



Overnight Customs Entries to B.C. and Canada

	September 2009		Year-to-Date	
	B.C.	Canada	B.C.	Canada
Total U.S.A.	429,437	1,947,875	3,610,172	16,648,815
% change*	1.1%	-2.0%	-4.0%	-8.5%
U.S.A. Overnight	300,925	1,191,782	2,492,714	9,680,034
% change*	3.6%	4.7%	-4.1%	-5.6%
U.S.A. Same Day	128,512	756,093	1,117,458	6,968,781
% change*	-4.4%	-11.0%	-3.7%	-12.2%
Total Asia/Pacific Overnight	75,183	144,605	594,892	1,042,189
% change*	-16.4%	-14.4%	-14.6%	-15.2%
Japan	14,732	31,283	90,858	151,768
% change*	-15.3%	-18.9%	-28.0%	-30.8%
Taiwan	4,802	5,635	34,987	41,033
% change*	15.7%	1.3%	-19.3%	-21.1%
Hong Kong	5,971	9,096	59,415	86,541
% change*	-32.6%	-26.7%	-19.8%	-17.5%
Australia	14,522	22,970	110,741	164,623
% change*	-25.9%	-23.7%	-17.3%	-16.1%
South Korea	7,323	12,629	71,777	112,612
% change*	-28.1%	-29.4%	-25.0%	-27.5%
China	10,894	19,706	79,845	127,787
% change*	-4.5%	4.9%	2.4%	1.2%
New Zealand	3,101	4,288	26,139	34,660
% change*	-12.1%	-18.2%	-6.3%	-10.1%
India	3,378	10,290	31,145	88,858
% change*	-12.3%	-6.1%	8.7%	-3.7%
South East Asia ¹	6,355	9,620	59,104	83,098
% change*	-17.0%	-13.2%	-1.5%	-5.0%
Total Europe Overnight	53,882	263,402	395,386	1,818,473
% change*	-12.8%	-12.8%	-9.5%	-10.7%
United Kingdom	25,098	85,386	173,249	581,932
% change*	-18.5%	-18.6%	-15.7%	-18.5%
Germany	10,695	43,953	72,127	258,997
% change*	-9.8%	-11.4%	0.1%	-4.5%
Netherlands	3,469	12,667	28,545	93,258
% change*	-10.5%	-8.4%	-19.3%	-10.9%
Austria	773	3,952	6,189	27,671
% change*	3.6%	3.8%	-0.4%	-1.6%
Switzerland	2,183	11,657	17,477	83,658
% change*	0.1%	2.3%	6.2%	1.0%
France	2,176	51,289	18,140	336,575
% change*	-7.6%	-7.1%	1.0%	-3.9%
Italy	1,165	9,243	11,863	75,321
% change*	-24.5%	4.1%	-8.5%	-6.4%
Nordic Europe ²	1,977	8,231	19,230	73,823
% change*	-24.0%	-21.5%	-14.2%	-15.8%
Mexico	3,961	10,355	53,124	152,110
% change*	-47.8%	-56.0%	-24.8%	-31.7%
Total International Overnight (Includes USA Overnight)	437,333	1,647,784	3,566,275	13,009,486
% change*	-3.6%	-1.7%	-7.0%	-7.4%

*All percentage comparisons versus same period in 2008.

Source: Statistics Canada; Prepared by Tourism British Columbia, Research and Planning

Note: Customs entries include international visitors who cross Canada Customs in British Columbia. These figures do not account for all visitors to BC since domestic visitors are excluded as well as international visitors who cross Canada Customs outside BC yet still travel to BC. Likewise, customs entries include visitors that cross Canada Customs in BC, but who continue on to other provinces.

¹South East Asia includes Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand

²Nordic Europe includes Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden