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- r revised
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Highlights

- Air passenger traffic at Canadian airports increased 2.7% in 2015, the sixth consecutive annual increase following the economic slowdown of 2009. All sectors experienced growth, as the domestic sector expanded 1.9% (+1.5 million passengers), other international traffic was up 6.6% (+1.7 million) and transborder traffic (between Canada and the United States) increased 1.1% (+0.3 million). Continued strong traffic growth at Canada's two largest airports (Lester B. Pearson in Toronto and Vancouver International) was a significant factor. The trend for air passenger traffic in Canada, since 1997, is shown in Chart 1.
- The total number of passengers enplaned and deplaned in Canada rose from 104.8 million in 2009 to 133.4 million in 2015, an increase of 27.3%. Since 2009, the transborder (+29.0%) and other international (+40.0%) sectors have experienced stronger passenger traffic growth than the domestic sector (+22.9%). However, the domestic sector remains the largest with 79.5 million passengers in 2015, compared with the transborder (26.5 million) and other international (27.4 million) sectors.
- The weight of cargo loaded and unloaded at Canadian airports increased 6.4% in 2015 to just under 1.2 million tonnes. Domestic cargo increased 10.0% to 531,000 tonnes. Transborder tonnages increased 1.8% to 233,000 tonnes while international cargo grew 4.6% to 408,000 tonnes.
- Canadian airports experienced a decrease in the total number of flights arriving and departing; flights were down 1.4% in 2015.

Note to readers

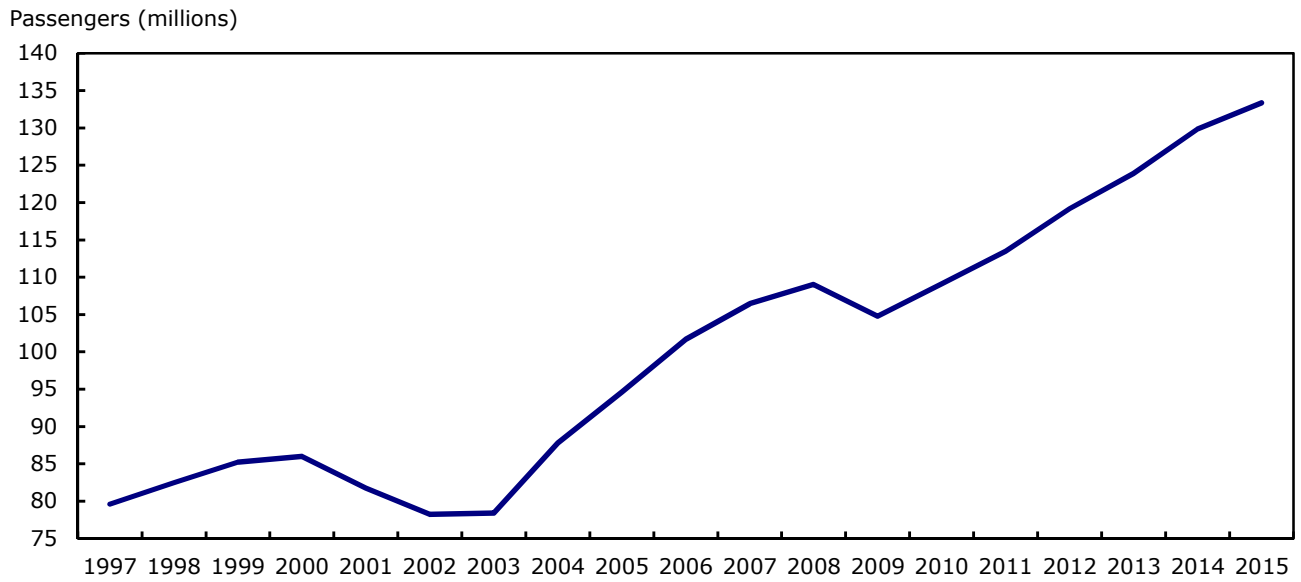
The 2015 edition is the last issue of *Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports (51-203-X)*.

Data and information previously included in the publication will be regularly released and made available in *The Daily*, on CANSIM or in the repository for survey definitions, data sources and methods *Airport Activity Survey (survey 2701)*. Hyperlinks to all this information will be included in *The Daily*.

Text table 1
Passenger and cargo data

	Annual 2014 ^f	Annual 2015	Change 2014 to 2015
	number		percent
Enplaned and Deplaned Passengers			
Domestic Segments	77,969,562	79,460,533	1.9
Transborder Segments	26,198,902	26,491,992	1.1
Other International Segments	25,700,406	27,402,334	6.6
Total	129,868,870	133,354,859	2.7
Loaded/Unloaded Cargo (tonnes)	1,102,407	1,172,622	6.4

Chart 1
Total enplaned/deplaned passengers



Introduction

In 1968, Statistics Canada published its first Airport Activity Statistics publication. Over the next 20 years, changes occurring in the industry and regulations prompted changes in the survey methodology and publication format. On January 1st, 1988 the National Transportation Act, 1987, came into effect. Changes in the statistical reporting requirements for air carriers prompted a review of the content and presentation of the Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports publication (catalogue 51-005).

In response to these changes, a new format was introduced for the publication beginning with the first quarter 1989 issue. The publication now displays preliminary data for the current reference year and revised data for the previous year.

The redesigned Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports publication continued most of the past data series and in addition, incorporated data on regional and local scheduled services to complement the data previously published on Canadian and foreign carriers' major scheduled services and major charter services. This provided a comprehensive overview of air traffic activity at Canadian airports.

It should be noted that, prior to the changes in the statistical reporting requirements, this publication provided data on both revenue and non-revenue passengers. However, carriers are now required to report only revenue passengers, and, as such, all references to passengers in this publication refer to revenue passengers.

Beginning in 1995, this publication was only produced annually with the new catalogue number 51-203.

