Nova Scotia Tourism Indicators March 2018



2018 Tourism Visitation	YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Visitor Entries ('000s)													
Road Visits by Entry Point*	220	68	69	83									
% Change from same period 2017	1	-4	10	-2									
Amherst/Tidnish	214	66	67	81									
% Change from same period 2017	1	-4	11	-1									
North Sydney	5	1	1	2									
% Change from same period 2017	3	-14	12	14									
Digby	1	1											
% Change from same period 2017	-73	-5	N/A	N/A									
Caribou % Change from same period 2017													
Yarmouth % Change from same period 2017													
Air Visits by Entry Point													
Halifax Stanfield International Airport	100	36	27	37									
% Change from same period 2017	2	1	8	0									
Total Visitors	320	104	95	120									
% Change from same period 2017	1	-2	10	-1									
Airport Activity ('000s)													
Enplanements	425	124	129	172									
% Change from same period 2017	3	3	6	2									
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VISITOR ENTRIES

The estimated number of visitors who came to Nova Scotia by road or air and stayed for at least one night (by entry point). Residents of Nova Scotia traveling within the province are not included in this calculation. Source: Tourism Nova Scotia

AIRPORT ACTIVITY

The number of people boarding aircraft at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport. Includes visitors to Nova Scotia, residents of Nova Scotia and travelers transferring to other flights. Source: Halifax International Airport Authority.

Totals may not add because of rounding

NS Accommodation Activity'	YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Fixed Roof Accommodations													
South Shore													
Occupancy Rate (%)	26	20	27	32									
% Point Change from same period 2017	1	1	-2	3									
Room Nights Sold ('000s) % Change from same period 2017	21 3	6 3	7 -9	9 14									
•	3	3	-9	14									
Halifax Metro		4.4	50	0.5									
Occupancy Rate (%) % Point Change from same period 2017	53 -3	44 -1	50 -6	65 -2									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	-3 269	76	-6 79	- <u>-</u> 2 113									
% Change from same period 2017	1	2	-4	3									
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Eastern Shore Occupancy Rate (%)	14	12	15	16									
% Point Change from same period 2017	-2	-2	-4	1									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	1												
% Change from same period 2017	-14	-28	-18	5									
Cape Breton													
Occupancy Rate (%)	32	26	32	38									
% Point Change from same period 2017	-1	-2	3	-2									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	45	13	14	18									
% Change from same period 2017	-2	-6	8	-5									
Northumberland Shore													
Occupancy Rate (%)	35	33	35	37									
% Point Change from same period 2017	0	3	1	-5									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	27	8	8	10									
% Change from same period 2017	-3	6	1	-12									
Bay of Fundy & Annapolis Valley													
Occupancy Rate (%)	32	26	33	38									
% Point Change from same period 2017 Room Nights Sold ('000s)	2 46	3 13	0 15	1 18									
% Change from same period 2017	6	16	13	4									
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Yarmouth & Acadian Shores Occupancy Rate (%)	31	24	34	35									
% Point Change from same period 2017	1	1	-2	3									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	10	3	4	4									
% Change from same period 2017	4	5	0	6									
Province													
Occupancy Rate (%)	42	35	41	51									
% Point Change from same period 2017	-1	0	-2	-1									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	418	119	126	173									
% Change from same period 2017	1	2	-2	2									
Province outside of Halifax													
Occupancy Rate (%)	31	26	32	36									
% Point Change from same period 2017	0	1	0	0									
Room Nights Sold ('000s)	149	42	47	60									
% Change from same period 2017	1	4	1	0									

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¹Data reported when accommodation reporting rate is 85% - subject to change as reporting rate increases.

