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MAIN FEATURES

- Overseas arrivals and departures in March 1978 are estimated at 129,361 and 138,495 respectively, compared with 120,819 and 136,450 in March 1977.
- Settlers arriving in March 1978 numbered 6,057 compared with 6,557 in March 1977.
- Australian residents departing for short-term trips abroad fell from 81,163 in the month of January 1977 to 74,417 in January 1978, a decrease of 8 per cent.
- Overseas visitors arriving for short-term visits increased from 48,605 in the month of January 1977 to 49,898 in January 1978, an increase of 3 per cent.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains summary statistics of overseas arrivals in and departures from Australia during the month of January 1978, together with statistics for earlier periods. More detailed statistics are published quarterly and annually in *Overseas Arrivals and Departures* (3402.0 and 3404.0).

Preliminary and provisional estimates

2. The preliminary statistics shown in this bulletin are derived from part-edited data and are subject to subsequent correction. However, later edit and amendment action is not expected to greatly change the statistics shown in this bulletin. Provisional estimates of total arrivals and departures and of settlers arriving from different countries in the month of March 1978, included in Tables 1, 3 and 5, were provided by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs.

Source of the statistics

3. Persons arriving in or departing from Australia are required to complete prescribed questionnaires in the form of Incoming and Outgoing Passenger Cards. These cards provide information to the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs for administrative purposes and serve as the main source of statistics of

overseas arrivals and departures.

Scope

4. The statistics published in this bulletin exclude air crew and ships' crew, transit passengers who pass through Australia but are not cleared for entry, and passengers on pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia aboard ships not then engaged on regular voyages.

Seasonally adjusted series

5. Seasonally adjusted figures of total and short-term arrivals and departures are shown in Tables 1 and 7. Details of the methods employed in seasonally adjusting these series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1977* (1308.0).

Category of traveller

6. *Permanent movement* consists of settlers arriving and Australian residents departing permanently. Residents departing permanently are sub-divided into former settlers (persons who state on departure that they had come to Australia intending to settle), and other residents departing permanently. *Long-term movement* is defined as comprising overseas visitors arriving and Australian residents departing temporarily with the intention of staying (in Australia or abroad, respectively) for twelve months or more, together with the departure of visitors and the return of Australian residents who stayed, in Australia or abroad, for twelve months or more. Travellers whose intended or actual period of stay is less than twelve months are classified as *short-term*.

Country of stay, embarkation or disembarkation

7. *Country of stay* refers to the country in which Australian residents departing temporarily intend to spend most time, or the country in which Australian residents returning have spent most time. *Country of embarkation* or *disembarkation* refers to the country in which the traveller boards the actual ship or flight which brings him to Australia, or alights from the actual ship or flight which takes him from Australia. Travellers may answer this incorrectly, perhaps naming the country in which their journey commenced or will end, not withstanding any changes of flight or ship en route.

Related statistics

8. Related statistics are available from certain surveys, such as those published by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs and the Australian Department of Transport. Statistics of overseas arrivals and departures are also available in quarterly and annual publications issued by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs. The tables in this and other publications necessarily contain only a small part of the cross-classifications of items which are or can be produced. Also, items such as country, occupation and length of stay are necessarily summarised from more detailed classifications. Further details can be obtained by writing to the Bureau or ringing the number shown on page 1.

Sampling

9. While all permanent and long-term movement, and short-term movement by sea, is fully enumerated, statistics of short-term movement by air are estimates derived from a sample. The sampling fractions used for the various sampling strata are as follows :

Overseas visitors, according to country of citizenship	
New Zealand or U.S.A.	1 in 30
U.K. or Australia	1 in 20
Canada or Japan	1 in 10
Other	1 in 4
Australian residents departing	1 in 10
Australian residents returning	1 in 20

10. Estimates based on a sample are likely to differ from those obtained from a full enumeration. A measure of the difference which may be expected due to sampling is the "standard error" of the estimate. There are approximately two chances in three that the difference will be less than one standard error, and 19 chances in 20 that it will be less than two standard errors. The standard error varies with the sampling fraction used and the size of the estimate. The table below gives approximate standard errors for estimates of various sizes for three categories of traveller.

