

Canada Fact Sheet

Canada Overview

VoX International Inc. is contracted by HTA for Brand Marketing Management Services in Canada. Canadian Snowbirds spend a great amount of time in Hawai'i during the winter months and many Canadians own real estate throughout the islands. In 2024, the focus continues to be on promoting the Hawaiian culture and Hawaiian values as the differentiator to other destinations and training the Canadian travel trade to become brand ambassadors who can educate and attract the mindful responsible travelers to Hawai'i.

Year-to-Date October 2024 Quick Facts^{1/}

Visitor Expenditures: \$806.5 million

Primary Purpose of Stay: Pleasure (302,246) vs. MCI (14,997)

Average Length of Stay: 10.93 days

First Time Visitors: 36.7% Repeat Visitors: 63.3%

						2024			
						Annual	YTD Oct.	YTD Oct.	%
CANADA MMA (by Air)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Forecast*	2024P	2023	Change
Visitor Expenditures* (\$ Millions)	1,081.5	NA	240.6	962.1	1,230.3	1,093.60	806.5	935.4	-13.8%
Visitor Days	6,554,493	2,265,568	1,364,326	5,069,619	5,585,244	4,887,902	3,620,024	4,282,895	-15.5%
Arrivals	540,103	164,393	87,900	414,250	474,727	432,558	331,313	366,590	-9.6%
Average Daily Census	17,958	6,190	3,738	13,889	15,302	13,355	11,869	14,088	-15.8%
Per Person Per Day Spending (\$)	165.0	NA	176.4	189.8	220.3	223.7	222.8	218.4	2.0%
Per Person Per Trip Spending (\$)	2,002.4	NA	2,737.5	2,322.4	2,591.6	2,528.2	2,434.3	2,551.7	-4.6%
Length of Stay (days)	12.14	13.78	15.52	12.24	11.77	11.30	10.93	11.68	-6.5%

NA= Comparative annual 2020 visitor spending statistics were not available, as the Departure Survey could not be conducted between April to October 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions. Dept. of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT) 2024 annual forecast (Quarter 3, 2024).

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^{1/2} 2024P visitor data are preliminary. 2019 - 2023 visitor data are the final numbers and reflect updated airfare statistics from DIIO Mi Airline database, data from the National Travel and Tourism Office, and final passenger counts from Airline Traffic Summary reports.

Market Summary

- In the first 10 months of 2024, there were 331,313 visitors from Canada, compared to 366,590 visitors (-9.6%) in the first 10 months of 2023 and 425,324 visitors (-22.1%) in the first 10 months of 2019. Visitors from Canada spent \$806.5 million in the first 10 months of 2024, compared to \$935.4 million (-13.8%) in the first 10 months of 2023 and \$853.6 million (-5.5%) in the first 10 months of 2019. Daily visitor spending in the first 10 months of 2024 (\$223 per person) was higher compared to the first 10 months of 2023 (\$218 per person, +2.0%) and the first 10 months of 2019 (\$166 per person, +34.2%)
- In the first 10 months of 2024, 1,765 scheduled flights with 317,454 seats serviced Hawai'i from Canada. In the first 10 months of 2023, there were 1,957 scheduled flights (-9.8%) with 354,408 seats (-10.4%). In the first 10 months of 2019 there were 2,010 scheduled flights (-12.2%) with 378,268 seats (-16.1%).
- In 2023, there were 474,727 visitors from Canada, compared to 414,250 visitors (+14.6%) in 2022 and 540,103 visitors (-12.1%) in 2019.
- Visitors from Canada spent \$1.23 billion in 2023, compared to \$962.1 million (+27.9%) in 2022 and \$1.08 billion (+13.8%) in 2019. Daily visitor spending in 2023 increased to \$220 per person, from \$190 per person (+16.1%) in 2022 and \$165 per person (+33.5%) in 2019.
- In of 2023, there were 2,566 scheduled flights with 466,196 seats from Canada, compared to 2,473 flights (+3.8%) with 487,215 seats (-4.3%) in 2022 and 2,545 flights (+0.8%) with 484,613 seats (-3.8%) in 2019.

Market Conditions

- Economists described Canada's economy as being in a holding pattern in October 2024, as business decision makers waited for the results of the U.S, election due to how the election could affect future policies that can impact trade and the economy.
- The exchange rate from CAD to USD worsened considerably in October 2024, which has caught
 the attention of consumers and media. October began with 1 CAD worth \$0.74 USD, and ended
 with 1 CAD being worth \$0.71 USD. Economists attribute this drop to uncertainty related to the
 outcome of the US election.
- The unemployment rate held at 6.5 percent in October 2024, which is not seen as a positive result. Economists tend to see the ongoing interest rate reductions by the Bank of Canada as fuel for future economic growth which will reduce the unemployment rate.
- More than 23 million Canadians returned home from an overnight outbound trip throughout Jan-Aug 2024. This was 10.2 percent more activity than last year and a similar volume of trips as recorded in 2019 (-0.6%). The volume of transborder trips year-to-date is 2 percent lower than in 2023 but slightly above 2019 activity (+0.6%), while overseas activity remains at 98 percent of 2019 volume.
- US Transborder Travel More than 14.1 million Canadians returned home from an overnight transborder trip between Jan-Aug 2024, a lower level of activity than last year (-2.2%) but a similar volume as recorded in 2019 (+0.6%). Trips by air reached 6.6 million during the period, a larger volume than reported in 2019 (+16.3%) but a 10.8 percent drop over last year. On the other hand, trips by auto remain below the level seen in 2019 (-8.8%) but are up 6.6 percent compared to last year.

