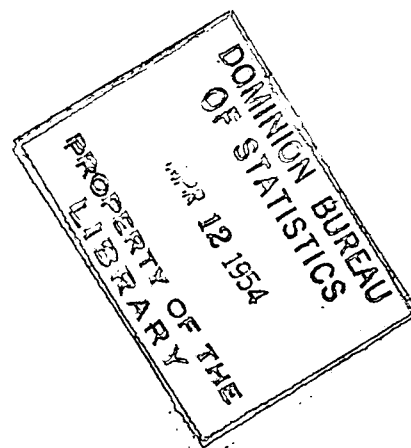




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1. HIGHWAY TRAFFIC - FEBRUARY, 1954.

The volume of highway traffic between Canada and the United States was 2 per cent greater in February than in the corresponding month of last year. Aggregate border crossings numbered 675,800 vehicles compared with 662,200 in February, 1953. The increase in the number of foreign vehicles amounted to between 1 and 2 per cent whereas the increase in Canadian vehicles returning was nearly 3 per cent.

Foreign Vehicles

Aggregate entries of vehicles with foreign registry amounted to 380,000 compared with 374,500 entries in the same month of 1953. Entries of non-resident traffic consisted of 59,600 vehicles entering on traveller's vehicle permits, 292,100 non-permit or local entries and 28,300 commercial vehicles.

The volume of traffic entering on traveller's vehicle permits shows a gain of nearly 4 per cent over February, 1953 with nearly all provinces sharing in the increase. Volume of this type of traffic for the first two months shows an increase of over 3 per cent.

Total entries of non-permit or local traffic increased by 2 per cent in February and 3 per cent for the first two months. Gains and losses were unevenly distributed throughout the different provinces.

Canadian Vehicles

Re-entries of vehicles registered in Canada totalled 295,800 during the month of February, an increase of 3 per cent over the same month of 1953. Total entries comprised 21,800 units remaining abroad over 24 hours, 236,200 vehicles absent for 24 hours or less and 37,800 commercial vehicles.

The volume of long-term Canadian traffic remaining abroad over 24 hours increased by over 5 per cent when compared with the corresponding month of last year. The increase in February, 1953 amounted to 12 per cent over the previous year. The increase in volume of this type of traffic for the first two months amounted to over 3 per cent.

The volume of short-term traffic remaining 24 hours or less abroad increased by over 2 per cent during the month with all provinces except Quebec and British Columbia contributing to the gain. Cumulative data, for the first two months, records a decrease of over 2 per cent in the volume of short-term traffic.

<u>February</u>	<u>Foreign Vehicles Entering on Traveller's Vehicle Permits</u>	<u>Returning Canadian Vehicles Abroad Over 24 Hours</u>
1937	25,243	(1)
1938	24,195	(1)
1939	18,612	(1)
1940	22,933	12,247
1941	21,326	1,427
1942	16,512	2,026
1943	7,074	1,020
1944	10,575	1,294
1945	12,889	1,307
1946	29,847	3,684
1947	25,083	5,485
1948	33,329	3,962
1949	35,826	6,175
1950	39,006	7,751
1951	38,934	11,482
1952	52,439	18,489
1953	57,448	20,652
1954	59,617	21,826

(1) Comparable category unavailable.

11. TRAFFIC BY LONG DISTANCE COMMON CARRIER - JANUARY, 1954

Traffic by rail, through bus, boat and plane was over 2 per cent heavier in January, 1954 than in January, 1953. The number of foreign travellers entering Canada by these means of transportation declined by 2 per cent and the number of Canadian travellers re-entering Canada declined by nearly 3 per cent.

Foreign Travellers

Gains in the number of non-residents entering Canada from the United States by bus, boat and plane were not sufficient to offset a decline of 10 per cent in the number arriving by rail. Increases of 6 per cent, 17 per cent and 11 per cent were recorded in bus, boat and plane entries respectively.

Canadian Travellers

The number of Canadian passengers returning by the above means of transportation in January amounted to 86,900 compared with 89,200 in the same month of last year. An increase of over 11 per cent in the number returning by plane was not sufficient to offset declines of 6 per cent, 2 per cent and 20 per cent in the number of returns by rail, bus and boat.

