

Air Canada Reports September Traffic

MONTREAL, Oct. 5, 2011 /CNW Telbec/ - For the month of September, Air Canada reported a record system load factor of 82.8 per cent, versus 82.2 per cent in September 2010, an increase of 0.6 percentage points. System traffic increased 3.8 per cent on a system-wide capacity increase of 3.0 per cent. Air Canada reports traffic results on a system-wide basis, including regional airlines from which Air Canada purchases capacity.

"I am pleased to report a record load factor for the month of September of 82.8 per cent," said Calin Rovinescu, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Air Canada generated system wide traffic growth of 3.8 per cent on a capacity increase of 3.0 per cent through higher utilization of our existing fleet. This third consecutive month of record load factor results underlines Air Canada's focus on disciplined and efficient capacity deployment. I thank our employees for their commitment to taking care of our customers and for safely transporting them to their destinations."

		SEPTEMBER			Q3			YEAR-TO-DATE		
		2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change
Traffic (RPMs mln)		4,834	4,657	+3.8%	16,127	15,530	+3.8%	42,158	40,119	+5.1%
Capacity (ASMs mln)		5,837	5,667	+3.0%	18,799	18,329	+2.6%	51,170	48,578	+5.3%
Load Factor		82.8%	82.2%	+0.6 pts	85.8%	84.7%	+1.1 pts	82.4%	82.6%	-0.2 pts
Canada	RPMs	1,416	1,386	+2.2%	4,871	4,773	+2.1%	12,262	12,203	+0.5%
	ASMs	1,759	1,740	+1.1%	5,841	5,826	+0.3%	15,078	15,114	-0.2%
	LF	80.5%	79.7%	+0.8 pts	83.4%	81.9%	+1.5 pts	81.3%	80.7%	+0.6 pts
US Transborder	RPMs	634	566	+12.0%	2,183	1,997	+9.3%	6,670	5,998	+11.2%
	ASMs	838	807	+3.8%	2,735	2,613	+4.7%	8,469	7,853	+7.8%
	LF	75.7%	70.1%	+5.6 pts	79.8%	76.4%	+3.4 pts	78.8%	76.4%	+2.4 pts
Atlantic	RPMs	1,557	1,483	+5.0%	5,006	4,807	+4.1%	10,988	10,521	+4.4%
	ASMs	1,775	1,699	+4.5%	5,618	5,424	+3.6%	13,260	12,395	+7.0%
	LF	87.7%	87.3%	+0.4 pts	89.1%	88.6%	+0.5 pts	82.9%	84.9%	-2.0 pts
Pacific	RPMs	845	853	-0.9%	2,718	2,679	+1.5%	7,419	6,936	+7.0%
	ASMs	984	963	+2.2%	3,019	2,960	+2.0%	8,476	7,759	+9.2%
	LF	85.9%	88.6%	-2.7 pts	90.0%	90.5%	-0.5 pts	87.5%	89.4%	-1.9 pts
Latin Amer & Other	RPMs	382	369	+3.5%	1,349	1,274	+5.9%	4,819	4,461	+8.0%
	ASMs	481	458	+5.0%	1,586	1,506	+5.3%	5,887	5,457	+7.9%
	LF	79.4%	80.6%	-1.2 pts	85.1%	84.6%	+0.5 pts	81.9%	81.7%	+0.2 pts

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