

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL & TOURISM

January to September 2012

Introduction

This issue of the Economic and Social Indicators presents data on International Travel and Tourism and hotel statistics for the period January to September of 2012. A brief on the compilation of these statistics is given at Annex I while Annex II contains a glossary of terms used.

2. Passenger Traffic

2.1 Total Passenger Traffic

Passenger traffic for the first nine months of 2012 totalled 1,862,088, made up of 914,399 arrivals and 947,689 departures. Compared to the same period of 2011, arrivals decreased marginally by 0.5% while departures remained almost unchanged (Table 1). Total passenger arrivals included 883,772 (96.7%) by air and 30,627 (3.3%) by sea, while total passenger departures consisted of 913,947 (96.4%) by air and 33,742 (3.6%) by sea. Total passenger arrivals by sea included 21,800 "cruise travellers" (around 8,200 tourists, 6,000 excursionists, 30 Mauritian residents and 7,570 crews) aboard 17 cruise ships, which visited our port during the first nine months of 2012.

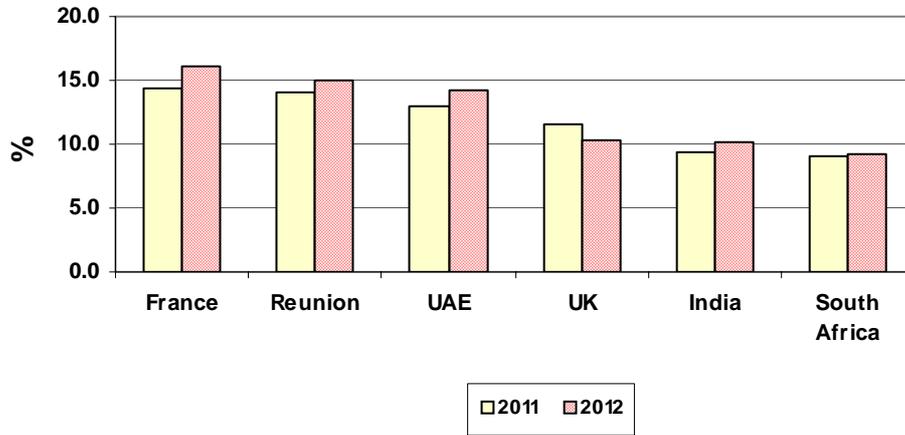
2.2 Excursionists (Same day visitors)

Total excursionists, i.e. visitors arriving and leaving on the same day, numbered 14,869, of which 8,790 (59.1%) arrived by air and 6,079 (40.9%) by sea. Excursionists arriving by air included 2,840 (32.3%) from Reunion Island and 1,889 (21.5%) from France. Excursionists by sea were mainly from: United Kingdom (1,546 or 25.4%), Republic of South Africa (1,096 or 18.0%) and United States of America (951 or 15.6%).

2.3 Mauritian Residents

During the period under review, the number of Mauritian residents travelling abroad increased by 8.3% to 175,566 compared to 162,058 for the first nine months of 2011 and accounted for 18.5% of total departures (Table 2). The main countries of disembarkation, which may not necessarily be the country of final destination when the passengers are in transit, were: France (28,183 or 16.1%), Reunion (26,278 or 15.0%), United Arab Emirates (25,050 or 14.3%), United Kingdom (18,071 or 10.3%), India (17,776 or 10.1%) and Republic of South Africa (16,091 or 9.2%) (Figure1).

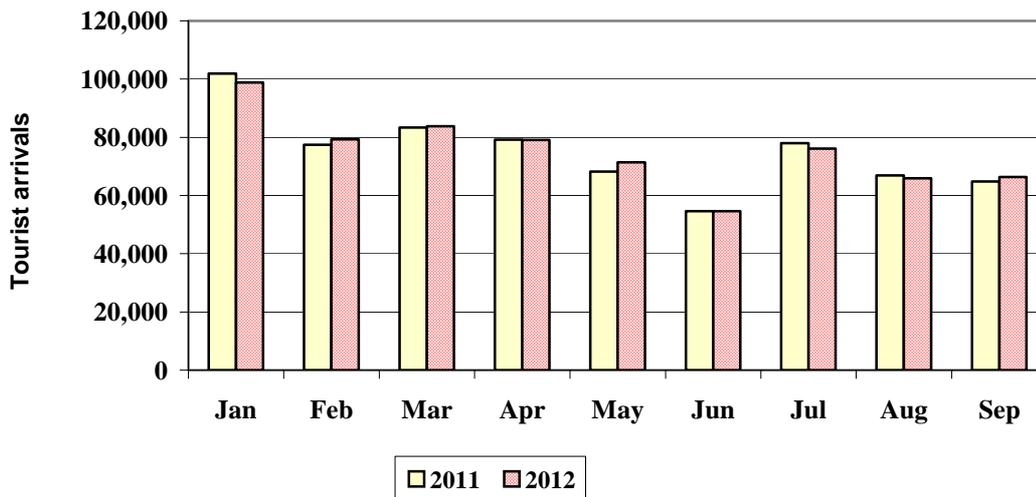
Figure 1 - Percentage distribution of Mauritian departures by major country of disembarkation, January - September of 2011 and 2012



