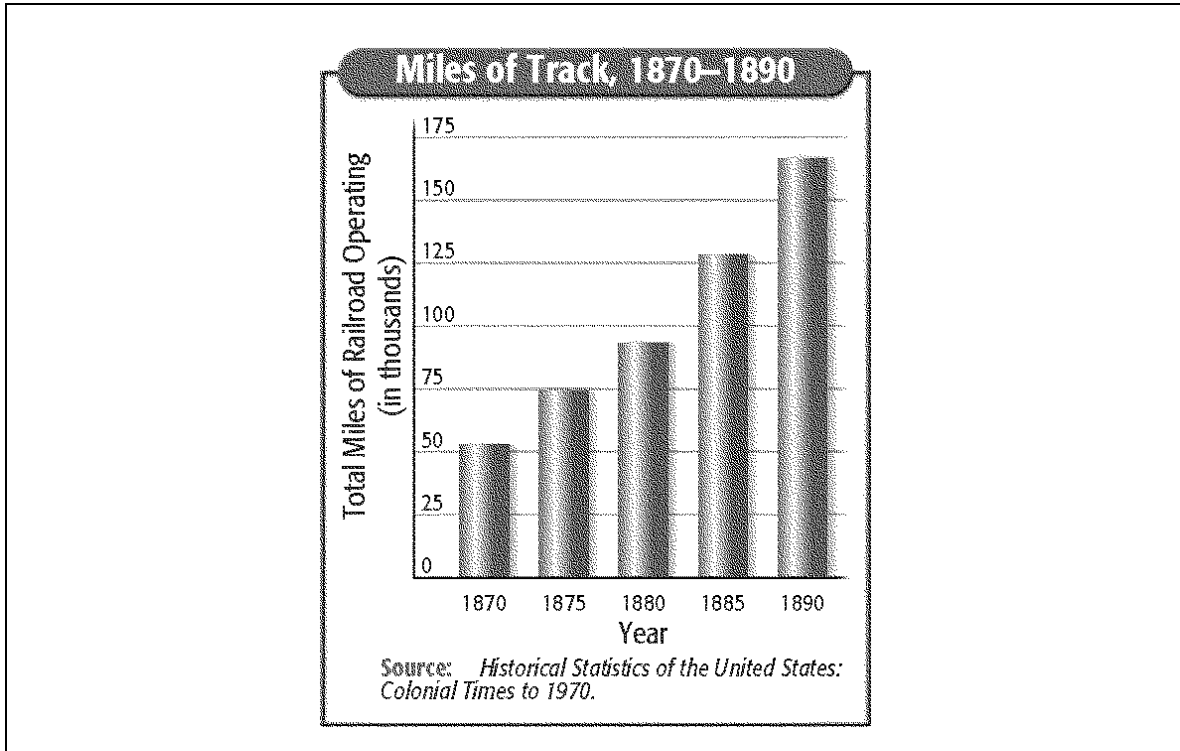


Benchmark: Students will analyze historical materials to trace the development of an idea or trend across space or over a prolonged period of time in order to explain patterns of historical continuity and change.



Brief Constructed Response Prompt:

How may this drastic increase in railroad mileage have directly impacted society within the United States? Provide an example of one aspect that was affected by this growth.

Possible Response(s):

- Development of the West – industrial and agricultural growth
- Population increase in the West – more job opportunities
- Increased wealth in the nation – industrial and agricultural growth
- Displacement of Native Americans – removed from land being used for other purposes
- More travel opportunities – improved and quicker transportation method

Accept other reasonable responses not stated above

Rubric

- 2** = This response gives a valid impact with accurate and relevant example.
- 1** = This response gives a valid impact with inaccurate, irrelevant, or no example.
- 0** = inaccurate or no response