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British Columbia Regional Tourism Secretariat





Canada, British Columbia & Alberta

Monthly Visitor Highlights | 2023

Northern BC Region Jan - Nov Update

**2023 DATA VINTAGE** 

# Purpose



- As the tourism industry navigates recovery from the COVID-19 global pandemic, the British Columbia Regional Tourism Secretariat (BCRTS) continues to provide baseline research to support the industry as it moves forward
- Baseline visitor analysis will help industry understand who is visiting our regions so they can plan strategically how and what visitors to attract
- Research commenced with the BC Market as the top priority followed by the Alberta Market
- This report focuses on visitor analysis to Northern BC Region



## Research Overview



- Environics Analytics is a Canadian based research firm providing information solutions for a variety of industries in both the Canadian and USA Markets
- VisitorView Canada provides insights the tourism industry needs to understand, market and grow their business with Canadian travellers
- VisitorView produces neighbourhood-level estimates of overnight Canadian visitors to Canada, the provinces and territories, or one of Canada's 85 tourism regions as defined by Destination Canada
- Estimates are provided for the total number of visitors, the number of trips and the number of nights spent in each province or tourism region
- VisitorView is based on anonymized, consent-based mobile location data. Monthly, quarterly and annual estimate data is available starting with January 2020 to allow for analysis of historical trends

#### Methodology

- **Visitor:** A visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+km from their point of origin
- **Trips:** Are defined as the count of domestic traveller trips which involved spending one or more nights over the time period as part of a continuous visit to the destination
- Nights Stayed: Is defined as the count of unique nights a domestic visitor was observed in the destination over the time period (between 6:00pm – 8:00am the following day)



Credit: Destination BC / Andrew Strair

## Research Overview



- VisitorView can help you measure the effectiveness of your marketing strategies to Canadian Visitors, as well as understand the Canadian travel and tourism industry and the impact of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic as it relates to Visitors, Number of Trips and Number of Overnight Stays within Canada, its provinces, territories, and tourism regions
- Using VisitorView, we can compare the number of visitors and their travel patterns in 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023
- We can also compare different regions to assess the impact of the pandemic on Canadian travel patterns and the path to recovery
- VisitorView also allows us to identify the best regions and neighbourhoods in Canada to prospect for new visitors and use the PRIZM Segmentation System to optimize experience development and marketing





## Q1 2020, 2021, 2022 & 2023: Domestic Visitors by Quarter

#### Northern BC

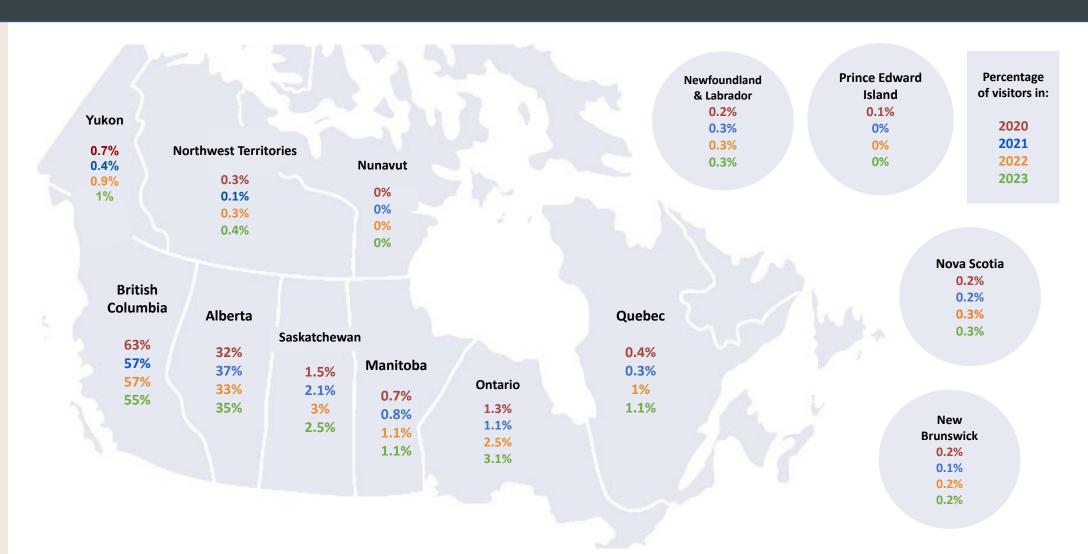
Q1 = January | February | March
Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

#### Overview

During Q1 2020 Northern BC saw an average of **337,400**Domestic Visitors. During Q1 2021 the region saw **180,900**Domestic Visitors, in Q1 2022, **253,000** Domestic Visitors and in Q1 2023, **364,800** Domestic Visitors.

- Increase of 8% 2023 compared to 2020
- Increase of 102% 2023 compared to 2021
- Increase of 44% 2023 compared to 2022

Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin, counts may include Northern BC resident visitors depending on point of origin and point of destination



## Q2 2020, 2021, 2022 & 2023: Domestic Visitors by Quarter

#### Northern BC

Q2 = April | May | June
Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

#### Overview

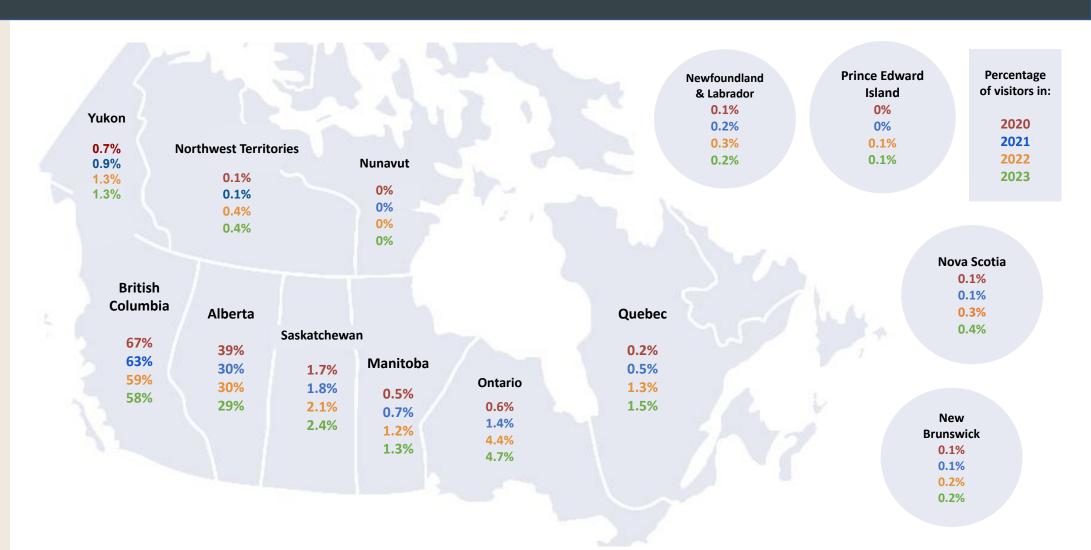
During Q2 2020 Northern BC saw an average of **241,300**Domestic Visitors. During Q2 2021 the region saw **263,100**Domestic Visitors, in Q2 2022, **375,900** Domestic Visitors and in Q2 2023,

- Increase of 73% 2023 compared to 2020

417,400 Domestic Visitors.

- Increase of 59% 2023 compared to 2021
- Increase of 11% 2023 compared to 2022

Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin, counts may include Northern BC resident visitors depending on point of origin and point of destination



## Q3 2020, 2021, 2022 & 2023: Domestic Visitors by Quarter

#### Northern BC

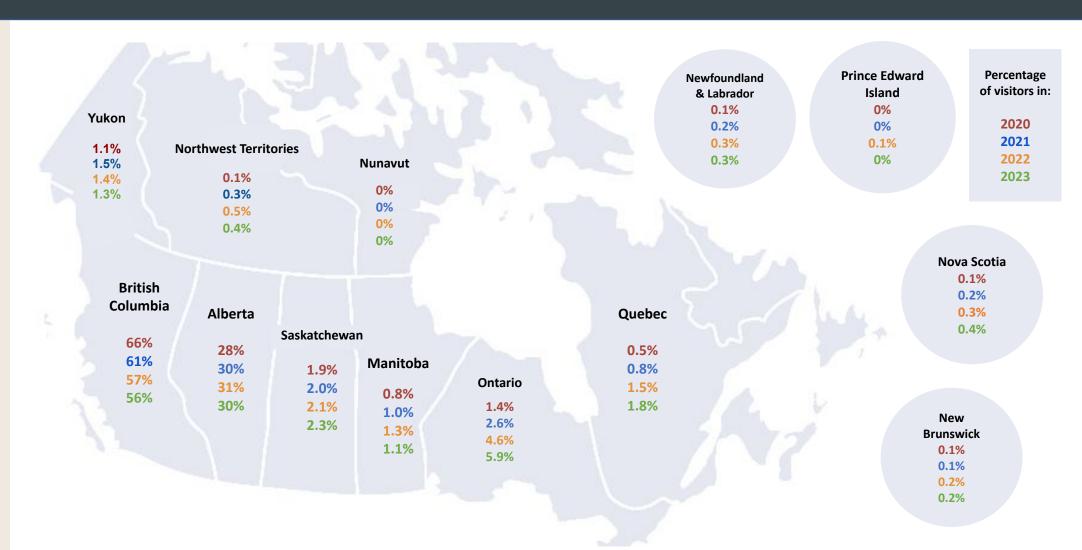
Q3 = July | August | September Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

#### Overview

During Q3 2020 Northern BC saw an average of **455,500**Domestic Visitors. During Q3 2021 the region saw **494,400**Domestic Visitors, in Q3 2022, **550,300** Domestic Visitors and in Q3 2023, **477,200** Domestic Visitors.

