

In 1955, electric cars travelled 55,650,898 miles in passenger service, trackless trolley buses operated by electric railway companies travelled 37,975,614 miles and motor buses 74,831,056 miles. Although most of the urban centres in which transit services operate have greatly extended their populated areas in the postwar years, the number of fare passengers carried has declined each year since 1946.

22.—Traffic Statistics of Electric Railways 1946-55

NOTE.—Figures for 1901-45 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1933 edition.

Year	Miles of Road		Electric Car and Bus Milage			Fare Passengers Carried ¹	Freight Carried ¹
	Total	With Double Track	Passenger	Other	Total		
	miles	miles	miles	miles	miles	No.	tons
1946.....	1,004.44	485.06	177,256,084	2,822,300	180,078,384	1,344,916,773	3,506,805
1947.....	895.25	436.95	180,204,812	2,808,252	183,013,064	1,323,723,782	3,655,278
1948.....	778.92	391.78	182,943,709	3,038,989	185,982,698	1,309,565,795	4,050,111
1949.....	719.31	356.61	173,849,096	3,048,146	176,897,242	1,240,558,812	3,702,016
1950.....	662.96	326.90	173,285,475	3,562,144	176,847,619	1,192,058,052	4,115,974
1951.....	595.38	293.87	167,316,921	3,646,069	170,962,990	1,133,393,935	4,479,404
1952.....	567.79	272.02	166,432,237	3,759,193	170,191,430	1,109,299,866	4,079,474
1953.....	552.49	261.81	164,871,341	3,593,002	168,464,343	1,076,979,055	3,968,742
1954.....	531.91	239.75	170,284,356	3,308,732	173,593,088	1,063,705,752	3,527,495
1955.....	509.19	220.26	168,457,568	4,026,233	172,483,801	1,025,314,237	4,079,549

¹ Includes passengers and freight carried on buses and trackless trolley buses operated by electric railways.

23.—Passengers, Employees and Others Killed or Injured on Electric Railways 1946-55

NOTE.—Figures for 1900-45 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1926 edition.

Year	Passengers		Employees		Others		Totals	
	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured	Killed	Injured
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1946.....	8	4,009	3	904	66	1,584	77	6,497
1947.....	2	4,181	4	910	71	1,469	77	6,560
1948.....	2	3,792	5	1,336	74	1,328	81	6,456
1949.....	1	3,688	1	766	63	1,239	65	5,693
1950.....	—	3,718	1	730	44	1,204	45	5,652
1951.....	—	3,392	2	650	42	998	44	5,040
1952.....	2	3,551	1	655	40	1,046	43	5,252
1953.....	—	3,322	2	650	31	941	33	4,913
1954.....	1	3,190	—	702	41	856	42	4,748
1955.....	4	3,220	2	631	19	803	25	4,654

The Toronto Subway.—Construction of Canada's first subway commenced at Toronto in 1949 and the line was put into operation in March 1954. The route of the subway follows the general line of Yonge Street, a distance of about 4.5 miles from Front Street to Eglinton Avenue. Twelve stations are located along the line and a pedestrian tunnel links the Union Station and the Royal York Hotel with the subway. Subsurface sections of the subway are from six to 20 feet underground. Rapid-transit cars, 104 in number, each of 62-passenger capacity, are used. The 500-foot platforms at all stations accommodate trains of up to eight cars in length and a peak load of 40,000 passengers an hour in each direction may be handled.