

1910.
NEW ZEALAND.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' WAGES

FROM 1880 TO 1908.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 18th November, 1909.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing, for the years 1880, 1885, 1890, 1895, 1900, and 1908, the wages and hours of labour of the following classes of employees in the First and Second Divisions of the Railway service: Engine-drivers, firemen, cleaners, guards, shunters, signalmen, crossing-keepers, bridge-keepers, labourers (general), carpenters, fitters, iron-turners, moulders, blacksmiths, strikers, plumbers, tinsmiths, trimmers, porters, sail-makers, furnacemen, apprentices, bridgemen, cadets, storemen, enginemen, watchmen, crane-drivers, horse-drivers, holders-up, night-watchmen, train-examiners, leading tradesmen, coppersmiths, springmakers, lifters, brass-moulders, and machinists."—(Mr. ELL.)

RETURN OF WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR OF EMPLOYEES IN THE FIRST AND SECOND DIVISIONS
OF THE RAILWAY SERVICE.

	1880.		1885.		1890.		1895.		1900.		1908.	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Engine-drivers	10/6	12/0*	10/0	12/0	10/0	12/0	10/0	12/0	10/0	12/0	10/6	12/6
Firemen	7/6	9/0	7/6	9/0	7/6	9/0	7/6	9/0	7/6	9/0	8/6	9/6
Cleaners	5/0	7/0	5/6	7/0	4/0	7/0	4/0	7/0	3/6	7/0	5/0	8/0
Guards	8/0	10/0	8/0	10/0	8/0	10/0	8/0	10/0	8/0	10/0	8/6	11/0
Shunters	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	8/6	11/0
Signalmen	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	9/0	8/6	11/0
Crossing-keepers	30/0	36/0	30/0	36/0	30/0	36/0	30/0	36/0	36/0	36/0	42/0	42/0
Bridge-keepers	30/0	36/0	30/0	36/0	30/0	36/0	30/0	36/0	36/0	36/0	42/0	42/0
Labourers	6/0	6/0	6/0	6/0	6/6	6/6	6/6	6/6	6/6	7/0	8/0	8/6
Carpenters	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/0	9/6	10/6
Fitters	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/0	9/6	10/6
Iron-turners	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/0	9/6	10/6
Moulders	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/0	9/6	10/6
Blacksmiths	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/0	9/6	10/6
Strikers	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	8/6	9/0
Plumbers	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	9/0	9/6	10/6
Tinsmiths	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	9/0	9/6	10/6
Trimmers	8/6	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	10/6	8/0	9/0	9/6	10/6
Porters	6/0	7/6	6/6	7/6	6/6	7/6	6/6	7/6	6/0	7/6	8/0	8/0
Sailmakers	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	7/0	8/0	9/6	10/6
Furnacemen	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7/0	9/0	8/6	10/0
Apprentices	8/0	25/0	8/0	24/0	5/0	21/0	5/0	21/0	5/0	30/0	9/0	24/0
Bridgemen	7/0	7/0	7/0	7/0	7/0	7/6	7/0	7/6	7/0	7/0	9/0	9/0
Cadets	£50	£100	£50	£105	£30	£110	£30	£110	£30	£90	£50	£110
Storemen	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	7/0	8/6	8/6	11/0
Shop enginemen	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7/6	8/0	8/6	9/6
Watchmen	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	42/0	45/0	45/0

* In 1880 a few specially qualified men who had served over five years as engine-drivers were paid 13s. per day. The pay of the great bulk of the enginemen was from 10s. 6d. to 12s. per day.