- Increase of 5% 2023 compared to 2020
- <u>Decrease</u> of **3%** 2023 compared to 2021
- <u>Decrease</u> of 13% 2023 compared to 2022

Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin, counts may include Northern BC resident visitors depending on point of origin and point of destination



## **Canadian Visitation**

## Canadian Visitors Travelling to Northern BC by Month

2023 Visitor
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- September 2023 saw a 12% decrease compared to 2020, a 3% decrease compared to 2021 and a 22% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 2% increase compared to 2020, a 2% increase compared to 2021 and a 21% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 32% increase compared to 2020, a 22% increase compared to 2021 and a 25% decrease compared to 2022



## **Canadian Visitation**

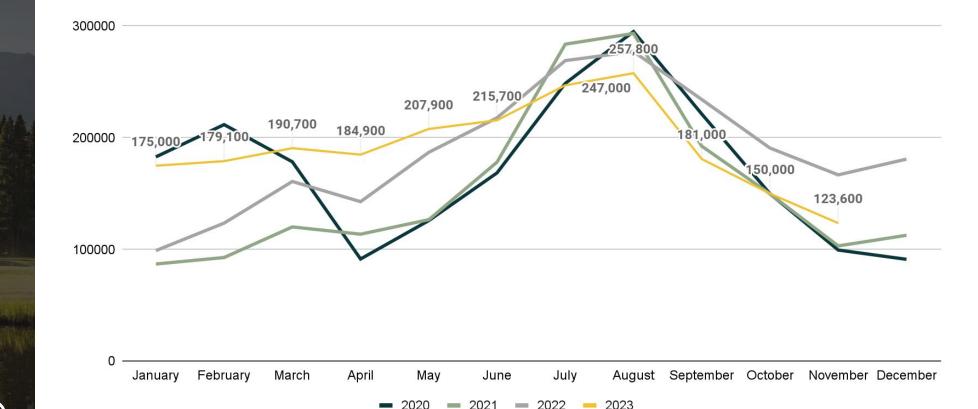
## **Canadian Trips To Northern BC By Month**

2023 Visitor
Highlights

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- September 2023 saw a 18% decrease compared to 2020, a 6% decrease compared to 2021 and a 23% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 0.1% increase compared to 2020, a 0.1% increase compared to 2021 and a 21% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 24% increase compared to 2020, a 20% increase compared to 2021 and a 26% decrease compared to 2022



## **Canadian Visitation**

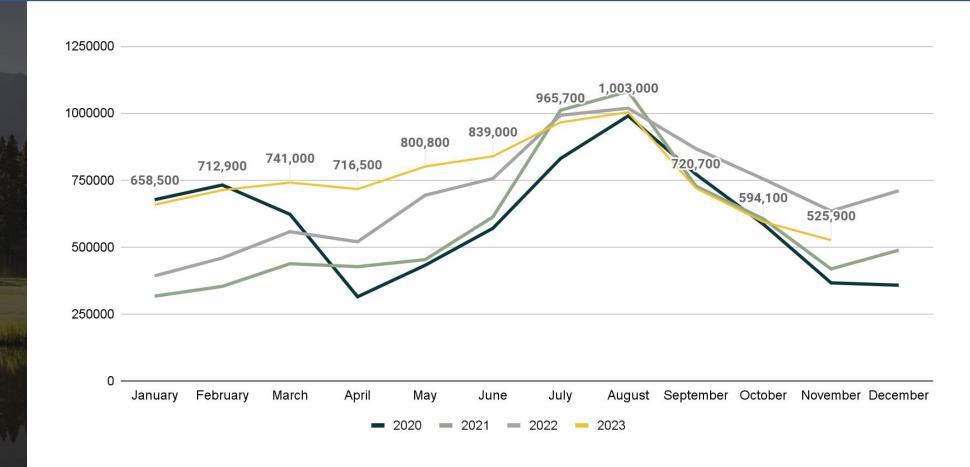
## Canadian Overnight Stays In Northern BC By Month

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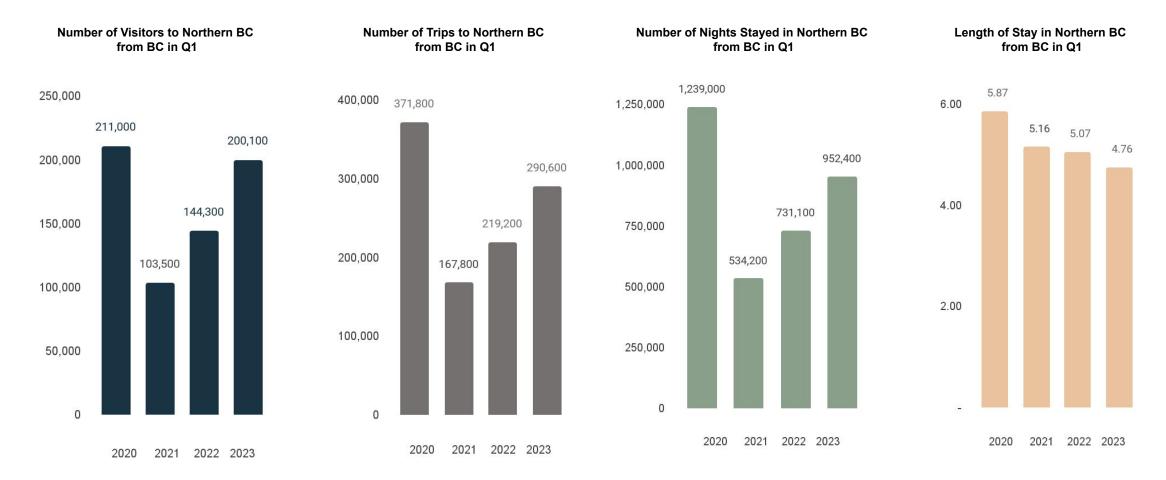
- September 2023 saw a 7% decrease compared to 2020, a 1% decrease compared to 2021 and a 17% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 2% increase compared to 2020, a 2% decrease compared to 2021 and a 21% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 43% increase compared to 2020, a 26% increase compared to 2021 and a 17% decrease compared to 2022





# 2023 Visitor Highlights NORTHERN BC TOURISM ASSOCIATION bcrts

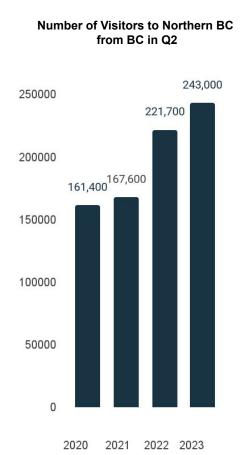
**BC** Residents Travelling To Northern BC By Quarter

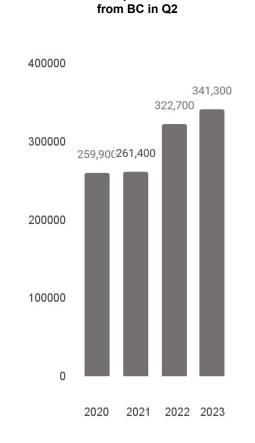


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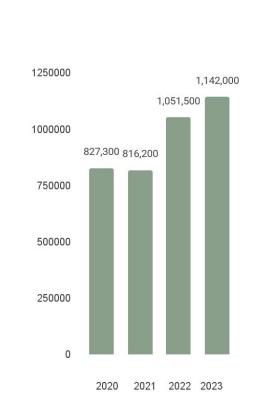
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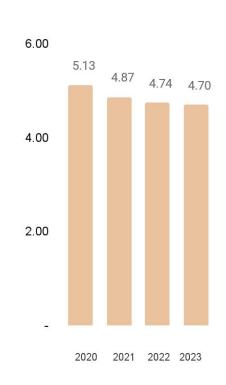


**Number of Trips to Northern BC** 



Number of Nights Stayed in Northern BC

from BC in Q2



Length of Stay in Northern BC

from BC in Q2

Q2 = April | May | June Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

## BC Residents Travelling To Northern BC By Quarter





Q3 = July | August | September Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

## **BC Visitors To Northern BC By Quarter – Q1**

## **Number of Visitors To Northern BC By Origin City**



City	2020 Visitor Count
Prince George	15,000
Vancouver	13,700
Surrey	12,200
Fort St. John	7,800
Abbotsford	5,200
Kamloops	4,900
Burnaby	4,500
Terrace	4,500
Prince Rupert	4,100
Kelowna	4,100

