Destination Canada update on COVID-19

The webinar will begin shortly.





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Welcome



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Key Take-aways



Think local – there is more potential there than you think



Your community is more important than ever



We're in this together Community-based program



Southwest Airlines CEO says travel won't resume until places like Disney World reopen (USA Today)

"I predict 'Revenge Travelling' will happen next!" (Travel Daily Media)

41% of Americans say their first trip will be by car within 100 miles (SKIFT)

"We believe that travel will return but it will come back in phases," said Erika Richter of the American Society of Travel Advisors. The first to resume traveling may be luxury travelers more insulated from the economic downturn. (CNN)

A new survey by Destination Analysts suggests American travelers feel the worst of the coronavirus may soon be over. Their first order of business when the lockdowns lift: One in five say they'll book a trip. (USA Today)

"We should be prepared for a choppy, sluggish recovery even after the virus is contained," Delta Air Lines Chief Executive Officer Ed Bastian said. "I estimate the recovery period could take two to three years." (Bloomberg)

40% of companies expect business travel will rebound in three months. An equal share (40%) of the participants answered simply "unsure" about how long they anticipated corporate travel to really resumes. (Global Business Travel Association)

"Travel is likely to return first to domestic markets with staycations, then to a country's nearest neighbors before expanding across regions, and eventually other continents." (World Travel and Tourism Council)



COVID-19 has hit hard



All parts of the industry have been hit hard

Travellers



Communities



Trying to avoid a second spike

Industry



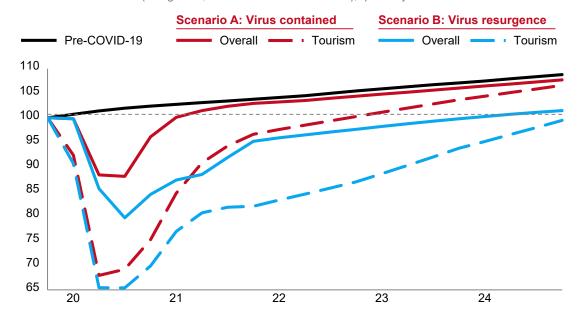
Uncertain demand
New & unknown restrictions
No clear timelines



Canada's tourism GDP is projected to drop ~2x more than the national economy; it could take two to five years for tourism GDP to return to pre-COVID levels depending on the scenario /

Projected GDP in Canada, tourism and overall 2019 Q4 – 2024 Q4¹

Indexed to 2019 Q4 (using CAD, real values - chained 2012), quarterly

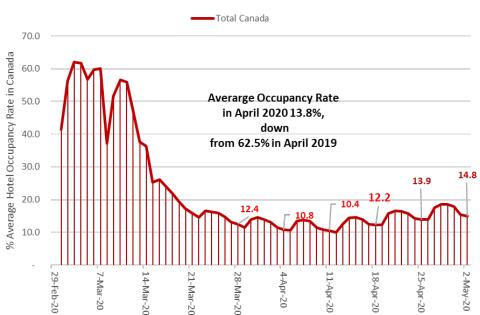


¹ NAICS included in Tourism (from Statistics Canada): Air transportation [481], Rail transportation [482], Water transportation [483], Other transit and ground passenger transportation and scenic and sightseeing transportation [484], Taxi and limousine service [4853], Urban transit systems [4851], Automotive equipment rental and leasing [5321], Travel arrangement and reservation services [5615], Arts, entertainment and recreation [71], Traveller accommodation [7211], Recreational vehicle (RV) parks, recreational camps, and rooming and boarding houses [721A], Food services and drinking places [722]; Australia sector forecasts used as proxy for Canada (curve for Australia's sectors applied to Canadian data)

Based on Moody's Analytics forecasts from August 2018, chained to 2007
 Country-specific forecast created by McKinsey, in partnership with Oxford Economics

Profound impact on hotel occupancy





April 2020/

Revenue loss year to date (estimate*)

