

Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1938, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

Section.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
	1938-39.	1937-38.	Variation.	1938-39.	1937-38.	Variation.	1938-39.	1937-38.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu .. .. .	350	630	- 280	732	631	+ 101	382	1
Gisborne .. .. .	2,336	1,862	+ 474	2,517	2,035	+ 482	181	173
North Island main line and branches	398,489	412,370	- 13,881	349,243	340,930	+ 8,313	49,246	71,440
South Island main line and branches	247,124	268,574	- 21,450	229,722	232,387	- 2,665	17,402	36,187
Westport .. .. .	8,181	6,172	+ 2,009	6,280	5,724	+ 556	1,901	448
Nelson .. .. .	1,266	1,110	+ 156	1,817	1,666	+ 151	551	556
Picton .. .. .	2,834	4,255	- 1,421	3,493	3,108	+ 385	659	1,147
Total railway operation ..	660,580	694,973	- 34,393	593,804	586,481	+ 7,323	66,776	108,492
Miscellaneous revenue .. ..	27,124	29,807	- 2,683	..	..	..	27,124	29,807
Lake Wakatipu steamers .. ..	640	519	+ 121	900	897	+ 3	260	378
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, motor service, and other subsidiary services	58,382	36,700	+ 21,682	50,012	36,038	+ 13,974	8,370	662
Departmental dwellings .. ..	10,321	9,978	+ 343	13,528	14,836	- 1,308	3,207	4,858
Total .. .. .	757,047	771,977	- 14,930	658,244	638,252	+ 19,992	98,803	133,725

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1938-39.	1937-38.	Variation.	1938-39.	1937-38.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers .. .. .	170,972	121,472	+ 49,500	..	..	..
Parcels, luggage, and mails ..	24,189	25,182	- 993	..	..	..
Goods .. .. .	452,161	532,419	- 80,258	..	..	..
Labour and demurrage .. .. .	13,258	15,900	- 2,642	..	..	..
Total railway operating revenue	660,580	694,973	- 34,393	..	..	..
Passengers .. .. . No.	1,694,723	1,692,791	+ 1,932	..	..	..
Live-stock .. .. . Tons	63,325	83,853	- 20,528	..	..	..
Timber .. .. . "	34,717	41,495	- 6,778	..	..	..
Other goods .. .. . "	537,878	629,371	- 91,493	..	..	..
Total goods .. .. . "	635,920	754,719	- 118,799	..	..	..
Road Motor Services—						
Passengers .. .. . No.	511,830	428,550	+ 83,280	..	..	..
Revenue .. .. . £	29,446	20,134	+ 9,312	..	..	..

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING EXPENDITURE.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1938-39.	1937-38.	Variation.	1938-39.	1937-38.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Maintenance—						
Way and works .. .. .	104,575	98,418	+ 6,157	..	..	..
Signals and electrical appliances	14,519	13,343	+ 1,176	..	..	..
Rolling-stock .. .. .	128,621	137,700	- 9,079	..	..	..
Transportation—						
Locomotive .. .. .	150,147	142,542	+ 7,605	..	..	..
Traffic .. .. .	175,368	176,299	- 931	..	..	..
General charges .. .. .	8,680	6,451	+ 2,229	..	..	..
Superannuation subsidy .. .. .	11,894	11,728	+ 166	..	..	..
Total operating expenses ..	593,804	586,481	+ 7,323	..	..	..
Net operating revenue .. .. .	66,776	108,492	- 41,716	..	..	..
Total railway operating revenue	660,580	694,973	- 34,393	..	..	..
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Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1937 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	54,696,437	..
Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1936 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	54,253,059	..