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Travel between Canada and other countries

June 1998

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Overnight car trips by Americans to Canada rose 2.1% to 775,000 in June. Meanwhile, Canadians made fewer (-2.8% to 675,000) overnight car trips to the United States. The number of trips by Americans flying to Canada rose 2.8% to a record 306,000. Meanwhile, the number of Canadians travelling to the United States by plane advanced 1.5% to 391,000 in June.

Drop in same-day car trips between Canada and the United States

Same-day cross-border car trips by Americans increased 2.3% between May and June but remained below the peak of 2.3 million in January 1998.

Meanwhile, Canadians made the fewest number of same-day car trips to the United States (-3.0% to 2.4 million) since February 1987. The monthly number of same-day car trips by Canadians to the United States has been falling since the peak of 5.4 million in November 1991.

Note to readers

Month-to-month comparisons use seasonally adjusted data (that is, adjusted for variations that repeat annually and for variability caused by the different volumes of travellers associated with different days of the week). Year-over-year comparisons use unadjusted data (the actual traffic counts).

Visits include trips of one or more nights plus same day excursions.

Car trips between Canada and the United States

	Americans to Canada		Canadians to the United States	
	June 1998 ^P	June 1997 to June 1998	June 1998 ^P	June 1997 to June 1998
	unadjusted			
	'000	% change	'000	% change
Canada	3,558	4.9	3,167	-16.9
Place of entry/re-entry				
New Brunswick	185	3.0	454	-12.6
Quebec	200	5.7	364	-23.7
Ontario	2,562	5.1	1,418	-13.1
Manitoba	69	-7.9	79	-13.7
Saskatchewan	22	4.5	26	-21.0
Alberta	49	7.9	32	-17.8
British Columbia	431	5.3	780	-22.4
Yukon	29	12.3	11	6.9

^P Preliminary figures.

Low dollar not luring overseas visitors

Europeans made 2.9% fewer overnight trips to Canada in June compared with a year earlier. However, there was an increase in the number of visitors from the United Kingdom (+3.9% to 95,000). The English pound reached a ten year high of C\$2.42 in June. Overall, visits from residents of countries other than the United States fell 5.5% (unadjusted) compared with June 1997.

Residents of Asia continued to make fewer visits to Canada (down 12.8% from June 1997 to 135,000) — despite an increase in visitors from Hong Kong (+43.6% to 16,000). After surging from fewer than 6,000 visits in June 1993 to over 26,000 visits in June 1996, visits from South Korea fell back to 7,000 in June 1998.

**Number of trips of one or more nights to Canada
by residents of selected overseas countries**

	June 1998 ^p	June 1997 to June 1998
	unadjusted	
	'000	% change
Europe	280	-2.9
Germany	49	2.9
France	43	-20.8
United Kingdom	95	3.9
Other European countries	94	-2.1
Asia	135	-12.8
South Korea	7	-64.5
Hong Kong	16	43.6
Japan	57	-7.5
Taiwan	15	-9.6
Other Asian countries	40	-11.6
Other regions	67	-1.0
Australia	18	-12.5
Mexico	12	14.8
Other countries	37	1.0

^p Preliminary figures

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The June 1998 issue of *International travel, advance information* (66-001-PPB, \$8/\$73) will be available shortly. See *How to order publications*.

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Travel between Canada and other countries

	April 1998 ^r	May 1998 ^r	June 1998 ^p	May 1998 to June 1998 ^p
	seasonally adjusted			
	'000		% change	
Canadian trips abroad				
Same-day car trips to the United States	2,580	2,515	2,439	-3.0
Total trips, one or more nights	1,533	1,542	1,518	-1.6
United States ¹	1,185	1,195	1,168	-2.3
Car	702	694	675	-2.8
Plane	376	397	391	-1.5
Other modes of transportation	107	104	102	-2.1
Other countries ²	347	347	350	0.9
Travel to Canada				
Same-day car trips from the United States	2,139	2,132	2,181	2.3
Total trips, one or more nights	1,517	1,528	1,558	2.0
United States ¹	1,194	1,205	1,231	2.2
Car	747	759	775	2.1
Plane	295	297	306	2.8
Other modes of transportation	152	149	151	1.3
Other countries ²	323	322	326	1.3
	June 1998 ^p	June 1997 to June 1998 ^p	Jan.- June 1998 ^p	Jan.-June 1997 to Jan.-June 1998 ^p
	unadjusted			
	'000	% change	'000	% change
Canadian trips abroad				
Same-day car trips to the United States	2,548	-16.6	14,369	-14.0
Total trips, one or more nights	1,303	-9.1	8,897	-4.2
United States ¹	1,041	-12.0	6,576	-7.3
Car	619	-17.9	3,489	-11.5
Plane	297	2.2	2,549	-1.6
Other modes of transportation	126	-9.6	537	-4.4
Other countries ²	262	4.8	2,321	6.0
Travel to Canada				
Same-day car trips from the United States	2,463	3.7	12,027	4.7
Total trips, one or more nights	2,248	5.4	7,242	5.1
United States ¹	1,758	8.9	5,661	9.4
Car	1,095	7.8	3,437	9.8
Plane	425	18.2	1,539	12.1
Other modes of transportation	238	-0.4	684	2.2
Other countries ²	490	-5.5	1,582	-8.0

^r Revised figures.