CAD 841 million

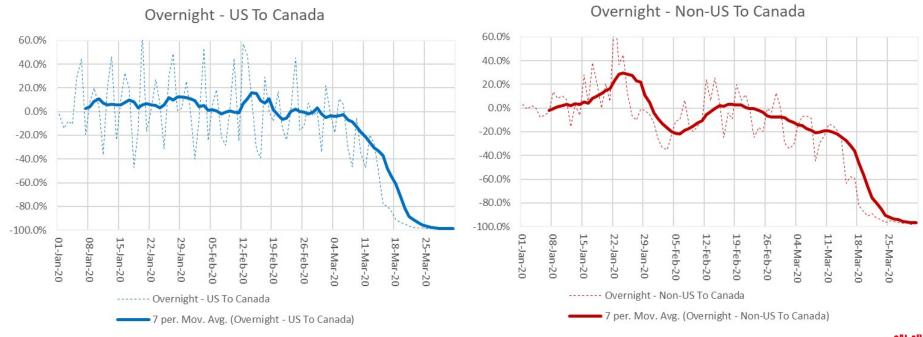
(from \$1 billion in April 2019)

Source: STR



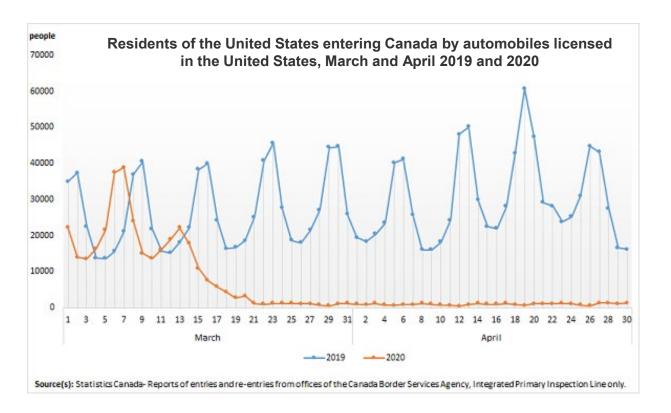
Collapse in overnight air arrivals to Canada

Closure to non-Canadian air passenger on March 18 from the US and overseas was immediate and sudden.



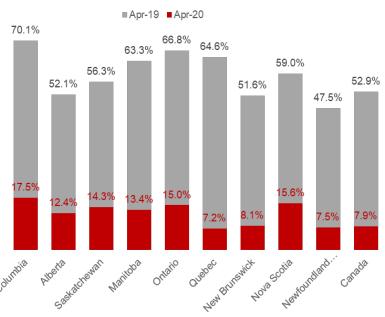


Land arrivals to Canada are at a standstill

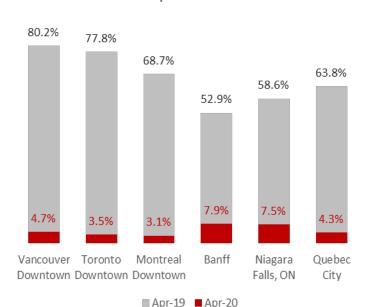


Impacts across the country and travel segments





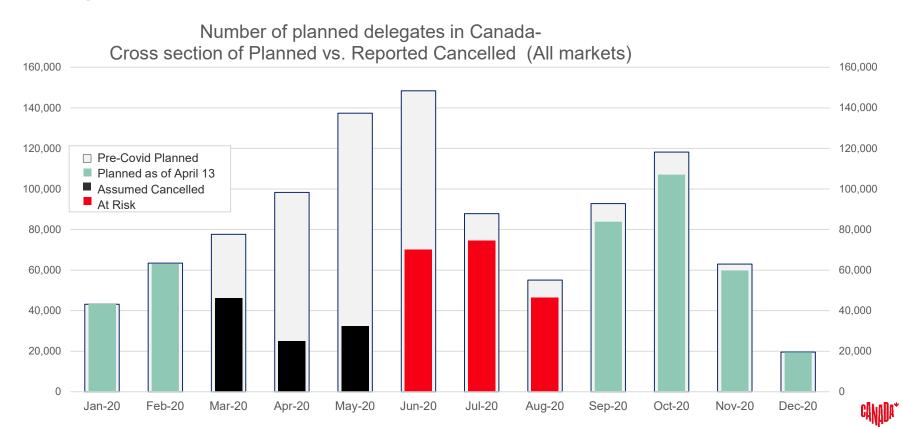
Canadian Occupancy Rates in Selected Destinations April 2020