City	2021 Visitor Count
Prince George	7,500
Surrey	4,300
Vancouver	4,100
Fort St. John	3,300
Prince Rupert	3,000
Kamloops	2,900
Terrace	2,700
Abbotsford	2,700
Kelowna	2,300
Burnaby	2,000

City	2022 Visitor Count
Prince George	10,100
Surrey	7,600
Vancouver	7,300
Fort St. John	4,700
Prince Rupert	3,800
Kamloops	3,700
Terrace	3,600
Abbotsford	3,500
Kelowna	3,200
Burnaby	2,700

City	2023 Visitor Count
Vancouver	14,800
Surrey	14,600
Prince George	11,200
Fort St. John	5,900
Kamloops	5,600
Abbotsford	5,300
Burnaby	5,200
Richmond	4,500
Kelowna	4,400
Prince Rupert	4,000

## **BC Visitors To Northern BC By Quarter – Q2**

## **Number of Visitors To Northern BC By Origin City**



City	2020 Visitor Count
Prince George	19,400
Fort St. John	7,600
Surrey	7,000
Vancouver	6,900
Prince Rupert	4,900
Abbotsford	4,200
Kamloops	4,000
Dawson Creek	3,800
Terrace	3,800
Kelowna	3,100

City	2021 Visitor Count
Prince George	18,500
Fort St. John	7,200
Surrey	6,700
Vancouver	5,900
Prince Rupert	5,700
Kamloops	5,000
Terrace	4,500
Abbotsford	4,000
Dawson Creek	3,900
Kelowna	3,600

City	2022 Visitor Count
Prince George	16,900
Vancouver	13,300
Surrey	12,100
Fort St. John	6,700
Kamloops	6,400
Prince Rupert	5,500
Abbotsford	5,000
Kelowna	4,900
Terrace	4,800
Burnaby	4,700

City	2023 Visitor Count
Prince George	17,700
Vancouver	17,000
Surrey	15,500
Kamloops	7,100
Fort St. John	7,000
Burnaby	6,200
Abbotsford	6,100
Kelowna	5,600
Richmond	5,400
Prince Rupert	5,000

## **BC Visitors To Northern BC By Quarter – Q3**

## **Number of Visitors To Northern BC By Origin City**



City	2020 Visitor Count
Prince George	34,300
Vancouver	14,100
Surrey	13,600
Fort St. John	11,900
Prince Rupert	8,400
Kamloops	8,200
Terrace	7,000
Abbotsford	6,800
Kelowna	6,500
Dawson Creek	6,400

City	2021 Visitor Count
Prince George	30,100
Vancouver	14,600
Surrey	14,000
Fort St. John	10,100
Kamloops	10,000
Prince Rupert	8,000
Abbotsford	7,400
Kelowna	6,500
Terrace	6,400
Dawson Creek	5,500

City	2022 Visitor Count
Prince George	24,400
Vancouver	20,600
Surrey	19,000
Kamloops	9,400
Fort St. John	9,000
Abbotsford	7,800
Kelowna	7,500
Burnaby	7,400
Prince Rupert	7,200
Richmond	6,800

City	2023 Visitor Count
Prince George	21,300
Vancouver	18,200
Surrey	15,300
Kamloops	8,700
Fort St. John	7,200
Kelowna	6,500
Abbotsford	6,400
Burnaby	6,000
Terrace	5,800
Prince Rupert	5,500

## **British Columbian Visitation**

**BC Visitors Travelling To Northern BC By Month** 

2023 Visitor Highlights



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- September 2023 saw a 26% decrease compared to 2020, a 11% decrease compared to 2021 and a 24% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 7%
   decrease compared to 2020,
   a 3% decrease compared to
   2021 and a 19% decrease
   compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 21% increase compared to 2020, a 17% increase compared to 2021 and a 26% decrease compared to 2022



## **British Columbian Visitation**

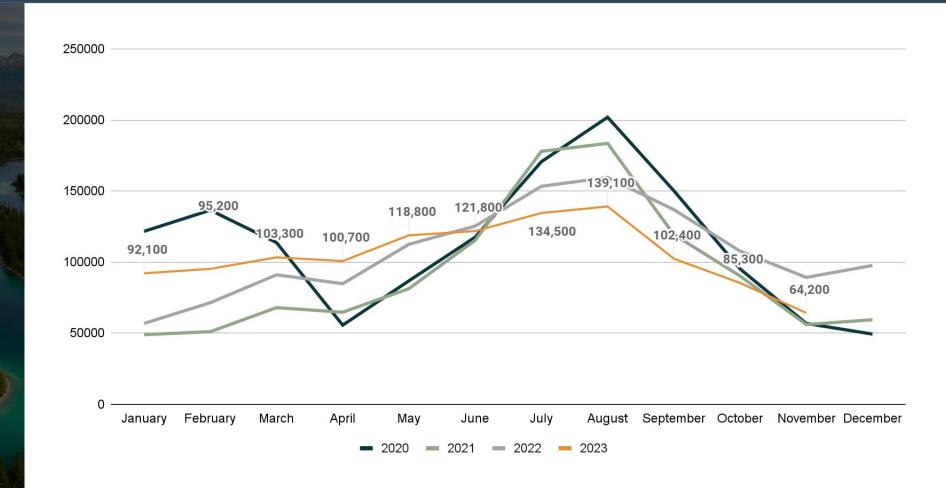
## **BC Trips To Northern BC By Month**

2023 Visitor Highlights



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- September 2023 saw a 32% decrease compared to 2020, a 14% decrease compared to 2021 and a 25% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 10% decrease compared to 2020, a 5% decrease compared to 2021 and a 21% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 13% increase compared to 2020, a 15% increase compared to 2021 and a 28% decrease compared to 2022



## **British Columbian Visitation**

**BC Overnight Stays In Northern BC By Month** 

2023 Visitor Highlights

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- September 2023 saw a 25% decrease compared to 2020, a 15% decrease compared to 2021 and a 23% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 15% decrease compared to 2020, a 12% decrease compared to 2021 and a 23% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 29% increase compared to 2020, a 18% increase compared to 2021 and a 19% decrease compared to 2022



## January 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC

by Province January 2023

# **Northern BC**



#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by 7% when comparing January 2023 to January 2020.

Visitors increased by 109% when compared to January 2021, and increased by 84% when compared to January 2022.

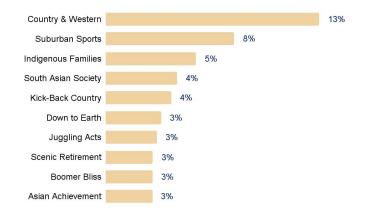
#### 2.9% British Columbia / Alberta 53 3% 36.6% Canadian Visitors to Northern BC January 2020-2023 2020 2021 2022 2023 800,000 677,100 658.500 600,000 392:900 317,300 400,000 182,900 99.000 \*All Percentages relate to an increase or decrease in Canadian 200,000 Visits when comparing January in previous years to January 2022. 144,700 point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat Visitors Trips Overnight Stays Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

Saskatchewan

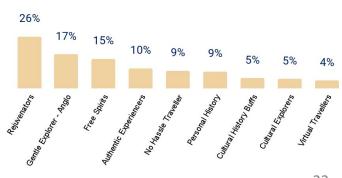
2.8%

Ontario

#### **January 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment**



#### January 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



## February 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

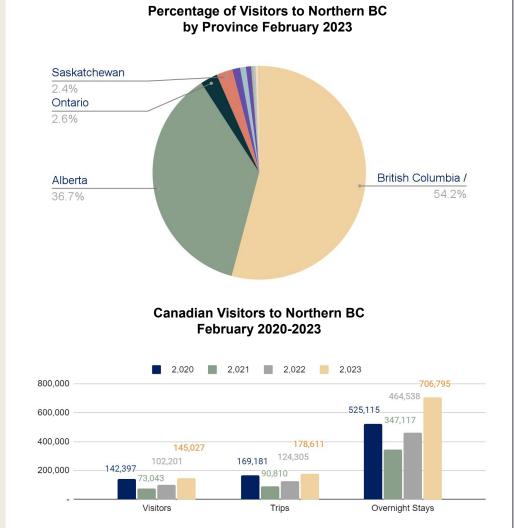
# **Northern BC**



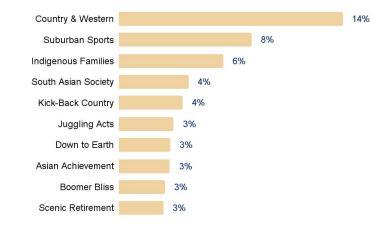
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 11% when comparing February 2023 to February 2020.

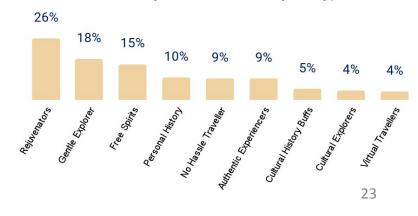
Visitors increased by 92% when compared to February 2021, and increased by 43% when compared to February 2022.



