

THE RAILWAYS OF THE AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES,
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF COST, &c.

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Table A.

(To accompany Public Works Statement of August, 1888.)

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of REVENUE and EXPENDITURE, &c., of RAILWAYS in QUEENSLAND, NEW SOUTH WALES, VICTORIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, CAPE COLONY, and TASMANIA, compiled from Official Tables of Railway Reports.

Railway.	Miles open at End of Year.	Average Miles open during Year.	Construction.		Rolling-stock.			Number of Passengers conveyed.	Tonnage of Goods, and Live Stock conveyed.	Gross Revenue.				Total Train-miles.	Gross Revenue per Train-mile.	Population.	Year ending
			Capital Cost.	Average Cost per Mile open.	Engines.	Carriages.	Wagons, Vans, &c.			Passenger, &c., Traffic.	Goods and Live-stock Traffic.	Total.	Per Average Miles open.				
Queensland ..	1,555	1,453	£ 10,155,603	£ 6,531	189	206	2,709	1,579,658	648,548	£ 252,617	£ 440,472	£ 693,089	£ 477	2,663,204	s. d. 5 2-50	366,940	31 Dec., 1886.
New South Wales ..	1,889	1,790	24,071,454	12,743	406	940	8,364	14,881,604	3,218,582	849,253	1,310,817	2,160,070	1,207	6,479,265	6 8-01	1,042,919	31 Dec., 1886.
Victoria ..	1,880	1,791	26,171,609	13,921	346	808	5,633	49,219,857	2,972,761	1,259,496	1,193,582	2,453,078	1,370	7,991,378	6 1-67	1,036,118	30 June, 1887.
South Australia ..	1,420	1,221	9,083,093	6,397	176	257	4,514	3,666,452	782,350	227,091	368,101	595,192	487	2,102,856	5 7-93	312,421	30 June, 1887.
New Zealand ..	1,758	1,743	13,352,978	7,595	271	511	8,153	5,428,492	1,770,638	387,453	607,390	994,843	571	2,944,786	6 9-08	603,361	31 Mar., 1888.
Cape Colony ..	1,599	1,599	14,130,616	8,837	228	302	3,417	2,237,465	324,470	274,732	773,954	1,048,686	656	2,522,149	8 3-80	300,000	31 Dec., 1886.
Tasmania ..	133	106	872,332	6,558	17	30	362	193,829	42,661	24,177	21,747	45,924	433	224,143	4 1-10	142,478	31 Dec., 1886.

Railway.	Maintenance.		Locomotive.		Traffic.		General.		Total Working Cost.			Net Earnings.				Population for every Mile opened.	Year ending
	Amount.	Per Average Miles open.	Amount.	Per Average Miles open.	Amount.	Per Average Miles open.	Amount.	Per Average Miles open.	Amount.	Per cent. of Gross Revenue.	Per Train-mile.	Per Average Miles open.	Amount.	Per Average Miles open.	Per Train-mile.	Per cent. on Capital Cost.	
Queensland ..	£ 230,007	£ 158	£ 144,572	£ 100	£ 99,885	£ 69	£ 2,502	£ 1	£ 476,966	68-82	s. d. 3 6-98	£ 328	£ 216,123	£ 149	s. d. 1 7-52	2-13	236
New South Wales ..	432,371	242	544,354	304	430,501	240	85,766	48	1,492,992	69-12	4 7-30	834	667,078	373	2 0-71	2-90	552
Victoria ..	304,149	170	443,555	248	630,866	352	48,546	27	1,427,116	58-18	3 6-86	797	1,025,962	573	2 6-81	3-92	551
South Australia ..	109,879	90	151,210	123	104,619	86	16,598	14	382,306	64-23	3 7-63	313	212,886	174	2 0-30	2-52	220
New Zealand ..	246,340	141	224,775	129	179,233	103	36,980	21	687,328	69-09	4 8-02	394	307,515	177	2 1-06	2-30	343
Cape Colony ..	230,880	144	241,915	151	108,501	68	65,419	41	646,715	61-70	5 1-50	404	401,971	252	3 2-30	2-85	188
Tasmania ..	15,308	144	11,863	112	8,505	80	2,241	21	37,917	82-56	3 4-60	357	8,007	76	0 8-50	0-90	1,071

AVERAGE CHARGES per Ton of Goods carried.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Queensland ..	..	..	0 13 7	New Zealand ..	..	..	0 6 10
New South Wales ..	..	..	0 8 2	Cape Colony ..	..	..	2 7 9
Victoria ..	..	..	0 8 0	Tasmania ..	..	..	0 10 2
South Australia ..	..	..	0 9 5				

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