

Helping Canadian Citizens

Over five million Canadians have passports and make more than 80 million trips outside Canada every year. When travelling abroad, help, information and advice is available from Canadian embassies and consulates in over 100 cities around the world. In fact, you can get help even before you leave: our *Bon Voyage, but...* program can help you to better prepare for trips abroad and to avoid mishaps or problems.

Canadian embassies, high commissions and consulates can be familiar territory in unfamiliar places. Our staff is trained and skilled to help in case of accidents or other emergencies, and to provide practical and expert advice if you run into difficulty. Every year, our consular services help over two million Canadians to sort out problems, to acquire practical and often vital information, and to obtain support when needed.

Assisting Canadian Business

Our ability to sell goods and services abroad, to attract job-creating investment, and to develop and acquire the best technology is key to sustaining one of the highest standards of living in the world. The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade works with Canadian business to do just that. Every year our trade commissioners help Canadian business to generate over \$5 billion worth of exports.