

Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 25TH MAY, 1940, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

1ST APRIL, 1940, TO 25TH MAY, 1940 (55 days), WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR PERIOD 1ST APRIL, 1939, TO 27TH MAY, 1940 (57 days).

| Section. | Revenue. | | | Expenditure. | | | Net Revenue. | |
|--|----------|----------|------------|--------------|----------|------------|--------------|----------|
| | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. | 1940-41. | 1939-40. |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Kaihu | 196 | 166 | + 30 | 683 | 768 | - 85 | 487 | 602 |
| Gisborne | 1,497 | 2,324 | - 827 | 2,155 | 2,721 | - 566 | 658 | 397 |
| North Island main line and branches | 479,787 | 425,279 | + 54,508 | 404,543 | 361,735 | + 42,808 | 75,244 | 63,544 |
| South Island main line and branches | 274,004 | 262,065 | + 11,939 | 247,204 | 231,241 | + 15,963 | 26,800 | 30,824 |
| Westport | 8,860 | 6,126 | + 2,734 | 5,958 | 5,900 | + 58 | 2,902 | 226 |
| Nelson | 868 | 903 | - 35 | 1,784 | 1,989 | - 205 | 916 | 1,086 |
| Picton | 4,140 | 2,765 | + 1,375 | 4,088 | 3,545 | + 543 | 52 | 780 |
| Total railway operation .. | 769,352 | 699,628 | + 69,724 | 666,415 | 607,899 | + 58,516 | 102,937 | 91,729 |
| Miscellaneous revenue | 30,132 | 28,667 | + 1,465 | .. | .. | .. | 30,132 | 28,667 |
| Lake Wakatipu steamers | 497 | 638 | - 141 | 748 | 897 | - 149 | 251 | 259 |
| Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services | 69,061 | 68,132 | + 929 | 62,792 | 66,629 | - 3,837 | 6,269 | 1,503 |
| Departmental dwellings | 10,776 | 10,663 | + 113 | 15,023 | 16,005 | - 982 | 4,247 | 5,342 |
| Total | 879,818 | 807,728 | + 72,090 | 744,978 | 691,430 | + 53,548 | 134,840 | 116,298 |

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| | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. | 1940-41. | 1939-40. |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| | 653 | 489 | + 164 | 1,456 | 1,522 | - 66 | 803 | 1,033 |
| | 2,982 | 3,585 | - 603 | 4,188 | 5,212 | - 1,024 | 1,206 | 1,627 |
| | 983,647 | 823,158 | + 160,489 | 790,031 | 708,542 | + 81,489 | 193,616 | 114,616 |
| | 544,441 | 508,592 | + 35,849 | 481,522 | 457,489 | + 24,033 | 62,919 | 51,103 |
| | 17,194 | 13,910 | + 3,284 | 11,554 | 11,521 | + 33 | 5,640 | 2,389 |
| | 1,926 | 2,010 | - 84 | 3,288 | 3,657 | - 369 | 1,362 | 1,647 |
| | 8,036 | 6,114 | + 1,922 | 7,451 | 7,002 | + 449 | 585 | 888 |
| | 1,558,879 | 1,357,858 | + 201,021 | 1,299,490 | 1,194,945 | + 104,545 | 259,389 | 162,913 |
| | 62,946 | 59,952 | + 2,994 | .. | .. | .. | 62,946 | 59,952 |
| | 979 | 1,344 | - 365 | 1,514 | 1,666 | - 152 | 535 | 322 |
| | 136,754 | 144,990 | - 8,236 | 123,579 | 136,495 | - 12,916 | 13,175 | 8,495 |
| | 21,923 | 21,175 | + 748 | 29,468 | 29,861 | - 393 | 7,545 | 8,686 |
| | 1,781,481 | 1,585,319 | + 196,162 | 1,454,051 | 1,362,967 | + 91,084 | 327,430 | 222,352 |

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

| | Four-weekly Period. | | | Year to Date. | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Passengers | 179,020 | 142,417 | + 36,603 | 365,600 | 299,928 | + 65,672 |
| Parcels, luggage, and mails .. | 26,391 | 26,604 | - 213 | 49,943 | 51,938 | - 1,995 |
| Goods | 546,143 | 514,577 | + 31,566 | 1,110,177 | 975,717 | + 134,460 |
| Labour and demurrage | 17,798 | 16,030 | + 1,768 | 33,159 | 30,275 | + 2,884 |
| Total railway operating revenue | 769,352 | 699,628 | + 69,724 | 1,558,879 | 1,357,858 | + 201,021 |
| Passengers No. | 2,657,880 | 2,496,083 | + 161,797 | 4,317,162 | 4,021,780 | + 295,382 |
| Live-stock Tons | 64,364 | 52,929 | + 11,435 | 146,065 | 111,943 | + 34,122 |
| Timber " | 41,861 | 40,983 | + 878 | 83,569 | 74,836 | + 8,733 |
| Other goods " | 590,247 | 586,177 | + 4,070 | 1,168,780 | 1,095,018 | + 73,762 |
| Total goods " | 696,472 | 680,089 | + 16,383 | 1,398,414 | 1,281,797 | + 116,617 |
| Road Services— | | | | | | |
| Passengers No. | 544,499 | 454,570 | + 89,929 | 1,142,389 | 935,228 | + 207,161 |
| Revenue: Passenger £ | 32,935 | 26,421 | + 6,514 | 65,377 | 56,050 | + 9,327 |
| Goods £ | 4,186 | 17,981 | - 13,795 | 8,107 | 36,283 | - 28,176 |

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING EXPENDITURE.

| | Four-weekly Period. | | | Year to Date. | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. | 1940-41. | 1939-40. | Variation. |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Maintenance— | | | | | | |
| Way and works | 129,352 | 108,971 | + 20,381 | 246,183 | 218,039 | + 28,144 |
| Signals and electrical appliances | 18,148 | 12,894 | + 5,254 | 33,191 | 27,190 | + 6,001 |
| Rolling-stock | 156,943 | 148,535 | + 8,408 | 304,268 | 273,180 | + 31,088 |
| Transportation— | | | | | | |
| Locomotive | 162,516 | 147,118 | + 15,398 | 321,688 | 291,452 | + 30,236 |
| Traffic | 181,774 | 173,105 | + 8,669 | 358,821 | 348,861 | + 9,960 |
| General charges | 6,212 | 6,169 | + 43 | 12,439 | 13,464 | - 1,025 |
| Superannuation subsidy | 11,470 | 11,107 | + 363 | 22,900 | 22,759 | + 141 |
| Total operating expenditure | 666,415 | 607,899 | + 58,516 | 1,299,490 | 1,194,945 | + 104,545 |
| Net operating revenue | 102,937 | 91,729 | + 11,208 | 259,389 | 162,913 | + 96,476 |
| Total railway operating revenue | 769,352 | 699,628 | + 69,724 | 1,558,879 | 1,357,858 | + 201,021 |

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