

More Canadians visiting New Hampshire

LACONIA, N.H. (AP) — New Hampshire businesses say Canadians are helping fill their cash registers this summer with welcome tourist dollars. They attribute the influx primarily to the Canadian and American dollars being worth about the same. Gary Smith, owner of the Grand View Motel at Hampton Beach, said his 24 rooms were booked solid this week that range from \$875 to \$995 per week and his parking lot is full of cars with Quebec license plates. Daniel Pepin and his wife, Nicole, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, said they have never fared better with the exchange rate than they have this year. Daniel Pepin said in past years, the best he could do before crossing the border was get \$600 U.S. for \$1,000 Canadian. This summer, he was able to get \$950 U.S. for the same \$1,000 Canadian.