Starting in 2003, the content of this publication was reduced significantly. More specifically, most tables providing data by type of services (major scheduled services, regional/local scheduled services and major charter services) were eliminated. This change is due to the concerns expressed by carriers in the current context of increased commercial sensitivity of aviation data. In addition, table 1-1 is now showing the top 50 airports, compared to the top 100 airports previously published. Some of the data that used to be available in these tables may still be obtained by contacting the Aviation Statistics Centre.

Beginning with 2007 data and coinciding with the national roll-out of the Transport Canada Electronic Collection of Air Transportation Statistics (ECATS) project, data are reported electronically to Transport Canada and shared with Statistics Canada.

Passenger and cargo are available on CANSIM.

Note to Users

Cargo data

It is important to note that the air cargo data presented in the Table 2 series does not represent the total cargo loaded and unloaded in Canada. Comprehensive cargo data are not collected for the following reasons:

- i. the regional and local scheduled carriers do not file cargo data on the airport activity survey and,
- ii. the major charter survey does not collect data on domestic courier cargo or domestic entity cargo flights.

Related products

Selected CANSIM tables from Statistics Canada

401-0044 Air passenger traffic and flights, annual

401-0045 Air cargo traffic and flights, annual

Selected surveys from Statistics Canada

2701 Airport Activity Survey

2704 Coupon Passenger Origin and Destination Report - Other Unit Toll Services

2705 Air Charter Statistics

Statistical tables

Table 1-1
Passengers enplaned and deplaned on selected services — Top 50 airports

Airport	Enplaned	Deplaned	Total passengers		
			2014 ^r	2015	Change
	number				percent
Abbotsford, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x
Calgary Intl, Alta.	7,267,827	7,311,102	14,446,981	14,578,929	0.9
Charlottetown, P.E.I.	155,451	155,372	308,351	310,823	0.8
Comox, B.C.	173,622	170,296	317,974	343,918	8.2
Cranbrook, B.C.	64,953	64,825	125,156	129,778	3.7
Deer Lake, N.L.	161,178	163,478	319,791	324,656	1.5
Edmonton Intl, Alta.	3,730,217	3,735,924	7,634,926	7,466,141	-2.2
Fort MacKay/Albian, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x
Fort MacKay/Horizon, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x
Fort McMurray, Alta.	508,807	499,338	1,164,761	1,008,145	-13.4
Fort St John, B.C.	128,597	127,924	245,800	256,521	4.4
Fredericton International, N.B.	168,765	168,524	x	337,289	x
Gander Intl, N.L.	85,152	86,746	141,134	171,898	21.8
Goose Bay, N.L.	94,189	95,772	176,170	189,961	7.8
Grande Prairie, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x
Halifax/Robert L Stanfield Intl, N.S.	1,802,370	1,799,480	3,579,850	3,601,850	0.6
Hamilton, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Iqaluit, Nvt.	69,453	87,180	x	156,633	x
Kamloops, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x
Kelowna, B.C.	776,277	774,372	1,562,546	1,550,649	-0.8
Kitchener/Waterloo, Ont.	71,414	74,270	133,829	145,684	8.9
London, Ont.	241,272	236,312	478,713	477,584	-0.2
Moncton/Greater Moncton Intl, N.B.	315,498	312,556	648,547	628,054	-3.2
Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau Intl, Que.	7,367,059	7,386,188	14,211,942	14,753,247	3.8
Nanaimo, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x
Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier Intl, Ont.	2,223,778	2,204,764	4,467,467	4,428,542	-0.9
Prince George, B.C.	215,703	216,148	428,288	431,851	0.8
Québec/Jean Lesage Intl, Que.	746,258	743,126	1,449,044	1,489,384	2.8
Regina Intl, Sask.	618,909	622,909	1,244,888	1,241,818	-0.2
Saint John, N.B.	x	x	x	x	x
Saskatoon/John G Diefenbaker Intl, Sask.	708,627	713,723	1,460,613	1,422,350	-2.6
Sault Ste Marie, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Sept-Îles, Que.	73,207	73,030	132,451	146,237	10.4
St John's Intl, N.L.	726,526	717,953	1,519,600	1,444,479	-4.9
Sudbury, Ont.	115,114	113,896	232,880	229,010	-1.7
Sydney, N.S.	91,263	90,499	x	181,762	x
Terrace, B.C.	138,252	138,627	290,653	276,879	-4.7
Thunder Bay, Ont.	365,757	366,379	739,028	732,136	-0.9
Timmins, Ont.	106,016	104,815	210,448	210,831	0.2
Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Toronto/Lester B Pearson Intl, Ont.	19,775,712	19,863,129	37,457,812	39,638,841	5.8
Vancouver Harbour, B.C.	127,195	124,948	247,739	252,143	1.8
Vancouver Intl, B.C.	9,875,532	9,814,983	18,876,470	19,690,515	4.3
Victoria Harbour, B.C.	101,693	97,280	203,534	198,973	-2.2
Victoria Intl, B.C.	826,438	835,351	1,610,512	1,661,789	3.2
Wabush, N.L.	61,501	61,600	153,628	123,101	-19.9
Whitehorse Intl, Y.T.	142,928	143,479	304,871	286,407	-6.1
Windsor, Ont.	134,655	132,913	248,586	267,568	7.6
Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson Intl, Man.	1,781,226	1,791,681	3,538,056	3,572,907	1.0
Yellowknife, N.W.T.	195,924	196,206	358,699	392,130	9.3
Canada	66,642,201	66,712,658	129,868,870	133,354,859	2.7

Table 1-2
Passengers enplaned and deplaned on selected services — Top 50 airports by sector