Rounding

11. After sampling, weights are assigned to sampled records to three decimal places, to increase the accuracy of estimation. During estimation all figures are rounded to the nearest integer. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components of tables are due to rounding.

ABS publications

12. All publications produced by the ABS are listed in *Catalogue of Publications 1977* (1101.0).

Symbols used

- n.a. — not available
- .. — nil or not applicable
- p — preliminary or provisional
- r — revised

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APPROXIMATE STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

Size of quantity estimated (persons)	Short-term movement, Australian residents departing		Short-term movement, overseas visitors arriving and departing and Australian residents returning		All short-term movement	
	Standard error	Per cent standard error	Standard error	Per cent standard error	Standard error	Per cent standard error
Greater than 50,000	—	Less than 1	—	Less than 1	—	Less than 1
20,000	400	2	400	2	400	2
10,000	400	4	400	4	400	4
5,000	250	5	250	5	250	5
2,000	160	8	180	9	160	8
1,000	100	10	130	13	110	11
500	70	14	95	19	80	16
300	51	17	72	24	63	21
100	25	25	40	40	30	30

TABLE 1. TOTAL MOVEMENT : ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Period	Total arrivals		Total departures		Excess of arrivals over departures		
	Number recorded	Seasonally adjusted	Number recorded	Seasonally adjusted	Males	Females	Persons
Year ended June –							
1976	1,596,040	..	1,575,781	..	8,432	11,827	20,259
1977	1,660,366	..	1,604,019	..	17,543	38,806	56,347
Year ended December –							
1976	1,641,636	..	1,602,156	..	14,943	24,537	39,480
1977	1,697,770	..	1,618,230	..	28,172	51,372	79,540
1977 –							
January	219,634	142,118	162,694	137,700	23,274	33,666	56,940
February	133,487	136,480	102,807	122,006	16,942	13,739	30,681
March	120,819	137,457	136,450	131,409	-6,986	-8,644	-15,630
April	110,321	138,197	138,199	135,260	-13,529	-14,348	-27,878
May	115,865	127,341	146,501	127,460	-15,028	-15,607	-30,636
June	108,988	139,180	125,864	138,495	-8,319	-8,557	-16,876
July	131,382	153,128	127,537	149,504	1,222	2,623	3,845
August	140,196	136,838	154,692	137,200	-7,608	-6,888	-14,496
September	166,861	149,800	109,263	134,113	26,930	30,668	57,598
October	150,542	134,393	113,183	135,659	15,337	22,023	37,360
November	152,574	157,502	115,868	136,101	16,189	20,517	36,706
December	147,101	143,103	185,173	131,959	-20,252	-17,820	-38,072
1978 –							
January p	208,540	136,488	157,900	135,234	21,672	28,967	50,640
February p	133,729	136,838	123,498	146,964	n.a.	n.a.	10,231
March p	129,361	142,394	138,495	133,600	n.a.	n.a.	-9,134