STATEMENT BY PORTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

FEBRUARY

1954

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Traveller's Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
Vehicles transported by boat direct from the United States*.....	-	49	-	-	-	-
			Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia			
			New Brunswick			
Andover	1,747	301	137	3,124	9	374
Beaconsfield	32	8	28	50	-	18
Belleville	79	13	54	170	-	77
Bloomfield	63	20	28	107	1	66
Campobello	37	1	5	232	1	208
Centreville	458	118	85	759	28	189
Clair	4,907	656	418	5,594	27	462
Edmundston	13,687	804	839	15,373	36	786
Forest City	76	-	26	92	-	25
Fosterville	125	10	9	234	-	36
Four Falls	84	15	24	201	-	18
Gillespie	732	195	69	618	4	116
Grand Falls	1,021	266	120	1,503	2	231
Lord's Cove	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mars Hill Road	85	12	34	129	-	32
Milltown	4,798	34	284	8,132	2	622
River de Chute	164	34	12	203	-	25
St. Croix	1,576	127	122	1,647	10	162
St. Leonard	7,893	691	313	8,572	34	281
St. Stephen	20,010	323	1,769	19,745	398	2,116
Union Corner	47	9	8	108	-	45
Upper Mills	182	2	23	229	-	34
Woodstock Road	1,343	387	111	3,957	52	630
Provincial Total	59,146	4,026	4,518	70,779	604	6,553

* As Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia have no ports of entry adjacent to the United States boundary, vehicles proceeding to these provinces (with the exception of those transported direct from the United States by boat) enter through ports in other provinces and are recorded in the latter.

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Traveller's Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
			Quebec			
Abercorn	1,707	389	239	2,132	80	349
Armstrong	291	173	243	1,197	519	6,413
Arnold Bog	20	-	23	57	6	593
Beebe	1,929	44	79	1,699	5	49
Blackpool	261	2,442	1,144	2,846	1,020	678
Chartierville	37	34	71	88	144	632
Clarenceville	53	28	15	268	1	17
Comins Mills	275	42	20	504	73	161
Covey Hill	80	14	23	195	-	44
Dundee	455	80	33	1,044	5	253
East Pinnacle	67	55	29	238	2	109
Estcourt	153	23	34	215	24	576
Franklin Centre	63	20	18	74	1	8
Frelighsburg	245	183	140	177	10	34
Glen Sutton	144	405	285	475	3	113
Hemmingford	466	84	193	1,188	26	172
Herdman	312	80	45	731	11	62
Hereford Road	465	60	165	354	16	171
Highwater	848	660	396	847	78	216
Jamieson's Line	64	9	23	47	-	1
Lac Frontière	4	7	-	56	9	-
Lacolle	648	834	405	2,676	84	375
Landry Siding	13	2	5	22	17	352
Leadvile	12	4	2	45	-	12
Mansonville	25	3	-	27	2	4
Morsés Line	38	123	49	61	6	18
Noyan	312	111	33	416	17	34
Philipsburg	300	2,749	625	1,216	357	788
Rivière Bleue	-	-	-	6	11	942
Rock Island	7,524	775	449	6,872	514	326
St. Armand	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Pamphile	74	6	-	63	1	9
St. Zacharie	24	2	1	108	165	957
Stanhope	335	593	316	1,654	223	678
Trout River	534	381	71	1,884	73	55
Woburn	258	48	17	268	85	223
Provincial Total	18,036	10,463	5,191	29,750	3,588	15,424

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Traveller's Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
			Ontario			
Brockville	-	1	-	-	-	-
Cornwall.....	2,132	413	144	3,399	106	544
Courtright.....	8	3	-	5	1	-
Fort Erie.....	30,955	7,864	3,556	20,619	4,008	888
Fort Frances	3,620	84	154	3,783	71	1,283
Kingston.....	-	5	-	-	-	-
Kingsville	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lansdowne.....	766	497	307	1,187	524	404
Leamington	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midland.....	-	2	-	-	-	-
Morrisburg	-	-	-	-	-	-
Niagara Falls	30,847	6,439	478	44,609	2,261	1,280
Pelee Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pigeon River	167	165	54	494	277	108
Port Lambton.....	25	5	-	23	10	-
Prescott	582	149	21	1,608	123	44
Rainy River	545	23	11	1,840	17	78
Sarnia	8,147	3,404	321	7,708	1,310	808
Sault Ste. Marie.....	1,429	245	42	2,357	284	103
Sombra	101	74	2	102	14	5
Walpole Island.....	5	2	-	17	1	-
Windsor.....	120,658	10,004	9,027	7,264	1,366	2,295
Provincial Total	199,987	29,379	14,117	95,015	10,373	7,840

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Traveller's Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
Manitoba						
Boissevain.....	49	80	39	251	122	24
Cartwright	99	9	1	124	9	17
Coulter	171	151	58	740	90	197
Crystal City.....	212	15	199	65	-	36
Emerson	1,424	702	184	1,891	889	1,084
Goodlands	32	18	4	319	5	62
Gretna.....	1,341	62	184	1,352	14	417
Haskett.....	209	17	17	588	9	224
Lena	136	25	98	415	9	40
Lyleton.....	58	14	11	230	3	7
Middlebro	105	887	1,167	426	9	505
Piney	70	30	39	197	5	488
Snowflake.....	53	1	-	264	2	38
South Junction.....	77	35	47	356	1	283
Tolstoi	130	3	6	119	7	4
Windygates.....	80	30	5	166	3	3
Provincial Total	4,246	2,079	2,059	7,503	1,177	3,429
Saskatchewan						
Big Beaver.....	25	14	5	158	23	51
East Poplar River.....	24	8	1	92	6	10
Elmore.....	153	11	143	348	7	363
Estevan.....	262	39	1	278	17	3
Marienthal	72	121	8	222	10	10
Monchy	9	13	-	10	68	2
Northgate	163	33	44	502	28	380
North Portal.....	473	120	403	1,526	353	610
Oungre.....	18	68	4	94	49	7
Regway.....	44	116	26	262	124	100
Treelon.....	44	15	96	75	22	327
West Poplar River.....	19	6	1	64	22	4
Willow Creek	-	8	-	26	34	99
Provincial Total	1,306	572	732	3,657	763	1,966
Alberta						
Aden	15	3	5	31	4	12
Carway	70	15	1	26	69	1
Chief Mountain.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coutts.....	1,366	590	517	1,868	688	626
Del Bonita	51	35	-	72	14	13
Wild Horse	14	8	5	27	12	6
Provincial Total	1,516	651	528	2,024	787	658

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	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Traveller's Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
British Columbia						
Aldergrove	420	595	76	1,403	237	143
Boundary Bay	486	63	19	2,098	38	114
Carson	476	141	31	231	1	196
Cascade City	450	114	165	812	32	88
Chopaka	13	16	-	56	-	14
Huntingdon	1,587	1,483	140	5,328	254	141
Kingsgate	55	181	41	410	343	289
Midway	135	17	2	136	4	3
Nelway	57	86	4	123	76	8
Osoyoos	1,220	221	67	1,985	161	193
Pacific Highway	2,217	8,608	536	12,270	2,970	493
Paterson	195	278	9	1,552	152	132
Port Alberni	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pleasant Camp	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powell River	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roosville	39	10	-	80	16	18
Rykerts	211	44	5	391	33	63
Silver Heights	-	-	-	-	-	-
Skagit	-	-	3	1	-	-
Stewart	185	-	-	478	-	29
Vancouver	-	3	-	-	-	-
Victoria	-	246	-	18	209	2
Waneta	11	9	8	57	4	7
Provincial Total	7,757	12,115	1,106	27,429	4,530	1,933
Yukon Territory						
Carcross	-	-	-	-	-	-
Little Gold Creek	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snag Creek	46	283	58	53	4	14
Provincial Total	46	283	58	53	4	14
Dominion Total	292,040	59,617	28,309	236,210	21,826	37,817

TABLE 1. SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
FEBRUARY
1953 and 1954

A— Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada

Province of Entry	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Newfoundland	-	-	(80	(49	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-			-	-
New Brunswick	60,658	59,146	3,399	4,026	7,143	4,518
Quebec	17,935	18,036	11,276	10,463	4,809	5,191
Ontario	193,461	199,987	28,579	29,379	15,570	14,117
Manitoba	4,377	4,246	935	2,079	807	2,059
Saskatchewan	1,476	1,306	370	572	918	732
Alberta	917	1,516	664	651	487	528
British Columbia	7,484	7,757	11,996	12,115	875	1,106
Yukon Territory	43	46	149	283	58	58
Total	286,351	292,040	57,448	59,617	30,667	28,309
<i>Percentage Change</i>		+2.0		+3.8		-7.7

B— Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada

Province of Entry	Length of Stay Abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less		Over 24 hours			
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	66,710	70,779	752	604	7,177	6,553
Quebec	31,053	29,750	3,531	3,588	15,204	15,424
Ontario	94,641	95,015	8,632	10,373	9,182	7,840
Manitoba	5,840	7,503	1,141	1,177	1,317	3,429
Saskatchewan	2,545	3,657	819	763	949	1,966
Alberta	1,386	2,024	854	787	552	658
British Columbia.....	28,440	27,429	4,921	4,530	2,027	1,933
Yukon Territory.....	24	53	2	4	6	14
Total.....	230,639	236,210	20,652	21,826	36,414	37,817
<i>Percentage Change.....</i>		+2.4		+5.7		+3.8

TABLE 2. CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
JANUARY - FEBRUARY
1953 and 1954

A - Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada

Province of Entry	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Newfoundland	-	-	(150	(84	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-			-	-
New Brunswick	129,153	124,134	6,895	7,357	14,400	9,398
Quebec	37,614	37,062	20,542	19,550	9,856	10,616
Ontario	388,932	415,300	52,063	56,329	30,880	28,326
Manitoba	8,901	7,444	1,688	3,427	1,520	4,032
Saskatchewan	2,978	2,212	792	824	1,868	1,465
Alberta	2,288	2,552	1,329	1,161	1,120	932
British Columbia	14,733	14,257	21,083	19,109	1,677	2,129
Yukon Territory	65	73	328	512	119	88
Total	584,664	603,034	104,870	108,353	61,440	56,986
Percentage Change		+3.1		+3.3		-7.3

B - Canadian Vehicles Returning To Canada

Province of Entry	Length of Stay Abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less		Over 24 hours			
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	142,729	143,089	1,586	1,467	15,106	13,207
Quebec	64,711	63,123	7,689	7,512	26,967	30,008
Ontario	190,264	187,532	16,512	19,003	18,625	15,574
Manitoba	12,007	12,243	2,202	2,401	2,630	6,013
Saskatchewan	5,541	5,773	1,703	1,459	1,965	3,067
Alberta	3,439	3,549	1,669	1,616	1,089	1,087
British Columbia	54,137	46,686	9,623	8,815	4,130	3,622
Yukon Territory	36	97	8	7	15	19
Total	472,864	462,092	40,992	42,280	70,527	72,597
<i>Percentage Change</i>		-2.3		+3.1		+2.9

TABLE 3. FOREIGN TRAVELLERS ENTERING CANADA FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE
BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, JANUARY 1953 AND JANUARY 1954

Province of Entry	Rail ¹		Bus ²		Boat		Plane ³	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Newfoundland.....	-	-	-	-	(16	(7	82	77
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	7
Prince Edward Island.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
New Brunswick	617	682	411	237	348	235	294	376
Quebec	11,995	10,121	1,161	1,025	-	-	3,381	3,705
Ontario	14,046	12,849	8,201	6,932	15	41	3,886	4,626
Manitoba.....	799	759	192	190	-	-	506	579
Saskatchewan.....	211	181	2	-	-	-	10	32
Alberta	91	136	134	118	-	-	802	566
British Columbia.....	3,239	2,944	1,544	3,876	861	1,139	1,258	1,186
Yukon Territory.....	149	236	4	2	-	-	347	652
Total.....	31,147	27,908	11,649	12,380	1,240	1,422	10,598	11,806

TABLE 4: CANADIAN TRAVELLERS RETURNING FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE,
BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, JANUARY 1953 AND JANUARY 1954

Province of Entry	Rail		Bus ⁴		Boat		Plane	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Newfoundland.....	-	-	-	-	(9	(4	20	39
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-	42	-
Prince Edward Island.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-
New Brunswick	1,361	1,332	780	790	4,054	2,787	439	366
Quebec	13,503	12,839	2,864	2,812	-	-	4,950	5,151
Ontario	19,680	17,375	18,507	18,411	10	-	7,065	8,141
Manitoba.....	1,581	1,690	941	849	-	-	380	458
Saskatchewan.....	422	358	52	42	-	-	13	25
Alberta	7	3	320	279	-	-	385	414
British Columbia.....	4,841	5,333	4,467	4,161	994	1,332	1,471	1,865
Yukon Territory.....	15	14	5	2	-	-	46	47
Total.....	41,410	38,944	27,936	27,346	5,067	4,123	14,841	16,506

Travellers by rail and bus destined to Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island enter Canada through ports in other provinces and are recorded in the latter.

