

Asylum Statistics, Trends and Data

Canada's asylum system exists to protect people who are fleeing persecution or a risk to their life or safety in their home country. In recent years, Canada has seen a steady rise in the number of people who have submitted asylum claims. This increase is driven by multiple factors, including

- global instability
- armed conflict
- the growing number of people displaced worldwide

Our obligation

Under the [Immigration and Refugee Protection Act](#), Canada has an obligation to assess the eligibility of asylum claims made by individuals who arrive in the country seeking refugee protection (asylum).

1. An Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) official or a Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) officer first assesses each claim for eligibility to be referred to the [Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada \(IRB\)](#).
2. All eligible claims are then determined by the IRB based on the evidence and arguments presented, and in line with Canadian laws. [Asylum claimants](#) must prove that they have a well-founded fear of persecution or face a risk of serious harm—such as torture, cruel and unusual treatment, or punishment—in the country where they are a citizen or where they have nationality. If they are stateless, this applies to the country where they usually live.
3. Those whose claims are accepted become protected persons and may apply for permanent residence under the protected persons in Canada category. Those whose claims are denied may be subject to removal from Canada.

[Learn more about how Canada's refugee protection system works.](#)

Strengthening the integrity of Canada's asylum system

We've introduced [important reforms](#) to strengthen migration integrity and modernize the asylum system. These measures are designed to make the asylum process faster so that claims are processed more effectively while Canada's commitment to protecting those in need continues to be upheld.

Measures to address the overall number of [temporary residents in Canada](#) and to improve the integrity of our temporary programs have also supported the integrity of the asylum system by helping reduce the number of claims entering the system.

What we've done

We've taken concrete steps to minimize unnecessary border volumes, increase information sharing, and reduce non-genuine visitors and crossings between ports of entry.

Implemented a [partial visa requirement for Mexican nationals](#)

Asylum claims made by Mexican citizens at airports across the country immediately fell by 97% between February 2024 and March 2024.

Introduced the [Additional Protocol to the Safe Third Country Agreement](#)

The number of asylum claims from people crossing between ports of entry has since dropped from an average of 165 claims a day in March 2023 to **13 claims a day**.

Heightened scrutiny of [temporary resident visa applications](#)

We saw an 80% drop in asylum claims from temporary resident visa (TRV) holders in February 2026 (1,810) compared to February 2024 (8,975). This was the lowest number of claims by TRV holders since April 2023.

59% fewer people submitted an asylum claim between January and February 2026 compared to the same period in 2024

Total Number of Claimants by Month of Submitted Claim

The summary below provides an overview of asylum claimants by month. Detailed breakdowns and historical data are available on the [Open Government Portal](#). The data is updated monthly. It is considered preliminary and may be subject to change.

About the data

Key definitions

- Asylum claimant data records the number of people who make a request for Canada's protection and can help explain who is seeking protection—their background, where they come from and other demographics.
- Asylum claim data records the number of requests for protection and can help track system workload, processing times and trends.

These numbers don't always match because one person can make more than one claim or claims can be withdrawn, abandoned or merged. Both claim and claimant data are also

subject to change, as claims are processed and data updated in the IRCC administrative system.

Other considerations

- The number of people who submit asylum claims changes from month to month for a variety of reasons, so it's difficult to predict future trends. We often see an increase in land border claims in late spring and early summer when the school year ends and travel increases.
- This data may include people whose asylum claim has since been sent to the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB) or was determined to be ineligible to be sent to the IRB, people who have become protected persons (as defined by the IRB) or whose claim was rejected, or people who have since become a permanent resident in the year in which their claim was made.
- Please note that in the tables, all values between 0 and 5 are shown as "--". In the graphs, all values between 0 and 5 will be visualized as zero. This is done to prevent individuals from being identified when data is compiled and compared to other publicly available statistics. All other values are rounded to the closest multiple of 5 for the same reason; as a result of rounding, the data may not sum to the totals indicated.

Total claimants

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

This graph shows the monthly number of people who submitted an asylum claim to either IRCC or the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), both from within Canada and at the border since February 2023.

