

# Thousand Islands International Bridge System



# Quick Facts

- 8.5 mile system of suspension, arch and truss bridges, highways connecting Province of Ontario, Canada and New York State, USA.
- International border is in the middle of the bridge system.
- Tolls are collected in both Canadian and US currencies in both countries.
- Customers using the bridge system do not necessarily have to cross the international border.
- Canada/USA trading relationship is largest in the world.
- Commercial crossings originate/destined to all 48 states and 10 provinces.
- Commercial crossings represent 60% of total toll revenue.

# Challenges

- Sovereignty of 2 countries.
- 2 currencies and fluctuation of currency exchange rates.
- Financial institutions handle both currencies very differently depending on the country.
- ETC is difficult to implement in a 2 currency environment. Patchwork solutions only available.

