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Statistical Tables

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

	January			January to January		
	2019	2020	% change	2019	2020	% change
	number			number		
Trips by non-residents³	1,492,214	1,567,317	5.0	1,492,214	1,567,317	5.0
United States Residents	1,140,166	1,201,690	5.4	1,140,166	1,201,690	5.4
Automobile	806,611	867,218	7.5	806,611	867,218	7.5
Same Day	496,829	522,752	5.2	496,829	522,752	5.2
One or more nights	309,782	344,466	11.2	309,782	344,466	11.2
Plane	281,378	283,023	0.6	281,378	283,023	0.6
Bus	39,128	37,181	-5.0	39,128	37,181	-5.0
Train, boat and other methods	13,049	14,268	9.3	13,049	14,268	9.3
All other countries residents	352,048	365,627	3.9	352,048	365,627	3.9
Direct	245,163	261,498	6.7	245,163	261,498	6.7
Via the United States ⁴	106,885	104,129	-2.6	106,885	104,129	-2.6
Trips by residents of Canada³	4,356,374	4,430,895	1.7	4,356,374	4,430,895	1.7
Returning from the United States	3,035,434	3,069,835	1.1	3,035,434	3,069,835	1.1
Automobile	2,063,363	2,065,642	0.1	2,063,363	2,065,642	0.1
Same day	1,435,823	1,443,415	0.5	1,435,823	1,443,415	0.5
One or more nights	627,540	622,227	-0.8	627,540	622,227	-0.8
Plane	904,756	936,866	3.5	904,756	936,866	3.5
Bus	52,338	53,488	2.2	52,338	53,488	2.2
Train, boat and other methods	14,977	13,839	-7.6	14,977	13,839	-7.6
Returning from other countries	1,320,940	1,361,060	3.0	1,320,940	1,361,060	3.0
Direct	1,217,950	1,271,242	4.4	1,217,950	1,271,242	4.4
Via the United States ⁴	102,990	89,818	-12.8	102,990	89,818	-12.8
Total³	5,848,588	5,998,212	2.6	5,848,588	5,998,212	2.6

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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**

		January												Canada
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	
United States	2019	415	0	1,687	4,430	88,073	256,863	9,593	2,514	32,237	183,561	1,367	0	580,740
	2020	458	0	1,570	5,480	99,749	281,868	9,431	2,675	35,959	179,889	1,101	8	618,188
	% change	10.4	...	-6.9	23.7	13.3	9.7	-1.7	6.4	11.5	-2.0	-19.5	...	6.4
Automobile	2019	...	...	0	4,271	45,655	138,806	5,487	1,599	3,400	109,220	1,344	...	309,782
	2020	...	...	0	5,337	55,438	161,410	5,645	1,857	3,729	109,952	1,098	...	344,466
	% change	...	...	...	25.0	21.4	16.3	2.9	16.1	9.7	0.7	-18.3	...	11.2
Non-automobile ²	2019	415	0	1,687	159	42,418	118,057	4,106	915	28,837	74,341	23	0	270,958
	2020	458	0	1,570	143	44,311	120,458	3,786	818	32,230	69,937	3	8	273,722
	% change	10.4	...	-6.9	-10.1	4.5	2.0	-7.8	-10.6	11.8	-5.9	-87.0	...	1.0
Other countries ³	2019	1,031	0	1,497	170	57,781	144,973	827	119	14,288	119,260	68	40	340,054
	2020	868	0	839	240	59,653	150,791	978	154	13,808	124,328	30	31	351,720
	% change	-15.8	...	-44.0	41.2	3.2	4.0	18.3	29.4	-3.4	4.2	-55.9	-22.5	3.4
Total	2019	1,446	0	3,184	4,600	145,854	401,836	10,420	2,633	46,525	302,821	1,435	40	920,794
	2020	1,326	0	2,409	5,720	159,402	432,659	10,409	2,829	49,767	304,217	1,131	39	969,908
	% change	-8.3	...	-24.3	24.3	9.3	7.7	-0.1	7.4	7.0	0.5	-21.2	-2.5	5.3

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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 January												Canada
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	
United States	2019	415	0	1,687	4,430	88,073	256,863	9,593	2,514	32,237	183,561	1,367	0	580,740
	2020	458	0	1,570	5,480	99,749	281,868	9,431	2,675	35,959	179,889	1,101	8	618,188
	% change	10.4	...	-6.9	23.7	13.3	9.7	-1.7	6.4	11.5	-2.0	-19.5	...	6.4
Automobile	2019	...	...	0	4,271	45,655	138,806	5,487	1,599	3,400	109,220	1,344	...	309,782
	2020	...	...	0	5,337	55,438	161,410	5,645	1,857	3,729	109,952	1,098	...	344,466
	% change	...	...	...	25.0	21.4	16.3	2.9	16.1	9.7	0.7	-18.3	...	11.2
Non-automobile ²	2019	415	0	1,687	159	42,418	118,057	4,106	915	28,837	74,341	23	0	270,958
	2020	458	0	1,570	143	44,311	120,458	3,786	818	32,230	69,937	3	8	273,722
	% change	10.4	...	-6.9	-10.1	4.5	2.0	-7.8	-10.6	11.8	-5.9	-87.0	...	1.0
Other countries ³	2019	1,031	0	1,497	170	57,781	144,973	827	119	14,288	119,260	68	40	340,054
	2020	868	0	839	240	59,653	150,791	978	154	13,808	124,328	30	31	351,720
	% change	-15.8	...	-44.0	41.2	3.2	4.0	18.3	29.4	-3.4	4.2	-55.9	-22.5	3.4
Total	2019	1,446	0	3,184	4,600	145,854	401,836	10,420	2,633	46,525	302,821	1,435	40	920,794
	2020	1,326	0	2,409	5,720	159,402	432,659	10,409	2,829	49,767	304,217	1,131	39	969,908
	% change	-8.3	...	-24.3	24.3	9.3	7.7	-0.1	7.4	7.0	0.5	-21.2	-2.5	5.3

