

Motor-Carriers.*—The lack of statistical information in regard to the increasing amount of passenger and freight traffic on the highways of Canada led to the institution of a census of motor-carriers in 1941. The carriers were divided into two main classes: (1) passenger and (2) freight. Each of these was subdivided into two classes: (a) carriers with revenues less than \$20,000, and (b) carriers with revenues of \$20,000 or over. Bus companies handling urban traffic exclusively were compiled as a class. Many street railway systems operate motor-buses, but the statistics of such systems are not included here; they are included in electric railway statistics. Licensed carriers doing highway construction work, building air fields, etc., were excluded from the compilations. Taxi operators and urban delivery trucks also were excluded, except where their operations included inter-urban business. Carriers operating as both passenger and freight carriers were classed as passenger or freight according to the preponderance of the revenue. The passenger revenue of trucking companies and the freight revenue of bus companies were small percentages of their total revenues.

Operators with revenue of less than \$8,000 in 1941 were excluded from the 1942 and subsequent compilations. The figures given below are therefore not comparable in all respects with those for 1941 published at pp. 602 and 603 of the 1943-44 Year Book.

* Statistics of traffic carried are given at p. 668, under Section 4, Road Traffic. For statistics by provinces see "Motor Carriers, Freight and Passenger", obtainable from the Dominion Statistician, Ottawa, price 10 cents.

7.—Capital, Revenues, Employees and Equipment of Motor-Carriers, 1943 and 1944

NOTE.—Large freight carriers include those with annual revenues of \$20,000 or over; small freight carriers those with annual revenues of from \$8,000 to \$20,000.

Item	Freight Carriers				Passenger Carriers		Totals	
	Large		Small		1943	1944	1943	1944
	1943	1944	1943	1944				
Carriers.....No	472	498	426	384	490	479	1,388	1,361
Investments—								
Land, buildings, equipment, etc. \$	24,097,599	24,943,461	3,485,214	3,134,904	22,357,771	26,108,096	49,940,584	54,186,461
Revenue—								
Freight..... \$	37,628,852	39,541,603	5,371,243	4,823,750	440,970	386,097	43,441,065	44,751,450
Passenger—								
Intercity and rural..... \$	218,589	275,964	38,230	28,504	21,890,154 ¹	25,151,597	22,146,973 ¹	25,456,065
City..... \$	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7,770,693 ¹	5,560,612	7,770,693 ¹	8,560,612
Miscellaneous... \$	1,561,595	1,787,629	217,613	205,862	882,616	945,986	2,661,824	2,939,477
Totals, Revenue. \$	39,409,036	41,605,196	5,627,086	5,058,116	30,984,433	35,044,292	76,020,555	81,707,604
Working proprietors.....No	253	268	301	335	326	328	880	931
Employees—								
As at July 15...No.	11,320	11,552	1,503	1,288	5,357	5,790	18,180	18,630
As at Dec. 15... "	11,137	11,458	1,378	1,236	5,506	5,930	18,021	18,624
Total wages..... \$	15,734,047	16,743,548	1,563,117	1,400,672	8,499,821	9,642,877	25,796,985	27,787,097
Equipment—								
Trucks.....No	5,472	5,391	1,398	1,205	167	176	7,037	6,772
Tractor, semi-trailer units... "	1,957	1,954	90	81	22	28	2,069	2,063
Trailers..... "	861	1,013	92	69	21	21	974	1,103
Buses..... "	35	39	12	10	2,945	3,055	2,992	3,104

¹ Revised since the publication of the 1945 Year Book.