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Statistical Tables

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

		March		Janua	ary to March	
	2019	2020		2019	2020	
	nun	nber	% change	numbe	er	% change
Trips by non-residents ³	1,803,565	760,461	-57.8	4,790,259	3,923,485	-18.1
United States Residents	1,457,330	611,056	-58.1	3,755,854	3,094,046	-17.6
Automobile	1,020,931	447,063	-56.2	2,633,444	2,246,551	-14.7
Same Day	580,484	271,629	-53.2	1,536,729	1,319,504	-14.1
One or more nights	440,447	175,434	-60.2	1,096,715	927,047	-15.5
Plane	366,667	138,767	-62.2	946,789	716,349	-24.3
Bus	45,108	14,223	-68.5	123,911	89,219	-28.0
Train, boat and other methods	24,624	11,003	-55.3	51,710	41,927	-18.9
All other countries residents	346,235	149,405	-56.8	1,034,405	829,439	-19.8
Direct	240,617	103,816	-56.9	729,635	597,188	-18.2
Via the United States ⁴	105,618	45,589	-56.8	304,770	232,251	-23.8
Trips by residents of Canada ³	5,450,366	3,257,234	-40.2	13,808,443	11,977,840	-13.3
Returning from the United States	4,004,204	2,238,425	-44.1	9,876,481	8,381,291	-15.1
Automobile	2,784,103	1,499,820	-46.1	6,716,610	5,645,453	-15.9
Same day	1,812,672	804,569	-55.6	4,608,445	3,752,719	-18.6
One or more nights	971,431	695,251	-28.4	2,108,165	1,892,734	-10.2
Plane	1,138,388	698,820	-38.6	2,948,781	2,564,308	-13.0
Bus	59,791	27,255	-54.4	160,937	131,881	-18.1
Train, boat and other methods	21,922	12,530	-42.8	50,153	39,649	-20.9
Returning from other countries	1,446,162	1,018,809	-29.6	3,931,962	3,596,549	-8.5
Direct	1,338,359	935,750	-30.1	3,640,074	3,343,647	-8.1
Via the United States ⁴	107,803	83,059	-23.0	291,888	252,902	-13.4
Total3	7,253,931	4,017,695	-44.6	18,598,702	15,901,325	-14.5

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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.

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

								March						
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	Canada
United States	2019	357	2	1,818	6,209	121,113	362,037	15,787	4,153	43,608	239,782	2,337	3	797,206
	2020	32	2	655	3,451	48,810	141,248	8,194	2,098	20,415	82,383	1,320	0	308,608
	% change	-91.0	0.0	-64.0	-44.4	-59.7	-61.0	-48.1	-49.5	-53.2	-65.6	-43.5	-100.0	-61.3
Automobile	2019			0	5,996	61,619	207,397	11,142	3,159	5,372	143,432	2,330		440,447
	2020			0	3,329	27,043	84,273	6,073	1,516	3,209	48,685	1,306		175,434
	% change				-44.5	-56.1	-59.4	-45.5	-52.0	-40.3	-66.1	-43.9		-60.2
Non-automobile ²	2019	357	2	1,818	213	59,494	154,640	4,645	994	38,236	96,350	7	3	356,759
	2020	32	2	655	122	21,767	56,975	2,121	582	17,206	33,698	14	0	133,174
	% change	-91.0	0.0	-64.0	-42.7	-63.4	-63.2	-54.3	-41.4	-55.0	-65.0	100.0	-100.0	-62.7
Other countries ³	2019	1,348	11	1,215	235	59,509	150,849	865	142	14,045	103,617	107	47	331,990
	2020	1,027	0	491	157	26,522	66,434	709	68	7,214	38,296	44	39	141,001
	% change	-23.8	-100.0	-59.6	-33.2	-55.4	-56.0	-18.0	-52.1	-48.6	-63.0	-58.9	-17.0	-57.5
Total	2019 2020 % change	1,705 1,059 -37.9	13 2 -84.6	3,033 1,146 -62.2	6,444 3,608 -44.0	180,622 75,332 -58.3	512,886 207,682 -59.5	16,652 8,903 -46.5	4,295 2,166 -49.6	57,653 27,629 -52.1	343,399 120,679 -64.9	2,444 1,364 -44.2	50 39 -22.0	1,129,196 449,609 -60.2

