

Certificate photo for top score in each category of entry (by BC district, S/P/DX): Sea-to-Sky Gondola, Squamish, BC

# British Columbia QSO Party 2024



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## Behind the Scenes

By Rebecca VA7BEC, Contest Coordinator BCQP

### Bands were buzzing

BCQP 2024 was perhaps the best running ever. More BC operators involved. Sustained record-high number of districts activated. Official records broken. Personal bests bettered. Really good CONDX. Essentially, lots of factors fueling fun.

At VA7ODX, we were hopping. Steady pileups on both modes. The CW op and I prioritize CQing because we have to keep the on-air presence of the sponsor station high. Running will almost always produce a big log—and that happened—but we more or less have to rely on stations responding to our CQs to expand our multiplier count. Nevertheless, even from this perspective, we felt participation was up.

This sentiment was echoed by the majority of participants in-province and outside BC who posted to 3830 and in emails that accompanied logs.

The fact that CONDX was exponentially better than in past years certainly extended the range of access to BC stations calling “CQ BCQP” because stations near and far could hear us and be heard by us as well. The low-band rally and the list of announced operations probably also underpinned an increase in Qs.

At VA7ODX, we tried to be everywhere, moving from band to band on each mode to maximize CONDX and Q opportunities. I think this was a successful strategy applied by many participants. Certainly, BC operators calling CQ enjoyed a satisfying run rate, which in turn kept them in their chairs. This led to big, big logs—or at least bigger than many BC operators expected—while enabling outside-BC participants to be successful in their hunt for VE7/VA7s.

There was a deep pool of activated districts all over BC to draw from. Very welcome to participants outside BC as well as within the province. Perhaps that’s why more operators outside BC tried calling “CQ BCQP. Looking for BC stations.”

## Saturday



## Sunday



On PH, trading Qs with MN stations was smooth, and more MN stations dropped by on Sunday after MNQP was done to add to their BCQP logs. There were a few VT stations throughout the weekend as well.

### New strategies in 2024 successful

#### Rally schedule

This year, we organized a rally on 80m and 160m in the last hour of BCQP on Saturday (0300z-0359z). The cluster showed a nice collection of CQing BC stations, making S&P so much easier for all BCQP participants. Based on data in logs received, 471 Qs took place during the rally hour, with a fairly even split between CW and PH, but not all Qs were on 80m and 160m, perhaps because CW-only operators worked on non-rally bands when the schedule switched to PH, and vice-versa.

The purpose of the rally was to encourage BC stations to congregate on the low bands so that stations near and far could pick up Qs with stations that might be hard to hear on the high bands and collect some lovely multipliers.

Regardless of band or mode, there were mini-bursts of activity, and that's a good thing. The rally appears to have achieved its purpose, so we'll plan for it again in 2025.

#### Qs by mode during rally hour

	CW	PH
160m	80	24
80m	86	132
40m	49	88
20m	1	11
<b>Total</b>	216	255

#### Announced operations

In an effort to raise awareness of activity in BC and help operators near and far find BC stations—point antenna in the right direction 'cause BC is a big province!—we posted a list of announced operations.

Just FYI, self-spotting is not an option for BCQP because self-spotting is better suited to QSO parties with mobile ops moving through multiple counties. BCQP is unlikely to have mobile activations, given the size of the province, the difficulty in pinpointing districts while on the road—there are no federal electoral district signposts—and the potential for

snow and icy conditions in February. Self-spotting would therefore only make loud, high-power stations all the more noticeable while the struggling, low-power stations that would relish the attention remain largely unheard because they don't have the necessary signal strength. Some proponents of self-spotting erroneously think they'll have a non-stop pileup because their callsigns are spotted. But that is not necessarily so. The CQing station must be heard for other stations to respond.

Announcing planned operations, meanwhile, draws attention to all callsigns of committed operators as well as districts that are highly likely to be activated, thereby enabling all BCQP participants to be listening for CQing BC stations and align antenna—rotatable ones anyway—in the best direction.

### NA Sprint CW and BCQP

I heard from several CW operators that trades, or at least the exchange of event-required info, were relatively smooth and efficient and that the majority of Sprinters got the info they needed and moved on to allow BC stations to continue calling “CQ BCQP.”

This was a win-win situation for everyone. When BC stations are able to hold their run frequency and call “CQ BCQP,” they will stay on the air. And if they stay on the air, Sprinters will have more opportunities to put the lovely BC multiplier into their Sprint logs, while non-Sprinters will be successful in their hunt for BCQP districts on the low bands Saturday evening.

Scrutinizing submitted logs for BCQP, I found 941 Qs in 24 BC logs during the overlap with NA Sprint CW, of which 145 Qs were with 85 stations that appear in the NA Sprint CW logs received list. That list shows 188 callsigns, so about 45% of the Sprint participants took advantage of BCQP to capture the “BC” mult for their Sprint logs. Of the 188 Sprint stations, 20 also submitted BCQP logs. But only eight of these stations logged Qs for their BCQP logs while QSYing through the Sprint, which means 12 operators focused solely on the Sprint after 0000z and only logged BC stations for the “BC” mult rather than adding to their BCQP logs during the overlap.

### Expanded BCQP Award Structure

For operators seeking tangible rewards, BCQP has lovely BC scenery or notable landmark-inspired certificates and plaques, different every year and therefore collectible.

The award structure has evolved over the years to better reflect the widening scope of participation.

In the early years, a top score in a particular category of entry was usually far and away higher than the next highest score in that category. But in recent years, the number of logs received has risen exponentially, driven by entries from outside BC, especially the U.S., and logs from stations outside BC have become much bigger and scores much higher. It was obvious that outside-BC results in each category of entry had to be recognized by S/P/DX.

Meanwhile, the number of logs from BC stations remained comparatively low despite trackable growth in the number of VE7/VA7s on the air. A district certificate was introduced to address a possible reason for this situation—that a small log and a low score, from the individual operator's perspective, wasn't going to capture a top-score certificate so why bother sending in a log—and thus encourage casual BC operators to take that extra step of submitting a log and potentially capturing something nice for the shack wall.

Over the last few years, several districts have been activated by more than just a couple of stations and in several categories of entry. To better reflect participation, the award structure for BC stations has been revised. Beginning this year, 2024, certificates will recognize top score in each category of entry in each BC federal electoral district, similar to the current award structure for stations outside BC. This effectively offsets the challenges of QTH or setup that often present as a log-building disadvantage.

**To recap, as of BCQP 2024, certificates recognize top scores by stations in BC in each category of entry by district and top scores by stations outside BC in each category of entry by state, province and DX entity.** ✨  
**Note: Certificate eligibility requires 10 valid Qs.**

### BCQP 2024 Scores

To keep the size of this post-party report manageable, the results section has been abridged and shows only certificate and/or plaque recipients under BC Results on pages 17–18 and Outside-BC Results on pages 19–23.

**For a complete list of logs received and a detailed breakdown of scores, please go to BC Results and Outside BC Results on the BCQP website.** ✨

## Notable Developments (based on content in 372 submitted logs)

- **New single-op BC record: 3,204,070 (by VA7RR)**
- **New high score CW: 1,349,860 (by VE7ZO)**
- **Sustained high coverage ratio: 92.9% (39 out of 42 districts)**
- **Highest number of BC operators involved: 147**
- **Highest number of CW Qs overall: 17,264**
- **Highest number of PH Qs overall: 11,688**
- **Highest number of logs received: 372**

### Plaques

The plaque program has grown as well. Plaques are awarded in 11 sponsored categories, with Top YL (US) just recently added to the list. Thank you Don KK4E. See categories and sponsors on page 9.

Many times, a super-high-scoring station will fall into several plaque categories, but the policy is one plaque per station, with priority given to geographically based categories. This was the case in 2024. Gary VA7RR qualified as top BC single-op but also had the top mixed mode score and found the most districts. Team VE7SAR qualified as top BC multi-op and found the next-highest number of districts contacted. Both VA7RR and VE7SAR will be given the geographically based plaques—top BC single-op and top BC multi-op—respectively, opening up the mixed mode and most districts contacted plaques to other stations.

Applying the Plaque Allocation Policy\*, the top multi-op plaque goes to Team VE7SAR with a score of 1,842,308. Gary VA7RR retains top BC (single-op) status with a record-breaking score of 3,204,070. Ken VE7BC takes the renamed “Excellent Achievement: Mixed Mode” plaque with a score of 573,028.

