

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TRAFFIC ON ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1915, to 8th January, 1916.

All Sections.	First-class Passengers.		Second-class Passengers.		Total.	Season Tickets.
	S.	R.	S.	R.		
*1916 .. .. .	347,612	1,095,490	2,191,971	7,223,012	10,858,085	241,893
†1915 .. .. .	342,241	1,197,634	2,051,482	6,603,618	10,134,975	221,274
Increase .. .. .	5,371	..	140,489	619,394	723,110	20,619
Decrease .. .. .	..	42,144	..	..	..	..

All Sections.	Parcels, &c.	Drays.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Figs.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
*1916 .. .. .	1,080,706	2,681	241,932	23,576	3,986,424	114,041	4,368,654
†1915 .. .. .	1,066,177	2,358	197,912	25,450	3,473,474	102,251	3,801,445
Increase .. .. .	14,529	323	44,020	..	512,950	11,790	567,209
Decrease .. .. .	..	..	..	1,874	..	..	..

All Sections.	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.	
	Tons	c.	Tons	c.	Tons	c.	Tons	c.	Tons	c.	Tons	c.	Tons	c.	Tons	c.
*1916 .. .. .	232,304	0	98,698	6	81,634	0	483,961	4	812,438	2	663,917	10	2,179,689	16	4,552,642	18
†1915 .. .. .	170,884	0	90,720	4	94,049	0	489,269	11	840,004	1	641,721	9	2,299,005	5	4,625,653	10
Increase .. .. .	61,420	0	7,978	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	22,196	1	..	..	..	..
Decrease .. .. .	..	..	..	..	12,415	0	5,308	7	27,565	19	..	..	119,315	9	73,010	12

\* 283 days. † 277 days.

ESTIMATED COST OF CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAYS, ROLLING-STOCK, ETC., to 31st March, 1915, as furnished by Public Works Department and by Greymouth and Westport Harbour Boards respectively.

Section.	Cost of Opened Lines.		Cost of Unopened Lines.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Whangarei .. .. .	754,565	0 0	35,799	0 0
Kaihu .. .. .	103,913	0 0	99	0 0
Tauranga .. .. .	..	..	194,459	0 0
Gisborne .. .. .	573,189	0 0	175,538	0 0
North Island Main Lines and Branches .. .. .	14,554,271	0 0	676,960	0 0
South Island Main Lines and Branches .. .. .	14,321,252	0 0	60,738	0 0
Westland .. .. .	2,052,264	0 0	514,115	0 0
Westport .. .. .	591,045	0 0	86,638	0 0
Nelson .. .. .	538,615	0 0	26,807	0 0
Picton .. .. .	587,361	0 0	79,128	0 0
Lake Wakatipu Steamer Service .. .. .	43,661	0 0	..	..
In Suspense—	..	..	..	..
Surveys, North Island .. .. .	..	..	34,368	0 0
Miscellaneous, North Island .. .. .	..	..	5,169	0 0
Surveys, South Island .. .. .	..	..	5,752	0 0
Miscellaneous, South Island .. .. .	..	..	5,165	0 0
P.W.D. Stock of Permanent-way .. .. .	..	..	98,592	0 0
W.R.D. Stock of A.O.L. Stores .. .. .	13,689	0 0	..	..
Totals .. .. .	£34,133,825	0 0	£1,999,330	0 0

Railway Department, 7th February, 1916.

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