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Table 1

Estimated Number of International Travellers Entering or Returning to Canada

| Type of transportation | September | | | January-September | | |
|---|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | 2002 | 2003 | Change 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | Change 2003 |
| | | | % | | | % |
| Number of trips by non-residents¹ | | | | | | |
| United States residents | 3,524,827 | 3,061,504 | -13.1 | 32,604,393 | 28,186,685 | -13.5 |
| Automobile | 2,763,319 | 2,358,648 | -14.6 | 26,467,363 | 22,690,460 | -14.3 |
| Same day | 1,904,995 | 1,616,283 | -15.2 | 17,656,801 | 15,228,248 | -13.8 |
| One or more nights | 858,324 | 742,365 | -13.5 | 8,810,562 | 7,462,212 | -15.3 |
| Plane | 371,965 | 352,485 | -5.2 | 3,356,369 | 3,065,514 | -8.7 |
| Bus | 146,792 | 119,878 | -18.3 | 1,276,717 | 1,020,879 | -20.0 |
| Train, boat and other methods | 242,751 | 230,493 | -5.0 | 1,503,944 | 1,409,832 | -6.3 |
| All other countries residents | 462,563 | 392,136 | -15.2 | 3,264,070 | 2,725,343 | -16.5 |
| Direct | 290,601 | 251,024 | -13.6 | 2,109,693 | 1,788,226 | -15.2 |
| Via the United States ² | 171,962 | 141,112 | -17.9 | 1,154,377 | 937,117 | -18.8 |
| Total non-residents | 3,987,390 | 3,453,640 | -13.4 | 35,868,463 | 30,912,028 | -13.8 |
| Number of trips by residents of Canada¹ | | | | | | |
| Returning from the United States | 2,941,547 | 2,860,236 | -2.8 | 26,754,501 | 26,073,188 | -2.5 |
| Automobile | 2,469,237 | 2,422,341 | -1.9 | 22,136,127 | 21,661,566 | -2.1 |
| Same day | 1,746,853 | 1,764,665 | 1.0 | 15,880,074 | 15,661,312 | -1.4 |
| One or more nights | 722,384 | 657,676 | -9.0 | 6,256,053 | 6,000,254 | -4.1 |
| Plane | 287,344 | 276,807 | -3.7 | 3,191,862 | 3,172,343 | -0.6 |
| Bus | 93,514 | 83,517 | -10.7 | 827,453 | 703,583 | -15.0 |
| Train, boat and other methods | 91,452 | 77,571 | -15.2 | 599,059 | 535,696 | -10.6 |
| Returning from all other countries | 344,512 | 363,427 | 5.5 | 3,717,371 | 3,956,860 | 6.4 |
| Direct | 304,436 | 323,156 | 6.1 | 3,195,947 | 3,442,793 | 7.7 |
| Via the United States ² | 40,076 | 40,271 | 0.5 | 521,424 | 514,067 | -1.4 |
| Total residents | 3,286,059 | 3,223,663 | -1.9 | 30,471,872 | 30,030,048 | -1.4 |
| Total ¹ | 7,273,449 | 6,677,303 | -8.2 | 66,340,335 | 60,942,076 | -8.1 |

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 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| September | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | ... | ... | 12,404 | 37,247 | 93,260 | 483,301 | 17,745 | 6,045 | 17,388 | 175,449 | 15,485 | 858,324 |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 11,329 | 33,348 | 78,578 | 413,677 | 16,502 | 6,364 | 14,330 | 154,389 | 13,848 | 742,365 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | -8.7 | -10.5 | -15.7 | -14.4 | -7.0 | 5.3 | -17.6 | -12.0 | -10.6 | -13.5 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 5,918 | 74 | 49,321 | 14,350 | 73,756 | 212,048 | 6,264 | 3,922 | 34,507 | 155,022 | 6,658 | 561,840 |
| 2003 | 1,776 | 54 | 61,894 | 8,053 | 68,488 | 176,083 | 6,721 | 3,682 | 35,457 | 148,263 | 9,841 | 520,312 |
| Per cent | -70.0 | -27.0 | 25.5 | -43.9 | -7.1 | -17.0 | 7.3 | -6.1 | 2.8 | -4.4 | 47.8 | -7.4 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 5,918 | 74 | 61,725 | 51,597 | 167,016 | 695,349 | 24,009 | 9,967 | 51,895 | 330,471 | 22,143 | 1,420,164 |
