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China Southern Airlines became the first Chinese carrier to operate the Boeing 747-400 Freighter. The jetliner is the first 747-400 in the China Southern fleet and the first all-cargo airplane operated by the airline.

The 747-400F is the leading freighter airplane in operation today, with a 124-ton (112,630-kilogram) cargo capacity. The introduction of the 747 as a freighter has been a key driver in the development of the air cargo industry, in which the 747 freighter fleet comprises about 45 percent of the world's dedicated freighter capacity.

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