Fixed Roof Accommodations (cont.) Average Room Rate ⁴	YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Average Room Rate (\$) % Change from same period 2017	126 4	122 3	124 5	131 5									
Sharing Economy													
Room Nights Sold ('000s) % Change from same period 2017	45 130	13 109	13 104	19 172									

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ACCOMMODATION ACTIVITY

Accommodation Activity is available provincially, or broken-down by the seven tourism areas. Source: Tourism Nova Scotia

Room-Nights Sold: Estimated number of units sold each month; calculated based on reports submitted by all licensed fixed-roof accommodations (i.e. hotels, B&Bs, etc.) in Nova Scotia. A unit is normally one room. However, a cottage or suite containing two bedrooms or more is considered one rentable unit. At least 85% of licensed units available in each region must report before releasing the estimated room-nights sold. Estimates use the occupancy rate of the reporting properties to project room-nights sold for all available units.

Occupancy Rate: The percentage of estimated units that are occupied (sold) out of those available in the province. This rate is based on reports submitted by all licensed fixed-roof accommodations (i.e. hotels, B&Bs, etc.) in Nova Scotia.

Data includes Nova Scotians and people staying for nontourism purposes

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AVERAGE ROOM RATE

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Source: CBRE Hotels Trends in the Hotel Industry National Market Report

SHARING ECONOMY

An estimate of room nights sold through a sharing economy platform.

Source: AirDNA

⁴ Source data is revised the following year by the provider

Visitor Activities Gallery Attendance ('000s) Art Gallery of NS % Change from same period 2017	YTD 5 38	Jan 1 58	Feb 2 25	Mar 2 38	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Mary E. Black Gallery (NS Centre for Craft & Design) % Change from same period 2017	1 60	 157	 72	 7									
Provincial Museum Attendance ('000s) Nova Scotia Museum % Change from same period 2017	93 80	22 109	30 100	41 56									
National Park/Historic Site Attendance ('000s)*													
Halifax Citadel % Change from same period 2017	3 -9	1 -51	1 1	2 31									
Information Enquiries ('000s) NS Information Centre Visitors Counselled % Change from same period 2017	9 -11	3 -15	3 -9	4 -10									
Literature Requests % Change from same period 2017	14 -11	4 -7	4 -3	5 -19									
Website Activity (NovaScotia.com) ('000s) Visits % Change from same period 2017	732 10	187 -4	189 1	355 26									

Totals may not add because of rounding. Definitions on following page.

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GALLERY ATTENDANCE

Art Gallery of Nova Scotia: the number of paid admissions to the gallery each month. This does not include complimentary admissions, self-directed or other tours and openings or other special events.

Mary E. Black Gallery: the number of people admitted to the gallery each month. Part of the NS Centre for Craft and Design.

Source: AGNS & NSCCD

PROVINCIAL MUSEUM ATTENDANCE

Monthly attendance is reported for the Nova Scotia museum family of sites located throughout the province. Attendance numbers account for all visitors, including those attending for special functions, such as meetings and private events. Please note that some museum sites operate on a seasonal basis.

Source: NS Communities, Culture & Heritage

NATIONAL PARK & HISTORIC SITE ATTENDANCE

Halifax Citadel National Historic Site: reports on monthly attendance. Attendance numbers account for all visitors, including those attending special functions, such as meetings and private events.

Fortress Louisbourg and Alexander Graham Bell Historic Sites: Visits reported include paid admissions.

Source: Parks Canada

* NOTE: To celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary Parks Canada is offering free admission to all Parks Canada locations; therefore, 2017 admission numbers reflect all admissions as opposed to paid admission as reported in previous years.

INFORMATION ENQUIRIES

Nova Scotia Information Centre Visitors Counselled

Total number of visitors counselled at the NS Visitor Information Centres. Most centres are operated seasonally. VICs do not necessarily open on the same date every year.

Source: Tourism Nova Scotia

Local Information Centre Visitors Counselled

Total number of visitors counselled at local Visitor Information Centres. Most centres are operated seasonally and do not always open on the same date every year. Source: Regional Tourism Industry Associations

Reservations and Enquiries

Total number of reservations and enquiries made through Tourism Nova Scotia's reservation system.

Source: Tourism Nova Scotia

WEBSITE ACTIVITY

Visits are the number of user sessions to the NovaScotia.com website. Source: Tourism Nova Scotia