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# INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026

### 1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the Economic and Social Indicators presents data on International Travel and Tourism for the first quarter of 2026. A brief on the compilation of these statistics is given at Annex I and a glossary of terms at Annex II.

### 2. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

#### Passenger traffic, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026

	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>	% Change
Arrivals by			
Air	443,560	465,378	+ 4.9
Sea	43,024	28,131	- 34.6
<i>of which cruise travellers</i>	41,299	25,832	- 37.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>486,584</b>	<b>493,509</b>	<b>+ 1.4</b>
Departures by			
Air	463,014	486,464	+ 5.1
Sea	42,339	30,573	- 27.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>505,353</b>	<b>517,037</b>	<b>+ 2.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

#### 2.1 Arrivals in 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026

Compared to 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025:

- (i) total passenger arrivals increased by 1.4% from 486,584 to 493,509;
- (ii) total tourist arrivals increased by 6.8% from 326,389 to 348,445; those arriving by air increased by 5.1% from 316,604 to 332,632 and those arriving by sea increased by 61.6% from 9,785 to 15,813 (Table 6b). Among those arriving by sea, 14,357 were cruise tourists compared to 8,309, representing an increase of 72.8%.
- (iii) the number of excursionists (arriving and leaving on the same day) decreased by 63.2% from 23,854 to 8,782.

In the first quarter of 2026, 15 cruise ships arrived in the country and carried some 25,832 cruise travellers comprising 14,357 tourists, 3,657 excursionists, 39 Mauritian residents and 7,779 crew members.

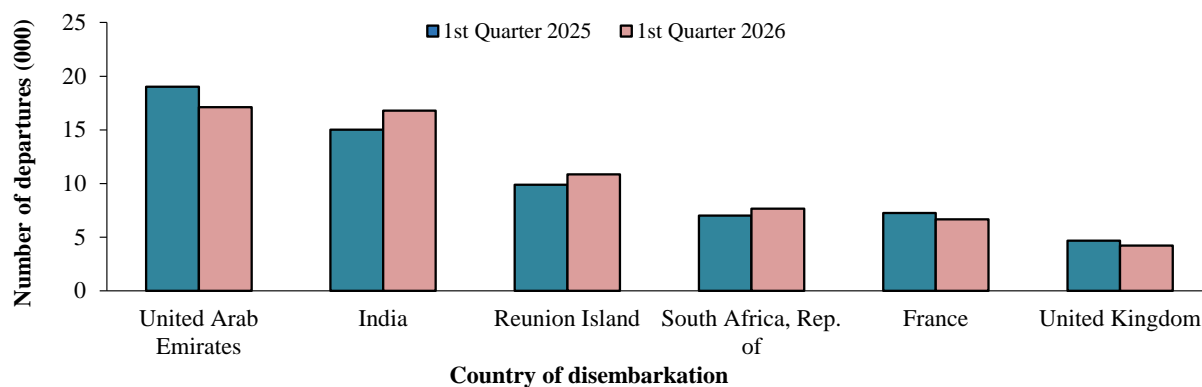
#### 2.2 Departures in 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026

Compared to 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025:

- (i) total passenger departures increased by 2.3% from 505,353 to 517,037 and
- (ii) departures of Mauritian residents rose by 2.6% from 81,866 to 83,999 (Table 2).

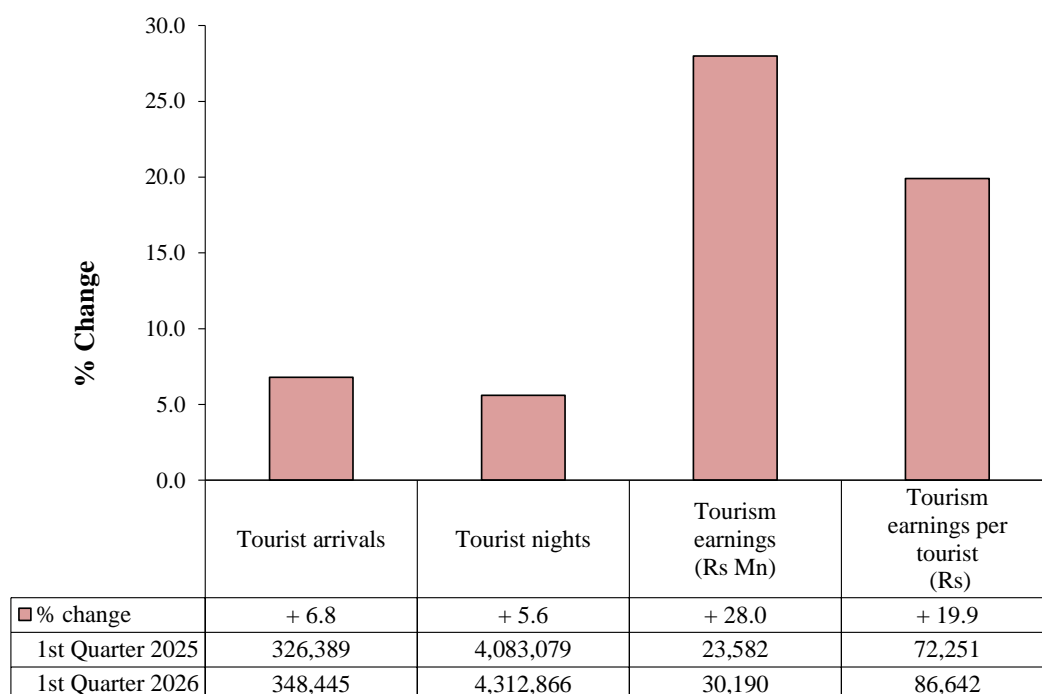
Comparative figures for the first quarters of 2025 and 2026 for Mauritian departures by main country of disembarkation are given in Figure 1 and Table 2. In the first quarter of 2026, the main countries of disembarkation (country of final destination or transit country) for Mauritian residents were United Arab Emirates (17,123 or 20.4%), India (16,796 or 20.0%), Reunion Island (10,836 or 12.9%), Republic of South Africa (7,638 or 9.1%), France (6,666 or 7.9%) and United Kingdom (4,220 or 5.0%).

**Figure 1 - Mauritian departures by main country of disembarkation, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**



### 3. TOURISM

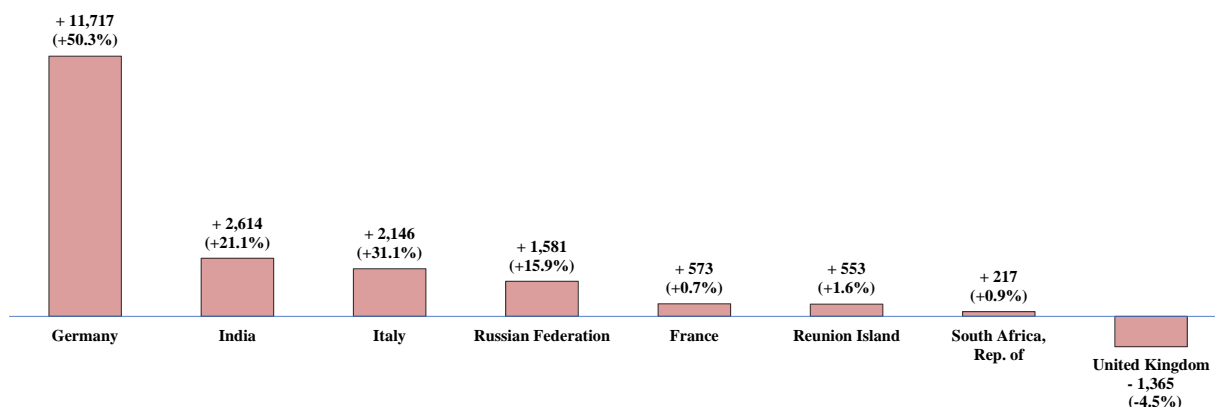
**Figure 2 – Main tourism indicators, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**



