

3.—Mileages of Pole Line and Wire, and Telephones in Use, as at Dec. 31, 1929-39

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1911-28 will be found at p. 724 of the 1938 Year Book.

Year	Systems	Pole-Line Mileage	Mileage of Wire	Telephones in Use					Per 100 Population
				Business	Residential	Rural ¹	Public Pay	Total	
	No.	miles	miles	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1929....	2,415	220,525	4,486,213	366,418	724,001	269,487	22,916	1,382,822	14.1
1930....	2,414	222,113	4,790,224	373,387	740,050	264,681	24,743	1,402,861	14.1
1931....	2,399	222,196	4,985,076	369,281	723,868	245,485	25,566	1,364,200	13.1
1932....	2,414	220,459	5,089,261	351,509	663,815	220,680	25,241	1,261,245	12.0
1933....	2,403	219,753	5,134,871	341,063	617,532	209,611	24,124	1,192,330	11.2
1934....	2,388	208,131	5,133,521	349,892	605,206	217,182	24,749	1,197,029	11.1
1935....	2,833	207,916	5,120,610	351,427	615,052	218,818	23,518	1,208,815	11.1
1936....	3,063	210,926	5,197,042	371,401	641,229	229,940	23,658	1,266,228	11.5
1937....	3,191	209,767	5,307,884	386,669	676,001	235,763	24,361	1,322,794	11.9
1938....	3,203	211,895	5,397,244	396,975	695,961	240,204	26,277	1,359,417	12.1
1939....	3,212	212,603	5,518,329	406,279	720,043	243,730	27,220	1,397,272	12.3

¹ Includes telephones on rural exchange lines and urban exchange lines that have more than four parties.

The density of telephones in the different provinces is naturally influenced by the urbanization of the population because the number of telephones used for business purposes is much greater in cities and towns than in rural areas.

4.—Telephones in Use, by Provinces, as at Dec. 31, 1939

Province	On Individual Lines		On 2- and 4-Party Lines		On Rural Lines		Private Branch Exchanges and Extensions		Public Pay Stations	Total	Telephones per 100 Population
	Business	Residence	Business	Residence	Business	Residence	Business	Residence			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
P.E.I....	793	1,041	123	559	175	2,163	473	98	69	5,494	5.8
N.S.....	6,457	13,098	632	9,080	840	9,879	5,925	2,234	1,012	49,157	8.9
N.B.....	4,342	7,380	808	7,963	843	5,815	4,623	1,315	783	33,872	7.5
Que.....	43,526	83,070	3,649	72,097	5,298	24,727	58,380	12,364	8,821	311,932	9.7
Ont.....	73,424	137,233	7,048	176,684	4,619	100,780	90,329	27,410	11,569	629,096	16.8
Man.....	9,942	26,721	50	6,778	1,104	13,027	12,150	1,628	2,165	73,565	10.1
Sask....	11,928	19,045	358	76	13	44,940	5,273	600	362	82,595	8.7
Alta.....	13,175	29,340	33	409	1,128	15,728	10,095	11	1,017	70,936	9.0
B.C.....	18,869	10,402	423	68,738	839	11,701	23,399	4,667	1,416	140,454	18.1
Yukon..	30	2	22	Nil	31	80	Nil	Nil	6	171	4.3
Totals..	182,486	327,332	13,146	342,384	14,899	233,840	210,647	50,327	27,220	1,397,272	12.3

Subsection 2.—Telephone Finances

Important trends for the telephone industry in Canada are indicated in Tables 5 and 6. There were setbacks in revenues, operating expenses, salaries and wages, etc., during the depression years, but these were not so marked as in most other branches of industry.