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MAIN FEATURES

YEAR 1981

Permanent and long-term movement

Permanent arrivals (settlers) increased 25.6 per cent from 94,500 in 1980 to 118,700 in 1981. Overseas visitors arriving for long term stays in Australia also rose by 11.4 per cent to 34,600.

Australian residents departing permanently decreased 4.7 per cent to 19,900, and Australian residents departing for long term visits abroad fell 7.8 per cent to 46,700.

Short-term movement

The number of overseas short-term visitors rose 3.6 per cent from 904,600 in 1980 to 936,700 in 1981.

The number arriving from Asia increased 16.8 per cent to 162,100 the largest proportional increases being from the Philippines, Thailand and Singapore.

Overseas visitor arrivals from America and Europe rose 4.0 and 9.2 per cent to 151,900 and 266,100 respectively. Oceania remained the largest source of visitor traffic, although visitors from Oceania fell 6.6 per cent to 335,700 in 1981. Most of the fall was due to a decline in visitors from New Zealand.

The number of Australian residents going abroad for short-term visits increased 1.1 per cent from 1,203,600 in 1980 to 1,217,300 in 1981. Asia continued to grow in importance as a destination, increasing 14.9 per cent to 362,300. The number of travellers to Europe (301,700) was 13.6 per cent below the 1980 level and 23.3 per cent below the total for 1979.

January 1982

The provisional estimate of permanent arrivals for January 1982 is 11,400, 14.3 per cent higher than for January 1981. Short-term visitor arrivals also increased to 87,000 in January 1982, a 25.1 per cent increase on the January 1981 total.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This series of publications is released at approximately monthly intervals and contains the latest available provisional and final estimates in summary form. The new data in this issue are final estimates for November and December 1981, and provisional estimates for January 1982.

2. Overseas arrival and departure statistics are obtained from passenger cards completed by travellers. Provisional estimates, based on early counts of cards by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, are shown in these publications if they are available and not yet superseded by final estimates.

Related publications

3. Comprehensive definitions and explanations, and detailed data for three and twelve monthly periods, are contained in *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3402.0 and 3404.0) and also in *Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (3101.0). Some additional unpublished information in various forms can be made available on request.

4. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Note. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES — SUMMARY

Period	Arrivals					Total	
	Permanent	Residents returning after—			Visitors arriving for—		
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term		
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>							
1979	72,236	61,441	1,144,334	33,450	793,345	2,104,807	
1980	94,502	58,760	1,194,768	31,025	904,558	2,283,613	
1981	118,735	59,402	1,181,387	34,552	936,727	2,330,803	
<i>1980—</i>							
December	9,634	9,422	66,904	2,182	112,587	200,728	
<i>1981—</i>							
January	9,993	5,484	143,403	4,718	69,566	233,165	
February	7,931	4,315	84,177	4,983	78,701	180,107	
March	11,851	4,865	90,105	3,681	84,300	194,802	
April	9,061	3,729	86,786	2,414	67,803	169,793	
May	9,678	4,163	98,220	2,620	63,119	177,800	
June	9,743	4,122	97,233	2,708	72,592	186,398	
July	9,514	4,588	93,372	2,229	81,198	190,901	
August	10,244	4,597	96,102	2,547	74,985	188,475	
September	9,721	4,283	113,606	2,252	62,782	192,644	
October	10,704	4,433	111,638	2,273	80,276	209,324	
November	10,862	5,909	97,412	2,042	88,346	204,571	
December	9,433	8,914	69,312	2,085	113,059	202,803	
<i>1982—</i>							
January(a)	11,423	5,900	142,300	5,100	87,000	251,730	
Period	Departures					Total	
	Permanent	Residents departing for—			Visitors departing after—		
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term		
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>							
1979	23,420	54,266	1,175,769	20,422	752,440	2,026,316	
1980	20,843	50,713	1,203,603	19,306	874,090	2,168,555	
1981	19,856	46,738	1,217,299	19,018	900,376	2,203,287	
<i>1980—</i>							
December	1,740	4,010	135,269	3,716	58,766	203,501	
<i>1981—</i>							
January	1,802	6,650	88,936	1,951	105,006	204,345	
February	1,611	4,338	77,148	1,199	75,118	159,414	
March	1,844	4,788	109,014	1,465	88,095	205,206	
April	1,713	3,711	103,973	1,229	75,032	185,658	
May	1,557	3,712	113,049	1,399	72,212	191,929	
June	1,341	3,204	99,061	1,266	57,060	161,931	
July	1,514	3,228	104,455	1,374	69,023	179,594	
August	1,719	4,144	109,416	1,386	78,293	194,958	
September	1,388	3,283	92,937	1,108	67,150	165,866	
October	1,709	2,698	88,653	1,161	71,390	165,611	
November	1,587	3,063	90,467	1,766	78,285	175,168	
December	2,071	3,919	140,191	3,714	63,714	213,609	
<i>1982—</i>							
January(a)	1,700	6,500	88,200	1,900	110,200	208,586	