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claimant	Total claimants
Mar-23	0	0	--	--	6,245	3,045	40	5	245	500	0	0	0	0	10,085
Apr-23	--	0	5	--	2,965	3,260	20	--	235	355	0	0	0	0	6,850
May-23	5	--	10	15	3,605	4,340	25	10	270	505	0	0	--	--	8,785
Jun-23	5	--	15	10	4,445	4,950	45	15	420	595	0	0	0	0	10,505

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and nt Labr h ador	Pr in ce Ed w ar d Isl an d ia	N o v a S c ns ot ia	Ne w Bru ns wic k	Q ue be c	O nt ari o	Ma nit ob a	Sask atch ewa n	Al b er ta	Bri tis h Co lu mb ia	Y u k o n	No rth we st Ter rito rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
Ju l- 2 3	--	--	2 5	5	4, 89 5	5, 51 0	70	5	49 5	55 5	0	0	0	0	11, 56 5
A u g- 2 3	--	0	1 5	15	4, 90 5	6, 00 0	55	20	69 5	71 0	0	0	--	0	12, 41 0
S e p- 2 3	--	0	1 5	20	6, 45 0	6, 81 5	65	20	75 5	75 5	--	--	--	--	14, 90 0
O ct - 2 3	10	--	2 0	25	6, 66 5	7, 74 0	13 0	30	88 0	81 5	--	0	0	--	16, 31 5

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claimant	Total claimants
Month 1-3	10	--	20	25	5,785	8,135	145	25	885	885	0	0	0	--	15,905
Month 4-6	5	--	10	15	5,870	7,695	120	30	755	985	0	0	0	--	15,495
Month 7-9	--	5	15	15	5,205	7,505	150	55	770	965	0	--	0	--	14,695
Month 10-12	5	--	20	25	6,460	7,790	135	30	635	845	0	0	0	0	15,950

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and Labrador	Pr in ce Edw ar Islan d	N o v a Sc ot ia	Ne w Brun swic k	Que bec	Ont ario	Man itoba	Sask atch ewan	Al berta	Br it ish Colum bia	Yuk on	No rth west T errito rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
Mar-24	--	--	25	30	5,575	7,975	145	55	800	865	0	0	0	0	15,475
Apr-24	--	--	25	10	5,375	8,195	115	30	705	820	--	0	0	0	15,290
May-24	5	--	25	20	5,330	8,660	155	35	830	860	0	--	0	0	15,925
Jun-24	10	--	25	15	4,935	7,485	170	50	720	810	0	0	--	0	14,220

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and nt h	Pr in ce Ed w ar Isl an d	N o v a Sc ot ia	Ne w Brun wic k	Que bec	Ont ario	Man itoba	Sask atch ewan	Al berta	Br it ish Col umb ia	Y uk on	No rth west T er rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
Jul-24	10	0	45	30	4,655	7,770	180	55	830	805	0	0	0	--	14,385
Aug-24	10	5	25	5	3,690	7,140	190	45	830	905	0	0	--	0	12,865
Sept-24	--	--	35	55	4,315	7,095	210	65	915	970	--	--	--	--	13,670
Oct-24	10	10	25	35	3,870	7,610	200	50	945	1,105	--	--	--	0	13,860

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

		New foun dland d and Labr ador	Pr in ce Ed w ar Isl an d ia	N o v a S c ot ia	Ne w Bru ns wic k	Q ue be c	O nt ari o	Ma nit ob a	Sask atch ewa n	Al b er ta	Br tis h Co lu mb ia	Y uk o n	No rth we st Ter rito rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
Nov-24	--	--	30	40	3,660	6,420	195	55	865	1,160	--	0	0	0	12,440
Dec-24	5	--	20	30	4,175	6,445	215	60	835	1,290	5	0	0	0	13,085
Jan-25	5	--	25	25	3,040	5,200	180	50	685	1,080	--	0	0	0	10,295
Feb-25	--	10	35	35	2,870	4,345	145	50	545	915	0	0	--	0	8,950

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claimant	Total claimants
March - 2015	10	--	35	25	3,215	4,385	95	30	480	920	--	--	0	0	9,205
April - 2015	10	--	25	30	4,500	4,345	105	50	565	865	--	0	0	0	10,495
May - 2015	15	--	25	25	2,380	4,140	105	55	535	855	0	0	0	--	8,135
June - 2015	10	5	35	30	3,400	4,615	145	50	635	1,065	--	--	0	--	9,985

