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1. POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS

Table 1 - Estimated resident population of Republic of Mauritius

^{1/}
as at 31st December, 1996 & 1997

Year	Island	Both sexes	Male	Female	Area (sq km)	Density (persons/km ²)
1996	Mauritius	1,107,325	553,940	553,385	1,864.8	594
	Rodrigues	35,018	17,408	17,610	104.0	337
	Other	170	90	80	71.2	2
	Republic of Mauritius	1,142,513	571,438	571,075	2,040	560
1997	Mauritius	1,120,530	560,175	560,355	1,864.8	594
	Rodrigues	35,192	17,483	17,709	104.0	337
	Other	170	90	80	71.2	2
	Republic of Mauritius	1,155,892	577,748	578,144	2,040	567

^{1/} based on the 1990 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children.

Table 2 - Population growth in intercensal periods - Island of Mauritius, 1851 - 1990

Census Date	Population enumerated at census			Intercensal increase	Average annual rate of increase(%)
	Both sexes	Male	Female		
20 Nov. 1851	180,823	119,341	61,482	22,361	2.55
8 Apr. 1861	310,050	202,961	107,089	129,227	5.91
11 Apr. 1871	316,042	193,575	122,467	5,992	0.19
4 Apr. 1881	359,874	208,655	151,219	43,832	1.31
6 Mar. 1891	370,588	206,038	164,550	10,714	0.29
1 Apr. 1901	371,023	199,552	171,471	435	0.01
31 Mar. 1911	368,791	194,095	174,696	-2,232	-0.06
21 May. 1921	376,485	194,108	182,377	7,694	0.21
26 Apr. 1931	393,238	200,609	192,629	16,753	0.44
11 Jun. 1944	419,185	210,326	208,859	25,947	0.49
29 Jun. 1952	501,415	252,032	249,383	82,230	2.26
30 Jun. 1962 ^{1/}	681,619	342,306	339,313	180,204	3.12
30 Jun. 1972 ^{1/}	826,199	413,580	412,619	144,580	1.94
2 Jul. 1983 ^{1/}	966,863	481,368	485,495	140,664	1.44
1 Jul. 1990	1,022,456	510,676	511,780	55,593	0.80

^{1/} De facto population

**Table 3 -Population growth in intercensal periods - Island of Rodrigues,
1851 - 1990**

Census Date	Population enumerated at census			Inter-censal increase	Average annual rate of increase (%)
	Both sexes	Male	Female		
20 Nov. 1851	495	327	168	-	-
8 Apr. 1861	693	464	229	198	3.65
11 Apr. 1871	1,108	693	415	415	4.80
4 Apr. 1881	1,431	812	619	323	2.59
6 Mar. 1891	2,068	1,154	914	637	3.75
1 Apr. 1901	3,162	1,685	1,477	1,094	4.34
31 Mar. 1911	4,829	2,523	2,306	1,667	4.33
21 May. 1921	6,584	3,300	3,284	1,755	3.15
26 Apr. 1931	8,202	4,033	4,169	1,618	2.22
11 Jun. 1944	11,885	5,740	6,145	3,683	2.89
29 Jun. 1952	13,333	5,947	7,386	1,448	1.45
30 Jun. 1962	18,335	9,062	9,273	5,002	3.24
30 Jun. 1972 ^{1/}	24,769	12,270	12,499	6,434	3.05
2 Jul. 1983 ^{1/}	33,082	16,552	16,530	8,313	2.67
1 Jul. 1990 ^{1/}	34,204	17,084	17,120	1,122	0.48

^{1/} *De facto population*

Table 4 - Estimated resident population by geographical district and sex - Republic of Mauritius, 1996 & 1997
 1/
 (End of year estimates)

Geographical district	Area (km ²)	31st December 1996			31st December 1997		
		Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
Port Louis	42.7	137,122	68,730	68,392	137,585	68,933	68,652
Pamplemousses	178.7	113,099	56,998	56,101	114,801	57,845	56,956
Riviere du Rempart	147.6	95,182	47,342	47,840	96,493	47,936	48,557
Flacq	297.9	121,179	60,777	60,402	122,509	61,439	61,070
Grand Port	260.3	104,240	52,284	51,956	105,477	52,839	52,638
Savanne	244.8	64,692	32,328	32,364	65,249	32,582	32,667
Plaines Wilhems	203.3	348,909	174,358	174,551	353,125	176,348	176,777
Moka	230.5	71,904	35,517	36,387	73,113	36,072	37,041
Black River	259.0	50,998	25,606	25,392	52,178	26,181	25,997
Island of Mauritius	1,864.8	1,107,325	553,940	553,385	1,120,530	560,175	560,355
Island of Rodrigues	104.0	35,018	17,408	17,610	35,192	17,483	17,709
Other	71.2	170	90	80	170	90	80
Republic of Mauritius	2,040.0	1,142,513	571,438	571,075	1,155,892	577,658	578,064

1/ based on the 1990 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children.

Internal migration within districts is assumed to be the same as the net annual internal migration during 1985 - 1990 (obtained from the 1990 census)

Table 5 - Population and vital statistics - Republic of Mauritius, 1963 - 1997

Year	Population at mid-year ^{1/}	Live births	Deaths	Infant deaths	Still births	Civil marriages	Divorces
1963	714,170	28,859	6,912	1,739	1,540	3,643	128
1964	735,272	28,610	6,421	1,647	1,643	4,126	108
1965	754,683	27,195	6,637	1,801	1,589	4,103	128
1966	773,360	27,831	6,944	1,810	1,410	4,289	102
1967	788,544	24,471	6,750	1,726	1,107	4,105	123
1968	803,447	25,409	7,382	1,790	1,140	4,119	120
1969	815,327	22,621	6,733	1,628	988	4,055	133
1970	828,922	22,766	6,520	1,312	892	4,651	126
1971	840,602	21,926	6,436	1,146	882	4,478	179
1972	850,968	21,495	6,753	1,399	749	5,214	136
1973	869,334	20,015	6,779	1,277	701	5,679	147
1974	880,650	24,002	6,424	1,113	879	6,905	117
1975	892,045	22,557	7,201	1,130	932	7,069	110
1976	903,610	23,274	6,968	936	808	8,451	98
1977	918,005	23,859	7,154	1,087	742	8,632	197
1978	933,499	25,278	6,595	876	680	10,741	255
1979	949,888	26,163	6,871	891	668	9,327	265
1980	966,039	26,294	6,919	864	662	8,894	351
1981	980,462	24,967	6,653	884	590	8,406	305
1982	992,521	22,459	6,584	682	458	10,768	312
1983	1,001,691	21,073	6,532	570	403	10,255	361
1984	1,012,221	20,332	6,646	705	404	10,865	471
1985	1,020,528	19,376	6,906	487	383	11,245	460
1986	1,028,360	19,170	6,805	524	365	10,556	616
1987	1,036,082	20,033	6,753	504	363	11,392	842
1988	1,043,239	20,941	6,879	471	374	11,453	740
1989	1,051,260	21,822	7,149	498	415	11,197	711
1990	1,058,675	22,602	7,031	52	365	11,425	549
1991	1,070,128	22,197	7,027	413	400	11,295	707
1992	1,084,401	22,902	7,023	426	291	11,408	781
1993	1,097,305	22,329	7,433	438	337	11,576	762
1994	1,112,607	21,795	7,402	394	274	11,414	733
1995	1,122,118	20,549	7,465	404	299	10,624	801
1996	1,133,551	20,763	7,670	459	266	10,700	792
1997	1,147,706	20,012	7,986	406	257	10,887	891

^{1/} figures for 1963 - 1971 have been revised in the light of the final 1972 population census data: figures for 1973 - 1982 and 1984 - 1989 have been respectively revised in the light of the 1983 and 1990 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children

Note: The increase in the number of civil marriages as from 1982 is due largely to improved registration of religious marriages with the coming into force of a new Civil Status Act as from January, 1982.

Table 6 - Growth of the resident population and vital statistics - Island of Mauritius, 1988 - 1997

Year	Population at beginning of year 1/	Natural movement			Net migration	Total increase	% change during the year due to:			Population at end of year 1/
		Live births	Deaths	Natural increase			Natural increase	Migration	Total	
1988	1,005,921	20,057	6,699	13,358	-3,561	9,797	1.32	-0.35	0.97	1,015,718
1989	1,015,718	20,955	6,946	14,009	-6,489	7,520	1.38	-0.64	0.74	1,023,238
1990	1,023,238	21,799	6,854	14,945	-6,657	8,288	1.46	-0.65	0.81	1,031,526
1991	1,031,526	21,436	6,815	14,621	-2,853	11,768	1.42	-0.28	1.14	1,043,294
1992	1,043,294	22,170	6,866	15,304	-877	14,427	1.47	-0.08	1.39	1,057,721
1993	1,057,721	21,667	7,275	14,392	-1,080	13,312	1.36	-0.10	1.26	1,071,033
1994	1,071,033	21,050	7,234	13,816	-1,877	11,939	1.29	-0.18	1.11	1,082,972
1995	1,082,972	19,824	7,298	12,526	-1,068	11,458	1.16	-0.10	1.06	1,094,430
1996	1,094,430	20,049	7,508	12,541	354	12,895	1.16	-0.10	1.06	1,107,325
1997	1,107,325	19,331	7,798	11,533	1,672	13,205	1.04	+0.15	1.19	1,120,530

1/ 1988 - 1989 population figures have been revised in the light of the 1990 census figures adjusted for underenumeration of young children

Table 7 - Growth of the resident population and vital statistics - Island of Rodrigues, 1988 - 1997

Year	Population at beginning of year ^{1/}	Natural movement			Net migration	Total increase	% change during the year due to:			Population at end of year ^{1/}
		Live births	Deaths	Natural increase			Natural increase	Migration	Total	
1988	34,422	884	180	704	-1,497	-793	2.05	-4.35	-2.30	33,629
1989	33,629	867	203	664	-107	557	1.97	-0.32	1.66	34,186
1990	34,186	803	177	626	-520	106	1.83	-1.52	0.31	34,292
1991	34,292	761	212	549	-462	87	1.60	-1.35	0.25	34,379
1992	34,379	732	157	575	-461	114	1.67	-1.34	0.33	34,493
1993	34,493	662	158	504	-461	43	1.46	-1.34	0.12	34,536
1994	34,536	745	168	577	-435	142	1.67	-1.26	0.41	34,678
1995	34,678	725	167	558	-408	150	1.61	-1.18	0.43	34,828
1996	34,828	714	162	552	-362	190	1.58	-1.04	0.55	35,018
1997	35,018	681	188	493	-319	174	1.41	-0.91	0.50	35,192

^{1/} 1988 - 1989 population figures have been revised in the light of the 1990 population census figures.

