Yellowknife Weekly Visitor Insights Measuring Canadian **Travel Patterns** NORTHERN BC June 27 2022 to July 3, 2022 Prince George Edmonton THOMPSON OKANAGAN CARIBOO CHILCOTIN COAST Williams Lake 2022 Year to Date KOOTENAY ROCKIES Kelowna Cranbrook VANCOUVER ISLAND Vancouver **h**crts SYMPHONY Victoria TOURISM British Columbia SERVICES

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# Purpose

- The Measuring Canadian Travel Patterns dashboard created by Environics Analytics helps the Canadian travel and tourism industry understand the impact of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic as it relates to Domestic Overnight Visitors within Canada, its provinces, territories, and tourism regions.
- With this dashboard we can easily compare visitor travel patterns (to prior weeks in 2022 and year over year 2019, 2020, 2021).
- We can also compare different regions to assess the impact of the pandemic on Canadian travel patterns and identify when visitors start to return to British Columbia's respective tourism regions.





# Methodology

- Environics Analytics uses privacy compliant, anonymized mobile movement data to identify devices whose Daily Common Evening Location is 60 km or more away from their Yearly Common Evening Location.
- Data is aggregated and compared on a weekly basis versus the previous year and week.
  - (Note: Year over year data may not compare the <u>exact</u> same date range).
- Data is limited to devices that we can reliably infer their Daily and Yearly Common Evening Locations.
- Data has been standardized and normalized leveraging demographic data and <u>PRIZM</u>, their neighbourhood classification system.

# Glossary

- **Timeframe:** The dashboard data starts the week of January 3, 2021 and is tracked on a weekly basis.
- **Domestic Overnight Visitors:** Extrapolated from a sample of mobile devices that spent at least one night more than 60KM away from their Yearly Common Evening Location.
- **Common Evening Location:** A location where the device is normally seen between 6PM and 8AM the following morning.

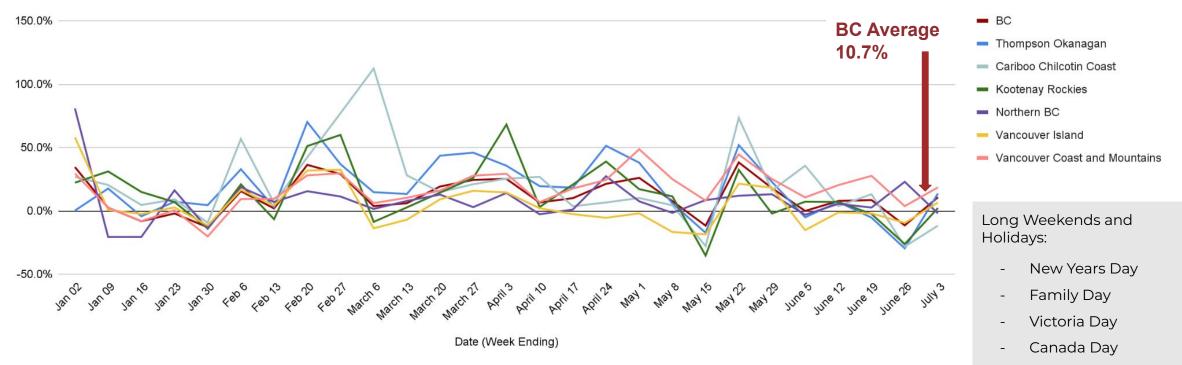




# Introduction

- Environics Analytics' Weekly Tourism Tracker filters data by Canada, Province or Territory. R1 or Region 1 is selected as the region from which to make comparisons, in this case, the province of BC.
- R2 or Region 2 represents the comparison region, in this case each of the regions of BC.
- BC Regions:
  - Cariboo Chilcotin Coast
  - Kootenay Rockies
  - Northern B.C
  - Thompson-Okanagan
  - Vancouver Island
  - Vancouver, Coast & Mountains

### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019 vs. 2022) Variation B.C Regions

