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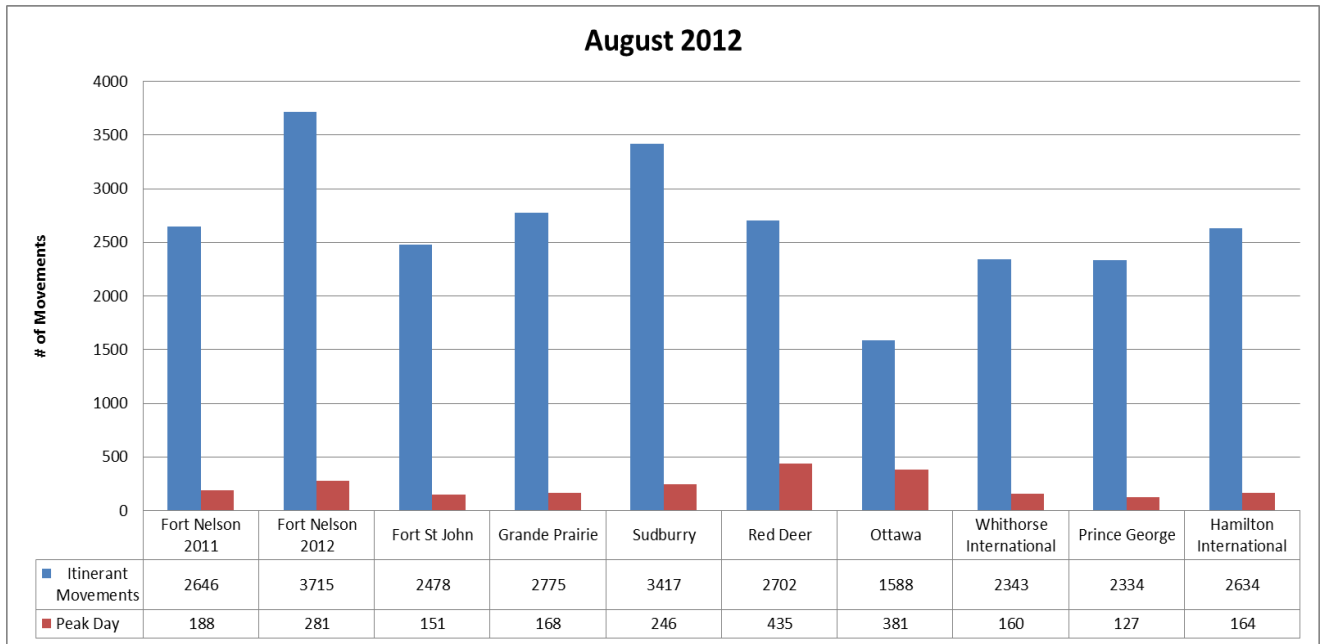
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Northern Rockies Regional Airport: Aircraft Movement Backgrounder

Some points of note about the Northern Rockies Regional Airport and its air traffic:

- The Northern Rockies Regional Airport (YYE) was established in 1941 as part of the USAAF Northwest Staging Route used for ferrying and refueling approximately 8000 aircraft on route to-wards Russia during WWII.
- YYE operates with sixteen tenants ranging from fixed and rotary aircraft operations to scheduled and charter passenger services. The BC Forest Service Wildlife Management Branch also maintains a seasonal fire center operation at the airport.
- The Municipality took over the operation of the airport from the Federal Government in 1999.
- YYE broke its air traffic record July 24th when a total of 355 aircraft took off and landed at the transportation hub of the Horn River Basin during the end of the busiest month ever on record, according to Stats Canada TP 141 (Aircraft Movement Statistics: NAV CANADA Towers and Flight Service Stations). A total of 4053 aircraft landed and took off during the Month of July, beating the previous record of 2732 in August 2011 by a whopping 1321 total movements and moving the YYE into 5th place among all Tier 2 Airports in Canada (Airports with Flight Service Stations).
- In August 2012 there was a total of 3,875 total movements, of which 3,715 were Itinerant movements (flights from one airport to another). That number placed the YYE 1st nationally among all Tier 2 Airports
- YYE also tallied more Itinerant movements than 13 of 42 Tier 1 airports (airports with Air Traffic Control such), ranking it as the 29th busiest airport in Canada.
- In the first two thirds of 2012, scheduled passenger traffic registered a yearly 1.2% increase, reaching 21,563, while aircraft movements grew by 19.7% to 19,217. Combining Scheduled and Charter passenger traffic, the YYE is forecasting that over 100,000 passengers will move through its facilities by the end of 2012.

Aircraft Movement Comparison



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