Airport	Domestic			Transborder			Other international			Total sector
	2014 ^r	2015	Change	2014 ^r	2015	Change	2014 ^r	2015	Change	2015
	number	percent		number	percent		number	percent		number
Abbotsford, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Calgary Intl, Alta.	10,001,496	10,207,485	2.1	3,034,590	2,968,620	-2.2	1,410,895	1,402,824	-0.6	14,578,929
Charlottetown, P.E.I.	304,049	305,902	0.6	x	x	x	x	x	x	310,823
Comox, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	343,918
Cranbrook, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	...	129,778
Deer Lake, N.L.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	324,656
Edmonton Intl, Alta.	5,873,637	5,808,538	-1.1	1,340,550	1,183,423	-11.7	420,739	474,180	12.7	7,466,141
Fort MacKay/Albian, Alta.	x	x	x	0	0	...	0	0	...	x
Fort MacKay/Horizon, Alta.	x	x	x	0	0	...	0	0	...	x
Fort McMurray, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	1,008,145
Fort St John, B.C.	245,800	256,521	4.4	0	0	...	0	0	...	256,521
Fredericton International, N.B.	x	337,251	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	337,289
Gander Intl, N.L.	131,617	160,578	22.0	3,335	3,986	19.5	6,182	7,334	18.6	171,898
Goose Bay, N.L.	x	184,983	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	189,961
Grande Prairie, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Halifax/Robert L. Stanfield Intl, N.S.	2,892,127	2,949,783	2.0	366,750	325,750	-11.2	320,973	326,317	1.7	3,601,850
Hamilton, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Iqaluit, Nvt.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	156,633
Kamloops, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	...	x
Kelowna, B.C.	1,376,309	1,388,411	0.9	152,059	127,474	-16.2	34,178	34,764	1.7	1,550,649
Kitchener/Waterloo, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	145,684
London, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	28,397	25,776	-9.2	477,584
Moncton/Greater Moncton Intl, N.B.	585,870	576,498	-1.6	24,909	11,192	-55.1	37,768	40,364	6.9	628,054
Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau Intl, Que.	5,388,605	5,521,181	2.5	3,385,698	3,436,743	1.5	5,437,639	5,795,323	6.6	14,753,247
Nanaimo, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	...	x
Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier Intl, Ont.	3,313,170	3,374,404	1.8	715,222	623,357	-12.8	439,075	430,781	-1.9	4,428,542
Prince George, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	431,851
Québec/Jean Lesage Intl, Que.	862,574	897,769	4.1	233,579	220,393	-5.6	352,891	371,222	5.2	1,489,384
Regina Intl, Sask.	990,946	1,039,179	4.9	x	x	x	x	x	x	1,241,818
Saint John, N.B.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Saskatoon/John G Diefenbaker Intl, Sask.	1,183,704	1,201,835	1.5	x	x	x	x	x	x	1,422,350
Sault Ste Marie, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sept-Îles, Que.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	146,237
St John's Intl, N.L.	1,365,652	1,304,321	-4.5	60,649	38,346	-36.8	93,299	101,812	9.1	1,444,479
Sudbury, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	...	229,010
Sydney, N.S.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	181,762
Terrace, B.C.	x	276,879	x	x	0	x	0	0	...	276,879
Thunder Bay, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	732,136
Timmins, Ont.	210,448	210,831	0.2	0	0	...	0	0	...	210,831
Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	...	x
Toronto/Lester B Pearson Intl, Ont.	15,021,121	15,661,502	4.3	10,165,869	10,752,741	5.8	12,270,822	13,224,598	7.8	39,638,841
Vancouver Harbour, B.C.	x	x	x	0	0	...	x	x	x	252,143
Vancouver Intl, B.C.	9,857,724	10,174,362	3.2	4,660,325	4,861,642	4.3	4,358,421	4,654,511	6.8	19,690,515
Victoria Harbour, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	198,973
Victoria Intl, B.C.	1,321,293	1,367,164	3.5	265,322	270,302	1.9	23,897	24,323	1.8	1,661,789
Wabush, N.L.	153,628	123,101	-19.9	0	0	...	0	0	...	123,101
Whitehorse Intl, Y.T.	297,858	279,572	-6.1	x	x	x	x	x	x	286,407
Windsor, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	267,568
Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson Intl, Man.	2,891,878	2,956,005	2.2	467,767	436,326	-6.7	178,411	180,576	1.2	3,572,907
Yellowknife, N.W.T.	358,699	392,130	9.3	0	0	...	0	0	...	392,130
Canada	77,969,562	79,460,533	1.9	26,198,902	26,491,992	1.1	25,700,406	27,402,334	6.6	133,354,859

Table 1-3
Passengers enplaned and deplaned on selected services — By sector, by province and territory

Province or Territory	Domestic			Transborder			Other international			Total sector
	2014 ^r	2015	Change	2014 ^r	2015	Change	2014 ^r	2015	Change	2015
	number		percent	number		percent	number		percent	number
Newfoundland and Labrador	2,199,109	2,155,196	-2.0	65,804	44,272	-32.7	107,791	115,717	7.4	2,315,185
Prince Edward Island	304,049	305,902	0.6	x	x	x	x	x	x	310,823
Nova Scotia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	3,785,106
New Brunswick	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Quebec	7,089,123	7,298,704	3.0	3,620,531	3,657,217	1.0	5,805,875	6,178,561	6.4	17,134,482
Ontario	22,821,773	23,509,931	3.0	11,779,963	12,314,323	4.5	12,807,478	13,764,199	7.5	49,588,453
Manitoba	3,313,507	3,333,396	0.6	x	x	x	x	x	x	3,950,298
Saskatchewan	2,256,535	2,320,502	2.8	383,739	265,919	-30.7	147,118	157,241	6.9	2,743,662
Alberta	18,278,518	18,249,870	-0.2	4,387,423	4,152,212	-5.4	1,834,452	1,879,548	2.5	24,281,630
British Columbia	16,218,383	16,734,112	3.2	5,100,835	5,283,861	3.6	4,432,779	4,731,187	6.7	26,749,160
Northwest Territories	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	0	...	567,925
Yukon	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nunavut	367,527	361,393	-1.7	x	x	x	x	x	x	361,780
Canada	77,969,562	79,460,533	1.9	26,198,902	26,491,992	1.1	25,700,406	27,402,334	6.6	133,354,859