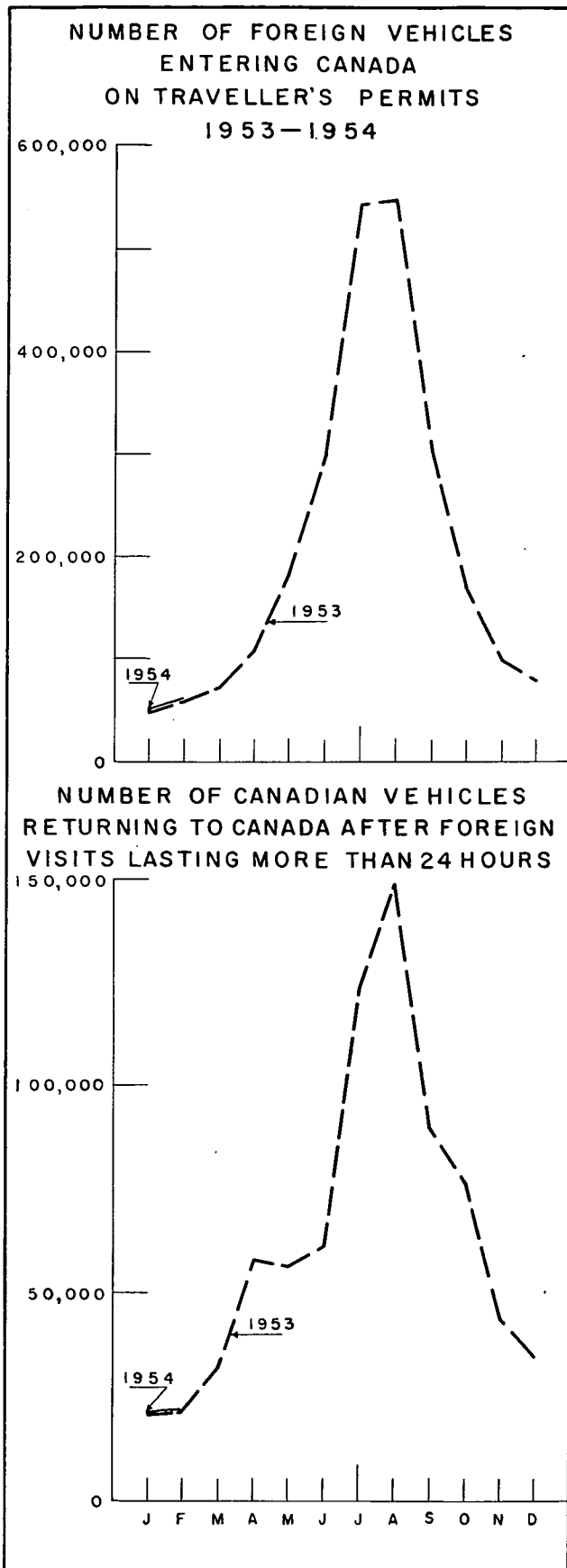
EXPLANATORY NOTES

Data in this report consist of visits between Canada and the United States by vacationists, summer residents, commuters, businessmen and all other types of travellers except migrants. They include repeat visits by commuters and others who cross the border more than once during the period covered by the report. They also include people whose only purpose in crossing the border is to take the most direct route between two points in their own country.

The report is divided into two sections, the first showing the number of vehicles classified as highway traffic, and the second the number of passengers proceeding by long-distance common carrier. Due to lack of information it has not been possible to include a residual group consisting principally of pedestrians and passengers on local bus services connecting border communities. In the highway traffic data, commercial vehicles or trucks are separated from other vehicles. Highway traffic not classified as commercial vehicles consists almost exclusively of automobiles but includes a comparatively small number of taxis, motorcycles and bicycles.

Foreign highway traffic other than commercial vehicles is divided into two groups: one requiring and the other not requiring traveller's vehicle permits. Drivers must apply for traveller's vehicle permits if they intend to travel beyond the jurisdiction of the port of entry or if they intend to remain in Canada longer than 48 hours irrespective of their destination. More than half the permits issued each year are used for visits of less than 48 hours. Commuters and others who cross the border frequently may also apply for permits. The initial visit of such persons, on which the permit is issued, appears under the heading "Traveller's Vehicle Permits"; subsequent visits are included with the non-permit group.

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