Airways, Nordair, Ouebecair, Pacific Western Airlines and Transair) earn 13% of the total operating revenues. The remaining 19% is earned by some 600 smaller airlines, many of them operating in areas of Canada which are relatively inaccessible by surface transport. On international routes, the Canadian flag carriers provide scheduled services to Europe, the Soviet Union, Asia Minor, Japan and Hong Kong, Mexico and South America, Morocco, the Caribbean, Australia and the United States (including Hawaii). Thirty-three foreign airlines have scheduled services between Canada and other countries.

The Canadian Transport Commission (Air Transport Committee), in its Directory of Canadian Commercial Air Services, classifies commercial air-carriers

into two major groups, domestic and international.

Domestic air-carriers, which operate wholly within Canada, are divided into seven classes: scheduled carriers which provide public transportation of persons, goods or mail to designated points according to a service schedule, at a toll per unit; regular specific point carriers, to the extent that facilities are available, which provide public transportation to points according to a service pattern, at a toll per unit; specific point carriers which provide public transportation, serving points consistent with traffic requirements and operating conditions, at a toll per unit; charter carriers which offer public transportation from a base specified in the licence, at a toll per mile (1.61 km) or per hour for the charter of the entire aircraft, or at such other tolls as may be permitted by the Air Transport Committee; contract carriers which do not offer public transportation but carry persons or goods solely under contract; flying clubs which are incorporated as non-profit organizations and provide flying training and recreational flying; and specialty carriers operating for purposes not provided by other classes such as aerial photography and survey, aerial distribution (crop dusting, seeding), aerial inspection, reconnaissance and advertising, aerial control (fire control, firefighting, fog dispersal), aerial construction and air ambulance and mercy services.

International air-carriers, which operate between points in Canada and points in any other country, constitute two more classes of carrier: international scheduled carriers which provide public transportation serving points according to a service schedule at a toll per unit; and international carriers which are domestic and foreign air-carriers operating specific point or contract commercial service.

## Canada's international flag carriers

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Air Canada, a Crown corporation incorporated in 1937 as Trans-Canada Air Lines, maintains passenger, mail and commodity services over a network extending to 64 destinations in Canada, the United States, Ireland, the British Isles, Europe, Bermuda and the Caribbean. After earning net profits in all but two of the last 10 years, the company has been adversely affected by world economic pressures especially in the area of fuel, and as a result a loss of \$12 million was recorded in 1975. Air Canada carried 10.7 million revenue passengers in 1975, approximately the same number that were carried in 1974.

Passenger revenues amounted to \$786.4 million in 1975, up from \$708.3 million in 1974. Total revenues were \$957.1 million, compared with \$848.5 million in 1974. Operating expenses in 1975 climbed to \$917.8 million, compared with \$814.7 million the previous year.

At December 31, 1975 the airline's fleet consisted of 120 aircraft: six Boeing 747s, 10 Lockheed L-1011s, 37 DC-8s, 14 Boeing 727s and 53 DC-9s. Two L-1011s were leased for the peak summer traffic periods only.

Canadian Pacific Air Lines Limited (CP Air), a private airline, was established in 1942 by integrating 10 air-carrier bushline companies and has since developed into a major international flag carrier. In 1975 CP Air carried 2.5 million revenue passengers. Operating revenues for the year reached \$332 million.

CP Air's network radiates from the company's headquarters in Vancouver to Japan, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, Hawaii, Fiji, Australia, Portugal, Spain,