

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS

OVERNIGHT CUSTOMS ENTRIES TO BC AND CANADA



August 2019

Year-to-Date

	BC	% change*	Canada	% change*	BC	% change*	Canada	% change*
Total U.S.A.	899,180	5.8%	3,557,793	4.5%	4,590,126	5.2%	17,664,698	2.8%
U.S.A. Overnight ¹	617,083	10.3%	2,328,811	7.4%	2,945,641	3.8%	10,768,076	4.2%
U.S.A. Same Day ¹	282,097	-2.8%	1,228,982	-0.5%	1,644,485	7.8%	6,896,622	0.5%
Total Asia/Pacific Overnight	165,338	-0.1%	317,881	5.0%	956,778	2.2%	1,766,372	2.7%
Japan	21,977	2.9%	38,260	2.2%	98,109	4.6%	165,365	-2.3%
Taiwan	8,559	-0.4%	11,521	0.2%	60,991	-2.1%	80,003	-5.9%
Hong Kong	12,094	2.8%	19,852	8.5%	78,222	-1.5%	124,960	8.0%
Australia	29,094	-6.6%	42,425	-5.4%	173,075	0.5%	242,404	0.2%
South Korea	13,162	11.4%	24,575	10.4%	79,391	3.4%	146,357	-15.2%
China	44,643	-10.3%	98,609	2.0%	239,570	-6.2%	500,814	0.5%
New Zealand	5,906	-6.9%	8,406	-4.4%	35,028	0.2%	47,774	5.2%
India	13,135	26.7%	38,395	12.7%	90,099	33.8%	243,872	18.1%
South East Asia ²	10,017	10.0%	17,925	21.7%	66,660	5.5%	116,530	14.7%
Total Europe Overnight	105,411	2.3%	489,054	9.7%	458,413	3.4%	2,144,653	8.0%
United Kingdom	37,269	-0.6%	133,200	9.6%	174,505	2.0%	609,393	10.4%
Germany	23,080	5.5%	67,379	6.4%	88,960	3.3%	285,983	3.3%
Netherlands	6,926	-6.1%	19,299	-8.0%	33,066	0.1%	96,063	-5.2%
Austria	1,826	3.0%	6,328	9.3%	7,593	12.2%	28,704	5.7%
Switzerland	5,263	6.5%	16,759	3.0%	22,906	-0.6%	89,425	1.6%
France	8,285	6.6%	114,925	13.6%	29,376	5.5%	461,502	11.7%
Italy	4,216	1.4%	33,056	18.4%	12,910	1.0%	95,127	8.4%
Nordic Europe ³	3,580	4.2%	13,007	1.1%	21,876	4.4%	92,327	-3.1%
Brazil	3,920	-14.1%	19,177	-6.0%	25,167	-5.0%	124,084	-4.9%
Mexico	17,548	2.2%	52,179	16.9%	115,754	12.0%	344,869	24.1%
Total International Overnight (Includes USA Overnight)	922,730	7.0%	3,329,402	7.8%	4,562,555	3.6%	15,761,570	5.2%

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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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*All percentage comparisons versus same period in 2018

¹Beginning with the January 2019 release, Statistics Canada has changed the estimation of the ratio of Same-day to Overnight US arrivals, use caution in interpreting Year-over-Year changes. Refer to Total U.S.A. values to help interpret changes.

²South East Asia includes Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand

³Nordic Europe includes Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

Note: Due to data issues at BC land ports, Destination BC has modelled overseas countries of origin for September 2017 to November 2018, year over year changes by country of origin will not match values reported by Statistics Canada.