II - PASSENGER TRAFFIC

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Table 8 - Passenger Traffic by sex, 1978 - 1997

Period	Arrivals			Departures			Net overseas migration
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	
1978	161,688	93,087	68,601	163,733	94,850	68,883	-2,045
1979	182,771	105,051	77,720	186,864	110,284	76,580	-4,093
1980	163,230	96,460	66,770	167,269	100,579	66,690	-4,039
1981	168,973	95,293	73,680	174,376	98,066	76,310	-5,403
1982	166,669	93,299	73,370	171,991	95,061	76,930	-5,322
1983	177,665	101,125	76,540	182,005	102,785	79,220	-4,340
1984	198,461	113,201	85,260	202,983	114,203	88,780	-4,522
1985	212,860	120,940	91,920	215,000	119,780	95,220	-2,140
1986	235,640	129,600	106,040	236,850	132,740	104,110	-1,210
1987	293,160	161,030	132,130	294,970	160,670	134,300	-1,810
1988	343,940	186,800	157,140	341,330	187,580	153,750	2,610
1989	379,080	208,860	170,220	385,050	213,230	171,820	-5,970
1990	418,200	232,050	186,150	422,230	233,280	188,950	-4,030
1991	426,680	239,630	187,050	425,620	236,190	189,430	1,060
1992	475,920	262,660	213,260	472,010	258,320	213,690	3,910
1993	523,740	280,910	242,830	520,400	281,100	239,300	3,340
² 1994	558,136	295,259	262,877	557,575	295,500	262,075	561
² 1995	579,993	304,705	275,288	578,481	304,245	274,236	1,512
² 1996	672,070	350,561	321,509	663,501	345,892	317,609	8,569
1997	743,291	378,593	364,698	737,523	379,841	357,682	5,768

^{1/} Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

^{2/} As from 1994, figures of the passenger traffic include cruise excursionists, i.e passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 5935, 5725, 12460 and 13261 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

**Table 9 - Passenger Traffic between Islands of Mauritius and Rodrigues,
1978 - 1997**

Period	Arrivals in Rodrigues			Departures from Rodrigues			Net overseas migration
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	
1978	5,571	3,588	1,983	5,642	3,641	2,001	-71
1979	5,785	3,794	1,991	5,398	3,672	1,726	387
1980	6,042	3,964	2,078	5,722	3,908	1,814	320
1981	7,099	4,871	2,228	6,190	4,256	1,934	909
1982	6,333	4,144	2,189	5,680	3,778	1,902	653
1983	6,556	4,182	2,374	6,520	4,182	2,338	36
1984	7,471	4,762	2,709	7,172	4,452	2,720	299
1985	7,277	4,725	2,552	7,286	4,603	2,683	-9
1986	7,975	5,103	2,872	7,906	4,976	2,930	69
1987	8,255	5,135	3,120	8,337	5,135	3,202	-82
1988	9,146	5,903	3,243	10,128	6,330	3,798	-982
1989	11,501	7,234	4,267	11,092	6,831	4,261	409
1990	13,110	8,023	5,087	13,492	7,949	5,543	-382
1991	15,125	9,594	5,531	16,178	10,117	6,061	-1,053
1992	19,064	11,629	7,435	19,865	11,887	7,978	-801
1993	22,819	13,973	8,846	23,476	14,094	9,382	-657
1994	23,292	14,174	9,118	23,636	14,177	9,459	-344
1995	24,150	14,532	9,618	24,820	14,603	10,217	-670
1996	29,129	16,947	12,182	29,370	16,861	12,509	-241
1997	37,765	22,120	15,645	38,014	22,096	15,918	-249

Fig 1(a) - Passenger Traffic: Total arrivals by sex, 1981 - 1997



Fig 1(b) - Passenger Traffic: Total departures by sex, 1981 - 1997



Fig 1(c) - Total arrivals and total departures, 1988 - 1997

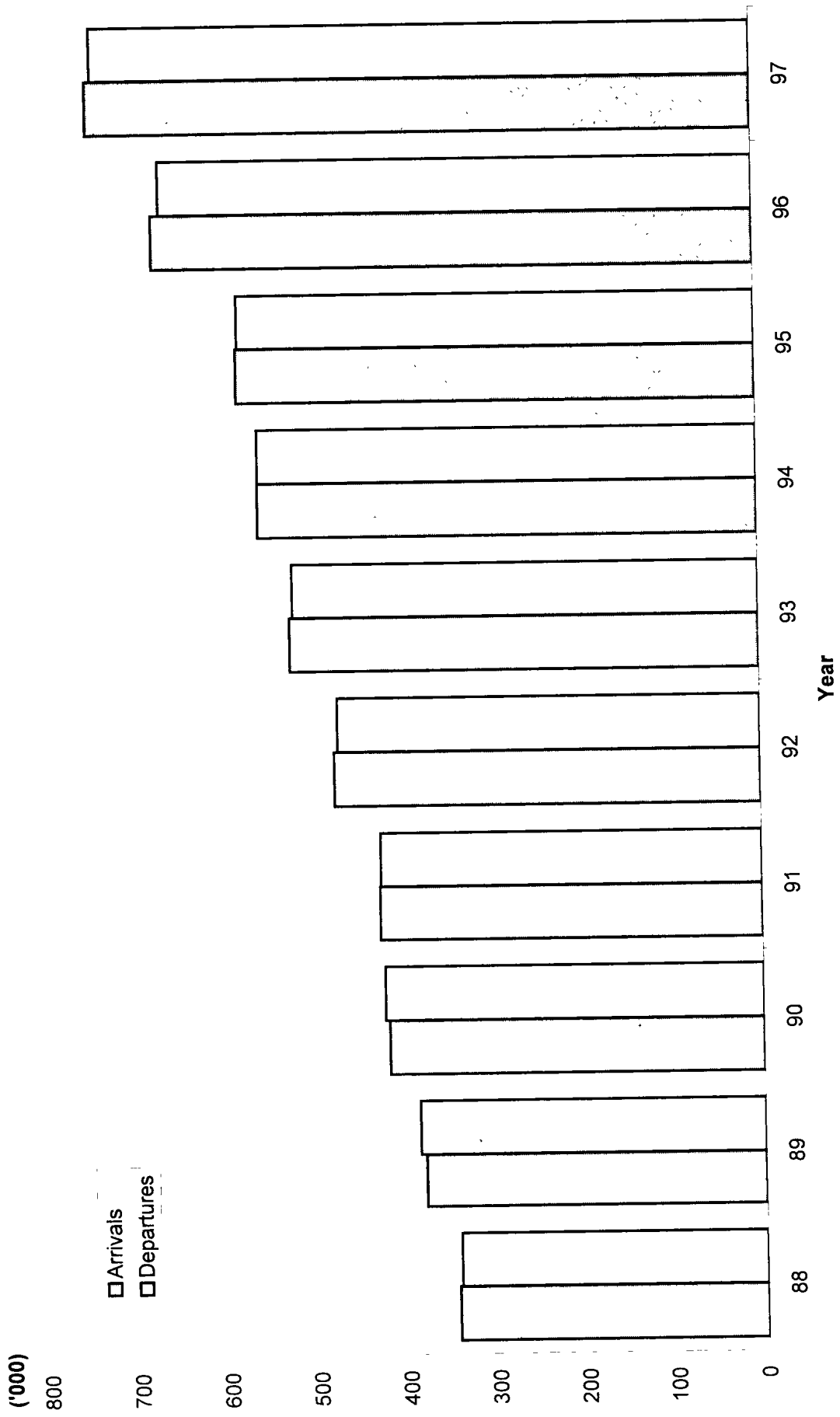


Table 10 - Passenger Traffic by mode of transport, 1978 - 1997 ^{1/}

Period	Arrivals			Departures			Net overseas migration
	Total	By sea	By air	Total	By sea	By air	
1978	161,688	4,411	157,277	163,733	4,698	159,035	-2,045
1979	182,771	3,581	179,190	186,864	4,054	182,810	-4,093
1980	163,230	3,980	159,250	167,269	4,469	162,800	-4,039
1981	168,973	4,533	164,440	174,376	5,316	169,060	-5,403
1982	166,669	3,839	162,830	171,991	4,421	167,570	-5,322
1983	177,665	4,915	172,750	182,005	4,755	177,250	-4,340
1984	198,461	5,541	192,920	202,983	5,553	197,430	-4,522
1985	212,860	4,450	208,410	215,000	5,020	209,980	-2,140
1986	235,640	4,510	231,130	236,850	4,300	232,550	-1,210
1987	293,160	4,870	288,290	294,970	5,230	289,740	-1,810
1988	343,940	5,260	338,680	341,330	4,340	336,990	2,610
1989	379,080	3,190	375,890	385,050	3,620	381,430	-5,970
1990	418,200	3,820	414,380	422,230	3,820	418,410	-4,030
1991	426,680	7,290	419,390	425,620	5,820	419,800	1,060
1992	475,920	9,260	466,660	472,010	6,780	465,230	3,910
1993	523,740	13,530	510,210	520,400	11,890	508,510	3,340
1994 ²	558,136	19,461	538,675	557,575	17,663	539,912	561
1995 ²	579,993	18,854	561,139	578,481	17,895	560,586	1,512
1996 ²	672,070	27,308	644,762	663,501	24,794	638,707	8,569
1997	743,291	29,756	713,535	737,523	27,390	710,133	5,768
1997: 1st Qr.	181,512	10,327	171,185	195,155	10,090	185,065	-13,643
2nd Qr.	158,306	3,951	154,355	156,652	3,632	153,020	1,654
3rd Qr.	189,789	7,113	182,676	188,001	6,405	181,596	1,788
4th Qr.	213,684	8,365	205,319	197,715	7,263	190,452	15,969

^{1/} Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

^{2/} As from 1994, figures of the passenger traffic include cruise excursionists, i.e passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 5935, 5725, 12460 and 13261 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

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Table 11 - Passenger Traffic by month, 1994 - 1997