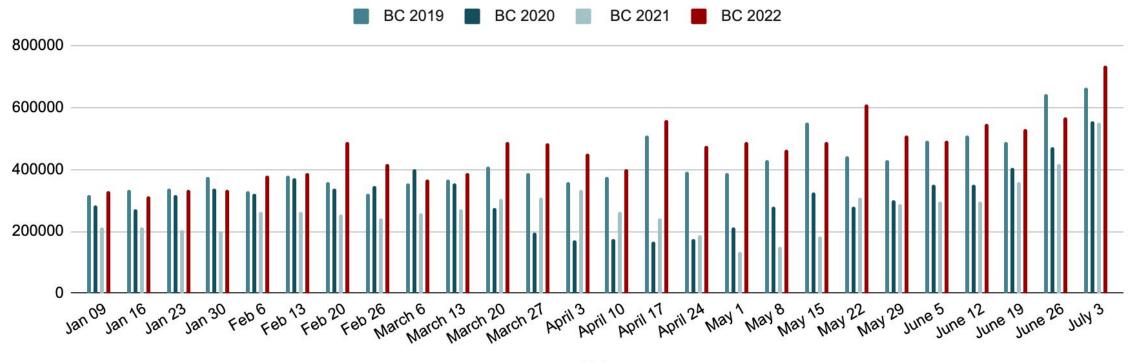


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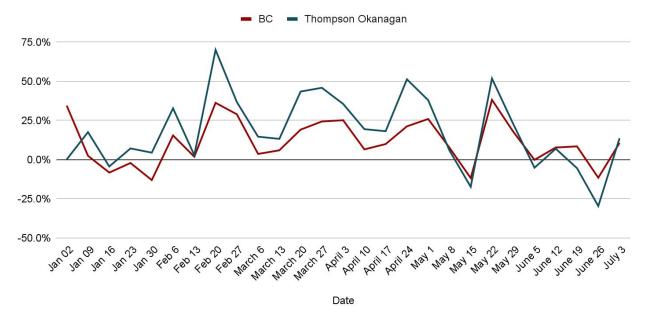
- Average Domestic Overnight Visitation to BC for Week 26 (June 27 July 3, 2022) is **up 10.7%** compared to the same week in 2019
- When comparing Week 25 (June 20 June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 -July 3, 2022) Thompson Okanagan, Cariboo Chilcotin Coast, Kootenay Rockies, Vancouver Island, and Vancouver Coast and Mountains saw an increase in visitation. Northern BC, saw a decrease
- British Columbia **increased 22.2%** when comparing Week 25 (June 20 June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 July 3, 2022)

- Data is based on the movement of mobile devices travelling within BC from BC or the rest of Canada who have spent one night 60 kms from their mobile device's home location. Therefore it includes all mobile movement - work and contractor travel, relocations within six months' time, visiting friends and relatives and people moving around their own regions.
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### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation British Columbia



### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Thompson Okanagan Region



#### Key Findings

- Domestic Overnight Visitation to the Thompson Okanagan for Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022) is
   up 13.7% compared to the same week in 2019
- The Thompson Okanagan saw 3% more visitation when compared to British Columbia Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)
- Visitation to the Thompson Okanagan increased by 43.3% and British Columbia increased 22.2% when comparing Week 25 (June 20 - June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)

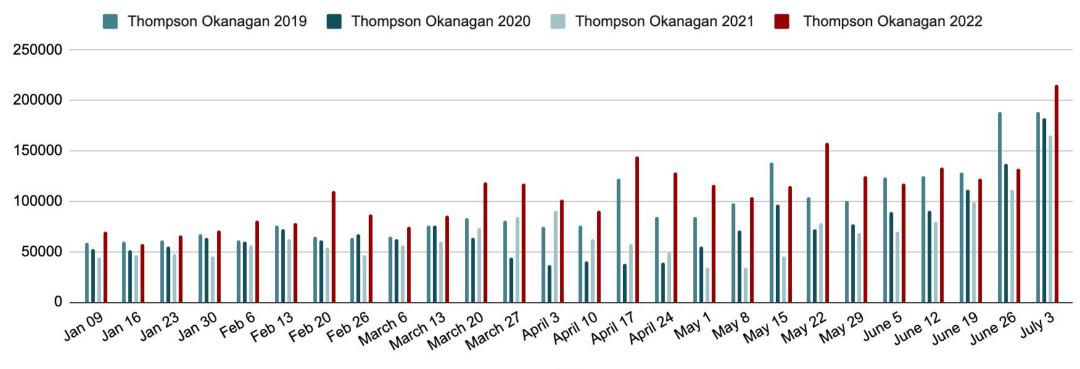
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- Family Day
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day

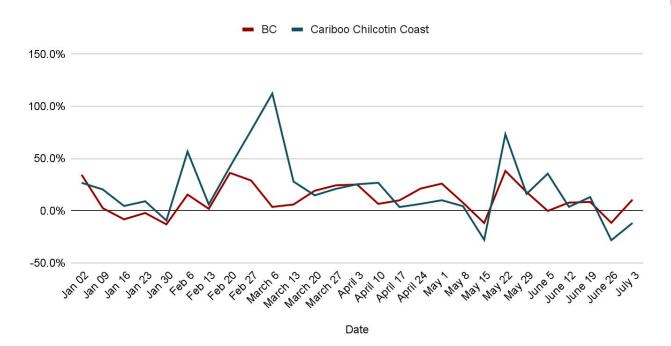
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### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Thompson Okanagan



### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Cariboo Chilcotin Coast



Long Weekends and Holidays:

- New Years Day
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- Victoria Day
- Canada Day

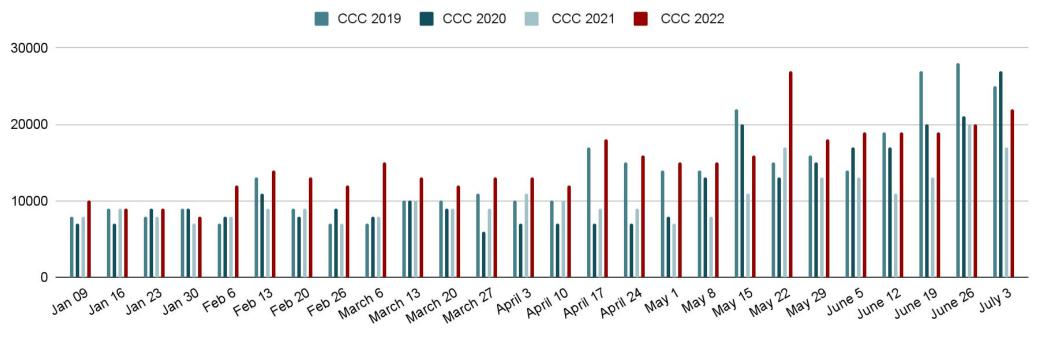
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#### Key Findings

- Domestic Overnight Visitation to the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast for Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022) is down -11.7% compared to the same week in 2019
- The Cariboo Chilcotin Coast saw 22.4% less visitation when compared to British Columbia during Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)
- Visitation to the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast increased 16.5% and British Columbia increased 22.2% when comparing Week 25 (June 20 - June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)

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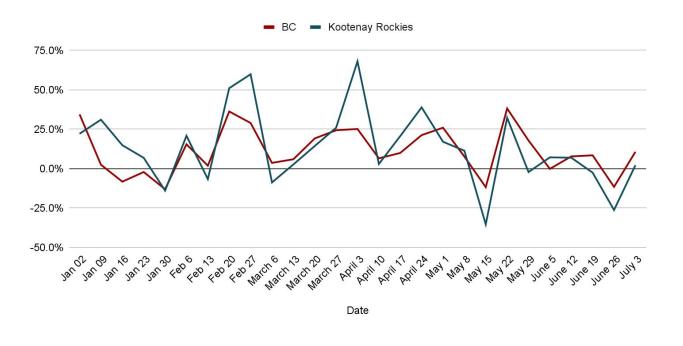
### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Cariboo Chilcotin Coast



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## Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation **Kootenay Rockies**



#### Long Weekends and Holidays:

- New Years Day
- Family Day
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day

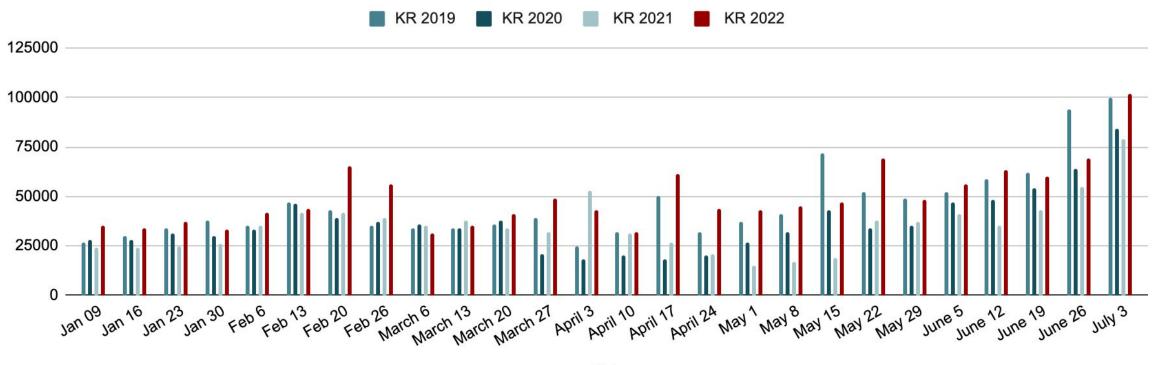
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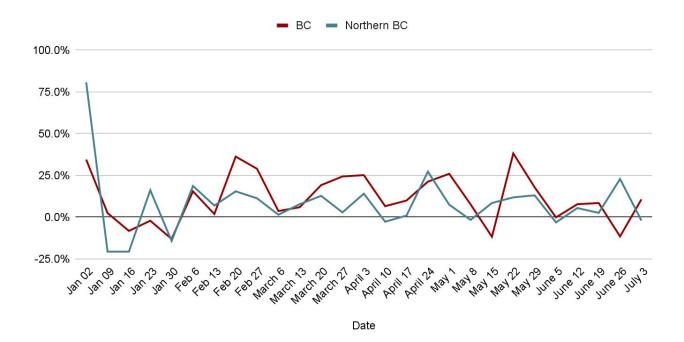
- Domestic Overnight Visitation to the Kootenay Rockies for Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022) is
   up 2.2% compared to the same week in 2019
- The Kootenay Rockies saw **8.5% less visitation** when compared to British Columbia during Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)
- Visitation to the Kootenay Rockies increased by 28.4% and British Columbia increased
   22.2% when comparing Week 25 (June 20 -June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)

