# YQQ Economic Update

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## **About Us**





### History

- YQQ established by the Department of National Defence (DND) in 1942.
- Original air terminal building constructed by the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1956.
- Comox Valley Airport Commission (CVAC) established in 1996.
- New terminal completed in 2004.







### Operations



- CVAC operates the civil aviation facilities including passenger operations, fueling facilities, ramp/apron and maneuvering area.
- DND is responsible for YQQ's runway and associated systems.





#### Air Services

Offering five routes with five partners.







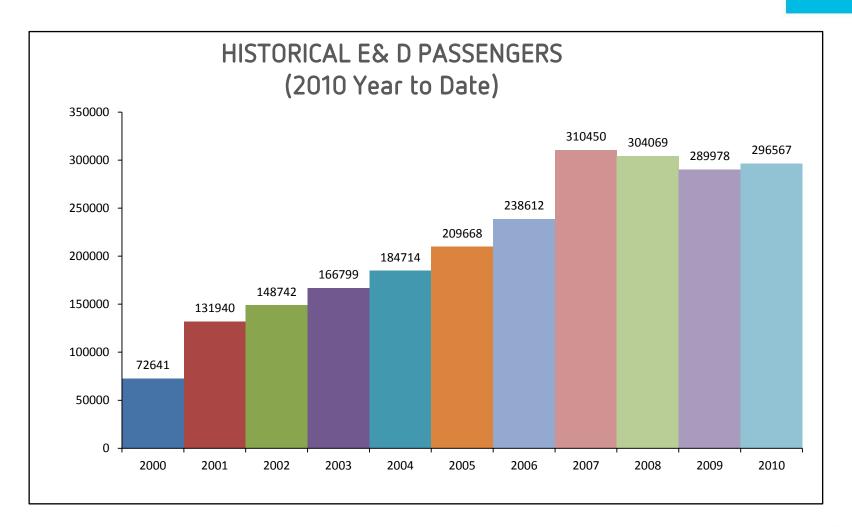








### Passengers







# Community Impact





#### **Economic Benefits**

#### Direct Airport Employment Impact

- 193 Jobs
- \$6 million in wages

#### Direct Tourism Employment Impacts

- 11,000 jobs
- \$231 million in wages

#### Total Economic Impact

- 15,100
- \$316 million in wages
- \$571 million in GDP
- \$1.2 billion in economic output







## Potential Economic Impact

#### Once daily service to a US destination, 70 seat aircraft

Direct Impact	Direct Employment (person years)	Wages (millions)	GDP (millions)	Economic Output (millions)
Airport	13	\$0.8	\$1.6	\$3.8
Visitor Spending	109	\$3.2	\$5.3	\$9.7
TOTAL:	122	\$4.0	\$6.9	\$13.5



