

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS

CUSTOMS ENTRIES TO BC AND CANADA



April-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
Total U.S.A	363,708	57.4%	-6.8%	1,300,810	71.2%	-18.1%	1,235,451	115.0%	-12.0%	4,206,725	139.3%	-21.3%
U.S.A. Overnight	223,459	54.5%	-4.8%	779,099	60.3%	-13.2%	781,269	107.4%	-7.9%	2,499,508	114.7%	-14.3%
U.S.A. Same Day	140,249	62.3%	-9.9%	521,711	90.8%	-24.6%	454,182	129.4%	-18.2%	1,707,217	187.4%	-29.7%
Total Asia/Pacific***	53,929	116.0%	-36.8%	108,984	103.4%	-40.0%	201,263	199.1%	-36.3%	364,213	157.9%	-41.6%
Japan	3,425	94.8%	-64.4%	5,658	151.1%	-68.1%	15,807	297.0%	-59.1%	23,906	379.7%	-61.2%
Taiwan	2,838	362.2%	-42.7%	3,640	266.6%	-47.0%	11,088	661.5%	-51.5%	15,151	439.8%	-49.8%
Hong Kong	4,564	275.0%	-36.0%	7,157	273.1%	-39.1%	16,203	388.2%	-32.8%	25,475	394.0%	-33.5%
Australia	10,548	110.2%	-12.3%	14,752	119.9%	-19.7%	48,651	219.0%	-7.2%	62,593	230.7%	-14.0%
China	7,579	279.3%	-63.0%	11,977	269.4%	-71.8%	26,527	294.3%	-69.2%	41,452	249.0%	-76.9%
New Zealand	2,287	76.7%	-5.7%	2,949	103.5%	-17.2%	10,484	380.5%	13.2%	12,493	394.6%	-0.7%
India	7,903	48.7%	-23.3%	26,597	50.6%	-6.2%	24,218	84.8%	-3.4%	74,796	75.8%	0.7%
Total Europe***	24,712	10.7%	-26.3%	161,189	31.3%	-19.2%	77,359	35.7%	-22.2%	481,412	74.0%	-18.6%
United Kingdom	10,447	7.6%	-25.4%	51,742	37.3%	-10.3%	34,396	27.9%	-14.3%	142,236	71.5%	-9.7%
Germany	3,785	14.6%	-29.4%	16,255	34.3%	-23.8%	11,029	39.3%	-27.5%	50,315	81.1%	-19.7%
Netherlands	1,725	37.7%	-10.2%	6,723	22.3%	-18.9%	3,855	58.8%	-21.6%	17,662	62.3%	-24.7%
Austria	278	9.9%	-49.5%	1,656	21.3%	-31.8%	1,140	52.8%	-32.3%	6,009	87.3%	-24.1%
Switzerland	742	-0.4%	-37.7%	6,199	28.9%	-17.2%	2,258	23.7%	-36.0%	17,450	83.0%	-26.7%
France	1,860	22.9%	-23.0%	37,595	32.6%	-6.3%	5,168	65.5%	-22.5%	117,990	74.5%	-11.0%
Italy	610	-1.6%	-43.7%	5,370	60.3%	-36.2%	1,913	24.9%	-46.1%	15,763	107.7%	-27.4%
Brazil***	900	55.7%	-65.4%	6,581	22.6%	-45.1%	2,900	99.2%	-71.9%	28,291	102.7%	-42.2%
Mexico***	18,217	78.3%	23.1%	55,859	77.2%	18.8%	60,147	117.8%	31.0%	163,364	110.5%	27.6%
Total International Overnight*** (Excludes U.S.A Same Day)	323,792	58.4%	-13.4%	1,152,315	58.3%	-16.5%	1,131,608	111.7%	-14.9%	3,657,834	110.3%	-17.5%

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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.