Public Holidays

Business visits should not coincide with public holiday periods since many Mexicans take advantage of statutory holidays for extended personal vacations. Important holiday periods are Christmas, New Year's Day, Easter, Labour Day (May 1), May 5, and September 16. Most Mexicans take summer holidays in August, although more and more are vacationing in July.

The following is a list of official Mexican holidays. The Canadian Embassy is closed on those marked with * and on Canadian holidays, which are included in the list in brackets.

New Year's Day *	January 1
Constitution Day	February 5
Birthday of Benito Juárez	March 21
Holy Thursday *	
Good Friday *	
Labour Day *	May 1
Anniversary of the Battle of Puebla	May 5
(Canada Day)	July 1
Independence Day *	September 16
Columbus Day	October 12
(Thanksgiving Day)	
All Saints' Day	November 1
All Souls' Day	November 2
Anniversary of the Revolution	November 20
Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe	December 12
Christmas Eve	December 24
Christmas Day *	December 25
Boxing Day *	December 26