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Table 1

Estimated Number of International Travellers Entering or Returning to Canada

| Type of transportation | February | | | January-February | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | 2003 | 2004 | Change 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | Change 2004 |
| | | | % | | | % |
| Number of trips by non-residents¹ | | | | | | |
| United States residents | 2,142,778 | 2,044,641 | -4.6 | 4,347,390 | 3,878,222 | -10.8 |
| Automobile | 1,804,730 | 1,708,118 | -5.4 | 3,678,020 | 3,237,698 | -12.0 |
| Same day | 1,319,489 | 1,254,222 | -4.9 | 2,781,703 | 2,417,879 | -13.1 |
| One or more nights | 485,241 | 453,896 | -6.5 | 896,317 | 819,819 | -8.5 |
| Plane | 229,832 | 225,021 | -2.1 | 450,571 | 425,914 | -5.5 |
| Bus | 82,934 | 84,865 | 2.3 | 174,037 | 168,403 | -3.2 |
| Train, boat and other methods | 25,282 | 26,637 | 5.4 | 44,762 | 46,207 | 3.2 |
| All other countries residents | 191,165 | 188,584 | -1.4 | 377,628 | 360,309 | -4.6 |
| Direct | 131,062 | 133,106 | 1.6 | 248,607 | 248,262 | -0.1 |
| Via the United States ² | 60,103 | 55,478 | -7.7 | 129,021 | 112,047 | -13.2 |
| Total non-residents | 2,333,943 | 2,233,225 | -4.3 | 4,725,018 | 4,238,531 | -10.3 |
| Number of trips by residents of Canada¹ | | | | | | |
| Returning from the United States | 2,213,906 | 2,476,418 | 11.9 | 4,702,202 | 4,897,635 | 4.2 |
| Automobile | 1,718,411 | 1,933,578 | 12.5 | 3,679,317 | 3,838,334 | 4.3 |
| Same day | 1,386,697 | 1,533,414 | 10.6 | 2,932,214 | 3,017,498 | 2.9 |
| One or more nights | 331,714 | 400,164 | 20.6 | 747,103 | 820,836 | 9.9 |
| Plane | 407,318 | 443,631 | 8.9 | 818,681 | 846,009 | 3.3 |
| Bus | 69,153 | 77,630 | 12.3 | 164,705 | 172,776 | 4.9 |
| Train, boat and other methods | 19,024 | 21,579 | 13.4 | 39,499 | 40,516 | 2.6 |
| Returning from all other countries | 493,376 | 588,926 | 19.4 | 1,074,706 | 1,243,850 | 15.7 |
| Direct | 424,500 | 502,873 | 18.5 | 913,921 | 1,058,491 | 15.8 |
| Via the United States ² | 68,876 | 86,053 | 24.9 | 160,785 | 185,359 | 15.3 |
| Total residents | 2,707,282 | 3,065,344 | 13.2 | 5,776,908 | 6,141,485 | 6.3 |
| Total ¹ | 5,041,225 | 5,298,569 | 5.1 | 10,501,926 | 10,380,016 | -1.2 |

¹ Excludes immigrants, former residents, military personnel, diplomats and crews.

² Travellers entering or re-entering through or by way of the United States.

Source: Reports of entries and re-entries from border offices of the Canadian Customs and Revenue Agency.

Table 2

Estimated Number of One or More Nights Trips to Canada, by Non-residents, by Province of Entry

| Categories of travellers | N.L. | P.E.I. | N.S. | N.B. | Que. | Ont. | Man. | Sask. | Alta. | B.C. | Yukon | Canada |
|-------------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|---------|---------|--------|-------|--------|---------|-------|-----------|
| February | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 0 | 7,866 | 96,454 | 225,447 | 7,456 | 2,023 | 5,466 | 138,532 | 1,997 | 485,241 |
| 2004 | ... | ... | 0 | 8,340 | 84,685 | 214,659 | 6,878 | 1,743 | 4,702 | 131,430 | 1,459 | 453,896 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | ... | 6.0 | -12.2 | -4.8 | -7.8 | -13.8 | -14.0 | -5.1 | -26.9 | -6.5 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 21 | 0 | 1,783 | 2,068 | 52,000 | 103,397 | 3,424 | 923 | 22,191 | 71,580 | 479 | 257,866 |
| 2004 | 197 | 0 | 1,567 | 2,234 | 50,260 | 107,587 | 3,632 | 850 | 22,463 | 64,184 | 166 | 253,140 |
| Per cent | 838.1 | ... | -12.1 | 8.0 | -3.3 | 4.1 | 6.1 | -7.9 | 1.2 | -10.3 | -65.3 | -1.8 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 21 | 0 | 1,783 | 9,934 | 148,454 | 328,844 | 10,880 | 2,946 | 27,657 | 210,112 | 2,476 | 743,107 |
| 2004 | 197 | 0 | 1,567 | 10,574 | 134,945 | 322,246 | 10,510 | 2,593 | 27,165 | 195,614 | 1,625 | 707,036 |
| Per cent | 838.1 | ... | -12.1 | 6.4 | -9.1 | -2.0 | -3.4 | -12.0 | -1.8 | -6.9 | -34.4 | -4.9 |
| Other countries ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 1,524 | 0 | 1,920 | 43 | 38,801 | 60,920 | 488 | 164 | 17,072 | 66,609 | 143 | 187,684 |
| 2004 | 1,660 | 0 | 1,294 | 34 | 36,583 | 56,751 | 332 | 151 | 16,564 | 71,039 | 192 | 184,600 |
| Per cent | 8.9 | ... | -32.6 | -20.9 | -5.7 | -6.8 | -32.0 | -7.9 | -3.0 | 6.7 | 34.3 | -1.6 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 1,545 | 0 | 3,703 | 9,977 | 187,255 | 389,764 | 11,368 | 3,110 | 44,729 | 276,721 | 2,619 | 930,791 |