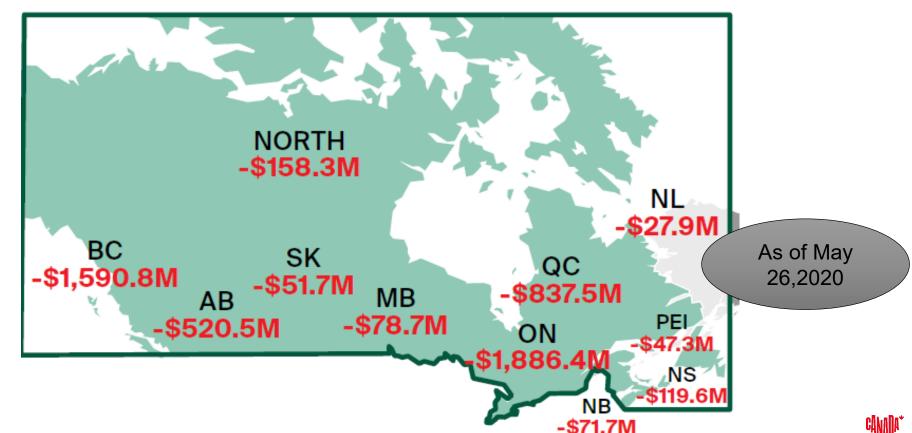


Pervasive Impact on Business Events

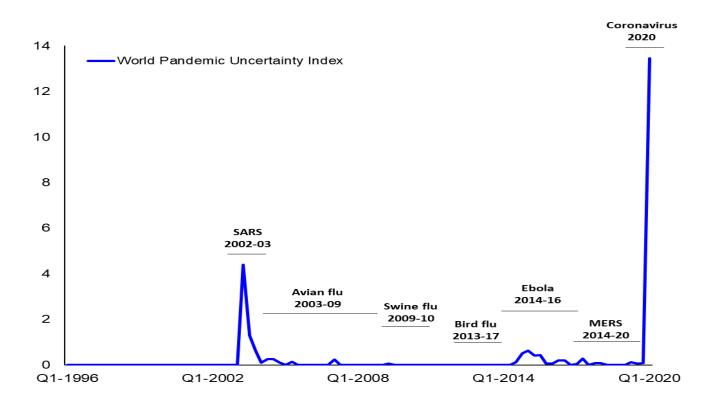
COVID-19 Impact



Estimated Change in Tourism Export Revenue from January to June Compared to 2019 by Province (\$M)



So much uncertainty





What we know



Think local: **Domestic will drive recovery**



Your community is more important than ever:

Tourism happens in a community – we need to make sure the benefits are known

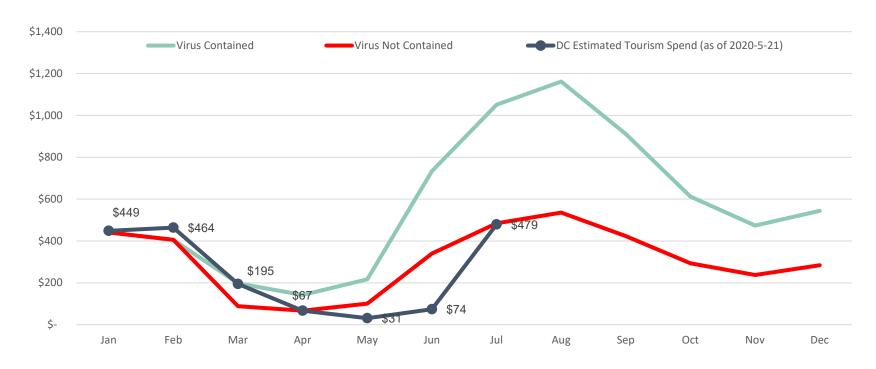


We're in this together
Community-based
Program



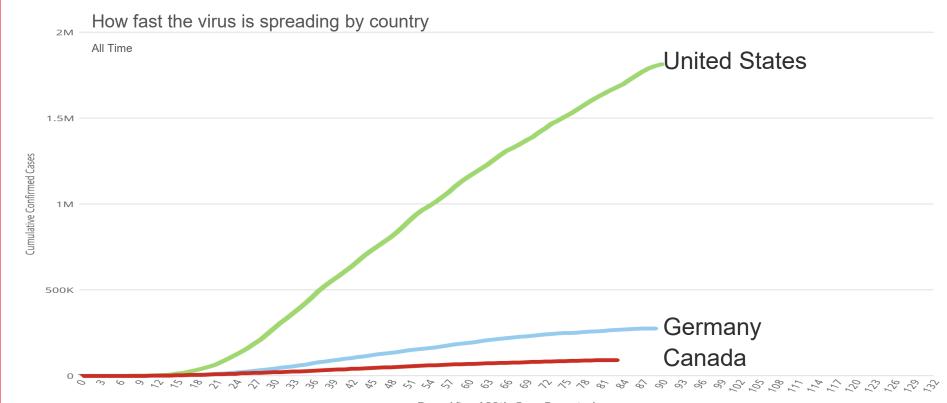
The international markets are reeling

Estimated Tourism Spend versus different scenarios, as of May 21, 2020 (\$M)





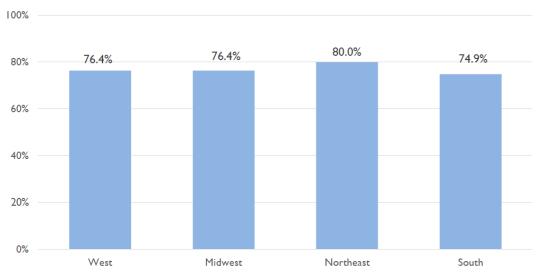
COVID-19 context differs by country





Americans are unlikely to travel outside the US

Americans Unlikely to Travel Outside the U.S. Until the Coronavirus Situation is Resolved—by U.S. Region



Question: How much do you agree with the following statement?

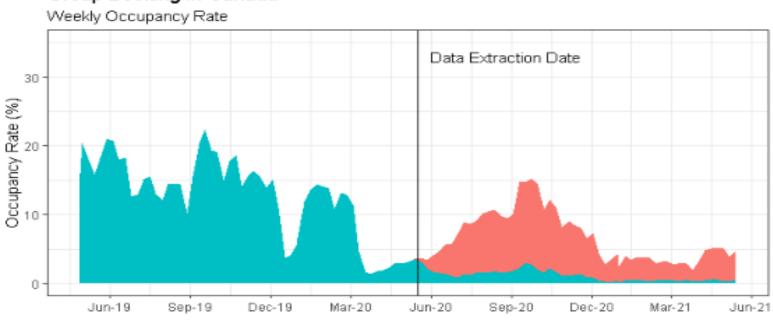
Statement: I will be unlikely to travel outside the United States until the Coronavirus situation is resolved.

(Base: Wave 10. 1,212 completed surveys. Data collected May 15-17, 2020)



But....we see that forward group bookings are being held

Group Booking in Canada





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Travel restart will be in phases