#### February 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### February 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat

Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

## March 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

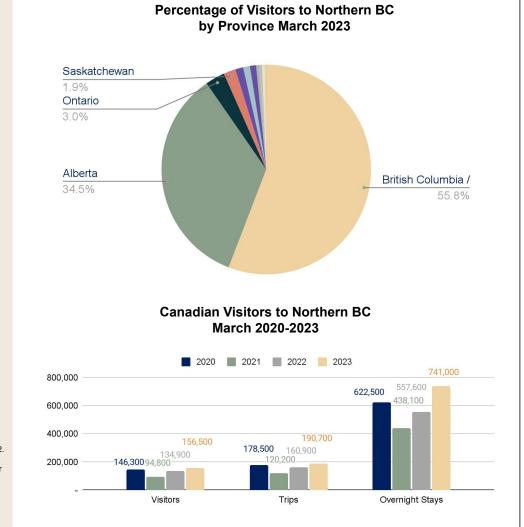
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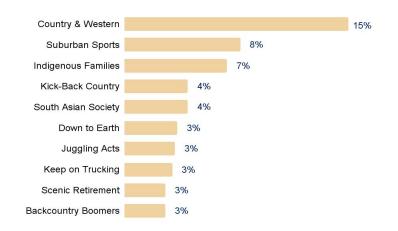
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by 7% when comparing March 2023 to March 2020.

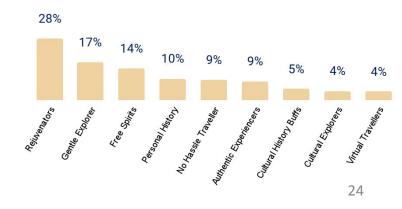
Visitors increased by **65%** when compared to March 2021, and increased by **16%** when compared to March 2022.



#### March 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### March 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

<sup>\*</sup>All Percentages relate to an increase or decrease in Canadian Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

## April 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

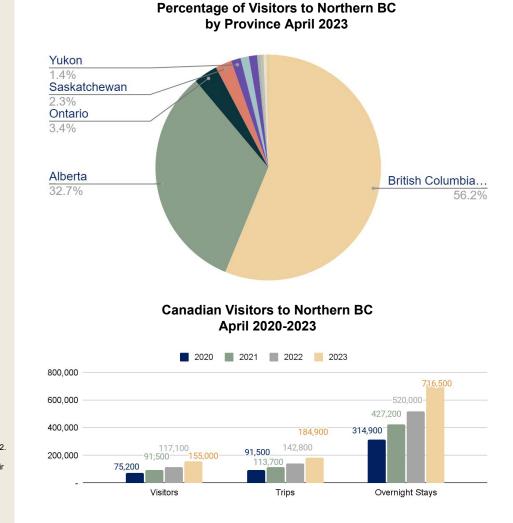
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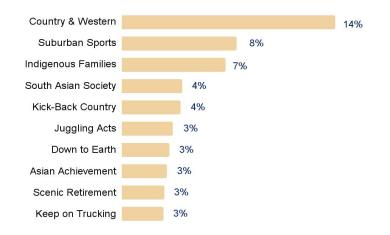
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by 106% when comparing April 2023 to April 2020.

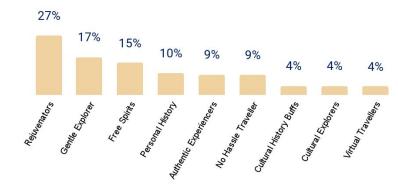
Visitors increased by **69%** when compared to April 2021, and increased by **32%** when compared to April 2022.







#### April 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

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## May 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

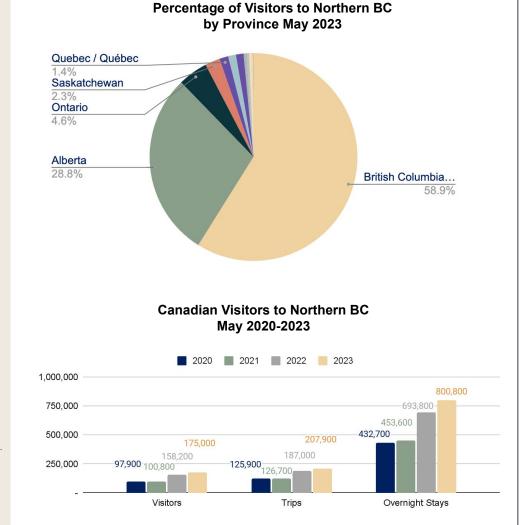
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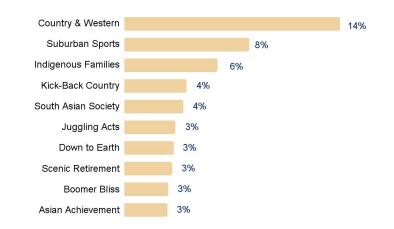
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by **79%** when comparing May 2023 to May 2020.

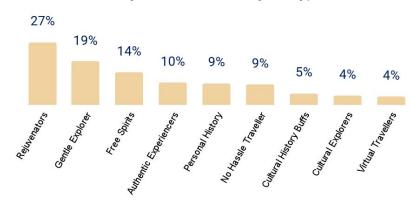
Visitors increased by **74%** when compared to May 2021, and increased by **11%** when compared to May 2022.



#### May 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### May 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

<sup>\*</sup>All Percentages relate to an increase or decrease in Canadian Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

## June 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

## **Northern BC**



#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by 38% when comparing June 2023 to June 2020.

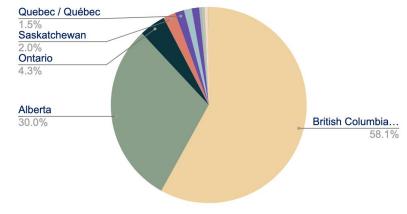
Visitors increased by 25% when compared to June 2021, and decreased by 1% when compared to June 2022.

### \*All Percentages relate to an increase or decrease in Canadian Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

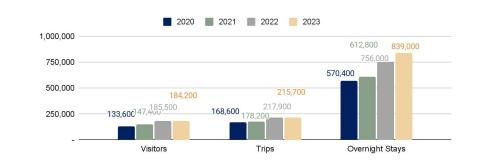
Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

by Province June 2023

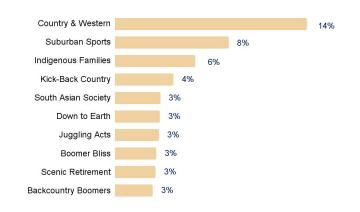
Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC



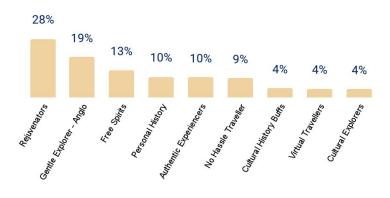
#### Canadian Visitors to Northern BC June 2020-2023



#### June 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### June 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



## July 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

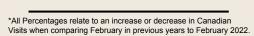
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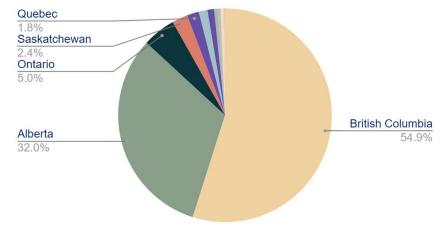
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by **7%** when comparing July 2023 to July 2020.

Visitors decreased by 9% when compared to July 2021, and decreased by 8% when compared to July 2022.

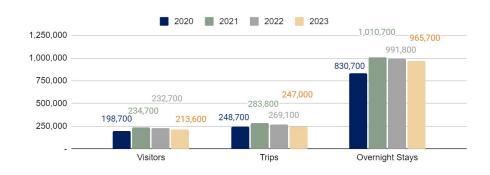


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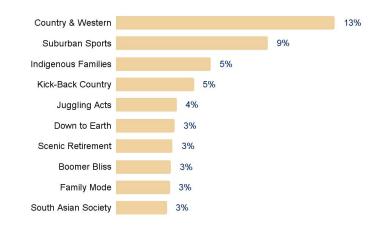
Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province July 2023



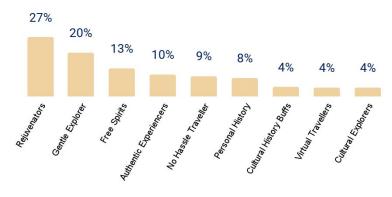
## Canadian Visitors to Northern BC July 2020-2023



#### July 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### July 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



## August 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

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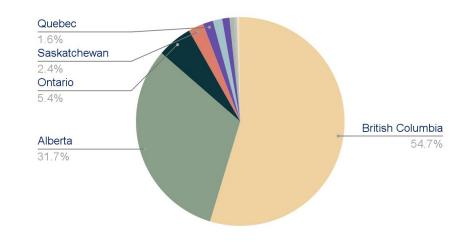
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by **7%** when comparing August 2023 to August 2020.

Visitors decreased by 9% when compared to August 2021, and decreased by 7% when compared to August 2022.