| 2004 | 1,857 | 0 | 2,861 | 10,608 | 171,528 | 378,997 | 10,842 | 2,744 | 43,729 | 266,653 | 1,817 | 891,636 |
| Per cent | 20.2 | ... | -22.7 | 6.3 | -8.4 | -2.8 | -4.6 | -11.8 | -2.2 | -3.6 | -30.6 | -4.2 |
| January-February | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 0 | 14,791 | 160,718 | 427,805 | 14,894 | 4,083 | 10,984 | 259,301 | 3,741 | 896,317 |
| 2004 | ... | ... | 0 | 14,954 | 144,131 | 393,852 | 13,099 | 3,387 | 8,870 | 238,602 | 2,924 | 819,819 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | ... | 1.1 | -10.3 | -7.9 | -12.1 | -17.0 | -19.2 | -8.0 | -21.8 | -8.5 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 382 | 9 | 3,182 | 3,616 | 98,905 | 210,530 | 6,349 | 1,817 | 42,708 | 133,273 | 514 | 501,285 |
| 2004 | 825 | 0 | 3,069 | 3,147 | 93,235 | 208,104 | 6,358 | 1,694 | 41,209 | 118,373 | 184 | 476,198 |
| Per cent | 116.0 | -100.0 | -3.6 | -13.0 | -5.7 | -1.2 | 0.1 | -6.8 | -3.5 | -11.2 | -64.2 | -5.0 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 382 | 9 | 3,182 | 18,407 | 259,623 | 638,335 | 21,243 | 5,900 | 53,692 | 392,574 | 4,255 | 1,397,602 |
| 2004 | 825 | 0 | 3,069 | 18,101 | 237,366 | 601,956 | 19,457 | 5,081 | 50,079 | 356,975 | 3,108 | 1,296,017 |
| Per cent | 116.0 | -100.0 | -3.6 | -1.7 | -8.6 | -5.7 | -8.4 | -13.9 | -6.7 | -9.1 | -27.0 | -7.3 |
| Other countries ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 3,563 | 0 | 2,952 | 94 | 69,691 | 121,307 | 1,003 | 247 | 31,892 | 138,381 | 199 | 369,329 |
| 2004 | 3,539 | 0 | 2,412 | 132 | 63,084 | 107,993 | 700 | 276 | 30,601 | 142,831 | 307 | 351,875 |
| Per cent | -0.7 | ... | -18.3 | 40.4 | -9.5 | -11.0 | -30.2 | 11.7 | -4.0 | 3.2 | 54.3 | -4.7 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 3,945 | 9 | 6,134 | 18,501 | 329,314 | 759,642 | 22,246 | 6,147 | 85,584 | 530,955 | 4,454 | 1,766,931 |
| 2004 | 4,364 | 0 | 5,481 | 18,233 | 300,450 | 709,949 | 20,157 | 5,357 | 80,680 | 499,806 | 3,415 | 1,647,892 |
| Per cent | 10.6 | -100.0 | -10.6 | -1.4 | -8.8 | -6.5 | -9.4 | -12.9 | -5.7 | -5.9 | -23.3 | -6.7 |