Month	Arrivals				Departures				Excess of arrivals over departures			
	1994 ²	1995 ²	1996 ²	1997	1994 ²	1995 ²	1996 ²	1997	1994	1995	1996	1997
January	56,561	56,755	58,854	68,019	63,795	66,515	67,990	78,137	-7,234	-9,760	-9,136	-10,118
February	38,731	35,993	43,659	49,944	43,401	37,010	46,087	52,292	-4,670	-1,017	-2,428	-2,348
March	42,593	45,139	56,143	63,549	39,532	46,561	51,937	64,726	3,061	-1,422	4,206	-1,177
April	42,644	44,437	55,503	55,732	46,936	44,958	60,078	55,843	-4,292	-521	-4,575	-111
May	41,751	42,881	49,803	55,020	44,592	43,595	49,366	54,155	-2,841	-714	437	865
June	34,745	34,316	41,071	47,554	32,360	34,552	41,575	46,654	2,385	-236	-504	900
July	46,756	49,544	50,826	58,127	39,325	40,084	42,036	51,915	7,431	9,460	8,790	6,212
August	57,077	59,206	69,207	76,244	62,490	64,857	74,838	79,089	-5,413	-5,651	-5,631	-2,845
September	40,075	40,655	50,810	55,418	40,937	42,606	51,836	56,997	-862	-1,951	-1,026	-1,579
October	50,758	52,513	59,538	61,218	47,759	48,052	53,833	59,195	2,999	4,461	5,705	2,023
November	46,653	52,341	61,379	74,144	48,237	56,000	62,374	73,343	-1,584	-3,659	-995	801
December	59,792	66,213	75,277	78,322	48,211	53,691	61,551	65,177	11,581	12,522	13,726	13,145
Whole Year	558,136	579,993	672,070	743,291	557,575	578,481	663,501	737,523	561	1,512	8,569	5,768

1/ Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

2/ As from 1994, figures of the passenger traffic include cruise excursionists, i.e. passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 5935, 5725, 12460 and 13261 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

Table 12 - Arrivals by country of original embarkation, 1992 - 1997

Country of original embarkation	1992	1993	¹ 1994	¹ 1995	¹ 1996	1997
Australia	8,020	8,150	8,107	8,170	10,648	12,997
Belgium	1,730	2,500	3,220	5,215	6,864	7,653
France	61,950	70,080	82,353	91,478	105,986	120,036
Germany	29,010	35,770	38,636	37,644	34,530	37,520
Hongkong	6,010	6,920	6,747	7,667	9,799	9,642
India	16,330	18,260	19,679	22,231	26,103	29,422
Italy	13,730	13,710	17,165	16,157	19,589	33,872
Japan	2,550	1,900	1,189	992	992	1,101
Kenya	4,230	4,530	4,165	3,533	4,207	4,572
Malagasy Rep.	8,180	9,420	10,123	10,753	16,082	15,771
Reunion Island	152,410	160,650	167,807	170,186	186,542	192,316
Rodrigues	19,865	23,476	23,636	24,820	29,370	38,014
Seychelles	9,320	11,920	8,774	12,747	14,468	15,481
Singapore	20,290	19,580	19,984	16,281	17,322	17,612
S. Africa Rep. of	51,780	56,810	55,547	60,835	72,624	76,776
Switzerland	11,230	12,360	13,055	14,845	15,722	16,368
United Kingdom	35,770	42,700	47,527	44,004	49,306	58,288
Zambia	270	90	114	172	123	139
Zimbabwe	5,450	6,040	6,637	7,278	7,875	9,497
Other & Not Stated	17,795	18,874	23,671	24,985	43,918	46 214
All Countries	475,920	523,740	558,136	579,993	672,070	743,291

^{1/} As from 1994, figures of the passenger traffic include cruise excursionists, i.e passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 5935, 5725, 12460 and 13261 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

Table 13 - Departures by country of final destination, 1992 - 1997

Country of final destination	1992	1993	1994 ¹	1995 ¹	1996 ¹	1997
Australia	7,350	7,800	6,780	7,642	11,028	12,806
Belgium	2,600	3,230	2,127	3,405	5,930	6,152
France	63,960	72,780	85,841	91,161	107,895	122,231
Germany	29,780	37,750	39,373	37,896	33,557	38,861
Hongkong	5,870	5,340	6,383	7,685	8,958	9,148
India	16,400	17,550	19,620	22,232	25,140	27,794
Italy	15,880	15,640	16,057	15,408	17,311	32,691
Japan	2,820	1,880	872	816	750	1,099
Kenya	4,310	3,700	3,653	3,262	3,954	4,605
Malagasy Rep.	8,100	9,880	8,548	9,688	14,101	14,838
Reunion Island	144,950	157,730	174,944	178,386	193,219	200,216
Rodrigues	19,064	22,819	23,292	24,150	29,129	37,765
Seychelles	9,920	11,240	5,871	10,742	10,589	13,144
Singapore	15,730	17,100	21,319	18,372	20,197	20,353
S Africa Rep. of	50,530	53,300	55,171	59,774	71,640	74,437
Switzerland	11,410	12,970	13,241	15,115	14,659	14,498
United Kingdom	36,550	41,840	51,107	48,100	52,897	61,775
Zambia	390	380	62	95	24	69
Zimbabwe	4,440	4,850	5,985	6,724	6,378	8,034
Other & Not Stated	21,956	22,621	17,329	17,828	36,145	37,007
All Countries	472,010	520,400	557,575	578,481	663,501	737,523

^{1/} As from 1994, figures of the passenger traffic include cruise excursionists, i.e passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 5935, 5725, 12460 and 13261 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

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Table 14 - Monthly passenger arrivals and departures by type of passenger, 1997

Type of passenger	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Whole Year
Arrivals													
Visitors ^{2/}	53,405	39,840	50,346	40,336	40,458	32,973	41,054	56,805	41,176	47,208	57,975	56,420	557,996
- On holiday	47,365	34,245	43,856	35,134	35,961	28,234	36,189	52,251	35,591	41,366	51,605	52,766	494,563
- On business	1,402	1,669	1,632	2,404	2,317	2,270	1,922	1,223	2,665	2,305	2,377	1,238	23,424
- In transit	4,123	3,456	4,247	2,416	1,628	2,053	2,464	2,863	2,408	3,099	3,578	2,049	34,384
- Other and not stated	515	470	611	382	552	416	479	468	512	438	415	367	5,625
Mauritian residents	13,398	9,216	12,201	14,025	13,355	13,503	15,982	17,853	12,617	12,995	15,037	20,795	170,977
Other	1,216	888	1,002	1,371	1,207	1,078	1,091	1,586	1,625	1,015	1,132	1,107	14,318
Total arrivals	68,019	49,944	63,549	55,732	55,020	47,554	58,127	76,244	55,418	61,218	74,144	78,322	743,291
Departures													
Visitors	64,203	41,769	49,071	42,100	41,260	32,893	35,971	60,620	41,246	45,084	56,924	45,871	557,012
Mauritian residents	13,235	9,858	14,667	12,666	12,034	12,722	14,783	17,570	14,897	13,311	15,543	18,089	169,375
Other	699	665	988	1,077	861	1,039	1,161	899	854	800	876	1,217	11,136
Total departures	78,137	52,292	64,726	55,843	54,155	46,654	51,915	79,089	56,997	59,195	73,343	65,177	737,523

1/ Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

2/ Including non-residents who left the airport but stayed in the country for less than a day.

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Table 15 - Passenger traffic by type of passenger, 1988 - 1997

Type of passenger	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994 ^{4/}	1995 ^{4/}	1996 ^{4/}	1997
Arrivals										
Visitors ^{2/}	255,820	281,040	310,290	316,040	346,370	385,010	416,099	437,175	509,303	557,996
- On holiday	220,780	249,320	275,970	283,410	313,840	352,630	375,678	395,414	450,936	494,563
- On business	16,190	14,830	16,350	11,650	14,990	17,740	13,624	17,827	20,692	23,424
- In transit	16,590	15,220	17,840	17,330	13,400	11,430	21,123	20,530	33,129	34,384
- Other & Not Stated	2,260	1,670	130	3,650	4,140	3,210	5,674	3,404	4,546	5,625
Mauritians settled abroad	19,960	20,180	21,080	21,270	24,080	24,010	.3/	- 3/	- 3/	3/
Mauritian residents	64,520	74,450	84,150	85,060	98,380	105,850	130,483	130,490	149,777	170,977
Other	3,640	3,410	2,680	4,310	7,090	8,870	11,554	12,328	12,990	14,318
Total arrivals	343,940	379,080	418,200	426,680	475,920	523,740	558,136	579,993	672,070	743,291
Departures										
Visitors	252,560	282,720	310,460	315,110	344,710	386,070	424,947	437,166	503,817	557,012
Mauritians settled abroad	18,850	19,900	20,280	21,220	23,900	23,940	3/	3/	- 3/	- 3/
Mauritian residents	66,077	79,525	89,513	86,560	98,510	105,059	131,715	131,296	149,544	169,375
Other	3,843	2,905	1,977	2,730	4,890	5,331	913	10,019	10,140	11,136
Total departures	341,330	385,050	422,230	425,620	472,010	520,400	557,575	578,481	663,501	737,523

1/ Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

2/ Including non-residents who left the airport but stayed in the country for less than a day.

3/ As from 1994, Mauritians settled abroad are included among visitors

4/ As from 1994, figures of the passenger traffic include cruise excursionists, i.e. passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 5935, 5725, 12460 and 13261 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

Table 16 - Total arrivals by age and sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996 ²			1997			January - June 1997			July - December 1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
	Under 1	3,281	1,706	1,575	3,515	1,646	1,869	1,598	769	829	1,917	877
1 - 4	19,358	9,862	9,496	20,618	9,969	10,649	9,513	4,774	4,739	11,105	5,195	5,910
5 - 9	26,604	13,535	13,069	28,432	13,933	14,499	12,282	6,246	6,036	16,150	7,687	8,463
10 - 14	25,391	12,706	12,685	26,504	12,766	13,738	10,751	5,357	5,394	15,753	7,409	8,344
15 - 19	22,259	10,415	11,844	23,646	10,765	12,881	9,662	4,505	5,157	13,984	6,260	7,724
20 - 24	44,337	18,406	25,931	48,018	19,350	28,668	21,386	8,840	12,546	26,632	10,510	16,122
25 - 29	81,974	39,387	42,587	89,584	41,892	47,692	39,215	18,882	20,333	50,369	23,010	27,359
30 - 34	82,224	44,032	38,192	90,245	46,937	43,308	42,201	22,519	19,682	48,044	24,418	23,626
35 - 39	69,014	38,050	30,964	74,957	40,160	34,797	35,016	19,265	15,751	39,941	20,895	19,046
40 - 44	62,332	34,259	28,073	68,064	36,522	31,542	31,842	17,684	14,158	36,222	18,838	17,384
45 - 49	58,401	32,166	26,235	63,993	34,426	29,567	30,334	16,751	13,583	33,659	17,675	15,984
50 - 54	45,781	25,055	20,726	53,090	28,301	24,789	25,039	13,773	11,266	28,051	14,528	13,523
55 - 59	33,534	17,958	15,576	37,569	19,596	17,973	17,803	9,599	8,204	19,766	9,997	9,769
60 - 64	24,629	12,975	11,654	28,544	14,700	13,844	13,186	7,157	6,029	15,358	7,543	7,815
65 - 69	15,832	8,164	7,668	18,161	9,234	8,927	8,216	4,382	3,834	9,945	4,852	5,093
70 & over	15,278	7,433	7,845	17,060	8,290	8,770	7,533	3,902	3,631	9,527	4,388	5,139
Not stated	41,841	24,452	17,389	51,291	30,106	21,185	24,241	14,373	9,868	27,050	15,733	11,317
All ages	672,070	350,561	321,509	743,291	378,593	364,698	339,818	178,778	161,040	403,473	199,815	203,658

