

Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 14TH OCTOBER, 1939, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

1ST APRIL, 1939, TO 14TH OCTOBER, 1939, (197 days), WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR PERIOD 1ST APRIL, 1938, TO 15TH OCTOBER, 1938 (198 days).

Section.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu	288	296	- 8	830	1,047	- 217	542	751
Gisborne	2,189	2,094	+ 95	2,468	2,489	- 21	279	395
North Island main line and branches	368,799	309,044	+ 59,755	363,756	350,773	+ 12,983	5,043	41,729
South Island main line and branches	222,028	198,591	+ 23,437	230,285	222,428	+ 7,857	8,257	23,837
Westport	9,303	6,908	+ 2,395	7,048	5,981	+ 1,067	2,255	927
Nelson	512	597	- 85	1,998	1,658	+ 340	1,486	1,061
Picton	2,862	1,777	+ 1,085	3,209	3,298	- 89	347	1,521
Total railway operation	605,981	519,307	+ 86,674	609,594	587,674	+ 21,920	3,613	68,367
Miscellaneous revenue	31,878	28,868	+ 3,010				31,878	28,868
Lake Wakatipu steamers	465	334	+ 131	803	768	+ 35	338	434
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	62,182	55,317	+ 6,865	63,809	58,015	+ 5,794	1,627	2,698
Departmental dwellings	10,823	10,217	+ 606	14,752	14,897	- 145	3,929	4,680
Total	711,329	614,043	+ 97,286	688,958	661,354	+ 27,604	22,371	47,311

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	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu	1,408	1,658	- 250	5,612	6,850	- 1,238	4,204	5,192
Gisborne	14,314	15,195	- 881	18,173	17,653	+ 520	3,859	2,458
North Island main line and branches	2,601,958	2,356,490	+ 245,468	2,529,092	2,456,738	+ 72,354	72,866	100,248
South Island main line and branches	1,570,784	1,464,969	+ 105,815	1,614,301	1,588,505	+ 25,796	43,517	123,536
Westport	56,146	50,467	+ 5,679	44,821	44,030	+ 791	11,325	6,437
Nelson	5,094	5,041	+ 53	14,146	12,546	+ 1,600	9,052	7,505
Picton	20,393	14,674	+ 5,719	26,719	22,919	+ 3,800	6,326	8,245
Total railway operation	4,270,697	3,908,494	+ 362,203	4,252,864	4,149,241	+ 103,623	17,233	240,747
Miscellaneous revenue	208,235	188,428	+ 19,807				208,235	188,428
Lake Wakatipu steamers	3,598	2,952	+ 646	6,037	6,017	+ 20	2,439	3,065
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	461,230	385,326	+ 75,904	457,525	381,504	+ 76,021	3,705	3,822
Departmental dwellings	74,570	70,911	+ 3,659	109,365	99,718	+ 9,647	34,795	28,807
Total	5,017,730	4,556,111	+ 461,619	4,825,791	4,636,480	+ 189,311	191,939	80,369

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.	1939-40.	1938-39.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers	123,259	97,969	+ 25,290	905,235	859,447	+ 45,788
Parcels, luggage, and mails	25,076	24,319	+ 757	178,103	167,823	+ 10,280
Goods	442,374	381,614	+ 60,760	3,077,271	2,783,156	+ 294,115
Labour and demurrage	15,272	15,405	- 133	109,488	98,068	+ 11,420
Total railway operating revenue	605,981	519,307	+ 86,674	4,270,097	3,908,494	+ 361,603
Passengers No.	1,639,481	1,483,922	+ 155,559	12,723,293	12,517,738	+ 205,555
Live-stock Tons	22,040	23,223	- 1,183	248,350	258,704	- 10,354
Timber "	49,093	42,952	+ 6,141	284,139	272,791	+ 11,348
Other goods "	492,800	484,207	+ 8,593	3,476,949	3,404,266	+ 72,683
Total goods	563,933	550,382	+ 13,551	4,009,438	3,935,761	+ 73,677
Road Services—						
Passengers No.	491,282	390,567	+ 100,715	3,277,413	3,075,396	+ 202,017
Revenue: Passenger £	24,840	22,098	+ 2,742	175,489	168,976	+ 6,513
Goods £	14,692	13,548	+ 1,144	120,713	60,422	+ 60,291

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	110,178	107,146	+ 3,032	790,812	757,571	+ 33,241
Signals and electrical appliances	16,330	13,002	+ 3,328	101,904	102,717	- 813
Rolling-stock	157,672	144,829	+ 12,843	1,033,234	1,002,407	+ 30,827
Transportation—						
Locomotive	140,318	136,653	+ 3,665	999,278	971,949	+ 27,329
Traffic	167,614	166,229	+ 1,385	1,202,911	1,179,718	+ 23,193
General charges	6,361	7,945	- 1,584	46,518	52,656	- 6,138
Superannuation subsidy	11,121	11,870	- 749	78,207	82,223	- 4,016
Total operating expenses	609,594	587,674	+ 21,920	4,252,864	4,149,241	+ 103,623
Net operating revenue	- 3,613	- 68,367	+ 64,754	17,233	- 240,747	+ 257,980
Total railway operating revenue	605,981	519,307	+ 86,674	4,270,097	3,908,494	+ 361,603

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