

Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 29TH APRIL, 1939, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

Section.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu	323	350	- 27	755	732	+ 23	432	382
Gisborne	1,261	2,336	- 1,075	2,490	2,517	- 27	1,229	181
North Island main line and branches	397,879	398,489	- 610	346,807	349,243	- 2,436	51,072	49,246
South Island main line and branches	246,527	247,124	- 597	226,247	229,722	- 3,475	20,280	17,402
Westport	7,784	8,181	- 397	5,621	6,280	- 659	2,163	1,901
Nelson	1,107	1,266	- 159	1,668	1,817	- 149	561	551
Picton	3,349	2,834	+ 515	3,457	3,493	- 36	108	659
Total railway operation ..	658,230	660,580	- 2,350	587,045	593,804	- 6,759	71,185	66,776
Miscellaneous revenue	31,285	27,124	+ 4,161	..	..	..	31,285	27,124
Lake Wakatipu steamers	705	640	+ 65	769	900	- 131	64	260
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	76,858	58,382	+ 18,476	69,867	50,012	+ 19,855	6,991	8,370
Departmental dwellings	10,512	10,321	+ 191	13,856	13,528	+ 328	3,344	3,207
Total	777,590	757,047	+ 20,543	671,537	658,244	+ 13,293	106,053	98,803

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers	157,511	170,972	- 13,461	..	..	..
Parcels, luggage, and mails ..	25,335	24,189	+ 1,146	..	..	..
Goods	461,139	452,161	+ 8,978	..	..	..
Labour and demurrage	14,245	13,258	+ 987	..	..	..
Total railway operating revenue	658,230	660,580	- 2,350	..	..	..
Passengers No.	1,525,697	1,694,723	- 169,026	..	..	..
Live-stock Tons	59,014	63,325	- 4,311	..	..	..
Timber	33,853	34,717	- 864	..	..	..
Other goods	508,841	537,878	- 29,037	..	..	..
Total goods	601,708	635,920	- 34,212	..	..	..
Road Services—						
Passengers No.	480,658	511,830	- 31,172	..	..	..
Revenue: Passenger £	29,629	29,446	+ 183	..	..	..
Goods £	18,302	..	+ 18,302	..	..	..

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	109,068	104,575	+ 4,493	..	..	..
Signals and electrical appliances	14,296	14,519	- 223	..	..	..
Rolling-stock	124,645	128,621	- 3,976	..	..	..
Transportation—						
Locomotive	144,333	150,147	- 5,814	..	..	..
Traffic	175,756	175,368	+ 388	..	..	..
General charges	7,295	8,680	- 1,385	..	..	..
Superannuation subsidy	11,652	11,894	- 242	..	..	..
Total operating expenses	587,045	593,804	- 6,759
Net operating revenue	71,185	66,776	+ 4,409
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Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1938 56,065,187

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