^p Preliminary figures.

¹ Estimates for the United States include counts of cars and buses, and estimated numbers for planes, trains, boats and other methods.

² Figures for other countries exclude same-day entries by land only, via the United States.

OTHER RELEASES

Community colleges and related institutions: Post-secondary student enrolments

1996/97

Full-time enrolment reached 395,326 in 1996/97, up 1.6% compared with 1995/1996. Both career and university credit programs accounted for the increase.

Community college enrolments

1996/97

	Career programs		
	1996/97	1	5
		year	year
		% change	
Full-time			
Newfoundland	5,704	-0.5	23.0
Prince Edward Island	1,275	28.0	37.7
Nova Scotia ¹	6,956	1.9	123.1
New Brunswick	4,808	28.2	52.0
Quebec	82,604	-6.3	0.8
Ontario	141,257	5.0	20.6
Manitoba	3,531	-1.7	-11.2
Saskatchewan	2,787	-11.9	-21.3
Alberta	22,629	3.4	3.8
British Columbia	16,768	5.8	20.2
Yukon	137	3.8	22.3
Northwest Territories	166	-64.6	-59.3
Total	288,622	1.2	13.3
University credit programs			
Full-time			
Quebec	84,254	1.1	-3.9
Manitoba	67	219.1	-24.7
Alberta	6,737	11.7	22.8
British Columbia	15,511	6.4	-6.3
Yukon	135	7.1	-21.5
Total	106,704	2.5	-2.9
Full-time total	395,326	1.6	8.4
Part-time			
Career programs	121,738	-3.6	-16.1
University credit	31,998	-0.6	-17.5
Part-time total	153,736	-3.0	-16.4

¹ The college survey obtains information on student enrolments and graduates from programs with a grade 12 entrance requirement or equivalent. Enrolments and graduates from programs not requiring grade 12 are captured in a separate Trade and Vocational Survey. Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island recently raised the entrance requirement for most of the trade and vocational programs, and as a result, these enrolments and graduates are now part of the career program counts.

Career enrolments totalled 288,622, up 1.2% from a year earlier and 13.3% higher compared with 1992/93. The significant increase in career enrolments in Nova Scotia since 1992/93 was mainly due to a difference in survey reporting. The 2.5% increase in university credit enrolment between 1995/96 and 1996/97 reversed a five-year downward trend.

Total part-time enrolment declined to 153,736 students in 1996/97, down 3.0% compared with a year earlier.

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Community colleges and related institutions: Post-secondary graduates

1995/96

There were 79,540 graduates in career programs in community colleges and related institutions in 1995/96, up 9.6% from 1994/95 and 31.6% higher compared with 1991/92. The significant increase in graduates in Nova Scotia since 1992/93 was mainly due to a difference in survey reporting.

Community college career graduates 1995/96

	1995/96	1 year	5 year
	% change		
Newfoundland	1,796	31.7	68.8
Prince Edward Island	692	5.6	39.8
Nova Scotia ¹	3,692	94.8	257.1
New Brunswick	1,287	-12.4	2.5
Quebec	15,340	-5.5	3.1
Ontario	38,372	15.1	49.5
Manitoba	1,496	8.7	-1.6
Saskatchewan	1,431	-7.4	2.0
Alberta	8,212	1.5	6.6
British Columbia	6,995	9.0	36.0
Yukon	40	-25.9	53.8
Northwest Territories	191	54.0	-22.7
Total	79,544	9.6	31.6

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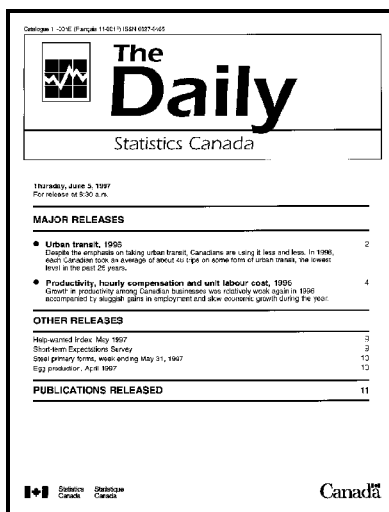
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