#### 3.1 Tourist arrivals in 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026

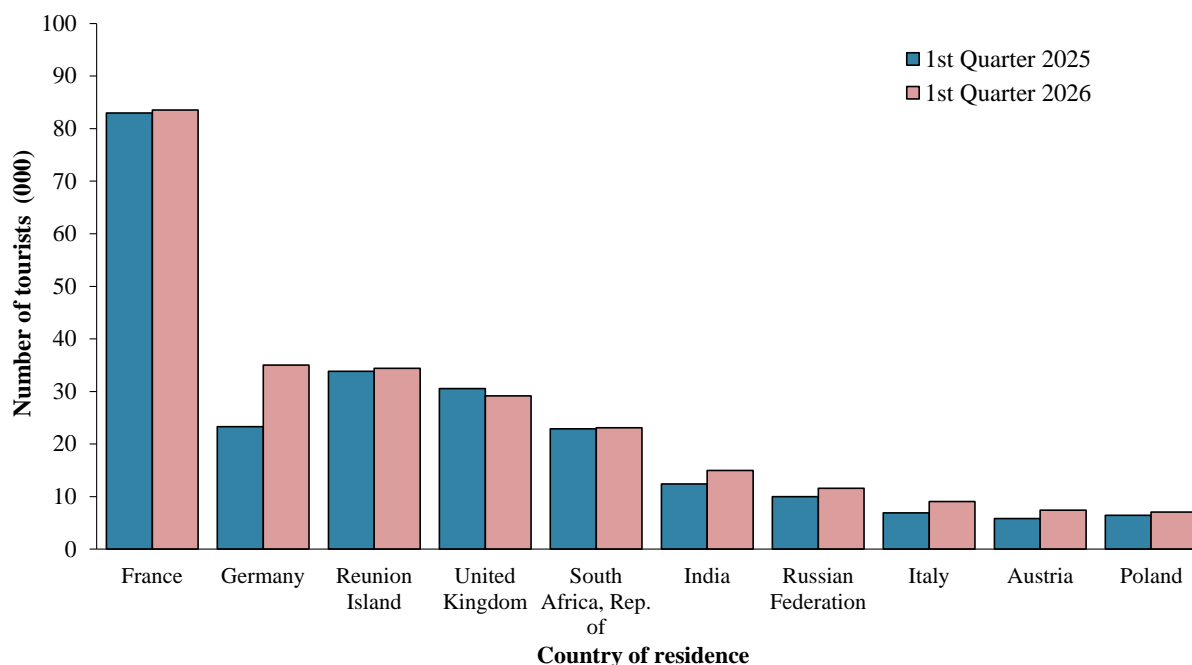
Compared to the first quarter of 2025, tourist arrivals increased by 22,056 (+6.8%) to reach 348,445 in first quarter 2026 as a result of main changes in tourist arrivals from selected markets as shown in Figure 3.

**Figure 3 – Main changes in tourist arrivals by selected country of residence, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 compared to 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025**



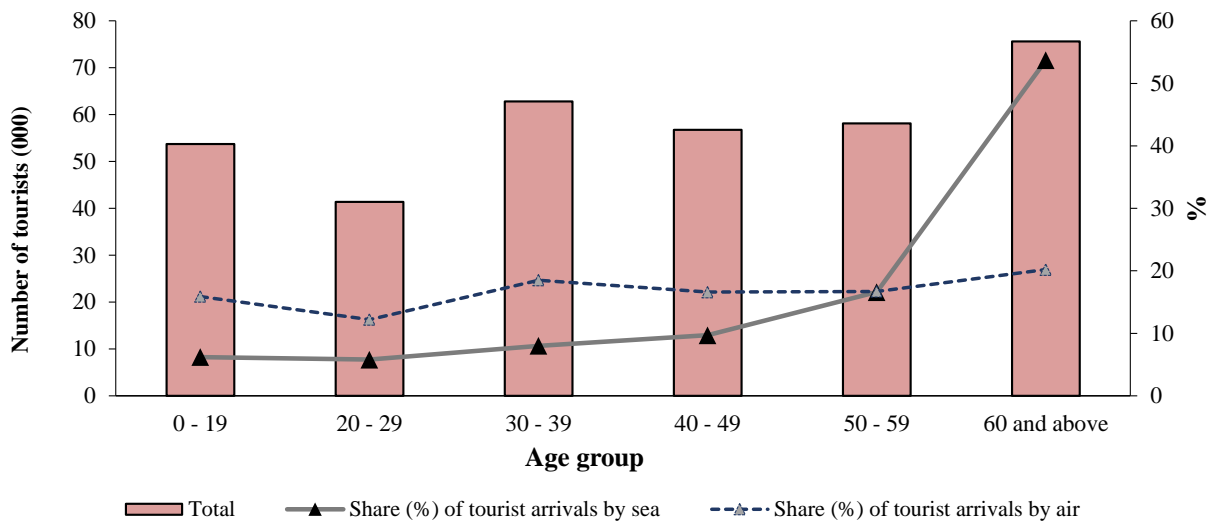
Compared to the first quarter of 2025, tourist arrivals from France, our top tourist generating country, increased by 0.7% (or + 573) from 82,984 to 83,557. Among the main markets, increases were observed for Germany (+11,717 or +50.3%), India (+2,614 or +21.1%), Italy (+2,146 or +31.1%), Russian Federation (+1,581 or +15.9%), Reunion Island (+553 or +1.6%) and Republic of South Africa (+217 or +0.9%) while a decrease of 4.5% (or -1,365) was observed for United Kingdom.

**Figure 4 – Tourist arrivals from top ten markets, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**



### 3.2 Tourist arrivals by age group

During the period under review, the number of tourists aged 60 years and above was 75,638 representing 21.7% of tourist arrivals. Among those who arrived by sea, the proportion was much higher at 53.7% (Figure 5 and Table 6b).

