

Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 19TH AUGUST, 1939, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

1ST APRIL, 1939, TO 19TH AUGUST, 1939 (141 days), WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR PERIOD 1ST APRIL, 1938, TO 20TH AUGUST, 1938 (142 days).

Section.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu	145	161 -	16	770	1,064 -	294	625 -	903
Gisborne	2,060	1,605 +	455	2,612	2,489 +	123	552 -	884
North Island main line and branches	341,843	317,766 +	24,077	368,993	353,164 +	15,829	27,150 -	35,398
South Island main line and branches	203,179	197,020 +	6,159	234,985	227,188 +	7,797	31,806 -	30,168
Westport	8,039	8,160 -	121	6,911	6,500 +	411	1,128 -	1,660
Nelson	616	587 +	29	2,334	1,904 +	430	1,718 -	1,317
Picton	2,354	1,615 +	739	3,687	3,373 +	314	1,333 -	1,758
Total railway operation	558,236	526,914 +	31,322	620,292	595,682 +	24,610	62,056 -	68,768
Miscellaneous revenue	29,476	26,666 +	2,810	..	..	..	29,476	26,666
Lake Wakatipu steamers	371	292 +	79	881	739 +	142	510 -	447
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	60,859	52,721 +	8,138	63,385	55,692 +	7,693	2,526 -	2,971
Departmental dwellings	10,792	9,727 +	1,065	16,738	14,814 +	1,924	5,946 -	5,087
Total	659,734	616,320 +	43,414	701,296	666,927 +	34,369	41,562 -	50,607

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	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu	909	1,111 -	202	3,910	4,715 -	805	3,001 -	3,604
Gisborne	9,986	10,779 -	793	13,140	12,676 +	464	3,154 -	1,897
North Island main line and branches	1,867,640	1,726,027 +	141,613	1,788,272	1,756,740 +	31,532	79,368 -	30,713
South Island main line and branches	1,136,896	1,061,654 +	75,242	1,154,569	1,143,655 +	10,914	17,673 -	82,001
Westport	38,512	35,940 +	2,572	31,207	31,557 -	350	7,305 -	4,383
Nelson	3,651	3,796 -	145	9,901	9,218 +	683	6,250 -	5,422
Picton	13,502	10,862 +	2,640	17,381	16,242 +	1,139	3,879 -	5,380
Total railway operation	3,071,096	2,850,169 +	220,927	3,018,380	2,974,803 +	43,577	52,716 -	124,634
Miscellaneous revenue	147,698	133,077 +	14,621	..	..	..	147,698	133,077
Lake Wakatipu steamers	2,669	2,179 +	490	4,378	4,411 -	33	1,709 -	2,232
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	330,883	273,296 +	57,587	326,772	266,572 +	60,200	4,111 -	6,724
Departmental dwellings	53,202	50,595 +	2,607	78,636	70,022 +	8,614	25,434 -	19,427
Total	3,605,548	3,309,316 +	296,232	3,428,166	3,315,808 +	112,358	177,382 -	6,492

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers	118,506	111,672 +	6,834	648,852	638,110 +	10,742
Parcels, luggage, and mails	24,978	23,657 +	1,321	127,516	118,954 +	8,562
Goods	398,905	377,922 +	20,983	2,218,348	2,024,850 +	193,498
Labour and demurrage	15,847	13,663 +	2,184	76,380	68,255 +	8,125
Total railway operating revenue	558,236	526,914 +	31,322	3,071,096	2,850,169 +	220,927
Passengers No.	1,473,395	1,461,330 +	12,065	8,528,502	8,556,363 -	27,861
Live-stock Tons	27,528	27,895 -	367	200,650	209,535 -	8,885
Timber "	40,854	39,201 +	1,653	192,223	188,800 +	3,423
Other goods "	451,619	465,163 -	13,544	2,508,477	2,446,736 +	61,741
Total goods	520,001	532,259 -	12,258	2,901,350	2,845,071 +	56,279
Road Services—						
Passengers No.	455,549	386,720 +	68,829	2,296,288	2,283,152 +	13,136
Revenue: Passenger £	22,679	21,764 +	915	125,271	123,553 +	1,718
Goods £	16,562	10,141 +	6,421	87,132	35,807 +	51,325

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING EXPENDITURE.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Maintenance—						
Way and works	114,482	110,187 +	4,295	556,442	545,987 +	10,455
Signals and electrical appliances	14,672	15,159 -	487	71,156	75,102 -	3,946
Rolling-stock	153,557	145,322 +	8,235	721,187	710,790 +	10,397
Transportation—						
Locomotive	143,314	136,757 +	6,557	715,824	700,362 +	15,462
Traffic	176,172	168,538 +	7,634	864,352	845,970 +	18,382
General charges	6,943	8,056 -	1,113	33,319	38,046 -	4,727
Superannuation subsidy	11,152	11,663 -	511	56,100	58,546 -	2,446
Total operating expenses	620,292	595,682 +	24,610	3,018,380	2,974,803 +	43,577
Net operating revenue	- 62,056	- 68,768 +	6,712	52,716	- 124,634 +	177,350
Total railway operating revenue	558,236	526,914 +	31,322	3,071,096	2,850,169 +	220,927

Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1939 £ 58,676,608
 Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1938 £ 56,065,187