^{1/} Including arrivals from Rodrigues

^{2/} The figures of the total arrivals include cruise excursionists, i.e. passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 12460, 13261 for 1996, 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

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Table 17 - Total departures by age and sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996 ²			1997			January - June 1997			July - December 1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
	Under 1	2,829	1,461	1,368	3,106	1,507	1,599	1,562	762	800	1,544	745
1 - 4	19,143	9,791	9,352	20,643	10,172	10,471	10,450	5,243	5,207	10,193	4,929	5,264
5 - 9	26,347	13,411	12,936	28,524	14,167	14,357	13,259	6,727	6,532	15,265	7,440	7,825
10 - 14	25,276	12,652	12,624	26,540	13,023	13,517	11,478	5,712	5,766	15,062	7,311	7,751
15 - 19	22,643	10,572	12,071	24,332	11,317	13,015	10,509	4,977	5,532	13,823	6,340	7,483
20 - 24	42,534	17,904	24,630	45,356	18,809	26,547	20,847	8,839	12,008	24,509	9,970	14,539
25 - 29	80,117	38,316	41,801	87,038	41,050	45,988	38,871	18,599	20,272	48,167	22,451	25,716
30 - 34	81,119	43,159	37,960	89,489	46,746	42,743	43,284	22,946	20,338	46,205	23,800	22,405
35 - 39	68,227	37,504	30,723	74,775	40,420	34,355	36,700	20,152	16,548	38,075	20,268	17,807
40 - 44	61,707	33,726	27,981	68,176	36,758	31,418	33,553	18,508	15,045	34,623	18,250	16,373
45 - 49	57,440	31,635	25,805	63,461	34,483	28,978	31,534	17,323	14,211	31,927	17,160	14,767
50 - 54	45,701	24,970	20,731	53,653	28,819	24,834	26,727	14,578	12,149	26,926	14,241	12,685
55 - 59	33,275	17,851	15,424	37,398	19,707	17,691	18,809	10,081	8,728	18,589	9,626	8,963
60 - 64	24,662	13,005	11,657	28,769	14,958	13,811	14,113	7,593	6,520	14,656	7,365	7,291
65 - 69	15,725	8,072	7,653	18,186	9,370	8,816	8,810	4,709	4,101	9,376	4,661	4,715
70 & over	15,163	7,328	7,835	17,047	8,407	8,640	8,136	4,223	3,913	8,911	4,184	4,727
Not stated	41,593	24,535	17,058	51,030	30,128	20,902	23,165	13,863	9,302	27,865	16,265	11,600
All ages	663,501	345,892	317,609	737,523	379,841	357,682	351,807	184,835	166,972	385,716	195,006	190,710

1/ Including departures to Rodrigues

2/ The figures of the total departures include cruise excursionists, i.e. passengers and crews of cruise ships which number 12460, 13261 for 1996, 1997 respectively, in accordance with the recommendations of the World Tourism Organisation.

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Table 18 - Excess of arrivals over departures by age and sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996 ²			1997			January - June 1997			July - December 1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
Under 1	452	245	207	409	139	270	36	7	29	373	132	241
1 - 4	215	71	144	-25	-203	178	-937	-469	-468	912	266	646
5 - 9	257	124	133	-92	-234	142	-977	-481	-496	885	247	638
10 - 14	115	54	61	-36	-257	221	-727	-355	-372	691	98	593
15 - 19	-384	-157	-227	-686	-552	-134	-847	-472	-375	161	-80	241
20 - 24	1,803	502	1,301	2,662	541	2,121	539	1	538	2,123	540	1,583
25 - 29	1,857	1,071	786	2,546	842	1,704	344	283	61	2,202	559	1,643
30 - 34	1,105	873	232	756	191	565	-1,083	-427	-656	1,839	618	1,221
35 - 39	787	546	241	182	-260	442	-1,684	-887	-797	1,866	627	1,239
40 - 44	625	533	92	-112	-236	124	-1,711	-824	-887	1,599	588	1,011
45 - 49	961	531	430	532	-57	589	-1,200	-572	-628	1,732	515	1,217
50 - 54	80	85	-5	-563	-518	-45	-1,688	-805	-883	1,125	287	838
55 - 59	259	107	152	171	-111	282	-1,006	-482	-524	1,177	371	806
60 - 64	-33	-30	-3	-225	-258	33	-927	-436	-491	702	178	524
65 - 69	107	92	15	-25	-136	111	-594	-327	-267	569	191	378
70 & over	115	105	10	13	-117	130	-603	-321	-282	616	204	412
Not stated	248	-83	331	261	-22	283	1,076	510	566	-815	-532	-283
All ages	8,569	4,669	3,900	5,768	-1,248	7,016	-11,989	-6,057	-5,932	17,757	4,809	12,948

1/ Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues
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Table 19 - Arrivals of Mauritian residents by age and sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996			1997			January - June 1997			July - December 1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
Under 1	509	266	243	507	263	244	223	125	98	284	138	146
1 - 4	3,015	1,514	1,501	3,148	1,592	1,556	1,326	681	645	1,822	911	911
5 - 9	3,596	1,795	1,801	4,017	2,052	1,965	1,521	773	748	2,496	1,279	1,217
10 - 14	3,505	1,805	1,700	3,788	1,916	1,872	1,410	725	685	2,378	1,191	1,187
15 - 19	5,047	2,511	2,536	5,399	2,618	2,781	2,307	1,130	1,177	3,092	1,488	1,604
20 - 24	10,051	5,048	5,003	12,510	6,035	6,475	6,132	2,931	3,201	6,378	3,104	3,274
25 - 29	13,862	7,715	6,147	15,055	8,324	6,731	7,340	4,128	3,212	7,715	4,196	3,519
30 - 34	16,200	9,496	6,704	17,356	10,182	7,174	8,169	4,923	3,246	9,187	5,259	3,928
35 - 39	14,700	8,788	5,912	15,467	9,259	6,208	6,749	4,200	2,549	8,718	5,059	3,659
40 - 44	13,871	8,153	5,718	15,117	8,985	6,132	6,438	4,000	2,438	8,679	4,985	3,694
45 - 49	10,950	6,493	4,457	12,510	7,283	5,227	5,364	3,214	2,150	7,146	4,069	3,077
50 - 54	7,800	4,164	3,636	8,942	4,869	4,073	3,886	2,205	1,681	5,056	2,664	2,392
55 - 59	5,828	2,933	2,895	6,322	3,200	3,122	2,821	1,464	1,357	3,501	1,736	1,765
60 - 64	4,977	2,574	2,403	5,632	2,841	2,791	2,524	1,368	1,156	3,108	1,473	1,635
65 - 69	3,181	1,583	1,598	3,533	1,737	1,796	1,581	807	774	1,952	930	1,022
70 & over	3,315	1,552	1,763	3,659	1,690	1,969	1,613	773	840	2,046	917	1,129
Not stated	29,370	16,861	12,509	38,015	22,097	15,918	16,294	9,577	6,717	21,721	12,520	9,201
All ages	149,777	83,251	66,526	170,977	94,943	76,034	75,698	43,024	32,674	95,279	51,919	43,360

1/ Including arrivals from Rodrigues

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Table 20 - Departures of Mauritian residents by age and sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996			1997			January - June 1997			July - December 1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
Under 1	513	268	245	535	293	242	245	141	104	290	152	138
1 - 4	3,053	1,546	1,507	3,272	1,663	1,609	1,353	699	654	1,919	964	955
5 - 9	3,634	1,811	1,823	4,172	2,131	2,041	1,259	648	611	2,913	1,483	1,430
10 - 14	3,568	1,849	1,719	3,853	1,979	1,874	1,078	580	498	2,775	1,399	1,376
15 - 19	5,751	2,812	2,939	6,214	3,019	3,195	2,252	1,132	1,120	3,962	1,887	2,075
20 - 24	10,139	5,131	5,008	11,823	5,962	5,861	5,806	2,915	2,891	6,017	3,047	2,970
25 - 29	13,442	7,396	6,046	13,844	7,539	6,305	7,126	3,911	3,215	6,718	3,628	3,090
30 - 34	15,845	9,195	6,650	16,657	9,683	6,974	8,185	4,903	3,282	8,472	4,780	3,692
35 - 39	14,580	8,615	5,965	15,514	9,263	6,251	6,968	4,359	2,609	8,546	4,904	3,642
40 - 44	13,808	8,081	5,727	15,173	8,965	6,208	6,667	4,120	2,547	8,506	4,845	3,661
45 - 49	10,962	6,431	4,531	12,507	7,289	5,218	5,527	3,289	2,238	6,980	4,000	2,980
50 - 54	7,816	4,198	3,618	8,859	4,811	4,048	4,104	2,254	1,850	4,755	2,557	2,198
55 - 59	5,875	2,959	2,916	6,327	3,176	3,151	3,036	1,502	1,534	3,291	1,674	1,617
60 - 64	4,937	2,561	2,376	5,701	2,875	2,826	2,794	1,458	1,336	2,907	1,417	1,490
65 - 69	3,168	1,573	1,595	3,540	1,716	1,824	1,761	876	885	1,779	840	939
70 & over	3,324	1,546	1,778	3,619	1,702	1,917	1,803	876	927	1,816	826	990
Not stated	29,129	16,947	12,182	37,765	22,120	15,645	15,218	9,066	6,152	22,547	13,054	9,493
All ages	149,544	82,919	66,625	169,375	94,186	75,189	75,182	42,729	32,453	94,193	51,457	42,736