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## Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Kootenay Rockies



## Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Northern BC



Long Weekends and Holidays:

- New Years Day
- Family Day
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day

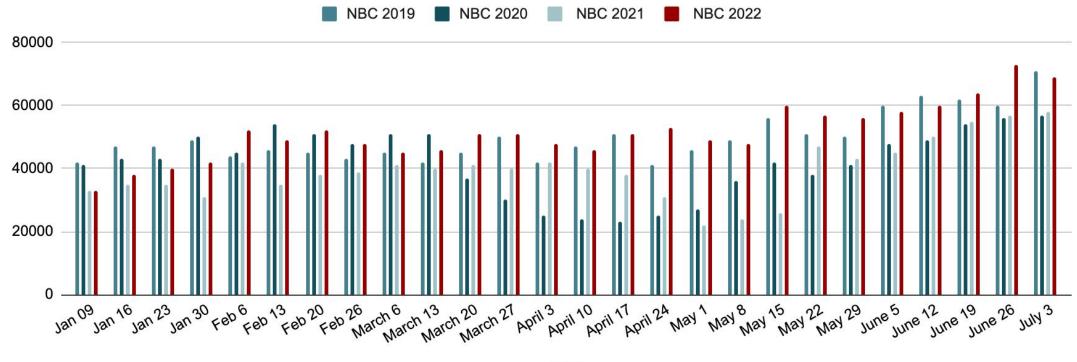
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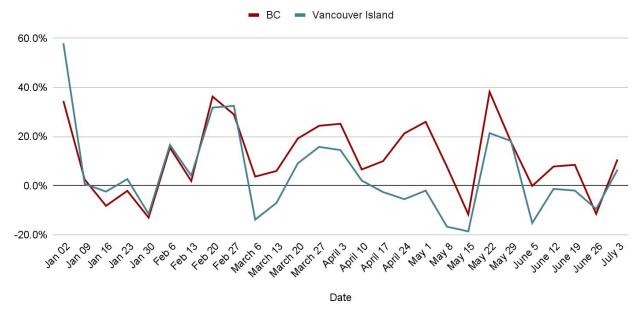
- Domestic Overnight Visitation to Northern BC for Week 26 (June 27 July 3, 2022) is down
  -2.0% compared to the same week in 2019
- Northern BC saw 12.7% less visitation when compared to British Columbia during Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)
- Visitation to Northern BC **decreased 24.9%** and British Columbia **increased 22.2%** when comparing Week 25 (June 20 - June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)

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## Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Vancouver Island