Jim VE7ZO, a first-time plaque recipient, secured the Top CW plaque with a record-breaking score of 1,349,860. Christine VA7TU maintained her status as Top YL with a new YL record of 570,116.

In a BCQP first, we have a top couple. 💕 Pam N5KW is the inaugural recipient of the Top YL (US) plaque with a score of 28,148 and her dear OM Connie had the Top US score—a record-breaking score—of 39,884 to capture the Top Score US plaque.

The Top Canada outside BC plaque goes to first-time recipient Scott VY1CO with a score of 27,072.

Aki JH2RMU might be running out of wall space! He achieved a personal best in 2024 with a score of 3,598 to take another Top DX plaque.

Regarding most districts contacted, VA7RR collected the most—26—followed by Reg VE6CA and Thomas WA8ZNC, tying at 24.

Orca DXCC continued its reign as the top-performing club with a score of 10,035,486, based on 25 club member logs (excludes sponsor station VA7ODX).

### Districts—what happens if op doesn’t know?

#### Successful treasure hunting

In 2024, the search for districts was productive not only for operators outside BC, who are limited to Qs with VE7/VA7s, but also for BC operators who benefited from S&P opportunities and a high profile through sustained CQing. More than 20 participants found 20+ districts. That’s not a total of 20+ multipliers in the logs, respectively, but rather 20+ different districts contacted.

These results reflect a treasure trove of activated districts, good band conditions as well as a little bit of luck and a lot of perseverance and patience.

More and more operators outside BC bravely call “CQ BC stations.” I say bravely because the process can be both rewarding as well as frustrating. The rewarding part? Attracting the attention of BC operators who prefer S&P over running, and thereby pick up rare districts, which might lead to enough districts for the Most Districts Contact plaque. The frustrating part? Other operators outside BC may throw out their calls, too, not realizing that the outside-BC CQing station can’t put Qs with other outside-BC stations into a BCQP log. In addition, CQing can attract chance encounters with BC stations—BCQP wasn’t the target event or the operator is just out for the radio equivalent of a Sunday drive—where the operators aren’t aware of the required BCQP exchange. BC stations sometimes have to deal with this situation as well.

On this point, let me give an example and what do do, because the situation is likely to occur more often going forward.

Let’s say the CQing op asks for district and the replying op says “Vancouver Island”. The CQing operator may already know—or will soon realize when “Vancouver Island” isn’t accepted by the



logging software—to prompt for a federal electoral district. And let’s say the replying operator doesn’t know. The CQing operator may ask for the town or city closest to the replying operator’s location to narrow down possible districts. That might work. But again, if the CQing operator isn’t familiar with BC geography, and more specifically Vancouver Island geography, a city name isn’t necessarily going to solve the mystery. Also, if the city is relatively big, like Victoria, the district could be the obvious VIC (Victoria) but could also be one within the Greater Victoria Area, which covers 13 municipalities total, so the district could be ESQ (Esquimalt-Saanich-Sooke), SGI (Saanich-Gulf Islands) or CML (Cowichan-Malahat-Langford).

Needless to say, it’s very difficult to pinpoint district without knowing actual location. The process is time-consuming on PH but doable. It’s frustratingly cumbersome on CW. The most full-proof method for determining district is for the CQing op to ask the district-unsure operator to go to elections.ca and plug in postal code to find district. The CQing operator can then check the BCQP multiplier list to figure out the three-letter designator for BCQP purposes. It’s often easier and faster for the CQing operator to execute the search. But the other operator MUST provide a postal code.

✘ **Caveat:** Looking up a callsign later on QRZ to get an address w/postal code to use in the elections.ca search may lead to a busted district, because QRZ doesn’t always show a current address or the address shown is a mailing address not the location of the cabin on the lake or the club contest station where the operator was actually working from. And, if QSB or QRM led to a busted callsign as well as unknown district, QRZ will be of no help whatsoever.

**New treasure map for 2025**

Many long-time BCQP participants already know about elections.ca and the process for finding a district. And at the risk of sounding like a broken record, I need to emphasize the importance of knowing district and/or helping others figure out their district because the federal electoral map has been redrawn.

✘ **The new map comprises 43 districts, of which 27 retain their old names and 16 are new or slightly revised.**

BC stations, please check at elections.ca to confirm your federal electoral district. But be aware that the new ridings don’t come into force until April 23, 2024. If you try to look up your federal riding before

that date, you’ll get your current riding. An interim lookup page can be accessed through the Redistribution page. There’s a lot of clicking involved to find that page from the elections.ca website. If you are curious now about your future riding and can’t figure out the interim search process, please contact me, VA7BEC. I’ll help you.

Also note that even though some of the old district names remain, the boundaries might have changed, and you (BC station) could be in a new district.

Stations outside BC, please bear in mind that some of the three-letter designators you are familiar with will still be on the list but some will be new or at least a little different. Be sure to listen to what the BC stations provide in the exchange. Don’t rely on a database of past district designators.

A new multiplier list has been prepared (see next page), and writers of logging software supporting BCQP will be contacted so that the appropriate updates can be made well in advance of BCQP 2025.

A user-friendly, color-coded map will be uploaded to the BCQP Multipliers page once the Elections Canada website is updated with new maps that I can beautify.

*Mark your calendars!*

**February 2025**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

**See you again. February 1 & 2, 2025.**



## New Multiplier List for BCQP 2025

<b>ASL</b>	Abbotsford—South Langley
<b>BNS</b>	Burnaby North—Seymour
<b>BUC</b>	Burnaby Central
<b>CHP</b>	Chilliwack—Hope
<b>CKS</b>	Columbia—Kootenay—Southern Rockies
<b>CLC</b>	Cloverdale—Langley City
<b>CML</b>	Cowichan—Malahat—Langford
<b>COA</b>	Courtenay—Alberni
<b>CPC</b>	Coquitlam—Port Coquitlam
<b>CPG</b>	Cariboo—Prince George
<b>DEL</b>	Delta
<b>ESQ</b>	Esquimalt—Saanich—Sooke
<b>FPK</b>	Fleetwood—Port Kells
<b>KEL</b>	Kelowna
<b>KSC</b>	Kamloops—Shuswap—Central Rockies
<b>KTN</b>	Kamloops—Thompson—Nicola
<b>LTF</b>	Langley Township—Fraser Heights
<b>MMA</b>	Mission—Matsqui—Abbotsford
<b>NAL</b>	Nanaimo—Ladysmith
<b>NBM</b>	New Westminster—Burnaby—Maillardville
<b>NPR</b>	North Island—Powell River
<b>NVC</b>	North Vancouver—Capilano
<b>OSK</b>	Okanagan Lake West—South Kelowna
<b>PMC</b>	Port Moody—Coquitlam
<b>PMM</b>	Pitt Meadows—Maple Ridge
<b>PPN</b>	Prince George—Peace River—Northern Rockies
<b>RCM</b>	Richmond Centre—Marpole
<b>RES</b>	Richmond East—Steveston
<b>SBV</b>	Skeena—Bulkley Valley
<b>SGI</b>	Saanich—Gulf Islands
<b>SSW</b>	Similkameen—South Okanagan—West Kootenay
<b>SUC</b>	Surrey Centre
<b>SUN</b>	Surrey Newton
<b>SWR</b>	South Surrey—White Rock
<b>VAC</b>	Vancouver Centre
<b>VAE</b>	Vancouver East
<b>VAG</b>	Vancouver Granville
<b>VAK</b>	Vancouver Kingsway
<b>VAQ</b>	Vancouver Quadra
<b>VIC</b>	Victoria
<b>VLM</b>	Vernon—Lake Country—Monashee
<b>VSF</b>	Vancouver Fraserview—South Burnaby
<b>WVS</b>	West Vancouver—Sunshine Coast—Sea to Sky Country

## Plaque Recipients in 2024

**Team VE7SAR** (VE7LXB VE7YEG VE7NX VA7XB VE7SXM VA7LGN VE7TI VA7VJ VA7OM VE7KGK VA7DVO VA7PVC VA7QD VA7JDJ VA7YEP) takes the **Top BC (multi-op)** plaque with a score of 1,842,308.