1/ Including departures to Rodrigues

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Table 21 - Excess of arrivals over departures of Mauritian residents by age & sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996			1997			January - June 1997			July - December 1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
Under 1	-4	-2	-2	-28	-30	2	-22	-16	-6	-6	-14	8
1 - 4	-38	-32	-6	-124	-71	-53	-27	-18	-9	-97	-53	-44
5 - 9	-38	-16	-22	-155	-79	-76	262	125	137	-417	-204	-213
10 - 14	-63	-44	-19	-65	-63	-2	332	145	187	-397	-208	-189
15 - 19	-704	-301	-403	-815	-401	-414	55	-2	57	-870	-399	-471
20 - 24	-88	-83	-5	687	73	614	326	16	310	361	57	304
25 - 29	420	319	101	1,211	785	426	214	217	-3	997	568	429
30 - 34	355	301	54	699	499	200	-16	20	-36	715	479	236
35 - 39	120	173	-53	-47	-4	-43	-219	-159	-60	172	155	17
40 - 44	63	72	-9	-56	20	-76	-229	-120	-109	173	140	33
45 - 49	-12	62	-74	3	-6	9	-163	-75	-88	166	69	97
50 - 54	-16	-34	18	83	58	25	-218	-49	-169	301	107	194
55 - 59	-47	-26	-21	-5	24	-29	-215	-38	-177	210	62	148
60 - 64	40	13	27	-69	-34	-35	-270	-90	-180	201	56	145
65 - 69	13	10	3	-7	21	-28	-180	-69	-111	173	90	83
70 & over	-9	6	-15	40	-12	52	-190	-103	-87	230	91	139
Not stated	241	-86	327	250	-23	273	1,076	511	565	-826	-534	-292
All ages	233	332	-99	1,602	757	845	516	295	221	1,086	462	624

1/ Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

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Table 22 - Arrivals and departures of Mauritian residents by country of embarkation and disembarkation, 1995 - 1997

Country of embarkation/ disembarkation	Arrivals			Departures			Excess of arrivals over departures		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
	Australia	2,766	3,675	4,115	2,817	3,799	3,610	-51	-124
Belgium	653	781	943	584	638	763	69	143	180
Canada	379	348	410	223	124	202	156	224	208
France	14,638	17,445	19,500	15,765	18,240	19,672	-1,127	-795	-172
Germany	1,332	1,343	1,246	1,635	1,557	1,396	-303	-214	-150
Hong Kong	2,660	3,407	3,289	2,435	3,039	2,984	225	368	305
India	9,141	10,885	12,959	9,956	11,141	12,987	-815	-256	-28
Italy	1,917	2,445	3,301	1,778	2,014	3,149	139	431	152
Kenya	944	1,148	1,412	959	1,439	1,742	-15	-291	-330
Rodrigues	24,820	29,370	38,014	24,150	29,129	37,765	670	241	249
Reunion	32,642	35,749	37,714	32,962	36,127	38,941	-320	-378	-1,227
Singapore	8,179	8,613	8,888	8,140	8,663	9,250	39	-50	-362
South Africa	7,285	9,282	10,558	7,542	9,615	10,501	-257	-333	57
Switzerland	1,422	1,798	2,078	1,501	1,681	1,681	-79	117	397
United Kingdom	13,811	14,915	15,100	14,229	14,897	14,970	-418	18	130
Other countries	7,901	8,573	11,450	6,620	7,441	9,762	1,281	1,132	1,688
All Countries	130,490	149,777	170,977	131,296	149,544	169,375	-806	233	1,602

1/ Including traffic between Island of Mauritius and Rodrigues

III - TOURISM

Definition and notes

1. Definition of tourist

(a) prior to 1964, a tourist has been defined as a non-resident staying in Mauritius for more than 24 hours but less than 6 months.

(b) as from 1964, a tourist is defined as a non-resident staying in the island for more than 24 hours but less than a year and is not involved in any gainful occupation .

The figures for the two periods are nevertheless comparable because of the small number of tourists staying for more than 6 months.

2. Visitors include the following:

(a) tourists as defined above; and

(b) non-residents who stayed in the country for less than a day, other than those who do not leave the airport.

3. Method of compilation

Certain data on tourism (such as type of visitor, tourist arrivals by month of arrival, tourist arrivals by country of residence and mode of transport) are compiled from disembarkation (arrival) cards which all passengers have to fill in when they arrive in this country. However, information on duration of stay of visitors can be compiled only from the embarkation (departure) cards which they fill in when leave the country.

Prior to 1994, figures have been compiled from a 10% sample of embarkation and disembarkation cards filled in by passengers. However, as from January 1994, they are based on movements of all passengers. Thus disaggregated data for 1994 onwards may not be strictly comparable to previous series.

4. Tourist nights

Tables on tourist nights show the number of nights spent by tourists who were present in the country during the period under review. Thus the number of tourist nights for 1997 include:

(a) the nights spent during 1997 by tourists who arrived prior to 1st January 1997; and

(b) the nights spent during 1997 by tourists who arrived during the same year.

However, nights spent after 31st December 1997 by tourists who arrived in 1997 are excluded.

5. Large hotels

Large hotels are well established beach hotels of over 80 rooms .

Table 23 - Tourist arrivals by mode of transport and tourist nights spent during period , 1982 - 1997

Period	Tourist arriving during period			Tourist nights spent during period	% change over previous year	
	Sea		Total		Tourist arrivals	Visitor nights
	Sea	Air				
1982	680	117,680	118,360	1,392,510	- 2.7	+ 2.3
1983	960	122,860	123,820	1,405,870	+ 4.6	+ 1.0
1984	1,230	138,440	139,670	1,541,590	+ 12.8	+ 9.7
1985	920	147,940	148,860	1,735,960	+ 6.6	+ 12.6
1986	950	164,360	165,310	1,878,370	+ 11.0	+ 8.2
1987	1,530	206,040	207,570	2,371,970	+ 25.6	+ 26.3
1988	1,770	237,530	239,300	3,002,620	+ 15.3	+ 26.6
1989	840	261,950	262,790	3,196,780	+ 9.8	+ 6.5
1990	1,200	290,350	291,550	3,564,930	+ 10.9	+ 11.5
1991	2,500	298,170	300,670	3,696,990	+ 3.1	+ 3.7
1992	2,630	332,770	335,400	4,110,430	+ 11.6	+ 11.2
1993	5,710	368,920	374,630	4,610,400	+ 11.7	+ 12.2
1994	6,383	394,143	400,526	4,359,303	+ 6.9	- 5.4
1995	6,105	416,358	422,463	4,434,891	+ 5.5	+ 1.7
1996	6,484	480,383	486,867	4,957,683	+ 15.2	+ 11.8
1997	7,476	528,649	536,125	5,451,314	+ 10.1	+ 10.0

Table 24 - Tourist arrivals by month of arrival, 1988 - 1997

Month of arrival	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
January	23,070	26,200	27,950	28,620	33,760	38,910	41,757	42,528	42,743	50,507
February	16,330	16,900	19,520	18,110	23,220	25,920	27,268	26,587	30,870	37,254
March	18,010	19,510	19,630	23,640	22,400	24,170	31,738	33,038	41,736	46,923
April	17,320	19,430	25,570	22,540	30,630	32,580	30,350	34,428	38,759	38,683
May	19,770	20,190	23,210	23,790	23,800	28,250	30,685	30,607	36,303	39,794
June	13,430	14,630	17,990	18,710	21,930	20,880	22,537	23,177	27,984	32,165
July	19,230	21,110	22,180	23,400	26,270	30,320	32,211	33,833	35,656	39,716
August	25,020	27,310	31,420	33,410	33,270	38,450	40,319	42,985	50,347	55,033
September	18,350	20,770	23,190	21,530	23,370	26,750	28,605	28,928	36,681	39,694
October	23,250	25,360	26,940	27,600	29,820	33,040	39,139	40,620	45,930	45,302
November	20,970	22,470	24,300	26,600	30,760	35,400	35,037	39,437	46,130	55,424
December	24,550	28,910	29,650	32,720	36,170	39,960	40,880	46,295	53,728	55,630
Whole Year	239,300	262,790	291,550	300,670	335,400	374,630	400,526	422,463	486,867	536,125