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and Labrador	Pr in ce Edw ar Islan d	N o v a Sc ot ia	Ne w Brun swic k	Que bec	Ont ario	Man itoba	Sask atch ewan	Al berta	Br it ish Colum bia	Yuk on	No rth west Tero rie	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ants
June 25	--	--	45	25	5,685	4,685	160	70	695	970	0	--	0	--	12,345
Aug- 25	15	10	30	60	3,600	4,215	140	65	640	835	--	--	0	0	9,610
Sept- 25	10	5	35	45	2,845	4,765	125	65	715	1,050	--	0	0	0	9,670
Oct- 25	15	5	50	35	2,495	4,445	185	75	700	1,075	0	--	0	0	9,080

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and Labrador	Province Edwards Isl ar d	Northwest Terr itor ies	Yukon	British Columbia	Alberta	Saskatchewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic Provinces	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Total cla im ant s
Nov-25	5	--	45	35	2,160	3,775	125	55	575	885	0	--	0	7,665
Dec-25	15	--	35	25	2,305	3,610	190	30	610	850	--	0	0	7,670
Jan-26	10	--	35	30	1,955	3,035	905	45	495	770	--	--	0	6,470
Feb-26	10	10	35	30	1,540	2,925	120	50	460	765	--	0	--	5,940

Asylum claimants by province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claimant	Total claimants
March - 2016	10	15	40	20	1,565	3,195	135	45	475	895	0	0	0	0	6,385

Asylum Claimants at Official Ports of Entry

When someone submits an asylum claim at an official port of entry, a CBSA officer will decide if their claim [meets the eligibility requirements to be sent to the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada](#).

The Safe Third Country Agreement (STCA)

The [Safe Third Country Agreement \(STCA\)](#) between Canada and the United States (US) is an important tool for both governments to work together on the orderly management of asylum claims along our shared land border. All individuals crossing the Canada-US land border to seek asylum in Canada are subject to the STCA and are returned to the US to pursue an asylum claim there unless they qualify for an exception or exemption to the STCA.

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

This graph shows the number of people who submitted an asylum claim at different ports of entry since March 2023.

The data does not show how many asylum claimants are currently living in a province or territory, only where claims were originally submitted.

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra itori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
M ar - 20 23	0	0	--	--	5,3 45	1, 11 0	25	--	--	95	140	0	0	0	6,7 15
A pr - 20 23	0	0	--	--	2,1 10	1, 60 0	10	--	--	75	95	0	0	0	3,8 90
M ay -	--	0	--	--	2,3 75	1, 84 5	--	--	--	65	130	0	0	0	4,4 20

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra tori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
20 23															
Ju n- 20 23	0	0	5	--	3,2 25	2, 13 0	--	--		60	130	0	0	0	5,5 60
Ju l- 20 23	0	0	--	0	3,1 95	2, 07 5	10	0		65	85	0	0	0	5,4 30
A ug - 20 23	0	0	--	10	2,9 55	1, 46 0	--	--		75	135	0	0	0	4,6 40
Se p-	0	0	--	--	4,4 30	2, 54 0	--	0		15 0	145	0	0	0	7,2 75

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra itori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
20 23															
O ct - 20 23	0	0	--	--	4,2 05	2, 59 0	10	--	--	15 0	165	0	0	0	7,1 25
N ov - 20 23	0	0	--	5	3,4 85	2, 49 0	--	--	--	85	205	0	0	0	6,2 80
D ec - 20 23	0	0	--	--	3,5 45	2, 47 0	10	--	--	11 5	270	0	0	0	6,4 15

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra itori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
Ja n- 20 24	0	0	--	0	2,8 00	2, 04 5	20	--	65	225	0	0	0	0	5,1 55
Fe b- 20 24	0	0	--	--	4,1 00	2, 42 5	--	0	65	250	0	0	0	0	6,8 45
M ar - 20 24	0	0	--	0	3,3 45	2, 34 5	10	--	11 5	160	0	0	0	0	5,9 75
A pr - 20 24	0	0	5	--	3,2 95	2, 67 0	--	--	90	140	0	0	0	0	6,2 10

