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Kamloops Airport announces the 2023 Q4 and Year-End passenger statistics, as compared to the same period from the previous year.

	2022	2023	Change
Q4 Travelers	76,673	84,218	+9.8%
October	24,835	25,971	+4.6%
November	25,770	27,406	+6.4%
December	26,068	30,841	+18.3%
Year-End	257,374	311,696	+21.1%

The increases experienced in Q4 can be attributed largely to the introduction of new air services to Victoria and Vancouver by **Pacific Coastal Airlines** and **WestJet Link**, along with the reintroduction of the early morning departure to Vancouver with **Air Canada**. Following the service reductions in Q2 and fire-related travel restrictions in Q3, Q4 saw a strong return of travelers who are taking advantage of the convenient connections beyond Vancouver and Calgary for both business and leisure travel. We are also excited to announce that **Pacific Coastal Airlines** is increasing their popular non-stop service to Victoria to daily to include services on Saturday starting in February.

Although challenges stemming from the pandemic remain for the aviation sector, Kamloops Airport served 91.9% of our 2019 Q4 pre-pandemic traffic. We are optimistic the growth trend will continue toward a full recovery through 2024 as we work with our stakeholders in the airline, tourism, and business sectors to amplify Kamloops as destination for both tourism and commerce.

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