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

	January			January to January		
	2019	2020	% change	2019	2020	% change
	number			number		
Europe, total	113,092	113,848	0.7	113,092	113,848	0.7
Belgium	2,908	2,522	-13.3	2,908	2,522	-13.3
Denmark	1,806	1,813	0.4	1,806	1,813	0.4
France	26,973	27,607	2.4	26,973	27,607	2.4
Germany	11,840	10,978	-7.3	11,840	10,978	-7.3
Greece	647	485	-25.0	647	485	-25.0
Italy	4,327	4,675	8.0	4,327	4,675	8.0
Netherlands	4,643	4,733	1.9	4,643	4,733	1.9
Portugal	1,406	1,674	19.1	1,406	1,674	19.1
Spain	3,185	3,739	17.4	3,185	3,739	17.4
Sweden	2,737	2,768	1.1	2,737	2,768	1.1
Switzerland	5,116	4,181	-18.3	5,116	4,181	-18.3
United Kingdom	28,263	29,400	4.0	28,263	29,400	4.0
Other Europe	19,241	19,273	0.2	19,241	19,273	0.2
Africa, Total	8,307	8,800	5.9	8,307	8,800	5.9
Asia, Total	135,424	147,263	8.7	135,424	147,263	8.7
China	56,386	60,608	7.5	56,386	60,608	7.5
Hong Kong	8,545	13,164	54.1	8,545	13,164	54.1
India	14,025	14,039	0.1	14,025	14,039	0.1
Israel	2,675	2,316	-13.4	2,675	2,316	-13.4
Japan	9,605	9,954	3.6	9,605	9,954	3.6
Korea, South	14,639	15,115	3.3	14,639	15,115	3.3
Malaysia	266	248	-6.8	266	248	-6.8
Philippines	4,325	4,224	-2.3	4,325	4,224	-2.3
Singapore	1,345	1,404	4.4	1,345	1,404	4.4
Taiwan	8,219	9,786	19.1	8,219	9,786	19.1
Other Asia	15,394	16,405	6.6	15,394	16,405	6.6
North America, Central America and Caribbean, total	39,941	44,121	10.5	39,941	44,121	10.5
Jamaica	1,980	2,278	15.1	1,980	2,278	15.1
Mexico	27,484	30,490	10.9	27,484	30,490	10.9
Trinidad and Tobago	1,275	1,486	16.5	1,275	1,486	16.5
Other North America, Central America and Caribbean	9,202	9,867	7.2	9,202	9,867	7.2
South America, total	22,224	19,241	-13.4	22,224	19,241	-13.4
Brazil	14,226	11,308	-20.5	14,226	11,308	-20.5
Other South America	7,998	7,933	-0.8	7,998	7,933	-0.8
Oceania and other islands, total	33,060	32,354	-2.1	33,060	32,354	-2.1
Australia	28,203	27,422	-2.8	28,203	27,422	-2.8
New Zealand	4,498	4,635	3.0	4,498	4,635	3.0
Other Oceania and other Ocean Island	400	327	-18.3	400	327	-18.3
Total	352,048	365,627	3.9	352,048	365,627	3.9

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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}**

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		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	
United States	2019	390	0	6,623	10,377	232,641	681,303	45,824	16,563	128,494	326,078	593	3	1,448,889
	2020	208	0	6,988	11,033	241,948	720,525	45,431	16,263	148,906	308,330	342	3	1,499,977
	% change	-46.7	...	5.5	6.3	4.0	5.8	-0.9	-1.8	15.9	-5.4	-42.3	0.0	3.5
Automobile	2019	...	...	0	10,118	98,886	307,392	26,727	8,763	22,210	152,910	534	...	627,540
	2020	...	...	0	10,617	97,918	317,250	26,309	8,710	21,116	139,997	310	...	622,227
	% change	...	...	...	4.9	-1.0	3.2	-1.6	-0.6	-4.9	-8.4	-41.9	...	-0.8
Non-automobile ³	2019	390	0	6,623	259	133,755	373,911	19,097	7,800	106,284	173,168	59	3	821,349
	2020	208	0	6,988	416	144,030	403,275	19,122	7,553	127,790	168,333	32	3	877,750
	% change	-46.7	...	5.5	60.6	7.7	7.9	0.1	-3.2	20.2	-2.8	-45.8	0.0	6.9
Other countries	2019	607	0	5,792	0	321,027	620,889	23,193	17,045	132,852	199,535	0	0	1,320,940
	2020	95	0	5,422	0	349,303	649,691	25,526	16,849	109,796	204,376	0	2	1,361,060
	% change	-84.3	...	-6.4	...	8.8	4.6	10.1	-1.1	-17.4	2.4	...	...	3.0
Total	2019	997	0	12,415	10,377	553,668	1,302,192	69,017	33,608	261,346	525,613	593	3	2,769,829
	2020	303	0	12,410	11,033	591,251	1,370,216	70,957	33,112	258,702	512,706	342	5	2,861,037
	% change	-69.6	...	0.0	6.3	6.8	5.2	2.8	-1.5	-1.0	-2.5	-42.3	66.7	3.3

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	2020	0	10,617	97,918	317,250	26,309	8,710	21,116	139,997	310	...	622,227
	% change	4.9	-1.0	3.2	-1.6	-0.6	-4.9	-8.4	-41.9	...	-0.8
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	% change	-46.7	...	5.5	60.6	7.7	7.9	0.1	-3.2	20.2	-2.8	-45.8	0.0	6.9
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