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra tori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
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M ay - 20 24	0	0	--	--	3,1 30	2, 78 0	10	0		11 5	120	0	0	0	6,1 65
Ju n- 20 24	--	0	5	--	3,0 35	2, 43 0	10	0		55	120	0	0	0	5,6 65
Ju l- 20 24	0	0	--	--	2,5 85	1, 99 5	--	5		90	130	0	0	0	4,8 20
A ug - 20 24	5	0	5	--	1,6 00	1, 36 5	15	--		55	120	0	0	0	3,1 65

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Total claimants
September - 2024	0	0	--	10	2,155	1,515	10	10	60	110	0	0	0	3,880
October - 2024	0	0	0	--	1,560	1,565	15	--	65	95	0	0	0	3,295
November - 2024	0	0	0	--	1,645	1,185	15	--	65	105	0	0	0	3,020
December - 2024	0	0	5	5	2,185	1,445	20	--	60	125	0	0	0	3,850

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra tori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
Ja n- 20 25	0	0	--	--	1,2 95	87 5	15	5	35	120	--	0	0	0	2,3 50
Fe b- 20 25	0	0	--	5	1,2 85	74 5	20	0	45	85	0	0	0	0	2,1 85
M ar - 20 25	0	0	--	5	1,9 00	80 0	10	0	40	105	--	0	0	0	2,8 65
A pr - 20 25	0	0	0	15	3,3 30	92 5	10	--	65	105	0	0	0	0	4,4 50

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra tori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
M on th															
M ay - 20 25	0	0	--	--	1,1 00	73 0	10	5		40	50	0	0	0	1,9 35
Ju n- 20 25	0	0	5	--	2,0 75	83 0	10	--		45	65	--	0	0	3,0 40
Ju l- 20 25	--	0	5	--	4,0 05	1, 05 0	25	15		35	80	0	0	0	5,2 20
A ug - 20 25	--	0	--	10	2,0 45	76 5	10	20		50	95	0	0	0	3,0 00

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra tori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
Se p- 20 25	0	0	5	--	1,2 45	79 5	10	--	50	105	0	0	0	0	2,2 15
O ct - 20 25	--	0	--	--	1,0 35	65 5	10	0	30	60	0	0	0	0	1,7 95
N ov - 20 25	0	0	--	--	91 0	57 5	10	--	35	75	0	0	0	0	1,6 10
D ec - 20 25	0	0	--	0	1,1 35	71 0	20	--	70	65	0	0	0	0	2,0 05

Asylum claimants at official ports of entry by province and territory of submitted claim

		Newf oundl and Labra dor	Pri nc e Ed wa rd Isl an d	N ov a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru nsw ick	Qu eb ec	On tar io	Ma nit oba	Sask atche wan	Al be rta	Brit ish Col um bia	Yu ko n	Nor thw est Terra tori es	Nu na vut	Tot al clai ma nts
Ja n- 20 26	0	0	5	10	98 5	44 0	10	5	25	60	0	0	0	0	1,5 40
Fe b- 20 26	0	0	0	0	62 0	46 5	15	0	25	35	0	0	0	0	1,1 55
M ar - 20 26	0	0	--	--	60 5	47 0	35	0	35	55	0	0	0	0	1,2 05

Where people submit claims

This table shows the number of claimants at each type of port of entry.

Period	Airports	Border	Marine	Total (airport, border, and marine)
January to March 2024	13,400	4,575	5	17,980
January to March 2025	3,340	4,060	--	7,400
January to March 2026	1,610	2,290	--	3,900

Claimants inside Canada

Asylum claimants in Canada

When someone submits an asylum claim from inside Canada (online or at an inland office), an IRCC official or a CBSA officer will decide if their claim [meets the eligibility requirements to be sent to the IRB](#).

By province and territory of submitted claim

People can submit claims for asylum from within any province or territory. This graph shows the number of people who submitted claims since March 2023.

The data doesn't show how many asylum claimants are currently living in a province or territory, only where their claims were originally submitted.