| 2003 | 1,776 | 54 | 73,223 | 41,401 | 147,066 | 589,760 | 23,223 | 10,046 | 49,787 | 302,652 | 23,689 | 1,262,677 |
| Per cent | -70.0 | -27.0 | 18.6 | -19.8 | -11.9 | -15.2 | -3.3 | 0.8 | -4.1 | -8.4 | 7.0 | -11.1 |
| Other countries ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 5,345 | 0 | 8,504 | 2,515 | 77,558 | 176,222 | 1,089 | 333 | 26,383 | 147,791 | 3,166 | 448,906 |
| 2003 | 2,947 | 62 | 9,178 | 987 | 68,217 | 138,499 | 740 | 299 | 21,482 | 135,354 | 3,185 | 380,950 |
| Per cent | -44.9 | ... | 7.9 | -60.8 | -12.0 | -21.4 | -32.0 | -10.2 | -18.6 | -8.4 | 0.6 | -15.1 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 11,263 | 74 | 70,229 | 54,112 | 244,574 | 871,571 | 25,098 | 10,300 | 78,278 | 478,262 | 25,309 | 1,869,070 |
| 2003 | 4,723 | 116 | 82,401 | 42,388 | 215,283 | 728,259 | 23,963 | 10,345 | 71,269 | 438,006 | 26,874 | 1,643,627 |
| Per cent | -58.1 | 56.8 | 17.3 | -21.7 | -12.0 | -16.4 | -4.5 | 0.4 | -9.0 | -8.4 | 6.2 | -12.1 |
| January-September | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | ... | ... | 77,059 | 308,420 | 1,073,505 | 4,986,263 | 184,434 | 57,301 | 177,675 | 1,823,690 | 122,215 | 8,810,562 |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 64,931 | 273,449 | 938,981 | 4,050,808 | 169,919 | 53,481 | 155,185 | 1,649,848 | 105,610 | 7,462,212 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | -15.7 | -11.3 | -12.5 | -18.8 | -7.9 | -6.7 | -12.7 | -9.5 | -13.6 | -15.3 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 11,877 | 418 | 179,778 | 84,383 | 664,170 | 1,808,043 | 66,353 | 26,877 | 328,208 | 1,334,571 | 53,539 | 4,558,217 |
| 2003 | 8,428 | 242 | 194,948 | 68,906 | 601,024 | 1,439,830 | 68,106 | 26,585 | 334,850 | 1,262,056 | 66,591 | 4,071,566 |
| Per cent | -29.0 | -42.1 | 8.4 | -18.3 | -9.5 | -20.4 | 2.6 | -1.1 | 2.0 | -5.4 | 24.4 | -10.7 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 11,877 | 418 | 256,837 | 392,803 | 1,737,675 | 6,794,306 | 250,787 | 84,178 | 505,883 | 3,158,261 | 175,754 | 13,368,779 |
| 2003 | 8,428 | 242 | 259,879 | 342,355 | 1,540,005 | 5,490,638 | 238,025 | 80,066 | 490,035 | 2,911,904 | 172,201 | 11,533,778 |
| Per cent | -29.0 | -42.1 | 1.2 | -12.8 | -11.4 | -19.2 | -5.1 | -4.9 | -3.1 | -7.8 | -2.0 | -13.7 |
| Other countries ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 27,086 | 36 | 39,214 | 5,549 | 538,183 | 1,227,723 | 7,537 | 2,324 | 188,344 | 1,101,125 | 21,848 | 3,158,969 |
| 2003 | 23,126 | 76 | 39,091 | 5,273 | 475,008 | 942,258 | 6,878 | 2,233 | 183,533 | 952,306 | 23,170 | 2,652,952 |
| Per cent | -14.6 | 111.1 | -0.3 | -5.0 | -11.7 | -23.3 | -8.7 | -3.9 | -2.6 | -13.5 | 6.1 | -16.0 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 38,963 | 454 | 296,051 | 398,352 | 2,275,858 | 8,022,029 | 258,324 | 86,502 | 694,227 | 4,259,386 | 197,602 | 16,527,748 |
| 2003 | 31,554 | 318 | 298,970 | 347,628 | 2,015,013 | 6,432,896 | 244,903 | 82,299 | 673,568 | 3,864,210 | 195,371 | 14,186,730 |
| Per cent | -19.0 | -30.0 | 1.0 | -12.7 | -11.5 | -19.8 | -5.2 | -4.9 | -3.0 | -9.3 | -1.1 | -14.2 |

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 | September | | | January-September | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| | 2002 | 2003 | Change 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | Change 2003 |
| | | | % | | | % |
| Europe, total | 255,616 | 222,896 | -12.8 | 1,721,856 | 1,526,973 | -11.3 |