**Figure 5 - Tourist arrivals by age group, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026**

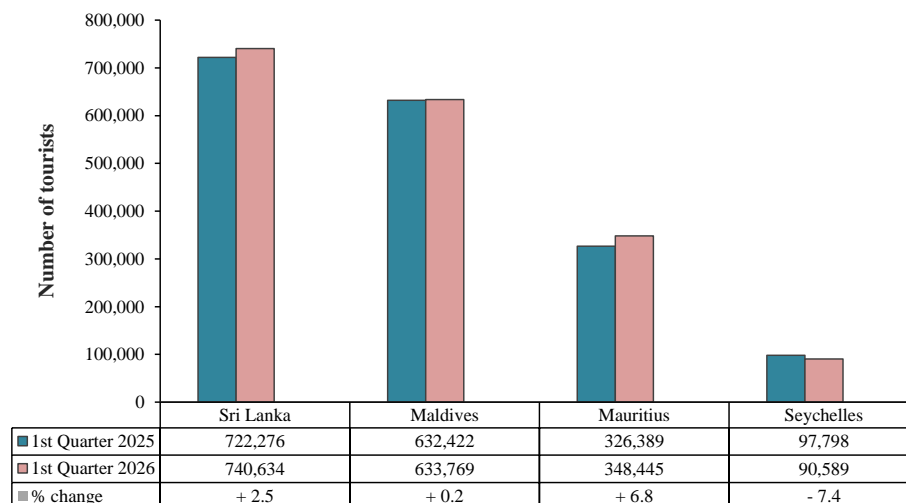
### 3.3 Tourist arrivals by air and by main port of last embarkation for selected markets

From Table 7, it is observed that during the first quarter of 2026, tourists from Austria (69.3%), Italy (62.6%), United Kingdom (60.7%), France (58.8%), Switzerland (50.4%) and Germany (49.4%) arrived mainly by direct flights from their own country of residence. Tourists from Russian Federation, People's Republic of China and Netherlands travelled mainly through United Arab Emirates which was the most used transiting port. For the period under review, the proportion of tourists from Russian Federation, People's Republic of China and Netherlands who travelled to Mauritius through United Arab Emirates were 71.8%, 35.5% and 34.9% respectively.

### 3.4 Tourist arrivals - Selected tourist destinations in the Indian Ocean region

Compared to the first quarter of 2025, increases in tourist arrivals were noted for the following tourist destinations in the Indian Ocean region during the first quarter of 2026:

Sri Lanka (from 722,276 to 740,634 or +2.5%), Maldives (from 632,422 to 633,769 or +0.2%), Mauritius (from 326,389 to 348,445 or +6.8%) and Seychelles (from 97,798 to 90,589 or -7.4%).

**Figure 6 - Tourist arrivals for Sri Lanka, Maldives, Mauritius & Seychelles, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**

Source: Ministry of Tourism, Republic of Maldives; Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority; Seychelles National Bureau of Statistics

### 3.5 Tourist Nights

Compared to 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025:

- the number of nights spent by tourists who departed during the first quarter of 2026 increased by 5.6% from 4,083,079 to 4,312,866; and
- the average length of stay decreased from 11.7 to 11.6 nights (Table 8).

### 3.6 Accommodation

#### (i) Licensed hotels in the Island of Mauritius

As at end of March 2026, there were 111 licensed hotels of which one was temporarily closed and one was closed due to renovation works. The total room capacity of the 109 hotels in operation was 14,110 with 31,755 bed places (Table 9).

During the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026,

- the room occupancy rate of all licensed hotels in operation averaged 70%, higher compared to 68% in first quarter 2025; and
- the bed occupancy rate was 62%, higher compared to 61% in first quarter 2025 (Table 10).

#### (ii) 'Large' hotels in the Island of Mauritius

At the end of March 2026, there were 61 'large' hotels (i.e. well-established beach hotels with more than 80 rooms) in operation. The total room capacity of these 61 'large' hotels was 11,384 with 25,953 bed places. These 'large' hotels represent 56% of all licensed hotels in operation but comprise 81% of total room capacity and 82% of total bed places (Table 9).

During the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026,

- the room occupancy rate of 'large' hotels was 71%, higher than the 70% registered in first quarter 2025; and
- the bed occupancy rate was 64% higher than the 63% recorded in first quarter 2025 (Table 10).

### 3.7 Employment

Employment data for the tourism sector obtained from the Survey of Employment and Earnings, relate to employment in food service, hotels and travel and other services establishments with 10 or more workers. Latest available data for March 2025 indicate that employment in these establishments increased by 2.2% to 28,834 as compared to 28,217 for March 2024 (Table 11).

## 4. Survey of Inbound Tourism

The primary objective of the survey is to gather information on tourists visiting Mauritius, mainly on their spending pattern, purpose and frequency of visits, place of stay and rating of the Mauritian destination. During the survey, data was collected from departing tourists at Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport.

### 4.1 Around seven out of 10 tourists preferred to stay in hotels than in non-hotel accommodations

During the first semester of 2025, some 73.4% of tourists preferred to stay in hotels rather than in non-hotel accommodations compared to 77.2% of tourists who stayed in hotels during the first semester of 2024. Among the non-hotel accommodations, 13.7% of tourists stayed with friends and/or relatives, 9.4% stayed in tourist residence and some 2.3% in guest house (Table 12).

## 4.2 Tourists travelling on package tour

For the first semester of 2025, 41.5% of tourists travelled on package tour compared to 62.2% in the first semester of 2024. Among the tourists staying in hotels, 55.7% of them were on package tour compared to 79.0% for the corresponding period of 2024 (Table 13).

## 4.3 Average expenditure per tourist

For the first semester of 2025, the average expenditure per tourist amounted to Rs 74,600, that is around Rs 6,500 higher compared to Rs 68,100 in the same period of 2024. On average, a European tourist spent Rs 79,800 during the first semester of 2025 compared to Rs 73,300 in the first semester of 2024. Tourists from France, our leading market spent an average of Rs 71,400 per person in the first semester of 2025, higher compared to Rs 68,900 in the corresponding period of 2024 (Table 14).

Average expenditure for those staying in hotels was Rs 87,600 in the first semester of 2025, compared to Rs 75,100 in the first semester of 2024. Those staying in non-hotel accommodations spent on average Rs 38,700 in the first semester of 2025 compared to Rs 44,600 for the same period of 2024 (Table 13).

The average expenditure per tourist per night for the first semester of 2025 amounted to Rs 6,600, higher than the figure of Rs 5,900 in the first semester of 2024 (Table 14).

A tourist staying in hotels spent on average Rs 10,700 per night in the first semester of 2025 which was nearly sixfold the amount spent by a tourist staying in non-hotel accommodations (Rs 1,900 per night). Corresponding figures for the first semester of 2024 were Rs 8,000 for hotels and Rs 2,300 for non-hotel accommodations (Table 13).

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Table 1:- Passenger traffic <sup>1</sup> by month, 2024-2026

Month	2024		2025		2026 <sup>2</sup>	
	Arrivals	Departures	Arrivals	Departures	Arrivals	Departures
January	170,827	199,256	180,139	202,802	187,991	210,000
February	157,235	150,274	132,101	126,512	148,457	144,232
March	160,987	158,739	174,344	176,039	157,061	162,805
<i>1st Quarter</i>	<u>489,049</u>	<u>508,269</u>	<u>486,584</u>	<u>505,353</u>	<u>493,509</u>	<u>517,037</u>
April	154,231	158,407	166,265	166,849		
May	145,496	156,162	162,351	170,129		
June	124,431	119,457	138,815	135,047		
<i>2nd Quarter</i>	<u>424,158</u>	<u>434,026</u>	<u>467,431</u>	<u>472,025</u>		
<i>1st Semester</i>	<b>913,207</b>	<b>942,295</b>	<b>954,015</b>	<b>977,378</b>		
July	157,832	145,039	171,180	160,864		
August	151,326	158,879	163,700	170,939		
September	142,702	138,887	146,058	142,972		
<i>3rd Quarter</i>	<u>451,860</u>	<u>442,805</u>	<u>480,938</u>	<u>474,775</u>		
<i>Jan. to Sep.</i>	<b>1,365,067</b>	<b>1,385,100</b>	<b>1,434,953</b>	<b>1,452,153</b>		
October	172,377	159,393	180,986	173,259		
November	171,237	177,491	183,257	187,645		
December	219,318	194,509	226,578	201,805		
<i>4th Quarter</i>	<u>562,932</u>	<u>531,393</u>	<u>590,821</u>	<u>562,709</u>		
<i>2nd Semester</i>	<b>1,014,792</b>	<b>974,198</b>	<b>1,071,759</b>	<b>1,037,484</b>		
<b>Year</b>	<b>1,927,999</b>	<b>1,916,493</b>	<b>2,025,774</b>	<b>2,014,862</b>		

<sup>1</sup> Excluding inter island traffic between the main Island of Mauritius and the other constituent islands of the Republic of Mauritius and direct transit but includes international traffic between Islands of Rodrigues and Reunion.