#### Long Weekends and Holidays:

- New Years Day
- Family Day
- Victoria Day
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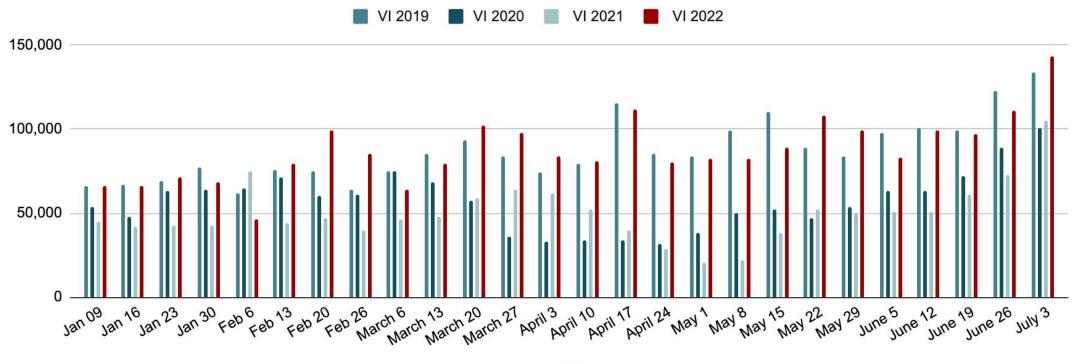
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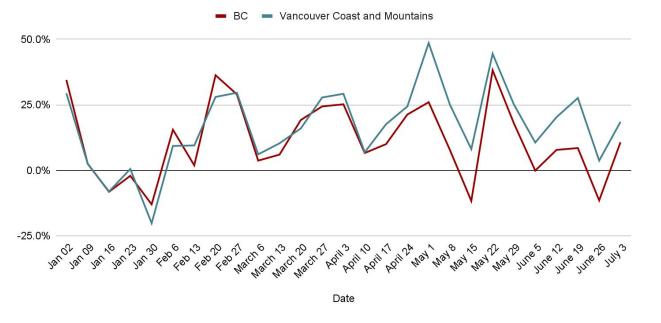
- Domestic Overnight Visitation to Vancouver Island for Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022) is up 6.5% compared to the same week in 2019
- Vancouver Island saw 4.2% less visitation when compared to British Columbia during Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)
- Visitation to Vancouver Island increased 16% and British Columbia increased 22.2% when comparing Week 25 (June 20 - June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)

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### Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Vancouver Island



# Domestic Overnight Visitors - Weekly Year Over Year (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022) Variation Vancouver Coast & Mountains



Long Weekends and Holidays:

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- Family Day
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day

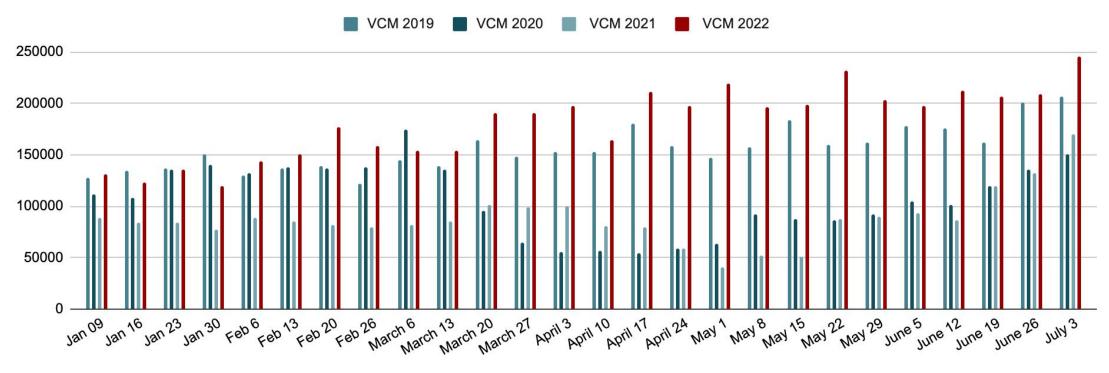
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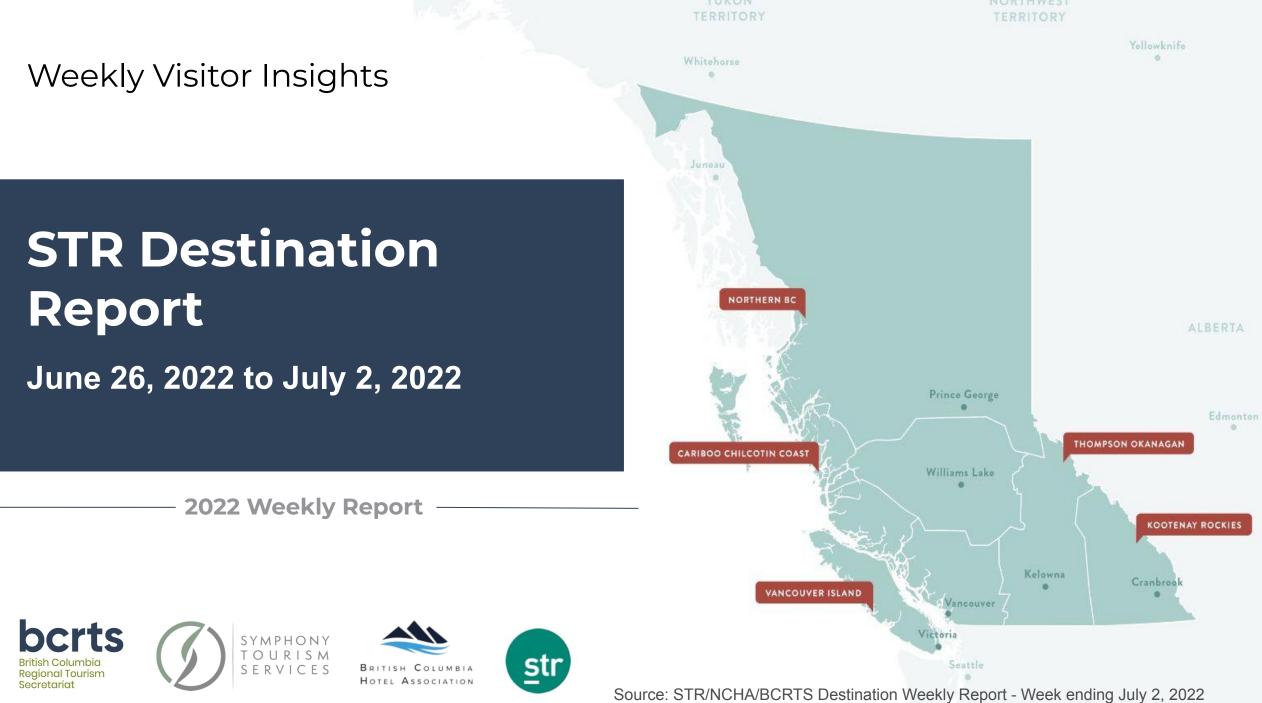
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- Domestic Overnight Visitation to Vancouver Coast & Mountains for Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022) is up 18.5% compared to the same week in 2019.
- Vancouver, Coast & Mountains saw 7.8% more visitation when compared to British Columbia Week 26 (June 27 July 3, 2022)
- Visitation to Vancouver, Coast & Mountains increased by 14.8% and British Columbia increased 22.2% when comparing Week 25 (June 20 - June 26, 2022) to Week 26 (June 27 - July 3, 2022)

