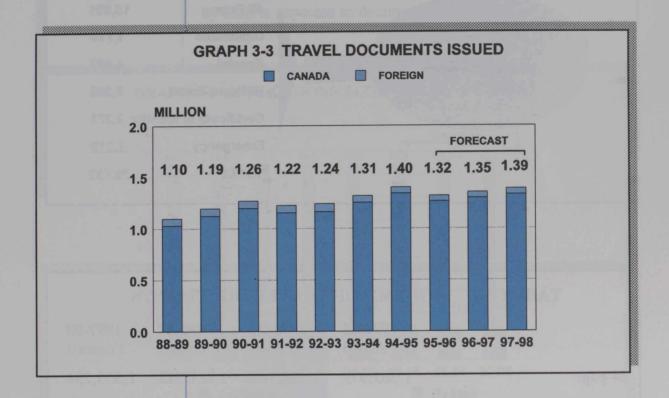


traffic to the U.S.A. will increase by 2% over 1994 and in 1996 by 5% over 1995. By 2007, it is estimated that transborder U.S. passenger traffic will have risen by 54% over 1995 levels.

Volume

It is estimated that 1,318,500 travel documents will be issued in 1995-96 by the Passport Office in Canada and Canadian missions abroad (see Graph 3-3). Of that number, about 54,000 or 4.1% will be issued abroad. The remaining 95.9% of travel documents will be issued in Canada.



The total number of travel documents issued in 1995-96 will decrease by 5.6% compared to the 1994-95 actual volume of 1,397,223. This decrease is due to a proposed fee increase related to the recovery of cost of the consular program, and to the slow economic growth forecast for the second half of the 1995-96 fiscal year.

The Passport Office estimates that volume will increase in 1996-97 by 2.5% over 1995-96 and by a further 2.5% in 1997-98.

Type of Product

We estimate that in 1995-96, we will issue 1,288,768 twenty-four page passports which represents 97.7% of all travel documents to be issued (Graph 3-4). The remaining 29,732 travel documents