Table 2-1
Tonnes of cargo loaded and unloaded on major scheduled services and major charter services — Top 50 airports

Airport	Loaded	Unloaded	Total cargo		Change
			2014 ^r	2015	
	tonnes			percent	
Calgary Intl, Alta.	33,229.0	49,924.5	85,548.4	83,153.5	-2.8
Cambridge Bay, Nvt.	x	x	x	x	x
Edmonton Intl, Alta.	8,914.3	19,004.2	27,624.2	27,918.5	1.1
Fond du Lac, Sask.	x	x	x	x	x
Fort Chipewyan, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x
Fort McMurray, Alta.	x	x	223.9	x	x
Fort St John, B.C.	x	x	197.8	314.4	58.9
Gander Intl, N.L.	x	x	560.4	x	x
Grande Prairie, Alta.	x	x	x	x	x
Halifax/Robert L Stanfield Intl, N.S.	17,075.2	9,627.6	28,688.9	26,702.8	-6.9
Hamilton, Ont.	60,991.1	49,806.1	88,983.8	110,797.2	24.5
Inuvik/Mike Zubko, N.W.T.	x	x	x	x	x
Iqaluit, Nvt.	x	x	x	x	x
Island Lake, Man.	x	x	x	x	x
Kamloops, B.C.	x	x	x	1,435.7	x
Kelowna, B.C.	655.0	1,102.3	2,295.9	1,757.2	-23.5
Kingston, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Little Grand Rapids, Man.	x	x	x	x	x
Lutsel'ke, N.W.T.	x	x	x	x	x
Moncton/Greater Moncton Intl, N.B.	13,879.0	15,107.4	21,262.4	28,986.4	36.3
Montréal/Mirabel Intl, Que.	32,694.2	37,490.4	64,148.1	70,184.6	9.4
Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau Intl, Que.	33,082.8	46,717.4	76,748.4	79,800.2	4.0
Nanaimo, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x
Norman Wells, N.W.T.	x	x	x	x	x
North Bay, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier Intl, Ont.	6,345.8	6,511.9	11,872.0	12,857.7	8.3
Poplar River, Man.	x	x	x	x	x
Port-Menier, Que.	x	x	x	x	x
Prince Albert, Sask.	x	x	x	x	x
Prince George, B.C.	x	x	1,120.3	796.7	-28.9
Québec/Jean Lesage Intl, Que.	975.7	1,437.9	2,887.7	2,413.6	-16.4
Rankin Inlet, Nvt.	110.3	135.4	x	245.7	x
Regina Intl, Sask.	x	x	5,520.9	x	x
Saskatoon/John G Diefenbaker Intl, Sask.	1,962.2	2,897.7	x	4,859.8	x
Sault Ste Marie, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
St John's Intl, N.L.	2,070.1	7,400.3	7,763.4	9,470.4	22.0
St Theresa Point, Man.	x	x	x	x	x
Stony Rapids, Sask.	x	x	x	x	x
Sudbury, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Thompson, Man.	x	x	x	x	x
Thunder Bay, Ont.	507.5	1,020.1	x	1,527.6	x
Toronto/Buttonville Municipal, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Toronto/Lester B Pearson Intl, Ont.	156,616.1	211,377.0	356,794.4	367,993.1	3.1
Vancouver Intl, B.C.	120,076.3	118,019.3	217,198.1	238,095.6	9.6
Victoria Intl, B.C.	828.7	1,988.4	4,256.9	2,817.2	-33.8
Whati, N.W.T.	x	x	x	x	x
Windsor, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x
Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson Intl, Man.	30,895.1	34,983.2	61,242.9	65,878.2	7.6
Winnipeg/St Andrews, Man.	x	x	x	x	x
Yellowknife, N.W.T.	x	x	x	x	x
Canada	536,155.0	636,466.8	1,102,406.9	1,172,621.8	6.4

Table 2-2
Tonnes of cargo loaded and unloaded on major scheduled services and major charter services — Top 50 airports by sector