2.4 Tourist Arrivals

Tourist arrivals for the first nine months of 2012 increased by 0.2% to reach 675,584 compared to 674,383 in the corresponding period of 2011. Figure 2 shows monthly tourist arrivals for the period January to September of 2011 and 2012. Further details on tourist arrivals are given in Tables 3 to 6.

Figure 2 - Monthly Tourist Arrivals, January - September of 2011 and 2012



Around 92% of the tourists came for holidays while 4.7% were on business/conference trips and another 2.6% were in transit (Table 4).

Tourist arrivals from Europe, which accounts for nearly 58% of total tourist arrivals, decreased by 7.7% from 421,060 in the first nine months of 2011 to 388,649 in the corresponding period of 2012. Arrivals from France, the leading European market, decreased by 11.9% to 179,328. Other major tourist generating countries of Europe also registered decreases as follows: Germany (-2.4%), United Kingdom (-3.8%) and Italy (-25.6%). As regards the remaining European countries, the following changes were noted: Russian Federation (+91.2%), Spain (+0.6%), Switzerland (+10.6%), Belgium (-7.4%), Austria (-9.8%), Sweden (-11.5%) and Netherlands (-18.9%).

During the first nine months of 2012, tourist arrivals from Africa, with a share of around 27% of total tourist arrivals, rose by 13.2% to 184,485. Arrivals from Reunion Island, the main market of the region, increased by 19.2% to 96,567 and those from Republic of South Africa, the second important regional market, were up by 2.9% to 61,252. The following changes were registered from the other African countries: Kenya (+43.5%), Malagasy Republic (+19.9%), Zimbabwe (+10.0%), Comoros (+0.1%) and Seychelles (-16.4%).

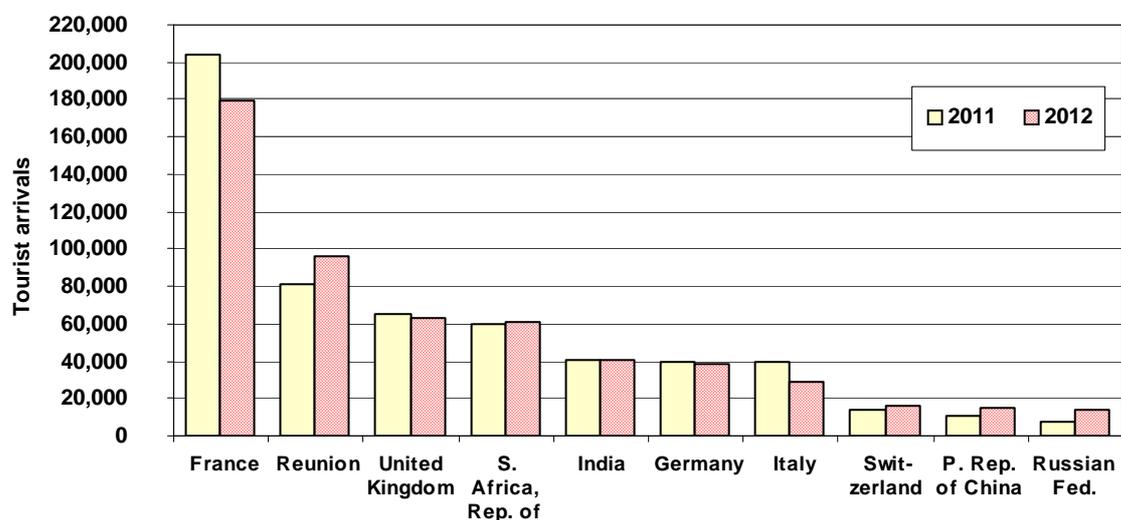
Tourist arrivals from the Asian market, which represented 11% of total tourist arrivals, went up by 14.1% from 66,950 for the first nine months of 2011 to 76,378 for the same period of 2012. Arrivals from India, the major source on this continent, increased by 0.7% to 40,474 and those from People's Republic of China, the other emerging market of this region increased by 38.3% to 15,430. The other Asian countries registered the following changes: Hong Kong (+110.7%), United Arab Emirates (+44.6%), Japan (+13.0%), Malaysia (+1.0%) and Singapore (-15.2%).

