

24.—Numbers of Passengers, Employees, and Others Killed or Injured on Steam Railways, calendar years 1929-37.

NOTE.—For the years ended June 30, 1883 to 1900, see Canada Year Book, 1910, p. 378; for the years 1901-19, the 1922-23 edition, p. 635; and for 1920-28, the 1938 edition p. 662.

Year.	Passengers.		Employees.		Others.		Totals.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
1929.....	20	551	118	12,433	298	809	431	13,843
1930.....	15	548	103	9,678	345	837	463	11,063
1931.....	3	399	55	5,966	202	830	260	7,195
1932.....	7	342	77	4,631	242	598	326	5,571
1933.....	8	319	53	4,409	219	645	290	5,373
1934.....	16	432	57	5,179	242	589	315	6,200
1935.....	19	440	70	5,221	271	625	351	6,286
1936.....	6	691	93	6,338	282	708	381	7,732
1937.....	4	427	77	5,774	265	729	346	6,930

During 1937, 4 passengers were killed and 379 injured in train accidents, as against 6 killed and 657 injured in 1936. The number of employees killed was also reduced from 83 to 59 and the number injured from 1,293 to 1,082; the numbers of other persons killed and injured were 263 and 659, as against 273 and 622, respectively, in 1936. All the increase in other persons injured was in the number of trespassers which rose from 186 to 272. These were persons stealing rides on trains, walking on the right-of-way, and also persons crossing the railways at highway crossings when the gates were down. There were 2 fewer persons killed at highway crossings, but 48 more were injured than in 1936. These increases were all motorists, the number injured jumping from 266 to 323 and the number of motorists killed increasing from 105 to 109.

These accidents include all accidents in which railway trains were involved and accidents on railway property. The classification of accidents used in the Bureau's vital statistics classes collisions between motor vehicles and trains as motor vehicle accidents; also provincial statistics of motor vehicle accidents class them as motor vehicle accidents and consequently adjustments should be made when compiling total accidental deaths of all kinds or comparing results of accidents of different kinds, such as train and motor vehicle.

25.—Numbers of Persons Killed or Injured on Steam Railways, calendar years 1935-37.

Item.	In Accidents Resulting from Movement of Trains, Locomotives or Cars					
	1935.		1936.		1937.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
Class of Persons—						
Passengers.....	10	432	6	657	4	379
Employees.....	43	1,026	83	1,293	59	1,082
Trespassers.....	145	237	150	198	148	272
Non-trespassers.....	123	294	122	358	114	339
Postal clerks, expressmen, etc.....	1	74	1	78	1	48
Totals.....	322	2,063	362	2,572	326	2,128
Description of Accidents (Employees and Passengers only)—						
Coupling and uncoupling.....	3	43	3	68	1	70
Collisions.....	4	46	27	285	6	41
Derailments.....	2	62	6	76	12	63
Parting of trains.....	Nil	10	Nil	Nil	Nil	2
Locomotives or cars breaking down.....	"	Nil	"	"	"	3
Falling from trains or cars.....	14	87	7	137	6	142
Getting on or off trains.....	6	283	5	285	Nil	Nil
Struck by trains, etc.....	18	63	23	56	26	39
Overhead obstruction.....	Nil	1	Nil	2	Nil	2
Other causes.....	6	863	18	1,061	12	1,099
Totals.....	53	1,458	89	1,950	63	1,461