NOTE. Minus sign (–) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

TABLE 2. TOTAL MOVEMENT : ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, CATEGORY OF TRAVELLER

Category of traveller	Year ended December		Quarter ended December		December		January	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1977	1978 p
ARRIVALS								
Permanent movement –								
Assisted settlers	15,840	17,532	4,095	5,710	1,154	2,376	805	1,591
Other settlers	42,477	58,108	15,749	16,110	6,508	6,593	5,400	4,692
Total permanent	58,317	75,640	19,844	21,820	7,662	8,969	6,205	6,283
Long-term movement –								
Australian residents	59,875	57,699	20,184	19,512	9,536	9,300	5,846	5,407
Overseas visitors	23,312	27,472	5,158	5,526	1,775	1,791	3,545	3,760
Total long-term	83,187	85,171	25,342	25,038	11,311	11,091	9,391	9,167
Total Permanent and long-term	141,504	160,811	45,186	46,860	18,973	20,061	15,596	15,450
Short-term movement –								
Australian residents	968,265	973,677	216,670	218,362	53,602	53,014	155,433	143,192
Overseas visitors	531,868	563,281	167,869	184,996	67,371	74,026	48,605	49,898
Total short-term	1,500,133	1,536,958	384,539	403,358	120,973	127,040	204,038	193,090
Total arrivals	1,641,636	1,697,770	429,724	450,217	139,947	147,101	219,634	208,540
DEPARTURES								
Permanent movement –								
Former settlers	16,815	14,171	4,231	3,370	1,632	1,381	1,228	941
Other residents	9,918	8,591	2,281	1,959	926	781	987	835
Total permanent	26,733	22,762	6,512	5,329	2,558	2,162	2,215	1,776
Long-term movement –								
Australian residents	68,526	64,091	16,066	13,002	6,729	5,630	8,705	7,001
Overseas visitors	20,631	19,182	6,792	6,300	3,518	3,572	1,874	1,753
Total long-term	89,157	83,273	22,858	19,302	10,247	9,202	10,579	8,754
Total Permanent and long-term	115,890	106,034	29,370	24,631	12,805	11,365	12,794	10,530
Short-term movement –								
Australian residents	973,799	971,253	254,358	252,743	134,847	128,008	81,163	74,417
Overseas visitors	512,468	540,943	127,651	136,851	42,060	45,800	68,737	72,954
Total short-term	1,486,267	1,512,196	382,009	389,594	176,907	173,808	149,900	147,371
Total departures	1,602,156	1,618,230	411,379	414,224	189,712	185,173	162,694	157,900
EXCESS OF ARRIVALS OVER DEPARTURES								
Permanent movement	31,584	52,878	13,333	16,491	5,104	6,807	3,990	4,507
Long-term movement	-5,970	1,898	2,483	5,736	1,064	1,889	-1,188	413
Total permanent and long-term	25,614	54,777	15,816	22,229	6,168	8,696	2,802	4,920
Total net movement	39,480	79,540	18,346	35,993	-49,765	-38,072	56,940	50,640

NOTE. Minus sign (–) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

TABLE 3. PERMANENT MOVEMENT – SETTLERS ARRIVING : COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE

Country of last residence	Year ended December		January		February		March	
	1976	1977	1977	1978 p	1977	1978 p	1977	1978 p
Argentina	1,058	1,277	90	55	71	69	64	77
Canada	775	918	69	71	57	53	63	57
Chile	1,927	1,522	17	58	38	79	74	86
Cyprus	3,660	1,797	477	47	263	24	242	29
Fiji	368	427	62	69	51	53	19	29
France	327	402	36	19	28	14	52	30
Germany (a)	861	985	89	91	70	74	87	82
Greece	1,871	1,605	167	78	164	86	124	89
Hong Kong	1,394	2,123	153	216	155	286	161	193
India	513	546	48	48	48	50	25	56
Italy	1,352	1,969	140	158	88	195	149	198
Lebanon	4,962	8,192	947	129	1,353	176	959	157
Malaysia	1,293	2,517	220	716	120	399	158	323
Netherlands	502	944	61	83	47	84	116	75
New Zealand	4,507	7,995	624	1,023	590	848	542	778
Papua New Guinea	603	532	96	51	28	26	28	25
Philippines	1,094	1,853	151	146	158	92	183	87
Singapore	869	941	86	73	72	64	111	64
South Africa	1,035	2,704	327	330	85	237	79	363
Thailand	841	1,337	38	91	604	186	41	36
Turkey	1,027	1,264	178	89	142	98	131	94
Vietnam	190	1,130	..	217	3	59	171	207
U.K. and Ireland	17,480	21,384	1,265	1,609	1,422	1,493	2,091	1,876
U.S. of America	1,526	1,358	131	142	97	76	111	88
Uruguay	632	503	13	17	25	13	42	43
Yugoslavia	1,361	1,662	140	102	125	143	120	135
Other and not stated	6,289	7,753	580	555	679	652	614	780
Sex –								
Males	27,720	37,650	3,095	3,067	3,329	2,720	3,317	2,998
Females	30,597	37,990	3,110	3,216	3,254	2,909	3,240	3,059
Total	58,317	75,640	6,205	6,283	6,583	5,629	6,557	6,057

