

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS

CUSTOMS ENTRIES TO BC AND CANADA



August-2024

Year-to-Date

	BC			Canada			BC			Canada		
	Visitor Arrivals	% change**	2019	Visitor Arrivals	% change**	2019	Visitor Arrivals	% change**	2019	Visitor Arrivals	% change**	2019
Total U.S.A	926,331	11.5%	3.0%	3,195,854	12.7%	-10.0%	4,772,308	9.2%	4.0%	16,369,782	11.7%	-7.2%
U.S.A. Overnight*	473,055	9.9%		1,970,510	13.6%		2,566,050	7.7%		9,852,672	11.1%	
U.S.A. Same Day*	453,276	13.1%		1,225,344	11.4%		2,206,258	10.9%		6,517,110	12.6%	
Total Asia/Pacific***	113,019	16.4%	-34.9%	232,507	16.4%	-37.1%	734,789	16.8%	-26.5%	1,578,143	21.1%	-22.2%
Australia	24,196	3.8%	-16.9%	36,336	-0.9%	-20.4%	151,506	5.7%	-12.8%	215,200	6.8%	-16.5%
China	18,194	38.8%	-61.0%	34,511	46.7%	-67.2%	112,405	43.2%	-55.2%	211,309	55.4%	-60.0%
India	12,892	15.4%	-10.8%	37,065	23.0%	-11.8%	95,710	9.9%	-1.1%	351,115	12.7%	35.2%
Japan	13,402	25.7%	-39.5%	23,939	34.0%	-40.3%	58,803	27.4%	-40.5%	99,093	31.6%	-42.4%
Korea, South	8,504	17.6%	-40.7%	17,538	76.7%	-42.5%	54,863	12.4%	-34.9%	109,528	15.0%	-41.3%
Total Europe***	82,173	1.7%	-27.5%	434,589	6.4%	-18.3%	376,361	6.9%	-22.3%	1,971,114	7.1%	-14.7%
France	5,480	1.7%	-39.9%	99,225	5.6%	-15.7%	21,853	6.4%	-30.8%	435,489	6.0%	-7.2%
Germany	17,350	1.0%	-28.1%	57,232	7.9%	-20.7%	70,166	6.1%	-23.7%	238,479	7.1%	-21.2%
Netherlands	4,774	7.8%	-34.6%	18,622	13.8%	-9.3%	23,503	6.1%	-30.9%	90,141	9.6%	-10.3%
United Kingdom	30,366	5.5%	-20.7%	123,345	0.5%	-11.9%	151,991	11.2%	-14.3%	575,246	6.3%	-9.2%
Mexico***	15,180	-31.1%	-15.8%	45,728	-37.1%	-16.1%	119,641	-16.6%	1.4%	314,153	-23.1%	-11.5%
Total International Overnight*** (Excludes U.S.A Same Day)	692,772	8.4%	-27.9%	2,781,736	11.0%	-17.9%	3,849,529	8.4%	-18.6%	14,300,495	10.7%	-10.6%

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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.