Tourist arrivals from Oceania rose by 11.7% from 12,105 to 13,521 driven by an increase in arrivals of 13.5% from Australia, which was slightly offset by a decrease of 15.4% from the other Oceanian countries.

Tourist arrivals from the continent of America went up by 18.5% with changes as follows: Canada (+18.0%), USA (-0.4%) and "Other American" countries (+55.3%).

Tourist arrivals from top ten markets for the period January to September of 2011 and 2012 are given in Figure 3.

Figure 3 - Tourist Arrivals from Top Ten Markets, January - September of 2011 and 2012



3. Tourist Nights

The total number of tourist nights spent in the country during the first nine months of 2012 is estimated at 7,260 thousand, which is at the same level as that of the corresponding period of 2011 (Table 6).

4. Hotel Statistics

At the end of September 2012, there was a total of 108 registered hotels of which 105 were in operation and three hotels were not operating due to renovation works. The total room capacity of the registered hotels in operation was 11,715 with 23,899 bedplaces (Table 7). For the first nine months of 2012, the room occupancy rate for all hotels averaged 60% compared to 63% in the corresponding period of 2011 while the bed occupancy rate was 53% against 55% for the first nine months of 2011 (Table 8).

“Large” hotels, i.e. well-established beach hotels with more than 80 rooms, numbered 47 (45% of all registered hotels in operation). These hotels had a combined room capacity of 8,613 with 17,695 bedplaces, representing 74% of both total room capacity and total bedplaces respectively. The average room occupancy rate for these hotels for the first nine months of 2012 was 62% (63% in 2011) and bed occupancy rate averaged 55%, same as in the corresponding period of 2011 (Table 8).

5. Gross Tourism Receipts

Data from the Bank of Mauritius indicate that gross tourism receipts for the first nine months of 2012 were Rs 31,954 million, i.e. an increase of 6.0% compared to Rs 30,149 million for the same period of 2011 (Table 6).

6. Employment

According to the Survey of Employment and Earnings, direct employment in hotels, restaurants and travel and tourism establishments employing 10 persons or more stood at 28,187 at the end of March 2012, showing an increase of 0.2% over the figure of 28,133 for March 2011. Of this number, 21,787 or 77.3% were engaged in hotels (Table 9).

7. Forecast Years 2012 and 2013

Based on data available on tourist arrivals and information gathered from the main stakeholders, tourist arrivals for the year 2012 is expected to reach 965,000, which is at the same level to the figure of 964,642 in 2011. The forecasted number of tourists for 2013 is 1,000,000.

According to the Bank of Mauritius, tourism receipts for the year 2012 will be around Rs 43,500 million (+1.8 %) compared to Rs 42,717 million in 2011. For year 2013, tourism receipts are forecasted at around Rs 47,000 million.

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Table 1:- Passenger Traffic ¹ by month, 2010 - 2012

