Travel between Canada and other countries, June 2014

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Canadian residents took 2.9 million overnight trips abroad in June, up 0.9% from May and the highest level since record keeping began in 1972.

While overnight travel to overseas countries decreased 0.2% in June, overnight travel by Canadian residents to the United States rose 1.4% compared with May. This was almost entirely due to a 2.7% increase in overnight car travel. Overnight plane trips from Canada to the United States decreased 0.4% over the same period.

Same-day car travel from Canada to the United States was up 2.2% from May as Canadian residents took 2.6 million trips.

Travel to Canada by US residents rose 0.5% compared with May to 1.7 million trips. While overall overnight travel decreased 0.5%, overnight car trips by US residents reached 578,000 in June, up 1.6% from the previous month. Same-day car travel also increased 2.6% to 606,000 trips.

Residents of overseas countries made 430,000 trips to Canada in June (+0.3%), the highest number since record keeping began in 1972.

In June, 8 of the top 12 overseas markets recorded increases in travel to Canada compared with May. The largest percentage increase was in travel by residents of India (+5.5%), followed by a 3.2% increase in travel by residents of the United Kingdom. Australian residents took 26,000 trips to Canada (+2.4%), the highest monthly figure ever from that country.

Note to readers

Monthly data are seasonally adjusted. For more information on seasonal adjustment, see Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions.





Table 1
Travel between Canada and other countries – Seasonally adjusted

	June 2013 ^r	May 2014 ^r	June 2014 ^p	May to June 2014
	thousands			% change ¹
Canadian trips abroad ²	5,558	5,415	5,505	1.7
To the United States	4,768	4,531	4,623	2.0
To other countries	790	884	882	-0.2
Same-day car trips to the United States	2,753	2,545	2,602	2.2
Total trips, one or more nights	2,764	2,833	2,860	0.9
United States ³	1,974	1,950	1,978	1.4
Car	1,192	1,152	1,182	2.7
Plane	675	694	692	-0.4
Other modes of transportation	108	104	104	0.1
Other countries ⁴	790	884	882	-0.2
Travel to Canada ²	2,084	2,146	2,156	0.5
From the United States	1,695	1,718	1,726	0.5
From other countries	389	429	430	0.3
Same-day car trips from the United States	599	591	606	2.6
Total trips, one or more nights	1,373	1,432	1,432	-0.0
United States ³	996	1,025	1,020	-0.5
Car	571	569	578	1.6
Plane	316	346	345	-0.3
Other modes of transportation	109	110	98	-11.5
Other countries ⁴	377	407	412	1.0
Travel to Canada: Top overseas markets, by				
country of origin ⁵				
United Kingdom	55	56	58	3.2
France	38	40	41	2.6
China	31	39	38	-3.9
Germany	26	27	27	0.1
Australia	23	25	26	2.4
Japan	19	23	22	-1.1
India	13	14	15	5.5
Mexico	13	15	15	0.8
South Korea	13	15	15	-5.0
Hong Kong	12	12	12	2.3
Italy	8	11	10	-8.7
Switzerland	9	9	10	2.3

^r revised

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^p preliminary
1. Percentage change is based on unrounded data.
2. Totals exceed the sum of "same-day car trips" and "total trips, one or more nights" because they include all of the same-day trips.
3. Data for the United States include counts of cars and buses, and data for planes, trains, boats and other methods of transportation.
4. Figures for other countries exclude same-day entries by land only via the United States.
5. Includes same-day and overnight trips.

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