**Gary VA7RR** secured **Top BC (single-op)** plaque with a record-smashing score of 3,204,070.

**Ken VE7BC** receives the **Excellent Achievement: Mixed Mode** plaque, with a score of 573,028.

**Christine VA7TU** adds to her **Top YL** plaque collection with a score of 570,116.

**Pam N5KW** is the winner of the inaugural **Top YL (US)** plaque, with a score of 28,148.

**Connie K5CM** captured the **Top US** plaque with an all-time high of 39,884.

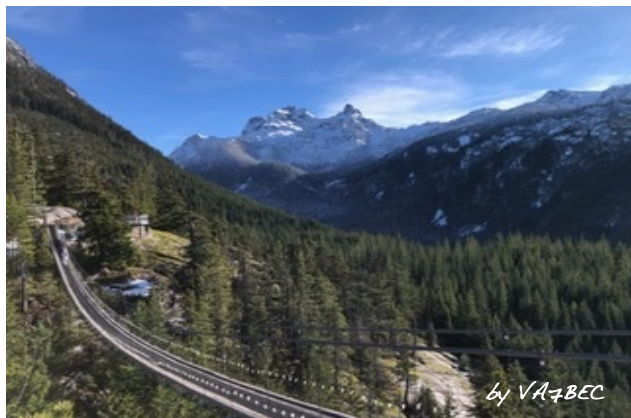
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**Jim VE7ZO** achieved **top CW** status, with a record-braking score of 1,349,860.

**Aki JH2RMU** adds to his collection of **top DX** plaques , with a new personal best score of 3,598.

**Reg VE6CA** and **Thomas WA8ZNC** each found 24 districts and both will receive an **Excellent Achievement: Districts Contacted** plaque.

**Orca DXCC** keeps top club status with a score of 10,035,486, based on 29 submitted logs. (Excludes results by sponsor station VA7ODX.)



**Plaque photo: Suspension bridge at Sea-to-Sky Gondola Summit, Squamish, BC**

### \* Plaque Allocation Policy

Under BCQP rules, only one plaque is awarded per station.

The BCQP Contest Committee believes that in the event a station qualifies in multiple plaque categories, including top score in BC, the US or other geographical location, the priority should be placed on the top score geographically, as applicable. Special plaques are awarded to stations with the next highest scores in the applicable sponsored plaque categories, which may be top scores in specific categories of entry and will be acknowledged as such.

**Thank you to the following 2024 plaque sponsors:**

**Orca DXCC (Top BC – Single-Op)**

**Coquitlam Amateur Radio Emergency Services Society (Top BC – Multi-Op)**

**Kewpie Doll (Top YL)**

**Dick N7RO (Top US)**

**Cowichan Valley Amateur Radio Society (Top Canada outside BC)**

**Surrey Amateur Radio Club (Most Federal Electoral Districts Contacted)**

**Rebecca VA7BEC and Koji VA7KO (Top DX)**

**North Shore Amateur Radio Club (Top Mixed Mode)**

**Elizabeth VE7YL (Top CW)**

**Delta Amateur Radio Society (Top BC Club)**

**Don KK4E (Top YL (US))**



**Individuals:**  
**VA7BEC & VA7KO**  
**VE7YL**  
**"Kewpie Doll"**  
**KK4E**



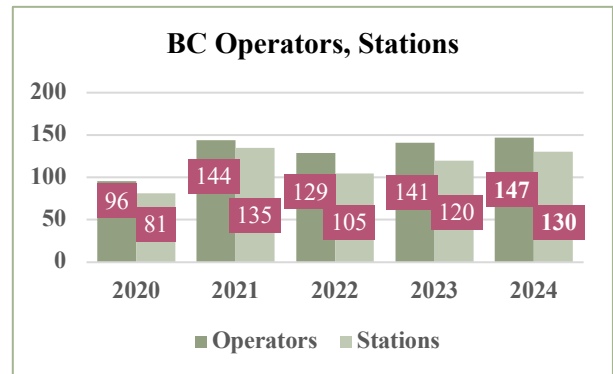


## Crunching the Numbers 2024

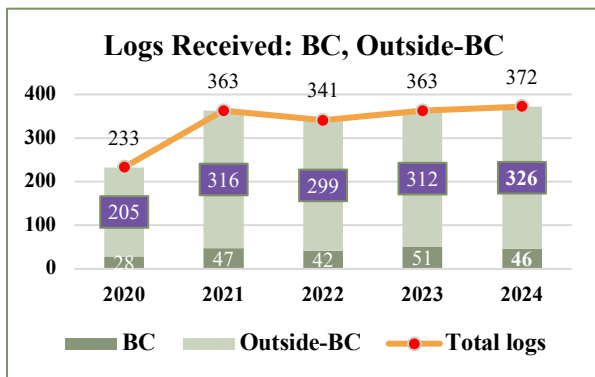
**An analysis of log content can reveal trends that might otherwise be missed**

### BC Stations/Operators on the Air

Extrapolated from the content of submitted logs, the number of in-province stations on the air in 2024 reached 130, up 10 from a year ago. The number of operators involved in BCQP 2024, at single-op stations or in multi-op teams, also rose, hitting 147, up six year on year. Of these 147 active operators, 125 were single-ops and 22 were in teams (multi-op stations), of which two members operated as single-ops when not on multi-op shifts.

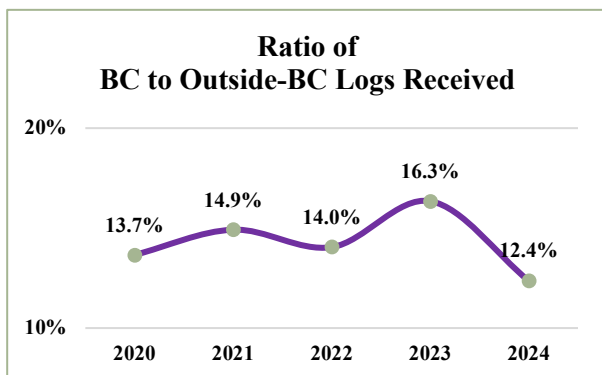


### Logs Received



The number of logs received reached 372, a net increase of nine, as a higher number of logs received from stations outside BC—up 14 year on year to 326—offset a drop in the number of logs received from BC stations—down five, to 46.

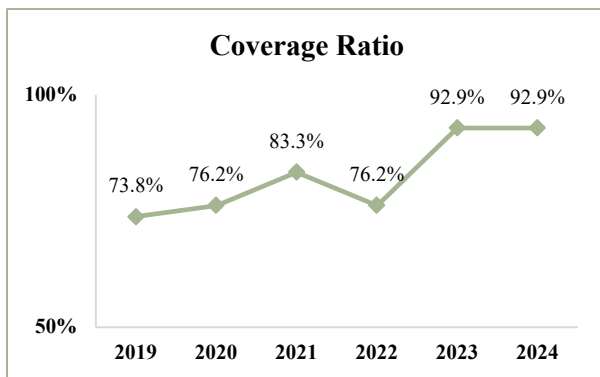
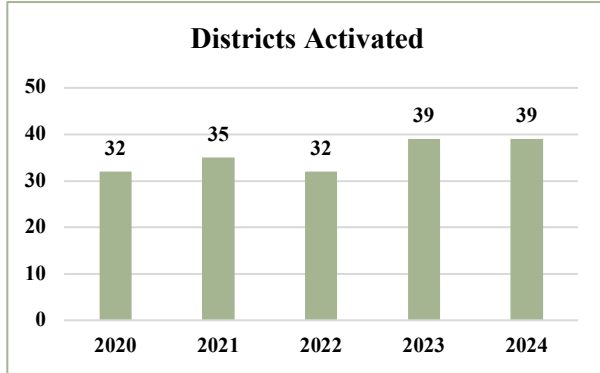
A breakdown of outside-BC logs shows 43 logs from other parts of Canada, 274 logs from the U.S., and nine from DX entities.



As usual, the number of logs received from outside BC comprised a significant percentage of the total—87.6%—up from 83.7% in 2023.

Viewed from the BC perspective, the BC-to-outside-BC ratio fell to 12.4%, from 16.3%, a year ago, reflecting the decline in number of logs received from BC stations.

## Districts Activated



The number of activated federal electoral districts—the multipliers in BCQP since the province does not have the typical QSO party county exchange—held steady at 39<sup>note</sup>, for a coverage ratio in the 92% range. While the number of districts was the same, the mix is slightly different.

