# FIRST QUARTER 2018

## **Quarterly Financial Data**





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## **NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM**



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The accompanying unaudited financial information and summary of certain notes to the consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with: (a) the consolidated financial statements and notes included in Norfolk Southern Corporation's (NS, we, us and our) latest Annual Report on Form 10-K and in subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and (b) any Current Reports on Form 8-K.

Any statements contained in this document which are not related to historical facts are forward-looking statements as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and NS undertakes no obligation to update such statements. Such forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties (the most significant of which are described in our SEC filings) which could cause actual results to differ materially.

### Consolidated Statements of Income

(in millions, except per share amounts)

		First	Quarter	
	2018		2017	% Change
Railway operating revenues				
Merchandise	\$ 1,605	\$	1,584	1%
Intermodal	678		571	19%
Coal	434		420	3%
Total railway operating revenues	2,717	_	2,575	6%
Railway operating expenses				
Compensation and benefits	737		759	(3%)
Purchased services and rents	401		377	<b>6</b> %
Fuel	266		213	25%
Depreciation	272		259	5%
Materials and other	206	_	210	(2%)
Total railway operating expenses	1,882		1,818	4%
Income from railway operations	835		757	10%
Other income — net	8		40	(80%)
Interest expense on debt	136	_	142	(4%)
Income before income taxes	707		655	8%
Income taxes				
Current	110		166	(34%)
Deferred	45		56	(20%)
Total income taxes	155		222	(30%)
Net income	\$ 552	\$	433	27%
Earnings per share - diluted	\$ 1.93	\$	1.48	30%
Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted	285.9		292.8	(2%)

#### Notes

#### 1. Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits

We adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2017-07 on January 1, 2018. The retrospective application resulted in the reclassification of \$16 million of pension and other postretirement benefits from the "Compensation and benefits" line item within "Railway operating expenses" to "Other income — net" on the Consolidated Statements of Income for the quarter ended March 31, 2017.

### 2. Stock Repurchase Program

We repurchased and retired 2.1 million and 1.7 million shares of common stock under our stock repurchase program in the first quarters of 2018 and 2017, respectively, at a cost of \$300 million and \$200 million, respectively. Since the beginning of 2006, we have repurchased and retired 170.6 million shares at a total cost of \$11.6 billion.



### **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(\$ in millions)

	March 31,	December 31,
	2018	2017
Assets Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable — net Materials and supplies Other current assets Total current assets	\$ 1,072 973 245 189 2,479	\$ 690 955 222 282 2,149
Investments Properties less accumulated depreciation of \$12,076 and \$11,909, respectively Other assets	3,020 30,396 267	2,981 30,330 251
Total assets	\$ 36,162	\$ 35,711
Liabilities and stockholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable Short-term debt Income and other taxes Other current liabilities Current maturities of long-term debt Total current liabilities Long-term debt Other liabilities  Deferred income taxes	\$ 1,217 50 217 304 600 2,388 9,637 1,352 6,367	\$ 1,401 100 211 233 600 2,545 9,136 1,347 6,324
Total liabilities	19,744	19,352
Stockholders' equity: Common stock \$1.00 per share par value, 1,350,000,000 shares authorized; outstanding 282,541,886 and 284,157,187 shares, respectively, net of treasury shares Additional paid-in capital Accumulated other comprehensive loss Retained income Total stockholders' equity	284 2,255 (448) 14,327 16,418	285 2,254 (356) 14,176 16,359
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 36,162	\$ 35,711

#### 3. Reclassification of Stranded Tax Effects

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02, "Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income." This update is intended to reclassify the stranded tax effects resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that was enacted on December 22, 2017 from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. In the first quarter of 2018, we adopted the provisions of ASU 2018-02 resulting in an increase to "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" of S88 million and a corresponding increase to "Retained income," with no impact on "Total stockholders' equity."

## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (S in millions)

### **First Quarter**

	2018		2017
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income	\$ 552	\$	433
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by operating activities:			
Depreciation	272		260
Deferred income taxes	45		56
Gains and losses on properties	(8)		(9)
Changes in assets and liabilities affecting operations:			
Accounts receivable	(26)		(53)
Materials and supplies	(23)		(24)
Other current assets	13		31
Current liabilities other than debt	12		188
Other — net	(21)		(36)
Net cash provided by operating activities	816		846
Cash flows from investing activities			
Property additions	(383)		(438)
Property sales and other transactions	13		35
Investment purchases	(2)		(2)
Investment sales and other transactions	1		1
Net cash used in investing activities	(371)		(404)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Dividends	(205)		(177)
Common stock transactions	(1)		34
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(300)		(200)
Proceeds from borrowings — net of issuance costs	543		-
Debt repayments	(100)		(100)
Net cash used in financing activities	(63)		(443)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	382		(1)
Cash and cash equivalents			
At beginning of year	690		956
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At end of period	\$ 1,072	\$	955
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:			
Cash paid during the period for:			
Interest (net of amounts capitalized)	\$ 69	\$	70
Income taxes (net of refunds)	7		12