Month	2010		2011		2012 ²	
	Arrivals	Departures	Arrivals	Departures	Arrivals	Departures
January	119,807	145,268	133,081	156,319	132,789	154,685
February	91,943	92,398	103,237	102,527	105,802	106,969
March	123,358	128,101	109,308	117,231	106,939	111,605
<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>335,108</u>	<u>365,767</u>	<u>345,626</u>	<u>376,077</u>	<u>345,530</u>	<u>373,259</u>
April	87,878	94,542	106,615	103,457	109,760	110,366
May	91,329	95,350	90,193	98,535	92,684	100,829
June	76,838	75,521	81,113	80,054	77,955	75,456
<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>256,045</u>	<u>265,413</u>	<u>277,921</u>	<u>282,046</u>	<u>280,399</u>	<u>286,651</u>
<i>1st Semester</i>	<i>591,153</i>	<i>631,180</i>	<i>623,547</i>	<i>658,123</i>	<i>625,929</i>	<i>659,910</i>
July	107,678	93,775	110,611	98,700	105,542	94,119
August	93,893	103,907	96,238	103,142	93,502	102,936
September	87,109	86,564	88,382	87,962	89,426	90,724
<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>288,680</u>	<u>284,246</u>	<u>295,231</u>	<u>289,804</u>	<u>288,470</u>	<u>287,779</u>
<i>Jan. to Sep.</i>	<i>879,833</i>	<i>915,426</i>	<i>918,778</i>	<i>947,927</i>	<i>914,399</i>	<i>947,689</i>
October	110,219	107,543	114,833	111,676		
November	110,118	108,784	113,864	110,704		
December	151,868	125,255	146,912	122,832		
<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>372,205</u>	<u>341,582</u>	<u>375,609</u>	<u>345,212</u>		
<i>2nd Semester</i>	<i>660,885</i>	<i>625,828</i>	<i>670,840</i>	<i>635,016</i>		
Whole Year	1,252,038	1,257,008	1,294,387	1,293,139		

¹ Excluding inter islands traffic² Provisional

**Table 2 : - Departure of Mauritian residents by country of disembarkation ¹,
January - September of 2011 and 2012**

Country of disembarkation	2011	2012	% Change
EUROPE	50,514	52,715	4.4
France	23,412	28,183	20.4
Germany	1,786	3,005	68.3
Italy	5,226	2,478	-52.6
Switzerland	1,325	937	-29.3
United Kingdom	18,758	18,071	-3.7
Other European	7	41	485.7
AFRICA	49,604	54,667	10.2
Malagasy Republic	6,548	7,189	9.8
Reunion	22,760	26,278	15.5
Seychelles	3,687	2,839	-23.0
S. Africa, Rep. of	14,679	16,091	9.6
Zimbabwe	-	-	-
Other African	1,930	2,270	17.6
ASIA	55,144	60,978	10.6
P. Rep. of China	495	2,014	306.9
Hong Kong SAR ²	9,279	6,596	-28.9
India	15,137	17,776	17.4
Indonesia	308	0	-100.0
Malaysia	2,104	3,016	43.3
Singapore	6,922	6,525	-5.7
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-
United Arab Emirates	20,896	25,050	19.9
Other Asian	3	1	-66.7
OCEANIA	6,763	7,182	6.2
Australia	6,763	7,182	6.2
Other Oceanian	-	-	-
NOT STATED	33	24	-27.3
All Countries	162,058	175,566	8.3

¹ Country of disembarkation may either be the country of final destination or the transit country

² Special Administrative Region of China

Table 3:- Tourist arrivals by month, 2010 - 2012

Month	Number		
	2010	2011	2012 ¹
January	91,857	101,887	98,837
February	72,366	77,390	79,331
March	85,748	83,349	83,827
<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>249,971</u>	<u>262,626</u>	<u>261,995</u>
April	64,797	79,173	79,137
May	71,055	68,214	71,396
June	53,327	54,591	54,625
<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>189,179</u>	<u>201,978</u>	<u>205,158</u>
<i>1st Semester</i>	<i>439,150</i>	<i>464,604</i>	<i>467,153</i>
July	77,009	78,034	76,166
August	65,093	66,865	65,896
September	65,404	64,880	66,369
<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>207,506</u>	<u>209,779</u>	<u>208,431</u>
<i>Jan. to Sep.</i>	<i>646,656</i>	<i>674,383</i>	<i>675,584</i>
October	87,340	90,616	
November	85,982	87,348	
December	114,849	112,295	
<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>288,171</u>	<u>290,259</u>	
<i>2nd Semester</i>	<i>495,677</i>	<i>500,038</i>	
Whole Year	934,827	964,642	

¹ Provisional**Table 4:- Tourist arrivals by main purpose of visit,
January - September of 2011 and 2012**

Purpose of visit	2011	2012 ²	% Change
Holiday	624,589	623,965	-0.1
Business	26,804	27,900	4.1
Transit	17,203 ¹	17,868	3.9
Conference	3,388	3,777	11.5
Sports	916	891	-2.7
Other & Not Stated	1,483 ¹	1,183	-20.2
Total	674,383	675,584	0.2

