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Table 1
International trips to Canada^{1,2}

	May			January to May		
	2017	2018	% change	2017	2018	% change
	number			number		
Trips by non-residents³	2,603,367	2,607,284	0.2	9,274,557	9,239,439	-0.4
United States Residents	2,032,732	2,013,992	-0.9	7,326,450	7,263,944	-0.9
Automobile	1,306,841	1,323,120	1.2	5,043,561	4,983,810	-1.2
Same Day	689,094	667,735	-3.1	2,868,108	2,787,030	-2.8
One or more nights	617,747	655,385	6.1	2,175,453	2,196,780	1.0
Plane	486,385	440,118	-9.5	1,757,751	1,732,051	-1.5
Bus	86,800	88,177	1.6	281,544	294,604	4.6
Train, boat and other methods	152,706	162,577	6.5	243,594	253,479	4.1
All other countries residents	570,635	593,292	4.0	1,948,107	1,975,495	1.4
Direct	367,973	388,622	5.6	1,343,474	1,383,673	3.0
Via the United States ⁴	202,662	204,670	1.0	604,633	591,822	-2.1
Trips by residents of Canada³	4,343,698	4,852,895	11.7	22,340,407	23,962,746	7.3
Returning from the United States	3,354,791	3,931,769	17.2	16,217,024	18,082,532	11.5
Automobile	2,553,797	3,007,984	17.8	11,800,757	13,111,797	11.1
Same day	1,731,180	2,097,160	21.1	8,013,352	9,040,776	12.8
One or more nights	822,617	910,824	10.7	3,787,405	4,071,021	7.5
Plane	655,323	774,033	18.1	3,960,122	4,495,099	13.5
Bus	88,314	87,455	-1.0	328,594	332,966	1.3
Train, boat and other methods	57,357	62,297	8.6	127,551	142,670	11.9
Returning from other countries	988,907	921,126	-6.9	6,123,383	5,880,214	-4.0
Direct	870,481	844,277	-3.0	5,344,993	5,384,138	0.7
Via the United States ⁴	118,426	76,849	-35.1	778,390	496,076	-36.3
Total³	6,947,065	7,460,179	7.4	31,614,964	33,202,185	5.0

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

4. Entries and re-entries through or by way of the United States.

Source: Reports of entries and re-entries from offices of the Canada Border Services Agency.

Table 2
Trips of one or more nights by non-residents to Canada, by province of entry, current month¹

		May											
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.
United States	2017	333	32	6,003	15,970	151,888	576,452	17,145	6,620	54,008	314,492	15,348	9
	2018	877	4	10,247	20,527	163,101	568,684	19,070	6,890	54,858	313,117	18,414	4
	% change	163.4	-87.5	70.7	28.5	7.4	-1.3	11.2	4.1	1.6	-0.4	20.0	-55.6
Automobile	2017	...	...	117	15,389	79,102	344,063	11,955	5,060	11,340	143,536	7,185	...
	2018	...	...	2	16,033	87,214	360,119	13,564	5,341	12,259	153,614	7,239	...
	% change	...	...	-98.3	4.2	10.3	4.7	13.5	5.6	8.1	7.0	0.8	...
Non-automobile	2017	333	32	5,886	581	72,786	232,389	5,190	1,560	42,668	170,956	8,163	9
	2018	877	4	10,245	4,494	75,887	208,565	5,506	1,549	42,599	159,503	11,175	4
	% change	163.4	-87.5	74.1	673.5	4.3	-10.3	6.1	-0.7	-0.2	-6.7	36.9	-55.6
Other countries ²	2017	3,057	0	4,584	276	87,887	239,665	557	178	28,931	189,074	1,154	29
	2018	2,871	0	6,021	724	97,984	225,054	907	164	27,922	213,524	955	52
	% change	-6.1	...	31.3	162.3	11.5	-6.1	62.8	-7.9	-3.5	12.9	-17.2	79.3
Total	2017	3,390	32	10,587	16,246	239,775	816,117	17,702	6,798	82,939	503,566	16,502	38
	2018	3,748	4	16,268	21,251	261,085	793,738	19,977	7,054	82,780	526,641	19,369	56
	% change	10.6	-87.5	53.7	30.8	8.9	-2.7	12.9	3.8	-0.2	4.6	17.4	47.4

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Table 3**Trips of one or more nights by non-residents to Canada, by province of entry, year to date¹**

		January to May												Canada
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	
United States	2017	1,437	59	13,926	42,016	588,656	1,922,739	59,920	16,655	189,375	1,091,757	22,801	19	3,949,360
	2018	2,080	8	19,986	45,559	601,734	1,893,451	63,162	17,044	197,432	1,114,068	26,940	26	3,981,490
	% change	44.7	-86.4	43.5	8.4	2.2	-1.5	5.4	2.3	4.3	2.0	18.2	36.8	0.8
Automobile	2017	...	...	117	39,836	323,685	1,094,254	41,139	13,285	28,804	620,017	14,316	...	2,175,453
	2018	...	...	2	39,932	326,745	1,089,623	43,811	13,691	29,478	637,879	15,619	...	2,196,780
	% change	...	...	-98.3	0.2	0.9	-0.4	6.5	3.1	2.3	2.9	9.1	...	1.0
Non-automobile	2017	1,437	59	13,809	2,180	264,971	828,485	18,781	3,370	160,571	471,740	8,485	19	1,773,907
	2018	2,080	8	19,984	5,627	274,989	803,828	19,351	3,353	167,954	476,189	11,321	26	1,784,710
	% change	44.7	-86.4	44.7	158.1	3.8	-3.0	3.0	-0.5	4.6	0.9	33.4	36.8	0.6
Other countries ²	2017	8,889	17	10,690	859	307,795	851,450	1,993	725	98,112	630,006	1,611	264	1,912,411
	2018	8,720	11	14,099	1,034	334,701	815,779	2,649	791	93,877	667,488	1,316	173	1,940,638
	% change	-1.9	-35.3	31.9	20.4	8.7	-4.2	32.9	9.1	-4.3	5.9	-18.3	-34.5	1.5
Total	2017	10,326	76	24,616	42,875	896,451	2,774,189	61,913	17,380	287,487	1,721,763	24,412	283	5,861,771
	2018	10,800	19	34,085	46,593	936,435	2,709,230	65,811	17,835	291,309	1,781,556	28,256	199	5,922,128
	% change	4.6	-75.0	38.5	8.7	4.5	-2.3	6.3	2.6	1.3	3.5	15.7	-29.7	1.0

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Table 4
Trips by residents of countries other than the United States to Canada¹

	May			January to May		
	2017	2018	% change	2017	2018	% change
	number			number		
Europe, total	225,891	239,191	5.9	793,653	787,967	-0.7
Belgium	4,857	5,157	6.2	19,372	18,815	-2.9
Denmark	2,951	2,879	-2.4	15,872	14,615	-7.9
France	38,952	45,607	17.1	154,679	166,485	7.6
Germany	34,607	37,618	8.7	104,811	104,427	-0.4
Greece	1,400	1,167	-16.6	4,507	4,170	-7.5
Italy	8,111	8,313	2.5	27,920	28,156	0.8
Netherlands	14,073	13,924	-1.1	38,840	36,969	-4.8
Portugal	2,227	2,300	3.3	7,411	8,253	11.4
Spain	6,100	6,177	1.3	21,241	20,546	-3.3
Sweden	3,702	3,590	-3.0	17,518	17,384	-0.8
Switzerland	9,009	9,065	0.6	32,521	30,977	-4.7
United Kingdom	70,219	70,656	0.6	237,249	223,385	-5.8
Other Europe	29,683	32,738	10.3	111,712	113,785	1.9
Africa, Total	12,870	11,781	-8.5	39,712	41,190	3.7
Asia, Total	206,884	218,291	5.5	694,395	718,153	3.4
China	55,074	62,795	14.0	200,537	230,094	14.7
Hong Kong	14,540	13,886	-4.5	50,475	48,727	-3.5
India	35,980	37,841	5.2	88,540	92,803	4.8
Israel	4,901	5,274	7.6	19,709	18,280	-7.3
Japan	22,109	17,923	-18.9	100,689	79,264	-21.3
Korea, South	26,748	25,096	-6.2	87,631	79,731	-9.0
Malaysia	1,923	1,593	-17.2	3,822	3,114	-18.5
Philippines	8,814	10,639	20.7	27,838	28,221	1.4
Singapore	4,896	5,107	4.3	10,643	10,868	2.1
Taiwan	9,202	12,210	32.7	28,179	42,898	52.2
Other Asia	22,697	25,927	14.2	76,332	84,153	10.2
North America, Central America and Caribbean, total	49,155	47,962	-2.4	198,062	189,880	-4.1
Jamaica	3,084	2,768	-10.2	10,220	10,452	2.3
Mexico	30,834	31,439	2.0	128,606	127,806	-0.6
Trinidad and Tobago	1,862	1,637	-12.1	6,931	5,721	-17.5
Other North America, Central America and Caribbean	13,375	12,118	-9.4	52,305	45,901	-12.2
South America, total	26,556	28,307	6.6	87,455	108,737	24.3
Brazil	13,744	15,885	15.6	44,307	60,735	37.1
Other South America	12,812	12,422	-3.0	43,148	48,002	11.2
Oceania and other islands, total	49,279	47,760	-3.1	134,830	129,568	-3.9
Australia	42,715	41,221	-3.5	115,228	110,484	-4.1
New Zealand	6,332	5,971	-5.7	18,650	17,298	-7.2
Other Oceania and other Ocean Island	232	670	188.8	952	2,044	114.7
Total	570,635	593,292	4.0	1,948,107	1,975,495	1.4

