

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS

CUSTOMS ENTRIES TO BC AND CANADA



January-2024

Year-to-Date

	BC			Canada			BC			Canada		
	Visitor Arrivals	% change**		Visitor Arrivals	% change**		Visitor Arrivals	% change**		Visitor Arrivals	% change**	
		2023	2019		2023	2019		2023	2019		2023	2019
Total U.S.A	259,423	-1.0%	-19.1%	910,621	5.1%	-20.1%	259,423	-1.0%	-19.1%	910,621	5.1%	-20.1%
U.S.A. Overnight*	153,467	-3.0%		505,628	5.8%		153,467	-3.0%		505,628	5.8%	
U.S.A. Same Day*	105,956	2.1%		404,993	4.2%		105,956	2.1%		404,993	4.2%	
Total Asia/Pacific***	58,000	0.5%	-33.9%	107,915	16.7%	-34.2%	58,000	0.5%	-33.9%	107,915	16.7%	-34.2%
Japan	3,355	10.7%	-41.4%	5,276	17.3%	-45.1%	3,355	10.7%	-41.4%	5,276	17.3%	-45.1%
Taiwan	2,305	-37.5%	-63.5%	4,412	-20.9%	-46.3%	2,305	-37.5%	-63.5%	4,412	-20.9%	-46.3%
Hong Kong	2,916	-38.1%	-46.1%	5,659	-25.0%	-33.8%	2,916	-38.1%	-46.1%	5,659	-25.0%	-33.8%
Australia	17,048	-14.1%	-22.4%	21,585	-11.1%	-23.5%	17,048	-14.1%	-22.4%	21,585	-11.1%	-23.5%
China	9,754	62.3%	-63.9%	17,099	68.6%	-69.7%	9,754	62.3%	-63.9%	17,099	68.6%	-69.7%
New Zealand	3,664	-6.4%	5.0%	4,320	-5.6%	-4.0%	3,664	-6.4%	5.0%	4,320	-5.6%	-4.0%
India	5,920	22.7%	46.2%	16,864	31.8%	20.2%	5,920	22.7%	46.2%	16,864	31.8%	20.2%
Total Europe***	14,981	4.2%	-19.8%	93,447	6.9%	-21.0%	14,981	4.2%	-19.8%	93,447	6.9%	-21.0%
United Kingdom	6,470	5.1%	-9.4%	25,338	5.7%	-10.3%	6,470	5.1%	-9.4%	25,338	5.7%	-10.3%
Germany	2,005	3.5%	-24.5%	9,201	3.7%	-22.3%	2,005	3.5%	-24.5%	9,201	3.7%	-22.3%
Netherlands	654	9.0%	-25.4%	3,473	3.6%	-25.2%	654	9.0%	-25.4%	3,473	3.6%	-25.2%
Austria	194	-14.9%	-36.2%	1,191	-8.2%	-30.8%	194	-14.9%	-36.2%	1,191	-8.2%	-30.8%
Switzerland	412	5.4%	-38.7%	3,241	8.1%	-36.6%	412	5.4%	-38.7%	3,241	8.1%	-36.6%
France	958	-0.9%	-17.8%	22,464	7.6%	-16.7%	958	-0.9%	-17.8%	22,464	7.6%	-16.7%
Italy	442	-1.3%	-40.8%	3,770	8.7%	-12.9%	442	-1.3%	-40.8%	3,770	8.7%	-12.9%
Brazil***	1,266	42.4%	-60.6%	7,108	10.3%	-50.0%	1,266	42.4%	-60.6%	7,108	10.3%	-50.0%
Mexico***	15,784	22.8%	53.0%	39,638	24.9%	44.2%	15,784	22.8%	53.0%	39,638	24.9%	44.2%
Total International Overnight*** (Excludes U.S.A Same Day)	245,888	-0.1%	-19.6%	784,373	9.1%	-15.9%	245,888	-0.1%	-19.6%	784,373	9.1%	-15.9%

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Note: Customs entries include international visitors who cross Canada Customs in British Columbia. These figures do not account for all visitors to BC, as domestic visitors are excluded as well as international visitors who cross Canada Customs outside BC, yet still travel to BC. Likewise, customs entries include visitors that cross Canada Customs in BC, but who continue on to other provinces.

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* In April 2022, Statistics Canada changed the mode of transport classification for international ferry ports to align with UNWTO standards. In addition, due to advances in data collection via the E63-1 form at water ports, trip lengths of ferry/cruise passengers are no longer comparable to previous years. As a result of these methodology changes, year-over-year comparisons for U.S.A Same Day and Overnight visitation are not provided.

** There are large variations in percent changes between 2024, 2023, and 2019 International Visitor Arrivals. Please note, a percent change is amplified when an increase or decrease is seen on smaller values and should be interpreted with caution.

*** This publication includes overseas arrivals for all durations, including Same Day and Overnight. Due to Covid-19, Statistics Canada is not producing Overnight arrivals data for countries other than the U.S.A. at this time. Please note that prior to Covid-19 adjustments, Destination BC published data for Overnight visitors only.