By province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claim not stated	Total claimants
March - 2020	0	0	--	--	895	1,940	15	5	150	360	0	0	0	0	3,370
April - 2020	--	0	5	--	855	1,660	10	--	160	260	0	0	0	0	2,960
May - 2020	5	--	5	15	1,230	2,495	25	10	205	375	0	0	--	--	4,365

By province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and Labr ador	Pr in ce Ed w ar Isl an d ia	N o v a S c ot wic k	Ne w Bru ns wic k	Q ue be c	O nt ari o	Ma nit ob a	Sask atch ewa n	Al b er ta	Bri tis h Co lu mb ia	Y u k o n s	No rth we st Ter rito rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
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Ju n- 2 0 2 3	5	--	1 0	5	1, 22 0	2, 82 0	45	10	36 0	46 0	0	0	0	0	4,9 45
Ju l- 2 0 2 3	--	--	2 5	5	1, 70 5	3, 43 5	60	5	43 0	47 0	0	0	0	0	6,1 35
A u g- 2 0	--	0	1 0	--	1, 95 0	4, 54 0	50	15	62 0	57 5	0	0	--	0	7,7 65

By province and territory of submitted claim

		New found dland d and Labr ador	Pr in ce Ed w ar Isl an d ia	N o v a S c ot ia	Ne w Bru ns wic k	Q ue be c	O nt ari o	Ma nit ob a	Sask atch ewa n	Al b er ta	Bri tis h Co lu mb ia	Y u k o n s	No rth we st Ter rito rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
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3															
S e p- 2 0 2 3	--	0	1 5	15	2, 01 5	4, 27 5	65	20	60 5	60 5	--	--	--	--	7,6 25
O ct - 2 0 2 3	10	--	1 5	20	2, 46 0	5, 15 5	12 0	25	73 0	65 0	--	0	0	--	9,1 90
N o v- 2	10	--	2 0	15	2, 30 0	5, 64 5	14 0	20	79 5	68 0	0	0	0	--	9,6 30

By province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claim not stated	Total claimants
023															
Dec-2023	5	--	10	15	2,330	5,225	110	25	645	715	0	0	0	--	9,080
Jan-2024	--	5	15	15	2,400	5,460	130	55	705	740	0	--	0	--	9,540
Feb-2	5	--	15	20	2,360	5,365	135	30	570	595	0	0	0	0	9,105

By province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claim not stated	Total claimants
March 2024	--	--	25	30	2,230	5,635	135	50	685	705	0	0	0	0	9,500
April 2024	--	--	20	10	2,080	5,525	115	30	615	680	--	0	0	0	9,080

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	New foun dland and Labr ador	Pr in ce Ed w ar Isl an d	N o v a S c ot ia	Ne w Bru ns wic k	Q ue be c	O nt ari o	Ma nit ob a	Sask atch ewa n	Al b er ta	Bri tis h Co lu mb ia	Y u k o n	No rth we st rito rie s	Nu na vu t	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
May-2024	5	--	20	15	2,195	5,880	145	35	720	740	0	--	0	0	9,760
June-2024	5	--	15	10	1,900	5,055	155	50	665	685	0	0	--	0	8,555
July-2024	10	0	45	30	2,070	5,775	175	45	745	670	0	0	0	--	9,570

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		New found dland d	Pr in ce Ed w ar Isl an d	N o v a Sc ot ia	Ne w Bru wic k	Q ue be c	O nt ari o	Ma nit ob a	Sask atch ewa n	Al b er ta	Bri tis h Co lu mb ia	Y uk on	No rth we st Ter rito rie s	Provi nce/T errito ry of claim not state d	Tot al cla im ant s
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By province and territory of submitted claim

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claim not stated	Total claimants
2020-2024	--	--	30	40	2,015	5,235	180	55	800	1,055	--	0	0	0	9,420
Dec-2024	5	--	15	25	1,990	5,000	195	55	775	1,165	5	0	0	0	9,235
Jan-2020	5	--	20	25	1,750	4,325	170	40	650	960	0	0	0	0	7,945

By province and territory of submitted claim

		New found land and Labor admiral	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claim not state- d	Total claimants
2020-2025																
Federal-2025	--	10	35	30	1,585	3,600	125	50	50	830	0	0	--	0		6,765
Mar-2025	10	--	35	20	1,315	3,585	855	30	440	815	0	--	0	0		6,340
April-2025	10	--	25	15	1,170	3,420	900	50	500	760	--	0	0	0		6,045

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025															
May-2025	15	--	20	25	1,285	3,415	95	50	495	805	0	0	0	--	6,205
June-2025	10	5	25	30	1,325	3,780	135	45	585	1,000	0	--	0	--	6,950
July-20	--	--	40	20	1,685	3,635	135	50	660	895	0	--	0	--	7,120