<sup>2</sup> Provisional

Table 2:- Departure of Mauritian residents by country of disembarkation<sup>1</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026

Country of disembarkation	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>2</sup>	% Change 1st Quarter 2026 / 1st Quarter 2025
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>17,018</b>	<b>16,127</b>	<b>- 5.2</b>
Austria	459	329	- 28.3
France	7,246	6,666	- 8.0
Germany	1,421	1,259	- 11.4
Italy	124	276	+ 122.6
Switzerland	973	862	- 11.4
Turkey	2,094	2,499	+ 19.3
United Kingdom	4,676	4,220	- 9.8
Other European countries	25	16	- 36.0
<b>AFRICA</b>	<b>22,125</b>	<b>24,138</b>	<b>+ 9.1</b>
Kenya	1,388	1,534	+ 10.5
Malagasy Republic	2,803	2,808	+ 0.2
Reunion Island	9,878	10,836	+ 9.7
Seychelles	1,056	1,228	+ 16.3
South Africa, Rep. of	6,994	7,638	+ 9.2
Other African countries	6	94	+ 1,466.7
<b>ASIA</b>	<b>40,292</b>	<b>40,978</b>	<b>+ 1.7</b>
People's Rep. of China	n.ap	n.ap	n.ap
Hong Kong SAR <sup>3</sup>	n.ap	n.ap	n.ap
India	15,015	16,796	+ 11.9
Malaysia	3,475	4,001	+ 15.1
Saudi Arabia	2,785	3,058	+ 9.8
United Arab Emirates	19,016	17,123	- 10.0
Other Asian countries	1	0	- 100.0
<b>OCEANIA</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>2,745</b>	<b>+ 13.1</b>
Australia	2,427	2,745	+ 13.1
<b>NOT STATED</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>+ 175.0</b>
<b>All countries</b>	<b>81,866</b>	<b>83,999</b>	<b>+ 2.6</b>

<sup>1</sup> Country of disembarkation may either be the country of final destination or the transit country<sup>2</sup> Provisional<sup>3</sup> Special Administrative Region of China

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**Table 3:- Tourist arrivals by month, 2024-2026**

Month	2024	2025	2026 <sup>1</sup>
January	119,305	116,926	125,871
February	109,266	95,991	107,650
March	117,991	113,472	114,924
<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>346,562</u>	<u>326,389</u>	<u>348,445</u>
April	105,619	120,157	
May	104,952	115,090	
June	88,416	97,273	
<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>298,987</u>	<u>332,520</u>	
<b><i>1st Semester</i></b>	<b><i>645,549</i></b>	<b><i>658,909</i></b>	
July	117,224	129,206	
August	106,574	115,491	
September	102,453	104,492	
<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>326,251</u>	<u>349,189</u>	
<b><i>Jan. to Sep.</i></b>	<b><i>971,800</i></b>	<b><i>1,008,098</i></b>	
October	133,065	137,809	
November	123,104	128,903	
December	154,208	161,440	
<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>410,377</u>	<u>428,152</u>	
<b><i>2nd Semester</i></b>	<b><i>736,628</i></b>	<b><i>777,341</i></b>	
<b>Year</b>	<b>1,382,177</b>	<b>1,436,250</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Provisional**Table 4:- Tourist arrivals by main purpose of visit, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**

Purpose of visit	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>	% Change 1st Quarter 2026 / 1st Quarter 2025
Holiday	309,947	330,204	+ 6.5
Business	8,008	9,154	+ 14.3
Transit	7,463	8,273	+ 10.9
Conference	285	304	+ 6.7
Sports	293	127	- 56.7
Other purposes	393	383	- 2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>326,389</b>	<b>348,445</b>	<b>+ 6.8</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

Table 5:- Tourist arrivals by country of residence and by mode of travel, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026