(a) Provisional estimates only.

**TABLE 2. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : OVERSEAS VISITORS ARRIVING
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS**

	<i>Visitors arriving intending to stay less than 12 months</i>							
	<i>Month of</i>				<i>Quarter ended</i>		<i>Year ended</i>	
	<i>November</i>		<i>December</i>		<i>31 December</i>		<i>31 December</i>	
	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>
	<i>Intended length of stay</i>							
Under 1 week	18,871	21,378	15,424	16,118	51,274	54,229	185,073	179,682
1 and under 2 weeks	16,660	15,162	11,857	11,719	44,436	44,290	174,972	171,584
2 weeks and under 1 month	16,022	14,516	27,093	27,122	60,385	59,877	218,335	227,074
1 and under 2 months	9,522	11,756	31,065	31,915	49,941	55,416	146,532	160,053
2 and under 3 months	5,959	6,685	10,954	10,390	19,364	20,967	53,516	57,754
3 and under 6 months	11,207	11,268	10,281	9,091	26,394	26,115	63,686	68,741
6 and under 12 months	5,320	6,473	4,350	5,030	13,630	16,871	49,539	58,773
Not stated	1,226	1,108	1,564	1,676	3,837	3,915	12,903	13,063
	<i>Purpose of journey</i>							
In transit	6,010	5,677	6,063	6,337	17,698	17,534	67,270	62,772
Attending convention	1,226	1,203	361	469	3,579	4,203	17,576	15,117
Business	11,569	12,635	6,029	6,490	28,700	31,936	112,717	122,241
Accompanying business traveller	1,220	1,242	674	645	2,904	3,370	11,285	11,983
Visiting relatives	25,559	26,504	51,433	49,447	94,045	95,724	263,858	271,430
Holiday	33,866	35,683	42,702	44,239	106,482	111,995	360,231	377,278
Employment	1,049	1,211	909	847	3,107	3,377	15,726	16,938
Education	456	510	439	372	1,635	1,978	13,669	15,221
Other and not stated	3,833	3,681	3,977	4,213	11,110	11,566	42,226	43,746
	<i>Country of residence</i>							
AFRICA—								
South Africa	914	968	1,735	2,147	3,506	4,247	9,387	11,897
Other and unspecified	450	550	494	699	1,239	2,029	4,498	6,390
<i>Total, Africa</i>	<i>1,364</i>	<i>1,518</i>	<i>2,229</i>	<i>2,846</i>	<i>4,745</i>	<i>6,276</i>	<i>13,885</i>	<i>18,287</i>
AMERICA—								
Canada	2,819	2,853	3,950	3,817	8,889	9,309	28,485	30,948
U.S.A.	12,778	11,449	9,124	9,351	33,026	33,424	111,400	113,964
