

APPENDIX C.—STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF R.N.Z.A.F. AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES, PACIFIC AND NEW ZEALAND

At 31st March, 1947, services were being operated by the R.N.Z.A.F. Air Transport over the following routes :—

(a) External scheduled services—

Route.	Route Miles.	Frequency.
Sunderland service—		
Auckland-Suva	1,143	Once weekly.
C. 47 services—		
Auckland-Rarotonga (via Norfolk Island-New Caledonia, Fiji-Tonga-British Samoa-U.S. Samoa-Aitutaki)	3,630	Once fortnightly.
Fiji-British Samoa	605	Once fortnightly.
Auckland-Japan	7,000	Once weekly.

Traffic statistics for these routes for the year ended 31st March, 1947, were :—

Period.	Hours flown.	Ton/Miles Capacity created.	Ton/Miles Capacity used.	Load Factor.
1946				Per Cent.
April-June	2,353	11,151,650	9,774,530	87·6
July-September	2,410	11,413,175	8,791,160	77·2
October-December	2,291	10,281,375	8,310,250	80·8
1947				
January-March	2,056	9,817,340	9,061,445	92·3
Totals	9,110	42,663,540	35,937,385	84·5

Period.	Passenger Miles.	Passengers, in Ton/Miles.	Freight, in Ton/Miles.	Mail, in Ton/Miles.
1946				
April-June	2,368,760	4,841,664	1,514,100	3,418,766
July-September	1,976,540	3,595,540	2,064,715	3,130,905
October-December	3,246,150	4,938,545	2,571,615	800,090
1947				
January-March	2,743,970	5,554,730	2,478,165	1,028,550
Totals	10,335,420	18,930,479	8,628,595	8,378,311

(b) Internal scheduled services—

Route.	Route Miles.	Frequency.
Auckland-Christchurch	479	Once daily in each direction except on Sunday.
Auckland-Christchurch (via Paraparaumu)	505	Once daily in each direction except on Sunday.

Passengers carried.	Hours flown.	Ton/Miles Capacity created.	Ton/Miles Capacity used.	Load Factor.	Passenger-miles.	Passengers, in Ton/Miles.	Freight, in Ton/Miles.	Mail, in Ton/Miles.
49,820	4,145	1,741,000	1,415,433	Per Cent. 81·3	17,453,150	1,356,376	47,881*	11,176

* Of this total, 30,855 ton/miles was carried on behalf of the New Zealand Railways.

In addition, the R.N.Z.A.F. Air Transport operated a non-scheduled freight service on charter to the New Zealand Railways, C. 47 (Dakota) aircraft were used, travelling between Paraparaumu and Woodbourne. A total of 2,040,101 lb. of freight, representing 71,297 freight ton/miles, was carried on this service since its inception on 10th February, 1947.