

operated services with Douglas Dakota aircraft between Auckland and Christchurch, with an intermediate stop at Paraparaumu, while subsidiary services have been provided on the route Auckland—New Plymouth—Wellington using Dominie aircraft.

Details of the civil services operated by Union Airways and Air Travel (N.Z.), Ltd., are given in the following paragraphs:—

(a) INTERNAL AIR SERVICES

(1) *Union Airways of New Zealand, Ltd.*

Services were operated by Union Airways of New Zealand, Ltd., over the following routes:—

Route.	Route-miles.	Frequency.
Auckland-Dunedin (via Palmerston North, Wellington, and Christchurch)	720	Once daily in each direction except Sunday, with additional return trips Wellington-Christchurch.
Dunedin-Invercargill .. ..	105	Once daily in each direction.
Palmerston North - Gisborne .. ..	180	Thrice weekly in each direction.
Gisborne-Auckland .. ..	209	Thrice weekly in each direction.
Total route miles .. ..	1,214	

Traffic statistics for these routes for year ended 31st March, 1946, were—

Route.	Hours flown.	Miles flown.	Passengers.	Freight.	Mail.	Passenger-miles.	Freight Ton-miles.	Mail Ton-miles.
				lb.	lb.			
Auckland-Dunedin ..	4,014	580,007	21,811	99,123	315,112	6,753,112	13,330	47,491
Dunedin-Invercargill ..	319	42,840	3,026	3,920	10,608	317,730	184	486
Palmerston North-Gisborne ..	496	56,127	3,662	5,093	8,221	519,005	344	533
Gisborne-Auckland ..	413	48,070	2,690	3,064	1,990	562,210	286	186
Total ..	5,242	727,044	31,189	111,200	336,256	8,152,057	14,144	48,696

The following is a summary of traffic statistics for Union Airways of New Zealand, Ltd., for the years 1936-46:—

Year ended,	Hours flown.	Miles flown.	Passengers.	Freight.	Mail.	Passenger-miles.	Freight Ton-miles.	Mail Ton-miles.
				lb.	lb.			
31st March, 1936 ..	562	71,575	1,212	861	1,055	278,970	119	108
31st March, 1937 ..	3,000	360,140	7,192	7,160	44,184	1,623,545	772	6,394
31st March, 1938 ..	5,219	648,688	15,909	19,189	108,148	3,603,747	2,156	14,222
31st March, 1939 ..	7,364	922,475	25,119	40,366	190,397	4,907,471	4,505	23,316
31st March, 1940 ..	5,821	766,740	22,113	48,508	141,136	4,515,606	5,990	16,797
31st March, 1941 ..	2,271	322,249	10,370	23,176	73,455	2,638,580	2,728	9,574
31st March, 1942 ..	2,711	394,520	12,035	28,059	109,158	3,363,320	3,339	14,960
31st March, 1943 ..	2,737	387,500	11,990	42,504	163,703	3,351,675	4,596	21,244
31st March, 1944 ..	3,140	461,509	15,213	50,852	172,002	4,815,115	6,278	26,482
31st March, 1945 ..	3,942	609,475	23,501	92,269	225,327	7,368,383	12,492	40,155
31st March, 1946 ..	5,242	727,044	31,189	111,200	336,256	8,152,057	14,144	48,696