

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS

OVERNIGHT CUSTOMS ENTRIES TO BC AND CANADA



March 2019

Year-to-Date

	BC	% change*	Canada	% change*	BC	% change*	Canada	% change*
Total U.S.A.	397,081	6.0%	1,463,079	-2.1%	1,018,603	3.9%	3,761,175	-1.8%
U.S.A. Overnight¹	242,610	4.6%	803,668	-2.7%	612,848	3.1%	2,023,482	-0.8%
U.S.A. Same Day¹	154,471	8.4%	659,411	-1.4%	405,755	5.2%	1,737,693	-2.8%
Total Asia/Pacific Overnight	63,680	-4.9%	119,770	-3.5%	221,356	0.7%	396,807	0.4%
Japan	12,250	11.0%	17,850	-2.4%	29,081	9.7%	43,054	-8.6%
Taiwan	5,183	-12.4%	6,595	-17.7%	17,316	10.6%	21,691	3.2%
Hong Kong	5,067	-37.8%	7,945	-28.4%	17,524	-21.6%	26,639	-11.6%
Australia	8,042	0.4%	12,118	-0.9%	40,250	1.9%	53,561	1.7%
South Korea	5,058	7.4%	9,108	-26.5%	18,747	19.5%	32,779	-9.9%
China	14,786	-3.8%	32,382	2.9%	62,681	-0.4%	130,627	4.2%
New Zealand	1,425	-0.7%	2,043	6.6%	6,750	7.5%	8,880	12.8%
India	5,785	-8.0%	17,706	9.6%	13,313	-13.4%	43,027	5.2%
South East Asia ²	4,101	-5.5%	7,398	2.2%	10,456	-7.3%	19,503	5.0%
Total Europe Overnight	23,010	-18.9%	127,346	-11.9%	62,002	-9.7%	366,606	-5.6%
United Kingdom	9,552	-34.2%	35,504	-23.8%	25,614	-24.8%	96,773	-14.4%
Germany	3,839	-9.4%	15,507	-19.2%	9,484	-1.2%	40,279	-12.0%
Netherlands	1,029	17.2%	5,204	7.2%	2,881	18.8%	14,399	-0.2%
Austria	489	20.0%	1,932	-7.2%	1,100	4.5%	5,407	-11.4%
Switzerland	870	-14.3%	5,331	-10.4%	2,339	-5.3%	16,193	8.9%
France	1,329	1.3%	27,848	6.9%	3,961	8.5%	90,804	6.8%
Italy	938	21.7%	4,847	1.9%	2,264	11.4%	12,789	-1.8%
Nordic Europe ³	1,430	-10.5%	7,376	-16.5%	4,764	3.8%	21,918	-21.7%
Brazil	2,058	7.0%	11,413	0.7%	6,937	7.0%	35,681	-3.9%
Mexico	10,669	-27.6%	28,010	-20.6%	31,031	-8.8%	79,158	0.7%
Total International Overnight (Includes USA Overnight)	346,276	-0.5%	1,135,662	-4.4%	944,999	1.2%	3,020,618	-1.1%

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*All percentage comparisons versus same period in 2018.

Source: Statistics Canada; prepared by Destination British Columbia, Research and Analytics.

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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Source: Destination BC Tabulations from Statistics Canada Frontier Counts

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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.

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