Country of residence	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025			1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>			% Change 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 / 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025		
	Air	Sea	Total	Air	Sea	Total	Air	Sea	Total
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>215,291</b>	<b>3,558</b>	<b>218,849</b>	<b>225,014</b>	<b>11,269</b>	<b>236,283</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>216.7</b>	<b>8.0</b>
Austria	5,728	61	5,789	7,020	377	7,397	22.6	518.0	27.8
Belgium	2,775	19	2,794	2,602	60	2,662	-6.2	215.8	-4.7
Bulgaria	1,346	46	1,392	1,026	58	1,084	-23.8	26.1	-22.1
Czech Republic	8,452	2	8,454	6,119	17	6,136	-27.6	750.0	-27.4
Croatia	501	8	509	551	27	578	10.0	237.5	13.6
Denmark	3,277	10	3,287	3,623	34	3,657	10.6	240.0	11.3
Estonia	542	1	543	694	8	702	28.0	700.0	29.3
Finland	1,430	18	1,448	1,560	15	1,575	9.1	-16.7	8.8
France	82,900	84	82,984	82,999	558	83,557	0.1	564.3	0.7
Germany	22,338	952	23,290	27,128	7,879	35,007	21.4	727.6	50.3
Greece	260	31	291	271	27	298	4.2	-12.9	2.4
Hungary	1,988	29	2,017	2,385	31	2,416	20.0	6.9	19.8
Ireland	932	36	968	849	11	860	-8.9	-69.4	-11.2
Italy	6,825	78	6,903	8,735	314	9,049	28.0	302.6	31.1
Latvia	411	5	416	546	15	561	32.8	200.0	34.9
Lithuania	875	7	882	1,245	6	1,251	42.3	-14.3	41.8
Luxembourg	282	9	291	577	11	588	104.6	22.2	102.1
Netherlands	2,010	76	2,086	1,757	95	1,852	-12.6	25.0	-11.2
Norway	1,381	44	1,425	1,873	12	1,885	35.6	-72.7	32.3
Poland	6,382	63	6,445	6,976	93	7,069	9.3	47.6	9.7
Portugal	967	21	988	1,188	19	1,207	22.9	-9.5	22.2
Romania	2,309	126	2,435	2,267	39	2,306	-1.8	-69.0	-5.3
Serbia	694	12	706	619	1	620	-10.8	-91.7	-12.2
Slovakia	3,293	2	3,295	2,793	7	2,800	-15.2	250.0	-15.0
Slovenia	558	9	567	550	8	558	-1.4	-11.1	-1.6
Spain	1,257	66	1,323	1,738	265	2,003	38.3	301.5	51.4
Sweden	4,477	105	4,582	4,591	35	4,626	2.5	-66.7	1.0
Switzerland	6,395	128	6,523	6,384	376	6,760	-0.2	193.8	3.6
Turkey	2,047	32	2,079	1,344	20	1,364	-34.3	-37.5	-34.4
United Kingdom	29,449	1,078	30,527	28,508	654	29,162	-3.2	-39.3	-4.5
<i>CIS <sup>2</sup> countries</i>	<i>12,633</i>	<i>375</i>	<i>13,008</i>	<i>15,591</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>15,771</i>	<i>23.4</i>	<i>-52.0</i>	<i>21.2</i>
<i>of which:</i>									
<i>Belarus</i>	<i>346</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>348</i>	<i>300</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>302</i>	<i>-13.3</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-13.2</i>
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	<i>305</i>	<i>129</i>	<i>434</i>	<i>729</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>729</i>	<i>139.0</i>	<i>-100.0</i>	<i>68.0</i>
<i>Russian Federation</i>	<i>9,860</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>9,970</i>	<i>11,430</i>	<i>121</i>	<i>11,551</i>	<i>15.9</i>	<i>10.0</i>	<i>15.9</i>
<i>Ukraine</i>	<i>1,723</i>	<i>124</i>	<i>1,847</i>	<i>2,549</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>2,605</i>	<i>47.9</i>	<i>-54.8</i>	<i>41.0</i>
<i>Other CIS countries</i>	<i>399</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>409</i>	<i>583</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>584</i>	<i>46.1</i>	<i>-90.0</i>	<i>42.8</i>
Other European countries	577	25	602	905	17	922	56.8	-32.0	53.2
<b>AFRICA</b>	<b>65,878</b>	<b>2,893</b>	<b>68,771</b>	<b>68,003</b>	<b>2,062</b>	<b>70,065</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>-28.7</b>	<b>1.9</b>
<i>IOC <sup>3</sup> countries</i>	<i>39,355</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>39,358</i>	<i>40,287</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>40,298</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>266.7</i>	<i>2.4</i>
<i>of which:</i>									
<i>Comoros</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>174</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>174</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>1.8</i>
<i>Malagasy Republic</i>	<i>4,480</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4,483</i>	<i>4,305</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>4,315</i>	<i>-3.9</i>	<i>233.3</i>	<i>-3.7</i>
<i>Reunion Island</i>	<i>33,828</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>33,828</i>	<i>34,381</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>34,381</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>1.6</i>
<i>Seychelles</i>	<i>876</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>876</i>	<i>1,427</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1,428</i>	<i>62.9</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>63.0</i>
Algeria	52	0	52	130	0	130	150.0	n.ap	150.0
Angola	88	1	89	89	6	95	1.1	500.0	6.7
Benin	32	0	32	22	0	22	-31.3	n.ap	-31.3
Botswana	146	14	160	130	6	136	-11.0	-57.1	-15.0
Burundi	50	0	50	36	0	36	-28.0	n.ap	-28.0
Cameroon	114	0	114	162	0	162	42.1	n.ap	42.1
Congo	120	0	120	142	0	142	18.3	n.ap	18.3
Egypt	152	17	169	136	1	137	-10.5	-94.1	-18.9
Ethiopia	55	10	65	55	0	55	0.0	-100.0	-15.4
Gabon	21	0	21	16	0	16	-23.8	n.ap	-23.8
Ghana	213	19	232	252	5	257	18.3	-73.7	10.8
Ivory Coast	106	2	108	111	3	114	4.7	50.0	5.6
Kenya	837	8	845	907	8	915	8.4	0.0	8.3
Lesotho	62	9	71	40	22	62	-35.5	144.4	-12.7
Malawi	92	0	92	80	2	82	-13.0	n.ap	-10.9

<sup>1</sup> Provisional<sup>2</sup> Commonwealth of Independent States<sup>3</sup> Indian Ocean Commission

n.ap: not applicable

Table 5 (Cont'd):- Tourist arrivals by country of residence and by mode of travel, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026

Country of residence	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025			1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>			% Change 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 / 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025		
	Air	Sea	Total	Air	Sea	Total	Air	Sea	Total
Mayotte	277	0	277	302	0	302	9.0	n.ap	9.0
Morocco	170	1	171	135	0	135	-20.6	-100.0	-21.1
Mozambique	219	65	284	217	6	223	-0.9	-90.8	-21.5
Namibia	259	8	267	256	29	285	-1.2	262.5	6.7
Niger	22	0	22	30	0	30	36.4	n.ap	36.4
Nigeria	668	18	686	778	8	786	16.5	-55.6	14.6
Rwanda	59	0	59	63	0	63	6.8	n.ap	6.8
Senegal	70	0	70	51	6	57	-27.1	n.ap	-18.6
South Africa, Rep. of	20,202	2,668	22,870	21,177	1,910	23,087	4.8	-28.4	0.9
Sudan	6	0	6	2	0	2	-66.7	n.ap	-66.7
Kingdom of Eswatini	72	2	74	99	2	101	37.5	0.0	36.5
Tanzania	176	0	176	176	1	177	0.0	n.ap	0.6
Togo	14	0	14	18	0	18	28.6	n.ap	28.6
Tunisia	93	0	93	90	0	90	-3.2	n.ap	-3.2
Uganda	161	1	162	212	0	212	31.7	-100.0	30.9
Zimbabwe	474	44	518	632	13	645	33.3	-70.5	24.5
Zambia	214	2	216	223	6	229	4.2	200.0	6.0
Other African countries	1,227	1	1,228	947	17	964	-22.8	1,600.0	-21.5
<b>ASIA</b>	<b>25,716</b>	<b>1,444</b>	<b>27,160</b>	<b>29,994</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>31,360</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>-5.4</b>	<b>15.5</b>
Afghanistan	42	2	44	142	0	142	238.1	-100.0	222.7
Bangladesh	82	6	88	87	9	96	6.1	50.0	9.1
Hong Kong SAR <sup>4</sup>	92	0	92	103	0	103	12.0	n.ap	12.0
India	12,184	192	12,376	14,821	169	14,990	21.6	-12.0	21.1
Indonesia	510	454	964	689	377	1,066	35.1	-17.0	10.6
Israel	887	28	915	643	4	647	-27.5	-85.7	-29.3
Japan	242	11	253	267	29	296	10.3	163.6	17.0
Korea Republic	917	29	946	1,029	36	1,065	12.2	24.1	12.6
Malaysia	170	4	174	237	32	269	39.4	700.0	54.6
Maldives	8	0	8	11	0	11	37.5	n.ap	37.5
Nepal	301	2	303	584	0	584	94.0	-100.0	92.7
Pakistan	80	3	83	108	5	113	35.0	66.7	36.1
People's Rep. of China	2,855	260	3,115	4,083	221	4,304	43.0	-15.0	38.2
Philippines	836	341	1,177	769	365	1,134	-8.0	7.0	-3.7
Singapore	230	7	237	212	2	214	-7.8	-71.4	-9.7
Sri Lanka	129	4	133	235	10	245	82.2	150.0	84.2
Taiwan, China	237	13	250	305	24	329	28.7	84.6	31.6
Thailand	71	3	74	114	23	137	60.6	666.7	85.1
Vietnam	77	63	140	112	38	150	45.5	-39.7	7.1
<i>MIDDLE EAST countries</i>	<i>5,696</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>5,701</i>	<i>5,377</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>5,380</i>	<i>-5.6</i>	<i>-40.0</i>	<i>-5.6</i>
<i>of which:</i>									
<i>Bahrain</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>3.2</i>	<i>-100.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>
<i>Iran</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>-63.6</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>-63.6</i>
<i>Jordan</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>-59.0</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>-59.0</i>
<i>Kuwait</i>	<i>107</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>107</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>-60.7</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>-60.7</i>
<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>-6.7</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>-6.7</i>
<i>Oman</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>-54.1</i>	<i>200.0</i>	<i>-47.4</i>
<i>Qatar</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>-2.0</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>-2.0</i>
<i>Saudi Arabia</i>	<i>2,587</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2,590</i>	<i>2,745</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,745</i>	<i>6.1</i>	<i>-100.0</i>	<i>6.0</i>
<i>United Arab Emirates</i>	<i>2,683</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,683</i>	<i>2,368</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,368</i>	<i>-11.7</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>-11.7</i>
<i>Other Middle East countries</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>600.0</i>	<i>n.ap</i>	<i>600.0</i>
Other Asian countries	70	17	87	66	19	85	-5.7	11.8	-2.3
<b>OCEANIA</b>	<b>3,091</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>3,306</b>	<b>3,589</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>3,779</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>-11.6</b>	<b>14.3</b>
Australia	2,786	195	2,981	3,214	168	3,382	15.4	-13.8	13.5
New Zealand	166	17	183	158	22	180	-4.8	29.4	-1.6
Other Oceanian countries	139	3	142	217	0	217	56.1	-100.0	52.8
<b>AMERICA</b>	<b>6,454</b>	<b>1,673</b>	<b>8,127</b>	<b>5,860</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>6,783</b>	<b>-9.2</b>	<b>-44.8</b>	<b>-16.5</b>
Brazil	656	136	792	690	52	742	5.2	-61.8	-6.3
Canada	2,168	443	2,611	1,818	200	2,018	-16.1	-54.9	-22.7
USA	2,878	940	3,818	2,663	627	3,290	-7.5	-33.3	-13.8
Other American countries	752	154	906	689	44	733	-8.4	-71.4	-19.1
<b>Others &amp; not stated</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>-1.1</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
<b>All countries</b>	<b>316,604</b>	<b>9,785</b>	<b>326,389</b>	<b>332,632</b>	<b>15,813</b>	<b>348,445</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>6.8</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisional      <sup>4</sup> Special Administrative Region of China      n.ap: not applicable