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

TABLE 4. PERMANENT MOVEMENT – AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS DEPARTING (a) : COUNTRY OF BIRTH

Country of birth –	Year ended December		Quarter ended December		December		January p	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1977	1978
Africa –								
South Africa	109	91	25	32	12	17	5	10
Other	139	130	32	30	6	10	19	7
America –								
Canada	316	271	69	39	28	16	39	14
U.S. of America	768	635	240	160	123	91	54	62
Other	168	210	53	94	24	30	9	13
Asia	635	610	182	169	78	74	58	68
Europe –								
France	142	145	26	39	7	9	7	8
Germany (b)	394	350	107	61	38	33	26	20
Greece	307	257	58	50	21	24	19	7
Italy	449	379	103	78	35	27	30	21
Malta	311	159	77	25	19	15	19	6
Netherlands	469	338	128	64	48	22	24	19
U.K. and Ireland	10,991	8,850	2,697	2,027	1,044	772	761	572
Yugoslavia	399	395	65	62	20	25	20	19
Other	885	784	182	185	66	83	72	44
Oceania –								
Australia	8,789	7,713	2,052	1,777	811	694	891	733
New Zealand	1,307	1,309	378	403	167	198	144	144
Other	153	136	38	34	11	22	18	9
At sea	1
Sex –								
Males	12,999	11,124	3,143	2,624	1,243	1,053	1,068	841
Females	13,733	11,638	3,368	2,705	1,315	1,109	1,147	935
Total	26,733	22,762	6,512	5,329	2,558	2,162	2,215	1,776

(a) Includes former settlers. (b) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany.

TABLE 5. PERMANENT MOVEMENT (a) : MONTH OF ARRIVAL OR DEPARTURE

Month	Arrivals		Departures		Excess of arrivals over departures	
	Settlers	Former settlers	Other Australian residents	Total	Settlers	Total
1977 -						
January	6,205	1,228	987	2,215	4,977	3,990
February	6,583	827	635	1,462	5,756	5,121
March	6,557	1,278	737	2,015	5,279	4,542
April	6,372	1,249	739	1,988	5,123	4,384
May	6,279	1,465	819	2,284	4,814	3,995
June	5,259	1,173	679	1,852	4,086	3,407
July	6,028	1,283	702	1,985	4,745	4,043
August	4,867	1,280	702	1,982	3,587	2,885
September	5,670	1,018	632	1,650	4,652	4,020
October	6,900	1,071	623	1,694	5,829	5,206
November	5,951	918	555	1,473	5,033	4,478
December	8,969	1,381	781	2,162	7,588	6,807
1978 -						
January p	6,283	941	835	1,776	5,342	4,507
February p	5,629	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
March p	6,057	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

(a) See paragraph 6 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 6. LONG-TERM MOVEMENT (a) : MONTH OF ARRIVAL OR DEPARTURE

Month	Arrivals		Departures		Excess of arrivals over departures	
	Australian residents returning	Overseas visitors	Australian residents	Overseas visitors	Australian residents	Overseas visitors
1977 -						
January	5,846	3,545	8,705	1,874	-2,859	1,671
February	4,133	3,640	5,017	1,099	-884	2,540
March	4,067	2,343	5,968	1,396	-1,901	947
April	3,529	2,107	5,594	1,313	-2,065	795
May	3,565	1,992	5,999	1,544	-2,434	448
June	3,284	1,921	5,391	1,420	-2,107	501
July	4,645	2,079	5,086	1,561	-441	519
August	4,664	2,136	5,216	1,534	-552	602
September	4,454	2,184	4,113	1,142	341	1,042
October	4,934	1,905	3,865	1,228	1,070	677
November	5,278	1,830	3,507	1,500	1,771	331
December	9,300	1,791	5,630	3,572	3,670	-1,781
1978 -						
January p	5,407	3,760	7,001	1,753	-1,594	2,007

