

# LEGISLATIVE RETURN



**SUBMITTED BY:** Hon. Jen Gehmair, Minister of Tourism and Culture

1. On December 16, 2025, Debra-Leigh Reti, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin
  - asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) [page numbers] of *Hansard*
  - submitted the following written question – WQ No. #
  - gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. #

RE: Visitation numbers in Herschel Island - I am also wondering if there is any information on the tourism numbers for Herschel Island from this past season. If the minister could provide a breakdown of the visitation as well, if that is available, regarding cruise ship passengers, solo travellers, and researchers.

**OR**

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion with [MLA] on Dec 16, 2025 related to:
  - Bill No. 200  Second Reading  Third Reading
  - Committee of the Whole: Vote 54 Tourism and Culture
  - Motion No. # RE: Herschel Island visitation
  - at page(s) 158 of *Hansard*.

The response is as follows:

**Visitation Statistics for Herschel Island- Qikiqtaruk Territorial Park**

Boards/Councils	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Commercial	7									1	
Government		3							4	1	
Inuvialuit	40	57	205	43	88	17	12	65	137	44	24
Tourist	37	37	50	47	35	0	16	21	58	21	45
Unknown	47	63	57	20	54	0	3	13	33	31	31
Cruise ship											
Research	351	230	151		496			783	755	763	528
Total	27	20	19	17	25	0	0	26	18	23	22
	<b>509</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>650</b>

Dec 18, 2025  
Date

Signature