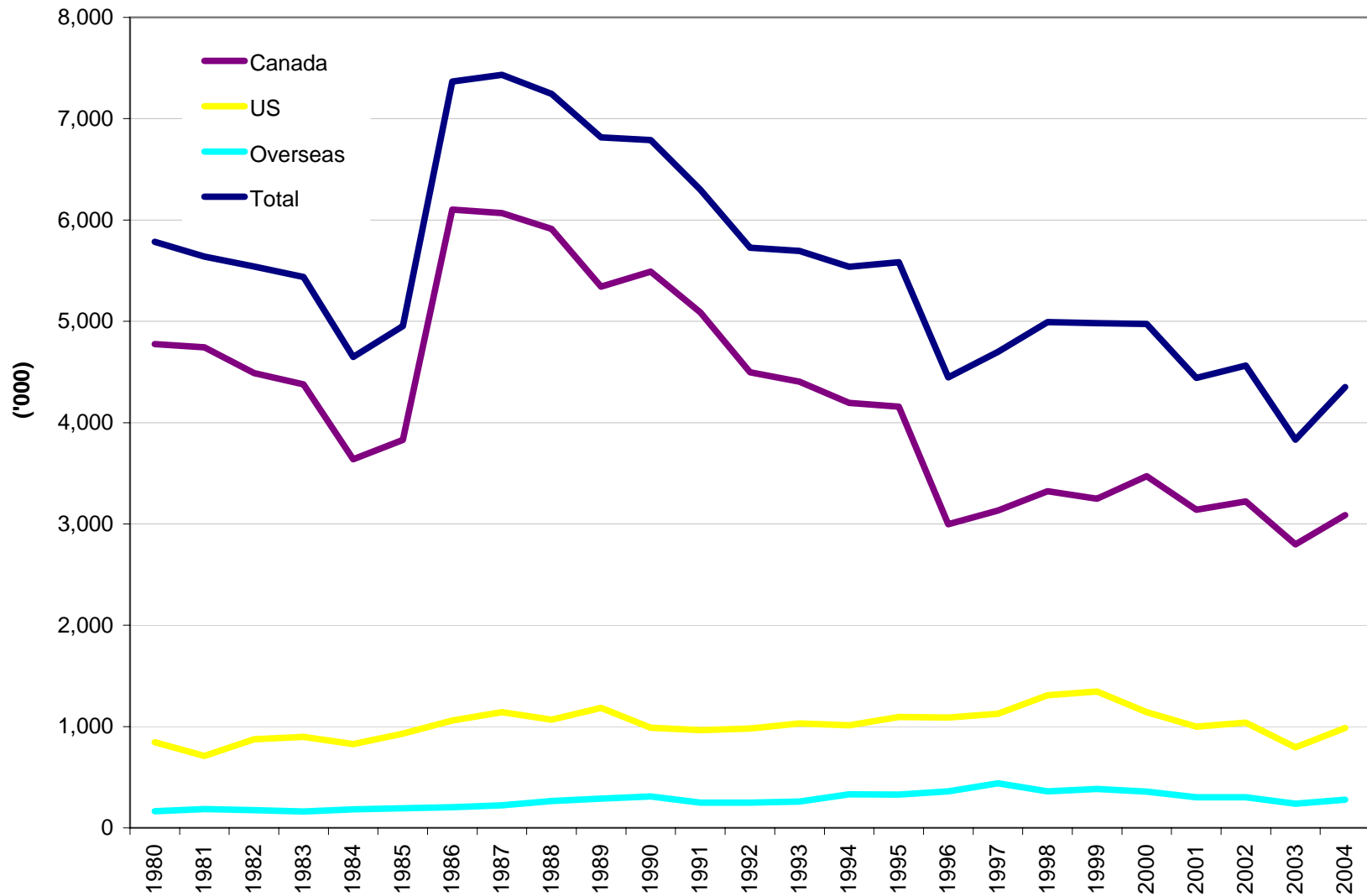


Number of Overnight Person Visits in Ontario for Business 1980-2004('000),by origin

	Canada	US	Overseas	Total
1980	4,776	846	164	5,786
1981	4,742	711	185	5,638
1982	4,490	875	176	5,541
1983	4,378	897	162	5,437
1984	3,638	827	182	4,647
1985	3,828	931	194	4,953
1986	6,104	1,060	203	7,367
1987	6,068	1,142	223	7,433
1988	5,912	1,067	266	7,245
1989	5,343	1,184	288	6,815
1990	5,491	989	310	6,790
1991	5,088	964	248	6,300
1992	4,497	980	249	5,726
1993	4,405	1,031	259	5,695
1994	4,196	1,012	330	5,538
1995	4,158	1,095	329	5,582
1996	2,997	1,090	360	4,447
1997	3,133	1,127	439	4,699
1998	3,324	1,308	360	4,992
1999	3,249	1,347	385	4,981
2000	3,471	1,143	359	4,973
2001	3,139	1,000	303	4,442
2002	3,222	1,039	302	4,563
2003	2,798	796	238	3,832
2004	3,087	986	278	4,351

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Travel Survey, International Travel Survey;
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Notes:

1. Person-visits

All persons visiting an area during their **trips** are registered as having made one person-visit.

Person-visits in Ontario refer to Canadian or international residents who have a visit in Ontario irrespective of the destination of the trip.

All the travel data released by the Ontario Ministry of Tourism adopt a different definition of "trip" than that used by Statistics Canada for domestic trips and for international trips to Ontario.

A **domestic trip** is defined by **Statistics Canada** as travel to a Canadian destination at least 80 km one-way from home for any reasons except: travel to and from work or school (i.e., commuting); one way travel involving a change of residence; travel of operating crew members of buses, airplanes, boats, etc; travel in an ambulance to a hospital or clinic; trips that did not originate in Canada; trips longer than a year. A same-day trip does not include a night away from home, while an overnight trip includes at least one night away from home.

In addition, Ontario imposes the restriction that the same day visitors from Ontario must have travelled at least 40 km one-way from home in order to reach their destination, while same day visitors from other parts of Canada must have travelled 80 kms or more one-way away from home. Ontario does not impose any restrictions on overnight travellers with respect to the minimum distance travelled to reach their destination.

An **international trip** is defined by **Statistics Canada** as travel for less than 12 months for any reason by anybody except: immigrants, former residents, military personnel, diplomats and dependants and crews, arriving or returning Canada who is cleared through Customs and Immigration point of entry.

In addition to the restrictions imposed in the above definition, the Ontario Ministry of Tourism also excludes commuters to work and to schools.

2. The methodology of the International Travel Survey has changed in 2000. Therefore, data prior to 2000 are not comparable to those after 2000.

3. Discrepancies are due to roundings.