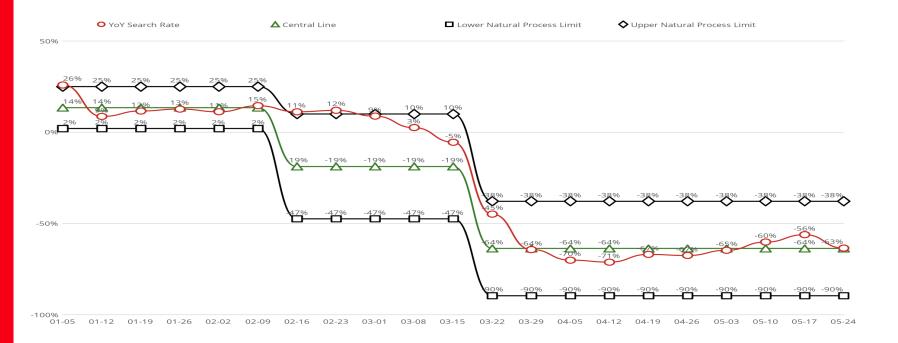


DC's Recovery Analysis Framework

	What it tells us	Signals on Phase	Comment
Travel Search Index	Any consumer is looking for travel (upper funnel)	II. Hyper-local travel onward	Google Data
Accommodation Searches on OTA	A traveller is searching for a specific destination (lower funnel)	II. Hyper-local travel onward	Confidential Expedia Data
Rate of Hotel Booking	Travellers are booking travel (lower funnel)	III. Regional Travel onwards	Confidential Expedia Data & Travel Click
Rate of Air Bookings	Travellers are comfortable on planes (lower funnel)	IV. Inter-Province travel onwards	Confidential Expedia Data & IATA
New COVID Cases	State of outbreak	I. COVID Response to IV. Intra- Province	Public Data
COVID-19 Search Index	Sentiment on outbreak	I. COVID Response	Under Development
Dining / Events Search Index	Any consumer is beginning to be comfortable in social gathering settings	I. COVID Response & II. Hyper-Local	Google Data



Analyzing over 715 signals





International Market Summary www.destinationcanada.com



LEGEND:

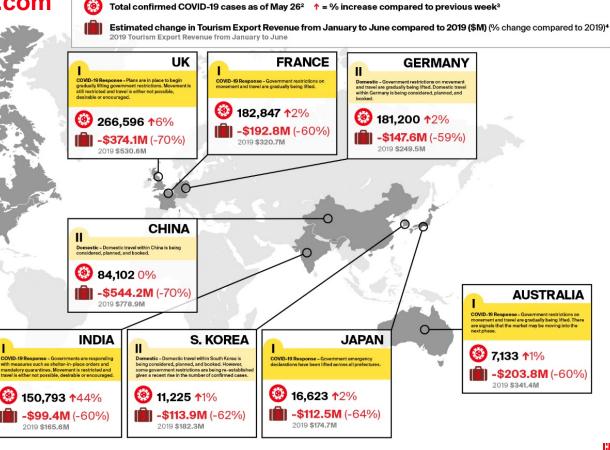
Recovery signal assessment¹ Overseas markets:

Domestic III Tentative International

- ² Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Resource Center, May 26, 2020 5pm PST
- ⁴ Destination Canada Estimates as of May 24, 2020

Destination Canada Estimates as of May 24, 2

3 European CDC, May 26, 2020



US market:

Regional III Inter-state IV Tentative

IV Regularized

International travel will be uncertain moving forward

There is optimism – and rebooking will happen – but **when** is unclear

Domestic travel in **some** countries has restarted, but little to no international travel – anywhere



Recovery will start local

Domestic travel will spur tourism recovery across Canada.

Canadians love travel.

We have a unique opportunity to create advocates for our industry in new ways



Intra-provincial market: \$19.7 billion

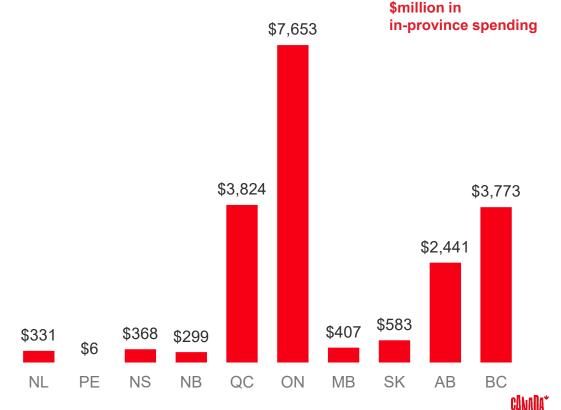
Short weekend trips were the most common

