

2.—Airports in Canada, as at Dec. 31, 1941

Kind	Landing Surfaces			
	Land Only	Water Only	Land and Water	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Public.....	7	28	1	36
Dominion Government.....	42	Nil	1	43
Intermediate.....	40	"	Nil	40
Provincial.....	Nil	11	"	11
Private.....	5	25	1	31
Municipal airports.....	13	4	2	19
Totals.....	107	68	5	180

Subsection 3.—Aircraft

The Manufacture of Aircraft.—The construction in Canada of aircraft and equipment is essential to the development of flying. Before the War several manufacturers were producing original types especially suited to operation in Canada, and a number of manufacturers from England and the United States formed branches in Canada for the assembly and servicing of their products. There were also a number of plants for the manufacture of landing gear, especially skis and pontoons, designed to meet the particular requirements of Canadian conditions. Since the beginning of the War, plants equipped to manufacture civil aircraft and parts have been changed over to the production of military types and the industry has been expanded by many additional plants and firms. A brief description of the war-time manufacture of aircraft in Canada appears at p. 359 of the Manufactures chapter. Pre-war figures are given at p. 617 of the 1941 edition of the Year Book.

3.—Licensed Civil Aircraft in Canada, as at Dec. 31, 1940

Aircraft	Dominion and Provincial	Private	Flying Clubs	Com-mercial ¹	Total
Gross Weight ²	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Up to 2,000 lb.....	32	55	71	109	267
2,001-4,000 lb.....	18	6	Nil	61	85
4,001-10,000 lb.....	21	2	"	80	103
Over 10,000 lb.....	Nil	Nil	"	18	18
Totals.....	71	63	71	268	473
Type					
Seaplanes.....	19	2	1	2	24
Amphibians.....	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	1
Land planes.....	28	50	39	103	220
Convertibles ³	24	10	31	163	228

¹ Includes aircraft of international companies licensed in Canada. ² Total weight of aircraft with supplies and full load. ³ May be equipped with wheels, floats or skis as conditions demand.

Section 3.—Finance and Employees

Subsection 1.—Dominion Government Expenditures

The status of civil aviation in Canada has changed considerably in recent years as regards both civil and military requirements. Until the institution of the Trans-Canada Air Lines, the development of civil aviation was limited to the provision