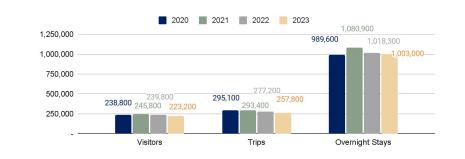
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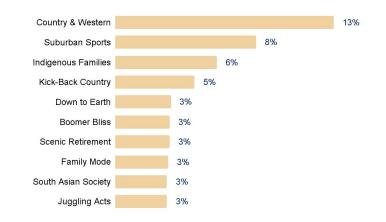
Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province August 2023



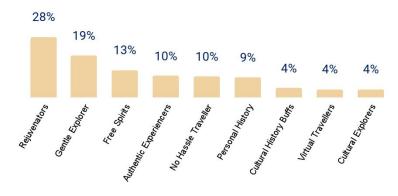
#### Canadian Visitors to Northern BC August 2020-2023



#### August 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### **August 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type**



## Sept 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

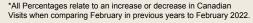
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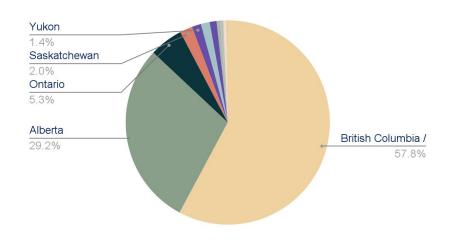
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 12% when comparing September 2023 to September 2020.

Visitors decreased by 3% when compared to September 2021, and decreased by 22% when compared to September 2022.

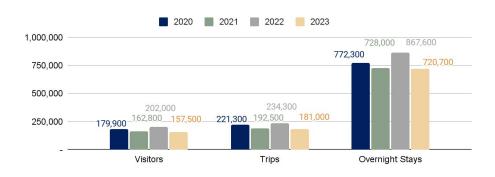


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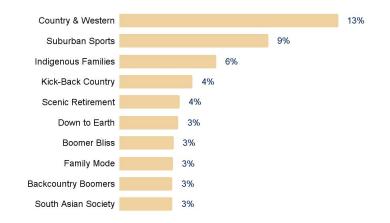
Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province September 2023



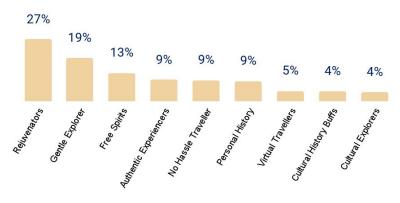
#### Canadian Visitors to Northern BC September 2020-2023



#### September 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### September 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



## Oct 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

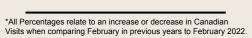
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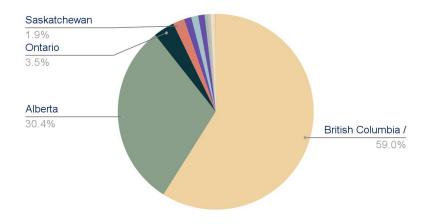
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 2% when comparing October 2023 to October 2020.

Visitors decreased by 2% when compared to October 2021, and decreased by 21% when compared to October 2022.

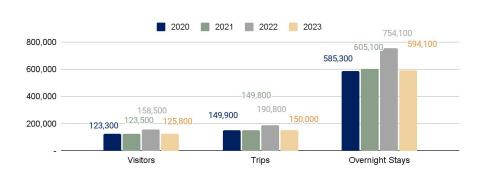


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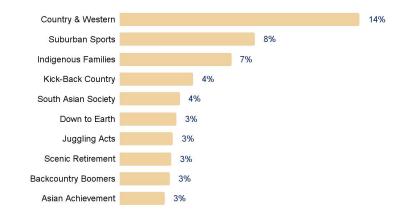
Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province October 2023



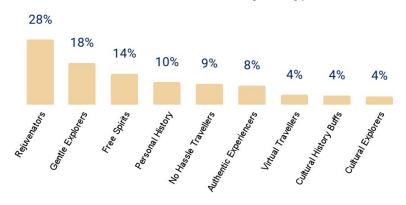




#### October 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### October 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type



## Nov 2023 Canada/British Columbia Regional Visitation

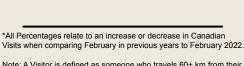
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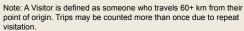
## **Northern BC**

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The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 32% when comparing November 2023 to November 2020.

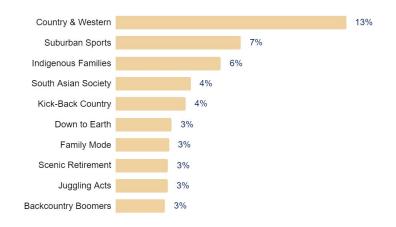
Visitors decreased by 22% when compared to November 2021, and decreased by 25% when compared to November 2022.



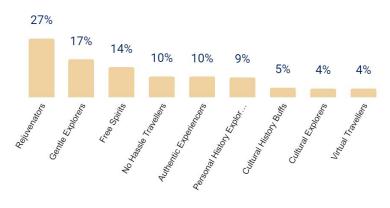


#### Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province November 2023 Saskatchewan 3.3% Ontario 4.0% British Columbia Alberta 53.8% 34.2% **Canadian Visitors to Northern BC** November 2020-2023 2020 2021 2022 2023 800.000 634,900 600,000 418,700 400,000 166.800 135.700 200.000 99,500 Visitors Trips Overnight Stavs

#### November 2023 BC Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### November 2023 BC Visitors by EQ Type





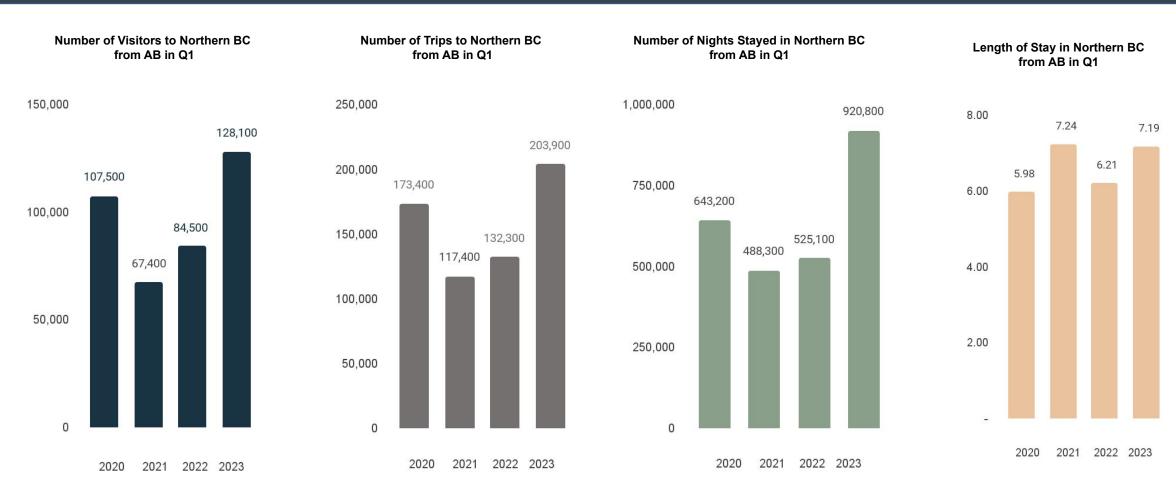
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## Alberta Residents Travelling To Northern BC By Quarter

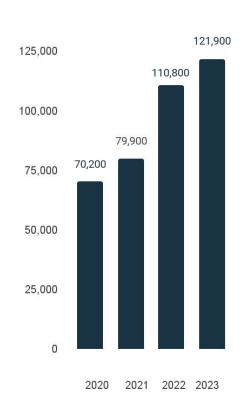


Q1 = January | February | March Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

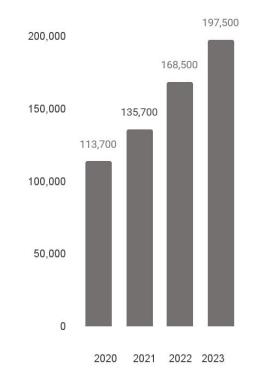
## Alberta Residents Travelling To Northern BC By Quarter



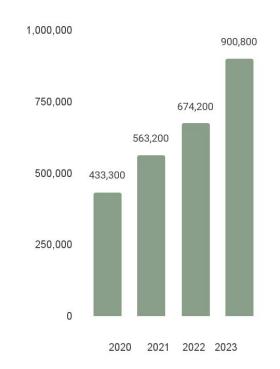
## Number of Visitors to Northern BC from AB in Q2



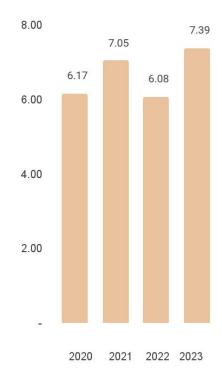
## Number of Trips to Northern BC from AB in Q2