**Table 6a:- Tourist arrivals by age group and sex, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**

Age group (years)	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025			1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>			% Change 1st Quarter 2026 / 1st Quarter 2025		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Under 5	6,893	6,959	13,852	6,987	7,012	13,999	+ 1.4	+ 0.8	+ 1.1
5 - 9	6,826	6,707	13,533	7,252	7,299	14,551	+ 6.2	+ 8.8	+ 7.5
10 - 14	6,078	6,375	12,453	6,744	7,014	13,758	+ 11.0	+ 10.0	+ 10.5
15 - 19	4,686	5,471	10,157	5,223	6,172	11,395	+ 11.5	+ 12.8	+ 12.2
20 - 24	5,849	8,013	13,862	6,375	8,497	14,872	+ 9.0	+ 6.0	+ 7.3
25 - 29	10,767	13,847	24,614	11,843	14,652	26,495	+ 10.0	+ 5.8	+ 7.6
30 - 34	14,180	15,991	30,171	14,656	16,125	30,781	+ 3.4	+ 0.8	+ 2.0
35 - 39	15,334	15,610	30,944	15,885	16,152	32,037	+ 3.6	+ 3.5	+ 3.5
40 - 44	14,159	13,734	27,893	14,836	14,382	29,218	+ 4.8	+ 4.7	+ 4.8
45 - 49	12,901	12,886	25,787	13,722	13,838	27,560	+ 6.4	+ 7.4	+ 6.9
50 - 54	13,634	14,133	27,767	13,924	14,688	28,612	+ 2.1	+ 3.9	+ 3.0
55 - 59	13,839	14,404	28,243	14,442	15,087	29,529	+ 4.4	+ 4.7	+ 4.6
60 - 64	12,957	13,041	25,998	13,965	14,365	28,330	+ 7.8	+ 10.2	+ 9.0
65 - 69	9,731	9,304	19,035	11,012	10,507	21,519	+ 13.2	+ 12.9	+ 13.0
70 & over	11,778	10,302	22,080	13,632	12,157	25,789	+ 15.7	+ 18.0	+ 16.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>159,612</b>	<b>166,777</b>	<b>326,389</b>	<b>170,498</b>	<b>177,947</b>	<b>348,445</b>	<b>+ 6.8</b>	<b>+ 6.7</b>	<b>+ 6.8</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisional**Table 6b:- Tourist arrivals by broad age group and mode of travel, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2025 and 2026**

Age group (years)	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025			1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>			% Change 1st Quarter 2026 / 1st Quarter 2025		
	Air	Sea	Total	Air	Sea	Total	Air	Sea	Total
Under 15	39,132	706	39,838	41,631	677	42,308	+ 6.4	- 4.1	+ 6.2
15 - 59	214,238	5,200	219,438	223,849	6,650	230,499	+ 4.5	+ 27.9	+ 5.0
60 & over	63,234	3,879	67,113	67,152	8,486	75,638	+ 6.2	+ 118.8	+ 12.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>316,604</b>	<b>9,785</b>	<b>326,389</b>	<b>332,632</b>	<b>15,813</b>	<b>348,445</b>	<b>+ 5.1</b>	<b>+ 61.6</b>	<b>+ 6.8</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

Table 7:- Tourist arrivals by air and by main port of last embarkation for selected markets, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2026 <sup>1</sup>