Fig 2 - Tourist arrivals by month, 1993 - 1997

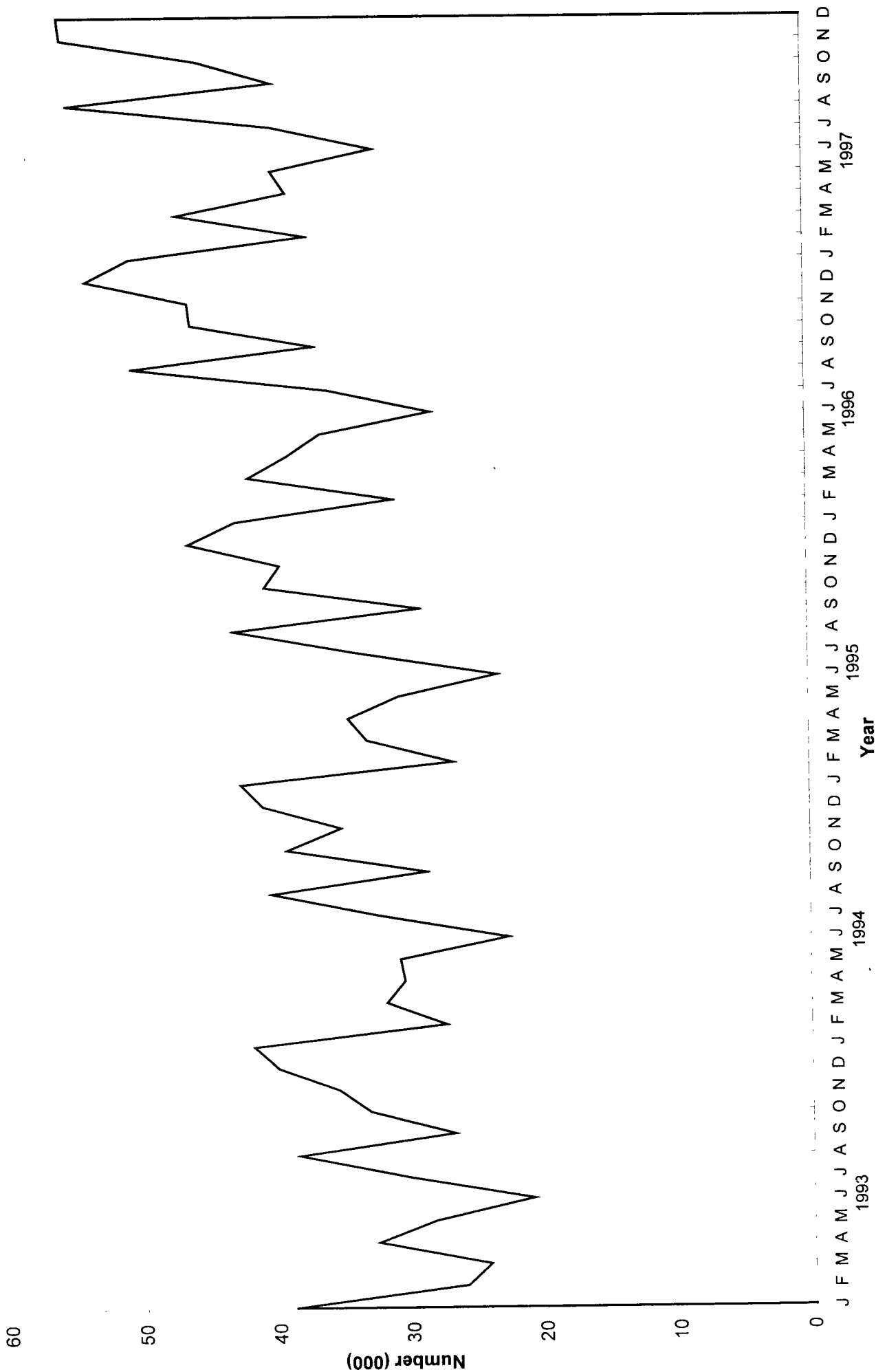


Table 26 - Tourist arrivals by country of residence and sex , 1997

Country of residence	Male	Female	Both Sexes
Australia	4,628	4,832	9,460
Belgium	4,188	3,974	8,162
France	69,264	75,909	145,173
Germany	21,474	22,519	43,993
Hongkong	883	746	1,629
India	8,188	5,032	13,220
Italy	16,794	18,461	35,255
Japan	1,753	1,387	3,140
Kenya	746	484	1,230
Malagasy Rep.	3,995	6,148	10,143
Reunion Island	39,348	43,280	82,628
Seychelles	3,973	5,022	8,995
Singapore	1,980	1,424	3,404
S Africa Rep. of	25,177	26,072	51,249
Switzerland	7,598	8,507	16,105
United Kingdom	23,051	22,971	46,022
U.S A	1,748	1,131	2,879
Zambia	256	181	437
Zimbabwe	2,014	2,234	4,248
Other countries	26,123	22,630	48,753
All Countries	263,181	272,944	536,125

Table 27 - Tourist arrivals by country of residence, 1988 - 1997

Country of Residence	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Australia	2,310	2,510	3,060	2,960	5,100	4,520	4,160	5,558	7,762	9,460
Belgium	1,810	1,630	1,920	2,010	2,510	3,530	4,292	5,802	8,060	8,162
France	50,240	53,660	53,170	58,370	74,330	85,120	106,268	116,701	130,292	145,173
Germany	15,130	18,210	19,680	24,140	29,800	38,500	41,824	41,637	45,221	43,993
India	4,220	4,790	3,190	8,490	8,200	10,740	10,449	11,225	13,075	13,220
Italy	14,960	14,470	14,180	13,240	14,990	15,290	18,149	17,384	21,848	35,255
Japan	2,190	2,900	3,220	3,750	3,520	2,540	3,221	3,176	3,192	3,140
Kenya	1,230	1,100	1,440	1,240	1,720	1,070	1,278	1,158	1,170	1,230
Madagascar	6,770	6,530	6,550	6,010	7,260	7,740	6,849	6,885	11,401	10,143
Reunion Island	56,930	65,550	73,310	77,840	81,260	84,960	77,035	78,431	82,272	82,628
Seychelles	1,950	3,260	3,530	3,420	4,710	5,420	5,650	7,116	9,325	8,995
Singapore	1,340	1,990	2,110	2,010	1,680	2,770	3,247	2,601	3,153	3,404
S. Africa Rep. of	35,860	36,830	41,830	43,020	39,790	42,350	39,762	42,653	50,361	51,249
Switzerland	9,080	10,690	10,740	8,930	10,150	11,010	11,453	13,815	15,692	16,105
United Kingdom	13,780	16,550	21,920	20,660	24,510	29,950	33,295	31,324	35,271	46,022
USA	1,470	1,890	2,220	1,720	1,830	1,790	2,006	2,093	2,362	2,879
Zambia	2,590	1,810	1,490	890	310	340	337	443	391	437
Zimbabwe	2,900	2,870	3,670	3,580	2,990	3,460	3,539	2,965	3,402	4,248
Other countries	14,470	15,520	19,320	18,390	20,740	23,530	27,712	31,496	42,617	50,382
All Countries	239,260	262,790	291,550	300,670	335,400	374,630	400,526	422,463	486,867	536,125

Fig3 - Percentage distribution of tourist arrivals by country of residence, 1997

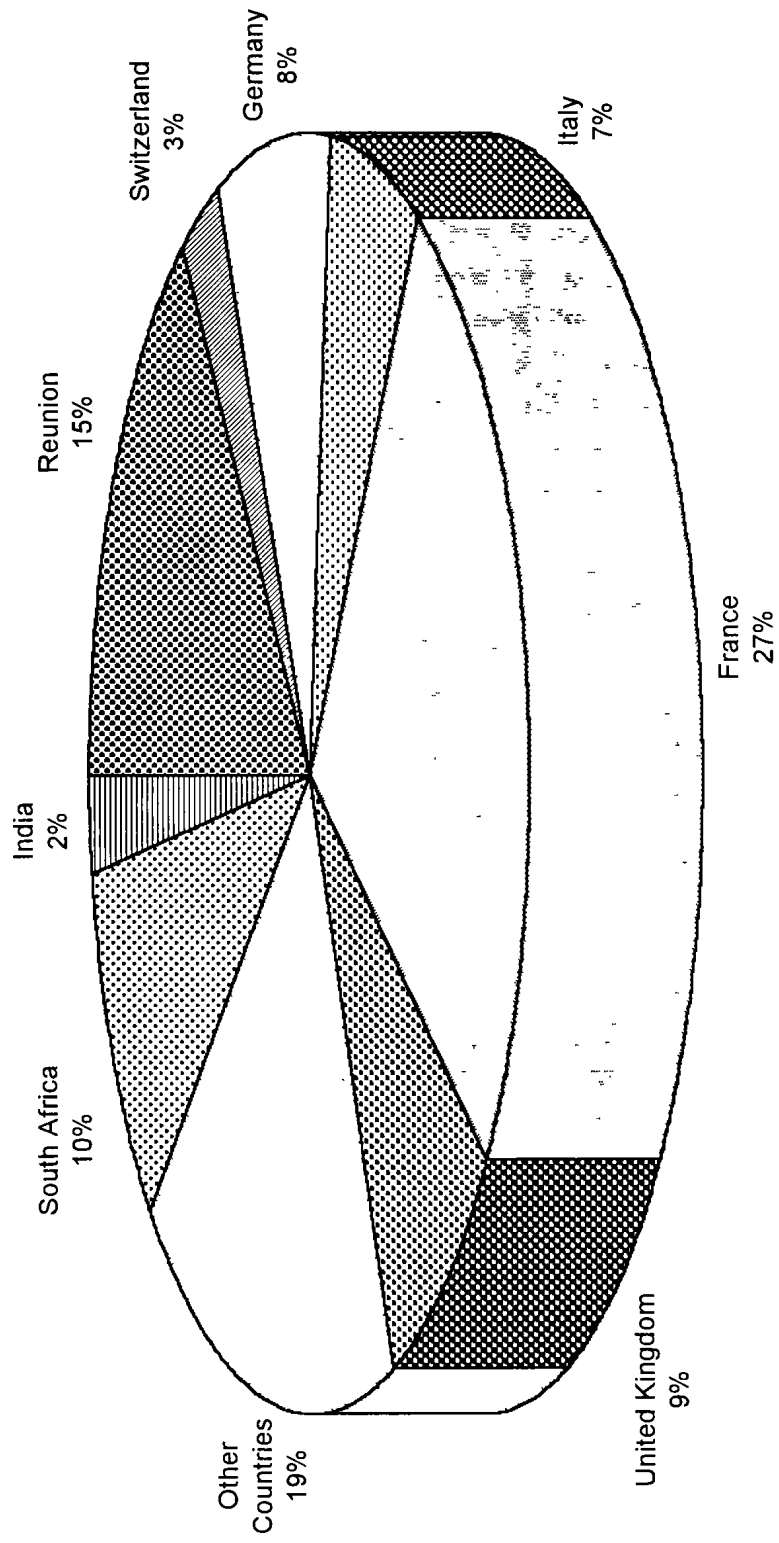


Table 29 - Visitor nights by country of residence, 1988 - 1997

Country of residence	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Australia	33,590	41,340	36,590	46,260	67,490	74,190	62,603	85,473	115,711	123,056
Belgium	27,800	27,230	33,150	40,580	43,670	54,870	64,851	85,274	102,517	113,011
France	672,940	716,820	720,600	732,050	938,530	1,062,550	1,144,256	1,232,159	1,345,112	1,509,687
Germany	234,480	277,370	280,200	371,280	445,290	554,090	520,453	521,984	563,798	557,374
Hong kong	44,980	22,410	44,510	32,550	20,400	19,320	14,983	14,387	17,503	13,524
India	84,280	86,570	145,190	117,480	137,440	156,450	170,802	143,884	149,164	155,700
Italy	171,420	170,190	155,460	140,050	156,900	181,300	189,369	180,214	210,962	337,486
Japan	15,460	15,570	23,970	35,000	28,160	18,260	18,536	19,007	20,676	19,834
Kenya	12,840	17,460	18,730	9,160	15,060	10,550	9,671	9,242	8,418	9,065
Malagasy Rep.	67,520	51,650	60,380	56,780	89,580	62,570	58,160	54,783	76,714	78,525
Reunion Island	534,580	567,030	628,730	732,060	706,820	761,100	582,093	573,206	585,351	593,693
Seychelles	26,140	39,070	46,950	56,950	71,940	65,270	59,840	65,577	82,035	72,835
Singapore	16,880	13,090	25,110	15,550	22,380	24,270	19,510	18,323	17,468	18,154
S. Africa Rep. of	402,200	371,430	434,310	435,710	432,730	475,930	391,494	378,812	434,348	420,633
Switzerland	135,640	167,350	163,370	151,960	147,800	173,670	155,732	179,118	205,089	209,931
United Kingdom	237,610	313,080	371,350	352,770	401,790	493,520	498,102	470,448	510,672	625,419
U.S.A.	23,100	27,620	37,630	35,470	26,570	31,960	19,517	21,170	24,363	26,205
Zambia	20,630	19,480	18,030	9,330	5,060	3,060	2,616	3,344	3,334	3,856
Zimbabwe	35,020	36,150	48,040	41,110	36,080	35,110	35,725	29,306	31,258	37,582
Other countries	205,710	215,870	272,630	284,890	316,740	352,360	340,990	349,180	453,190	525,744
All Countries	3,002,820	3,196,780	3,564,930	3,696,990	4,110,430	4,610,400	4,359,303	4,434,891	4,957,683	5,451,314

