

Germany. Improvements to domestic services included the extension of the *North Star* service from Montreal to Newfoundland, adding Fredericton, N.B., to the domestic route pattern, and the inauguration of a weekly flight from Montreal to Goose Bay, which had been previously serviced by North Atlantic operations.

TCA increased its domestic service for the winter months of 1952-53 by 8 p.c. over the corresponding season of 1951-52, reflecting the healthy trend of domestic confidence in air travel, due in no small measure to the operational dependability of the air line with its reputation of having completed 97 p.c. of all scheduled miles.

The unit cost of providing air transportation during the year decreased to 39.6 cents per available ton-mile owing to greater volume of business and increased productivity of staff and equipment.

During the year, the volume of passenger traffic increased by 20 p.c., freight and express by 30 p.c. and mail by 8 p.c. Operating revenues increased by 15 p.c. and operating expenses rose by 22 p.c. owing primarily to increased cost of operation and expenses incurred in carrying out the fleet expansion program.

1.—Passenger, Freight and Mail Traffic of Trans-Canada Air Lines, 1943-52

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
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	1,769,486
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
1950.....	790,808	379,605,810	9,518,009	3,585,775	3,644,752
1951.....	930,691	450,840,623	10,826,333	3,861,583	3,969,371
1952.....	1,132,518	653,961,415	19,757,969	7,042,427	4,843,052

¹ Includes non-scheduled service.

² Includes excess baggage and express.

2.—Operating Revenue and Expenditure of Trans-Canada Air Lines, 1943-52

Source: Trans-Canada Air Lines Annual Report.

Year	Passenger	Freight ¹	Mail	Total Operating Revenue ²	Operating Expenditure ³	Net Surplus (+) or Deficit (-) ⁴
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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
1950.....	24,183,501	1,667,827	5,400,000	31,810,684	31,318,613	+492,071
1951.....	28,666,505	1,913,703	5,741,000	37,043,289	32,670,654	+4,372,635
1952.....	42,022,616	3,730,521	7,698,641	55,057,708	52,744,741	+2,312,967

¹ Express and excess baggage. excluded except for 1946, 1947, 1948 and 1949.

² Includes other revenue.

³ Interest and exchange charges

⁴ Includes interest on capital invested.