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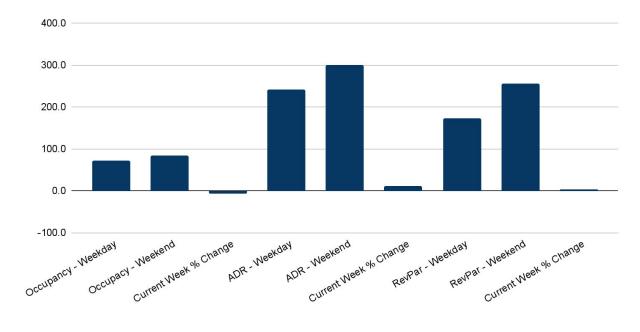
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### STR Summary BC & Regions June 26 - July 2, 2022

- British Columbia had a **71.8%** occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a **84.6%** occupancy during the weekend, down **-7.6%** compared to the same week in 2019.
- British Columbia had an ADR of \$241.06 from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of \$301.10 during the weekend, up 11.1% compared to the same week in 2019.
- British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of **\$254.86** during the weekend, up **2.7%** compared to the same week in 2019.

#### Regional STATS the Weekend of July 1-2, 2022:

- Cariboo Chilcotin Coast: OCC 76.4% ADR \$161.08 REVPAR \$123.01
- Kootenay Rockies: OCC **75.1%** ADR **\$208.72** REVPAR **\$156.84**
- Northern BC: OCC 60.0% ADR \$131.27 REVPAR \$78.82
- Thompson Okanagan: OCC 89.0% ADR \$263.03 REVPAR \$234.11
- Whistler: OCC 69.9% ADR \$401.58 REVPAR \$280.60
- Vancouver Island: OCC **86.5%** ADR **\$331.33** REVPAR **\$286.73**
- Vancouver: OCC **90.6%** ADR **\$340.13** REVPAR **\$308.00**



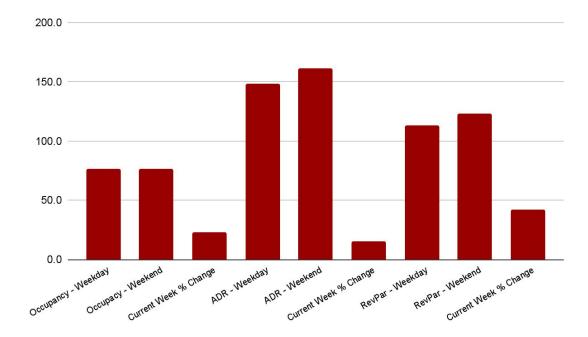
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### Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Summary June 26 - July 2, 2022

