

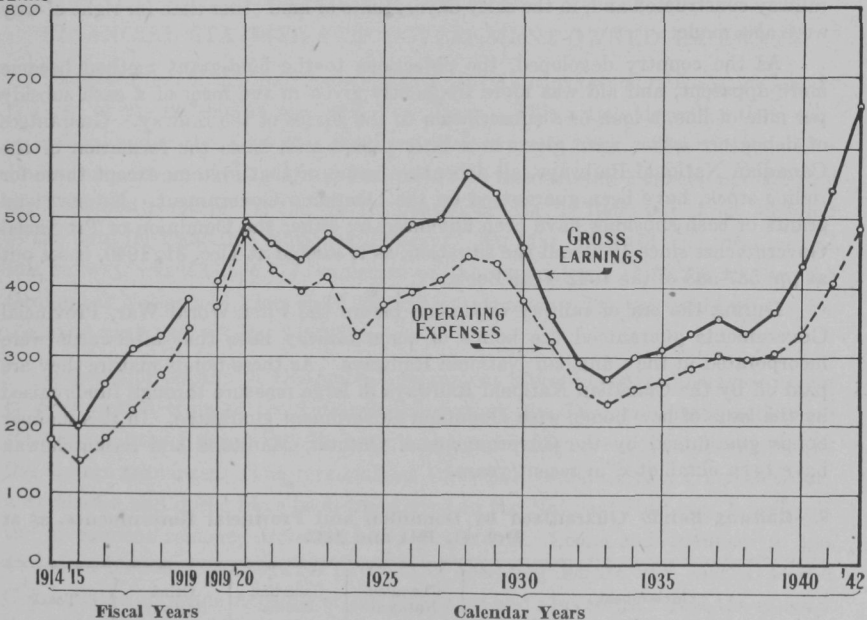
6.—Distribution of Operating Expenses of Steam Railways, 1939-42

Item	1939		1940		1941		1942	
	\$	p.c.	\$	p.c.	\$	p.c.	\$	p.c.
Way and structures.....	57,624,668	19.0	63,864,526	19.1	80,396,855	19.9	99,957,948	20.6
Equipment.....	70,994,034	23.3	82,738,679	24.6	97,962,464	24.0	119,318,819	24.6
Traffic expenses.....	12,394,763	4.1	10,224,035	3.1	10,327,834	2.6	10,332,990	2.1
Transportation.....	144,196,332	47.4	157,358,033	46.9	190,611,356	47.3	226,557,608	46.6
General and misc. expenses.....	19,163,488	6.3	21,102,230	6.3	24,435,033	6.2	29,616,219	6.1
Totals.....	304,373,285	100.0	335,287,503	100.0	403,733,542	100.0	485,783,584	100.0

GROSS EARNINGS AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF STEAM RAILWAYS

1914-1942

MILLION DOLLARS
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Railway Salaries and Wages.—The number of railway employees fluctuates with the volume of traffic, but not to the same extent. Salaries and wages are affected by the number of employees, by rates of pay and by the time worked. Since 1939 the influence of the War has resulted in a sharp upward swing in both the number of employees and the average rates of pay.