| Belgium | 5,028 | 4,388 | -12.7 | 33,996 | 30,938 | -9.0 |
| Denmark | 2,119 | 2,496 | 17.8 | 18,071 | 18,996 | 5.1 |
| France | 43,347 | 34,963 | -19.3 | 264,869 | 229,400 | -13.4 |
| Germany | 50,775 | 42,441 | -16.4 | 263,824 | 230,884 | -12.5 |
| Greece | 977 | 783 | -19.9 | 10,909 | 7,744 | -29.0 |
| Italy | 8,890 | 6,650 | -25.2 | 86,820 | 48,298 | -44.4 |
| Netherlands, The | 13,315 | 13,008 | -2.3 | 94,308 | 90,635 | -3.9 |
| Portugal | 1,296 | 1,805 | 39.3 | 13,715 | 12,589 | -8.2 |
| Spain | 4,786 | 3,567 | -25.5 | 39,123 | 26,639 | -31.9 |
| Sweden | 2,481 | 2,442 | -1.6 | 23,021 | 20,729 | -10.0 |
| Switzerland | 11,119 | 9,205 | -17.2 | 76,365 | 69,562 | -8.9 |
| United Kingdom | 91,088 | 81,869 | -10.1 | 627,792 | 590,080 | -6.0 |
| Other Europe | 20,395 | 19,279 | -5.5 | 169,043 | 150,479 | -11.0 |
| Africa, total | 6,028 | 6,257 | 3.8 | 49,322 | 48,423 | -1.8 |
| Asia, total | 143,721 | 106,609 | -25.8 | 996,394 | 708,261 | -28.9 |
| China | 11,247 | 8,647 | -23.1 | 76,976 | 57,941 | -24.7 |
| Hong Kong | 10,521 | 9,393 | -10.7 | 99,682 | 72,861 | -26.9 |
| India | 5,763 | 5,829 | 1.1 | 48,275 | 49,123 | 1.8 |
| Israel | 6,991 | 5,860 | -16.2 | 63,130 | 47,624 | -24.6 |
| Japan | 69,209 | 37,705 | -45.5 | 345,911 | 200,919 | -41.9 |
| Malaysia | 1,679 | 914 | -45.6 | 13,085 | 4,726 | -63.9 |
| Philippines | 3,864 | 3,888 | 0.6 | 34,472 | 26,646 | -22.7 |
| Singapore | 1,762 | 1,709 | -3.0 | 16,896 | 12,343 | -26.9 |
| South Korea | 14,634 | 15,538 | 6.2 | 134,713 | 119,567 | -11.2 |
| Taiwan | 9,953 | 9,150 | -8.1 | 85,162 | 50,096 | -41.2 |
| Other Asia | 8,098 | 7,976 | -1.5 | 78,092 | 66,415 | -15.0 |
| North America, Central America and Caribbean, total | 26,124 | 25,612 | -2.0 | 259,793 | 229,545 | -11.6 |
| Jamaica | 1,726 | 1,729 | 0.2 | 16,172 | 13,559 | -16.2 |
| Mexico | 13,889 | 12,961 | -6.7 | 136,982 | 120,659 | -11.9 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 1,549 | 1,639 | 5.8 | 15,984 | 13,695 | -14.3 |
| Other North America, Central America and Caribbean | 8,960 | 9,283 | 3.6 | 90,655 | 81,632 | -10.0 |
| South America, total | 8,594 | 8,345 | -2.9 | 79,877 | 59,141 | -26.0 |
| Brazil | 3,581 | 4,351 | 21.5 | 30,972 | 21,862 | -29.4 |
| Other South America | 5,013 | 3,994 | -20.3 | 48,905 | 37,279 | -23.8 |
| Oceania and other Ocean Islands, total | 22,480 | 22,417 | -0.3 | 156,828 | 153,000 | -2.4 |
| Australia | 18,642 | 18,867 | 1.2 | 128,590 | 126,477 | -1.6 |
| New Zealand | 3,628 | 3,314 | -8.7 | 26,210 | 24,901 | -5.0 |
| Other Oceania | 210 | 236 | 12.4 | 2,028 | 1,622 | -20.0 |
| Total non-resident travellers other than United States | 462,563 | 392,136 | -15.2 | 3,264,070 | 2,725,343 | -16.5 |

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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 |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| September | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | ... | ... | 1,247 | 26,512 | 146,519 | 326,408 | 29,227 | 8,058 | 19,641 | 162,283 | 2,489 | 722,384 |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 1,308 | 25,921 | 139,275 | 285,984 | 31,863 | 8,058 | 18,220 | 144,906 | 2,141 | 657,676 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | 4.9 | -2.2 | -4.9 | -12.4 | 9.0 | 0.0 | -7.2 | -10.7 | -14.0 | -9.0 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 63 | 0 | 3,591 | 5,929 | 64,218 | 218,461 | 8,640 | 2,650 | 28,986 | 89,237 | 328 | 422,103 |
