

Aviation

Air Fare, Canadian Air Carriers, Level I

2011



Highlights

Correction Notice: Please take note that the 2006 to 2010 air fare index series (Table 1) in this publication have been revised due to a processing error. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused. For more information, please contact us (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; infostats@statcan.gc.ca).

- The all-fare index (2002=100) for domestic and international (including Canada-United States) scheduled services operated by Canadian Level I air carriers rose 2.1% to 91.6 in 2011. The air fare index for all fares for domestic scheduled services was 91.3, up 4.2% from the 2010 level of 87.6, while the all-fare index for international scheduled services posted an increase of 0.4% from 2010 to 91.7.
- In 2011, the average domestic and international one-way air fare (all types) paid by passengers was \$249.70, up 2.5% from \$243.50 in 2010. The average domestic air fare (all types) paid by passengers was \$190.70 in 2011, up 4.5% from \$182.50 in 2010. The average international air fare (all types) dropped slightly (-1.5%) from \$331.80 in 2010 to \$326.80 in 2011.
- In 2011, 96.8% of passengers on domestic and international scheduled services flew on discount fares, up 0.1 percentage points from 96.7% in 2010. On domestic scheduled services, 96.0% of passengers travelled on discount fares in 2011, up 0.1 percentage points from 95.9% in 2010. On international scheduled services, the proportion of passengers flying on discount fares remained unchanged from the previous year at 97.9%.
- When the distribution was expressed in terms of passenger-kilometres, the proportion of domestic discount travel remained unchanged from 2010 at 95.8% and the proportion of international discount travel increased 0.1 percentage points from the previous year to 98.6% in 2011.
- In 2011, average domestic air fares rose across 9 of the 10 selected Canadian cities of enplanement compared to 2010. Toronto remained the city with the highest average domestic air fare (\$214.90), while Edmonton posted the lowest average domestic air fare (\$170.00) in 2011. During this period, year-over-year increases ranged from 1.6% in Montréal to 6.5% in Calgary. Ottawa was the only city of enplanement to report a decrease in 2011 (-0.6%). Toronto, Vancouver, Ottawa and Montréal all posted average domestic air fares above the national average (\$190.70).

Analysis

Air fare indexes

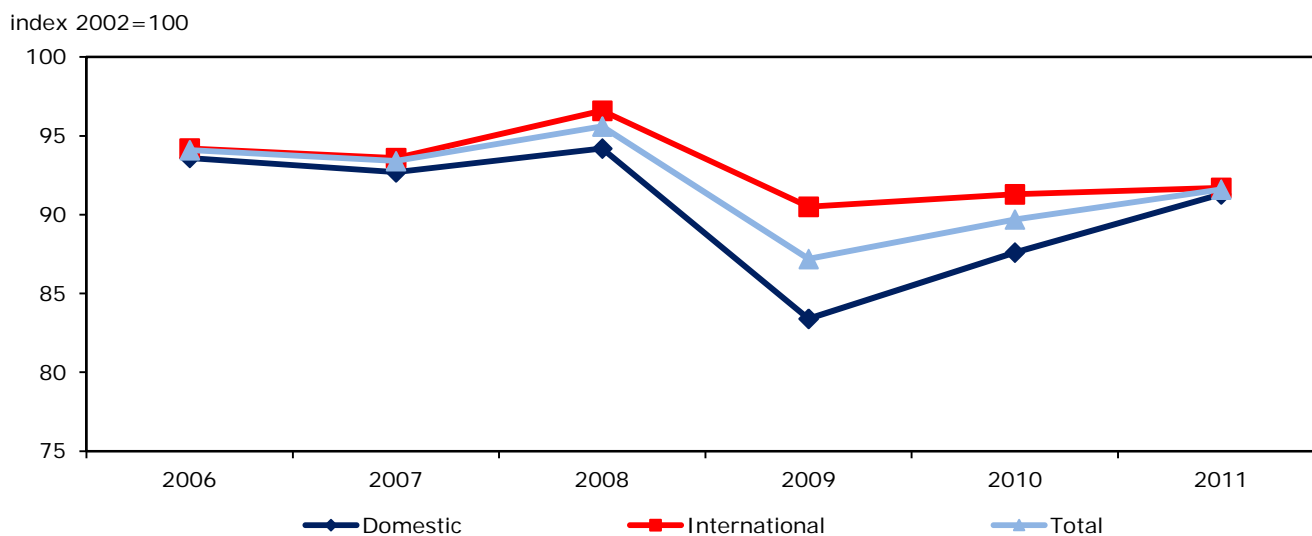
The all-fare index (2002=100) for domestic and international (including Canada-United States) scheduled services operated by Canadian Level I air carriers (Air Canada, Jazz, Air Canada's Canadian regional code-share partners, Air Transat and WestJet) rose 2.1% in 2011 after experiencing a 2.9% increase in 2010. All sectors recorded increases over this period which drove the all-fare index up from 89.7 in 2010 to 91.6 in 2011.

The business class fare index advanced 7.4% from 195.4 in 2010 to 209.8 in 2011, while the economy fare index edged down 0.5% from 2010 to 88.0 in 2011. The discount fare index increased 2.1% to 90.8 and continued to drive the total all-fare index for the year. The discount fare index weight is relatively more important than the business class and economy fare index weights due to the high proportion of passengers travelling on discount fares (96.8% in 2011).

During this period, the air fare index for all fares for domestic scheduled services was 91.3, up 4.2% from the 2010 level of 87.6. This notable increase was due largely to upturns in the business class fare index (+6.9%) and discount fare index (+4.6%). The all-fare index for international scheduled services posted an increase of 0.4% from 2010 to 91.7.

As shown in Chart 1, both the domestic and international all-fare indexes remained below the pre-downturn levels, but the gap between the two sectors has narrowed from 7.1 points in 2009 to 3.7 points in 2010 to 0.4 points in 2011.

Chart 1
Air fare indexes — All fares, by sector, 2006 to 2011



Note: Please note that the 2006 to 2010 air fare index series in this chart have been revised.

Average air fares¹

The airline industry continued to see increased demand for air travel in 2011. During this period, the average air fare (all types, all sectors, on a coupon origin-destination basis) paid by passengers was \$249.70, up 2.5% from \$243.50 in 2010, continuing the upward trend experienced between 2009 and 2010, although to a lesser extent. The level reached in 2011 was mainly due to year-over-year advances in the first (+4.0%) and second (+5.9%) quarters.

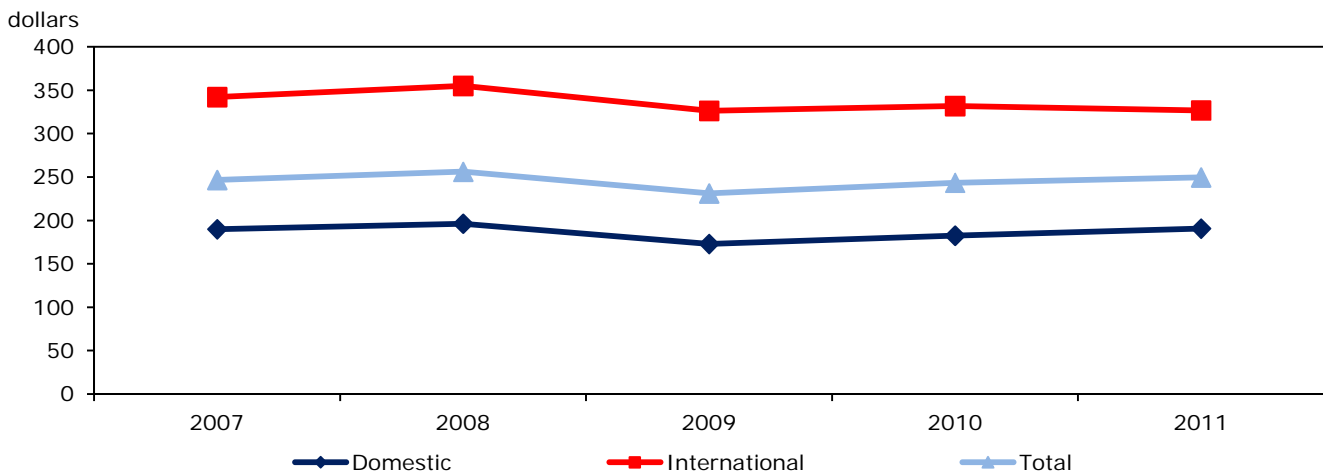
The average domestic air fare (all types) paid by passengers was \$190.70 in 2011, up 4.5% from \$182.50 in 2010. This is the second consecutive annual increase after a strong decline (-11.9%) in 2009.

The average international air fare (all types) was \$326.80 in 2011, down 1.5% from \$331.80 in 2010.

As can be seen in Chart 2 below, despite the growth recorded in air fares in Canada in 2011—partly due to soaring fuel costs and a stronger economy—the average domestic air fares reached were still below the pre-downturn levels. Some factors that may explain the situation are the aggressive and competitive nature of the airline industry—substantial price competition from Canadian low-cost carriers translated into limited ability for major airlines to increase fares; the growth and competitiveness of Internet distribution channels have pushed air carriers to more aggressively price their products to the cost-conscious travellers.

In the international sector, the average air fares returned to its 2009 level, and remained well below the pre-downturn levels. The increased and intense competition amongst Canadian and foreign carriers in the international markets, the unfavourable worldwide economic conditions, especially in the United States and in the European markets are additional factors that may have impacted the ability of airlines to raise fares.

Chart 2
Average air fares — All fares, by sector, 2007 to 2011



1. Average air fares are calculated for each flight stage. When the passenger boards the aircraft at one airport and departs the aircraft at another airport, this is considered a flight stage. These fares do not include GST, air transportation taxes or user fees such as airport fees or fuel surcharges.

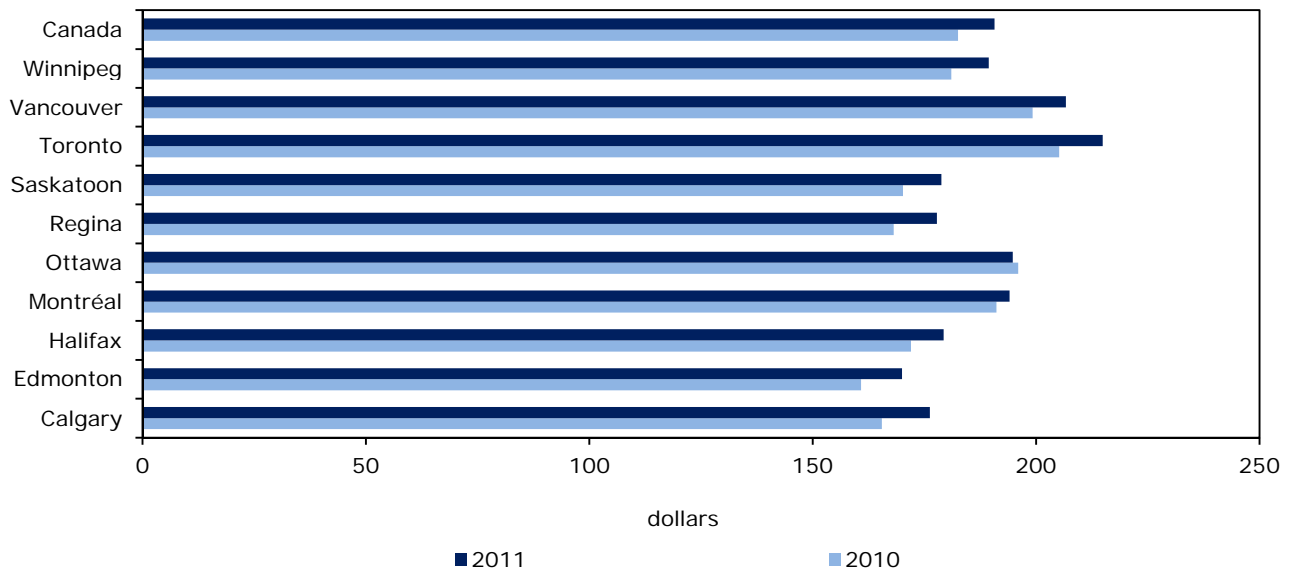
Average domestic air fares at the city level

In 2011, average domestic air fares increased across 9 of the 10 selected Canadian cities of enplanement compared to 2010. During this period, year-over-year increases ranged from 1.6% in Montréal to 6.5% in Calgary. Toronto remained the city with the highest average domestic air fare (\$214.90), followed by Vancouver (\$206.70), Ottawa (\$194.80) and Montréal (\$194.10), while Edmonton once again posted the lowest average domestic air fare (\$170.00) in 2011. Higher fares in Toronto can be partly explained by the fact that more long-haul flights—which are more expensive—leave from Toronto's Pearson International Airport.

As shown in Chart 3 below, all selected eastern Canadian cities of enplanement, with the exception of Halifax, registered average domestic air fares above the national level (\$190.70) in 2011. During the same period, Vancouver was the only western Canadian city of enplanement to register an average fare above the national level.

Chart 3

Average domestic fares for selected eastern and western Canadian cities of enplanement, 2010 and 2011



For historical annual data at the city level, please refer to the CANSIM table 401-0004.

Notes:

The estimates are derived from a sample of flight coupons collected as part of the Fare Basis Survey. The estimates relate to the operations of major Canadian air carriers. For 2011, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers (Air Canada, Jazz, Air Canada's Canadian regional code-share partners, Air Transat and WestJet). Imputation has been performed for incomplete and missing data.

For purposes of statistical tabulations, fare codes reported by the air carriers are grouped by general fare type. These fare types are defined as follows:

- First class: The transportation of a passenger or passengers for whom premium-quality services (e.g. larger seats, complimentary bar) are provided.
- Business class: A fare level which is less expensive than first class and more expensive than the basic fare level. It includes different amenities (e.g. larger seats, advanced seat assignment).
- Economy: A basic fare level which is less expensive than first class but does not include the amenities (e.g. larger seats, complimentary bar) of the first class fare.
- Discount: A reduced fare usually subject to one or more travel restrictions, the price of which is usually calculated as a percentage reduction from the normal full fare. It includes various discount fares such as charter class, seat sales, advance purchase excursion, group.
- Other: Represents industry and agency discount fares, military as well as unknown fare codes.

The air fare index is a measure of the rate of price change, providing indications of the overall trend of domestic and international fares over time, while average fares measure the actual level of fares paid by passengers. The different series of air fare indexes produced by the Aviation Statistics Centre were calculated on an annual basis using the chain Laspeyres index method linked at the annual level, with annual updated weights (the time base is 2002=100).

The average fare is obtained by dividing the carriers' revenue by the passenger volume, as measured by coupon origin and destination.

The average domestic air fares are the average for all coupons originating in that city, for all domestic destinations. The level of average fares can be affected by changes in travel patterns, as well as prices.

Average air fares do not include GST, air transportation taxes or user fees such as airport fees or fuel surcharges.

Additional information on Fare Basis statistics can be obtained directly from the Aviation Statistics Centre. Tables are available in print form or in electronic format. For further information, please contact the Aviation Statistics Centre (telephone: 1-866-500-8400; Internet: aviationstatistics@statcan.gc.ca).

Statistical Tables

Table 1

Air fare indexes, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services

	Fare type group			
	Total	Business class	Economy	Discounted
	2002=100			
Domestic				
2006 r	93.6	131.4	79.6	93.6
2007 r	92.7	172.2	81.1	92.6
2008 r	94.2	171.2	89.3	93.7
2009 r	83.4	169.3	76.6	83.0
2010 r	87.6	192.0	78.4	87.4
2011 p	91.3	205.3	76.7	91.4
International				
2006 r	94.2	119.3	97.7	93.4
2007 r	93.6	139.7	107.8	92.7
2008 r	96.6	160.7	118.2	95.4
2009 r	90.5	173.2	141.5	89.1
2010 r	91.3	186.6	140.8	89.8
2011 p	91.7	200.4	144.7	90.1
Domestic and international				
2006 r	94.1	124.7	83.2	93.7
2007 r	93.4	148.0	85.8	92.9
2008 r	95.6	168.4	94.4	94.8
2009 r	87.2	180.2	87.1	86.4
2010 r	89.7	195.4	88.4	88.9
2011 p	91.6	209.8	88.0	90.8

1. From 2006 to 2011, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada, Jazz and regional code-share partners), Air Transat and WestJet.

Note(s): The different series of air fare indexes were calculated, from 1995 to 2011, using the chain Laspeyres index method linked at the annual level, with annually updated weights. The index number 100 was assigned to the year 2002 and the base year is always the previous year.

Table 2
Average fares, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ — Scheduled services

	Fare type group				
	Total	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other
dollars					
Domestic					
2007	190.00	1,499.60	265.10	188.30	17.40
2008	196.30	1,762.80	297.10	192.20	F
2009	173.00	1,896.00	254.90	169.90	24.10 ^E
2010	182.50	2,005.70	258.90	179.20	F
2011 P	190.70	2,316.80	254.00	187.90	F
Short-haul					
2007	138.50	886.20 ^E	199.90	136.50	18.30
2008	142.40	793.30 ^E	221.80	139.40	F
2009	132.30	928.80 ^E	201.40	129.80	22.50 ^E
2010	140.20	896.40 ^E	198.50	137.90	F
2011 P	146.10	1,115.20 ^E	192.70	144.20	F
Long-haul					
2007	x	x	x	x	x
2008	243.70	1,960.40	354.60	238.90	F
2009	x	x	x	x	x
2010	218.30	2,129.80	305.70	214.20	F
2011 P	229.30	2,415.00	303.00	225.70	F
International					
2007	342.10	2,901.70	336.70	342.60	101.40 ^E
2008	355.00	3,448.10	370.90	352.90	F
2009	326.30	3,528.00	379.40	324.90	F
2010	331.80	3,505.40	376.60	328.20	F
2011 P	326.80	3,969.00	380.70	323.90	F
Domestic and international					
2007	246.70	2,675.10	274.10	246.70	58.40 ^E
2008	256.10	3,153.10	309.00	253.70	F
2009	231.20	3,160.80	278.40	229.70	F
2010	243.50	3,329.20	288.80	240.80	F
2011 P	249.70	3,597.80	289.80	247.50	F

1. From 2007 to 2011, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada, Jazz and regional code-share partners), Air Transat and WestJet.

Note(s): Due to the confidentiality or the unreliability of data, the results for the fare type group "first class" cannot be disclosed.

All estimates shown above (except those marked with the codes E and F) have a coefficient of variation of less than 10% and can be considered reliable from a sampling point of view. An E indicates a coefficient between 10% and 25%. The estimates with a coefficient of variation greater than 25% cannot be released and are shown with the code F.

Estimates are subject to periodic revisions to reflect carrier updates and further refinement of the fare code assignment system.

Table 3
Distribution of passengers, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services

	Fare type group			
	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other
	percent			
Domestic				
2007	0	3.7	95.6	0.7
2008	0	3.9	96.0	0.1
2009	0	4.0	95.7	0.3
2010	0	4.0	95.9	0 ^E
2011 P	0	4.0	96.0	0 ^E
Short-haul				
2007	0 ^E	3.5	96.2	0.3
2008	0 ^E	3.6	96.3	0.1 ^E
2009	0 ^E	3.7	96.1	0.2 ^E
2010	0 ^E	3.8	96.1	0 ^E
2011 P	0 ^E	3.8	96.2	F
Long-haul				
2007	x	x	x	x
2008	0	4.2	95.6	0.2 ^E
2009	x	x	x	x
2010	0	4.2	95.8	0 ^E
2011 P	0	4.1	95.8	0 ^E
International				
2007	0.1	0.9	97.9	1.2
2008	0.1	1.3	98.5	0.2
2009	0	1.5	98.1	0.4
2010	0.1	2.0	97.9	0 ^E
2011 P	0	2.1	97.9	0 ^E
Domestic and international				
2007	0	2.6	96.4	0.9
2008	0	2.9	96.9	0.2
2009	0	3.0	96.6	0.3
2010	0	3.2	96.7	0 ^E
2011 P	0	3.2	96.8	0 ^E

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Table 4
Distribution of passenger-kilometres, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services

	Fare type group			
	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other
	percent			
Domestic				
2007	0	3.7	95.1	1.1
2008	0	4.1	95.7	0.2 ^E
2009	0	4.1	95.5	0.3
2010	0 ^E	4.2	95.8	0 ^E
2011 ^P	0 ^E	4.1	95.8	0 ^E
Short-haul				
2007	0 ^E	4.0	95.7	0.3
2008	0 ^E	4.2	95.8	0.1 ^E
2009	0 ^E	4.3	95.6	0.2 ^E
2010	0 ^E	4.4	95.6	0 ^E
2011 ^P	0 ^E	4.3	95.7	F
Long-haul				
2007	x	x	x	x
2008	0	4.1	95.7	0.2 ^E
2009	x	x	x	x
2010	0 ^E	4.1	95.8	0 ^E
2011 ^P	0 ^E	4.1	95.9	0 ^E
International				
2007	0.2	0.6	98.1	1.2
2008	0.1	0.8	98.8	0.2
2009	0.1	1.0	98.5	0.5
2010	0.1	1.3	98.5	0.1 ^E
2011 ^P	0.1	1.4	98.6	0 ^E
Domestic and international				
2007	0.1	1.7	97.0	1.2
2008	0.1	2.0	97.7	0.2
2009	0	2.1	97.4	0.4
2010	0.1	2.3	97.6	0 ^E
2011 ^P	0	2.3	97.7	0 ^E

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Table 5
Average domestic fares for selected cities of enplanement — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services

	2010	2011 ^P
	dollars	
Calgary	165.50	176.20
Edmonton	160.80	170.00
Halifax	172.00	179.30
Montréal	191.10	194.10
Ottawa	196.00	194.80
Regina	168.10	177.80
Saskatoon	170.20	178.80
Toronto	205.20	214.90
Vancouver	199.20	206.70
Winnipeg	181.00	189.40

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Table 6
Average fares, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services (quarterly)

	Fare type group				
	Total	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other
	dollars				
Domestic					
2010					
First quarter	171.40	1,648.10 ^E	238.10	168.60	F
Second quarter	179.10	F	258.00	175.70	F
Third quarter	187.90	2,004.20 ^E	277.70	183.90	F
Fourth quarter	190.30	2,307.10 ^E	256.00	187.30	F
2011 ^P					
First quarter	188.30	2,222.00 ^E	238.60	186.00	F
Second quarter	195.80	2,183.40 ^E	264.60	192.60	F
Third quarter	184.90	2,398.60 ^E	240.90	182.20	F
Fourth quarter	194.70	F	272.30	191.30	F
Short-haul					
2010					
First quarter	132.10	863.80 ^E	193.50	129.60	F
Second quarter	138.60	F	203.50	136.10	F
Third quarter	142.10	F	201.30	139.70	F
Fourth quarter	147.70	F	195.60	145.70	F
2011 ^P					
First quarter	147.20	F	186.60	145.50	F
Second quarter	150.80	F	199.50	148.80	F
Third quarter	138.40	F	175.60	136.80	F
Fourth quarter	148.50	F	209.20	146.20	F
Long-haul					
2010					
First quarter	x	x	x	x	x
Second quarter	x	x	x	x	x
Third quarter	219.50	2,077.00 ^E	324.70	214.50	F
Fourth quarter	230.50	2,401.60 ^E	308.30	226.80	F
2011 ^P					
First quarter	229.80	2,336.20 ^E	291.70	226.90	F
Second quarter	233.90	2,255.70 ^E	315.60	229.90	F
Third quarter	218.00	2,477.70 ^E	282.40	214.80	F
Fourth quarter	239.10	F	327.20	235.00	F
International					
2010					
First quarter	315.40	3,389.50 ^E	406.40	310.10	F
Second quarter	319.40	3,394.50 ^E	355.00	316.20	F
Third quarter	364.70	3,475.60 ^E	346.80	362.20	F
Fourth quarter	326.10	3,810.30 ^E	378.60	322.10	F
2011 ^P					
First quarter	303.80	3,711.40 ^E	400.20	300.00	F
Second quarter	318.30	4,018.50 ^E	365.80	315.70	F
Third quarter	358.90	4,186.90 ^E	349.20	356.80	F
Fourth quarter	326.40	3,882.40 ^E	389.80	323.10	F
Domestic and international					
2010					
First quarter	235.50	3,223.20 ^E	293.30	232.10	F
Second quarter	234.80	3,246.70 ^E	280.60	232.30	F
Third quarter	257.20	3,297.50 ^E	289.20	255.00	F
Fourth quarter	245.00	3,576.80 ^E	292.00	242.10	F

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6 – continued

Average fares, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services (quarterly)

	Fare type group				
	Total	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other
dollars					
2011 p					
First quarter	244.90	3,375.40 E	300.60	242.30	F
Second quarter	248.60	3,587.00 E	291.20	246.30	F
Third quarter	255.30	3,795.30 E	261.10	254.10	F
Fourth quarter	249.10	3,570.00 E	308.30	246.20	F
percent change from 2010 to 2011					
Domestic					
First quarter	9.9	34.8	0.2	10.3	F
Second quarter	9.3	F	2.6	9.6	F
Third quarter	-1.6	19.7	-13.3	-0.9	F
Fourth quarter	2.3	F	6.4	2.1	F
Short-haul					
First quarter	11.4	F	-3.6	12.3	F
Second quarter	8.8	F	-2.0	9.3	F
Third quarter	-2.6	F	-12.8	-2.1	F
Fourth quarter	0.5	F	7.0	0.3	F
Long-haul					
First quarter	x	x	x	x	x
Second quarter	x	x	x	x	x
Third quarter	-0.7	19.3	-13.0	0.1	F
Fourth quarter	3.7	F	6.1	3.6	F
International					
First quarter	-3.7	9.5	-1.5	-3.3	F
Second quarter	-0.3	18.4	3.0	-0.2	F
Third quarter	-1.6	20.5	0.7	-1.5	F
Fourth quarter	0.1	1.9	3.0	0.3	F
Domestic and international					
First quarter	4.0	4.7	2.5	4.4	F
Second quarter	5.9	10.5	3.8	6.0	F
Third quarter	-0.7	15.1	-9.7	-0.4	F
Fourth quarter	1.7	-0.2	5.6	1.7	F