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

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

							Ja	nuary to N	/larch					
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	Canada
United States	2019	869	2	5,185	16,064	328,813	892,658	36,616	9,432	110,444	613,447	4,886	6	2,018,422
	2020	570	3	3,722	15,027	277,150	720,972	29,432	7,614	94,482	471,958	3,762	11	1,624,703
	% change	-34.4	50.0	-28.2	-6.5	-15.7	-19.2	-19.6	-19.3	-14.5	-23.1	-23.0	83.3	-19.5
Automobile	2019			0	15,476	175,622	496,701	23,143	6,727	11,830	362,373	4,843		1,096,715
	2020			0	14,575	162,228	419,798	19,099	5,384	10,778	291,458	3,727		927,047
	% change				-5.8	-7.6	-15.5	-17.5	-20.0	-8.9	-19.6	-23.0		-15.5
Non-automobile ²	2019	869	2	5,185	588	153,191	395,957	13,473	2,705	98,614	251,074	43	6	921,707
	2020	570	3	3,722	452	114,922	301,174	10,333	2,230	83,704	180,500	35	11	697,656
	% change	-34.4	50.0	-28.2	-23.1	-25.0	-23.9	-23.3	-17.6	-15.1	-28.1	-18.6	83.3	-24.3
Other countries ³	2019	3,529	11	4,197	603	180,990	428,241	2,417	422	44,310	331,977	252	120	997,069
	2020	3,095	1	2,106	603	155,901	342,064	2,684	336	35,909	253,097	104	89	795,989
	% change	-12.3	-90.9	-49.8	0.0	-13.9	-20.1	11.0	-20.4	-19.0	-23.8	-58.7	-25.8	-20.2
Total	2019	4,398	13	9,382	16,667	509,803	1,320,899	39,033	9,854	154,754	945,424	5,138	126	3,015,491
	2020	3,665	4	5,828	15,630	433,051	1,063,036	32,116	7,950	130,391	725,055	3,866	100	2,420,692
	% change	-16.7	-69.2	-37.9	-6.2	-15.1	-19.5	-17.7	-19.3	-15.7	-23.3	-24.8	-20.6	-19.7

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

	N	March				
	2019	2020		2019	2020	
	number		% change	number		% change
Europe, total	131,606	62,885	-52.2	377,113	317,537	-15.8
Belgium	3,243	1,270	-60.8	9,073	6,765	-25.4
Denmark	1,927	790	-59.0	6,079	4,737	-22.1
France	28,460	13,424	-52.8	92,434	82,650	-10.6
Germany	16,015	8,920	-44.3	41,344	33,456	-19.1
Greece	587	264	-55.0	1,784	1,307	-26.7
Italy	5,016	1,352	-73.0	13,300	10,013	-24.7
Netherlands	5,549	2,807	-49.4	15,166	13,386	-11.7
Portugal	1,769	973	-45.0	4,501	4,130	-8.2
Spain	3,392	1,421	-58.1	9,354	7,950	-15.0
Sweden	2,820	1,106	-60.8	8,656	6,699	-22.6
Switzerland	5,367	2,113	-60.6	16,314	11,497	-29.5
United Kingdom	36,742	17,845	-51.4	99,808	84,021	-15.8
Other Europe	20,719	10,600	-48.8	59,300	50,926	-14.1
Africa, Total	9,399	5,266	-44.0	24,212	21,550	-11.0
Asia, Total	128,273	42,055	-67.2	390,713	281,404	-28.0
China	34,436	6,745	-80.4	137,053	85,561	-37.6
Hong Kong	7,970	3,981	-50.1	26,549	25,629	-3.5
India	18,798	8,526	-54.6	45,942	35,978	-21.7
Israel	3,008	1,329	-55.8	8,314	5,993	-27.9
Japan	18,397	4,580	-75.1	43,865	28,992	-33.9
Korea, South	11,156	3,335	-70.1	38,788	29,293	-24.5
Malaysia	355	132	-62.8	965	581	-39.8
Philippines	4,586	2,374	-48.2	12,578	10,488	-16.6
Singapore	1,648	518	-68.6	4,454	2,987	-32.9
Taiwan	7,058	1,837	-74.0	23,323	17,450	-25.2
Other Asia	20,861	8,698	-58.3	48,882	38,452	-21.3
North America, Central America and Caribbean, total	41,879	23,925	-42.9	117,670	107,308	-8.8
Jamaica	2,744	1,543	-43.8	6,330	5,589	-11.7
Mexico	28,803	16,568	-42.5	81,007	73,932	-8.7
Trinidad and Tobago	1,352	609	-55.0	3,650	3,326	-8.9
Other North America, Central America and Caribbean	8,980	5,205	-42.0	26,683	24,461	-8.3
South America, total	20,055	7,977	-60.2	60,224	43,951	-27.0
Brazil	11,859	4,196	-64.6	36,944	24,420	-33.9
Other South America	8,196	3,781	-53.9	23,280	19,531	-16.1
Oceania and other islands, total	15,023	7,297	-51.4	64,473	57,689	-10.5
Australia	12,540	5,884	-53.1	54,417	48,132	-11.5
New Zealand	2,130	1,210	-43.2	9,025	8,821	-2.3
Other Oceania and other Ocean Island	423	218	-48.5	1,178	809	-31.3
Total	346,235	149,405	-56.8	1,034,405	829,439	-19.8