Airport	Domestic			Transborder			Other international			Total sector
	2014 ^f	2015	Change	2014 ^f	2015	Change	2014 ^f	2015	Change	2015
	tonnes	percent		tonnes	percent		tonnes	percent		tonnes
Calgary Intl, Alta.	36,555.0	40,165.8	9.9	22,885.1	20,101.1	-12.2	26,108.3	22,886.6	-12.3	83,153.5
Cambridge Bay, Nvt.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Edmonton Intl, Alta.	18,090.8	19,350.9	7.0	8,289.7	6,825.0	-17.7	1,243.8	1,742.6	40.1	27,918.5
Fond du Lac, Sask.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Fort Chipewyan, Alta.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Fort McMurray, Alta.	223.9	x	x	0.0	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	x
Fort St John, B.C.	197.8	314.4	58.9	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	314.4
Gander Intl, N.L.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Grande Prairie, Alta.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Halifax/Robert L Stanfield Intl, N.S.	25,235.4	22,765.6	-9.8	35.0	334.6	...	3,418.5	3,602.6	5.4	26,702.8
Hamilton, Ont.	63,134.4	77,074.1	22.1	25,384.5	x	x	465.0	x	x	110,797.2
Inuvik/Mike Zubko, N.W.T.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Iqaluit, Nvt.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Island Lake, Man.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Kamloops, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	1,435.7
Kelowna, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	1,757.2
Kingston, Ont.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Little Grand Rapids, Man.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Lutsel'k'e, N.W.T.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Moncton/Greater Moncton Intl, N.B.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	28,986.4
Montréal/Mirabel Intl, Que.	27,686.6	32,626.7	17.8	36,061.0	36,832.5	2.1	400.5	725.4	81.1	70,184.6
Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau Intl, Que.	13,837.4	15,701.1	13.5	1,242.7	863.8	-30.5	61,668.2	63,235.3	2.5	79,800.2
Nanaimo, B.C.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Norman Wells, N.W.T.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
North Bay, Ont.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier Intl, Ont.	9,019.1	9,361.1	3.8	772.9	1,036.0	34.0	2,080.0	2,460.5	18.3	12,857.7
Poplar River, Man.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Port-Menier, Que.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Prince Albert, Sask.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Prince George, B.C.	1,120.3	796.7	-28.9	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	796.7
Québec/Jean Lesage Intl, Que.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	2,413.6
Rankin Inlet, Nvt.	x	245.7	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	245.7
Regina Intl, Sask.	5,520.9	x	x	0.0	x	x	0.0	x	x	x
Saskatoon/John G Diefenbaker Intl, Sask.	x	4,859.8	x	x	0.0	x	x	0.0	x	4,859.8
Sault Ste Marie, Ont.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
St John's Intl, N.L.	7,467.4	x	x	196.7	x	x	99.4	x	x	9,470.4
St Theresa Point, Man.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Stony Rapids, Sask.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Sudbury, Ont.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Thompson, Man.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Thunder Bay, Ont.	x	1,527.6	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	1,527.6
Toronto/Buttonville Municipal, Ont.	0.0	0.0	...	x	0.0	x	x	x	x	x
Toronto/Lester B Pearson Intl, Ont.	72,682.9	78,958.7	8.6	91,913.2	87,206.0	-5.1	192,198.4	201,828.4	5.0	367,993.1
Vancouver Intl, B.C.	83,666.1	90,191.0	7.8	33,392.4	37,658.7	12.8	100,139.6	110,245.9	10.1	238,095.6
Victoria Intl, B.C.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	2,817.2
Whati, N.W.T.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	...	x
Windsor, Ont.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0.0	x	x
Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson Intl, Man.	52,183.2	x	x	8,131.6	x	x	928.1	x	x	65,878.2
Winnipeg/St Andrews, Man.	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Yellowknife, N.W.T.	x	x	x	0.0	0.0	...	x	x	x	x
Canada	483,311.5	531,457.0	10.0	228,797.0	232,909.8	1.8	390,298.4	408,255.1	4.6	1,172,621.8

Table 2-3
Tonnes of cargo loaded and unloaded on major scheduled services and major charter services — By sector, by province and territory

Province or Territory	Domestic	Transborder	Other international	Total sector		Change
				2014	2015	
	tonnes					percent
Newfoundland and Labrador	9,674.3	213.2	142.7	8,739.9	10,030.2	14.8
Prince Edward Island	x	0.0	0.0	x	x	x
Nova Scotia	x	x	x	x	x	x
New Brunswick	x	x	x	21,621.8	29,272.1	35.4
Quebec	52,286.3	37,709.1	63,969.7	144,909.7	153,965.0	6.2
Ontario	170,349.7	121,783.9	204,939.7	463,512.3	497,073.3	7.2
Manitoba	x	x	x	65,894.7	71,124.7	7.9
Saskatchewan	x	x	x	12,077.8	11,030.2	-8.7
Alberta	x	x	x	114,491.0	112,475.1	-1.8
British Columbia	98,928.8	37,659.0	110,245.9	228,984.3	246,833.7	7.8
Northwest Territories	x	0.0	x	x	x	x
Yukon	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nunavut	x	0.0	0.0	x	x	x
Canada	531,457.0	232,909.8	408,255.1	1,102,406.9	1,172,621.8	6.4

Table 3
Top 50 airports according to arriving and departing flights for scheduled services and major charter services —
by passenger flights and by cargo flights