Other and unspecified	529	546	817	942	2,066	2,184	6,129	6,987
<i>Total, America</i>	<i>16,126</i>	<i>14,848</i>	<i>13,891</i>	<i>14,110</i>	<i>43,981</i>	<i>44,917</i>	<i>146,014</i>	<i>151,899</i>
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	1,187	1,260	1,944	1,864	3,999	4,299	14,913	17,095
Indonesia	984	1,302	1,810	2,036	3,703	4,863	12,665	15,074
Japan	5,262	8,861	5,094	5,693	14,471	19,492	48,813	53,699
Malaysia	2,492	3,257	2,452	2,453	6,201	7,686	16,397	20,040
Philippines	476	731	472	593	1,262	1,943	4,901	6,980
Singapore	2,571	2,695	2,497	3,005	6,274	7,488	16,420	19,621
Thailand	535	442	338	577	1,250	1,677	4,450	5,531
Other and unspecified	2,281	2,646	2,853	3,204	6,968	8,259	20,140	24,022
<i>Total, Asia</i>	<i>15,788</i>	<i>21,194</i>	<i>17,460</i>	<i>19,425</i>	<i>44,128</i>	<i>55,707</i>	<i>138,699</i>	<i>162,062</i>
EUROPE—								
France	740	756	861	958	2,283	2,595	8,118	8,376
Germany(a)	3,865	4,450	5,499	5,999	12,537	14,080	35,379	39,055
Greece	528	692	946	991	1,785	1,979	4,376	5,007
Italy	1,403	1,544	2,935	2,133	5,294	4,585	12,291	12,154
Netherlands	2,086	2,369	2,884	2,413	6,395	6,218	18,262	18,010
Switzerland	904	1,272	1,324	1,379	2,944	3,496	7,730	9,121
U.K. and Ireland	15,106	16,658	22,773	24,576	47,852	53,748	131,459	145,957
Yugoslavia	812	821	1,183	1,035	2,292	2,082	5,448	5,376
Other and unspecified	2,702	3,236	2,896	3,127	7,800	9,073	20,677	23,059
<i>Total, Europe</i>	<i>28,146</i>	<i>31,798</i>	<i>41,301</i>	<i>42,611</i>	<i>89,182</i>	<i>97,856</i>	<i>243,739</i>	<i>266,115</i>
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	865	1,028	1,410	1,378	3,062	3,070	9,645	10,633
New Caledonia	545	509	1,173	866	2,313	1,789	9,542	8,231
New Zealand	18,752	14,798	30,678	27,073	71,670	61,902	307,114	284,372
Papua New Guinea	1,979	1,797	3,321	3,573	6,970	7,338	24,336	24,657
Other and unspecified	879	693	801	760	2,304	2,016	8,744	7,772
<i>Total, Oceania</i>	<i>23,020</i>	<i>18,825</i>	<i>37,383</i>	<i>33,650</i>	<i>86,319</i>	<i>76,115</i>	<i>359,381</i>	<i>335,665</i>
Not stated	343	164	323	419	906	810	2,840	2,699
Total	84,787	88,346	112,587	113,059	269,260	281,681	904,558	936,727