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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}

								March						
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	Canada
United States	2019	1,231	1	16,999	28,163	304,866	972,207	64,527	24,106	163,873	436,845	1,041	2	2,013,861
	2020	873	33	11,306	30,780	245,151	651,876	38,389	18,704	140,500	210,732	534	2	1,348,880
	% change	-29.13	3,200.0	-33.5	9.3	-19.6	-32.9	-40.5	-22.4	-14.3	-51.8	-48.7	0.0	-33.0
Automobile	2019			0	25,380	130,821	498,940	43,363	14,273	31,624	226,002	1,028		971,431
	2020			0	29,937	130,170	361,034	23,523	12,004	44,995	93,110	478		695,251
	% change				18.0	-0.5	-27.6	-45.8	-15.9	42.3	-58.8	-53.5		-28.4
Non-automobile ³	2019	1,231	1	16,999	2,783	174,045	473,267	21,164	9,833	132,249	210,843	13	2	1,042,430
	2020	873	33	11,306	843	114,981	290,842	14,866	6,700	95,505	117,622	56	2	653,629
	% change	-29.13	3,200.0	-33.5	-69.7	-33.9	-38.5	-29.8	-31.9	-27.8	-44.2	330.8	0.0	-37.3
Other countries	2019	2,172	734	23,661	11,420	335,890	672,474	26,781	15,844	141,643	215,527	0	16	1,446,162
	2020	994	525	15,774	7,947	261,161	474,165	20,060	10,270	87,239	140,673	0	1	1,018,809
	% change	-54.2	-28.5	-33.3	-30.4	-22.2	-29.5	-25.1	-35.2	-38.4	-34.7		-93.8	-29.6
Total	2019	3,403	735	40,660	39,583	640,756	1,644,681	91,308	39,950	305,516	652,372	1,041	18	3,460,023
	2020	1,867	558	27,080	38,727	506,312	1,126,041	58,449	28,974	227,739	351,405	534	3	2,367,689
	% change	-45.1	-24.1	-33.4	-2.2	-21.0	-31.5	-36.0	-27.5	-25.5	-46.1	-48.7	-83.3	-31.6

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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}

							Jar	nuary to M	arch					
		N.L.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Y.T.	Nvt.	Canada
United States	2019	1,999	2	33,292	49,186	710,566	2,297,047	154,505	60,893	416,728	1,068,081	2,199	7	4,794,505
	2020	1,402	59	28,352	53,022	675,850	2,064,057	134,871	53,755	444,869	840,621	1,283	9	4,298,150
	% change	-29.92	2,850.0	-14.8	7.8	-4.9	-10.1	-12.7	-11.7	6.8	-21.3	-41.7	28.6	-10.4
Automobile	2019			0	44,788	283,733	1,065,251	94,217	34,486	72,485	511,183	2,022		2,108,165
	2020			0	50,871	286,990	973,668	78,297	31,056	87,301	383,367	1,184		1,892,734
	% change				13.6	1.1	-8.6	-16.9	-9.9	20.4	-25.0	-41.4		-10.2
Non-automobile3	2019	1,999	2	33,292	4,398	426,833	1,231,796	60,288	26,407	344,243	556,898	177	7	2,686,340
	2020	1,402	59	28,352	2,151	388,860	1,090,389	56,574	22,699	357,568	457,254	99	9	2,405,416
	% change	-29.92	2,850.0	-14.8	-51.1	-8.9	-11.5	-6.2	-14.0	3.9	-17.9	-44.1	28.6	-10.5
Other countries	2019	3,228	1,092	41,891	15,756	912,043	1,838,557	74,527	50,612	408,227	586,012	0	17	3,931,962
	2020	1,188	850	34,465	13,297	892,260	1,711,040	73,834	43,991	305,365	520,252	0	7	3,596,549
	% change	-63.2	-22.2	-17.7	-15.6	-2.2	-6.9	-0.9	-13.1	-25.2	-11.2		-58.8	-8.5
Total	2019 2020 % change	5,227 2,590 -50.4	1,094 909 -16.9	75,183 62,817 -16.4	64,942 66,319 2.1	1,622,609 1,568,110 -3,4	4,135,604 3,775,097 -8,7	229,032 208,705 -8.9	111,505 97,746 -12,3	824,955 750,234 -9.1	1,654,093 1,360,873 -17.7	2,199 1,283 -41.7	24 16 -33.3	8,726,467 7,894,699 -9,5

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