¹ Excludes entries by land same day via the United States.
... figures not applicable.

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Table 3

Estimated Number of Trips to Canada, by Residents of Countries Other Than the United States

| Country of residence | February | | | January-February | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2003 | 2004 | Change 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | Change 2004 |
| | | | % | | | % |
| Europe, total | 107,878 | 102,922 | -4.6 | 197,259 | 182,059 | -7.7 |
| Belgium | 2,135 | 2,180 | 2.1 | 3,860 | 3,753 | -2.8 |
| Denmark | 972 | 945 | -2.8 | 1,931 | 1,800 | -6.8 |
| France | 22,899 | 21,468 | -6.2 | 38,754 | 35,645 | -8.0 |
| Germany | 11,471 | 11,093 | -3.3 | 21,858 | 19,671 | -10.0 |
| Greece | 697 | 519 | -25.5 | 1,327 | 1,057 | -20.3 |
| Italy | 3,236 | 2,758 | -14.8 | 6,736 | 5,284 | -21.6 |
| Netherlands, The | 3,860 | 4,140 | 7.3 | 7,443 | 7,320 | -1.7 |
| Portugal | 583 | 681 | 16.8 | 1,226 | 1,307 | 6.6 |
| Spain | 1,121 | 1,246 | 11.2 | 2,625 | 2,246 | -14.4 |
| Sweden | 1,914 | 1,807 | -5.6 | 3,644 | 3,487 | -4.3 |
| Switzerland | 3,751 | 3,604 | -3.9 | 6,931 | 6,410 | -7.5 |
| United Kingdom | 46,220 | 43,547 | -5.8 | 82,910 | 76,449 | -7.8 |
| Other Europe | 9,019 | 8,934 | -0.9 | 18,014 | 17,630 | -2.1 |
| Africa, total | 2,253 | 2,266 | 0.6 | 5,215 | 5,185 | -0.6 |
| Asia, total | 54,442 | 54,791 | 0.6 | 113,845 | 111,855 | -1.7 |
| China | 5,096 | 4,987 | -2.1 | 11,513 | 10,790 | -6.3 |
| Hong Kong | 5,994 | 5,645 | -5.8 | 13,676 | 13,846 | 1.2 |
| India | 3,327 | 2,614 | -21.4 | 5,938 | 5,123 | -13.7 |
| Israel | 3,472 | 3,107 | -10.5 | 6,954 | 5,947 | -14.5 |
| Japan | 18,303 | 19,909 | 8.8 | 34,720 | 33,886 | -2.4 |
| Malaysia | 332 | 266 | -19.9 | 716 | 641 | -10.5 |
| Philippines | 1,427 | 1,497 | 4.9 | 3,110 | 3,244 | 4.3 |
| Singapore | 772 | 653 | -15.4 | 1,977 | 1,434 | -27.5 |
| South Korea | 8,673 | 7,927 | -8.6 | 19,364 | 19,170 | -1.0 |
| Taiwan | 3,522 | 4,792 | 36.1 | 8,722 | 10,412 | 19.4 |
| Other Asia | 3,524 | 3,394 | -3.7 | 7,155 | 7,362 | 2.9 |
| North America, Central America and Caribbean, total | 12,900 | 13,328 | 3.3 | 26,676 | 25,224 | -5.4 |
| Jamaica | 502 | 530 | 5.6 | 932 | 962 | 3.2 |
| Mexico | 6,589 | 6,270 | -4.8 | 13,952 | 12,452 | -10.8 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 679 | 721 | 6.2 | 1,242 | 1,354 | 9.0 |
| Other North America, Central America and Caribbean | 5,130 | 5,807 | 13.2 | 10,550 | 10,456 | -0.9 |
| South America, total | 3,699 | 5,201 | 40.6 | 8,386 | 11,070 | 32.0 |
| Brazil | 1,447 | 3,129 | 116.2 | 3,515 | 6,895 | 96.2 |
| Other South America | 2,252 | 2,072 | -8.0 | 4,871 | 4,175 | -14.3 |
| Oceania and other Ocean Islands, total | 9,993 | 10,076 | 0.8 | 26,247 | 24,916 | -5.1 |
| Australia | 8,615 | 8,644 | 0.3 | 22,912 | 21,748 | -5.1 |
| New Zealand | 1,261 | 1,298 | 2.9 | 3,082 | 2,884 | -6.4 |
| Other Oceania | 117 | 134 | 14.5 | 253 | 284 | 12.3 |
| Total non-resident travellers, other than United States | 191,165 | 188,584 | -1.4 | 377,628 | 360,309 | -4.6 |