• \$ per visit: \$246

• Nights per visit: 2.2

• \$ per night: \$109

2 Adults, No children



Inter-provincial market: \$11.7 billion

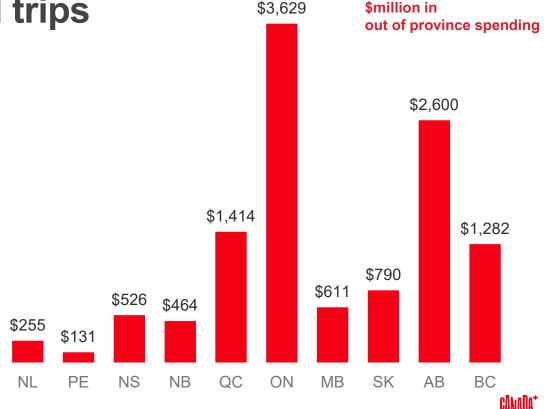
Plan for long-weekend trips

- \$ per visit: \$470
- Nights per visit: 3.5
- \$ per night: \$133

Proximity matters

Top spending origin-destination pairings:

- 1. Alberta to BC: \$1.5 billion
- 2. Ontario to Quebec: \$1.3 billion
- 3. Quebec to Ontario: \$844 million
- 4. Ontario to BC: \$731 million
- 5. BC to Alberta: \$522 million



\$36,381,000,000



Canada is the world's 8th largest international tourism market /

Overnight visit spending by International visitors in Canada and by Canadians abroad
(\$ billion)

Canadians spend \$1.70 on travel abroad for every dollar that international visitors spend in Canada

from Overseas
/ de l'étranger
11,372
from United
States / des
États-Unis
International Visitors
(inbound/export) /

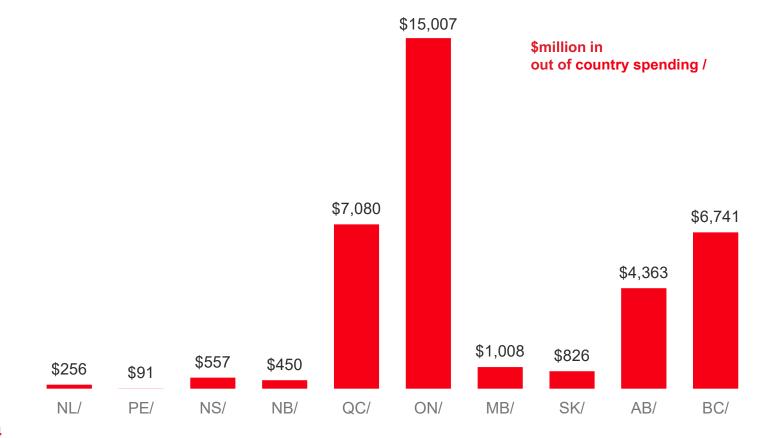


Out-of-Country (outbound/imports) /

If we capture 60% of the Canadan spend abroad, we will have made up our loss of international travel



Outbound travel market is significant across Canada





Significant spend per trip

More than twice as much spend per trip as US Road Traffic

	Canadians abroad	US (Air)	US (Road)
\$ per visit	\$1,120	\$960	\$532
Nights per visit	7.4	7.0	4.7
\$ per night	\$150	\$121	\$110



The more we experience our own country...

The more we come back...



of Canadians travelled in Canada because it was a place they visited before and wanted to return



The more we experience our own country...

The more others want to experience it

Personal recommendation #1 source of influence

Australia, France, Germany, India, Mexico, South Korea, United Kingdom,
United States and Canada
(#2 in China, #4 in Japan)



DC's Assessment of Domestic Travel (updated weekly, May 24)



Destination Canada's Overall Assessment of Each Market

British Columbia	II Hyper Local
Alberta	II Hyper Local
Saskatchewan	II Hyper Local
Manitoba	II Hyper Local
Ontario	I COVID-19 Response
Quebec	I COVID-19 Response
New Brunswick	II Hyper Local
Nova Scotia	I COVID-19 Response
Prince Edward Island	II Hyper Local
Newfoundland & Labrador	II Hyper Local
Yukon	II Hyper Local
Northwest Territories	I COVID-19 Response
Nunavut	III Regional



It's the same business, just not business as usual



Experience in other countries

Shanghai Disneyland Reopening Tickets Sell Out in Minutes*

(Time, May 8, 2020)

European Hot Spots like Venice, Italy, are reopening, but without many tourists

(LA Times, May 18, 2020)





canaDa*

*at 1/3 capacity



How can you make it part of your experience?