## Number of Nights Stayed in Northern BC from AB in Q2



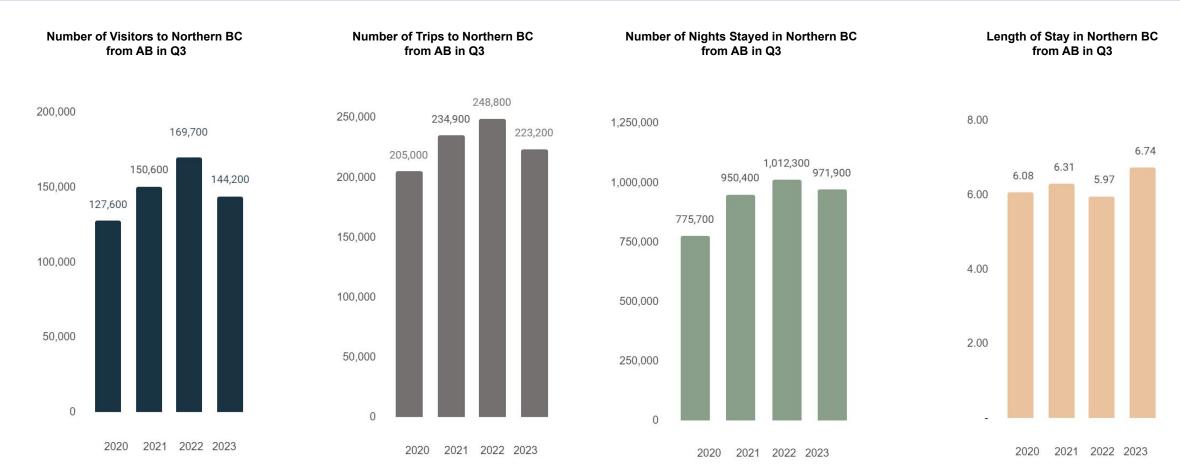
## Length of Stay in Northern BC from AB in Q2



Q2 = April | May | June Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

## Alberta Residents Travelling To Northern BC By Quarter





Q3 = July | August | September Note: All counts have been rounded to the nearest 100

# Alberta Visitors to Northern BC By Quarter - Q1

## **Number Of Visitors To Northern BC By Origin City**



City	2020 Visitor Count
Calgary	25,500
Edmonton	24,400
Grande Prairie	8,800
Red Deer	2,800
Strathcona County	2,800
Grande Prairie County No. 1	2,700
St. Albert	1,700
Airdrie	1,700
Wood Buffalo	1,200
Spruce Grove	1,200

City	2021 Visitor Count
Edmonton	15,000
Calgary	9,000
Grande Prairie	6,900
Red Deer	2,600
Grande Prairie County No. 1	2,300
Strathcona County	1,800
St. Albert	1,100
Parkland County	900
Mackenzie County	900
Spruce Grove	800

City	2022 Visitor Count
Edmonton	19,700
Calgary	16,600
Grande Prairie	6,400
Red Deer	2,800
Grande Prairie County No. 1	2,300
Strathcona County	2,200
St. Albert	1,400
Airdrie	1,100
Wood Buffalo	1,000
Spruce Grove	1,000

City	2023 Visitor Count
Edmonton	30,700
Calgary	24,200
Grande Prairie	8,600
Red Deer	4,900
Strathcona County	3,500
Grande Prairie County No. 1	3,000
St. Albert	2,300
Airdrie	2,000
Lethbridge	1,900
Spruce Grove	1,400

# Alberta Visitors to Northern BC By Quarter - Q2

## **Number Of Visitors To Northern BC By Origin City**



City	2020 Visitor Count
Edmonton	16,200
Calgary	12,300
Grande Prairie	8,300
Red Deer	2,200
Grande Prairie County No. 1	2,200
Strathcona County	1,600
St. Albert	1,000
Mackenzie County	1,000
Airdrie	900
Peace River	800

City	2021 Visitor Count
Edmonton	18,300
Calgary	12,000
Grande Prairie	8,000
Red Deer	2,900
Grande Prairie County No. 1	2,700
Strathcona County	1,900
Mackenzie County	1,100
St. Albert	1,100
Airdrie	900
Spruce Grove	900

City	2022 Visitor Count
Edmonton	26,100
Calgary	21,100
Grande Prairie	8,500
Grande Prairie County No. 1	3,400
Red Deer	3,400
Strathcona County	2,900
St. Albert	1,800
Airdrie	1,500
Lethbridge	1,300
Spruce Grove	1,200

City	2023 Visitor Count
Edmonton	29,200
Calgary	23,900
Grande Prairie	10,200
Red Deer	4,400
Grande Prairie County No. 1	4,000
Strathcona County	2,800
St. Albert	2,000
Airdrie	1,800
Medicine Hat	1,400
Wood Buffalo	1,300

# Alberta Visitors to Northern BC By Quarter - Q3

## **Number Of Visitors To Northern BC By Origin City**



City	2020 Visitor Count
Edmonton	31,500
Calgary	18,100
Grande Prairie	13,500
Strathcona County	3,900
Grande Prairie County No. 1	3,800
Red Deer	3,500
St. Albert	2,500
Mackenzie County	1,800
Spruce Grove	1,500
Parkland County	1,500

City	2021 Visitor Count
Edmonton	36,700
Calgary	23,400
Grande Prairie	14,000
Grande Prairie County No. 1	4,400
Red Deer	4,300
Strathcona County	4,100
St. Albert	2,700
Mackenzie County	2,000
Spruce Grove	1,800
Airdrie	1,700

City	2022 Visitor Count
Edmonton	40,900
Calgary	29,700
Grande Prairie	14,000
Grande Prairie County No. 1	5,800
Strathcona County	4,600
Red Deer	4,500
St. Albert	2,900
Airdrie	2,300
Wood Buffalo	1,900
Spruce Grove	1,800

City	2023 Visitor Count
Edmonton	35,100
Calgary	23,900
Grande Prairie	12,900
Grande Prairie County No. 1	4,900
Red Deer	4,100
Strathcona County	3,600
St. Albert	2,500
Airdrie	1,800
Mackenzie County	1,700
Spruce Grove	1,500

# **Alberta Visitation**

## **Alberta Visitors Travelling To Northern BC By Month**

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- September 2023 saw a 3% increase compared to 2020, a 1% decrease compared to 2021 and a 25% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 3% increase compared to 2020, a 6% increase compared to 2021 and a 27% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 26% increase compared to 2020, a 15% increase compared to 2021 and a 28% decrease compared to 2022



# **Alberta Visitation**

## **Alberta Trips to Northern BC By Month**

2023 Visitor
Highlights

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- September 2023 saw a 7% decrease compared to 2020, a 2% decrease compared to 2021 and a 25% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 3% increase compared to 2020, a 4% increase compared to 2021 and a 26% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 20% increase compared to 2020, a 112% increase compared to 2021 and a 26% decrease compared to 2022



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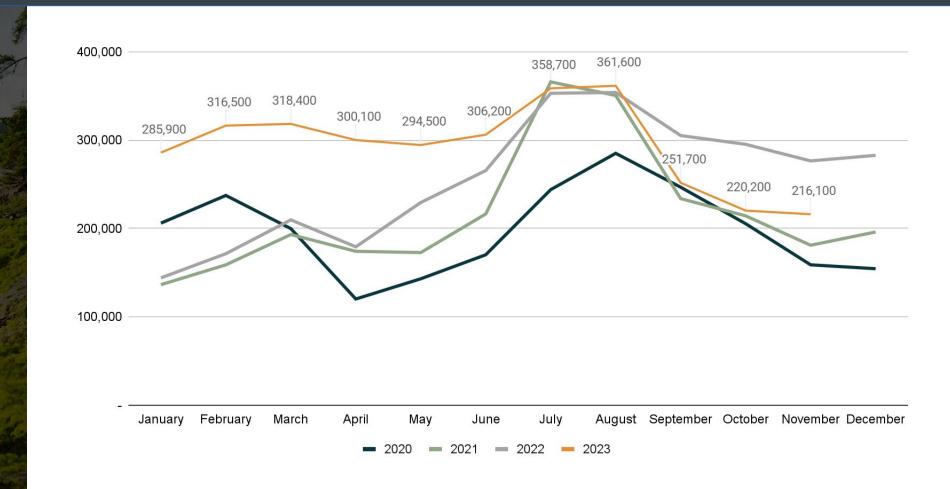
## Alberta Overnight Stays In Northern BC By Month

2023 Visitor
Highlights

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- September 2023 saw a 2% increase compared to 2020, a 8% increase compared to 2021 and a 18% decrease compared to 2022
- October 2023 saw a 7% increase compared to 2020, a 3% increase compared to 2021 and a 25% decrease compared to 2022
- November 2023 saw a 36% increase compared to 2020, a 19% increase compared to 2021 and a 22% decrease compared to 2022



# January 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

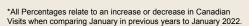
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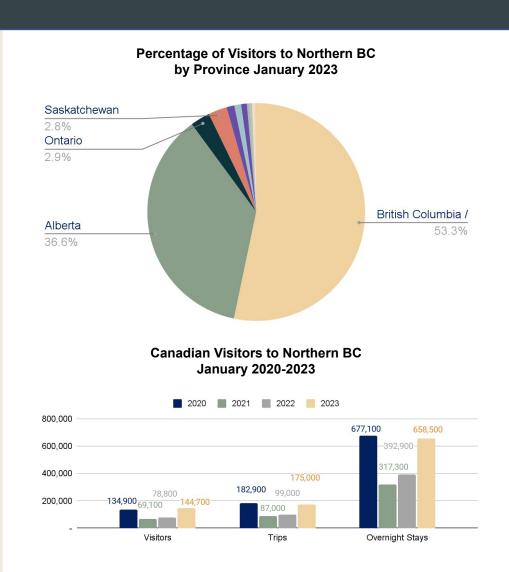
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by **7%** when comparing January 2023 to January 2020.