(a) See paragraph 6 of the explanatory notes. NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

TABLE 7. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT (a) : MONTH OF ARRIVAL OR DEPARTURE

Month	Arrivals			Departures			Excess of arrivals over departures	
	Australian residents returning	Overseas visitors		Australian residents		Overseas visitors	Australian residents	Overseas visitors
		Number recorded	Seasonally adjusted	Number recorded	Seasonally adjusted			
1977 -								
January	155,433	48,605	45,596	81,163	83,734	68,737	74,270	-20,132
February	70,739	48,393	45,632	47,722	75,342	47,507	23,018	886
March	57,211	50,641	47,545	76,232	72,700	50,839	-19,020	-198
April	56,629	41,684	47,596	81,897	76,695	47,407	-25,268	-5,723
May	67,825	36,205	41,549	95,386	77,940	41,289	-27,561	-5,085
June	66,833	31,690	46,555	85,410	83,857	31,791	-18,577	-101
July	77,797	40,832	49,384	84,368	90,055	34,537	-6,571	6,295
August	85,765	42,763	43,598	103,360	83,636	42,600	-17,595	164
September	117,081	37,471	46,135	62,972	81,262	39,386	54,109	-1,915
October	90,928	45,875	43,539	65,540	91,557	40,857	25,389	5,018
November	74,420	65,095	55,980	59,195	82,328	50,194	15,225	14,901
December	53,014	74,026	48,297	128,008	75,186	45,800	-74,994	28,226
1978 -								
January p	143,192	49,898	46,619	74,417	77,021	72,954	68,775	-23,056

(a) See paragraphs 6, 9 and 10 of the explanatory notes. NOTE. Minus sign (-) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

TABLE 8. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT (a) – VISITORS ARRIVING : MODE OF TRANSPORT,
INTENDED LENGTH OF STAY, PURPOSE OF JOURNEY, COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE AND SEX