¹ Revised² Provisional

Table 5 : - Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence, January - September of 2011 and 2012

Country of residence	Jan - Sep 2011	2012 ¹										% Change Jan-Sep 2011 to Jan-Sep 2012
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Jan - Sep	
EUROPE	421,060	59,038	59,195	53,436	50,050	33,382	24,542	36,570	35,228	37,208	388,649	-7.7
Austria	6,216	1,142	1,238	793	516	495	253	326	338	504	5,605	-9.8
Belgium	7,821	886	710	902	966	575	637	1,116	626	825	7,243	-7.4
France	203,493	30,692	32,330	26,604	24,740	14,331	8,715	15,633	14,205	12,078	179,328	-11.9
Germany	39,153	4,465	4,755	5,298	4,274	4,420	2,432	3,389	3,733	5,439	38,205	-2.4
Italy	39,437	6,242	4,498	3,566	2,919	1,840	1,853	2,140	3,009	3,268	29,335	-25.6
Netherlands	3,750	316	263	252	273	340	276	568	318	434	3,040	-18.9
Spain	7,536	375	709	1,270	581	566	729	949	1,207	1,193	7,579	0.6
Sweden	2,461	586	477	285	265	64	137	102	102	160	2,178	-11.5
Switzerland	14,282	2,287	2,319	1,695	3,425	1,096	768	1,900	665	1,641	15,796	10.6
United Kingdom	65,220	5,206	5,757	7,012	7,141	6,721	6,072	7,665	8,277	8,869	62,720	-3.8
CIS ²	9,476	3,631	2,148	2,747	2,591	1,570	974	787	1,067	1,017	16,532	74.5
<i>of which:</i>												
<i>Russian Federation</i>	7,351	3,037	1,870	2,430	2,264	1,354	799	624	880	794	14,052	91.2
Other European	22,215	3,210	3,991	3,012	2,359	1,364	1,696	1,995	1,681	1,780	21,088	-5.1
AFRICA	163,023	29,436	10,155	20,364	19,203	24,955	15,236	27,017	19,948	18,171	184,485	13.2
Comoros	743	51	65	88	67	107	81	122	59	104	744	0.1
Kenya	1,344	121	127	146	396	231	233	226	233	215	1,928	43.5
Malagasy Rep.	8,276	908	885	1,088	1,221	876	1,002	1,327	1,585	1,033	9,925	19.9
Reunion	81,015	19,861	4,155	10,213	7,197	15,865	5,470	17,813	9,974	6,019	96,567	19.2
Seychelles	5,815	567	403	505	615	548	626	567	584	449	4,864	-16.4
S. Africa, Rep. of	59,509	7,205	4,053	7,653	8,212	5,944	6,777	5,927	6,413	9,068	61,252	2.9
Zimbabwe	1,013	94	57	142	241	126	84	64	159	147	1,114	10.0
Other African	5,308	629	410	529	1,254	1,258	963	971	941	1,136	8,091	52.4

Table 5 (contd.) : - Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence, January - September of 2011 and 2012

Country of residence	Jan - Sep 2011	2012 ¹										% Change Jan-Sep 2011 to Jan-Sep 2012
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Jan - Sep	
ASIA	66,950	7,254	7,732	6,991	7,105	10,318	11,953	9,206	8,197	7,622	76,378	14.1
Hong Kong SAR ³	440	85	57	45	150	79	151	164	91	105	927	110.7
India	40,209	3,035	4,800	3,689	3,499	6,955	7,393	4,828	3,349	2,926	40,474	0.7
Japan	1,100	116	111	147	152	79	125	132	181	200	1,243	13.0
Malaysia	1,353	74	147	88	141	151	195	58	227	286	1,367	1.0
P. Rep. of China	11,153	2,735	1,407	1,431	1,342	1,303	1,415	1,808	1,990	1,999	15,430	38.3
Singapore	1,682	123	90	119	152	145	324	101	147	225	1,426	-15.2
United Arab Emirates	2,721	203	164	185	589	325	556	674	900	338	3,934	44.6
Other Asian	8,292	883	956	1,287	1,080	1,281	1,794	1,441	1,312	1,543	11,577	39.6
OCEANIA	12,105	1,166	880	1,080	1,758	1,501	1,640	1,738	1,559	2,199	13,521	11.7
Australia	11,352	1,118	790	1,028	1,669	1,451	1,561	1,648	1,477	2,142	12,884	13.5
Other Oceanian	753	48	90	52	89	50	79	90	82	57	637	-15.4
AMERICA	10,185	1,883	1,333	1,878	957	1,201	1,223	1,574	909	1,110	12,068	18.5
USA	4,859	618	559	1,122	322	396	546	530	336	412	4,841	-0.4
Canada	2,800	377	335	400	304	358	370	542	335	284	3,305	18.0
Other American	2,526	888	439	356	331	447	307	502	238	414	3,922	55.3
OTHER & N.STATED	1,060	60	36	78	64	39	31	61	55	59	483	-54.4
All Countries	674,383	98,837	79,331	83,827	79,137	71,396	54,625	76,166	65,896	66,369	675,584	0.2