## Railway Operating Revenues Analysis

		venues n millions)		<b>Units</b> (in thousands)			Revenue per Unit (\$ per unit)				
<b>Commodity and Period</b>	2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	% Change		2018		2017	% Change
First Quarter											
Chemicals	\$ 443	\$ 427	4%	120.8	118.6	2%	\$	3,663	\$	3,599	2%
Agriculture/consumer/gov't	393	384	2%	148.3	149.5	(1%)		2,650		2,568	3%
Metals and construction	338	340	(1%)	164.6	168.4	(2%)		2,053		2,020	2%
Automotive	243	246	(1%)	102.8	110.5	(7%)		2,362		2,221	6%
Paper/clay/forest	188	187	1%	69.6	70.6	(1%)		2,704		2,651	2%
Merchandise	1,605	1,584	1%	606.1	617.6	(2%)		2,647		2,564	3%
Intermodal	678	571	19%	1,049.2	969.4	8%		647		589	10%
Coal	434	 420	3%	249.1	259.6	(4%)		1,743		1,617	8%
Total	\$ 2,717	\$ 2,575	6%	1,904.4	1,846.6	3%		1,427		1,394	2%

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### Railway Operating Revenues Variance Analysis

(\$ in millions)

First Quarter 2018 vs. 2017

		Merchandise			Intern	ıodal	Coal			
	Ar	nount	Percent	Ar	nount	Percent	Aı	mount	Percent	
Revenue Variance due to:										
Volume	\$	(30)	(2%)	\$	47	8%	\$	(17)	(4%)	
Fuel surcharge revenue		18	1%		31	5%		2	-	
Rate, mix and other		33	2%		29	5%		29	7%	
Total	\$	21	1%	\$	107	19%	\$	14	3%	

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## Coal Tonnage by Market

(in thousands)

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	2018	2017	% Change
Utility	15,865	17,602	(10%)
Export	7,238	6,343	14%
Domestic metallurgical	3,147	3,367	(7%)
Industrial	1,260	1,471	(14%)
Total	27,510	28,783	(4%)

## Intermodal Units by Market

(in thousands)

	2018	2017	% Change
Domestic	671.7	600.9	12%
International	377.5	368.5	2%
Total	1,049.2	969.4	8%



### Financial, Traffic and Operating Statistics

S in millions — except as noted)				2	2017					
	First Quarter		econd varter		Third Ovarter	G	Fourth Quarter n-GAAP)		Year 1-GAAP)	
Railway operating revenues	\$ 2,575	\$	2,637	\$	2,670	\$	2,669	\$	10,551	
Railway operating expenses:										
Compensation and benefits	759		719		771		730		2,979	
Purchased services	304		318		309		338		1,269	
Equipment rents	73		74		68		81		296	
Fuel	213		190		198		239		840	
Depreciation	259		264		265		267		1,055	
Materials	92		87		85		84		348	
Casualties and other claims	40		35		39		31		145	
Other	78		78		40		52		248	
Total railway operating expenses	1,818		1,765		1,775		1,822		7,180	
Income from railway operations	757		872		895		847		3,371	
Other income — net	40		48		39		29		156	
Interest expense on debt	142		140		134		134		550	
Income before income taxes	655		780		800		742		2,977	
Total income taxes	222		283		294		256		1,055	
Net income	\$ 433	\$	497	\$	506	\$	486	\$	1,922	
Weighted average shares outstanding — diluted (in millions)	292.8		291.2		289.5		287.8		290.3	
Earnings per share — diluted (dollars)	\$ 1.48	\$	1.71	\$	1.75	\$	1.69	\$	6.61	
Dividends per share (dollars)	\$ 0.61	\$	0.61	\$	0.61	\$	0.61	\$	2.44	
Railway operating ratio (percent)	70.6		66.9		66.5		68.3		68.1	
Property additions	\$ 438	\$	445	\$	432	\$	408	\$	1,723	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 955	\$	642	\$	724	\$	690	\$	690	
Total debt	\$ 10,119	\$	9,873	\$	9,880	\$	9,836	\$	9,836	
Total debt-to-total capitalization (percent)	44.7		43.8		43.7		37.5		37.5	
Gross ton miles (GTMs) (in billions)	94.6		96.5		96.6		96.1		383.8	
Revenue ton miles (in billions):										
Merchandise	29.1		29.8		30.0		29.4		118.3	
Intermodal	10.2		10.7		11.0		11.3		43.2	
Coal	10.3		10.2		10.1		9.4		40.0	
Total	49.6		50.7		51.1		50.1		201.5	
Railroad employees (average)	27,453	$\vdash$	27,088		26,761		26,520		26,955	
GTMs (thousands) per employee	3,445		3,562		3,610		3,625		14,239	
Locomotive diesel fuel consumed (in thousands of gallons)	119,420		11,331		110,972		116,456	4	58,179	
Average price (dollars) per gallon of locomotive diesel fuel	\$ 1.690	s ·	1.609	\$	1.697	\$	1.950	\$	1.738	
Gallons of fuel consumed per thousand GTMs	1.27	•	1.16	•	1.16	•	1.22	,	1.20	
Train speed (miles per hour)	22.7		21.5		21.7		20.5		21.6	
Terminal dwell (hours)	24.3		25.1		24.9		26.8		25.3	

Note: We adopted FASB ASU 2017-07 on January 1, 2018. The retrospective application resulted in the reclassification of \$16 million of pension and other postretirement benefits from the "Compensation and benefits" line item within "Railway operating expenses" to "Other income — net" on the Consolidated Statements of Income for each quarter of 2017, totaling \$64 million for the year. This reclassification resulted in a 60 basis point increase in each of the previously reported 2017 quarterly railway operating ratios and a 70 basis point increase in the previously reported full year 2017 railway operating ratio.

See reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures on page 8.

		2018			2018 vs. 2017						
First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Year-to- date		First Quarter	Second Quarter	Increase (Decrease Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Year-to- date	
\$ 2,717				\$ 2,717		\$ 142				\$ 142	
737 318				737 318		(22) 14				(22) 14	
83 266				83 266		10 53				10 53	
272 90 47				272 90 47		13 (2) 7				13 (2) 7	
69 1,882				69 1,882		(9) 64				(9) 64	
835				835		78				78	
136 707				8 136 707		(32) (6) 52				(32) (6) 52	
155 \$ 552				155 \$ 552		(67) \$ 119				(67) \$ 119	
285.9 \$ 1.93				285.9 \$ 1.93		(6.9) \$ 0.45				(6.9) \$ 0.45	
\$ 0.72 69.3				\$ 0.72 69.3		\$ 0.11 (1.3)				\$ 0.11 (1.3)	
\$ 383 \$ 1,072 \$ 10,287				\$ 383 \$ 1,072 \$ 10,287		\$ (55) \$ 117 \$ 168				\$ (55) \$ 117 \$ 168	
95.2				38.5 95.2		(6.2) 1%				(6.2) 1%	
29.5				29.5		1%				1%	
9.4				11.1 9.4		9% (9%) 1%				9% (9%) 1%	
50.0 26,430				50.0 26,430		(4%)				(4%)	
3,600 121,450				3,600 121,450		4% 2%				4% 2%	
\$ 2.046 1.28 19.0				\$ 2.046 1.28 19.0		21% 1% (16%)				21% 1% (16%)	
29.0				29.0		19%				19%	



### Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Information included within this First Quarter 2018 Quarterly Financial Data includes non-GAAP financial measures, as defined by SEC Regulation G. Non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, the financial measures reported in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

### Consolidated Statements of Income - excluding Tax Reform

(in millions, except per share amounts)

(in millions, except per share amounts)		Fourth Quarte	r	Year	Ended December	r 31,
	2017 (GAAP)	Tax Reform*	Adjusted 2017 (Non-GAAP)	201 <i>7</i> (GAAP)	Tax Reform*	Adjusted 2017 (Non-GAAP)
Railway operating revenues  Merchandise Intermodal	\$ 1,576 667	\$ -	\$ 1,576 667	\$ 6,357 2,452	\$ -	\$ 6,357 2,452
Coal Total railway operating revenues	2,669		2,669	1,742		1,742 10,551
Railway operating expenses Compensation and benefits	730	-	730	2,979	-	2,979
Purchased services Equipment rents Purchased services and rents	302 (34) 268	36 115 151	338 81 419	1,233 181 1,414	36 115 151	1,269 296 1,565
Fuel Depreciation	239 267	-	239 267	840 1,055	-	840 1,055
Materials Casualties and other claims Other Materials and other	84 31 52 167		84 31 <u>52</u> 167	348 145 <u>248</u> 741	- - -	348 145 248 741
Total railway operating expenses  Income from railway operations	1,671	151	1,822	7,029	151	7,180
Other income — net Interest expense on debt	29 134		29 134	156 550	- (151)	156 550
Income before income taxes	893	(151)	742	3,128	(151)	2,977
Current Deferred Total income taxes	(3,078) (3,075)	(5) 3,336 3,331	(2) 258 256	583 (2,859) (2,276)	(5) 3,336 3,331	578 477 1,055
Net income	\$ 3,968	\$ (3,482)	\$ 486	\$ 5,404	\$ (3,482)	\$ 1,922
Earnings per share - diluted	\$ 13.79	\$ (12.10)	\$ 1.69	\$ 18.61	\$ (12.00)	\$ 6.61
Railway operating ratio (%)	62.6	5.7	68.3	66.6	1.5	68.1

<sup>\*</sup> GAAP financial results are adjusted to exclude the effects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("tax reform"), signed into law on December 22, 2017. Specifically, the adjustments remove the effects of remeasurements of net deferred tax liabilities related to the reduction of the federal tax rate from 35% to 21%.

The Company uses these non-GAAP financial measures internally and believes this information provides useful supplemental information to investors to facilitate making period-to-period comparisons by excluding the effects of tax reform. While the Company believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are useful in evaluating the Company's business, this information should be considered as supplemental in nature and is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, these non-GAAP financial measures may not be the same as similar measures presented by other companies.

Note: See page 6 for additional information regarding adoption of FASB ASU 2017-07.

