



# VICTORIAN RAILWAYS

## Highlights for 1956/57

Revenue ... .. £37,497,815

Of each £1 of revenue :

11/9d. came from goods and live-stock

6/10d. " " passengers, parcels  
and mails

1/- " " refreshments and  
advertising

5d. " " miscellaneous

Working expenses ... £39,356,645

Interest and other debt charges £3,333,905

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Total Expenditure ... £42,690,550

Of each £1 of expenditure :

12/6d. went on wages and payroll tax

11d. " " coal, oil, etc. for loco-  
motives

8d. " " electrical energy for  
traction

3/- " " other materials and  
services

1/- " " pensions and long  
service leave

4d. " " other expenditure

1/7d. " " interest and other debt  
charges

Route mileage open for traffic 4,408

Average number of staff employed 29,816

Total capital investment ... £142,500,000

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| Tonnage of goods and live-<br>stock carried ... .. | 9,380,699   |
| Passenger journeys—                                |             |
| country ... ..                                     | 5,149,793   |
| suburban ... ..                                    | 162,255,068 |

**Principal commodities carried—**

|                             | tons      |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Coal and coke ... ..        | 1,909,103 |
| Wheat ... ..                | 1,290,910 |
| Briquettes ... ..           | 569,286   |
| Fertilizers ... ..          | 582,396   |
| Live-stock ... ..           | 445,235   |
| Firewood, timber, wood pulp | 376,750   |
| Flour, bran, pollard, etc.  | 284,095   |
| Wool ... ..                 | 158,110   |
| Fresh Fruit ... ..          | 112,097   |
| Stone, gravel, sand ... ..  | 108,719   |

**Locomotives—**

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| steam ... ..          | 477     |
| electric ... ..       | 35      |
| diesel-electric... .. | 67      |
| Passenger cars ... .. | 1,794   |
| Trucks ... ..         | 22,313  |
| Vans, etc. ... ..     | 1,064   |
| Fuel consumed—        | tons    |
| coal ... ..           | 186,197 |
| fuel oil ... ..       | 43,284  |
| diesel oil ... ..     | 23,145  |

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