

RETURN No. 15.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE MILEAGE OPENED, CAPITAL EXPENDED, EARNINGS, EXPENSES, ETC., OF RAILWAYS IN THE FOLLOWING STATES (TAKEN FROM LATEST OFFICIAL RECORDS).

—	Area in Square Miles.	Population.	Miles open.	Gauge.	Total Cost.	Cost per Mile.	Population per Mile of Railway.	Cost per Head of Population.	Train-miles run.	Gross Earnings.	Earnings per Train-mile.	Working-expenses.	Working-expenses per Train-mile.	Profit on Working.	Net Earnings per Train-mile.	Percentage of Net Earnings to Capital.	Percentage of Working-expenses to Earnings.	Earnings per Head of Population.	Passengers carried.*	Tonnage of Goods.	Earnings per Average Mile open.	Working-expenses per Average Mile open.	Net Earnings per Average Mile.	Expenses.				Number of Locomotives.	Number of Passenger-carriages.	Number of Wagons and Brake-vans.	Year ending
																								Maintenance per Mile of Railway.	Locomotive, Car, and Wagon per Train-mile.	Traffic per Cent. of Revenue.	General Charges (including Compensation, &c.) per Cent. of Revenue.				
Victoria ..	87,884	1,607,586	4,341	Ft. in. 5 3	£ 64,854,594	£ 14,940	371	£ s. d. 40 6 10	16,394,239	£ 11,347,057	d. 166-11	£ 8,181,926	d. 119-78	£ 3,165,131	d. 46-33	d. 4-88	d. 72-11	£ s. d. 7 1 2	155,957,240	7,517,216	£ 2,625	£ 1,893	£ 732	£ 408	d. 45-02	d. 23-46	d. 2-43	804	1,852	20,673	30 June, 1923.
New South Wales ..	309,460	2,189,379	5,317	4 8½	89,276,871	16,788	412	40 15 7	21,693,861	15,221,333	168-39	10,649,974	117-82	4,751,359	50-57	5-22	69-97	6 19 6	123,714,639	13,801,310	2,929	2,049	880	364	58-06	18-44	4-62	1,341	1,774	23,897	„ „
Queensland ..	670,500	805,636	5,905	3 6	47,138,611	7,982	136	58 10 3	10,917,584	5,420,400	119-25	4,714,262	103-75	706,138	15-50	1-50	86-97	6 14 7	28,358,170	4,208,989	924	803	121	188	46-60	25-84	1-65	698	902	15,364	„ „
South Australia ..	380,070	515,135	2,358	{ 3 6 5 3 }	20,613,825	8,687	217	40 0 3	6,206,256	3,710,922	143-50	2,781,547	107-56	929,375	35-94	4-58	74-95	7 4 1	24,475,170	3,283,594	1,573	1,179	394	176	61-08	19-47	1-75	494	731	9,833	„ „
Western Australia ..	975,920	343,430	3,555	3 6	19,160,202	5,390	98	55 15 10	4,505,299	2,915,985	155-34	2,210,348	117-75	705,637	37-59	3-68	75-80	8 9 10	17,830,292	3,006,063	821	622	199	145	55-55	20-32	2-10	422	430	10,208	„ „
Tasmania ..	26,215	218,924	663	{ 3 6 2 0 }	6,199,725	9,346	330	28 6 4	1,434,816	572,417	95-74	514,350	86-03	58,066	9-71	0-74	89-85	2 12 3	2,884,210	568,346	863	775	88	219	38-19	20-54	4-09	96	148	1,867	„ „
New Zealand ..	103,861	857,985	2,262	3 6	19,081,735	8,436	379	22 4 10	5,443,333	1,974,038	87-00	1,343,415	59-23	630,623	27-77	3-30	68-05	2 6 0	7,575,390	3,730,394	873	594	279	204	21-36	18-24	3-19	372	751	12,992	31 Mar., 1903.
„ ..	103,861	882,097	2,305	3 6	20,692,911	8,977	383	23 9 2	5,685,399	2,180,641	91-75	1,438,724	60-48	741,917	31-27	3-58	65-98	2 9 5	8,306,383	4,072,576	943	622	321	213	22-21	17-22	3-14	377	809	13,433	„ 1904.
„ ..	103,861	908,114	2,347	3 6	21,701,572	9,141	387	23 17 11	6,107,079	2,209,231	86-50	1,492,900	58-46	716,331	28-04	3-30	67-58	2 8 8	8,514,112	4,011,511	938	634	304	217	21-05	18-28	3-10	389	864	13,885	„ 1905.
„ ..	103,861	933,111	2,391	3 6	22,498,972	9,410	391	24 2 3	6,413,573	2,349,704	87-75	1,621,239	60-47	728,465	27-28	3-24	69-00	2 10 4	8,826,382	4,241,422	980	676	304	229	21-99	18-86	3-01	395	906	14,127	„ 1906.
„ ..	103,861	961,604	2,427	3 6	23,504,272	9,570	396	24 8 10	6,755,454	2,624,600	93-00	1,812,482	64-21	812,118	28-79	3-45	69-06	2 14 7	9,600,786	4,592,099	1,078	744	334	253	23-37	18-90	2-80	398	966	14,605	„ 1907.
„ ..	103,861	985,318	2,469	3 6	24,365,647	9,861	399	24 14 7	7,051,274	2,761,938	93-75	1,949,759	66-18	812,179	27-57	3-33	70-59	2 16 1	9,756,716	4,834,534	1,114	786	328	258	24-96	19-40	2-76	410	1,002	15,475	„ 1908.