Canadian International Travel

- Almost 4.98 million Canadian arrivals were recorded in Europe and the UK throughout the first eight months of 2024, a larger volume than reported in both 2019 (+12.7%) and 2023 (14.1%).
- Nearly 1.97 million Canadian arrivals were recorded in the Asia-Pacific region throughout the first eight months of 2024; 85 percent of the volume seen in 2019 and 28.5 percent more activity than recorded last year.
- Caribbean and Latin America reported 4.18 million arrivals from Canada throughout the first eight months of 2024, a larger volume than seen in 2019 (+2.1%) and an 8.3 percent increase over last year.

Distribution by Island

						YTD Oct.	YTD Oct.	
CANADA MMA (by Air)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024P	2023	% Change
O'ahu	227,491	66,240	36,660	199,898	244,328	189,750	191,602	-1.0%
Maui County	278,589	75,634	45,458	209,765	216,895	122,550	174,051	-29.6%
Maui	276,825	74,974	45,149	208,071	215,713	121,652	173,222	-29.8%
Moloka'i	4,840	1,042	316	2,259	2,582	1,748	2,142	-18.4%
Lāna'i	5,700	1,602	699	5,680	3,688	1,585	3,060	-48.2%
Kaua'i	76,777	22,958	7,660	42,680	56,412	34,097	43,805	-22.2%
Island of Hawai'i	97,711	36,732	12,954	67,584	88,214	55,971	66,058	-15.3%

Airlift: Scheduled Seats and Flights

Scheduled	2024					2023					%CHANGE				
seats	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
CANADA	177,186	76,220	44,780	121,943	420,129	195,687	82,694	56,426	131,389	466,196	-9.5	-7.8	-20.6	-7.2	-9.9
Calgary	31,548	9,026	4,176	19,388	64,138	37,960	9,044	0	19,468	66,472	-16.9	-0.2	NA	-0.4	-3.5
Edmonton	7,308	1,914		3,654	12,876	4,698	870		2,436	8,004	55.6	120.0		50.0	60.9
Toronto	11,195	0		2,040	13,235	10,430	1,490		3,278	15,198	7.3	-100.0		-37.8	-12.9
Vancouver	127,135	65,280	40,604	96,861	329,880	142,599	71,290	56,426	106,207	376,522	-10.8	-8.4	-28.0	-8.8	-12.4

Scheduled		2024					2023					%CHANGE				
flights	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	
CANADA	956	437	260	691	2,344	1,051	463	329	723	2,566	-9.0	-5.6	-21.0	-4.4	-8.7	
Calgary	136	46	24	98	304	158	38	0	80	276	-13.9	21.1	NA	22.5	10.1	
Edmonton	42	11		21	74	27	5		14	46	55.6	120.0		50.0	60.9	
Toronto	38	0		8	46	35	5		11	51	8.6	-100.0		-27.3	-9.8	
Vancouver	740	380	236	564	1,920	831	415	329	618	2,193	-11.0	-8.4	-28.3	-8.7	-12.4	

Source: DBEDT analysis from Diio Mi flight schedules as of October 22, 2024, subject to change.

Group vs. True Independent; Leisure vs. Business

CANADA MMA (by Air)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD Oct. 2024P	YTD Oct. 2023	% Change
Group vs True Independent (Net)								
Group Tour	8,494	NA	667	5,226	8,975	5,963	7,212	-17.3%
True Independent (Net)	437,503	NA	79,122	344,925	389,480	270,570	298,700	-9.4%
Leisure vs Business								
Pleasure (Net)	509,578	153,536	81,112	386,503	436,231	302,246	337,231	-10.4%
MCI (Net)	17,464	6,485	1,280	14,822	20,698	14,997	15,405	-2.7%
Convention/Conf.	10,668	4,842	405	6,654	13,665	9,434	9,406	0.3%
Corp. Meetings	3,072	856	348	5,265	2,724	2,930	2,053	42.8%
Incentive	4,054	995	562	3,308	4,818	3,404	4,381	-22.3%

NA = Visit Status/Travel Method data statistics were not available from May - October 2020 as a result of limited fielding due to COVID-19 restrictions.

First Timers vs. Repeat Visitors

						YTD Oct.	YTD Oct.	
CANADA MMA (by Air)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024P	2023	% Change
First Time Visitors (%)	35.4	NA	24.8	32.2	36.8	36.7	38.5	-1.8
Repeat Visitors (%)	64.6	NA	75.2	67.8	63.2	63.3	61.5	1.8

NA = Visit Status/Travel Method data statistics were not available from May – October 2020 as a result of limited fielding due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Tax Revenue

						YTD Oct.	YTD Oct.	
CANADA MMA (by Air)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024P	2023	% Change
State tax revenue generated (\$ Millions) 2/	126.24	NA	28.09	111.60	142.71	93.56	108.51	-13.8%

^{2/}State government tax revenue generated (direct, indirect, and induced).