

TABLE No. 32.—COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT, 1938-39.
OPERATING STATISTICS FOR COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT SERVICES FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1939.

Service.	Trips.		Total Hours Flown.	Total Miles Flown.	Passengers.		Freight carried, lb.	Mail carried, lb.	Passenger-miles.	Freight Ton-miles.	Mail Ton-miles.
	Scheduled.	Flown.			Paying.	Non-paying.					
Cook Strait Airways, Ltd.—											
Wellington-Blenheim-Nelson	6,112	5,882	3,731	466,429	23,208	409	81,340	40,314	1,404,580	2,303	1,093
Nelson - West Coast	380	342	431	53,897	614	87	4,283	3,248	94,614	241	183
Air-taxi services	52	52	48	5,977	327						
Total for company	6,544	6,276	4,210	526,303	24,149	496	85,623	43,562	1,499,194	2,544	1,276
Union Airways of New Zealand, Ltd.—											
Auckland-Wellington	1,030	1,023	2,549	351,950	7,891	184	15,887	74,746	1,788,216	1,811	8,391
Palmerston North - Dunedin (ceased 21/10/38)	422	418	1,764	209,156	5,063	51	8,820	51,014	1,171,841	1,046	7,618
Palmerston North - Christchurch (commenced 22/10/38)	292	292	702	86,140	2,179	47	3,032	9,373	424,550	260	937
Wellington-Dunedin (commenced 21/10/38)	324	324	912	127,980	3,291	39	8,396	38,563	837,665	1,134	5,300
Palmerston North - Gisborne (commenced 1/7/38)	1,102	1,099	1,414	144,884	6,150	27	4,151	16,551	660,300	244	1,022
Auckland-Gisborne (commenced March, 1939)	11	11	22	2,365	131	6	60	150	21,055	3	11
Air-taxi services	347	347	228	26,100	3,560		5,866				
Total for company	3,528	3,514	7,591	948,575	28,205	354	46,232	190,397	4,903,627	4,498	23,279
East Coast Airways—											
Palmerston North - Gisborne (ceased 30/6/38)	642	611	594	60,428	2,855	85	11,933	7,407	318,255	123	81
Air-Taxi service (ceased 30/6/38)	9	9	1	144	57						
Total for company	651	620	595	60,572	2,912	85	11,933	7,407	318,255	123	81
Air Travel (N.Z.), Ltd.											
Hokitika-Okuru	974	967	470	49,216	418	27	28,346†	74,863†	67,955†	1,500*†	4,000*†
Inchbonnie-Weheka	462	459	200	21,950	205	13					
Air-taxi service	2,743	2,736	1,265	130,666	3,483	142					
Total for company	4,179	4,162	1,935	201,832	4,106	182	28,346	74,863	67,955	1,500	4,000
Grand total, 1938-39	14,902	14,572	14,331	1,737,282	59,372	1,117	172,134	316,229	6,789,031	8,665	28,636
Grand total, 1937-38	10,069	9,818	11,648	1,364,351	46,263	1,137	81,792	214,357	Not available.		

* Estimated.

† Includes freight mail, &c., for both route services.