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Table 4

Estimated Number of One or More Nights Trips by Residents Returning to Canada, by Province of Re-entry

| Categories of travellers | N.L. | P.E.I. | N.S. | N.B. | Que. | Ont. | Man. | Sask. | Alta. | B.C. | Yukon | Canada |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|
| February | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 0 | 9,204 | 47,083 | 173,631 | 15,482 | 4,699 | 12,483 | 68,908 | 224 | 331,714 |
| 2004 | ... | ... | 0 | 11,278 | 54,961 | 208,444 | 22,583 | 5,702 | 14,738 | 82,201 | 257 | 400,164 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | ... | 22.5 | 16.7 | 20.0 | 45.9 | 21.3 | 18.1 | 19.3 | 14.7 | 20.6 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 58 | 6 | 2,928 | 579 | 64,278 | 224,160 | 14,974 | 4,340 | 54,469 | 74,549 | 168 | 440,509 |
| 2004 | 90 | 7 | 4,210 | 1,041 | 76,939 | 242,751 | 16,421 | 5,083 | 51,559 | 85,568 | 321 | 483,990 |
| Per cent | 55.2 | 16.7 | 43.8 | 79.8 | 19.7 | 8.3 | 9.7 | 17.1 | -5.3 | 14.8 | 91.1 | 9.9 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 58 | 6 | 2,928 | 9,783 | 111,361 | 397,791 | 30,456 | 9,039 | 66,952 | 143,457 | 392 | 772,223 |
| 2004 | 90 | 7 | 4,210 | 12,319 | 131,900 | 451,195 | 39,004 | 10,785 | 66,297 | 167,769 | 578 | 884,154 |
| Per cent | 55.2 | 16.7 | 43.8 | 25.9 | 18.4 | 13.4 | 28.1 | 19.3 | -1.0 | 16.9 | 47.4 | 14.5 |
| Other countries | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 574 | 0 | 6,669 | 796 | 96,451 | 245,247 | 13,907 | 6,169 | 40,231 | 83,320 | 12 | 493,376 |
| 2004 | 906 | 0 | 9,066 | 824 | 123,147 | 292,597 | 15,219 | 7,381 | 49,747 | 90,025 | 14 | 588,926 |
| Per cent | 57.8 | ... | 35.9 | 3.5 | 27.7 | 19.3 | 9.4 | 19.6 | 23.7 | 8.0 | 16.7 | 19.4 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 632 | 6 | 9,597 | 10,579 | 207,812 | 643,038 | 44,363 | 15,208 | 107,183 | 226,777 | 404 | 1,265,599 |
| 2004 | 996 | 7 | 13,276 | 13,143 | 255,047 | 743,792 | 54,223 | 18,166 | 116,044 | 257,794 | 592 | 1,473,080 |
| Per cent | 57.6 | 16.7 | 38.3 | 24.2 | 22.7 | 15.7 | 22.2 | 19.5 | 8.3 | 13.7 | 46.5 | 16.4 |
| January-February | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 0 | 20,711 | 120,178 | 391,016 | 32,231 | 9,385 | 25,633 | 147,385 | 564 | 747,103 |
| 2004 | ... | ... | 0 | 22,748 | 127,072 | 431,355 | 41,447 | 10,829 | 27,471 | 159,380 | 534 | 820,836 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | ... | 9.8 | 5.7 | 10.3 | 28.6 | 15.4 | 7.2 | 8.1 | -5.3 | 9.9 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 153 | 7 | 4,842 | 1,137 | 138,592 | 450,321 | 26,765 | 7,918 | 106,005 | 154,352 | 234 | 890,326 |
| 2004 | 179 | 30 | 7,318 | 2,206 | 154,427 | 461,490 | 28,135 | 9,042 | 95,680 | 162,976 | 404 | 921,887 |
| Per cent | 17.0 | 328.6 | 51.1 | 94.0 | 11.4 | 2.5 | 5.1 | 14.2 | -9.7 | 5.6 | 72.6 | 3.5 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 153 | 7 | 4,842 | 21,848 | 258,770 | 841,337 | 58,996 | 17,303 | 131,638 | 301,737 | 798 | 1,637,429 |
| 2004 | 179 | 30 | 7,318 | 24,954 | 281,499 | 892,845 | 69,582 | 19,871 | 123,151 | 322,356 | 938 | 1,742,723 |
| Per cent | 17.0 | 328.6 | 51.1 | 14.2 | 8.8 | 6.1 | 17.9 | 14.8 | -6.4 | 6.8 | 17.5 | 6.4 |
| Other countries | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 1,183 | 0 | 9,418 | 796 | 223,928 | 522,903 | 26,343 | 12,051 | 84,366 | 193,702 | 16 | 1,074,706 |
| 2004 | 1,490 | 0 | 12,830 | 872 | 265,539 | 616,276 | 29,744 | 14,177 | 100,901 | 201,997 | 24 | 1,243,850 |
| Per cent | 26.0 | ... | 36.2 | 9.5 | 18.6 | 17.9 | 12.9 | 17.6 | 19.6 | 4.3 | 50.0 | 15.7 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | 1,336 | 7 | 14,260 | 22,644 | 482,698 | 1,364,240 | 85,339 | 29,354 | 216,004 | 495,439 | 814 | 2,712,135 |
| 2004 | 1,669 | 30 | 20,148 | 25,826 | 547,038 | 1,509,121 | 99,326 | 34,048 | 224,052 | 524,353 | 962 | 2,986,573 |
| Per cent | 24.9 | 328.6 | 41.3 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 10.6 | 16.4 | 16.0 | 3.7 | 5.8 | 18.2 | 10.1 |

... figures not applicable.