15.—Train Traffic Statistics of the Canadian National Railways (Canadian and United States Lines), 1959-62—concluded

Milage and Traffic	1959	1960	1961	1962
Freight-Train Car Milage miles Loaded freight " Empty freight " Caboose "	1,851,192,256 1,171,769,671 641,624,285 37,798,300	1,774,972,100 1,099,465,199 640,812,172 34,694,729	1,795,163,443 1,095,441,528 665,300,974 34,420,941	1,827,405,682 1,111,533,850 680,796,324 35,075,508
Work-Train Car Milagemiles	5,042,176	4,391,784	3,302,287	2,804,515
Passenger Traffic— Passengers carried (earning revenue) No. Passengers carried (earning revenue) one mile	12,693,777 1,272,152,625 51,115 100.2 3.17 0.03159	13,307,901 1,208,382,297 48,443 100.0 3.19 0.03171	12,104,791 1,075,770,694 43,283 88.9 2.87 0.03234	12,342,782 1,129,315,233 45,623 91.5 2.78 0.03040
Freight Traffic— Revenue freight carried	82,202,096 35,542,136,785 1,423,304 1,473,014 433.2 42,937 6.99 0.01613		76,022,886 34,723,214,717 1,397,069 1,419,496 456.7 50,172 6.76 0.01480	78,384,773 35,595,425,349 1,438,003 1,458,828 454.1 52,085 6.75 0.01487

Section 2.—Express Companies

Express, which is actually expedited freight carried on passenger trains, is a service provided by rail carriers either through a separate express company or as a department of the railway organization. Many express and package freight shipments are handled on a contract basis—contracts which provide for payment to the railways of a fixed percentage of the gross express revenue.

Express companies are organized under authority of federal legislation and their business concerns the rapid transit of valuable or perishable commodities and animals, the delivery of parcels and the issuing of financial papers, money orders, travellers cheques and letters of credit. Express rates are usually much higher than freight rates and the two services are not normally competitive. Both tariffs are subject to the approval of the Board of Transport Commissioners.

Five express organizations operate in Canada—four Canadian and one American. The Canadian Pacific Express Company is a subsidiary of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and handles the express business on the railways and the inland and ocean steamship lines of the parent company. The express business of the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway, the Canadian National Railway System, and the Northern Alberta Railways is handled by departments of the respective railways. The Railway Express Agency Incorporated, of the United States, operates mainly over the Canadian sections of United States railways and over the route from Skagway in Alaska to points in Yukon Territory. Operations of the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway express department were reported for the first time in 1957. No statistics are available on the volume of express traffic because much of it consists of parcels and small lots that cannot be classified.