| 2003 | 39 | 0 | 4,496 | 6,740 | 59,867 | 189,289 | 8,820 | 2,687 | 31,188 | 88,363 | 581 | 392,070 |
| Per cent | -38.1 | ... | 25.2 | 13.7 | -6.8 | -13.4 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 7.6 | -1.0 | 77.1 | -7.1 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 63 | 0 | 4,838 | 32,441 | 210,737 | 544,869 | 37,867 | 10,708 | 48,627 | 251,520 | 2,817 | 1,144,487 |
| 2003 | 39 | 0 | 5,804 | 32,661 | 199,142 | 475,273 | 40,683 | 10,745 | 49,408 | 233,269 | 2,722 | 1,049,746 |
| Per cent | -38.1 | ... | 20.0 | 0.7 | -5.5 | -12.8 | 7.4 | 0.3 | 1.6 | -7.3 | -3.4 | -8.3 |
| Other countries | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 1,872 | 2 | 2,471 | 5 | 73,325 | 186,065 | 617 | 235 | 15,725 | 64,104 | 91 | 344,512 |
| 2003 | 1,640 | 0 | 2,754 | 8 | 81,844 | 192,317 | 542 | 232 | 15,821 | 68,084 | 185 | 363,427 |
| Per cent | -12.4 | -100.0 | 11.5 | 60.0 | 11.6 | 3.4 | -12.2 | -1.3 | 0.6 | 6.2 | 103.3 | 5.5 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 1,935 | 2 | 7,309 | 32,446 | 284,062 | 730,934 | 38,484 | 10,943 | 64,352 | 315,624 | 2,908 | 1,488,999 |
| 2003 | 1,679 | 0 | 8,558 | 32,669 | 280,986 | 667,590 | 41,225 | 10,977 | 65,229 | 301,353 | 2,907 | 1,413,173 |
| Per cent | -13.2 | -100.0 | 17.1 | 0.7 | -1.1 | -8.7 | 7.1 | 0.3 | 1.4 | -4.5 | 0.0 | -5.1 |
| January-September | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United States | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | ... | ... | 8,609 | 233,223 | 1,206,261 | 2,941,147 | 265,759 | 74,166 | 189,529 | 1,310,286 | 27,073 | 6,256,053 |
| 2003 | ... | ... | 8,871 | 222,513 | 1,214,125 | 2,779,956 | 268,954 | 71,356 | 180,841 | 1,227,592 | 26,046 | 6,000,254 |
| Per cent | ... | ... | 3.0 | -4.6 | 0.7 | -5.5 | 1.2 | -3.8 | -4.6 | -6.3 | -3.8 | -4.1 |
| Non-automobile | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 2,193 | 82 | 36,389 | 43,953 | 640,031 | 2,155,753 | 94,514 | 33,933 | 337,770 | 762,042 | 4,867 | 4,111,527 |
| 2003 | 817 | 46 | 35,504 | 41,137 | 614,645 | 1,961,037 | 99,392 | 32,893 | 385,484 | 773,324 | 5,918 | 3,950,197 |
| Per cent | -62.7 | -43.9 | -2.4 | -6.4 | -4.0 | -9.0 | 5.2 | -3.1 | 14.1 | 1.5 | 21.6 | -3.9 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 2,193 | 82 | 44,998 | 277,176 | 1,846,292 | 5,096,900 | 360,273 | 108,099 | 527,299 | 2,072,328 | 31,940 | 10,367,580 |
| 2003 | 817 | 46 | 44,375 | 263,650 | 1,828,770 | 4,740,993 | 368,346 | 104,249 | 566,325 | 2,000,916 | 31,964 | 9,950,451 |
| Per cent | -62.7 | -43.9 | -1.4 | -4.9 | -0.9 | -7.0 | 2.2 | -3.6 | 7.4 | -3.4 | 0.1 | -4.0 |
| Other countries | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 21,238 | 157 | 49,200 | 2,951 | 787,362 | 1,870,167 | 32,336 | 14,845 | 218,840 | 719,384 | 891 | 3,717,371 |
| 2003 | 19,559 | 0 | 60,130 | 8,875 | 860,834 | 1,989,376 | 46,006 | 17,516 | 249,311 | 704,848 | 405 | 3,956,860 |
| Per cent | -7.9 | -100.0 | 22.2 | 200.7 | 9.3 | 6.4 | 42.3 | 18.0 | 13.9 | -2.0 | -54.5 | 6.4 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | 23,431 | 239 | 94,198 | 280,127 | 2,633,654 | 6,967,067 | 392,609 | 122,944 | 746,139 | 2,791,712 | 32,831 | 14,084,951 |
| 2003 | 20,376 | 46 | 104,505 | 272,525 | 2,689,604 | 6,730,369 | 414,352 | 121,765 | 815,636 | 2,705,764 | 32,369 | 13,907,311 |
| Per cent | -13.0 | -80.8 | 10.9 | -2.7 | 2.1 | -3.4 | 5.5 | -1.0 | 9.3 | -3.1 | -1.4 | -1.3 |

... figures not applicable.