¹ Provisional

² Commonwealth of Independent States (Ex Soviet Union Countries)

³ Special Administrative Region of China

Table 6:- Tourist arrivals, nights and receipts, 2009 - 2012

Year		Tourist arrivals (Number)	Tourist nights (000)	Tourism receipts ¹ (Rs million)	
2009	2009	871,356	8,639	35,693	
	2010	934,827	9,495	39,456	
	2011	964,642	9,730	42,717	
	1st Qr.	232,908	2,250	10,265	
	2nd Qr.	180,596	1,791	7,984	
	1st Semester	413,504	4,041	18,249	
	3rd Qr.	195,381	2,280	7,436	
	4th Qr.	262,471	2,318	10,008	
	2nd Semester	457,852	4,598	17,444	
2010	1st Qr.	249,971	2,943	11,021	
	2nd Qr.	189,179	1,855	8,788	
	1st Semester	439,150	4,798	19,809	
	3rd Qr.	207,506	2,275	8,358	
	4th Qr.	288,171	2,422	11,289	
	2nd Semester	495,677	4,697	19,647	
	2011	1st Qr.	262,626	2,960	11,949
		2nd Qr.	201,978	1,975	9,355
		1st Semester	464,604	4,935	21,304
3rd Qr.		209,779	2,325	8,845	
4th Qr.		290,259	2,470	12,568	
2nd Semester		500,038	4,795	21,413	
2012²		1st Qr.	261,995	2,950	13,768
		2nd Qr.	205,158	2,010	9,780
		1st Semester	467,153	4,960	23,548
	3rd Qr.	208,431	2,300	8,406	

¹ Source: Bank of Mauritius² Provisional**Table 7:- Hotels, rooms and bedplaces, 2009 - 2012**

Year	Number as at end of period			
	Hotels	Rooms	Bedplaces	
2009	102	11,456	23,235	
2010	112	12,075	24,698	
2011	109	11,925	24,242	
2009	1st Qr.	102	11,444	23,148
	2nd Qr.	97	10,486	21,362
	3rd Qr.	100	11,102	22,530
	4th Qr.	102	11,456	23,235
	2010	1st Qr.	105	11,564
2nd Qr.		104	11,362	23,168
3rd Qr.		104	11,383	23,296
4th Qr.		112	12,075	24,698
2011		1st Qr.	112	12,082
	2nd Qr.	111	11,999	24,493
	3rd Qr.	109	11,816	24,018
	4th Qr.	109	11,925	24,242
	2012¹	1st Qr.	110	12,027
2nd Qr.		107	11,822	24,089
3rd Qr.		105 ²	11,715	23,899

¹ Provisional² Excluding three hotels not operational because of renovation works

Table 8:- Monthly Occupancy Rates (%) for All Hotels and "Large" Hotels, 2010 - 2012