Visitors increased by **109**% when compared to January 2021, and increased by **84**% when compared to January 2022.

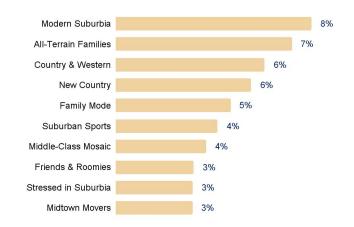


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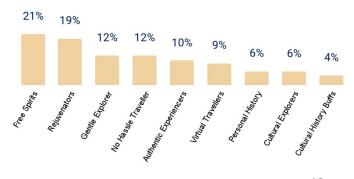
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#### January 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### January 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



# February 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

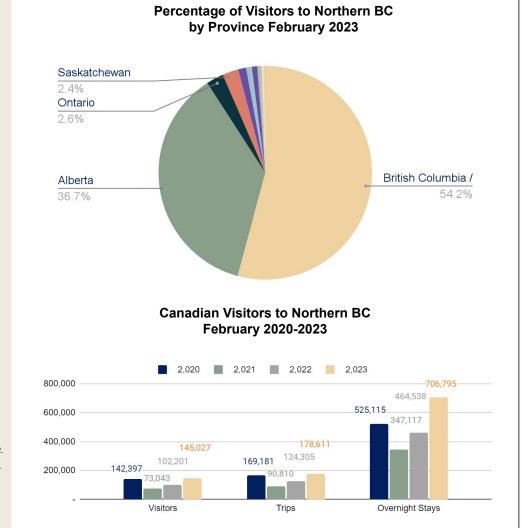
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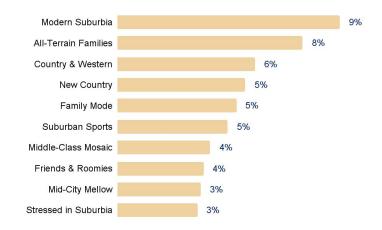
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 11% when comparing February 2023 to February 2020.

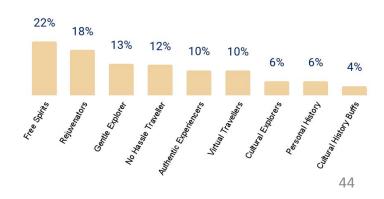
Visitors increased by **92%** when compared to February 2021, and increased by **43%** when compared to February 2022.



#### February 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### February 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



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Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

# March 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

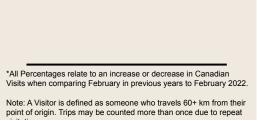
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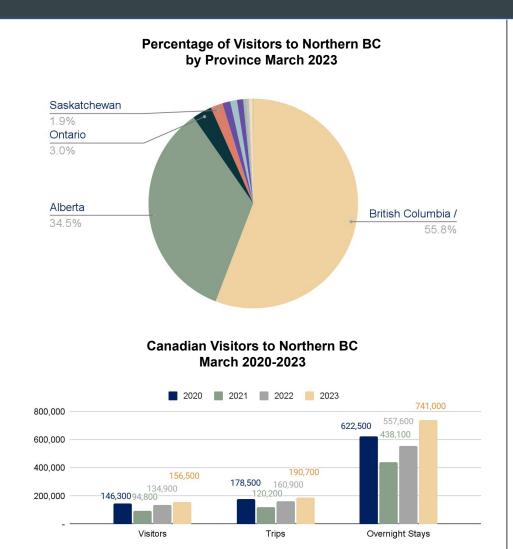
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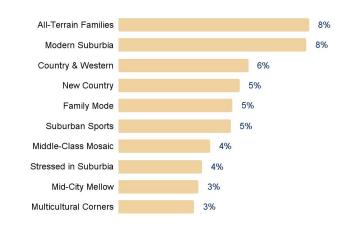
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Visitors increased by **65%** when compared to March 2021, and increased by **16%** when compared to March 2022.

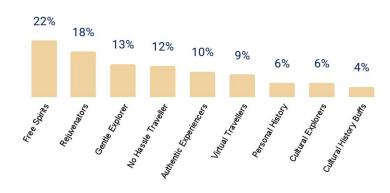




#### March 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### March 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



# April 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

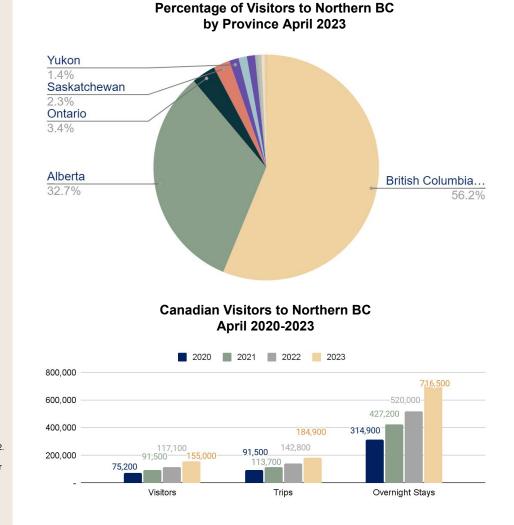


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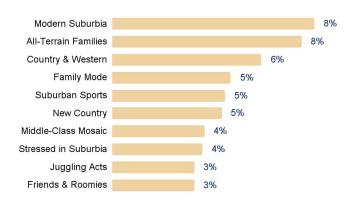
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by **106%** when comparing April 2023 to April 2020.

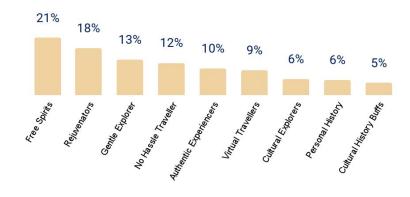
Visitors increased by **69%** when compared to April 2021, and increased by **32%** when compared to April 2022.



#### April 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### April 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

# May 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

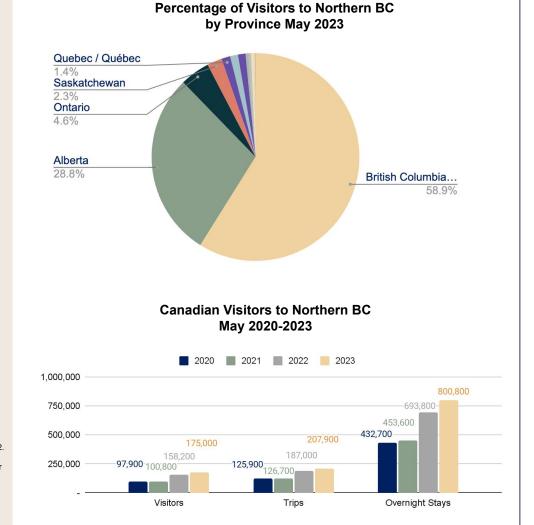


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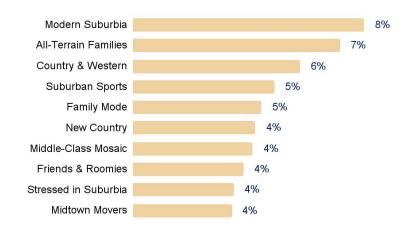
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by **79%** when comparing May 2023 to May 2020.

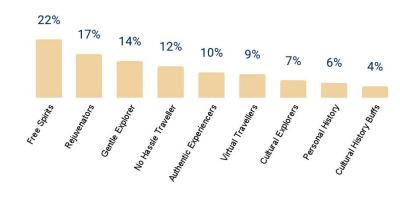
Visitors increased by **74%** when compared to May 2021, and increased by **11%** when compared to May 2022.



#### May 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### May 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

<sup>\*</sup>All Percentages relate to an increase or decrease in Canadian Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

# June 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

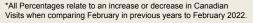
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The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by 38% when comparing June 2023 to June 2020.

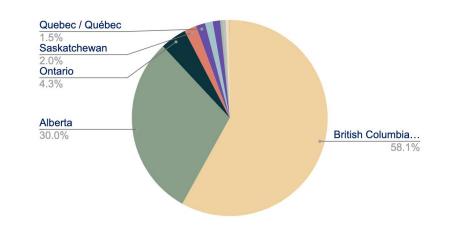
Visitors increased by 25% when compared to June 2021, and decreased by 1% when compared to June 2022.



