Vancouver International Airport (YVR) is one of the world’s great international airports.

YVR is a dynamic hub for international passenger and air freight traffic, linking North America with the world.

British Columbia is endowed with attributes that make YVR a great airport: a strategic geographic location on great circle routes between Asia and North America, a fabulous destination that people want to visit and a cosmopolitan population with global family ties and a propensity to travel by air.

Vancouver’s geographic location provides YVR with a significant competitive advantage as the ideal gateway connecting the Asia-Pacific Region, North America, Europe and Latin America.

YVR is Canada’s second busiest airport, with some 16.7 million passengers (including same plane transit) and more than 228,400 tonnes of cargo in 2010.
YVR is at the crossroads of international travel, trade and tourism. And current airport expansion plans will increase capacity by five million passengers by 2015. The airport has set a target of 28.4 million passengers by 2020.

Over $3 billion has been invested at YVR to expand capacity to accommodate anticipated increases in international and domestic passenger traffic and the newer larger aircraft of the future, and to accommodate more direct flights from Asia.

- Completed upgrades include a new terminal wing with four new gates.

- In 2009, a $1.9 billion new rapid transit line opened, providing unprecedented efficient movement of passengers to and from the airport, and a $866 million domestic passenger terminal expansion was completed.

- By 2015, the airport will have completed to its domestic and international terminals, and significantly improved the movement of passengers and cargo to and from the airport. These plans include the construction of a new international building with up to 25 gates.

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