## Overnight Customs Entries to BC and Canada

BRITISH COLUMBIA™

## international visitor arrivals

## March 2018

## Year-to-Date

	ВС	% change*	Canada	% change*	ВС	% change*	Canada	% change*
Total U.S.A.	382,920	11.7%	1,514,008	12.6%	1,005,498	9.2%	3,874,090	5.3%
U.S.A. Overnight	238,353	12.4%	842,298	16.2%	614,670	10.0%	2,079,936	8.9%
U.S.A. Same Day	144,567	10.4%	671,710	8.4%	390,828	8.0%	1,794,154	1.4%
Total Asia/Pacific Overnight	66,849	13.2%	147,214	14.9%	218,719	7.4%	437,482	11.7%
Japan	13,321	9.9%**	19,937	-16.6%	33,208	7.2%**	51,711	-13.5%
Taiwan	3,596	35.3%**	5,724	22.9%	11,568	29.6%**	17,063	23.0%
Hong Kong	4,519	-4.4%**	7,736	6.1%	13,796	-11.9%**	22,712	-6.1%
Australia	9,189	15.8%**	13,516	9.4%	43,118	11.1%**	56,337	6.7%
South Korea	6,550	28.7%**	15,323	22.9%	21,795	17.8%**	44,372	10.3%
China	16,537	17.5%**	38,380	34.2%	61,373	11.0%**	131,029	25.6%
New Zealand	1,867	16.8%**	2,357	7.9%	6,848	7.0%**	8,440	2.0%
India	3,583	-19.0%**	16,739	30.1%	8,304	-30.9%**	40,368	27.6%
South East Asia <sup>1</sup>	4,830	19.9%**	8,194	16.8%	11,175	5.5%**	18,925	5.9%
Total Europe Overnight	26,178	9.9%	142,959	4.6%	69,664	3.7%	395,467	4.8%
United Kingdom	11,520	-1.2%**	41,540	9.5%	30,189	-10.4%**	105,625	-0.1%
Germany	4,495	13.0%**	18,913	2.6%	11,447	18.0%**	46,862	8.5%
Netherlands	1,070	20.4%**	5,786	5.1%	3,013	29.9%**	16,735	10.4%
Austria	513	8.0%**	2,277	5.2%	1,201	1.9%**	6,532	-0.5%
Switzerland	1,007	10.2%**	5,570	4.3%	2,757	7.7%**	15,056	-0.1%
France	1,549	32.3%**	28,212	3.6%	4,281	35.3%**	89,960	9.2%
Italy	801	29.0%**	5,072	1.4%	2,208	27.6%**	13,659	9.2%
Nordic Europe <sup>2</sup>	1,622	34.7%**	8,834	0.8%	4,882	13.7%**	28,669	5.0%
Brazil	1,191	72.6%**	8,525	21.3%	4,873	39.1%**	26,561	16.7%
Mexico	9,785	-5.6%**	30,519	41.0%	23,978	-16.6%**	74,859	28.2%
Total International Overnight								
(Includes USA Overnight)	344,572	12.1%	1,201,835	14.9%	938,188	8.2%	3,092,167	9.1%

\*The most recent data for major airports (including YVR) are preliminary estimates that will be revised in a future release: Since these estimates contribute to provincial and national totals, these totals will also be revised. \*\*Due to irregularities in origins of visitors reported at BC land ports, use caution when interpreting year over year changes; Destination BC is working with Statistics Canada to determine the cause of the irregularities and solutions for moving forward.

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\*All percentage comparisons versus same period in 2017.
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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.

<sup>1</sup>South East Asia includes Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand <sup>2</sup>Nordic Europe includes Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

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