## TRANSPORTATION

equipped Electra aircraft operate extensive ice reconnaissance services for the federal Department of the Environment. Nordair's fleet is composed of one Douglas DC-8-61F, five Boeing 737-200Cs, three Lockheed L-188 turbo-props, three F-227s, three Twin Otters, one Short Skyvan, and one Grumman Turbo Mallard and two Douglas DC-3s.

Pacific Western Airlines Limited, with head office at Vancouver International Airport, operates over 14,000 route-miles. Regularly scheduled mainline services are operated northbound from Edmonton to Prince George and Dawson Creek, BC; Peace River, High Level, Fort McMurray, Rainbow Lake and Fort Chipewyan, Alta.; Uranium City, Sask.; Fort Resolution, Hay River, Fort Smith, Fort Simpson, Rigley, Norman Wells, Inuvik, Yellowknife, Cambridge Bay and Resolute, NWT. The only no-reservations-required AirBus service in Canada operates daily between Calgary and Edmonton, Alta. On the Pacific Coast mainline services are operated from Vancouver to Comox, Powell River, Campbell River and Port Hardy, and Sandspit. In the interior of British Columbia, Pacific Western operates scheduled services from Vancouver to Kelowna, Penticton, Cranbrook, Kamloops and through to Calgary; Vancouver to Castlegar and Calgary; and Vancouver to Williams Lake, Quesnel and Smithers. The company also operates international charter passenger services from Vancouver, Edmonton and Calgary and extensive freight services, both over the entire scheduled domestic route system and chartered.

In 1974, more than 1.9 million revenue passengers were carried; revenue passenger-miles totalled 670.1 million miles, cargo ton-miles were 60.4 million and aircraft miles flown numbered 15.3 million. Comparable figures for 1973 were 1.7 million, 620.9 million, 56.3 million and 14.8 million, respectively. Pacific Western Airlines operates 24 aircraft: two Boeing 727s, two Boeing 707s, nine Boeing 737s, five Convair 640 jet props, four Lockheed Hercules (freight) and two Lockheed Electras (passenger and freight).

Quebecair, with its head office at Montreal International Airport, Dorval, offers scheduled services in Quebec and Labrador. The company was founded in 1946 under the name Le Syndicat d'Aviation de Rimouski. The name was changed to Rimouski Airlines in 1947 and to Quebecair in 1953 when it was amalgamated with Gulf Aviation. During 1965 Quebecair acquired Northern Wings Limited and Northern Wings Helicopters Limited and in 1967, A. Fecteau Transport Aérien Ltée.

Quebecair is responsible for operating scheduled services and the subsidiaries handle flights by light aircraft, charter and contract services. Scheduled services are operated over 6,000 miles serving some 43 localities in nine economic regions of Quebec and Labrador. Points linked are Montreal, Quebec City, Murray Bay (Charlevoix), Baie Comeau (Hauterive), Churchill Falls (Twin Falls), Gagnon, Wabush (Labrador City), Mingan, Mont-Joli-Rimouski, Rivière-au-Tonnerre, Saguenay (Bagotville), Schefferville, Sept Îles, Senneterre, Mistassini, Témiscaming, Lac Doda, Lac Caché, Lac Mistassini, Rupert River, Fort George, Obedjiwan, Oskelaneo, Manouane, Val-d'Or, Amos, Lebel-sur-Quévillon, Rupert House, Chibougamau, Matagami, Blanc Sablon, Saint-Paul, Old Fort Bay, Saint-Augustin, La Tabatière, Tête à la Baleine, Harrington Harbour, Gethsemani, Kégaska, Natashquan, Aguanish, Baie Johan Beetz and Havre-Saint-Pierre. Quebecair also operates group charters within Canada and to the United States, the Caribbean, Bermuda, Mexico and South America, using jet aircraft.

Revenue passengers transported by Quebecair in 1974 numbered 592,150 on a total of 248.0 million passenger-miles; goods were hauled on a total of just under 5 million ton-miles. Operating revenues rose from \$14.4 million in 1973 to \$24.3 million.

Quebecair's large and varied fleet of aircraft enables it to meet the diverse requirements of today's charter market. The combined fleet of Quebecair and its subsidiaries totalled 71 units: three BAC 111 jets, six Douglas DC-3s, 11 DHC-3 Otters, three Cessna 180s, three Beechcraft Queen Air 80s, four F-27 turbo-props, two Boeing 707s, one Boeing 727, 14 DHC-6 Beavers, three Cessna 185s, three Piper 23s, two Piper 31s, one Beechcraft 99, one Hawker-Siddeley and 14 helicopters.

Transair Limited. This company was formed in November 1969 through the merger of Transair Limited and Midwest Airlines Ltd., both of Winnipeg. With headquarters at the Winnipeg International Airport, the company operates scheduled services in Manitoba, Ontario and the Northwest Territories and charter flights from Canada to the United States,