More than ever, our communities are critical



Outside of Atlantic Canada, less than half are ready to welcome visitors

% Somewhat / Strongl	y Agree B0 (n=2			K/MB =200)	ON (n=601)	QC (n=409)	ATL (n=201)	
From other commun	ities near 41	% 4	7%	45%	39%	50%	62%	
From other parts of i	^{my} 35	% 3	9%	41%	33%	43%	54%	
From other parts of 0	Canada 17	<mark>%</mark> 3	2%	22%	30%	35%	22%	
From the United Sta	tes 9º	6 1	5%	12%	13%	11%	14%	
From other countries	99	6 1	1%	10%	12%	10%	10%	



Most Canadians are not ready to welcome international visitors

% Somewhat / Strongly Agree	BC/ (n=200)	AB (n=200)	SK/MB (n=200)	ON (n=601)	QC (n=409)	ATL (n=201)	
From other communities near me	41%	47%	45%	39%	50%	62%	
From other parts of my province	35%	39%	41%	33%	43%	54%	
From other parts of Canada	17%	32%	22%	30%	35%	22%	
From the United States	9%	15%	12%	13%	11%	14%	
From other countries	9%	11%	10%	12%	10%	10%	





Importance of community L'importance de la collectivité

How can you get communities to support bringing in new people?

We need to work together to highlight the social, cultural, environmental AND economic importance of tourism



Can they travel?



Jurisdictions requiring self-isolation of incoming domestic travellers (May 26)



Jurisdictions with restrictions on indoor attractions (May 26)



More information

Impact & Recovery Report: Resident Sentiment & Travel-related measures



How will they travel?



What travellers want

- Flexibility (cancellation, reservation)
- Safe environments above everything else
- Communication on how to experience, your safety and cleaning protocols, booking and cancellation procedures
- Visible cleaning and communication of cleaning protocols
- Minimal-touch, socially-distant experiences





What might travel look like

- Pre-registration schemes (health declarations, visitor / experiences times spread out)
- Advance ticketing (online or phone)
- Reduced capacities (30-50% at reopening)
- Disposable PPE provided
- Uniform PPE for staff
- Social distancing should be observed through special visual markers
- Hand sanitizer in high touch locations
- Digital menus in cafes, restaurants etc.
- Digital visitor maps and guides
- Self-guided and self-driven tours



What you can do now

- Planning for various realities: booking ahead, reduced capacities, PPE for guests and staff, social distancing measures
- Preparing communications: Updating website with your safety procedures, frequency, social distancing protocols, guest health and safety guidelines.
 (Your FAQs section is about to get much longer! Consumers want to address every possibility)
- Consider implementing a pre-registration system, online/phone bookings to manage visitation demand



Tools to help: DestinationCanada.com



Impact and Recovery
Assessment



Resident sentiment



Up-to-date
Travel Restrictions



Hyper Local is where recovery starts

Community is key



Our Challenge

Our challenge is to create a domestic program that is flexible enough to be delivered at the hyper-local and local level across the country, yet is cohesive enough to build to a national and eventually an international campaign.

In addition, the campaign needs to reflect and respect differing and shifting **provincial** health guidelines, and resident sentiment towards visitors.



Our Plan

As cities and provinces across the country begin to re-open and look to recovery, we need to rebuild a stronger, more resilient tourism industry — one supported by the spirit of community inherent in Canadian DNA.

Destination Canada will ask the regional **campaigns** to execute on a **central theme**, **in their own voice**. So, a centralized strategy with a decentralized execution.





