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The six major Canadian air lines as a group reported increased traffic and revenues during the first quarter of 1969 compared to the first three months of 1968. Increases were largest for Air Canada and CP Air but gains were also reported by some of the regional carriers.

Examination of statistics selected for inclusion in the table will show that the most impressive gains were made in air freight and in charter hours flown. The increasing use of turbo prop and jet aircraft by airlines and the phasing out of piston-powered machines for scheduled services show in the increased consumption of turbo fuel and the decline in figures for gasoline.

Operating income for the first quarter of 1969 considerably improved over the same period a year earlier. However, this off-peak period continued to be a time of deficits for the regional carriers.

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March 1969 Preliminary Data
All Figures are Expressed in '000's
(except Charter Hours)

	March 1969				March 1968	Cumulative Jan.-Mar. 1969	Cumulative Jan.-Mar. 1968	% change 1969 cum. v's 1968 cum.
	Air Canada	CP Air	Four regional carriers(1)	Total(2)	total	total	total	

Operating statistics:

Unit toll - Passenger-miles ..	527,052	141,008	20,732	688,793	577,591	1,844,525	1,577,627	+ 16.9
Goods ton-miles ..	20,315	4,441	672	25,429	15,745	67,171	42,889	+ 56.6
Mail ton-miles ...	2,357	509	126	2,991	2,751	8,383	7,548	+ 11.1
Charter hours flown (actual)	322	196	2,106	2,624	1,963	6,935	4,650	+ 49.1

Fuel consumption: (gallons)

Turbo and jet fuel	24,385	7,278	1,583	33,245	28,335	93,921	80,106	+ 17.2
Gasoline	-	141	636	777	1,183	2,216	3,376	- 34.4

Financial data:

Operating revenues	\$ 37,210	9,578	3,679	50,467	39,304	136,029	108,219	+ 25.7
Operating expenses	\$ 32,802	9,424	4,039	46,265	39,975	133,454	117,089	+ 14.0
Operating income (deficit)	\$ 4,408	155	Dr. 360	4,202	Dr. 671	2,575	Dr. 8,869	-

- (1) The regional carriers whose data are presented are Eastern Provincial Airlines, Pacific Western Airlines, Quebecair and Transair.
- (2) The six carriers represented in totals normally account for approximately 90% of the revenues and expenses of the Canadian Air Transport industry.