Fig 4 - Total arrivals and tourist arrivals, 1988 - 1997

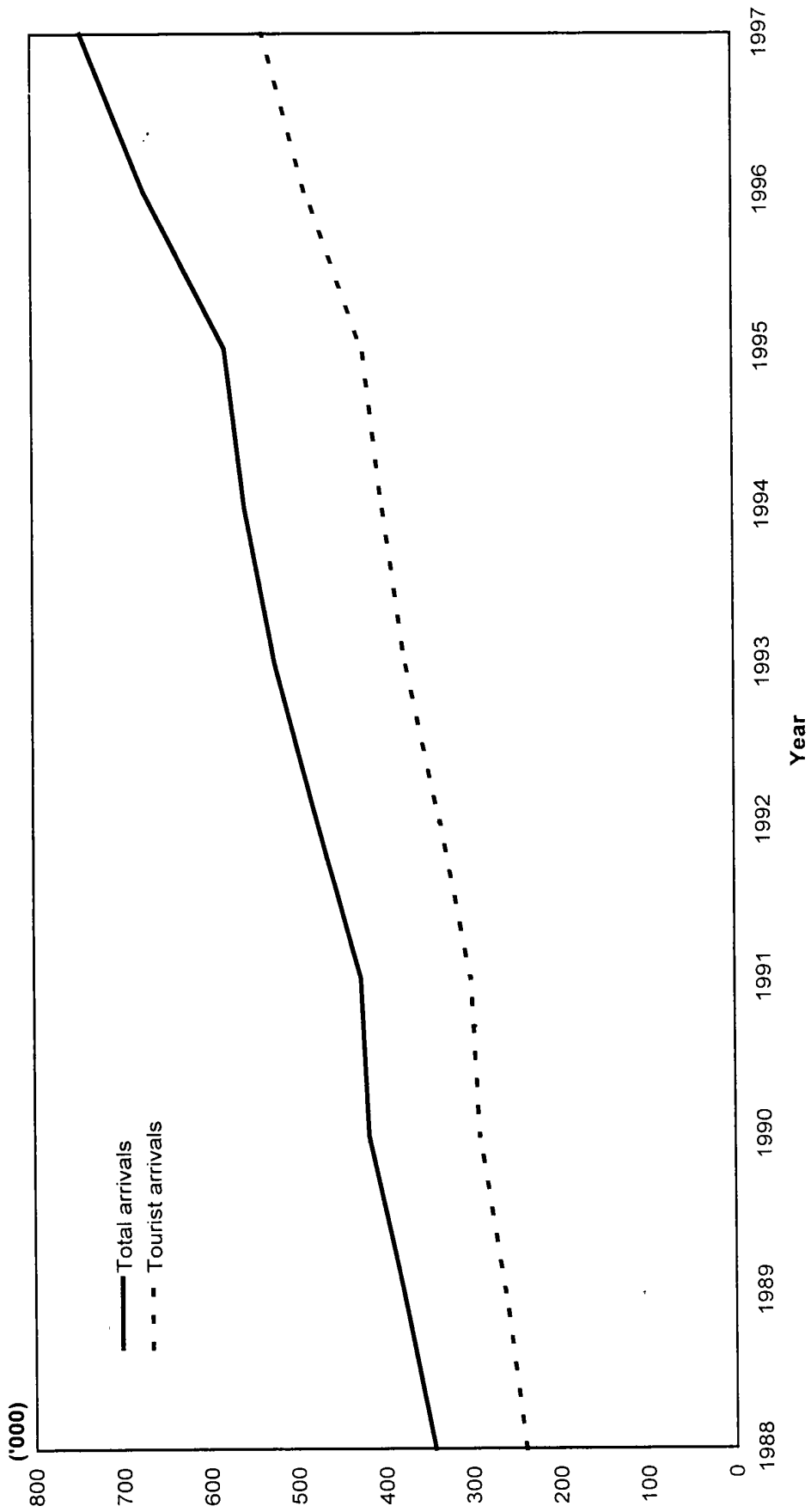


Fig 5 - Visitor nights, 1988 - 1997

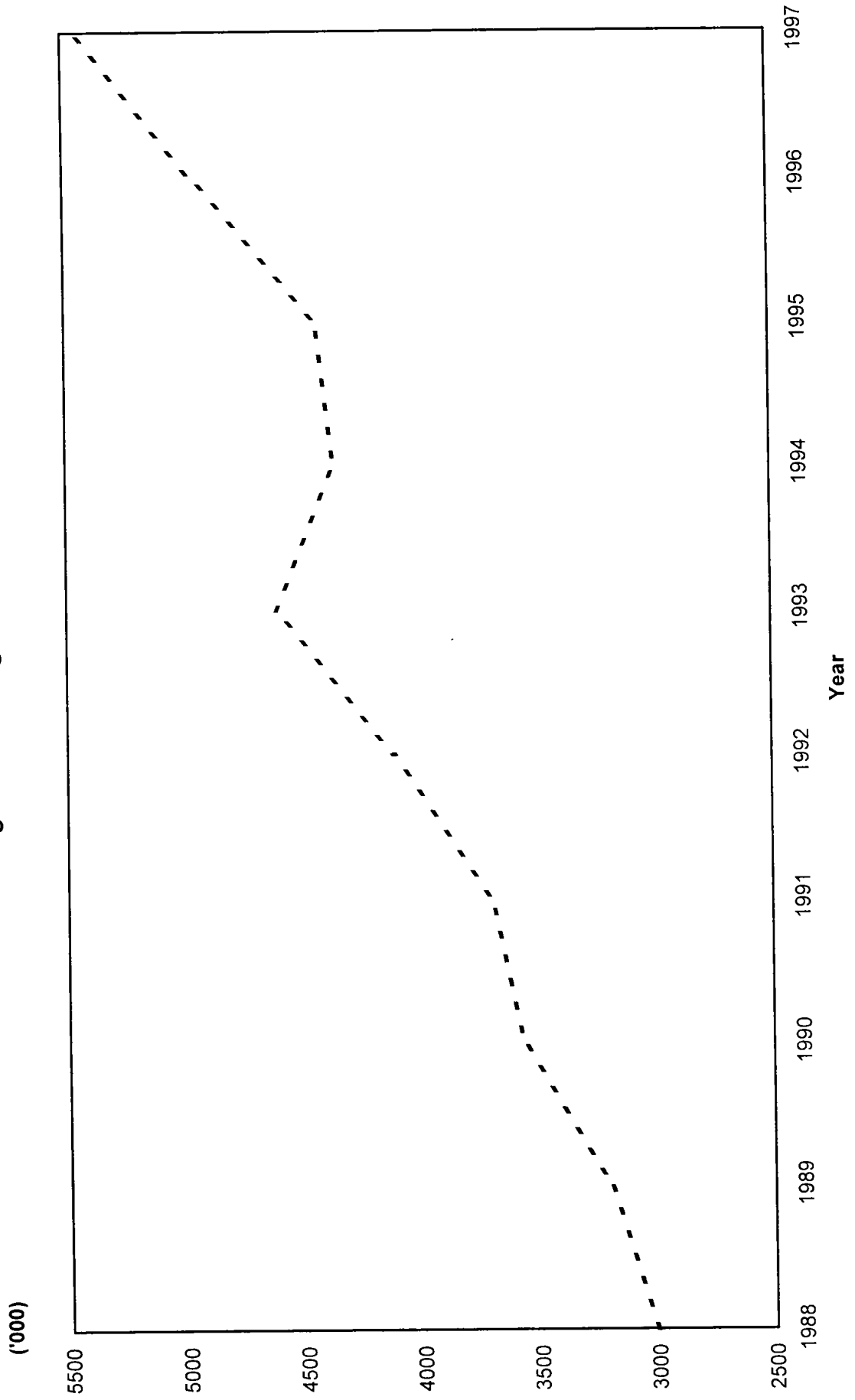


Table 30 - Visitor arrivals by country of residence and type of passenger, 1995 - 1997

Country of residence	Visitors on holidays			Visitors on business			Visitors in transit			Other visitors			Total visitors		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997	1995 ¹	1996 ¹	1997	1995	1996	1997	1995 ¹	1996 ¹	1997
Australia	4,766	6,870	7,694	323	478	1,087	429	290	928	280	276	55	5,798	7,914	9,764
Belgium	5,458	7,484	7,825	168	490	272	67	45	95	177	112	29	5,870	8,131	8,221
France	113,752	126,070	141,212	2,209	2,361	2,753	1,232	1,255	1,852	1,058	2,221	626	118,251	131,907	146,443
Germany	41,067	43,751	42,769	494	693	683	214	520	273	98	540	424	41,873	45,504	44,149
Hong Kong	1,401	1,783	1,292	186	203	252	94	74	132	9	98	5	1,690	2,158	1,681
India	8,485	10,094	9,999	2,037	2,429	2,429	414	304	771	461	422	225	11,397	13,249	13,424
Italy	17,109	21,497	34,644	218	291	384	63	31	140	40	56	190	17,430	21,875	35,358
Japan	2,840	2,656	2,608	223	241	245	464	286	610	15	478	15	3,542	3,661	3,478
Kenya	746	691	710	217	344	353	269	117	173	69	73	7	1,301	1,225	1,243
Malagasy Rep.	5,352	9,706	8,251	557	757	534	1,330	857	1,862	203	960	122	7,442	12,280	10,769
Reunion Island	75,087	77,796	78,458	1,567	1,648	1,627	4,256	2,381	4,807	869	4,145	672	81,779	85,970	85,564
Seychelles	6,549	8,488	7,835	198	277	326	394	363	998	204	496	246	7,345	9,624	9,405
Singapore	1,817	2,215	2,210	468	487	414	481	141	653	55	647	576	2,821	3,490	3,853
S. Africa Rep of	39,668	46,097	45,808	2,213	3,269	3,627	650	294	1,338	332	964	752	42,863	50,624	51,525
Switzerland	13,685	15,432	15,814	147	170	196	155	53	180	40	283	43	14,027	15,938	16,233
United Kingdom	29,282	32,677	43,086	1,720	2,201	2,454	202	122	370	288	440	278	31,492	35,440	46,188
U.S.A.	1,528	1,681	2,012	357	493	689	260	143	187	55	160	86	2,200	2,477	2,974
Zambia	337	299	249	29	68	111	50	17	66	40	0	33	456	384	459
Zimbabwe	2,690	2,975	3,531	137	235	346	209	111	331	41	180	100	3,077	3,501	4,308
Other & N Stated	23,795	32,674	38,556	2,238	3,557	4,642	9,297	15,749	18,618	1,191	1,971	1,141	36,521	53,951	62,957
All Countries	395,414	450,936	494,563	15,706	20,692	23,424	20,530	23,153	34,384	5,525	14,522	5,625	437,175	509,303	557,996

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Table 31 - Visitor arrivals by age and sex, 1996 & 1997

