

TYPES OF AIR CARRIERS

Private Carrier - a firm that transports company personnel and freight in planes that it owns or leases.

Majors - airlines that have more than \$1 billion in annual revenue. They fly large aircraft over long distances between major population centers. There are 13 major airlines.

Nationals - airlines that have \$100 million but less than \$1 billion in annual revenue. They fly smaller aircraft over shorter distances between less populated areas and larger population centers. There are 39 national airlines.

Regionals - airlines that have less than \$100 million in annual revenue. They operate within a particular region of the U.S., connecting less populated areas with larger population centers in the region. There are 46 regional airlines.

Commuters - a regional carrier that connects small cities with a specific major airline at a large airport.

Charter Airlines - air carrier that charters the plane to a group to fly between a specific origin and destination. No schedule or fixed routes.

All Cargo Carriers - UPS, Fed Ex, DHL, etc.