- The Cariboo Chilcotin Coast had a **76.6%** occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a **76.4%** occupancy during the weekend, giving the region the **fourth-highest** percent occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of **71.8%** and **84.6%**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is up 23.0% in the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- The Cariboo Chilcotin Coast had an ADR of **\$148.27** from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of **\$161.08** during the weekend, giving the region the **second-lowest** ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10,** respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up **15.5%** in the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast and up **11.1%** in British Columbia
- The Cariboo Chilcotin Coast had a RevPAR of **\$113.52** from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of **\$123.01** during the weekend, giving the region the **second-lowest** RevPAR in BC
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** and **\$254.86**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is up **42.1%** in the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast and up **2.7%** in British Columbia

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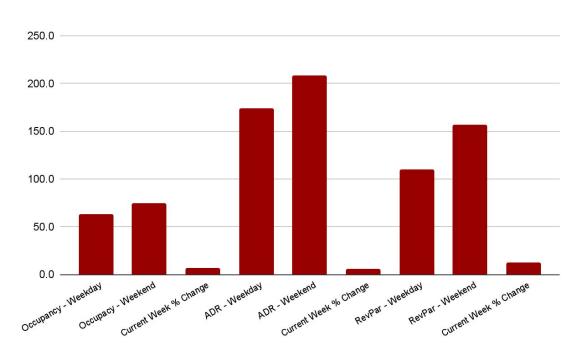




### Kootenay Rockies Summary June 26 - July 2, 2022

- The Kootenay Rockies had a 63.4% occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a 75.1% occupancy during the weekend, giving the region the third-lowest percent occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of **71.8%** and **84.6%**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is up 6.8% in the Kootenay Rockies and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- The Kootenay Rockies had an ADR of **\$174.16** from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of **\$208.72** during the weekend, giving the region the **third-lowest** ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10** respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up **5.4%** in the Kootenay Rockies and up **11.1%** in British Columbia
- The Kootenay Rockies had a RevPAR of **\$110.39** from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of **\$156.84** during the weekend, giving the region the **third-lowest** RevPAR in BC
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** and **\$254.86**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is up 12.5% in the Kootenay Rockies and up 2.7% in British Columbia









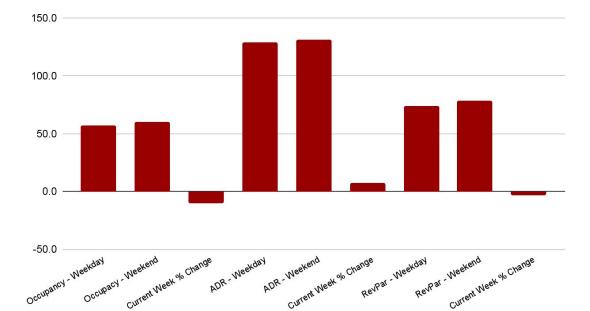
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### Northern BC Summary June 26 - July 2, 2022

- Northern BC had a **57.4%** occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a **60.0%** occupancy during the weekend, giving the region the **lowest** percent occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of **71.8%** and **84.6%**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is down -10.3%
    in Northern BC and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- Northern BC had an ADR of **\$129.36** from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of **\$131.27** during the weekend, giving the region the **lowest** ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10,** respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up 7.5% in Northern BC and up 11.1% in British Columbia
- Northern BC had a RevPAR of **\$74.31** from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of **\$78.82** during the weekend, giving the region the **lowest** RevPAR in BC
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** and **\$254.86**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is down -3.5% in Northern BC and up 2.7% in British Columbia







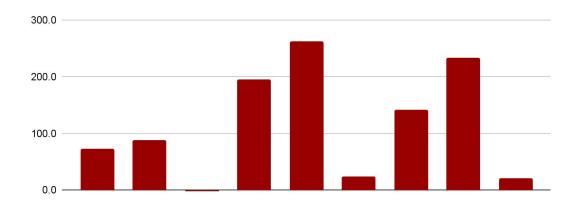




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### **Thompson Okanagan Summary** June 26 - July 2, 2022

- Thompson Okanagan had a 72.3% occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a 89.0% occupancy during the weekend, giving the region the second-highest percent occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of **71.8%** and **84.6%**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is down -2.2% in the Thompson Okanagan and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- Thompson Okanagan had an ADR of **\$195.48**from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of **\$263.03** during the weekend, giving the region the **fourth-highest** ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10,** respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up 24.0% in the Thompson Okanagan and up 11.1% in British Columbia
- Thompson Okanagan had a RevPAR of **\$141.26** from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of **\$234.11** during the weekend, giving the region the **fourth-highest** RevPAR in BC.
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** and **\$254.86**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is up 21.3% in Thompson Okanagan and up 2.7% in British Columbia