Country of last embarkation	Total tourist arrivals	of which, arrivals from selected country of residence															
		Austria	France	Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Poland	Spain	Switzerland	Turkey	United Kingdom	Russian Federation	Reunion Island	South Africa, Rep. of	India	People's Rep. of China	Australia
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>155,905</b>	<b>6,095</b>	<b>54,896</b>	<b>21,229</b>	<b>7,623</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>5,126</b>	<b>1,123</b>	<b>4,866</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>19,685</b>	<b>2,073</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>246</b>
<i>of which:</i> Austria	14,432	4,867	434	2,913	64	33	1,014	26	132	3	98	32	3	2	4	8	151
France	62,905	182	48,816	1,205	841	382	899	606	620	8	1,154	36	48	22	10	24	38
Germany	20,090	529	1,693	13,405	237	94	546	18	475	19	81	32	0	8	1	0	5
Italy	6,736	20	401	182	5,464	45	13	40	125	0	36	21	0	0	0	10	3
Poland	1,741	0	0	1	0	0	1,593	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Spain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Switzerland	7,180	157	1,134	1,263	104	35	238	32	3,216	3	107	14	8	3	0	3	8
Turkey	23,452	297	2,131	2,166	864	209	748	314	257	1,050	916	1,924	3	13	7	97	13
United Kingdom	19,350	43	287	94	49	36	75	87	41	4	17,291	14	2	26	5	10	28
<b>AFRICA</b>	<b>100,993</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>21,642</b>	<b>2,263</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>2,117</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>33,050</b>	<b>20,329</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>559</b>
<i>of which:</i> Kenya	4,157	17	538	117	19	31	18	42	22	5	203	38	68	42	53	163	44
Malagasy Republic	5,587	3	394	51	20	7	94	12	39	13	34	119	160	19	77	203	24
Reunion Island	55,893	98	19,893	495	63	37	87	104	204	3	174	27	32,448	100	90	282	80
Seychelles	3,266	22	301	132	25	22	12	20	33	10	93	247	63	15	36	180	47
South Africa, Rep. of	32,004	183	514	1,468	159	141	58	92	222	73	1,609	427	311	20,149	150	290	364
<b>ASIA</b>	<b>72,903</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>6,337</b>	<b>3,597</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>1,577</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>6,453</b>	<b>8,498</b>	<b>1,139</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>14,384</b>	<b>2,797</b>	<b>412</b>
<i>of which:</i> India	19,347	17	441	122	23	44	55	22	41	4	299	258	127	567	13,898	686	67
Malaysia	2,788	0	362	12	6	8	0	3	6	2	43	25	582	29	3	640	58
People's Rep. of China	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0
Saudi Arabia	2,417	0	71	39	71	18	19	28	1	7	90	10	27	4	26	10	16
United Arab Emirates	48,320	577	5,463	3,424	719	613	1,503	290	934	139	6,021	8,205	403	131	457	1,449	271
<b>OCEANIA</b>	<b>2,827</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1,994</b>
<i>of which:</i> Australia	2,827	8	124	39	7	2	4	2	14	1	253	1	128	42	4	6	1,994
<b>AMERICA</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Total arrivals by air</b>	<b>332,632</b>	<b>7,020</b>	<b>82,999</b>	<b>27,128</b>	<b>8,735</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>6,976</b>	<b>1,738</b>	<b>6,384</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>28,508</b>	<b>11,430</b>	<b>34,381</b>	<b>21,177</b>	<b>14,821</b>	<b>4,083</b>	<b>3,214</b>
<i>of which:</i>		<b>Austria</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>Germany</b>	<b>Italy</b>	<b>Netherlands</b>	<b>Poland</b>	<b>Spain</b>	<b>Switzerland</b>	<b>Turkey</b>	<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>Russian Federation</b>	<b>Reunion Island</b>	<b>South Africa, Rep. of</b>	<b>India</b>	<b>People's Rep. of China</b>	<b>Australia</b>
Direct from own country of residence	69.3%	58.8%	49.4%	62.6%	0.0%	22.8%	0.0%	50.4%	78.1%	60.7%	0.0%	94.4%	95.1%	93.8%	0.3%	62.0%	
From United Arab Emirates	8.2%	6.6%	12.6%	8.2%	34.9%	21.5%	16.7%	14.6%	10.3%	21.1%	71.8%	1.2%	0.6%	3.1%	35.5%	8.4%	
From Turkey	4.2%	2.6%	8.0%	9.9%	11.9%	10.7%	18.1%	4.0%		3.2%	16.8%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	2.4%	0.4%	
From France	2.6%		4.4%	9.6%	21.7%	12.9%	34.9%	9.7%	0.6%	4.0%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.6%	1.2%	
From Reunion Island	1.4%	24.0%	1.8%	0.7%	2.1%	1.2%	6.0%	3.2%	0.2%	0.6%	0.2%		0.5%	0.6%	6.9%	2.5%	
From South Africa, Rep. of	2.6%	0.6%	5.4%	1.8%	8.0%	0.8%	5.3%	3.5%	5.4%	5.6%	3.7%	0.9%		1.0%	7.1%	11.3%	

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

**Table 8:- Tourist arrivals, tourist departures, tourist nights, average length of stay and tourism earnings, 2023-2026**

Year		Tourist arrivals (Number)	Tourist departures (Number)	Tourist Nights <sup>1</sup>	Average Length of stay	Tourism earnings <sup>2</sup> (Rs Mn)
<b>2023</b>	1st Quarter	305,197	327,235	3,907,503	11.9	22,281
	2nd Quarter	291,269	293,069	3,182,486	10.9	19,420
	3rd Quarter	304,660	296,692	3,404,113	11.5	19,097
	4th Quarter	394,284	351,999	3,889,914	11.1	25,195
	<b>Year</b>	<b>1,295,410</b>	<b>1,268,995</b>	<b>14,384,016</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>85,993</b>
<b>2024</b>	1st Quarter	346,562	356,657	4,236,631	11.9	23,981
	2nd Quarter	298,987	304,394	3,430,636	11.3	20,421
	3rd Quarter	326,251	316,489	3,708,687	11.7	20,977
	4th Quarter	410,377	369,338	4,044,276	11.0	28,195
	<b>Year</b>	<b>1,382,177</b>	<b>1,346,878</b>	<b>15,420,230</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>93,574</b>
<b>2025</b>	1st Quarter	326,389	348,831	4,083,079	11.7	23,582
	2nd Quarter	332,520	331,200	3,597,793	10.9	23,818
	3rd Quarter	349,189	341,190	3,935,300	11.5	23,653
	4th Quarter	428,152	387,105	4,260,421	11.0	32,298
	<b>Year</b>	<b>1,436,250</b>	<b>1,408,326</b>	<b>15,876,593</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>103,351</b>
<b>2026</b> <sup>3</sup>	1st Quarter	348,445	372,942	4,312,866	11.6	30,190

<sup>1</sup> Tourist nights for a reference period refer to nights spent by tourists departing in that reference period

<sup>2</sup> Source: Bank of Mauritius

<sup>3</sup> Provisional

**Table 9:- Hotels <sup>1</sup>, rooms and bedplaces, 2023-2026**

Year	Number as at end of period						
	All hotels			"Large" hotels			
	Hotels	Rooms	Bedplaces	Hotels	Rooms	Bedplaces	
<b>2023</b>	1st Qr.	105	13,022	29,591	56	10,338	23,836
	2nd Qr.	101	12,426	28,416	53	9,735	22,563
	3rd Qr.	102	12,502	28,450	56	9,961	23,014
	4th Qr.	107	13,387	30,752	60	10,804	25,193
<b>2024</b>	1st Qr.	105	13,326	30,066	59	10,777	24,597
	2nd Qr.	102	13,011	29,382	56	10,441	23,903
	3rd Qr.	105	13,453	30,127	57	10,775	24,460
	4th Qr.	109	14,059	31,484	61	11,427	25,916
<b>2025</b>	1st Qr.	110	14,059	31,486	61	11,331	25,750
	2nd Qr.	105	13,470	30,043	59	10,876	24,554
	3rd Qr.	106	13,555	30,330	59	10,913	24,726
	4th Qr.	109	14,112	31,952	61	11,389	26,155
<b>2026</b> <sup>2</sup>	1st Qr.	109	14,110	31,755	61	11,384	25,953

<sup>1</sup> Refers to hotels in the Island of Mauritius which were operational

<sup>2</sup> Provisional

**Table 10:- Monthly occupancy rates (%) for All hotels and "Large" hotels, 2024-2026**

Month	All hotels						"Large" hotels					
	2024		2025		2026 <sup>1</sup>		2024		2025		2026 <sup>1</sup>	
	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed
January	68	61	70	64	73	65	70	63	72	66	74	67
February	68	62	66	60	69	61	70	64	68	62	70	63
March	70	64	66	59	68	60	71	66	68	62	69	62
<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>64</u>
April	70	65	75	70			72	67	78	74		
May	73	66	74	66			76	69	75	68		
June	63	56	67	59			66	59	69	62		
<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>65</u>			<u>71</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>68</u>		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>63</b>			<b>71</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>66</b>		
July	67	63	73	69			70	66	77	74		
August	72	68	76	71			75	72	79	75		
September	74	66	78	68			77	68	81	71		
<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>70</u>			<u>74</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>73</u>		
<b>Jan. to Sep.</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>65</b>			<b>72</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>68</b>		
October	77	70	78	71			79	72	80	74		
November	81	70	82	69			82	71	84	71		
December	75	69	78	70			77	71	80	72		
<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>70</u>			<u>80</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>72</u>		
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>70</b>			<b>77</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>73</b>		
<b>Year</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>67</b>			<b>74</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>69</b>		

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

**Table 11:- Employment in large<sup>1</sup> establishments of the Tourism Industry as at end of March, 2021-2025**

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Activities</b>					
Food Service	3,289	2,909	2,833	2,908	3,465
Hotels	20,919	21,710	22,214	22,442	22,337
Travel and Other Services <sup>3</sup>	2,702	2,736	2,749	2,867	3,032
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,910</b>	<b>27,355</b>	<b>27,796</b>	<b>28,217</b>	<b>28,834</b>

<sup>1</sup> Large establishments are those employing 10 or more persons.