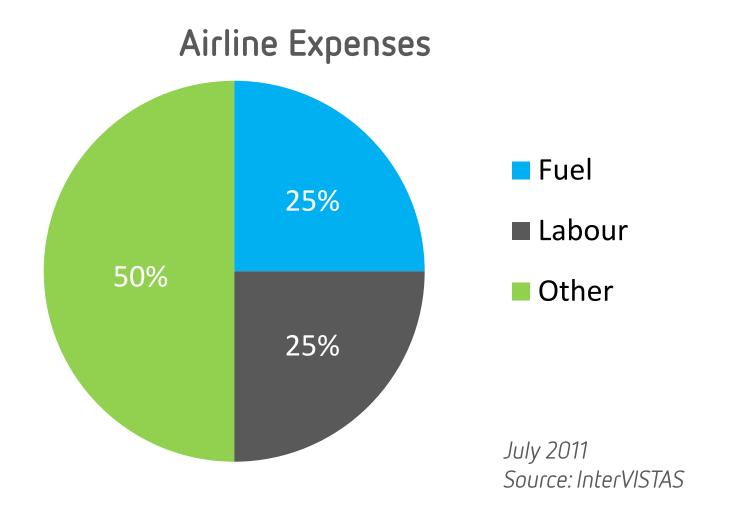


## The Airline Industry Today





## Low Net Profit Margins

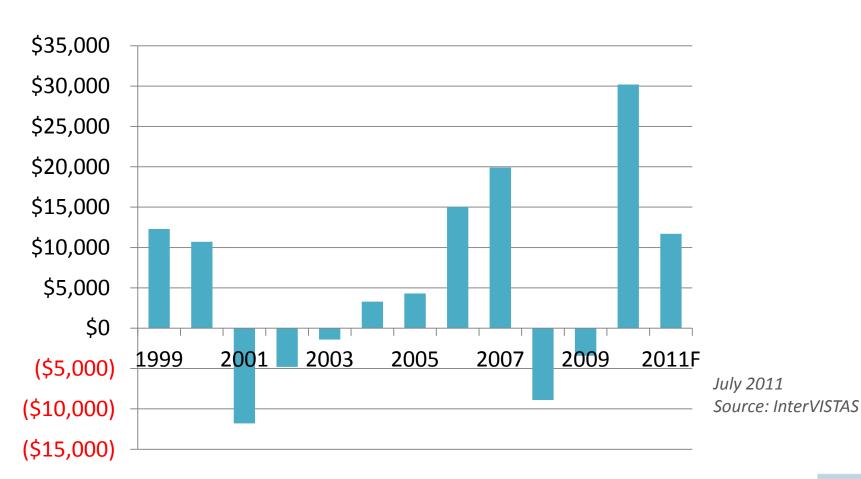






## Mounting Pressure to Decrease Costs

#### Airline Financial Performance





Where journeys begin.

## Incentives







## Opportunity for Growth





## Route Development Opportunities

Market Potential for Domestic, International and Transborder Routes

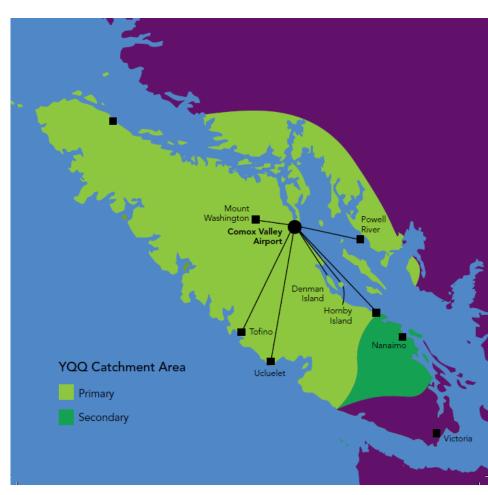






### The Best Point of Entry

- Centrally located on the east coast of Vancouver Island.
- Serving a total catchment area of 322,000 passengers.
- Within a three hour drive to most tourist locations.
- Served by two major provincial highways.
- A strong tourism market in BC and Vancouver Island.







### A Strong Leisure Market

#### Demographics:

YQQ passenger are primarily leisure travellers:

- 59 per cent are female
- More than half are visiting friends and relatives.
- Over half of passengers take two or more trips per year through YQQ.
- 54 per cent reside in BC and 33 per cent call the Comox Valley home.







#### Positive Financial Position







# Our Strategy



#### 2010 - 2015

Vision: Developing and expanding our scheduled air services network.

Mission: Exceeding the expectations of our customers and communities.

Values: Safety, Quality, Accountability, Economic Development and Sustainability.





#### Our Goals





Outlook for 2012

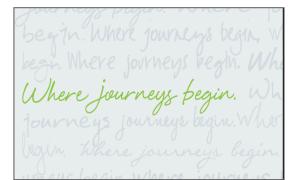




#### Start with a World Class Foundation







Concept



Tagline



Signage



Uniforms

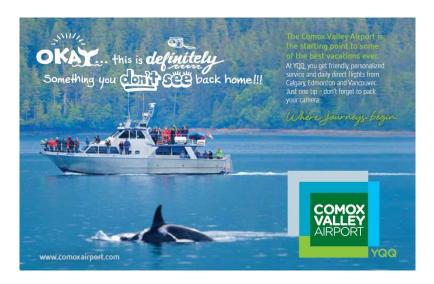


Corporate Materials

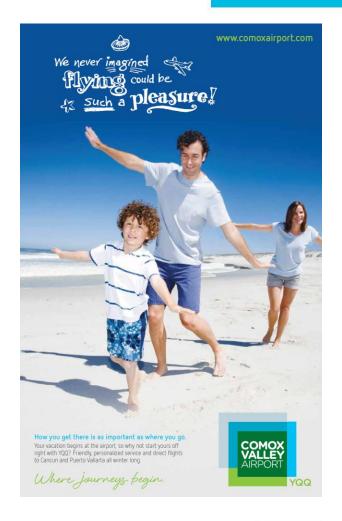




## Strengthen our Market











## Attract the Right Partners



Where journeys begin.



## **Stay Competitive**







Thank you.