„ ..	103,861	1,016,044	2,556	3 6	27,762,592	10,351	398	27 6 6	7,458,236	2,929,526	94-00	2,114,815	67-89	814,711	26-11	3-13	72-19	2 17 8	10,457,144	4,871,874	1,148	828	320	258	25-56	20-73	3-16	452	1,116	16,476	„ 1909.
„ ..	103,861	1,035,211	2,704	3 6	28,513,476	10,494	383	27 10 10	7,889,166	3,249,790	98-75	2,169,474	65-84	1,080,316	32-91	3-80	66-76	3 2 9	11,141,142	5,223,414	1,203	803	400	230	25-35	18-96	2-96	465	1,140	17,220	„ 1910.
„ ..	103,861	1,055,640	2,742	3 6	29,606,546	10,723	385	28 1 0	8,141,075	3,494,182	102-75	2,303,272	67-75	1,190,910	35-00	4-06	65-92	3 6 2	11,200,613	5,555,292	1,275	840	435	254	25-81	18-10	2-81	478	1,166	18,036	„ 1911.
„ ..	103,861	1,081,344	2,801	3 6	30,506,089	10,864	386	28 4 2	8,371,687	3,676,509	105-25	2,465,896	70-52	1,210,613	34-73	3-98	67-07	3 8 0	20,336,577	5,599,756	1,314	881	433	263	27-30	18-27	2-76	493	1,212	18,521	„ 1912.
„ ..	103,861	1,111,592	2,840	3 6	31,611,220	11,053	391	28 8 9	9,016,224	3,971,002	105-50	2,705,609	71-84	1,265,393	33-66	4-04	68-13	3 11 5	22,310,867	5,957,005	1,400	954	446	271	28-20	19-40	2-64	513	1,282	19,515	„ 1913.
„ ..	103,861	1,139,669	2,861	3 6	32,355,087	11,309	398	28 7 9	9,319,268	4,043,328	104-00	2,880,323	74-00	1,163,005	30-00	3-61	71-24	3 10 11	23,173,472	5,661,340	1,416	1,008	408	268	29-72	20-73	2-91	534	1,363	20,251	„ 1914.
„ ..	103,861	1,150,430	2,917	3 6	34,133,825	11,702	394	29 13 5	9,383,420	4,105,457	104-75	2,920,455	74-54	1,185,002	30-21	3-53	71-14	3 11 4	23,542,903	6,075,282	1,410	1,002	408	254	30-26	21-20	2-98	557	1,397	21,226	„ 1915.
„ ..	103,861	1,152,048	2,959	3 6	34,857,882	11,780	389	30 5 2	9,356,522	4,548,356	116-50	2,910,883	74-50	1,637,473	42-00	4-72	64-00	3 19 0	24,600,693	5,960,562	1,540	985	555	251	29-77	19-60	2-50	585	1,452	21,994	„ 1916.
„ ..	103,861	1,150,605	2,970	3 6	35,378,664	11,912	387	30 15 0	9,146,331	4,800,810	125-75	2,926,864	76-63	1,873,946	49-12	5-30	60-97	4 3 5	24,782,602	5,826,265	1,619	987	632	244	30-88	18-87	2-47	607	1,480	22,380	„ 1917.
„ ..	103,861	1,154,559	2,977	3 6	36,001,432	12,029	389	32 0 11	7,468,646	4,687,700	150-50	3,042,907	97-54	1,644,793	52-96	4-60	64-91	4 1 3	21,438,325	5,373,136	1,578	1,023	555	240	40-02	20-38	2-67	624	1,488	22,517	„ 1918.
„ ..	103,861	1,175,325	2,993	3 6	36,167,681	12,084	393	30 15 6	7,477,583	4,988,632	160-00	3,308,575	105-97	1,680,057	54-03	4-65	66-32	4 4 11	22,030,327	5,611,738	1,670	1,107	563	252	44-35	20-73	2-70	620	1,489	22,658	„ 1919.
„ ..	103,861	1,223,915	3,006	3 6	36,390,115	12,106	407	29 14 8	7,408,608	5,752,487	186-00	4,105,067	132-72	1,647,420	53-28	4-53	71-36	4 14 0	24,582,186	6,000,279	1,923	1,372	551	281	57-84	22-66	2-99	616	1,492	22,937	„ 1920.
„ ..	103,861	1,268,046	3,018	3 6	37,235,254	12,338	420	29 7 3	9,303,392	6,908,531	178-00	5,636,601	145-14	1,271,930	32-86	3-42	81-59	5 9 0	28,821,783	6,487,279	2,293	1,870	423	350	68-54	24-82	2-95	608	1,492	23,119	„ 1921.
„ ..	103,861	1,300,967	3,030	3 6	39,309,097	12,973	429	30 4 4	8,717,265	6,643,591	182-69	6,237,727	171-37	405,864	11-32	1-07	93-89	5 2 0	28,121,763	6,321,351	2,199	2,063	136	393	86-29	25-66	3-06	637	1,496	23,974	„ 1922.
„ ..	103,861	1,325,310	3,037	3 6	40,275,161	13,261	436	30 7 9	8,346,731	6,727,802	193-18	5,502,497	157-81	1,225,305	35-37	3-04	81-79	5 1 6	28,221,362	6,618,588	2,219	1,813	406	366	76-40	22-73	2-91	639	1,498	26,106	„ 1923.
„ ..	103,861	1,347,723	3,053	3 6	41,399,427	13,560	441	30 14 4	9,024,503	6,984,211	185-50	5,403,766	143-43	1,580,445	42-07	3-83	77-37	5 3 8	28,436,475	6,925,517	2,291	1,772	519	399	65-00	21-94	2-93	655	1,527	26,195	„ 1924.