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	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut	Province/Territory of claim not stated	Total claimants	
2025															
Aug-2025	15	10	25	50	1,550	3,450	130	45	590	740	--	--	0	0	6,610
Sept-2025	10	5	30	40	1,600	3,970	120	60	670	945	--	0	0	0	7,455
Oct-2025	15	5	45	35	1,460	3,790	180	75	670	1,015	0	--	0	0	7,285

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025															
Nov-20225	5	--	40	35	1,255	3,195	115	55	535	810	0	--	0	0	6,055
Dec-20225	15	--	30	25	1,170	2,900	165	30	545	780	--	0	0	0	5,665

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January 2022	10	--	25	20	970	2,595	80	35	475	710	--	--	0	0	4,930
February 2022	10	10	35	30	920	2,460	105	50	435	725	--	0	--	0	4,785
March 2022	10	15	40	20	960	2,725	100	45	440	840	0	0	0	0	5,185

Asylum Claimants Apprehended Between Ports of Entry

This graph shows the number of people apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) since March 2023 while crossing the border at locations other than official ports of entry and stating their intent to claim asylum. After they are apprehended, the RCMP brings them to a CBSA location for processing.

The data is updated monthly. It is considered preliminary and may be subject to change.

About the data

These numbers may be included in the total count of claimants shown in the “Claimants at a port of entry” or “Claimants inside Canada” graphs on this page, because claimants are counted based on the CBSA location to which the RCMP brings them for processing.

The numbers are unrounded.

Asylum claimants apprehended between ports of entry

Month	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Total - RCMP
Mar-2023	0	4,087	0	15	0	0	73	4,173
Apr-2023	0	69	0	9	0	0	26	104
May-2023	0	46	0	3	0	0	30	79
Jun-2023	0	30	2	1	0	0	27	60

Asylum claimants apprehended between ports of entry

Month	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Total - RCM P
Jul-2023	0	42	0	8	0	0	33	83
Aug-2023	1	53	0	3	0	0	40	97
Sep-2023	0	59	2	2	0	0	25	88
Oct-2023	0	36	0	7	3	0	29	75
Nov-2023	0	58	0	0	0	0	37	95
Dec-2023	0	90	0	5	0	0	131	226
Jan-2024	5	79	0	16	0	0	91	191
Feb-2024	0	75	0	8	1	0	94	178
Mar-2024	3	90	0	8	0	0	48	149

Asylum claimants apprehended between ports of entry

Month	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Total - RCM P
Apr-2024	2	55	0	1	0	0	27	85
May-2024	6	60	0	16	0	0	23	105
Jun-2024	1	28	0	3	0	0	35	67
Jul-2024	1	51	2	0	0	1	43	98
Aug-2024	0	40	0	13	0	1	25	79
Sep-2024	0	37	0	10	0	1	42	90
Oct-2024	0	26	0	15	0	0	21	62
Nov-2024	0	33	0	13	0	4	29	79
Dec-2024	0	74	2	11	0	0	32	119

Asylum claimants apprehended between ports of entry

Month	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Total - RCM P
Jan-2025	0	73	0	13	0	0	36	122
Feb-2025	0	99	3	14	0	11	40	167
Mar-2025	0	63	1	6	0	0	38	108
Apr-2025	8	94	2	2	1	0	33	140
May-2025	0	54	0	8	1	0	12	75
Jun-2025	0	58	0	6	2	0	22	88
Jul-2025	0	239	0	17	16	0	20	292
Aug-2025	0	239	0	4	16	0	32	291
Sep-2025	0	79	0	8	0	0	36	123

Asylum claimants apprehended between ports of entry

Month	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Total - RCM P
Oct-2025	0	100	0	0	0	2	13	115
Nov-2025	0	111	0	3	0	0	20	134
Dec-2025	0	93	0	19	0	6	10	128
Jan-2026	0	59	0	8	0	0	3	70
Feb-2026	0	45	0	13	0	0	4	62
Mar-2026	0	79	0	27	0	0	5	111

More statistics about asylum claimants

If a claim is determined eligible, it's sent to the IRB. The IRB is an independent administrative tribunal that assesses each case individually to determine if the claimant qualifies as a Convention refugee or a person in need of Canada's protection.

[Find out what happens to these asylum claims, including by country of origin.](#)