Airport	Passenger flights	Cargo flights	Total		Change
			2014 ^r	2015	
		number			percent
Abbotsford, B.C.	7,602	x	x	x	x
Calgary Intl, Alta.	188,321	10,155	190,459	198,476	4.2
Charlottetown, P.E.I.	7,199	687	7,804	7,886	1.1
Comox, B.C.	13,654	0	x	13,654	x
Cranbrook, B.C.	6,853	360	x	7,213	x
Deer Lake, N.L.	10,762	807	11,679	11,569	-0.9
Edmonton Intl, Alta.	104,008	3,750	109,004	107,758	-1.1
Fort Hope, Ont.	9,967	...	10,081	9,967	-1.1
Fort McMurray, Alta.	18,433	87	20,021	18,520	-7.5
Fort St John, B.C.	6,392	762	7,090	7,154	0.9
Fredericton International, N.B.	9,315	367	9,074	9,682	6.7
Gander Intl, N.L.	6,898	819	6,810	7,717	13.3
Goose Bay, N.L.	11,225	x	x	x	x
Grande Prairie, Alta.	9,369	798	10,081	10,167	0.9
Halifax/Robert L Stanfield Intl, N.S.	61,276	3,288	64,323	64,564	0.4
Hamilton, Ont.	3,230	8,933	12,782	12,163	-4.8
Iqaluit, Nvt.	12,325	x	x	x	x
Kamloops, B.C.	8,356	2,362	10,148	10,718	5.6
Kelowna, B.C.	25,113	3,013	27,369	28,126	2.8
London, Ont.	10,982	43	11,100	11,025	-0.7
Moncton/Greater Moncton Intl, N.B.	12,184	4,293	16,823	16,477	-2.1
Montréal/Pierre Elliott Trudeau Intl, Que.	177,083	143	178,616	177,226	-0.8
Nakina, Ont.	16,142	...	16,028	16,142	0.7
Nanaimo, B.C.	8,092	1,090	8,367	9,182	9.7
Nanaimo/Harbour, B.C.	18,787	...	18,300	18,787	2.7
Ottawa/Macdonald-Cartier Intl, Ont.	77,326	986	79,052	78,312	-0.9
Prince Albert, Sask.	6,653	x	x	x	x
Prince George, B.C.	10,626	1,594	11,852	12,220	3.1
Québec/Jean Lesage Intl, Que.	34,804	888	38,191	35,692	-6.5
Regina Intl, Sask.	21,243	2,636	26,014	23,879	-8.2
Saint John, N.B.	7,010	649	7,913	7,659	-3.2
Saskatoon/John G Diefenbaker Intl, Sask.	25,974	2,401	29,593	28,375	-4.1
Sault Ste Marie, Ont.	7,817	975	9,063	8,792	-3.0
Sept-Îles, Que.	11,666	0	x	11,666	x
Sioux Lookout, Ont.	11,326	0	x	11,326	x
St John's Intl, N.L.	24,258	1,035	26,773	25,293	-5.5
Sudbury, Ont.	9,191	1,764	11,366	10,955	-3.6
Terrace, B.C.	8,786	908	8,952	9,694	8.3
Thunder Bay, Ont.	26,934	1,028	27,699	27,962	0.9
Timmins, Ont.	10,030	369	10,279	10,399	1.2
Toronto/Billy Bishop Toronto City, Ont.	58,539	...	58,446	58,539	0.2
Toronto/Lester B Pearson Intl, Ont.	399,783	6,325	398,536	406,108	1.9
Vancouver Harbour, B.C.	41,502	...	42,378	41,502	-2.1
Vancouver Intl, B.C.	241,401	12,149	251,536	253,550	0.8
Victoria Harbour, B.C.	28,501	...	30,646	28,501	-7.0
Victoria Intl, B.C.	33,688	2,925	36,447	36,613	0.5
Wabush, N.L.	7,524	0	x	7,524	x
Windsor, Ont.	7,312	536	7,488	7,848	4.8
Winnipeg/James Armstrong Richardson Intl, Man.	59,781	7,883	74,549	67,664	-9.2
Yellowknife, N.W.T.	19,297	259	20,071	19,556	-2.6
Canada	2,342,663	105,985	2,483,191	2,448,648	-1.4

Services offered by carriers - 2015

Scheduled Services

ABX Air Inc.

ACM Aviation

Aer Lingus

Aeroflot

Aeromexico

Air Algerie

Air Canada

Air China

Air Creebec Inc.

Air France

Air Georgian Limited

Air Inuit Ltd.

Air New Zealand

Air North Charter Training Ltd.

Air St Pierre

Air Tindi Ltd.

Air Transat A.T. Inc.

Air Wisconsin

Aklak Air

Alaska Airlines

Alitalia

All Nippon Airways

American Airlines

Amik Aviation Ltd.

Arkefly

Atlas Air Inc.

Austrian Airlines

Aviation Consultants Inc.

Bearskin Airlines

Bradley Air Services Limited
British Airways
Buffalo Airways Ltd.
Calm Air International Ltd.
Canadian North Inc.
Cargojet Airways Ltd.
Cargolux Airlines International
Caribbean Airlines
Carson Air Ltd.
Castle Aviation
Cathay Pacific Airways
Central Mountain Air Ltd.
China Airlines
China Eastern Airlines
China Southern Airlines
Commutair
Compass Airlines (North America)
Condor Flugdienst
Continental Airlines
COPA
Corilair Charters Limited
Corse Air Intl.
Cubana Airlines
Delta Air Lines
Edelweiss Air
EgyptAir
El Al Israel Airlines
Emirates Airlines
Empire Airlines
Envoy Air Inc.
Ethiopian Airlines
Etihad Airways
EVA Airways Corporation

Exploits Valley Air Services Ltd.
ExpressJet
FedEx
Finnair
Fly Jamaica Airways
GoJet Airlines LLC
Griffing Flying Service
Hainan Airlines
Harbour Air Ltd.
Hawkair Aviation Services Ltd.
Helijet International Inc.
Horizon Air Industries Inc.
Icelandair
Inland Air Charters Ltd.
Integra Air Inc.
Island Express Air Inc.
JAL-Japan Airlines International Co. Ltd.
Jazz Air Inc.
JDR Pacific Ventures Ltd.
Jet Access Aviation
Jet Airways India
K D Air Corporation
Keewatin Air Ltd.
Kenmore Air Harbor Inc.
Kenn Borek Air Ltd.
KF Aerospace
KLM Royal Dutch Airlines
Korean Air
Labrador Airways Ltd.
LACSA
LOT-Polish Airlines
Lufthansa German Airlines
McMurray Aviation

Mesa Airlines
Midwest Airlines Inc.
Mississippi Airways
Montmagny Air Service Inc.
Morningstar Air Express Inc.
Nakina Outpost Camps & Air Service Ltd.
Northern Air Charter (P.R.) Inc.
Northern Thunderbird Air Inc.
Northway Aviation Ltd.
Northwestern Air Lease
Northwright Air
Omni Air Express
Orca Airways Ltd.
Pacific Coastal Airlines Limited
Pakistan International
Pascan Aviation Inc.
Perimeter Aviation Ltd.
Philippine Airlines Inc.
Pinnacle Airlines
Porter Airlines Inc.
Provincial Airlines
Qatar Airways
Royal Air Maroc
Royal Jordanian
Salt Spring Island Air Ltd.
SATA Internacional
Saudia
Shuttle America Corp.
Sichuan Airlines Co. Ltd.
Sky Regional Airlines Inc.
Sky West Airlines
SkyJet M.G. Inc.
Skylink Express Inc.

