

A. Service Frequency and Coverage

The number of trains performing regular intercity service over 75 miles has declined by 59.3 percent since 1958. Class I linehaul railroads had 1,448 intercity trains providing passenger service when section 13a was enacted; today there are only 590.⁹ The following table shows the number of trains in 1958, the number of trains in 1968, the losses, and pending discontinuances:

INTERCITY TRAINS - AUGUST 1958 AND MAY 1968¹⁰

District	Trains Aug. 1958	Trains May 1968	Losses	Pending
Eastern	680	304	376	11
Southern	224	96	128	8
Western	<u>544</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>354</u>	<u>24</u>
Total	1,448	590	858	43

9 See Official Guide of the Railways, August 1958 and May 1968. An intercity train was defined as a train operated four or more times a week by a Class I linehaul railroad over its line for a distance of 75 miles or more. Seasonal trains, mixed trains (those carrying both passengers and freight), and rail-operated bus and ferry service were not included in the totals. Trains moving in interline through service were counted separately for each railroad over which they operated, except for interline service between corporate affiliates.

10 A breakdown of the total 858 eliminated trains for individual intercity carriers is set forth in Appendix B, together with carrier subtotals for the 402 intercity train discontinuances which were accomplished under section 13a.