	Year ended December		Quarter ended December		December		January p	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1977	1978 p
Mode of transport –								
Sea	9,637	8,486	3,988	3,213	2,166	1,986	720	528
Air	522,231	554,794	163,881	181,783	65,205	72,040	47,885	49,370
Intended length of stay –								
Under 1 week	143,578	132,782	38,674	37,597	11,856	11,072	11,027	12,073
1 and under 2 weeks	82,674	92,545	23,512	27,084	6,502	7,416	6,568	7,394
2 and under 3 weeks	61,231	71,622	17,317	21,172	6,551	8,655	5,104	6,010
3 weeks and under 1 month	40,442	46,085	14,556	17,744	8,433	10,713	4,524	4,029
1 and under 2 months	76,623	81,423	29,923	32,231	17,746	18,690	6,230	6,998
2 and under 3 months	32,256	37,080	12,396	14,515	6,074	6,836	3,766	3,011
3 and under 6 months	46,250	51,783	17,329	20,748	5,863	5,949	5,300	4,366
6 and under 9 months	24,448	23,064	9,199	7,911	2,503	2,288	2,252	2,189
9 and under 12 months (b)	16,459	18,961	2,718	3,528	938	1,402	3,054	3,101
Indefinite, not stated, etc.	7,904	7,937	2,244	2,467	905	1,005	779	726
Purpose of journey –								
In transit	66,461	53,032	16,993	13,421	5,440	4,987	5,103	5,463
Attending convention	7,117	8,447	1,841	2,034	180	335	432	234
Business	75,228	81,512	19,536	21,334	3,813	4,372	4,967	4,900
Accompanying business traveller	6,685	8,155	1,711	1,959	472	463	839	726
Visiting relatives	137,342	153,826	56,316	65,975	28,538	32,301	12,739	12,011
Holiday	180,660	191,385	58,281	64,553	24,503	26,496	16,565	18,775
Employment	12,717	15,742	2,855	3,701	789	1,118	1,515	2,012
Education	10,355	10,294	654	701	273	273	2,284	2,012
Other and not stated	35,301	40,888	9,683	11,319	3,363	3,681	4,161	3,765
Country of last residence –								
Africa –								
South Africa	3,997	5,673	1,307	1,509	606	756	431	461
Other	2,837	3,453	987	1,123	569	629	244	268
America –								
Canada	17,401	17,988	6,253	6,209	3,108	2,979	2,318	2,434
U.S. of America	75,687	76,236	22,937	24,580	6,745	6,832	6,442	6,079
Other	3,461	3,186	936	1,097	395	536	271	258
Asia –								
Hong Kong	10,433	10,010	2,592	2,252	1,055	1,082	668	627
India	3,624	3,376	872	833	367	304	496	296
Indonesia	6,324	5,981	1,754	1,622	803	728	481	576
Malaysia	10,198	10,347	2,798	3,306	1,156	1,476	865	817
Japan	26,860	30,704	8,999	10,650	3,037	3,259	2,619	3,078
Philippines	2,602	3,004	850	893	298	314	210	338
Singapore	9,245	9,725	3,187	3,498	1,452	1,351	539	533
Thailand	2,680	3,062	693	747	245	298	206	142
Other	8,822	10,058	2,396	3,031	853	1,209	624	878
Europe –								
U.K. and Ireland	73,862	82,228	28,664	34,197	10,078	10,351	6,942	5,953
France	4,646	5,191	1,286	1,677	553	520	405	416
Germany (c)	12,337	15,207	4,547	5,414	1,506	2,151	1,417	1,571
Greece	4,102	3,340	1,765	1,285	776	593	290	307
Italy	8,505	8,690	3,294	3,685	1,170	1,666	734	689
Netherlands	8,929	10,473	3,618	4,140	1,377	1,453	990	1,056
Sweden	2,264	2,492	848	881	221	291	217	250
Switzerland	3,758	4,502	1,286	1,744	419	653	325	473
Yugoslavia	3,036	3,572	1,293	1,564	707	665	343	355
Other	10,414	12,129	3,643	4,518	1,410	1,540	914	1,003
Oceania –								
Fiji	7,996	7,809	2,278	2,357	903	1,146	975	676
New Caledonia	7,036	8,084	1,828	2,264	987	1,220	1,245	1,463
New Zealand	148,108	162,563	42,309	47,036	19,861	23,840	11,213	13,905
Papua New Guinea	29,078	24,919	8,494	7,380	4,184	4,057	3,979	3,354
Other	6,532	5,899	1,605	1,543	741	682	789	448
Not stated	17,096	13,390	4,546	3,968	1,788	1,448	1,359	1,192
Sex –								
Males	295,147	315,844	89,886	99,510	34,653	38,312	25,757	25,217
Females	236,721	247,438	77,983	85,486	32,717	35,714	22,848	24,680
Total	531,868	563,281	167,869	184,996	67,371	74,026	48,605	49,898

(a) See paragraphs 6, 9 and 10 of the explanatory notes. (b) Includes a proportion of travellers reporting stays of 12 months exactly who have been allocated to the short-term movement category. (c) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany.

TABLE 9. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT (a) – AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS DEPARTING : MODE OF TRANSPORT, INTENDED LENGTH OF STAY, PURPOSE OF JOURNEY, COUNTRY OF INTENDED STAY (b) AND SEX