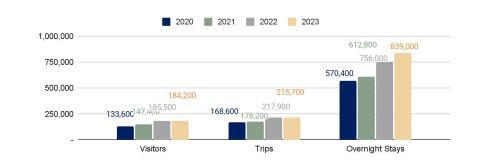
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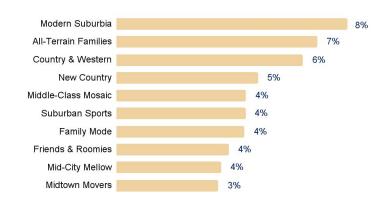
## Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province June 2023



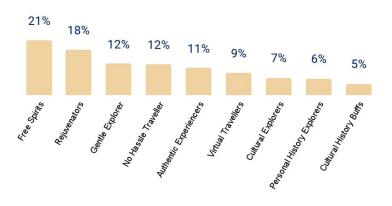
#### Canadian Visitors to Northern BC June 2020-2023



#### June 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### June 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



# July 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

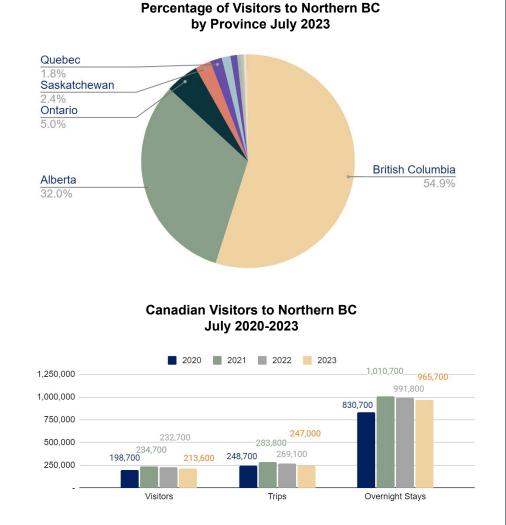


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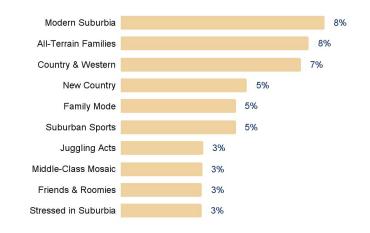
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers increased by **7%** when comparing July 2023 to July 2020.

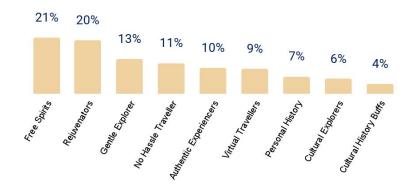
Visitors decreased by **9%** when compared to July 2021, and decreased by **8%** when compared to July 2022.



#### July 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### July 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



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## August 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

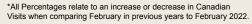
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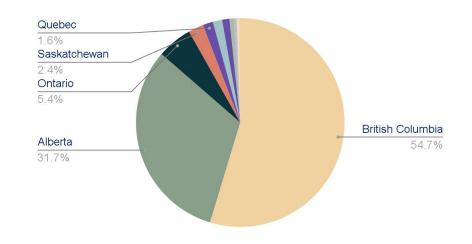
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by **7%** when comparing August 2023 to August 2020.

Visitors decreased by **9%** when compared to August 2021, and decreased by **7%** when compared to August 2022.

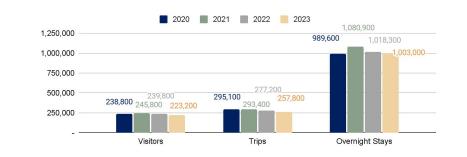


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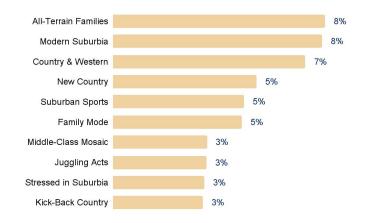
Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province August 2023



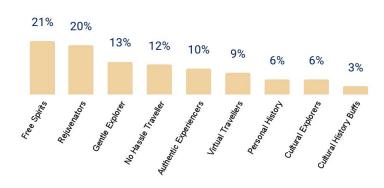
#### Canadian Visitors to Northern BC August 2020-2023



#### August 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### August 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



## Sept 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

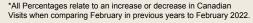
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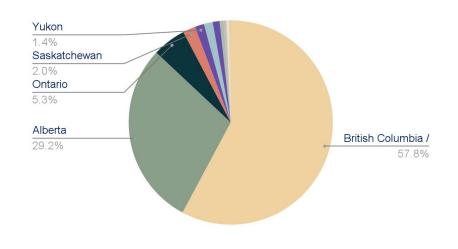
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by **12%** when comparing September 2023 to September 2020.

Visitors decreased by 3% when compared to September 2021, and decreased by 22% when compared to September 2022.

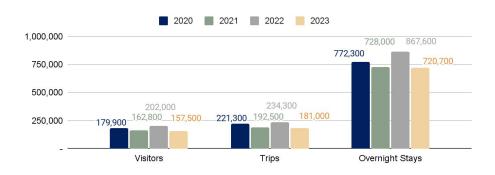


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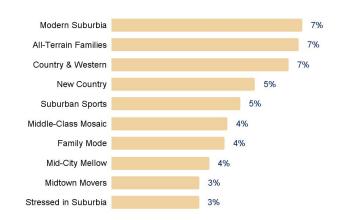
## Percentage of Visitors to Northern BC by Province September 2023



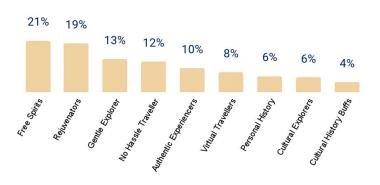
## Canadian Visitors to Northern BC September 2020-2023



#### September 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### September 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



# Oct 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

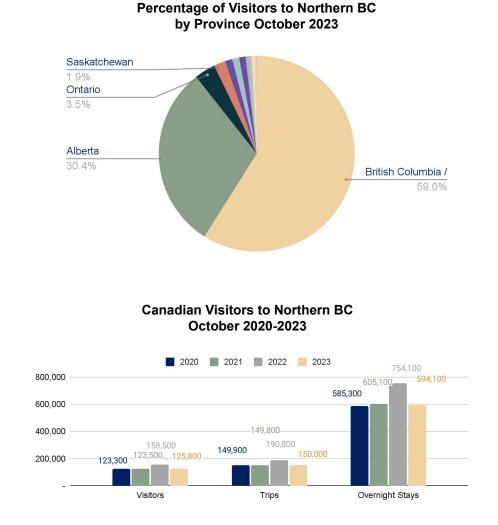
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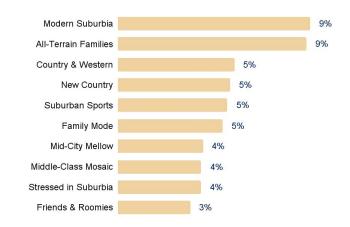
#### Overview

The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 2% when comparing October 2023 to October 2020.

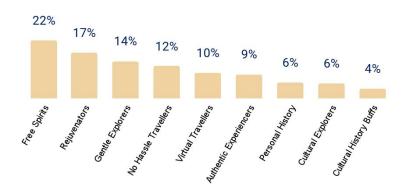
Visitors decreased by 2% when compared to October 2021, and decreased by 21% when compared to October 2022.



#### October 2023 AB Visitors by PRIZM Segment



#### October 2023 AB Visitors by EQ Type



Note: A Visitor is defined as someone who travels 60+ km from their point of origin. Trips may be counted more than once due to repeat visitation.

<sup>\*</sup>All Percentages relate to an increase or decrease in Canadian Visits when comparing February in previous years to February 2022.

## Nov 2023 Canada/Alberta Regional Visitation

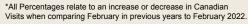
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#### Overview

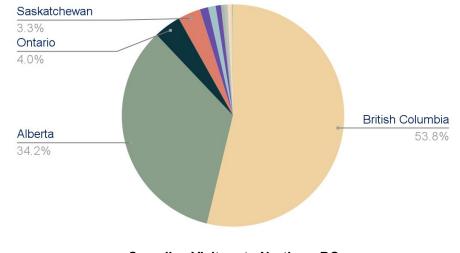
The number of visitors to Northern BC from Canadian travelers decreased by 32% when comparing November 2023 to November 2020.

Visitors decreased by 22% when compared to November 2021, and decreased by 25% when compared to November 2022.

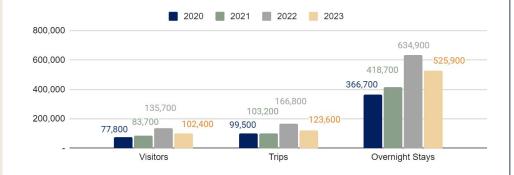


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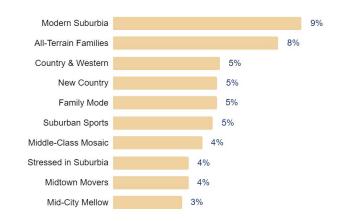




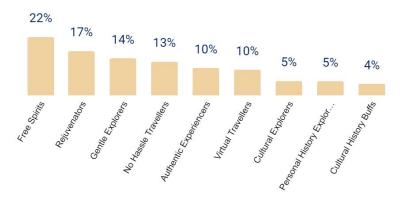
#### Canadian Visitors to Northern BC November 2020-2023



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