10,277	10,335	10,278	10,229	10,295	10,239
Grand Totals, All Tracks	55,435	55,813	56,585	56,851	57,004	56,679	56,519	57,171	56,692

Rolling-Stock.—Statistics of the rolling-stock of the steam railways of Canada are given for the latest seven years in Table 3. The figures may be supplemented by the statement that between 1920 and 1936 the average capacity of box cars increased from 34·779 tons to 40·766 tons, of flat cars from 33·459 to 41·123 tons, and of all freight cars from 35·141 tons to 41·401 tons. The average tractive power of the locomotive in use in 1920 was 31,112 lb. and in 1936, 38,432 lb.

3.—Rolling-Stock of Steam Railways, calendar years 1930-36.

Rolling-Stock.	1930.	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.
LOCOMOTIVES.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Passenger.....	1,438	1,392	1,353	1,333	1,291	1,200	1,191
Freight.....	3,192	3,165	3,123	3,073	3,035	2,876	2,862
Switching.....	784	780	751	742	727	685	660
Electric.....	37	40	39	39	34	34	34
Totals.....	5,451	5,377	5,266	5,187	5,087	4,795	4,747
PASSENGER CARS.							
First class.....	1,980	1,975	1,933	1,924	1,907	1,745	1,754
Second class.....	372	364	355	355	350	295	276
Combination.....	492	490	469	463	461	362	372
Immigrant.....	703	644	643	634	628	566	419
Dining.....	218	264	264	261	260	257	256
Parlour.....	331	310	306	303	302	290	278
Sleeping ¹	1,224	1,235	1,198	1,175	1,163	1,138	1,085
Baggage, express and postal..	1,699	1,695	1,660	1,635	1,629	1,462	1,454
Motor cars.....	73	104	105	97	96	99	92
Other.....	254	530	526	507	490	455	457
Totals¹.....	7,346	7,611	7,459	7,354	7,286	6,669	6,443

¹ Include Pullman Co. cars in Canadian service.