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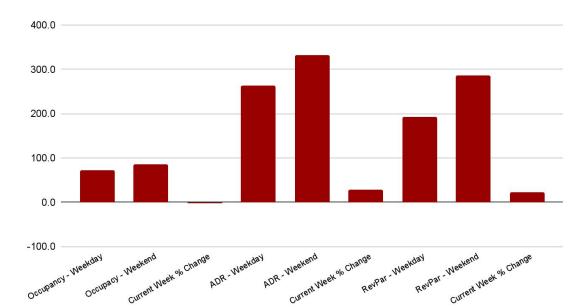


## Vancouver Island Summary

June 26 - July 2, 2022

- Vancouver Island had a 72.8% occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a 86.5% occupancy during the weekend, giving the region the third-highest percent occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of **71.8%** and **84.6%**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is down -3.3%
    in Vancouver Island and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- Vancouver Island had an ADR of **\$263.53** from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of **\$331.33** during the weekend, giving the region the **third-highest** ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10,** respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up **27.4%** on Vancouver Island and up **11.1%** in British Columbia
- Vancouver Island had a RevPAR of \$191.85 from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of \$286.73 during the weekend, giving the area the second-highest RevPAR in BC
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** and **\$254.86**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is up 23.2% on Vancouver Island up 2.7% in British Columbia

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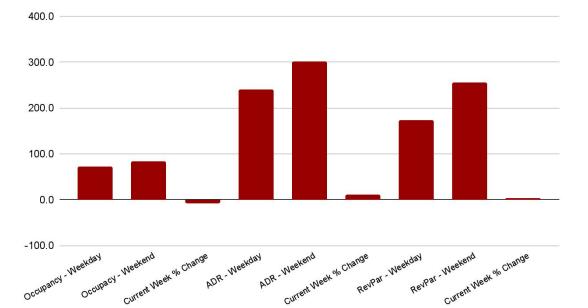
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### Vancouver Summary June 26 - July 2, 2022

- Vancouver had a 76.8% occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a 90.6% occupancy during the weekend, giving the area the **highest** occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of 71.8% and 84.6%, 0 respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is down -9.1% in Ο Vancouver and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- Vancouver had an ADR of **\$278.80** from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of **\$340.13** during the weekend, giving the area the **second-highest** ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10**, respectively 0
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up 9.5% in 0 Vancouver and up 11.1% in British Columbia
- Vancouver had a RevPAR of \$214.13 from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of \$308.00 during the weekend, giving the area the highest RevPAR in BC
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of \$173.10 and \$254.86, 0 respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is down -0.5% in 0 Vancouver and up 2.7% in British Columbia

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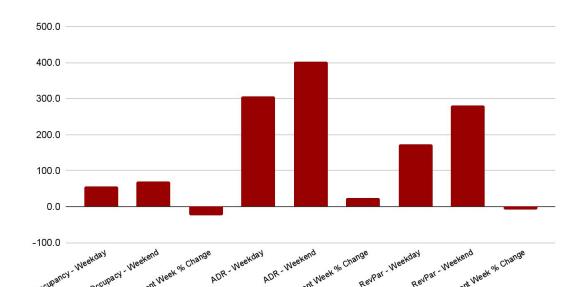






### Whistler Summary June 26 - July 2, 2022

- Whistler had a **56.7%** occupancy from Sunday-Thursday and a **69.9%** occupancy during the weekend, giving the area the **second-lowest** occupancy in BC
  - British Columbia had an occupancy of **71.8%** and **84.6%**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, occupancy is down -25.1% in Whistler and down -7.6% in British Columbia
- Whistler had an ADR of \$306.01 from Sunday-Thursday and an ADR of \$401.58 during the weekend, giving the area the highest ADR in BC
  - British Columbia had an ADR of **\$241.06** and **\$301.10,**, respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, ADR is up 23.6% in Whistler and up 11.1% in British Columbia
- Whistler had a RevPAR of \$173.47 from Sunday-Thursday and a RevPAR of \$280.60 during the weekend, giving the area the third-highest RevPAR in BC
  - British Columbia had a RevPAR of **\$173.10** and **\$254.86,** respectively
  - Compared to the week of June 24, 2019, RevPAR is down -7.4% in Whistler and up 2.7% in British Columbia











# Glossary

- Occupancy: Calculated by the number of occupied rooms divided by the number of available rooms that physically exist in a hotel
- Average Daily Rate (ADR): Represents the average rental income per paid occupied room in a given time period, however, ADR itself cannot be used to measure a hotel's performance
- Revenue per Available Room (RevPAR): Calculated by multiplying a hotel's ADR by its occupancy rate, an increase in RevPAR most likely indicates an improvement in occupancy rate and can be used to measure a hotel's performance





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