

subsidiaries totals 43 units: two Boeing 707s, one Boeing 727, four Boeing 737s, two Fairchild F-27 turbo-props, two Douglas DC-3s, 11 DHC-3 Otters, one Cessna 180, 13 DHC-2 Beavers, three Cessna 185s, three Beechcraft 99s and one Hawker-Siddeley 748.

**Transair Ltd.** This company was originally organized in 1947 as Central Northern Airways. In 1956 with the merger of Central Northern and Arctic Wings, Transair Ltd. was formed. In 1969 Midwest Airlines which operates the helicopter division became a subsidiary of Transair.

Transair operates scheduled services throughout Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, the Northwest Territories and Yukon. With Pacific Western Airlines connections, over 50 destinations are served. The Transair fleet consists of three Boeing 737s and two YS-11s. Midwest Airlines operates a total of 12 helicopters.

#### **Commonwealth and foreign scheduled commercial air services**

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At the end of 1979 there were 37 foreign air carriers holding valid Canadian operating certificates and licences issued for international scheduled commercial air services into and out of Canada: Aeroflot (USSR), Aerolineas Argentinas, Aeronaves de Mexico S.A., Air France, Air Jamaica Ltd., Alitalia-Linee Aeree Italiane, American Airlines Inc., British Airways, Czechoslovak Airlines, Delta Airlines Inc., Eastern Air Lines, El Al Israel Airlines Ltd., Empresa-Consolidada Cubana de Aviacion, Finnair, Frontier Airlines Inc., Hughes Air West (a division of Hughes Air Corporation), Iberia Air Lines of Spain, Irish International Airlines, Japan Air Lines Co. Ltd., KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Lot Polish Airlines, Lufthansa German Airlines, North Central Airlines Inc., Northwest Airlines Inc., Olympic Airways S.A., Qantas Airways Limited, Royal Air Maroc, Sabena Belgian World Airlines, Scandinavian Airlines System, Seaboard World Airlines Inc., Swissair, Transportes Aereos Portugueses S.A.R.L., Trinidad and Tobago (BWIA International) Airways, United Air Lines Inc., US Air, Western Air Lines Inc. and Wien Air Alaska Inc.

#### **Civil aviation statistics**

15.5.3

**Airport activity.** Air traffic activity continued to grow in 1978. The 60 major airports reported over 6.8 million aircraft movements (landings and take-offs). This represented an increase of 2.1% over 1977, a growth of 20.5% since 1974 and 56.8% since 1970. The 140 smaller airports without control tower facilities, which reported daily traffic counts, registered 2.2 million movements.

Toronto International airport continued to lead in the number of itinerant movements with 249,237, followed by Vancouver International with 246,740 and Montreal International (Dorval) with 176,383. Traffic at these three airports accounted for 19.7% of the total itinerant traffic reported by the 60 airports with Transport Canada control towers. Light aircraft weighing under 1814 kilograms accounted for 54.8% of these itinerant movements. Larger aircraft, such as the Boeing 747, DC-8 and DC-10, accounted for 126,349 movements or 3.7%. Piston engine aircraft contributed 61.8%, jet aircraft 23.6%, and turbo props, helicopters and gliders the remainder.

In 1978 there were 309,742 international movements recorded at airports with control tower facilities, up 5.9% from the 1977 total of 292,441. The 1978 total included 261,605 transborder movements (to and from the United States) and 48,137 other international movements.

Domestic charter movements by aircraft carriers, as reported by all stations with air traffic control towers, rose by 14.4% from 30,978 in 1977 to 35,427 in 1978. Charter transborder movements were up 11% to 13,295 from 11,978. Charter movements to and from other international points were up only 447 from the 14,044 movements registered in 1977.

The busiest airport in Canada in 1978 in total air traffic activity was Saint-Hubert, Que., near Montreal, with 294,155 movements, 192,107 of them local, related to pilot training or recreational flying.

**Commercial air services.** Tables 15.28 and 15.29 provide statistics on commercial air services of Canadian airlines with gross annual flying revenues exceeding \$150,000 and