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Table 5**Trips of one or more nights by residents returning to Canada, by province of re-entry, current month^{1,2}**

		May												Canada
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	
United States	2017	1,985	2	7,046	27,560	244,218	726,351	48,147	13,373	124,580	393,087	4,124	24	1,590,497
	2018	1,734	5	9,314	30,964	266,529	829,927	53,738	14,795	148,438	438,285	4,059	20	1,797,808
	% change	-12.6	150.0	32.2	12.4	9.1	14.3	11.6	10.6	19.2	11.5	-1.6	-16.7	13.0
Automobile	2017	...	...	36	24,750	123,530	387,391	37,041	10,273	27,074	208,847	3,675	...	822,617
	2018	...	...	7	28,026	135,068	421,761	41,407	11,726	30,845	238,054	3,930	...	910,824
	% change	...	...	-80.6	13.2	9.3	8.9	11.8	14.1	13.9	14.0	6.9	...	10.7
Non-automobile	2017	1,985	2	7,010	2,810	120,688	338,960	11,106	3,100	97,506	184,240	449	24	767,880
	2018	1,734	5	9,307	2,938	131,461	408,166	12,331	3,069	117,593	200,231	129	20	886,984
	% change	-12.6	150.0	32.8	4.6	8.9	20.4	11.0	-1.0	20.6	8.7	-71.3	-16.7	15.5
Other countries	2017	7,953	445	15,885	4,637	185,718	525,770	1,459	693	63,890	182,448	0	9	988,907
	2018	6,177	353	15,871	4,913	190,957	477,072	1,350	256	67,373	156,787	13	4	921,126
	% change	-22.3	-20.7	-0.1	6.0	2.8	-9.3	-7.5	-63.1	5.5	-14.1	...	-55.6	-6.9
Total	2017	9,938	447	22,931	32,197	429,936	1,252,121	49,606	14,066	188,470	575,535	4,124	33	2,579,404
	2018	7,911	358	25,185	35,877	457,486	1,306,999	55,088	15,051	215,811	595,072	4,072	24	2,718,934
	% change	-20.4	-19.9	9.8	11.4	6.4	4.4	11.1	7.0	14.5	3.4	-1.3	-27.3	5.4

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Table 6**Trips of one or more nights by residents returning to Canada, by province of re-entry, year to date^{1,2}**

		January to May												Canada
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	
United States	2017	5,780	1,351	55,441	103,320	1,231,228	3,778,894	256,613	95,144	764,271	1,745,079	7,632	85	8,044,838
	2018	5,554	767	59,631	117,004	1,266,700	4,180,305	277,219	101,422	858,295	1,992,902	7,827	66	8,867,692
	% change	-3.9	-43.2	7.6	13.2	2.9	10.6	8.0	6.6	12.3	14.2	2.6	-22.4	10.2
Automobile	2017	...	...	36	93,312	534,238	1,870,477	173,558	52,167	153,946	902,608	7,063	...	3,787,405
	2018	...	...	7	105,234	555,343	1,992,594	191,618	56,416	155,943	1,006,375	7,491	...	4,071,021
	% change	...	...	-80.6	12.8	4.0	6.5	10.4	8.1	1.3	11.5	6.1	...	7.5
Non-automobile	2017	5,780	1,351	55,405	10,008	696,990	1,908,417	83,055	42,977	610,325	842,471	569	85	4,257,433
	2018	5,554	767	59,624	11,770	711,357	2,187,711	85,601	45,006	702,352	986,527	336	66	4,796,671
	% change	-3.9	-43.2	7.6	17.6	2.1	14.6	3.1	4.7	15.1	17.1	-40.9	-22.4	12.7
Other countries	2017	17,489	2,110	88,479	29,448	1,287,065	3,073,086	85,047	64,287	524,049	952,300	0	23	6,123,383
	2018	17,002	1,807	78,014	29,519	1,313,202	2,856,665	81,148	57,956	539,227	905,626	13	35	5,880,214
	% change	-2.8	-14.4	-11.8	0.2	2.0	-7.0	-4.6	-9.8	2.9	-4.9	...	52.2	-4.0
Total	2017	23,269	3,461	143,920	132,768	2,518,293	6,851,980	341,660	159,431	1,288,320	2,697,379	7,632	108	14,168,221
	2018	22,556	2,574	137,645	146,523	2,579,902	7,036,970	358,367	159,378	1,397,522	2,898,528	7,840	101	14,747,906
	% change	-3.1	-25.6	-4.4	10.4	2.4	2.7	4.9	0.0	8.5	7.5	2.7	-6.5	4.1

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