

EXPENDITURES BY STEAM AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS, AND TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE SYSTEMS ON MAINTENANCE OF WAY AND STRUCTURES AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT, 1941-44.

Item	1941	1942	1943	1944
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Steam Railways—				
Maintenance of way and structures.....	66,896,972	71,204,046	90,854,109	113,009,130
Maintenance of equipment.....	70,591,242	78,784,947	87,421,513	101,879,476
Totals, Steam Railways.....	137,488,214	149,988,993	178,275,622	214,888,606
Electric Railways—				
Maintenance of way and structures.....	2,540,985	2,831,429	3,570,773	3,955,970
Maintenance of equipment.....	4,847,588	5,990,038	7,940,274	8,868,565
Totals, Electric Railways.....	7,388,573	8,821,467	11,511,047	12,824,535
Telegraph maintenance.....	736,431	718,007	676,917	792,109
Telephone maintenance, additions and extensions.....	14,352,345	14,805,097	14,987,263	16,468,760
GRAND TOTALS.....	159,965,563	174,333,564	205,450,849	244,974,010

Industrial Statistics of Construction.*—A census of construction was made by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for 1934, but the basis of compilation was not standardized until 1935 so that, with the completion of the 1944 figures, comparable statistics are now available covering the years 1935-44. Returns are received from general trade and subcontractors, municipalities, the Harbours Board, and Dominion and Provincial Government departments. The figures cover alterations, maintenance and repairs, as well as new construction. Summary statistics are given in Tables 8, 9 and 10.

No relationship exists between the total value of construction as shown in these tables, and the value of contracts awarded as indicated in Table 3 of Section 2, p. 462. In the latter case all values are included as soon as awards are made, irrespective of whether the contract is completed or even begun in that year, whereas the following tables cover construction work carried on and actually performed in the calendar year.

* Revised in the Construction Statistics Branch, Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

8.—Principal Statistics of the Construction Industry in Canada, 1941-44

NOTE.—Comparable figures from 1935 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1940 edition.

Item	1941	1942	1943	1944
Firms reporting..... No.	15,031	13,754	12,600	16,121
Salaried employees..... "	28,428	26,596	25,015	26,767
Salaries paid..... \$	43,424,113	43,871,755	43,726,277 ¹	44,285,139
Wage-earning employees (average)..... No.	147,930	148,671	130,285	97,125
Wages paid..... \$	192,207,668	218,171,716	207,707,516 ¹	153,418,845
Total employees..... No.	176,358	175,267	155,300	123,892
Salaries and wages paid..... \$	235,631,781	262,043,471	251,433,793 ¹	197,703,984
Cost of materials used..... \$	370,188,739	324,732,380	278,888,384	200,801,042
Value of work performed ² \$	639,750,624	635,649,570	672,426,551	449,838,059
New construction ² \$	491,396,828	490,317,917	422,423,661	266,819,003
Alterations, maintenance and repairs ² \$	148,353,796	145,331,653	150,002,890	184,019,056
Subcontract work performed..... \$	128,852,198	124,023,873	97,800,007	74,214,349
New construction..... \$	114,879,136	110,162,964	84,084,603	67,861,459
Alterations, maintenance and repairs.... \$	13,873,062	13,860,909	13,715,404	16,362,890

¹ Revised since the publication of the 1945 Year Book.
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² Includes subcontract work indicated