(a) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany.

**TABLE 3. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS DEPARTING
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS**

	<i>Residents departing intending to be away less than 12 months</i>							
	<i>Month of</i>				<i>Quarter ended</i>		<i>Year ended</i>	
	<i>November</i>		<i>December</i>		<i>31 December</i>		<i>31 December</i>	
	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>1981</i>
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	4,797	5,060	3,288	3,236	12,653	12,811	46,587	49,031
1 and under 2 weeks	19,242	23,442	17,874	19,073	57,042	65,630	215,333	241,160
2 weeks and under 1 month	25,541	28,687	46,868	46,311	104,384	109,710	380,499	404,473
1 and under 2 months	10,074	9,918	38,800	39,514	64,036	62,205	231,455	218,259
2 and under 3 months	7,773	8,771	15,337	18,102	27,647	31,277	114,104	107,337
3 and under 6 months	8,097	8,734	6,079	6,515	18,415	18,984	107,070	97,072
6 and under 12 months	4,779	4,817	4,974	5,408	14,417	14,298	88,112	78,242
Not stated	1,523	1,037	2,049	2,031	4,995	4,397	20,442	21,726
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
Attending convention	2,038	2,155	702	412	5,444	5,532	27,768	26,022
Business	11,464	12,821	7,317	7,674	30,871	33,779	133,415	143,593
Accompanying business traveller	1,488	1,382	1,647	1,596	4,571	4,720	21,497	21,423
Visiting relatives	15,405	15,352	36,794	38,038	65,663	65,658	235,127	226,090
Holiday	45,348	53,496	80,609	84,361	177,439	190,803	706,313	714,955
Employment	1,681	1,474	1,302	1,508	4,247	4,454	18,537	19,794
Education	745	802	1,041	1,166	2,461	2,550	11,072	11,452
Other and not stated	3,658	2,984	5,857	5,437	12,894	11,813	49,875	53,970
<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	657	579	1,470	1,604	2,583	2,774	7,432	7,871
Other and unspecified	695	933	1,334	1,651	2,368	3,267	7,173	8,656
<i>Total, Africa</i>	<i>1,352</i>	<i>1,512</i>	<i>2,804</i>	<i>3,255</i>	<i>4,951</i>	<i>6,041</i>	<i>14,605</i>	<i>16,527</i>
AMERICA—								
Canada	748	929	1,270	1,385	2,967	3,018	13,108	13,902
U.S.A.	10,032	9,311	13,421	13,316	35,113	36,205	144,084	143,454
Other and unspecified	1,099	1,146	1,850	2,176	3,471	3,907	8,162	8,188
<i>Total, America</i>	<i>11,879</i>	<i>11,386</i>	<i>16,541</i>	<i>16,877</i>	<i>41,551</i>	<i>43,130</i>	<i>165,354</i>	<i>165,544</i>
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	5,611	7,982	6,059	6,783	17,338	20,713	57,918	65,401
Indonesia	6,371	7,378	7,709	6,731	20,903	19,547	66,442	83,083
Japan	1,657	1,777	1,165	1,440	4,605	5,700	15,643	19,211
Malaysia	2,660	2,845	4,629	3,869	9,557	9,186	30,885	35,749
Philippines	2,269	3,387	3,113	3,810	7,619	9,185	26,623	27,013
Singapore	4,992	7,839	6,367	6,741	16,693	20,323	58,729	69,220
Thailand	1,249	1,408	1,460	1,635	3,736	4,007	12,483	13,033
Other and unspecified	3,250	3,859	8,016	9,069	15,016	17,343	46,746	49,633
<i>Total, Asia</i>	<i>28,059</i>	<i>36,475</i>	<i>38,518</i>	<i>40,078</i>	<i>95,467</i>	<i>106,004</i>	<i>315,469</i>	<i>362,343</i>
EUROPE—								
France	643	699	865	1,031	1,924	2,432	8,408	9,173
Germany(a)	914	1,183	1,576	1,712	3,590	3,707	20,509	18,129
Greece	1,261	1,269	2,133	2,345	4,446	4,659	31,458	27,127
Italy	1,749	1,449	3,544	3,290	6,752	6,158	38,965	33,545
Netherlands	618	720	875	852	2,128	2,141	13,011	11,221
Switzerland	387	428	543	701	1,190	1,365	4,907	4,762
U.K. and Ireland	7,600	7,141	13,486	13,407	31,960	27,541	188,317	155,697
Yugoslavia	600	584	1,016	966	2,284	2,107	13,645	14,731
Other and unspecified	1,387	1,386	2,263	2,562	4,571	4,850	29,917	27,320
<i>Total, Europe</i>	<i>15,159</i>	<i>14,859</i>	<i>26,301</i>	<i>26,866</i>	<i>58,845</i>	<i>54,960</i>	<i>349,137</i>	<i>301,705</i>
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	3,901	5,427	6,001	7,813	14,824	20,300	63,523	74,940
New Caledonia	1,448	1,467	1,931	2,562	5,018	6,007	19,862	21,395
New Zealand	15,506	14,266	36,632	36,078	67,793	66,062	217,740	212,371
Papua New Guinea	2,181	1,821	2,403	2,434	6,092	5,949	24,527	24,792
Other and unspecified	1,955	2,772	3,648	3,218	7,774	9,023	28,630	27,672
<i>Total, Oceania</i>	<i>24,991</i>	<i>25,753</i>	<i>50,615</i>	<i>52,105</i>	<i>101,501</i>	<i>107,341</i>	<i>354,282</i>	<i>361,170</i>
Not stated	387	482	489	1,011	1,273	1,835	4,756	10,009
Total	81,826	90,467	135,269	140,191	303,589	319,311	1,203,603	1,217,299

(a) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany.