## **Aviation**

# Air Fares, Canadian Air Carriers, Level I



## 2013

### **Highlights**

- In 2013, combined domestic and international air fares averaged \$249.00, up 0.2% from \$248.60 in 2012. This increase was mainly a result of year-over-year increases in the second and third quarters. The average domestic air fare paid by passengers was \$190.80 in 2013, down 0.7% from \$192.20 the previous year. The average international air fare increased slightly (+0.3%) from \$321.50 in 2012 to \$322.60 in 2013.
- In 2013, 97.1% of passengers on domestic and international scheduled flights flew on discount fares, up 0.4 percentage points from 96.7% in 2012. The proportion of domestic passengers on discount fares was also 97.1%, up 1.2 percentage points from 95.9% the previous year. On international flights, the share of passengers flying on discount fares fell 0.7 percentage points to 97.0%.
- In terms of passenger-kilometres, the proportion of domestic discount travel increased for the first time since 2010 to 97.3%, up 1.5 percentage points from 2012. The share of international discount travel decreased 0.7 percentage points from the previous year to 97.8% in 2013.
- In 2013, average domestic air fares declined across 8 of the 10 selected Canadian cities of enplanement compared to 2012. Toronto remained the city with the highest average domestic air fare (\$214.40), while Ottawa posted the lowest average domestic air fare (\$178.60). During this period, year-over-year decreases ranged from 0.1% in Calgary and Halifax to 7.1% in Ottawa. Winnipeg (+5.0%) and Edmonton (+2.3%) were the only cities of enplanement to report an increase. Toronto, Vancouver and Winnipeg posted average domestic air fares above the national average (\$190.80).



## **Analysis**

## Average air fares<sup>1</sup>

The airline industry continued to see increased demand for air travel in 2013 for the fourth consecutive year. During this period, the average air fare (domestic and international, on a coupon origin-destination basis) paid by passengers was \$249.00, up 0.2% from \$248.60 in 2012. The level reached in 2013 was mainly a result of year-over-year increases in the second and third quarters.

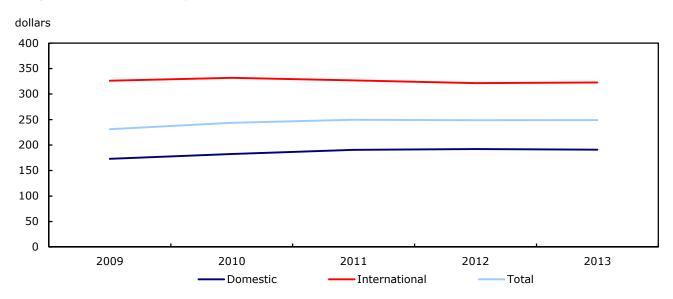
The average domestic air fare paid by passengers was \$190.80 in 2013, down 0.7% from \$192.20 in 2012. This ended the upward trend observed between 2010 and 2012.

The average international air fare was \$322.60 in 2013, up 0.3% from \$321.50 in 2012.

As can be seen in Chart 1 below, the average domestic air fare in 2013 returned to the same level reached in 2011. One factor that may explain the situation is the aggressive and competitive nature of the airline industry—substantial price competition from Canadian low-cost carriers translated into limited ability for the major airlines to increase fares. Furthermore, the growth and competitiveness of Internet distribution channels have pushed air carriers to more aggressively price their products to cost-conscious travellers.

In the international sector, the average air fare rose for the first time since 2010, though it remained below the level reached in 2009. Although there was increased and intense competition amongst Canadian and foreign carriers in international markets, increased traffic and the favourable impact of a weakened Canadian dollar in most European markets are among the factors that may have contributed to the increase in the international fares.

Chart 1
Average air fares — All fares, by sector, 2009 to 2013



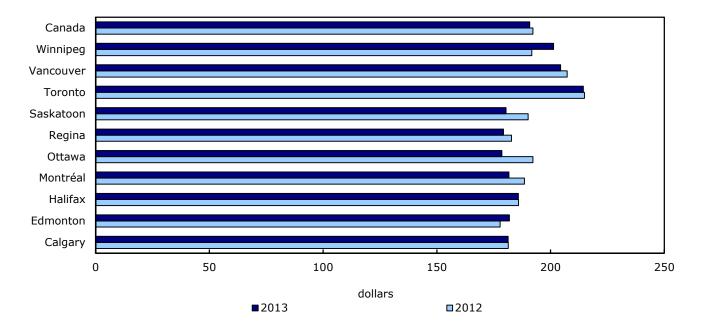
Average air fares are calculated for each flight stage. When the passenger boards the aircraft at one airport and departs the aircraft at another airport, this is
considered a flight stage. These fares do not include the Goods and Services Tax, air transportation taxes or user fees such as airport fees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

### Average domestic air fares at the city level

In 2013, average domestic air fares decreased across 8 of the 10 selected Canadian cities of enplanement compared to 2012. During this period, year-over-year decreases ranged from 0.1% in Calgary and Halifax to 7.1% in Ottawa. Toronto remained the city with the highest average domestic air fare (\$214.40), followed by Vancouver (\$204.40) and Winnipeg (\$201.30), while Ottawa posted the lowest average domestic air fare (\$178.60). 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 2 below, Toronto was the only selected eastern Canadian city of enplanement to register an average domestic air fare above the national level (\$190.80) in 2013. During the same period, Vancouver and Winnipeg were the only selected western Canadian cities of enplanement to register an average fare above the national level.

Chart 2
Average domestic fares for selected eastern and western Canadian cities of enplanement, 2012 and 2013



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

The air fare index is no longer included in this publication as of reference year 2012. However, this data series can be found in CANSIM table 329-0078.

### **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 2013, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers (Air Canada (including Air Canada rouge beginning in July 2013), Jazz, Air Canada's Canadian regional code-share partners, Air Transat and WestJet).

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 and group.
- · Other: Represents industry and agency discount fares, military as well as unknown fare codes.

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 are base fares and they do not include the Goods and Services Tax, 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
Average fares, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I<sup>1</sup> – Scheduled services

	Fare type group				
	Total	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other
		(	dollars		_
Domestic					
2009	173.00	1,896.00	254.90	169.90	24.10 E
2010	182.50	2,005.70	258.90	179.20	<u>F</u>
2011	190.70	2,316.80	254.00	187.90	Ē
2012	192.20	2,474.70 E	283.80	188.10	F
2013 P	190.80	2,546.50	277.70 ⋿	189.00	135.30
Short-haul					
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	146.10	1,115.20 <sup>E</sup>	192.70	144.20	F
2012	145.40	1,481.70 ⋿	216.10	142.50	F
2013 P	136.40	1,195.70 E	200.40 E	134.90	92.50
Long-haul					
2009	X	Х	х	Х	х
2010	218.30	2,129.80	305.70	214.20	F
2011	229.30	2,415.00	303.00	225.70	F
2012	233.00	2,593.80 €	338.10	228.00	F
2013 p	238.50	2,632.30	373.30 E	236.00	169.10
International					
2009	326.30	3,528.00	379.40	324.90	F
2010	331.80	3,505.40	376.60	328.20	F F F
2011	326.80	3,969.00	380.70	323.90	F
2012	321.50	3,804.30	360.30	319.10	F
2013 p	322.60	4,251.00	464.80 E	320.60	202.40
Domestic and international					
2009	231.20	3,160.80	278.40	229.70	F
2010	243.50	3,329.20	288.80	240.80	F
2011	249.70	3,597.80	289.80	247.50	F F
2012	248.60	3,480.30	306.60	245.90	F
2013 p	249.00	3,761.40	346.50 E	247.00	176.30

<sup>1.</sup> From 2009 to 2013, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada - including Air Canada rouge beginning in July 2013, 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.

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Table 2
Distribution of passengers, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I<sup>1</sup> – Scheduled services

	Fare type group					
	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other		
_		percent				
Domestic 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 0 0 0	4.0 4.0 4.0 4.1 2.2 E	95.7 95.9 96.0 95.9 97.1	0.3 0 E 0 E 0 E 0.7		
Short-haul 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 E 0 E 0 E 0 E	3.7 3.8 3.8 3.9 2.6 <sup>E</sup>	96.1 96.1 96.2 96.1 96.8	0.2 E 0 E F 0 E 0.7		
Long-haul 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	x 0 0 0 0	X 4.2 4.1 4.2 1.8 E	x 95.8 95.8 95.8 97.4	X 0 E 0 E F 0.7		
International 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 0.1 0 0	1.5 2.0 2.1 2.2 1.6 <sup>E</sup>	98.1 97.9 97.9 97.7 97.0	0.4 0 E 0 E 0 E 1.4		
Domestic and international 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 0 0 0	3.0 3.2 3.2 3.3 1.9 <sup>E</sup>	96.6 96.7 96.8 96.7 97.1	0.3 0 E 0 E 0 E 1.0		

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Table 3
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	
<u> </u>		percent			
Domestic 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 0 E 0 E 0 E 0	4.1 4.2 4.1 4.2 1.9 E	95.5 95.8 95.8 95.8 97.3	0.3 0 E 0 E F 0.8	
Short-haul 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 E 0 E 0 E F	4.3 4.4 4.3 4.4 2.8 E	95.6 95.6 95.7 95.6 96.5	0.2 E 0 E F 0 E 0.7	
Long-haul 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	X 0 E 0 E 0 E 0	X 4.1 4.1 4.2 1.7 E	x 95.8 95.9 95.8 97.5	X 0 E 0 E F 0.8	
International 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 p	0.1 0.1 0.1 0 0.1	1.0 1.3 1.4 1.5 1.2 <sup>E</sup>	98.5 98.5 98.6 98.5 97.8	0.5 0.1 E 0 E F 1.0	
Domestic and international 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 P	0 0.1 0 0	2.1 2.3 2.3 2.3 1.4 <sup>E</sup>	97.4 97.6 97.7 97.6 97.7	0.4 0 E 0 E 0 E 0.9	

<sup>1.</sup> From 2009 to 2013, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada - including Air Canada rouge beginning in July 2013, Jazz and regional code-share partners), Air Transat and WestJet.

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Table 4
Average domestic fares for selected cities of enplanement — Canadian air carriers, Level I<sup>1</sup> – Scheduled services

	2012	2013 <sup>p</sup>
	dollars	
Calgary	181.40	181.30
dmonton	177.80	181.90
lalifax	185.90	185.80
1ontréal	188.50	181.70
Ottawa	192.20	178.60
Regina	182.80	179.30
askatoon	190.10	180.40
oronto	214.90	214.40
ancouver	207.30	204.40
/innipeg	191.70	201.30

<sup>1.</sup> For 2012 and 2013, the air carriers included are the Canadian Level I carriers, which are comprised of the Air Canada Family (Air Canada - including Air Canada rouge beginning in July 2013, Jazz and regional code-share partners), Air Transat and WestJet.

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Table 5
Average fares, by sector and fare type group — Canadian air carriers, Level I<sup>1</sup> – Scheduled services (quarterly)

	Fare type group					
	Total	Business class	Economy	Discounted	Other	
		C	dollars			
Domestic 2012						
First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	190.00 191.60 192.10 195.10	2,382.90 E 2,431.20 E 2,605.40 E F	266.00 277.60 293.20 294.60	186.70 187.60 187.50 190.70	F F F	
2013 P First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	194.40 190.90 187.40 191.60	2,349.60 E 2,695.30 E 2,643.10 2,458.70 E	272.70 E 264.20 E 276.30 E 286.90 E	192.20 190.10 186.50 188.10	126.90 128.00 145.40 141.50	
Short-haul 2012						
First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	145.00 147.20 140.80 148.70	F F F	207.00 211.20 217.10 228.10	142.50 144.50 137.60 145.40	F F F	
<b>2013</b> P First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	141.30 139.70 130.50 134.50	F F F 1,040.60 <sup>E</sup>	195.10 E 210.20 E 216.10 E 194.20 E	139.80 138.70 129.50 132.30	90.50 88.10 94.40 98.80	
Long-haul 2012						
First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	235.30 229.50 229.00 240.30	2,476.80 <sup>E</sup> 2,476.10 <sup>E</sup> 2,775.10 <sup>E</sup> F	323.80 328.80 342.70 354.40	231.20 224.50 223.60 234.90	F F F	
<b>2013</b> P First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	249.40 234.70 228.30 246.80	2,470.80 E 2,738.60 E 2,655.50 2,628.30 E	369.30 E 354.90 E 348.70 E 389.70 E	246.20 233.70 227.20 241.90	162.90 158.50 178.30 177.80	
International 2012		,				
First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	316.90 315.70 343.30 307.10	3,543.40 E 3,852.00 E 4,012.20 E 3,900.00 E	418.30 343.70 307.20 342.50	312.80 313.40 342.70 304.60	F F F	
2013 P First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	304.00 321.00 358.30 307.00	4,013.30 E 4,347.10 E 4,634.40 E 4,007.00 E	467.90 E 451.10 E 506.40 E 461.40 E	299.80 320.40 357.80 302.80	219.30 189.60 <sup>E</sup> 165.50 206.90	
Domestic and international 2012		·				
First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	251.80 245.30 254.80 241.20	3,255.00 E 3,500.60 E 3,707.70 E 3,551.80 E	325.30 295.60 296.20 310.20	248.50 242.70 252.90 237.90	F F F	

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5 - 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					
2013 P First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	249.00 247.10 258.30 240.60	3,578.20 E 3,832.70 E 4,038.70 E 3,578.40 E percent change	368.10 E 330.10 E 309.50 E 342.60 E e from 2012 to 20	245.40 246.30 257.90 237.10	197.50 164.20 E 153.80 175.90	
Domestic First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	2.3 -0.4 -2.4 -1.8	-1.4 10.9 1.4 F	2.5 -4.8 -5.8 -2.6	2.9 1.3 -0.5 -1.4	F F F	
Short-haul First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	-2.6 -5.1 -7.3 -9.5	F F F	-5.7 -0.5 -0.5 -14.9	-1.9 -4.0 -5.9 -9.0	F F F	
Long-haul First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	6.0 2.3 -0.3 2.7	-0.2 10.6 -4.3 F	14.1 7.9 1.8 10.0	6.5 4.1 1.6 3.0	F F F	
International First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	-4.1 1.7 4.4 0.0	13.3 12.9 15.5 2.7	11.9 31.2 64.8 34.7	-4.2 2.2 4.4 -0.6	F F F	
Domestic and international First quarter Second quarter Third quarter Fourth quarter	-1.1 0.7 1.4 -0.2	9.9 9.5 8.9 0.7	13.2 11.7 4.5 10.4	-1.2 1.5 2.0 -0.3	F F F	

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Table 6
Discount fare traffic, by sector — Canadian air carriers, Level I<sup>1</sup> – Scheduled services (quarterly)

	Passengers		Passenger-kilomet	tres	
	2012	2013 <sup>p</sup>	2012	2013 <sup>p</sup>	
_	percent				
Domestic					
First quarter	96.1	96.3	96.1	96.5	
Second quarter	95.8	97.8	95.7	98.0	
hird quarter	95.8	98.2	95.6	98.3	
ourth quarter	95.9	95.9	95.8	96.0	
Short-haul					
First quarter	96.2	96.0	95.7	95.7	
Second quarter	96.1	97.3	95.6	97.1	
Third quarter	96.0	98.0	95.5	97.8	
Fourth quarter	96.1	95.7	95.6	95.3	
Long-haul					
First quarter	96.1	96.5	96.1	96.7	
Second guarter	95.6	98.2	95.7	98.2	
Third quarter	95.6	98.4	95.6	98.4	
Fourth quarter	95.8	96.1	95.8	96.2	
nternational					
First quarter	97.4	94.7	98.0	95.6	
Second guarter	97.9	97.4	98.7	98.3	
hird quarter	98.4	99.0	99.1	99.4	
ourth quarter	97.2	96.9	98.0	97.7	
Oomestic and international					
rirst quarter	96.7	95.5	97.4	95.9	
second quarter	96.7	97.6	97.7	98.2	
hird quarter	96.9	98.5	98.0	99.1	
Fourth quarter	96.4	96.3	97.3	97.2	

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Table 7 Average domestic fares for selected cities of enplanement — Canadian air carriers, Level I1 - Scheduled services

	Calgary	Edmonton	Halifax	Montréal	Ottawa		
		dollars					
2012							
First quarter	174.10	170.70	186.60	189.40	190.90		
Second quarter	178.40	173.50	184.00	192.50	201.40		
Third quarter	184.80	180.20	185.40	185.60	184.80		
Fourth quarter	187.10	185.70	187.90	186.70	191.90		
2013 P							
First quarter	182.40	181.40	200.40	182.40	186.40		
Second quarter	178.50	180.60	179.60	189.40	183.80		
Third quarter	178.20	178.70	185.10	179.50	170.70		
Fourth quarter	186.50	187.30	180.70	176.00	175.00		
		percent cha	ange from 2012 to	2013			
First quarter	4.8	6.3	7.4	-3.7	-2.4		
Second guarter	0.1	4.1	-2.4	-1.6	-8.7		
Third quarter	-3.6	-0.8	-0.2	-3.3	-7.6		
Fourth quarter	-0.3	0.9	-3.8	-5.7	-8.8		
	Regina	Saskatoon	Toronto	Vancouver	Winnipeg		
			dollars				
2012							
First quarter	174.70	185.50	215.50	208.30	189.60		
Second quarter	180.50	190.60	213.90	204.70	189.40		
Theire described							
Third quarter	184.70	192.10	212.50	210.30	189.50		
Fourth quarter	184.70 190.10	192.10 191.80			189.50 199.00		
	190.10	191.80	212.50 218.50	210.30 205.50	199.00		
Fourth quarter  2013 p  First quarter	190.10 176.30	191.80 182.20	212.50 218.50 222.20	210.30 205.50 207.10	199.00 201.50		
Fourth quarter  2013 p First quarter Second quarter	190.10 176.30 178.90	191.80 182.20 184.10	212.50 218.50 222.20 214.50	210.30 205.50 207.10 202.80	199.00 201.50 199.30		
Fourth quarter  2013 p First quarter Second quarter Third quarter	190.10 176.30 178.90 175.80	191.80 182.20 184.10 173.90	212.50 218.50 222.20 214.50 205.60	210.30 205.50 207.10 202.80 205.10	199.00 201.50 199.30 194.60		
Fourth quarter  2013 p First quarter Second quarter	190.10 176.30 178.90	191.80 182.20 184.10	212.50 218.50 222.20 214.50	210.30 205.50 207.10 202.80	199.00 201.50 199.30		
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Fourth quarter  2013 p First quarter Second quarter Third quarter	190.10 176.30 178.90 175.80	191.80 182.20 184.10 173.90 182.10	212.50 218.50 222.20 214.50 205.60 217.80	210.30 205.50 207.10 202.80 205.10 203.00	199.00 201.50 199.30 194.60		
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