FOR

GLOWING

HEARTS



These behaviours are a set of beliefs and values that define what we do, making sure that we are consistent, authentic, and unabashedly Canadian.

For Glowing Hearts is fully aligned with the community-based stories.

We've been called nice before, but the world has never needed nice more than it does today.

Now is the time to showcase the people and places that make Canada Nice, and invite others to celebrate and experience that spirit with us.

Our Theme

Canada Nice





A case for nice

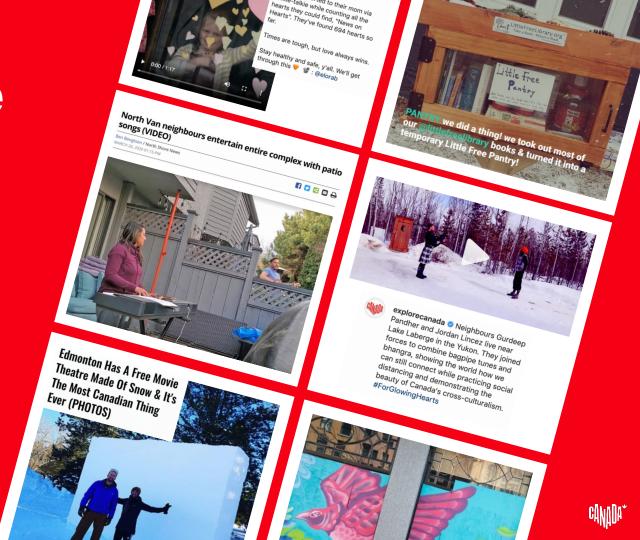
We're asking Canadians to celebrate the nicest people and places in their local communities, sharing and supporting the things that make their home truly unique.



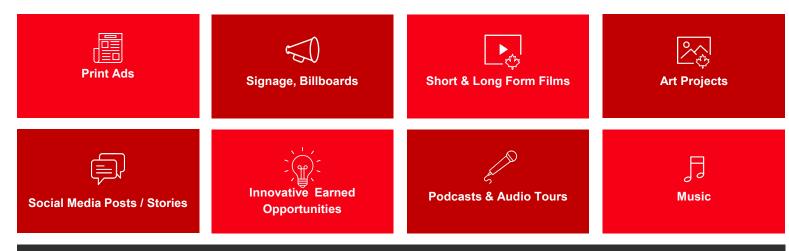
Nice starts local



We see nice every day



A Call for Creativity



Surprise us!

Creative license is in the hands of you and your community! We're sure you'll come up with ideas we'd never dream of in a million years, and we can't wait to be both surprised and inspired by the new content that comes out of your communities.



Let's Own It

Let's show the world that nice can be

Funny

Multifaceted

Strong

Quirky

Innovative

Inspiring

Surprising

Satisfying

Nice Endures

By using a hashtag built on NICE, rather than EXPLORE, we remind people how to be, not what to do.

We don't know the arc of this pandemic. But we know the arc of the Canadian spirit. It's built on glowing hearts, and demonstrated through NICE.



Speaking



Emily Ross
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Instagram

Why and how to leverage this visual platform



Why Instagram?

1 billion

people use Instagram every month



500 million watch Instagram Stories



Fastest growing media platform in Canada



Not just for engagement, also for conversion





Instagram & Travel

67% of travellers use the platform to look for inspiration

Travel is one of the top three interests on the platform

83% of users discover new products or services on the platform







Focus on Visuals







- Wildlife and nature
- Distinctly Canadian
- First-person point of view
- Timely and in-season
- Authentic and real
- Let images speak for themselves



Tell a Story



- Captions don't need to be short—details and information increase engagement
- Use quotes and testimonials
- Encourage your community to interact



Test and Learn

- Timing
 - 8-9am EST
 - Weekdays
 - Consistency
- Scheduling
 - Create multiple pieces of content and schedule
 - Coordinate a cohesive look and feel
- Create content, not ads
 - Beware branded imagery
 - Leverage Instagram Stories
 - Try video





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