

MARKET OVERVIEW



Business

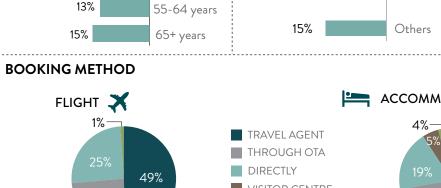
1.4 PEOPLE

An estimated 214,000 travellers from China visited BC in 2015. Those visits generated approximately \$319.3 million in tourist receipts.

EXPLORER QUOTIENT

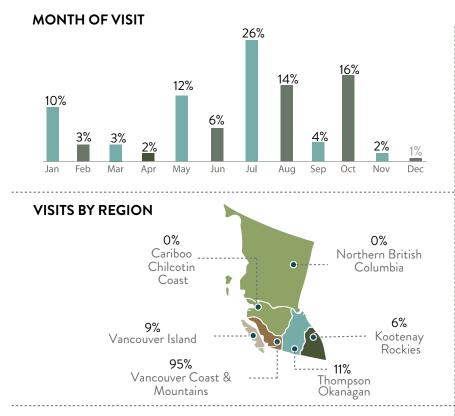
In 2015, China was the largest Asia/Pacific market for BC inbound travel. China accounted for 24% of BC's overnight visitation from Asia/Pacific. This proportion has increased since 2013 when China accounted for 22%.







8%



TOP TRENDS FOR CHINA

Outbound travel from China has been growing rapidly in recent years (average of 19% annually since 2000) fuelled by economic growth, relaxed travel restrictions, personal wealth increases, growth of passport ownership, less restrictive visa requirements, increased international flights and more destinations with Approved Destination Status (ADS).

According to Euromonitor International, Canada was ranked #17 as an international destination receiving outbound travel from China.

Canada's top competitors for visitors from China in the long-haul outbound travel market are the US, Australia, France and Germany.

TOP 10 ACTIVITIES

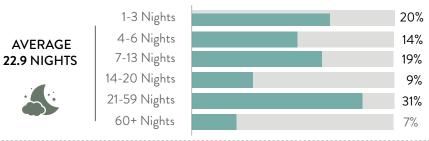


TRIP LENGTH IN BC

\$1,477

PER

PERSON



AVERAGE TRIP SPENDING PER PERSON

Accommodation	\$401	27%
Food/Beverage	\$320	22%
Transportation	\$182	12%
دی اللہ Recreation/ Entertainment	\$120	8%
Other	\$454	31%



SOURCES AND NOTES

This profile provides an overview of traveller and trip characteristics of overnight travellers from China to British Columbia, unless otherwise noted.

RESOURCES

Destination British Columbia's Estimated International Visitor Volume/Expenditures (2015)

Destination Canada's Explorer Quotient (2012)

Destination Canada's Global Tourism Watch (2014)

Euromonitor International (2014)

Statistics Canada's International Travel Survey (ITS) (2013 & 2014)

NOTES

"Booking Method" shares of "travel agent" bookings are the same for both flight and accommodation, however, all other types of booking methods are independent of each other.

"Top 10 Activities" measures travellers' participation in activities during their trip, which may include destinations other than BC.

"Visits by Region" may not equal 100% as travellers can visit more than one region during their trip in BC.

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