Sunwest Aviation Ltd.
Sunwing Airlines Inc.
Swiss International Air Lines Ltd.
TAG Aviation
Thunder Airlines Limited
Tofino Airlines Ltd.
Transaero Airlines
Transwest Air
Turkish Airlines
Tyrolean Jet Service
United Airlines
United Parcel Service
US Airways Inc.
Vancouver Island Air Ltd.
Virgin Atlantic Airways
Wasaya Airways Limited Partnership
West Coast Air Ltd.
West Wind Aviation Limited Partnership
WestJet
WestJet Encore

Major Charter Services

ACM Air Charter
ACM Aviation
Aeromexico
Air Alsie
Air Canada
Air Foyle
Air Rutter International
Air St Pierre
Air Transat A.T. Inc.
Airborne Inc.
American Air Services Inc.
American Airlines

Ameristar Air Cargo Inc.
Arkefly
ATI - Air Transport International LLC
Atlas Air Inc.
Aviation Consultants Inc.
Aviation Starlink Inc.
Avjet Corporation
Canadian North Inc.
CanJet Airlines
Cargolux Airlines International
Cathay Pacific Airways
Centaero Aviation Ltd.
Chantilly Air Inc.
China Airlines
Cockrell Resources Inc.
Condor Flugdienst
Continental Airlines
Corporate Flight International Inc.
Delta Air Lines
Enerjet
Executive Fliteways Inc.
Fast Air Ltd.
Flair Airlines Ltd.
Flexjet
Flight Options
Flightexec
Florida Jet Service Inc.
Florida West International Airlines
G5 Executive AG
GainJet Aviation
Galaxy Airways
Global Aviation
Gulf & Caribbean Cargo Inc.

Independent Flight Leasing Inc.
JAL-Japan Airlines International Co Ltd.
Jazz Air Inc.
JEM Air Holdings
Jet Access Aviation
Jet Linx Aviation
Jet Solutions LLC
JETEX LLC
Jetport Inc.
Kalitta Air LLC
Key Air
Landmark Aviation
London Air Services Limited
Longtail Aviation
Lufthansa German Airlines
Lynden Air Cargo LLC
Miami Air International
Monarch Airlines (UK)
Mountain Air Cargo
Neptune Aviation Services Inc.
NetJets Europe
Nolinor Aviation
North American Airlines
North Cariboo Flying Service Ltd.
Oak Air Ltd.
Omni Air Express
Paradigm Air Operators Inc.
Partner Jet Inc.
Pentastar Aviation
Porter Airlines Inc.
Priester Aviation
Prime Jet
Rectrix Aviation

SATA Internacional
SC Aviation
Skycharter
Skyservice Business Aviation Inc.
Solairus Aviation
Starbase Aviation
Sunwest Aviation Ltd.
Sunwing Airlines Inc.
TAG Aviation
Taughannock Aviation
Travel Management Company Ltd.
Triair
Tulsair
United Airlines
USA Jet Airlines Inc.
VIH Execujet Ltd.
VistaJet (Austria)
VistaJet (Malta)
Volga-Dnepr Airlines LLC
Western Air Charter Inc.
WestJet
XOJET
Y2K Aviation LLC

Methodology

Survey universe

Coverage

The airport activity data presented in this publication were compiled from three surveys (statements) conducted by the Aviation Statistics Centre of Statistics Canada and collected by Transport Canada's Electronic Collection of Air Transportation Statistics (ECATS) project.

Daily Airport Activities Survey

This survey covers the scheduled domestic and international services operated by the Level I Canadian air carriers. Data concerning other Canadian carriers and foreign carriers operating scheduled international services into and out of Canada using aircraft with a maximum take-off weight on wheels greater than 30,000 kg are also included.

The survey data are filed on a census basis and are reported in the traffic flow format.

Coupon Passenger Origin and Destination Survey

This survey covers the scheduled services operated within, into or out of Canada by regional and local Canadian air carriers and the scheduled services operated into or out of Canada by foreign air carriers using aircraft with maximum take-off weight on wheels not greater than 30,000 kg.

The survey data are collected on a census basis. Data is reported on an origin and destination basis (that is, the passengers' origin and destination on the reporting carrier's system) from Canadian carriers assigned to Reporting Levels II, III, and IV. Foreign air carriers operating unit toll international scheduled services using fixed wing aircraft having a maximum take-off weight on wheels not greater than 30,000 kg also report. The Aviation Statistics Centre converts the data into the enplaned and deplaned format.

Charter On-Flight Origin and Destination Survey

This survey covers the charter services operated by Canadian air carriers within Canada or by Canadian or foreign air carriers between Canada and foreign countries other than the United States using aircraft having a maximum take-off weight on wheels greater than 15,900 kg. Likewise, all commercial charter services operated between Canada and the United States using aircraft with maximum take-off weight on wheels greater than 8,200 kg are also reported.

Data are reported on a census basis and are reported in the on-flight origin and destination format (that is, the passengers are reported according to their own origin and destination and not necessarily according to the routing of the flight).

Survey methodology

Beginning with 2007 data and coinciding with the national roll-out of the Transport Canada Electronic Collection of Air Transportation Statistics (ECATS) project, data are reported electronically to Transport Canada and shared with Statistics Canada.

Upon receipt of the data, the Aviation Statistics Centre (ASC) applies its own edit programs to the data. These programs conduct quality checks to determine the quality and legitimacy of the information contained within flight records. Aviation Statistics Centre personnel then correct invalid entries, impute for missing data, tabulate and prepare the data for publication.

Data quality and limitations

The air carriers must file their data in accordance with the reporting procedures provided by Transport Canada. The quality of the data may be affected by non-sampling errors such as coverage error, response error or coding error.

