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For more information, contact John Flanders (613-951-8292), Communications Division.



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December 2003 (preliminary)

In December, the 42 Canadian airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers reported 297,297 take-offs and landings, down 1.3% from December 2002 (301,364). This marks the ninth consecutive decline in year-over-year comparisons of monthly movements. Twenty-one airports showed year-over-year decreases in aircraft movements in December, compared with 26 airports in November. Six airports showed decreases greater than 20%, the same number as in November.

Itinerant movements (flights from one airport to another) rose 1.2% (+2,646 movements) in December from December 2002. This represents the first increase since March 2003. Local movements (flights that remain in the vicinity of the airport) dropped 7.7% (-6,713 movements) in December, marking the ninth consecutive month of decrease.

The top 10 airports in terms of volumes of itinerant movements in December showed year-over-year variations ranging from 18.0% (+982 movements) at Victoria International to -13.3% (-828 movements) at Edmonton City Centre. Five of the top 10 airports recorded decreases in itinerant movements from December 2002, compared with six airports in November.

The top 10 airports in terms of local movements showed year-over-year variations ranging from 79.8% (+2,188 movements) at Toronto/Buttonville Municipal to -25.3% (-1,154 movements) at Langley. Five of the top 10 airports recorded decreases in local movements from December 2002.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2715.

The December 2003 issue of *Aircraft Movement Statistics*, Vol. 2, no. 12 (51F0001PIE, TP1496, free) is now available on our website. From the *Our products and services* page, under *Browse our Internet publications*, choose *Free*, then *Transport and warehousing*. Previous issues are available on Transport Canada's website (<http://www.tc.gc.ca/pol/en/report/TP1496/tp1496.htm>).

Preliminary statistics for the 57 Canadian airports with NAV CANADA flight service stations are also available for December.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Kathie Davidson (613-951-0141; fax: 613-951-0010; aviationstatistics@statcan.ca), Transportation Division. ■

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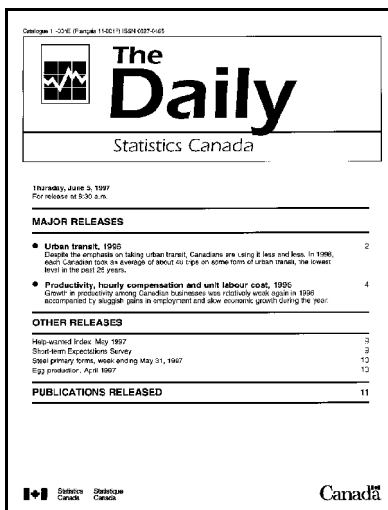
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