<sup>2</sup> Provisional

<sup>3</sup> Travel and other services include air transport services, tour operators, travel agencies and car rental.

Source: Survey of Employment and Earnings in large establishments

**Table 12:- Percentage distribution of tourists by type of accommodation, Year 2018, 2023-2024 and 1<sup>st</sup> Semester, 2024 and 2025**

Type of accommodation	% of tourists				
	2018	2023	2024	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2025
Hotel	78.2	77.0	75.4	77.2	73.4
Guest House	4.8	2.2	3.3	3.1	2.3
In own villas/houses/bungalow/IRS	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1
Tourist residence	10.8	12.8	8.7	9.9	9.4
With friends and /or relatives	5.3	6.7	12.2	9.4	13.7
Other types of accommodation	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.2	1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Note: Figures in shaded cells should be treated with caution; they are subject to low reliability since they are based on fewer than 30 observations in the sample.

Source: Survey of Inbound Tourism conducted by Statistics Mauritius

**Table 13:- Selected tourism statistics by type of accommodation (hotel/non-hotel), Year 2018, 2023-2024 and 1<sup>st</sup> Semester, 2024 and 2025**

	2018			2023			2024			1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2024			1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2025		
	Hotel	Non-hotel	All tourists	Hotel	Non-hotel	All tourists	Hotel	Non-hotel	All tourists	Hotel	Non-hotel	All tourists	Hotel	Non-hotel	All tourists
Average party size	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.2	1.9	2.1	2.2	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.1
Average length of stay (in nights)	9.0	15.5	10.4	9.8	16.5	11.3	9.1	18.7	11.4	9.4	19.0	11.6	8.2	19.9	11.3
Travel arrangement (%)															
<i>Package</i>	79.2	6.2	63.3	62.3	4.7	49.1	77.0	6.0	59.5	79.0	5.2	62.2	55.7	2.2	41.5
<i>Non-package</i>	20.8	93.8	36.7	37.7	95.3	50.9	23.0	94.0	40.5	21.0	94.8	37.8	44.3	97.8	58.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Expenditure (Rs)															
<i>Average expenditure per tourist</i>	49,400	36,100	46,500	75,600	46,100	68,800	81,300	39,600	71,000	75,100	44,600	68,100	87,600	38,700	74,600
<i>Average expenditure per tourist per night</i>	5,500	2,300	4,500	7,700	2,800	6,100	9,000	2,100	6,200	8,000	2,300	5,900	10,700	1,900	6,600

Source: Survey of Inbound Tourism conducted by Statistics Mauritius

Table 14:- Average expenditure (Rs) by country of residence, Year 2018, 2023-2024 and 1<sup>st</sup> Semester, 2024 and 2025

(Rs)

Country of residence	2018		2023		2024		1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2024		1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2025	
	Average expenditure per tourist	Average expenditure per tourist per night	Average expenditure per tourist	Average expenditure per tourist per night	Average expenditure per tourist	Average expenditure per tourist per night	Average expenditure per tourist	Average expenditure per tourist per night	Average expenditure per tourist	Average expenditure per tourist per night
<b>Europe</b>	<b>48,700</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>74,500</b>	<b>6,300</b>	<b>74,700</b>	<b>6,400</b>	<b>73,300</b>	<b>6,200</b>	<b>79,800</b>	<b>6,800</b>
<i>of which:</i> France	46,200	3,900	66,700	5,500	63,800	5,300	68,900	5,600	71,400	5,700
Germany	46,400	4,300	75,900	6,300	65,800	5,500	75,000	6,400	91,300	7,800
Italy	43,300	4,400	74,700	7,500	87,600	8,700	73,600	7,300	101,800	10,500
Switzerland	59,800	5,200	91,600	7,400	79,600	6,400	55,700	4,300	106,400	8,500
United Kingdom	53,300	4,600	82,500	7,000	62,800	5,400	55,800	4,800	85,900	7,700
<b>Africa</b>	<b>31,400</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>41,600</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>38,100</b>	<b>4,100</b>	<b>34,400</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>47,300</b>	<b>5,200</b>
<i>of which:</i> Reunion Island	22,800	3,300	31,800	4,600	30,400	4,500	29,500	4,200	32,800	4,800
South Africa, Rep. of	33,900	4,300	44,600	4,700	45,300	4,900	39,800	4,300	70,300	7,900
<b>Asia</b>	<b>59,200</b>	<b>5,900</b>	<b>85,300</b>	<b>6,900</b>	<b>101,500</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>98,700</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>105,900</b>	<b>8,100</b>
<i>of which:</i> India	47,700	4,700	72,200	4,700	84,400	5,000	81,300	5,100	75,700	5,300
People's Rep. of China	56,200	7,100	149,100	9,700	196,000	12,900	197,100	13,100	188,400	13,200
United Arab Emirates	66,900	10,400	70,800	10,800	70,800	9,000	62,100	9,000	92,900	12,600
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>74,400</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>122,000</b>	<b>8,900</b>	<b>107,900</b>	<b>7,600</b>	<b>34,400</b>	<b>2,300</b>
<i>of which:</i> Australia	49,400	3,800	74,400	5,300	122,000	8,900	107,900	7,600	34,400	2,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,500</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>68,800</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>71,000</b>	<b>6,200</b>	<b>68,100</b>	<b>5,900</b>	<b>74,600</b>	<b>6,600</b>

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## 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, the electronic database of passenger traffic for that particular month is downloaded and supplied to the statistics unit of the Ministry of Tourism within ten days. Additional data on cruises are obtained from the Mauritius Ports Authority.

### Tourism earnings

The Bank of Mauritius (BoM) is responsible for the estimation of tourism earnings based on monthly statements of Inward and Outward Remittances of Commercial Banks. As from 2015, BoM is also including data culled from Money changers and Foreign exchange dealers.

### Monthly Occupancy Rates

Survey questionnaires are emailed to all hotels at the end of every month to collect data on room/bed nights available and rented during the month for the calculation of room and bed occupancy rates. Non-responses are contacted by phone.

### Short-term projections of tourist arrivals

A Tourism Statistics Committee grouping various stakeholders of the tourism industry meet regularly under the chairmanship of Statistics Mauritius 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 uploaded on Statistics Mauritius website
- (ii) Fortnightly tourist arrivals uploaded on Statistics Mauritius website
- (iii) Quarterly Economic and Social Indicators on International Travel and Tourism  
(with a lag of seven weeks)
- (iv) Yearly Digest of International Travel and Tourism
- (v) Yearly Handbook of statistical data on tourism
- (vi) Report of the Survey of Inbound Tourism

## 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" for year Y refer to nights spent by tourists who departed in year Y.

### 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.

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

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