

# INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS

CUSTOMS ENTRIES TO BC AND CANADA



February-2023

Year-to-Date

	BC			Canada			BC			Canada		
	Visitor Arrivals	% change**		Visitor Arrivals	% change**		Visitor Arrivals	% change**		Visitor Arrivals	% change**	
		2022	2019		2022	2019		2022	2019		2022	2019
<b>Total U.S.A</b>	<b>287,221</b>			<b>945,125</b>			<b>549,286</b>			<b>1,811,804</b>		
U.S.A. Overnight*	190,356			574,324			348,644			1,052,365		
U.S.A. Same Day*	96,865			370,801			200,642			759,439		
<b>Total Asia/Pacific***</b>	<b>42,958</b>	<b>250.5%</b>	<b>-42.9%</b>	<b>73,899</b>	<b>190.6%</b>	<b>-47.1%</b>	<b>100,658</b>	<b>306.6%</b>	<b>-38.2%</b>	<b>166,360</b>	<b>241.4%</b>	<b>-45.2%</b>
Japan	3,813	520.0%	-65.3%	5,743	654.7%	-63.8%	6,844	423.6%	-59.1%	10,242	553.6%	-59.8%
Taiwan	1,939	754.2%	-68.7%	2,542	405.4%	-68.4%	5,628	1070.1%	-55.0%	8,117	673.0%	-50.1%
Hong Kong	2,907	718.9%	-56.2%	4,381	618.2%	-56.3%	7,615	725.9%	-36.8%	11,931	720.6%	-35.8%
Australia	10,167	212.8%	-1.3%	12,424	228.2%	-9.1%	30,008	341.0%	-7.0%	36,706	364.8%	-12.3%
China	6,072	361.7%	-73.4%	8,700	259.7%	-81.2%	12,082	298.7%	-75.8%	18,843	248.2%	-81.6%
New Zealand	2,492	1300.0%	33.6%	2,782	1068.9%	16.1%	6,407	2246.9%	19.6%	7,360	1831.8%	6.7%
India	5,153	93.5%	16.7%	15,214	85.0%	16.0%	9,976	118.3%	17.9%	28,013	108.1%	3.2%
<b>Total Europe***</b>	<b>17,772</b>	<b>59.3%</b>	<b>-22.0%</b>	<b>116,857</b>	<b>126.3%</b>	<b>-14.6%</b>	<b>32,148</b>	<b>67.3%</b>	<b>-22.5%</b>	<b>204,268</b>	<b>140.2%</b>	<b>-19.9%</b>
United Kingdom	8,532	49.1%	-7.7%	31,924	128.6%	-8.3%	14,688	54.2%	-10.3%	55,894	136.9%	-11.4%
Germany	2,197	55.9%	-31.3%	11,698	142.2%	-13.3%	4,135	62.2%	-29.3%	20,568	141.8%	-18.8%
Netherlands	728	104.5%	-31.6%	3,724	133.9%	-25.1%	1,328	110.5%	-31.6%	7,075	142.4%	-26.4%
Austria	267	57.1%	-17.3%	1,528	171.9%	-15.0%	495	69.5%	-21.1%	2,825	159.9%	-19.7%
Switzerland	545	47.7%	-31.8%	4,357	175.2%	-25.3%	936	52.4%	-36.4%	7,355	174.2%	-32.8%
France	1,204	131.5%	-25.9%	35,804	105.7%	-3.2%	2,171	145.3%	-22.2%	56,676	129.7%	-11.4%
Italy	397	87.3%	-45.3%	3,085	170.6%	-22.0%	845	66.0%	-42.6%	6,554	184.3%	-20.9%
Brazil***	556	109.8%	-74.4%	5,430	85.3%	-50.0%	1,445	171.1%	-73.2%	11,873	125.3%	-52.7%
Mexico***	13,589	135.6%	35.0%	33,723	146.9%	36.4%	26,443	152.2%	29.7%	65,468	162.7%	25.4%
<b>Total International Overnight*** (Excludes U.S.A Same Day)</b>	<b>267,231</b>	<b>141.5%</b>	<b>-11.6%</b>	<b>830,178</b>	<b>158.8%</b>	<b>-15.0%</b>	<b>513,406</b>	<b>175.5%</b>	<b>-15.6%</b>	<b>1,549,277</b>	<b>189.5%</b>	<b>-18.9%</b>

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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 2023, 2022, 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.