

Trans-Canada Air Lines.—The addition of 20 forty-passenger *North Star* aircraft to the Company fleet in 1949 enabled Trans-Canada Air Lines to provide modern air transportation service on a considerably larger scale. The Company has a route pattern which serves more than 40 communities in Canada, the United States, the British Isles and the Caribbean area. This system covers more than 16,000 route miles of scheduled service of which 8,085 miles is in the North American Service and 8,303 miles in the Atlantic Service.

During the year 1949, emphasis was placed on the improvement of services already established; 100 flights were planned daily and 98 p.c. of all scheduled mileage was completed. During the year, more than 680,000 passengers were carried on domestic and international flights, also 3,500,000 ton miles of cargo and 3,800,000 ton-miles of mail were flown with a fleet consisting of 20 *North Stars* and 27 *DC.3's*. The sum total of the Company's domestic and international operations for the year ended Dec. 31, 1949, amounted to 84,000,000 ton-miles of air transportation.

North American Services.—On May 1, 1949, a third transcontinental service between Montreal, Que., and Vancouver, B.C., went into operation. This additional flight was routed through Edmonton, Alta., and Saskatoon, Sask.

In the domestic service, the development of commodity transport, particularly in the shipment of perishables, was 50 p.c. greater than in 1948 when air cargo service was inaugurated. The "all up" mail service was continued and the volume of mail carried, as measured on a ton-mileage basis, increased by 48 p.c. An over-all decrease in the cost of air travel and improved service standards attracted a record number of 648,574 revenue passengers to the airline as compared with 532,555 in 1948.

1.—Passenger, Freight and Mail Traffic of Trans-Canada Air Lines, 1940-49

Source: Trans-Canada Air Lines Annual Report.

Year	Revenue Passenger Traffic ¹		Revenue Commodity Traffic ²		Mail Traffic
	No.	Passenger miles	lb.	ton-miles	ton-miles
1940.....	53,180	28,782,217	138,773	79,584	442,036
1941.....	85,154	44,248,124	286,116	132,352	720,150
1942.....	102,762	51,334,839	527,635	247,314	1,072,571
1943.....	140,276	78,508,427	1,114,206	526,363	1,623,802
1944.....	156,884	84,425,354	1,117,747	510,760	1,760,488
1945.....	183,121	106,088,111	1,261,935	500,687	1,571,180
1946.....	305,442	155,777,319	1,453,743	513,493	1,210,716
1947.....	427,967	179,808,562	2,041,315	764,105	1,275,909
1948.....	532,555	249,575,544	4,313,297	1,608,102	2,294,088
1949.....	648,574	310,699,767	5,471,013	2,160,644	3,403,810

¹ Includes non-scheduled service.

² Includes excess baggage and express.

2.—Operating Revenues and Expenses of Trans-Canada Air Lines, 1940-49

Source: Trans-Canada Air Lines Annual Report.

Year	Passenger	Freight ¹	Mail	Total Operating Revenue ²	Operating Expenses ³	Net Surplus (+) or Deficit (-) ⁴
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1940.....	1,574,217	48,681	2,832,363	4,592,383	3,855,734	+539,263
1941.....	2,348,428	97,153	3,058,121	5,807,794	5,306,136	+302,437
1942.....	3,065,453	202,480	3,211,922	7,337,318	6,628,399	+494,915
1943.....	4,213,599	390,163	3,515,807	9,379,501	8,974,902	+147,889
1944.....	4,456,768	376,516	3,802,395	9,192,522	8,948,388	+7,409
1945.....	5,462,940	361,177	4,250,939	10,512,588	10,250,272	+32,772
1946.....	8,047,124	378,185	3,780,509	12,810,805	13,926,061	-1,269,624
1947.....	10,450,524	534,359	3,808,197	15,297,347	16,796,492	-1,761,043
1948.....	14,469,578	888,917	4,648,775	20,866,936	21,624,057	-1,183,022
1949.....	19,460,395	1,161,612	5,400,000	26,523,969	27,472,728	-1,419,444

¹ Express and excess baggage. Excluded each year except in 1946, 1947, 1948 and 1949.

² Includes other revenue.

³ Interest and exchange charges

⁴ Includes interest on capital invested.