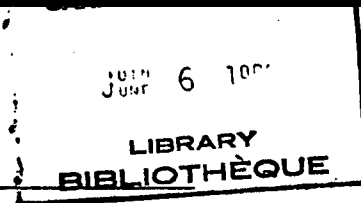


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- Canada attracted a record number of foreign overnight visitors in April 1988.

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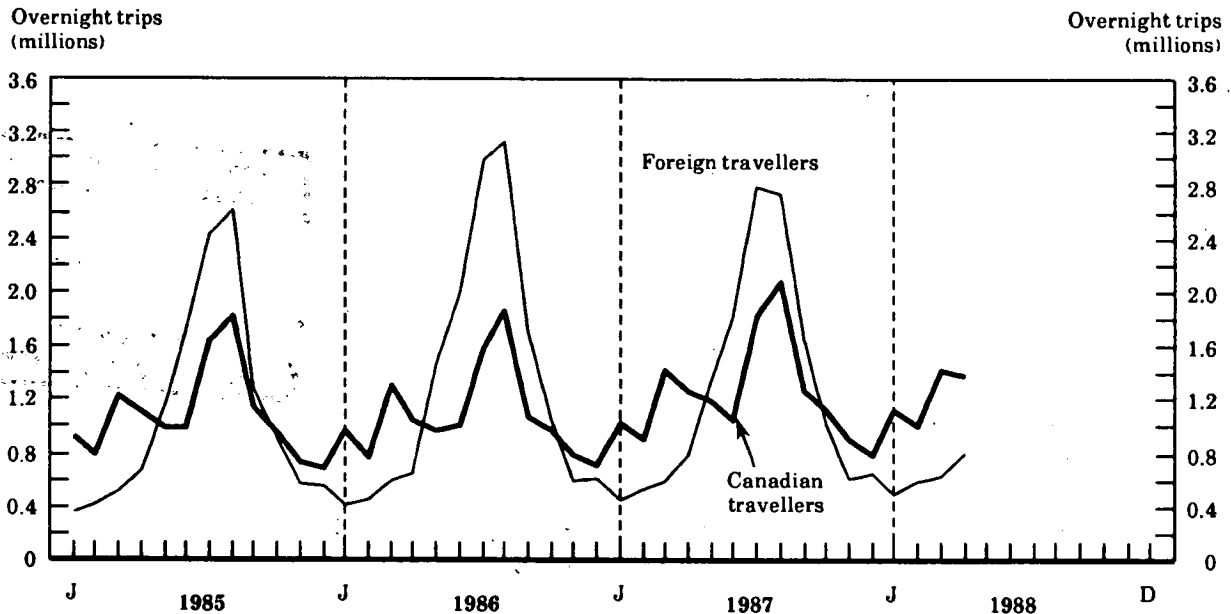


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International Travel Flows



Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

April 1988

Overnight Travel

- Preliminary estimates indicate that non-resident trips of one or more nights to Canada in April 1988 were 3% above those of April 1987, marking a sixth consecutive monthly record level. In the first four months of 1988, these volumes were up 7% over the same period in 1987.
- The highest April level on record was registered for the number of Canadian residents returning from overnight visits to both the United States and overseas countries. These figures renew the trend interrupted by the slight downturn experienced in March.

- As the graph on overnight trips shows, the outflow of Canadian residents traditionally exceeds the inflow of foreign residents during the colder months of the year.

Total Travel

- Total international trips to all foreign destinations by Canadian residents were 12% above last April, continuing a trend that began after Expo 86.
- Total trips to Canada by United States residents decreased by 1% from April 1987 to 2.3 million, resulting in a third consecutive monthly decline from the comparable period last year.
- Total trips to Canada by residents of countries other than the United States increased 19% to 169,600 during the same month. Record levels have been established since August 1986.

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The accompanying table shows traveller entries and re-entries for April 1988 and the first four months of the year, covering total and overnight traffic as well as percentage changes from 1987.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2661-2694.

The April 1988 issue of *International Travel - Advance Information* (66-001P, \$5.50/\$55) will be available mid-June. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Paul L. Paradis (613-951-8933), International Travel Section, Education Division.

International Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

April 1988

Residence of Travellers	Total trips				Overnight trips ¹			
	April		Jan.-Apr.		April		Jan.-Apr.	
	Number 1988	% Change From 1987	Number 1988	% Change From 1987	Number 1988	% Change From 1987	Number 1988	% Change From 1987
Non-residents								
All countries	2,499,100	0.3	8,416,700	1.9	812,100	3.3	2,541,800	7.3
United States	2,329,400	-0.8	7,924,800	0.7	666,100	0.6	2,105,600	4.0
Other countries	169,700	18.9	491,900	27.4	146,000	17.5	436,200	26.7
Residents of Canada								
All countries	4,412,900	12.5	15,232,900	11.5	1,383,300	9.6	4,934,500	6.6
United States	4,176,700	12.5	14,072,800	11.7	1,147,100	9.2	3,774,400	5.9
Other countries	236,200	11.5	1,160,100	8.9	236,200	11.5	1,160,100	8.9

¹ Figures for the "United States" include auto and bus one or more nights, and estimated long-term numbers for plane, train, boat and other methods. Figures for "Other Countries" exclude entries by land same day via the U.S.A.

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Railway Carloadings

Seven-day Period Ending May 21, 1988

Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 5.5 million tonnes, an increase of 18.1% from the previous year.
- Piggyback traffic rose 14.0% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded increased 9.8% during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 6.0% more than that loaded in the previous year.

Blow-moulded Plastic Bottles

First Quarter 1988

Figures for the first quarter of 1988 for blow-moulded plastic bottles are now available. The publication *Production and Shipments of Blow-Moulded Plastic Bottles* (47-006, \$6.25/\$25) will be available this month. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact T. Raj Sehdev (613-951-3513), Industry Division.

Railway Carloadings

	Seven-day Period Ending May 21, 1988	Year to date
Carload Traffic		
Tonnes	5 482 142	100 179 320
% change from previous year	18.1	6.0
Cars	78 218	1,450,310
% change from previous year	14.3	2.5
Piggyback Traffic		
Tonnes	273 521	5 403 326
% change from previous year	14.0	7.7
Cars	9,166	183,333
% change from previous year	9.8	2.1

Note: Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars. The 1987 figures and the 1988 year-to-date figures have been revised. Piggyback traffic numbers are included in total carload traffic.

Contact Angus McLean (613-951-2484),
Surface Transport Unit, Transportation
Division.

Publications Released

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, February 1988. Catalogue number 25-001
(Canada: \$5.50/\$55; Other Countries: \$6.50/\$65).

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation Service Bulletin, Vol. 16, No. 6, Pack of Processed Corn, 1987. Catalogue number 32-023
(Canada: \$7/\$115; Other Countries: \$8/\$125).

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation Service Bulletin, Vol. 16, No. 25, Pack of Processed Mixed Vegetables, 1987. Catalogue number 32-023
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