Month	All Hotels						"Large" Hotels					
	2010		2011		2012 ¹		2010		2011		2012 ¹	
	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed
January	72	64	75	66	74	65	74	66	76	67	76	67
February	67	58	68	60	67	59	67	60	70	61	69	60
March	64	56	64	57	65	57	65	58	66	58	66	58
<i>1st Quarter</i>	<u>67</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>62</u>
April	61	54	64	57	62	55	64	56	68	60	66	58
May	61	53	55	49	59	52	63	55	57	50	61	54
June	47	41	44	38	45	39	48	43	45	39	46	41
<i>2nd Quarter</i>	<u>56</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>
<i>1st Semester</i>	64	56	65	57	62	55	64	56	64	56	64	56
July	54	47	53	47	52	45	55	48	54	48	53	47
August	60	52	57	51	56	50	62	54	60	53	60	52
September	65	57	64	57	60	53	67	58	66	58	62	54
<i>3rd Quarter</i>	<u>60</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>
<i>Jan. to Sep.</i>	63	55	63	55	60	53	63	56	63	55	62	55
October	69	61	68	60			71	62	70	61		
November	74	65	74	66			76	67	76	67		
December	75	66	73	64			78	68	74	65		
<i>4th Quarter</i>	<u>73</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>64</u>			<u>74</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>64</u>		
<i>2nd Semester</i>	66	58	64	57			67	59	65	58		
Whole Year	65	57	65	57			66	58	65	57		

¹ Provisional

Table 9:- Employment in the tourist industry as at end of March, 2008 - 2012

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Establishments					
Restaurants	2,251	2,431	2,464	2,409	2,512
Hotels	22,314	20,478	20,847	21,672	21,787
Travel and Tourism	4,188	4,093	3,850	4,052	3,888
Total	28,753	27,002	27,161	28,133	28,187

Source: Survey of Employment and Earnings in large Establishments (i.e employing 10 or more persons)

BRIEF ON COMPILATION OF PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS

Sources of data

The main source of data for the compilation of passenger traffic statistics is the Passport and Immigration Office, which maintains a database of all travellers entering and leaving the country. The data are collected from the passport of travellers, disembarkation cards filled in by non-residents and questions put to non-residents entering the country. At the end of every month, passenger traffic for that particular month is downloaded and supplied to the statistics unit of the Ministry of Tourism and Leisure within fifteen days. Additional data on cruises are supplied by the Mauritius Ports Authority.

To supplement the recurrent statistics a Survey of Outgoing Tourists (SOT) is conducted every two years since 1984 jointly by the Central Statistics Office and the Ministry of Tourism and Leisure. This survey covers a representative sample of tourists at departure and provides qualitative and quantitative information on tourists. Results of the survey are published in the Survey of Outgoing Tourists report.

Tourism receipts

The Bank of Mauritius is responsible for the estimation of tourism receipts based on monthly statements of Inward and Outward Remittances of Commercial Banks.

Monthly Occupancy Rates

All hotels are contacted by phone at the end of every month for data on room/bed nights available and rented during the month for the calculation of room and bed occupancy rates.

Short-term projections of tourist arrivals

A Tourism Statistics Committee grouping various stakeholders of the tourism industry meet regularly under the chairmanship of the Director of the Central Statistics Office to discuss performance of the tourism sector and to provide information for short-term forecast of tourist arrivals.

Publications

The regular publications of the unit are:

- (i) Monthly tourist arrivals (by mid of each month)
- (ii) Quarterly Economic and Social Indicators on International Travel and Tourism (with a lag of seven weeks)
- (iii) Quarterly tourism statistics (Pamphlet)
- (iv) Digest of International Travel and Tourism (August)
- (v) Handbook of statistical data on tourism (August)
- (vi) Report of the Survey of Outgoing Tourists

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

1. Tourist

A tourist is defined as a non-resident staying overnight but less than a year, and who has no employer-employee relationship with a resident.

2. Transit

A transit passenger is one who stops over in the country for flight connections to other destinations. There are two types of transit passengers:

Type I : Passengers who do not leave the transit area of the airport or the harbour.

Type II : Passengers who do leave the airport or harbour and stay in the country overnight but only for flight connection purposes.

Only Type II transit passengers, as defined above, are included in the definition of "Tourists".

3. Excursionist or Same-day Visitor

Excursionists are non-resident visitors, other than those who do not leave the airport, who depart on the same day they arrived.

4. Tourist Nights

"Tourist nights" means the total number of nights spent in the country by tourists, as defined above, during the period under review.

5. Large Hotels

Large hotels are well established beach hotels with more than 80 rooms.

6. Occupancy rate

The room/bed occupancy rate is the ratio of room/bed nights rented to the total number of room/bed nights available.

$$= \frac{\text{Total number of room/bed nights rented}}{\text{Total number of room/bed nights available}} \times 100$$

7. CIS

CIS denotes the Commonwealth of Independent States. It consists of the States of the former Soviet Union.