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## The sky is the limit since 1937



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### The First Five Years - TCA's takeoff

In the early 1930s no air service spans our vast nation and most Canadians can't imagine flying. With a few good men, \$5 million, two Lockheed Electras and a Stearman fresh from crop-dusting duties, the company takes off flying.

The airline first came into being on April 10, 1937, when Trans-Canada Air Lines was incorporated by an Act of Parliament to coordinate air transport across Canada's broad expanse. Its means? \$5 million and three airplanes: two Lockheed Electras and a Stearman, fresh from crop-dusting duties. Who would have thought it would mark the takeoff toward 80 years of innovation?

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