Users of the airport activity data should be aware of the following limitations:

- In order to publish timely data, the Aviation Statistics Centre imputes for data that are not received from the carriers in time for the publication. The Aviation Statistics Centre makes every effort to include reported data in the database.
- From time to time, participating carriers refile or update previous data submissions. The revisions will be reflected in the database and in the next publication.
- Passenger flights which carry cargo on them are classified as passenger flights for the purpose of this publication. The cargo carried on these passenger flights is defined as belly-hold cargo. The belly-hold cargo data are included with the pure cargo data in the cargo tables presented in the Table 2 series.
- Cargo data are not collected for the smaller scheduled services.
- Charter data are not collected on the smaller charter operations.
- The data presented in this publication are broken down into three categories: domestic, transborder and other international. The data are assigned to the categories for each flight segment according to the next stop (for departures) and the last stop (for arrivals) of the aircraft. For example, consider a flight with a routing of Vancouver-Edmonton-Amsterdam. The departure of the flight from Vancouver would be considered domestic, as would the arrival at Edmonton. The departure of the flight from Edmonton for Amsterdam would be considered as other international since the next stop of the aircraft is a foreign point.
- Effective January 1, 1988, data for non-revenue passengers and mail are no longer collected for the major scheduled services.

Factors which may have influenced the data

2015

January 2015 was marked by extreme cold, heavy snow and freezing rain conditions across Canada forcing delays and flight cancellations at many airports.

Significant winter storms struck Atlantic Canada in February 2015 forcing numerous flight cancellations and delays. During the same time, eastern Ontario and southwestern Quebec recorded colder-than-normal temperatures.

Major snowstorms struck Atlantic Canada in mid-March 2015, forcing flight delays and cancellations.

In May, Air Canada expanded its international services at Vancouver International Airport by offering flights to Osaka, Japan. Air Canada rouge also launched a new international service from Montréal to Venice, Italy.

Also in May, WestJet began seasonal service from Halifax to Glasgow, Scotland.

In June, Air Canada further expanded its global network with routes from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International to Amsterdam, Netherlands and from Montréal to Mexico City, Mexico. Also, Air Canada rouge began a new non-stop daily seasonal service from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Abbotsford.

In July, WestJet Encore launched new daily non-stop flights from Halifax, Nova Scotia to Deer Lake and Gander, Newfoundland and Labrador, and to Sydney, Nova Scotia. The airline also launched a new daily non-stop service between Moncton, New Brunswick, and Ottawa, Ontario.

In November, Air Canada launched non-stop services from Toronto/Lester B. Pearson International Airport to Delhi, India and to Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

In December, Aeromexico launched a daily non-stop service between Vancouver and Mexico City, Mexico.

In late December, a major snowstorm hit central and eastern Canada causing delays and cancellations in southern Ontario and western Quebec, including Toronto, Ottawa, and Montréal airports.

2014

In March, Japanese airline All Nippon Airways began servicing the Canadian market by offering daily, non-stop scheduled flights between Vancouver and Tokyo.

In April, Irish airline Aer Lingus launched a scheduled service between Dublin and Toronto.

In June, WestJet began offering seasonal daily transatlantic flights to Dublin, Ireland, from Toronto and St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador.

Also in June, Calgary International Airport opened a new runway. The new runway is one of the longest in Canada and is capable of landing some of the largest and heaviest aircraft in the world.

In October, Russian carrier Aeroflot cancelled its scheduled service between Moscow and Toronto. That was their only scheduled service to Canada. Aeroflot had just recently returned to the Canadian market in the summer of 2013.

Appendix I

Glossary

Arriving: Traffic (flights, passengers and cargo) which lands at an airport in Canada.

Cargo: All freight, air express and excess baggage for which any tariff charge is assessed. Air cargo does not include mail and provisions, or passenger baggage for which no charge is assessed.

Charter transportation: The transportation of passengers and/or goods by aircraft where a person other than the air carrier operating the aircraft, or its agent, contracts for a block of seats or a portion of cargo capacity for that person's own use or for resale, in whole or in units, to members of the public. The entire capacity of the aircraft is disposed of in this manner.

Classification in reporting levels (Definitions 2010)

–**Level I.** This includes every Canadian air carrier that, in the calendar year immediately preceding the reporting year, transported at least 2 million revenue passengers or at least 400 thousand tonnes of cargo.

–**Level II.** This includes every Canadian air carrier that, in the calendar year immediately preceding the reporting year, transported at least 100 thousand, but fewer than 2 million revenue passengers, or at least 50 thousand but less than 400 thousand tonnes of cargo.

–**Level III.** This includes every Canadian air carrier not classified in reporting level I or II that, in the calendar year immediately preceding the reporting year, realized gross revenues of at least 2 million dollars for the provision of air services for which the air carrier held a licence.

–**Level IV.** This includes every Canadian air carrier not classified in reporting level I, II or III that, in the calendar year immediately preceding the reporting year, realized gross revenues of less than 2 million dollars for the provision of air services for which the air carrier held a licence.

Departing: Traffic (flights, passengers and cargo) which takes off from an airport in Canada.

Deplaned: Traffic (passengers and cargo) which lands and disembarks at an airport in Canada.

Domestic: Traffic travelling between two airports in Canada.

Enplaned: Traffic (passengers and cargo) which embarks and takes off from an airport in Canada.

MCTOW: The maximum certificated take-off weight for aircraft as shown in the aircraft flight manual referred to in the aircraft's Certificate of Airworthiness issued by the competent Canadian or foreign authority.

Other international: Traffic between an airport in a foreign country (excluding the United States) and an airport in Canada.

Revenue passenger: A person receiving air transportation from an air carrier for which remuneration is received by the air carrier. Air carrier employees or others receiving air transportation against whom token service charges are levied are not considered as revenue passengers. Infants for whom a token fare is charged are not counted as passengers.

Traffic flow format: Data are captured in a traffic flow format; that is, for each departing flight, both enplaned and departing passengers (and cargo) are collected as well as the next stop in the flight itinerary. For arriving flights, deplaned and arriving passengers (and cargo) as well as the last (previous) stop in the flight itinerary are recorded.

Transborder: Traffic between an airport in the United States (including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico) and an airport in Canada.