

Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 27TH MAY, 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	166	255	- 89	768	833	- 65	602	578
Gisborne	2,324	2,305	+ 19	2,721	2,627	+ 94	397	322
North Island main line and branches	425,279	378,209	+ 47,070	361,735	353,746	+ 7,989	63,544	24,463
South Island main line and branches	262,065	237,094	+ 24,971	231,241	231,676	- 435	30,824	5,418
Westport	6,126	6,645	- 519	5,900	6,391	- 491	226	254
Nelson	903	857	+ 46	1,989	1,991	- 2	1,086	1,134
Pictou	2,765	2,496	+ 269	3,545	3,091	+ 454	780	595
Total railway operation ..	699,628	627,861	+ 71,767	607,899	600,355	+ 7,544	91,729	27,506
Miscellaneous revenue	28,667	26,434	+ 2,233	..	..	..	28,667	26,434
Lake Wakatipu steamers	638	461	+ 177	897	889	+ 8	259	428
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	68,132	54,217	+ 13,915	66,629	50,774	+ 15,855	1,503	3,443
Departmental dwellings	10,663	10,225	+ 438	16,005	13,888	+ 2,117	5,342	3,663
Total	807,728	719,198	+ 88,530	691,430	665,906	+ 25,524	116,298	53,292

1st APRIL, 1939, TO 27TH MAY, 1939, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR PERIOD 1st APRIL, 1938, TO 28TH MAY, 1938.

	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	489	605	- 116	1,522	1,564	- 42	1,033	959
	3,585	4,642	- 1,057	5,212	5,145	+ 67	1,627	503
	823,158	776,698	+ 46,460	708,542	702,989	+ 5,553	114,616	73,709
	508,592	484,218	+ 24,374	457,489	461,398	- 3,909	51,103	22,820
	13,910	14,826	- 916	11,521	12,672	- 1,151	2,389	2,154
	2,010	2,122	- 112	3,657	3,807	- 150	1,647	1,685
	6,114	5,330	+ 784	7,002	6,584	+ 418	888	1,254
	1,357,858	1,288,441	+ 69,417	1,194,945	1,194,159	+ 786	162,913	94,282
	59,952	53,557	+ 6,395	..	..	..	59,952	53,557
	1,344	1,101	+ 243	1,666	1,789	- 123	322	688
	144,990	112,600	+ 32,390	136,495	100,786	+ 35,709	8,495	11,814
	21,175	20,546	+ 629	29,861	27,416	+ 2,445	8,686	6,870
	1,585,319	1,476,245	+ 109,074	1,362,967	1,324,150	+ 38,817	222,352	152,095

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers	142,417	133,765	+ 8,652	299,928	304,737	- 4,809
Parcels, luggage, and mails ..	26,604	24,992	+ 1,612	51,938	49,181	+ 2,757
Goods	514,577	455,546	+ 59,031	975,717	907,707	+ 68,010
Labour and demurrage	16,030	13,558	+ 2,472	30,275	26,816	+ 3,459
Total railway operating revenue	699,628	627,861	+ 71,767	1,357,858	1,288,441	+ 69,417
Passengers No.	2,496,083	2,404,358	+ 91,725	4,021,780	4,099,076	- 77,296
Live-stock Tons	52,929	54,285	- 1,356	111,943	117,610	- 5,667
Timber "	40,983	38,825	+ 2,158	74,836	73,542	+ 1,294
Other goods "	586,177	542,491	+ 43,686	1,095,018	1,080,369	+ 14,649
Total goods "	680,089	635,601	+ 44,488	1,281,797	1,271,521	+ 10,276
Road Services—						
Passengers No.	454,570	485,456	- 30,886	935,228	997,286	- 62,058
Revenue: Passenger £	26,421	25,740	+ 681	56,050	55,186	+ 864
Goods £	17,981	..	+ 17,981	36,283	..	+ 36,283

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	108,971	108,029	+ 942	218,039	212,604	+ 5,435
Signals and electrical appliances	12,894	15,184	- 2,290	27,190	29,703	- 2,513
Rolling-stock	148,535	143,837	+ 4,698	273,180	272,457	+ 723
Transportation—						
Locomotive	147,118	143,868	+ 3,250	291,452	294,016	- 2,564
Traffic	173,105	170,692	+ 2,413	348,861	346,060	+ 2,801
General charges	6,169	7,085	- 916	13,464	15,765	- 2,301
Superannuation subsidy	11,107	11,660	- 553	22,759	23,554	- 795
Total operating expenses	607,899	600,355	+ 7,544	1,194,945	1,194,159	+ 786
Net operating revenue	91,729	27,506	+ 64,223	162,913	94,282	+ 68,631
Total railway operating revenue	699,628	627,861	+ 71,767	1,357,858	1,288,441	+ 69,417

Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1938 £ 56,065,187
 Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1937 £ 54,696,437