A look at log content shows that in-province stations and outside-BC stations found many of the same districts, but not all, which underscores the impact of location and a little bit of luck in catching the attention of accidental participants. .

Unique callsigns are common in contest logs, either due to an unfortunate typing error or, when CONDX is bad and phonetics aren't used on PH, it's the consequence of operators not being able to correctly distinguish callsign letters. The same holds true for district multipliers. A careful check of logs turned up numerous three-letter entries that do not correspond to any districts in the BCQP Multiplier List as well as busted districts. The number of activated districts excludes invalid entries.

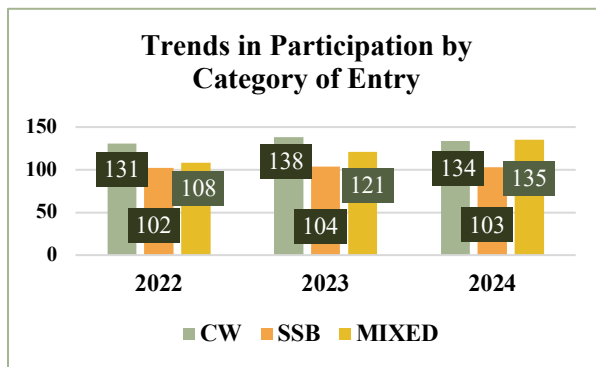
### Coverage in 2024: 39 out of 42 (92.9%)

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DEL ESQ KEL KOC KTC LAA MMF NAL NOS  
NPR NVA NWB PMC PMM PPN RIC SBV SGI STR  
SUC SUN SWK SWR VAC VAE VAG VAQ VIC  
WVS

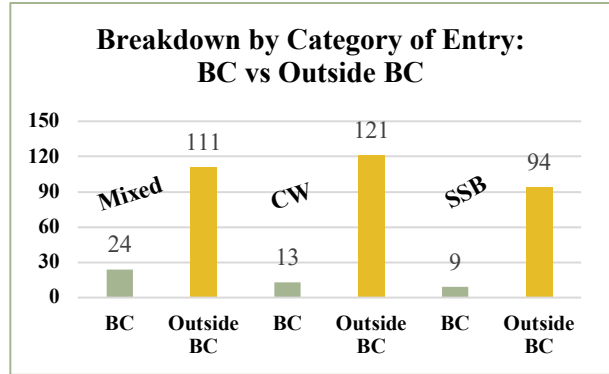
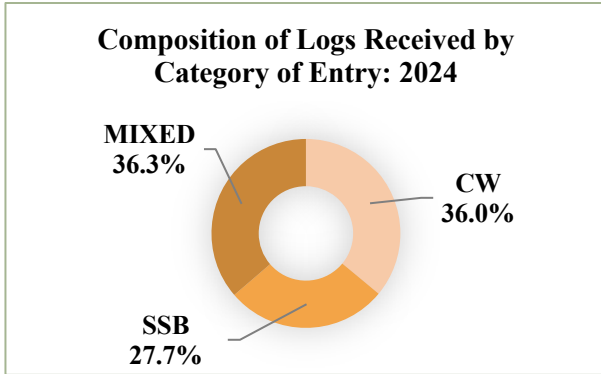
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## Breakdown of Logs by Category of Entry

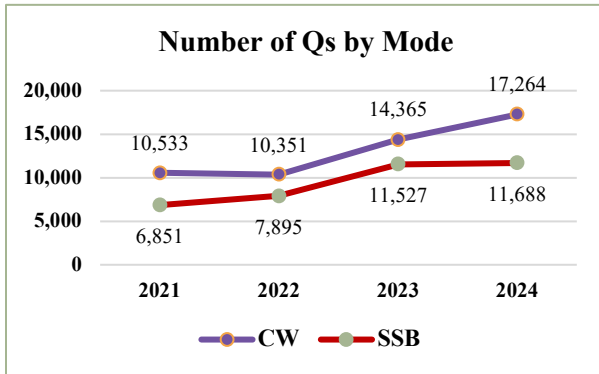


The breakdown of logs by category of entry reveals 134 CW-only logs in 2024, compared with 138 in 2023; 103 SSB logs, compared with 104 in 2023; and 135 mixed mode logs, compared with 121 in 2023.

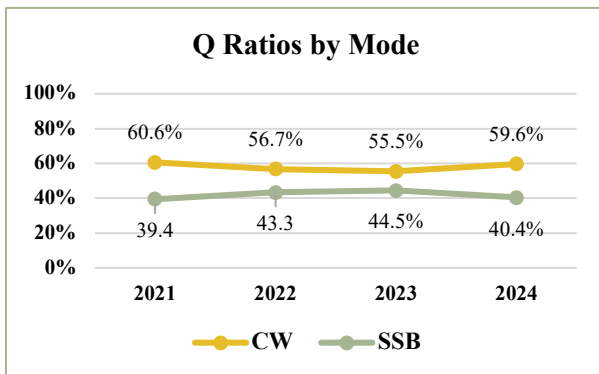


As percentages of total logs received, CW-only logs accounted for 36.0%, down from 38.0% in 2023; SSB-only logs, 27.7%, edging down from 28.7% a year ago; and mixed mode, 36.3%, up from 33.3%. The most popular categories of entry for BC operators and stations outside BC were mixed-mode and CW-only

## Number of Qs by Mode, Ratio Perspective



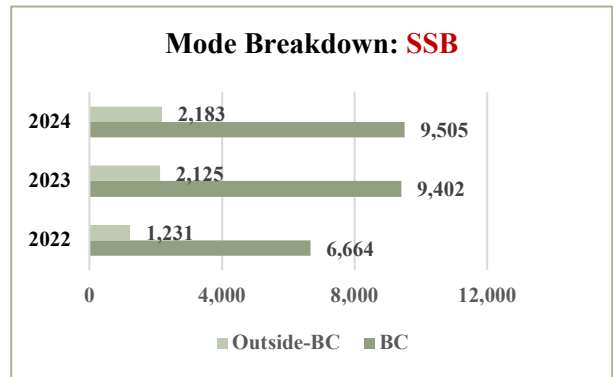
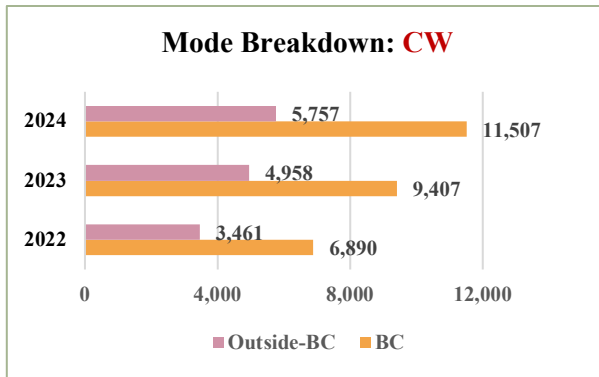
A breakdown of valid QSOs by mode, based on data in logs received, shows a major year-on-year increase for CW. The CW Q count jumped to 17,264, from 14,365 Qs in 2023, while the SSB Q count edged up to 11,688, from 11,527 Qs in 2023.



From a ratio perspective, the CW ratio (number of CW QSOs as a percentage of all valid QSOs in all submitted logs) rebounded after consecutive years of decline, while the SSB ratio (number of SSB QSOs as a percentage of all Qs in submitted logs) moved in the opposite direction.

In 2024, the CW ratio hit 59.6%, up 4.1 points year on year, while the SSB ratio, at 40.4%, dropped by the same year-on-year point spread.

## Overall Breakdown of Qs by Mode: BC vs. Outside BC

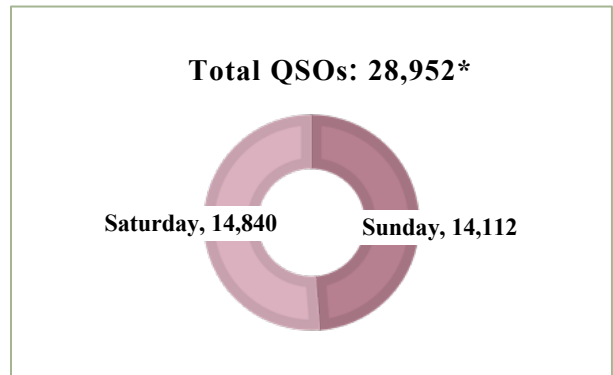


## Saturday vs. Sunday Analysis

There are many ways to gauge activity: CW vs. SSB, inside BC vs. outside BC, Saturday vs. Sunday and combinations thereof. A caveat, of course, is that even if activity is relatively even on both days, Saturday is a longer operating block than Sunday—12 hours vs. eight hours—so Q counts would likely be higher on Saturday. But the gap tends to be rather small, and in fact, Sunday tends to see high average hourly activity.

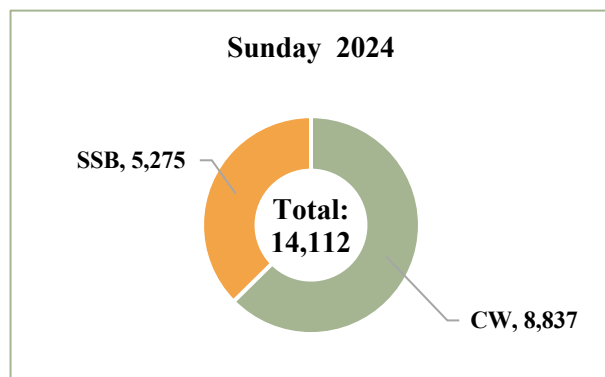
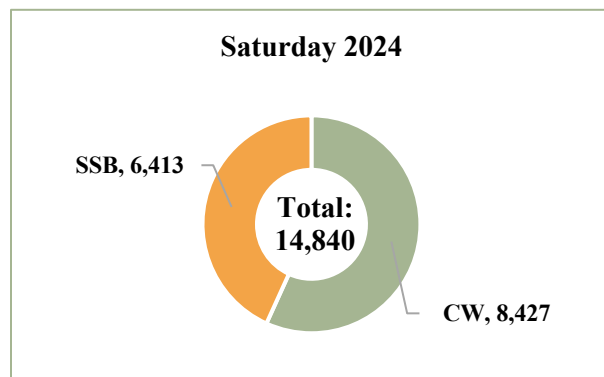
Let's start with total Qs and breakdowns by mode by day.

In 2024, the total number of Qs in submitted logs came to 28,952. Of this number 14,840 Qs were logged on Saturday and 14,112 were logged on Sunday.

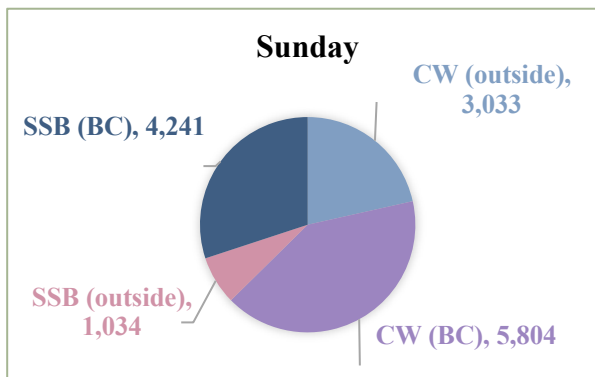
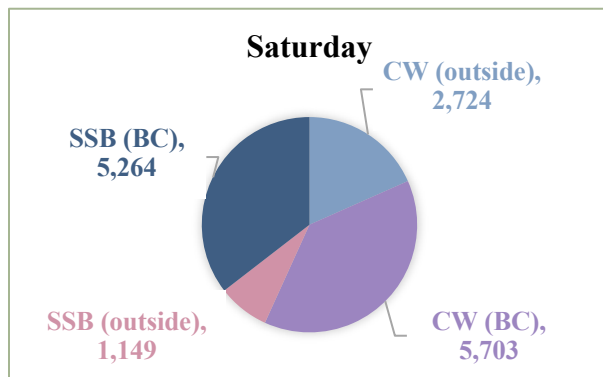


\*Note: Total number of QSOs is higher than the sum of QSOs by mode, as described on page 11, because the two-segment analysis draws on all QSOs, including invalid QSOs and QSOs in checklogs.

## Qs by Mode by Day: Overall



## Qs by Mode by Day: BC vs. Outside BC



The two-day CW total was 17,264 Qs, with 8,427 on Saturday and 8,837 on Sunday. As percentages, Saturday CW Qs represented 56.8% of all Saturday Qs, and Sunday CW Qs represented 62.6% of all Sunday Qs.

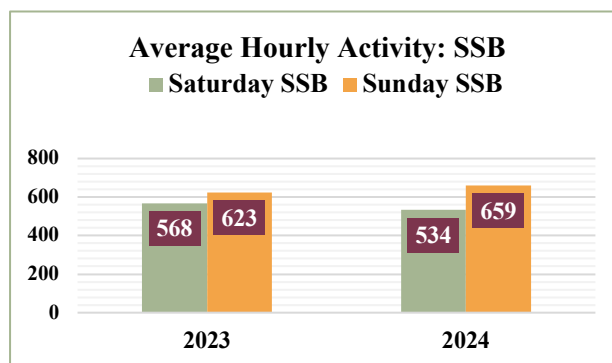
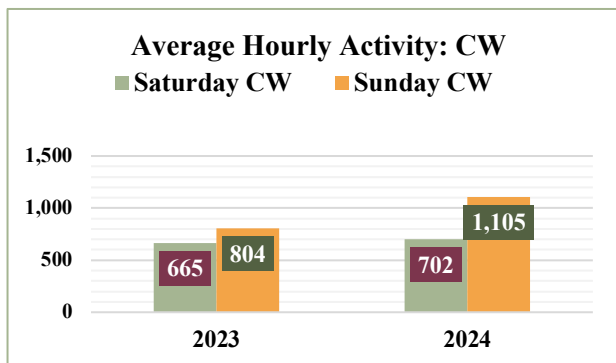
Of the Saturday CW amount, 5,703 Qs were in BC logs and 2,724 Qs were in outside-BC logs. Of the Sunday amount, 5,804 Qs were in BC logs and 3,033 Qs were in outside-BC logs.

The two-day SSB total was 11,688 Qs, with 6,413 on Saturday and 5,275 on Sunday. As percentages, Saturday SSB Qs represented 43.2% of all Saturday Qs, and Sunday SSB Qs represented 37.4% of all Sunday Qs.

Of the Saturday SSB amount, 5,264 Qs were in BC logs and 1,149 Qs were in outside-BC logs. Of the Sunday amount, 4,241 Qs were in BC logs and 1,034 Qs were in outside-BC logs.

The takeaway from this data is that both Saturday and Sunday were well-attended, but Sunday saw more activity and CW was definitely the mode du jour on Sunday.

## Average Hourly Activity

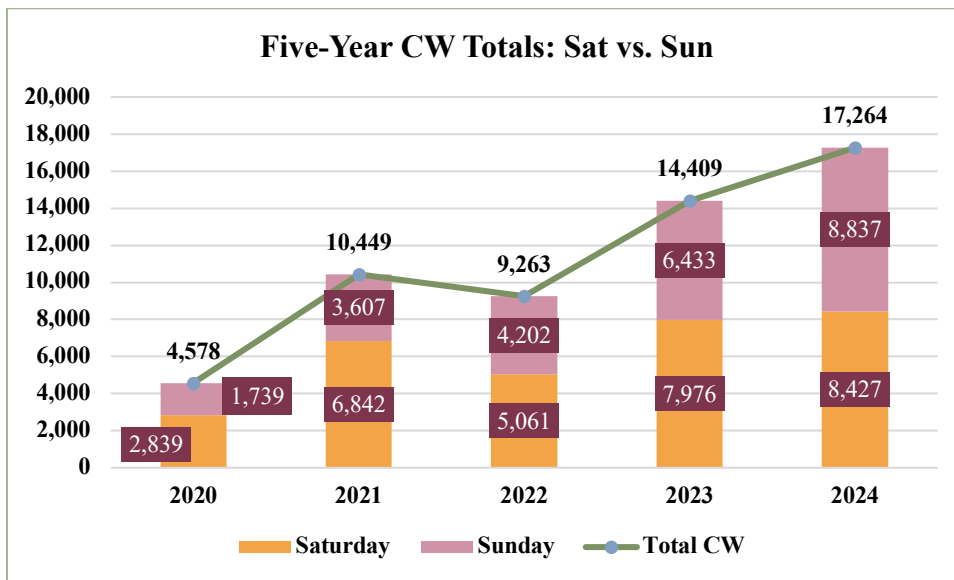
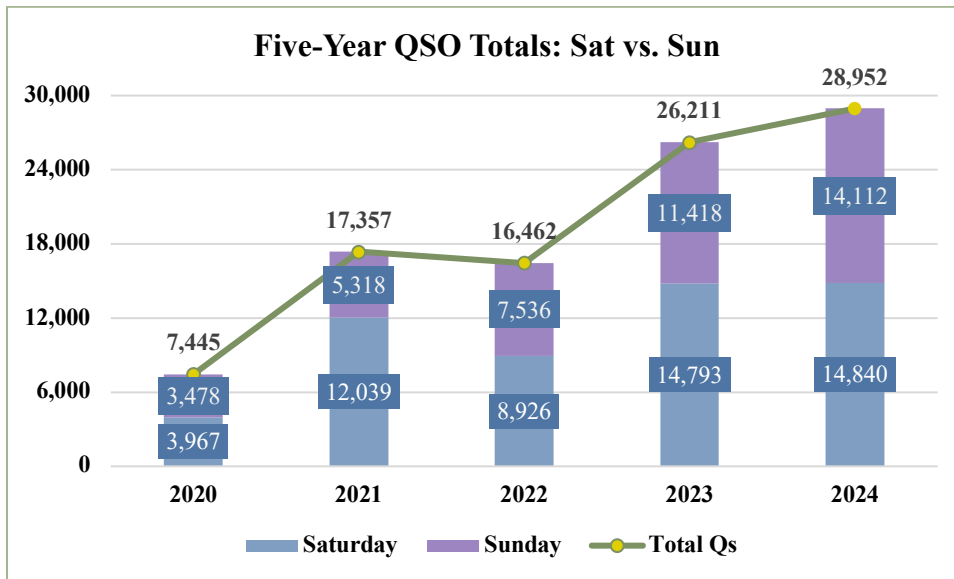


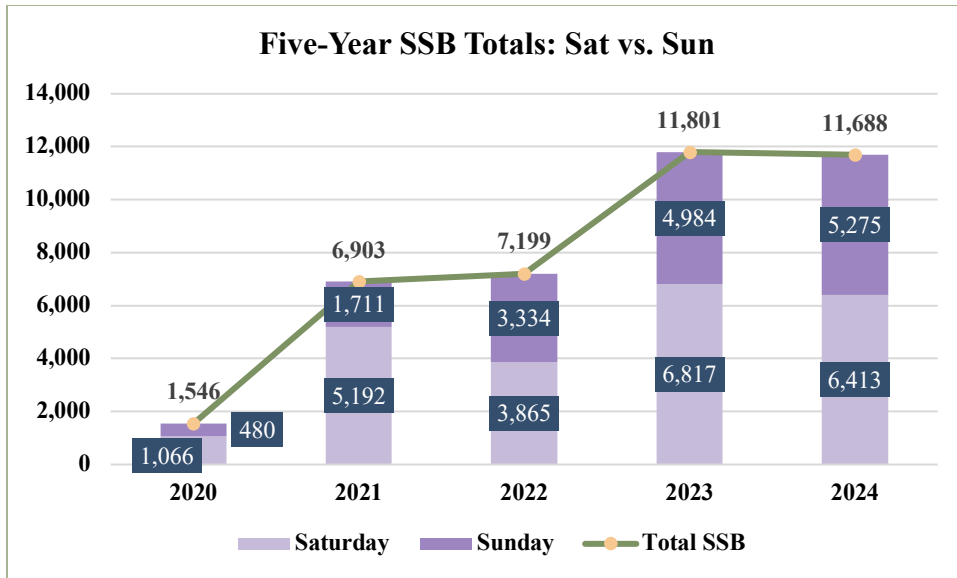
Looking at average hourly activity—that is, the average number of BCQP-related QSOs per hour, based on all QSOs in submitted logs—Sundays tend to be more productive on both modes. But CW activity on Sunday was particularly good in 2024. The average was, of course, fueled by a very dedicated group of BC operators and the outside-BC operators who were keen to find them.

Also, as shown in the graphs, average hourly CW activity was higher in 2024 than in 2023, and more or less at a year-on-year par for SSB.



## Five-Year Trends





### Outlook for BCQP 2025

Band conditions are often a determining factor in an operator's decision to participate, and it's impossible to accurately predict now what band conditions will be like for BCQP 2025 or how conditions will be interpreted by individual operators on event day.

That said, activity has been on an uptrend over the last couple of years and should continue to rise going forward.

\*For a full breakdown of BC scores in 2024, please go to BC Results on the BCQP website.

### CERTIFICATE/PLAQUE RECIPIENTS (BC)

All stations listed below will receive a certificate for top score by category of entry in district of activation. Callsigns in *italics* are recipients of a sponsored plaque. 🌸YL

Eligibility requirement: At least 10 valid QSOs

Call	Category	District	Total Qs	Total Points	Mults	Base Score	Bonus	Total Score	Club
<i>VE7SAR</i>	MOHP MIXED	SUN	1,858	5,006	368	1,842,208	100	1,842,308	Surrey ARC
<i>VE7UT</i>	MOLP PH	KTC	235	470	112	52,640	40	52,680	Kamloops ARC
<i>VA7USD</i>	SO QRP MIXED	ESQ	19	46	24	1,104		1,104	Black Sheep Radio Club
<i>VE7ZO</i>	SOHP CW	COA	1,110	4,440	304	1,349,760	100	1,349,860	Orca DXCC
<i>VA7GI</i>	SOHP CW	VAQ	767	3,068	239	733,252	80	733,332	Orca DXCC
<i>VA7DX</i>	SOHP CW	CPC	376	1,504	170	255,680	60	255,740	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7IO</i>	SOHP CW	SWR	204	816	87	70,992	20	71,012	Orca DXCC
<i>VA7RR</i>	SOHP MIXED	CPC	2,467	6,270	511	3,203,970	100	3,204,070	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7BC</i>	SOHP MIXED	KTC	1,206	2,428	236	573,008	20	573,028	Orca DXCC
<i>VA7XU</i>	SOHP MIXED	CPG	459	1,690	215	363,350	60	363,410	
<i>VE7XF</i>	SOHP MIXED	NPR	299	1,174	168	197,232	100	197,332	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7RK</i>	SOHP MIXED	KOC	287	1,140	155	176,700	20	176,720	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7VR</i>	SOHP MIXED	BUS	254	994	147	146,118	100	146,218	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7LR</i>	SOHP MIXED	RIC	138	328	94	30,832	20	30,852	Orca DXCC
<i>VA7MNV</i>	SOHP MIXED	SBV	12	28	14	392		392	Terrace ARC
<i>VA7TU</i> 🌸	SOHP PH	SWR	1,332	2,664	214	570,096	20	570,116	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7AHT</i>	SOLP CW	DEL	663	2,652	185	490,620	80	490,700	
<i>VA7EU</i>	SOLP CW	BNS	505	2,020	207	418,140	80	418,220	Orca DXCC
<i>VA7ST</i>	SOLP CW	KEL	531	2,124	186	395,064	60	395,124	Orca DXCC
<i>VE7JKZ</i>	SOLP CW	SGI	335	1,340	158	211,720	60	211,780	IslandHF Radio Association
<i>VE7AV</i>	SOLP CW	CPG	287	1,148	71	81,508	20	81,528	



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VA7QCE 🌸	SOLP CW	STR	38	152	37	5,624	80	5,704	
VE7CV	SOLP MIXED	KTC	512	1,656	278	460,368	180	460,548	Orca DXCC
VE7AX	SOLP MIXED	COA	539	1,460	258	376,680	40	376,720	Orca DXCC
VE7JH	SOLP MIXED	CML	366	1,376	180	247,680	20	247,700	Orca DXCC
VE7CCY	SOLP MIXED	LAA	166	646	108	69,768	40	69,808	
VE7IAD	SOLP MIXED	NAL	265	576	107	61,632	20	61,652	Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association
VA7KBM	SOLP MIXED	VAG	178	388	106	41,128	100	41,228	Orca DXCC
VE7BLW	SOLP MIXED	NVA	13	42	16	672		672	
VA7YJJ	SOLP PH	CML	305	610	143	87,230	40	87,270	IslandHF Radio Association
VE7YAH 🌸	SOLP PH	COA	99	198	66	13,068	20	13,088	Orca DXCC
VA7RYL	SOLP PH	CPG	37	74	33	2,442	40	2,482	
VE7RC	SOLP PH	WVS	21	42	24	1,008	20	1,028	
VE7MHI	SOLP PH	VIC	20	40	19	760	20	780	IslandHF Radio Association
VE7WYC	SOLP PH	PPN	11	22	10	220	20	240	Prince George ARC

Teams:

VA7ODX (VA7BEC 🌸 VA7KO)

VE7SAR (VE7LXB VE7YEG VE7NX VA7XB VE7SXM VA7LGN VE7TI VA7VJ VA7OM VE7KGK VA7DVO VA7PVC VA7QD 🌸 VA7JDJ VA7YEP)

VE7UT (VE7HS VE7FSR VA7VZA VA7BKN VE7DNZ)

\*For a full breakdown of scores for all stations outside BC submitting a log in 2024, please go to Outside BC Results on the BCQP website.

### CERTIFICATE/PLAQUE RECIPIENTS (OUTSIDE BC)

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Eligibility requirement: At least 10 valid QSOs

Call	Category	S/P/DX	Total Qs	Total Points	Mults	Base Score	Bonus	Total Score	Club
<b>W1NVT</b>	MOHP MIXED	VT	22	46	16	736		736	Radio Amateurs of Northern Vermont
<b>N1SOH</b>	MOLP MIXED	MA	69	232	57	13,224	120	13,344	Yankee Clipper Contest Club
<b>K8BF</b>	MOLP MIXED	OH	19	52	16	832	40	872	Portage County Amateur Radio Service
<b>VE9BEL</b>	SO QRP CW	NB	29	116	24	2,784	60	2,844	
<b>NQ2W</b>	SO QRP CW	NY	27	108	23	2,484	60	2,544	
<b>KU4A</b>	SO QRP CW	KY	27	108	18	1,944	60	2,004	North American QRP CW Club
<b>K2YG</b>	SO QRP CW	NJ	21	84	19	1,596	20	1,616	New Providence ARC
<b>NI8W</b>	SO QRP CW	OH	16	64	15	960	40	1,000	NAQCC
<b>WQ6X</b>	SO QRP CW	CA	14	56	13	728		728	San Diego Contest Club
<b>NN3E</b>	SO QRP CW	MD	12	48	12	576	20	596	NAQCC
<b>JQ1NGT</b>	SO QRP CW	DX	14	56	10	560	20	580	
<b>N6HI</b>	SO QRP CW	AZ	12	48	10	480	40	520	Arizona Outlaws Contest Club
<b>W7LG</b>	SO QRP MIXED	PA	28	92	24	2,208	80	2,288	Frankford Radio Club
<b>K8ZT</b>	SO QRP MIXED	OH	16	56	16	896	20	916	North Coast Contesters
<b>VY1CO</b>	SOHP CW	YT	94	376	72	27,072	120	27,192	Orca DXCC
<b>W1TC</b>	SOHP CW	MA	93	372	69	25,668	100	25,768	Yankee Clipper Contest Club
<b>N5EP</b>	SOHP CW	IL	71	284	55	15,620	80	15,700	
<b>W1AJT</b>	SOHP CW	NC	72	288	53	15,264	80	15,344	Contest Club Ontario
<b>K4NMR</b>	SOHP CW	FL	67	268	48	12,864	60	12,924	Florida Contest Group
<b>N1CGP</b>	SOHP CW	ME	60	240	46	11,040	60	11,100	
<b>VE3KP</b>	SOHP CW	ON	56	224	42	9,408	60	9,468	Contest Club Ontario



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AG6V 🌸	SOHP CW	WA	56	224	41	9,184	60	9,244	
K3TN	SOHP CW	MD	51	204	38	7,752	60	7,812	Potomac Valley Radio Club
AF5J	SOHP CW	TX	49	196	35	6,860	60	6,920	Texas DX Society
K4BAI	SOHP CW	GA	33	132	28	3,696	20	3,716	South East Contest Club
KN7Y	SOHP CW	AZ	31	124	26	3,224	40	3,264	Arizona Outlaws Contest Club
K0VBU	SOHP CW	KS	17	68	14	952	40	992	Kansas City Contest Club
N2SO	SOHP CW	NY	18	72	13	936	20	956	Hudson Valley Contesters and Dxers
AC6ZM	SOHP CW	TN	14	56	11	616	20	636	Tennessee Contest Group
OM2VL	SOHP CW	DX	11	44	11	484	20	504	Slovak Contest Group
K0SN	SOHP CW	MT	13	52	9	468	20	488	
K5CM	SOHP MIXED	OK	120	414	96	39,744	140	39,884	
KA6BIM	SOHP MIXED	OR	113	392	89	34,888	200	35,088	Northern California Contest Club
NE8P	SOHP MIXED	FL	103	350	83	29,050	140	29,190	Florida Contest Group
N5KW 🌸	SOHP MIXED	OK	97	364	77	28,028	120	28,148	
W3LL	SOHP MIXED	MD	98	340	80	27,200	160	27,360	Potomac Valley Radio Club
AA3R	SOHP MIXED	DE	99	340	70	23,800	140	23,940	Frankford Radio Club
NY3B	SOHP MIXED	PA	77	258	64	16,512	140	16,652	Frankford Radio Club
K0TRL	SOHP MIXED	KS	73	242	65	15,730	100	15,830	Kansas City Contest Club
VE3VN	SOHP MIXED	ON	60	214	56	11,984	100	12,084	Contest Club Ontario
VE5MX	SOHP MIXED	SK	60	214	52	11,128	80	11,208	Saskatchewan Contest Club
W2CN	SOHP MIXED	NJ	65	202	51	10,302	80	10,382	South Jersey Radio Association
VE4GV	SOHP MIXED	MB	57	200	48	9,600	60	9,660	Radiosport Manitoba
W4UT	SOHP MIXED	TN	53	182	43	7,826	100	7,926	Tennessee Contest Group
N7EPD	SOHP MIXED	WA	49	170	43	7,310	80	7,390	Western Washington DX Club
N8HO	SOHP MIXED	OH	47	142	41	5,822	80	5,902	
NS2N	SOHP MIXED	NY	41	140	37	5,180	100	5,280	Niagara Frontier Radiosport

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<b>VA1RST</b>	SOHP MIXED	NS	41	136	38	5,168	60	5,228	Maritime Contest Club
<b>K6MM</b>	SOHP MIXED	CA	42	142	35	4,970		4,970	Northern California Contest Club
<b>K1JB</b>	SOHP MIXED	ME	39	126	36	4,536	60	4,596	Yankee Clipper Contest Club
<b>JH2RMU</b>	SOHP MIXED	DX	34	122	29	3,538	60	3,598	
<b>KD4S</b>	SOHP MIXED	SC	26	92	23	2,116	60	2,176	Swamp Fox Contest Group
<b>KG7CW</b>	SOHP MIXED	ID	22	86	18	1,548	40	1,588	Idaho Mountain Radio Society
<b>WA5LXS</b>	SOHP MIXED	TX	20	70	18	1,260	40	1,300	DFW Contest Group
<b>KV0I</b>	SOHP MIXED	NE	20	62	19	1,178	60	1,238	Heartland DX Association
<b>N7WY</b>	SOHP MIXED	MO	19	54	18	972	20	992	Kansas City Contest Club
<b>VE6CA</b>	SOHP PH	AB	50	100	32	3,200	20	3,220	Mabcom
<b>K6DAV</b>	SOHP PH	CA	37	74	28	2,072	60	2,132	
<b>KJ9B</b>	SOHP PH	IN	20	40	17	680	40	720	Society of Midwest Contesters
<b>WW5L</b>	SOHP PH	LA	18	36	16	576	60	636	
<b>K2KR</b>	SOHP PH	CO	18	36	15	540	60	600	Grand Mesa Contesters of Colorado
<b>W3JL</b>	SOHP PH	PA	16	32	16	512	40	552	Frankford Radio Club
<b>K4QQG</b>	SOHP PH	SC	14	28	11	308	20	328	Swamp Fox Contest Group
<b>K9CW</b>	SOLP CW	IL	72	288	55	15,840	100	15,940	Society of Midwest Contesters
<b>NZ7Q</b>	SOLP CW	NM	61	244	48	11,712	60	11,772	Albuquerque DX Assn
<b>VE9VIC</b>	SOLP CW	NB	63	252	46	11,592	60	11,652	Maritime Contest Club
<b>WB2PJH</b>	SOLP CW	NJ	53	212	43	9,116	60	9,176	Frankford Radio Club
<b>N9NM</b> 🌸	SOLP CW	TX	51	204	41	8,364	60	8,424	Central Texas DX and Contest Club
<b>AD5VC</b>	SOLP CW	LA	53	212	39	8,268	60	8,328	
<b>K6PB</b>	SOLP CW	CA	50	200	40	8,000	60	8,060	
<b>K0WRY</b>	SOLP CW	KS	45	180	36	6,480	40	6,520	
<b>K9NW</b>	SOLP CW	OH	42	168	33	5,544	60	5,604	Mad River Radio Club
<b>K4ORD</b>	SOLP CW	VA	44	176	31	5,456	60	5,516	Potomac Valley Radio Club

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<b>K7ROG</b>	SOLP CW	AZ	42	168	29	4,872	60	4,932	Arizona Outlaws Contest Club
<b>W1END</b>	SOLP CW	NH	38	152	31	4,712	40	4,752	Yankee Clipper Contest Club
<b>W8EWH</b>	SOLP CW	MI	35	140	28	3,920	60	3,980	Mad River Radio Club
<b>W3WHK</b>	SOLP CW	PA	34	136	26	3,536	40	3,576	Frankford Radio Club
<b>VA3FN</b>	SOLP CW	ON	32	128	25	3,200	40	3,240	
<b>NW0M</b>	SOLP CW	MO	29	116	24	2,784	40	2,824	Kansas City Contest Club
<b>KM4FO</b>	SOLP CW	KY	24	96	21	2,016	60	2,076	Kentucky Contest Group
<b>W4NZ</b>	SOLP CW	TN	25	100	20	2,000	20	2,020	Tennessee Contest Group
<b>W4NBS</b>	SOLP CW	AL	24	96	19	1,824	20	1,844	Alabama Contest Group
<b>W7TMT</b>	SOLP CW	WA	20	80	18	1,440	40	1,480	
<b>K4FT</b>	SOLP CW	SC	21	84	17	1,428		1,428	Swamp Fox Contest Group
<b>VE2VAB</b>	SOLP CW	QC	19	76	17	1,292	40	1,332	Club de radioamateur Outaouais
<b>K6RM</b>	SOLP CW	NC	21	84	15	1,260	60	1,320	Carolina DX Association
<b>K0TC</b>	SOLP CW	MN	19	76	15	1,140	20	1,160	Minnesota Wireless Assn
<b>KN4JN</b>	SOLP CW	FL	17	68	15	1,020	20	1,040	
<b>K7ZYV</b>	SOLP CW	MS	13	52	9	468	20	488	
<b>K2DFC</b>	SOLP MIXED	NJ	114	374	86	32,164	140	32,304	Sussex County ARC
<b>VE3WG</b>	SOLP MIXED	ON	101	328	77	25,256	140	25,396	Contest Club Ontario
<b>N8II</b>	SOLP MIXED	WV	98	322	74	23,828	140	23,968	Potomac Valley Radio Club
<b>WA8ZNC</b>	SOLP MIXED	WA	88	280	74	20,720	120	20,840	Willamette Valley DX Club
<b>VY1KX</b>	SOLP MIXED	YT	88	290	69	20,010	100	20,110	
<b>K9PW</b>	SOLP MIXED	IL	82	278	66	18,348	120	18,468	Society of Midwest Contesters
<b>K0XF</b>	SOLP MIXED	CO	86	272	63	17,136	120	17,256	Grand Mesa Contesters of Colorado
<b>K3IE</b>	SOLP MIXED	TN	74	264	58	15,312	80	15,392	Tennessee Contest Group
<b>W0PI</b>	SOLP MIXED	MN	68	244	59	14,396	80	14,476	
<b>K4VBM</b>	SOLP MIXED	GA	64	218	53	11,554	140	11,694	South East Contest Club

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<b>W0YJT</b>	SOLP MIXED	KS	66	214	53	11,342	140	11,482	
<b>W4EE</b>	SOLP MIXED	FL	58	196	52	10,192	80	10,272	Florida Contest Group
<b>K06M</b>	SOLP MIXED	CA	50	160	40	6,400	80	6,480	Northern California Contest Club
<b>VE5GC</b>	SOLP MIXED	SK	43	160	38	6,080	40	6,120	Saskatchewan Contest Club
<b>VE4DL</b>	SOLP MIXED	MB	45	150	37	5,550	80	5,630	Radiosport Manitoba
<b>K2QO</b>	SOLP MIXED	NY	30	116	26	3,016	40	3,056	Niagara Frontier Radiosport
<b>N5OHL</b>	SOLP MIXED	OK	34	102	28	2,856	60	2,916	
<b>N5KB</b>	SOLP MIXED	IA	30	102	26	2,652	40	2,692	Minnesota Wireless Assn
<b>K9OZ</b>	SOLP MIXED	AR	29	108	23	2,484	60	2,544	ADXA
<b>W4LEW</b> 🌸	SOLP MIXED	VA	28	106	23	2,438	60	2,498	Central VA Contest Club
<b>WA8ZBT</b>	SOLP MIXED	TX	28	100	23	2,300	100	2,400	DFW Contest Group
<b>K8RGI</b>	SOLP MIXED	OH	26	96	20	1,920	40	1,960	Cuyahoga ARS
<b>N3CKI</b>	SOLP MIXED	NC	26	92	20	1,840	40	1,880	Potomac Valley Radio Club
<b>N4QI</b>	SOLP MIXED	SC	24	80	19	1,520	80	1,600	Swamp Fox Contest Group
<b>K1BZ</b>	SOLP MIXED	ME	19	64	17	1,088	40	1,128	Potomac Valley Radio Club
<b>KK7A</b>	SOLP MIXED	ID	12	46	9	414	20	434	
<b>VE1CHL</b>	SOLP PH	NS	32	64	28	1,792	60	1,852	
<b>NW5Q</b>	SOLP PH	TX	32	64	25	1,600	80	1,680	DFW Contest Group
<b>K0ARF</b>	SOLP PH	MN	31	62	21	1,302	60	1,362	Minnesota Wireless Assn
<b>W5GUZ</b>	SOLP PH	NM	26	52	24	1,248	80	1,328	
<b>VE3IDT</b>	SOLP PH	ON	25	50	20	1,000	60	1,060	Contest Club Ontario
<b>VY2GF</b>	SOLP PH	PE	25	50	20	1,000	40	1,040	
<b>VE9RLW</b>	SOLP PH	NB	23	46	19	874	60	934	
<b>KC1QEM</b>	SOLP PH	MA	20	40	19	760	60	820	BARC
<b>WA9YI</b>	SOLP PH	IN	21	42	18	756	60	816	Hendricks County ARS
<b>KD9GY</b>	SOLP PH	IL	22	44	17	748	40	788	Society of Midwest Contesters

Call	Category	S/P/DX	Total Qs	Total Points	Mults	Base Score	Bonus	Total Score	Club
<b>N6UNH</b>	SOLP PH	CA	19	38	19	722	60	782	
<b>WA2CNV</b>	SOLP PH	NY	16	32	15	480	20	500	ARC EMCOMM SRVC
<b>AJ4HP</b>	SOLP PH	FL	15	30	14	420	40	460	Florida Contest Group
<b>KE0UNV</b>	SOLP PH	MO	14	28	14	392	40	432	MikeOscar Contesting Club
<b>KF0CCI</b>	SOLP PH	SD	13	26	13	338	20	358	
<b>KD9KEQ</b>	SOLP PH	WI	12	24	12	288	40	328	
<b>AC8JF</b>	SOLP PH	MI	11	22	11	242	40	282	Hazel Park ARC
<b>WB7CYO</b>	SOLP PH	ID	12	24	10	240	40	280	
<b>KD5CFA</b>	SOLP PH	LA	10	20	10	200	40	240	
<b>KO4PRE</b>	SOLP PH	VA	10	20	10	200	40	240	Vienna Wireless Society
<b>K0OP</b>	SOLP PH	ND	10	20	9	180	40	220	

Teams:

W1NVT (W1SJ KC1KUW KB1RVN AA1SU)

N1SOH (+W1FM)

K8BF (WB9LBI, N8QE, KD8OBA, W8PT)