



## CANN Statistical Highlights



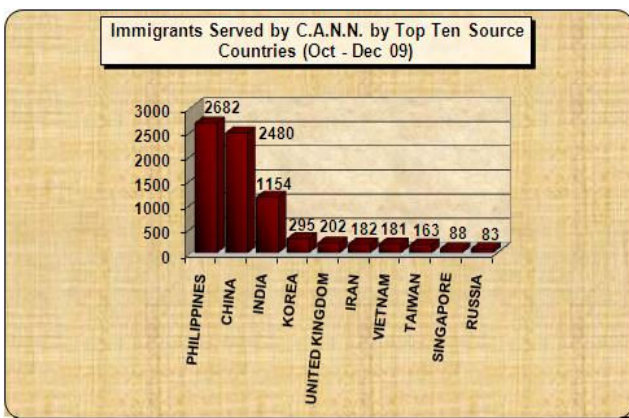
## Fourth Quarter 2009

### Total number of immigrants grows

During the fourth quarter of 2009, CANN received 8,668 new immigrants arriving at YVR. This number is a small increase (0.3%) compared to the same period in 2008.

### Philippines continue to lead as the top source country for new immigrants

In the previous quarter, immigrants from the Philippines were the leading source of newcomers received by CANN at YVR. This trend continued into the last quarter of 2009, where immigrants from the Philippines accounted for 31% of clients served by CANN. This is an increase of 5.5% compared to the same period last year. Rounding out the top three source countries, China accounted for 29% while India accounted for 13% of arrivals in the fourth quarter of 2009.

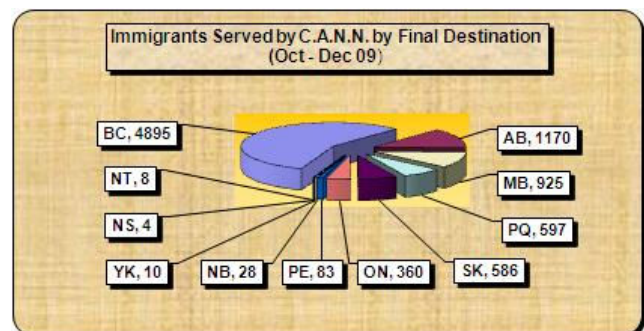


### Refugee arrivals drop due to anticipation for 2010 Winter Olympics

Total number of government-assisted and privately-sponsored refugees decreased significantly in the fourth quarter of 2009 when compared to the same period the year before. Only 140 refugees were received by CANN at YVR between October and December of 2009. The number for the same period in 2008 was 415 individuals. Travel plans for convention refugees have been specially adjusted due to anticipation of the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver.

### Prairie provinces increasingly popular as destinations for new immigrants

Of all new immigrants that received at YVR in the last quarter of 2009, 57% were destined to British Columbia – a 9% reduction from the same period in 2008. Immigrants destined to the prairie provinces (AB, SK, MB) made up 31% of total arrivals in the fourth quarter of 2009, which is a 26% increase compared to the same time last year.



C.A.N.N. provides orientation and information services to immigrants arriving at the Vancouver International Airport.

The statistical information provided in this release is based on data collected for new immigrants received by C.A.N.N.

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