Age (years)	1996 ¹			1997		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
Under 1	2,692	1,400	1,292	2,925	1,340	1,585
1 - 4	15,966	8,166	7,800	17,105	8,195	8,910
5 - 9	22,589	11,542	11,047	23,892	11,630	12,262
10 - 14	21,555	10,736	10,819	22,325	10,667	11,658
15 - 19	16,893	7,755	9,138	17,979	8,024	9,955
20 - 24	32,071	12,633	19,438	33,080	12,529	20,551
25 - 29	65,873	30,586	35,287	71,850	32,350	39,500
30 - 34	64,217	33,505	30,712	70,903	35,711	35,192
35 - 39	52,979	28,459	24,520	58,009	30,081	27,928
40 - 44	47,198	25,318	21,880	51,641	26,763	24,878
45 - 49	46,431	25,036	21,395	50,440	26,460	23,980
50 - 54	37,282	20,458	16,824	43,353	22,979	20,374
55 - 59	27,312	14,786	12,526	30,818	16,132	14,686
60 - 64	19,452	10,285	9,167	22,681	11,718	10,963
65 - 69	12,506	6,483	6,023	14,474	7,406	7,068
70 & over	11,816	5,788	6,028	13,245	6,510	6,735
Not stated	12,471	7,591	4,880	13,276	8,009	5,267
All ages	509,303	260,527	248,776	557,996	276,504	281,492

¹ Revised

Table 32 - Visitor arrivals by duration of stay, 1996 & 1997

Duration of stay	1996 ¹		1997	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Less than 1 day	22,436	4.4	21,871	3.9
1 day	9,880	1.9	11,824	2.1
2 days	14,322	2.8	15,544	2.8
3 days	22,714	4.5	23,224	4.2
4 days	27,388	5.4	28,698	5.1
5 days	33,789	6.6	36,086	6.5
6 days	44,363	8.7	49,074	8.8
7 days	85,084	16.7	96,131	17.2
8 days	23,029	4.5	26,241	4.7
9 days	19,791	3.9	21,172	3.8
10 days	21,168	4.2	23,062	4.1
11 days	14,265	2.8	14,715	2.6
12 days	29,068	5.7	32,119	5.8
13 days	16,577	3.3	19,534	3.5
14 days	36,809	7.2	44,647	8.0
15 days	6,361	1.2	6,727	1.2
16 days	3,885	0.8	4,122	0.7
17 days	3,780	0.7	4,380	0.8
18 days	3,054	0.6	3,068	0.5
19 days	6,212	1.2	6,218	1.1
20 - 24 days	13,227	2.6	14,570	2.6
25 - 29 days	7,251	1.4	7,459	1.3
1 month - under 2 months	11,567	2.3	11,586	2.1
2 months - under 3 months	31,540	6.2	33,987	6.1
3 months and over	1,743	0.3	1,937	0.3
All Countries	509,303	100.0	557,996	100.0

¹ Revised

Table 33 - Visitor arrivals by country of residence and duration of stay, 1997

Country of residence	DURATION OF STAY (NIGHTS)											Total	
	<1	1 - 2	3 - 4	5 - 6	7 - 8	9 - 10	11 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29		30+
Australia	309	1,193	707	1,894	606	750	862	710	377	274	280	1,802	9,764
Belgium	28	146	228	1,236	1,434	762	1,663	838	621	178	219	868	8,221
France	646	4,130	17,946	25,423	32,956	16,506	11,188	14,147	7,125	3,576	2,180	10,620	146,443
Germany	61	429	1,033	2,389	4,290	1,706	5,666	14,760	3,782	4,142	765	5,126	44,149
Hong kong	162	242	114	609	148	171	92	20	67	7	9	40	1,681
India		1,120	2,989	3,995	1,392	636	386	465	297	179	155	1,472	13,424
Italy	39	217	972	6,794	13,064	1,733	2,379	7,798	703	435	203	1,021	35,358
Japan	50	636	328	1,514	247	76	42	17	18	11	10	529	3,478
Kenya	51	206	154	202	312	73	40	69	23	27	9	77	1,243
Malagasy Rep	696	2,689	992	1,546	2,119	566	240	228	208	168	206	1,111	10,769
Reunion Island	3,400	6,946	14,345	18,062	22,876	5,646	2,517	2,361	2,205	974	550	5,682	85,564
Seychelles	405	803	2,248	574	2,258	503	341	842	449	145	97	740	9,405
Singapore	1,052	550	787	718	177	135	2	79	28	27	13	285	3,853
S. Africa Rep. of	695	2,155	3,185	7,603	21,120	6,121	2,180	2,999	1,078	770	420	3,199	51,525
Switzerland	34	218	404	1,380	2,022	1,069	4,574	2,961	1,481	589	416	1,085	16,233
United Kingdom	324	879	1,430	3,327	7,814	3,568	7,793	9,283	3,271	1,792	1,172	5,535	46,188
U.S.A.	6	475	450	407	436	169	145	129	110	78	42	527	2,974
Zambia	7	55	41	94	114	48	7	37	7	9	8	32	459
Zimbabwe	113	336	305	483	1,425	342	46	789	130	136	43	160	4,308
Other & N. Stated	13,455	3,943	3,264	6,910	7,562	3,654	6,671	5,649	2,535	1,053	662	7,599	62,957
All Countries	21,871	27,368	51,922	85,160	122,372	44,234	46,834	64,181	24,515	14,570	7,459	47,510	557,996

Table 34 - Visitor arrivals and average length of stay by country of residence, 1997

Country of residence	Visitor arrivals	Average length of stay (nights)
Australia	9,764	13.3
Belgium	8,221	13.5
France	146,443	10.5
Germany	44,149	13.9
Hong Kong	1,681	8.8
India	13,424	11.5
Italy	35,358	9.7
Japan	3,478	6.5
Kenya	1,243	7.4
Malagasy Rep.	10,769	7.9
Reunion	85,564	7.5
Seychelles	9,405	8.4
Singapore	3,853	6.7
South Africa	51,525	8.6
Switzerland	16,233	13.1
United Kingdom	46,188	14.0
U.S.A.	2,974	9.9
Zambia	459	7.9
Zimbabwe	4,308	9.2
Other & Not Stated	62,957	9.1
All Countries	557,996	10.5

Table 35 - Gross earnings from tourism, 1988 - 1997

Earnings (Rs Mn)	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	2,374	2,796	3,500	3,940	4,655	5,362	6,415	7,472	9,048	10,068

Source : Bank of Mauritius

Table 36 - Expenditure of tourists by country of residence, 1990 - 1996

Country of residence	Expenditure (Rs Mn)				
	1990	1992	1994	1996	
France	691.3	1,093.4	1,729.3	2,391.8	
Germany	422.0	738.5	933.0	1,301.0	
Italy	269.3	308.5	357.7	541.9	
Switzerland	215.4	218.9	279.7	475.7	
United Kingdom	456.8	544.2	814.7	973.1	
Malagasy Rep.	27.7	36.9	79.6	158.6	
Reunion	447.0	521.4	552.9	731.2	
South Africa, Rep. of	519.7	489.4	546.5	706.4	
Singapore	23.8	19.1	35.9	52.0	
Other countries	569.7	686.3	1,143.1	1,692.2	
All Countries	3,642.7	4,656.6	6,472.4	9,023.9	

Note: The figures in this table have been obtained from the Survey of Outgoing tourists conducted by the Ministry of Tourism

Table 37 - Expenditure of tourists by type of expenditure, 1990 - 1996

Type of expenditure	Expenditure (Rs Mn)			
	1990	1992	1994	1996
Accommodation	1,801.4	2,379.5	3,404.5	4,647.3
Meals & Beverages	638.4	791.6	996.7	1,380.6
Transport	323.2	437.7	582.5	667.8
Entertainment	117.6	125.8	213.6	514.4
Shopping	630.9	735.8	945.0	1,380.7
Other	131.2	186.2	330.1	433.1
TOTAL	3,642.7	4,656.6	6,472.4	9,023.9

Note: The figures in this table have been obtained from the Survey of Outgoing Tourists conducted by the Ministry of Tourism.

Table 38 - Hotels, rooms and bedplaces, 1988 -1997

Year	No. of hotels	No. of rooms	No. of bedplaces
1988	64	3,399	7,009
1989	67	3,605	7,374
1990	75	4,603	9,572
1991	80	5,064	10,482
1992	84	5,271	10,917
1993	85	5,341	11,058
1994	90	5,888	12,187
1995	95	5,977	12,359
1996	90	6,668	13,833
1997	87	6,809	14,126

Table 39 - Monthly occupancy rates in large¹ hotels, 1996 & 1997

Month	1996		1997	
	Room ²	Bed ³	Room ²	Bed ³
January	80	71	85	75
February	77	68	84	74
March	76	67	78	69
April	76	67	76	67
May	65	57	72	63
June	53	47	58	52
July	60	53	69	62
August	72	63	79	70
September	77	68	85	75
October	83	76	81	72
November	88	79	91	81
December	79	70	78	69
Whole Year	74	65	78	70

¹ Large Hotels are well established beach hotels of 80 or more rooms

² $\frac{\text{Total number of room nights rented} \times 100}{\text{Total number of room nights available}}$

³ $\frac{\text{Total number of bed nights rented} \times 100}{\text{Total number of bed nights available}}$

Table 40 - Monthly occupancy rates in all hotels, 1996 & 1997

Month	1996		1997	
	Room ¹	Bed ²	Room ¹	Bed ²
January	72	63	76	67
February	67	58	68	60
March	69	61	64	56
April	71	62	69	60
May	61	54	65	56
June	50	43	53	46
July	55	48	63	56
August	69	60	76	67
September	70	60	78	68
October	77	69	73	64
November	83	73	83	73
December	76	66	73	64
Whole Year	68	60	72	64

1 $\frac{\text{Total number of room nights rented} \times 100}{\text{Total number of room nights available}}$

2 $\frac{\text{Total number of bed nights rented} \times 100}{\text{Total number of bed nights available}}$

**INTERNATIONAL EMBARKATION AND
DISEMBARKATION CARD**

*Carte Internationale d'Embarquement et de
Débarquement*

Mr/M)
Mrs/Mme).....
Miss/Melle) (Surname/ *Nom*)

.....
(Given Names/*Prénoms*)

2. Date and place of Birth
Date et lieu de naissance

3. Nationality.....
Nationalité

4. Occupation.....
Profession

5. Permanent address.....
Domicile.....

6. Passport No., Place and Date of issue
Numéro du passeport, lieu et date d'émission.....

7. Port of original embarkation
Lieu d'embarquement d'origine

8. Purpose of journey to Mauritius.....
Motif principal du voyage à l'Ile Maurice

9. Intended length of stay in Mauritius.....
Durée probable du séjour à l'Ile Maurice

10. Intended address during stay in Mauritius.....
Adresse prévue pendant le séjour à Maurice

Signature