1. For 2010 and 2011, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada, Jazz and regional code-share partners), Air Transat and WestJet.

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Table 7
Discount fare traffic, by sector — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services (quarterly)

	Passengers		Passenger-kilometres	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
	percent			
Domestic				
First quarter	96.0	96.1	96.0	96.1
Second quarter	95.9	95.9	95.8	95.8
Third quarter	95.9	95.9	95.7	95.7
Fourth quarter	96.0	96.1	95.9	95.9
Short-haul				
First quarter	96.0	96.1	95.5	95.6
Second quarter	96.2	96.1	95.7	95.6
Third quarter	96.1	96.2	95.6	95.7
Fourth quarter	96.2	96.3	95.7	95.8
Long-haul				
First quarter	x	96.1	x	96.2
Second quarter	x	95.8	x	95.8
Third quarter	95.7	95.7	95.7	95.7
Fourth quarter	95.8	95.9	95.9	96.0
International				
First quarter	97.4	97.4	98.0	98.0
Second quarter	98.0	98.0	98.7	98.7
Third quarter	98.6	98.6	99.2	99.1
Fourth quarter	97.5	97.5	98.2	98.2
Domestic and international				
First quarter	96.6	96.7	97.3	97.5
Second quarter	96.8	96.8	97.7	97.8
Third quarter	96.9	97.0	98.0	98.0
Fourth quarter	96.6	96.7	97.4	97.5

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Table 8
Average domestic fares for selected cities of enplanement — Canadian air carriers, Level I¹ – Scheduled services (quarterly)

	Calgary	Edmonton	Halifax	Montréal	Ottawa
dollars					
2010					
First quarter	149.30	145.30	164.60	178.70	184.20
Second quarter	163.70	160.30	168.20	190.60	195.50
Third quarter	174.20	166.80	176.30	195.80	198.00
Fourth quarter	173.10	168.50	177.20	197.80	204.40
2011 ^p					
First quarter	169.10	164.40	179.50	198.60	198.20
Second quarter	178.50	174.00	179.70	202.10	202.10
Third quarter	173.40	166.10	173.50	186.10	184.40
Fourth quarter	183.50	175.20	186.20	191.10	195.90
percent change from 2010 to 2011					
First quarter	13.3	13.1	9.1	11.1	7.6
Second quarter	9.0	8.5	6.8	6.0	3.4
Third quarter	-0.5	-0.4	-1.6	-5.0	-6.9
Fourth quarter	6.0	4.0	5.1	-3.4	-4.2
	Regina	Saskatoon	Toronto	Vancouver	Winnipeg
dollars					
2010					
First quarter	155.20	164.40	192.90	199.30 ^E	168.50
Second quarter	168.70	165.40	199.60	188.50	176.90
Third quarter	170.40	174.20	209.00	206.70	x
Fourth quarter	173.90	174.90	218.20	202.70	194.80
2011 ^p					
First quarter	170.40	170.70	218.70	200.50	187.60
Second quarter	183.40	179.80	221.60	209.20	193.80
Third quarter	173.30	178.10	204.60	204.40	180.20
Fourth quarter	183.50	185.90	217.50	212.30	197.10
percent change from 2010 to 2011					
First quarter	9.8	3.8	13.4	0.6	11.3
Second quarter	8.7	8.7	11.0	11.0	9.6
Third quarter	1.7	2.2	-2.1	-1.1	x
Fourth quarter	5.5	6.3	-0.3	4.7	1.2

1. For 2010 and 2011, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada, Jazz and regional code-share partners), Air Transat and WestJet.

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r	revised
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