

Quebecair is primarily responsible for the operation of scheduled service by large aircraft; the subsidiaries handle flights by light aircraft, charter and contract services. Scheduled services are operated over 4,000 unduplicated miles and some 30 localities situated in nine economic regions of Quebec and Labrador are served on a daily basis. Points linked are: Montreal, Quebec, Murray Bay (Charlevoix), Rivière du Loup, Rimouski, Mont Joli, Matane, Saguenay, Forestville, Baie Comeau (Hauterive), Manicouagan, Sept Îles, Gagnon, Wabush (Labrador City), Schefferville, Rivière au Tonnerre, Mingan, Havre St. Pierre, Port Menier, Gaspé, Baie Johan Beetz, Aguanish, Natashquan, Kegashka, Gethsémani, Harrington Harbour, Tête-à-la-Baleine, La Tabatière, St. Augustin, Old Fort Bay, St. Paul and Blanc Sablon.

At the end of 1966, the combined fleet of Quebecair and subsidiaries totalled 33 aircraft: four turbo-prop Fairchild F-27s, nine DC-3s, two Canso PBYs, one Curtiss C-46, three Lockheed 10s, one Beechcraft D-18, two Otter, four Beaver, two Cessna 185 and five Bell Helicopters 47-G-2. During that year, Quebecair and subsidiaries carried 180,698 passengers and flew 122,767 mail-ton-miles and 706,436 freight-ton-miles.

*TransAir Limited.*—TransAir Limited, with headquarters at the Winnipeg International Airport, operates scheduled services in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Ontario and the Northwest Territories and charter flights throughout Canada and to points around the world. The company's scheduled mainline services are operated in three areas: (1) The Prairies—from Winnipeg to Brandon-Regina-Saskatoon-Prince Albert and return, and from Winnipeg to Dauphin-Yorkton and return; (2) Manitoba and Central—from Winnipeg to The Pas-Thompson-Churchill and return, from Winnipeg to The Pas-Flin Flon-Lynn Lake and return, and from Winnipeg to Red Lake-Fort William/Port Arthur and return; and (3) Arctic—from Churchill to Rankin Inlet-Baker Lake and return and from Churchill to Rankin Inlet-Coral Harbour and return.

TransAir's fleet of multi-engine aircraft (DC-7C, Viscount, DC-4, DC-3 and C-47) is stationed at Winnipeg and at the company's major base at Churchill, Man. The DC-7C is used primarily on international and other long-range charter flights. Since 1961, under contract with the United States Air Force, TransAir has operated from Winnipeg and Churchill the vertical re-supply flights to the four main sites in the Canadian sector of the Distant Early Warning Line in the extreme Arctic and is regarded as the largest contract cargo carrier in Canada.

Consistent with the Canadian Transport Commission regional air-carrier policy, TransAir in 1967 sold its "bush" (primarily single-engine float and ski-equipped) aircraft, services and equipment in northwestern Ontario and Manitoba and hence has discontinued the network of flights it formerly operated from Sioux Lookout and Pickle Lake in Ontario, Norway House and Lac du Bonnet in Manitoba to points in adjacent areas. As a result, the company is now concentrating on its scheduled operations to larger centres. The company's routes are being studied in detail by the manufacturers of several turbo-prop and pure-jet aircraft and it is anticipated that modern aircraft of these types will be introduced in 1968. In 1966, TransAir carried 116,348 passengers, flew 3,562,836 miles and 6,158,594 revenue-ton-miles; employees numbered 341 and pilots 46.

*Pacific Western Airlines Ltd.*—Pacific Western Airlines Ltd., with head office at Vancouver International Airport, operates over more than 7,700 route miles; its services include scheduled mainline, local regular unit toll and charter flights in Saskatchewan, Alberta, Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories including the Arctic islands, and British Columbia. Regularly scheduled mainline services are operated northbound from Edmonton to Dawson Creek, Peace River, McMurray, Uranium City, Fort Smith, Cambridge Bay, Fort Resolution, Hay River, Yellowknife, Fort Simpson, Wrigley, Norman Wells and Inuvik. The only no-reservations-required AirBus service in Canada operates daily between Edmonton and Calgary. The company also operates international charter services.