	Year ended December		Quarter ended December		December		January	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1977	1978 p
Mode of transport –								
Sea	23,341	22,072	4,285	3,988	1,300	1,290	1,830	1,428
Air	950,458	949,180	250,073	248,755	133,547	126,718	79,333	72,989
Intended length of stay –								
Under 1 week	37,062	37,040	9,722	10,321	2,950	3,212	2,149	2,549
1 and under 2 weeks	119,383	118,509	30,250	30,011	11,528	11,597	12,384	12,293
2 and under 3 weeks	211,601	205,085	58,333	54,075	26,942	24,285	26,444	23,061
3 weeks and under 1 month	110,292	116,751	36,551	38,296	21,026	22,066	12,627	11,832
1 and under 2 months	172,508	174,196	56,715	58,293	39,934	37,615	11,593	10,367
2 and under 3 months	96,167	97,873	26,522	26,513	16,128	14,633	3,562	3,599
3 and under 6 months	108,141	106,783	16,388	15,211	6,780	5,310	3,156	2,774
6 and under 9 months	71,398	68,997	10,448	10,566	4,497	4,700	3,826	3,157
9 and under 12 months (c)	30,120	29,269	5,598	5,523	2,745	2,513	3,843	3,507
Indefinite, not stated, etc.	17,129	16,749	3,832	3,934	2,318	2,077	1,579	1,278
Purpose of journey –								
Attending convention	12,004	12,367	2,189	2,745	373	452	1,077	857
Business	99,363	106,038	23,316	25,248	6,258	6,141	7,308	8,017
Accompanying business traveller	15,964	16,612	3,468	3,528	1,437	1,274	1,500	1,492
Visiting relatives	181,152	188,293	51,377	55,335	32,744	32,591	10,535	9,818
Holiday	585,520	567,227	154,176	146,136	84,149	78,080	53,377	46,400
Employment	13,716	14,464	2,970	3,327	1,144	1,291	1,626	1,744
Education	6,508	6,179	1,766	1,676	1,026	1,015	626	766
Other and not stated	59,570	60,068	15,097	14,746	7,716	7,164	5,119	5,323
Country of intended stay (b) –								
Africa –								
South Africa	4,374	3,880	1,268	1,375	719	843	240	223
Other	4,276	4,348	1,858	1,505	1,384	914	411	353
America –								
Canada	11,190	9,191	1,929	1,860	1,164	1,281	213	385
U.S. of America	85,926	89,612	21,988	22,081	11,948	11,752	6,365	6,033
Other	5,915	5,671	2,709	2,581	1,749	1,681	520	354
Asia –								
Hong Kong	39,708	37,989	12,048	10,719	5,276	4,944	4,366	3,808
India	6,045	7,096	3,394	3,636	2,289	2,223	693	858
Indonesia	29,154	28,079	8,690	7,754	4,807	4,053	3,347	3,320
Malaysia	19,988	18,914	5,869	5,891	3,668	3,414	1,866	2,293
Japan	18,159	17,231	5,299	4,774	2,202	1,718	1,251	754
Philippines	9,295	11,687	3,275	3,895	1,961	2,032	1,060	1,271
Singapore	42,938	39,166	11,840	10,489	5,394	4,833	4,857	4,313
Thailand	9,217	8,041	2,956	2,568	1,821	1,402	1,023	1,120
Other	21,976	28,175	6,970	8,634	4,000	5,054	2,495	2,066
Europe –								
U.K. and Ireland	168,747	177,389	34,262	37,642	19,326	16,268	6,218	5,177
France	5,994	5,752	1,734	1,510	848	748	298	335
Germany (d)	16,612	16,354	3,682	3,340	1,997	1,595	606	489
Greece	31,530	31,005	4,839	4,377	2,855	2,352	1,008	1,021
Italy	36,586	35,456	6,322	6,585	3,420	3,135	1,301	1,088
Netherlands	12,322	11,630	2,812	2,116	1,369	970	457	569
Sweden	1,471	1,444	224	177	92	92	39	90
Switzerland	3,215	3,440	790	878	539	514	340	302
Yugoslavia	14,937	15,270	2,105	2,209	1,034	1,125	356	334
Other	34,415	29,694	5,188	4,900	2,925	2,543	1,340	984
Oceania –								
Fiji	48,977	49,723	12,766	13,254	5,568	5,882	5,256	5,744
New Caledonia	12,771	12,456	3,268	3,157	1,442	1,670	1,503	1,575
New Zealand	211,808	202,703	69,493	66,738	37,246	36,890	27,071	23,074
Papua New Guinea	20,603	21,447	4,943	5,495	2,140	2,346	2,136	2,211
Other	18,317	22,596	5,327	6,071	2,469	2,552	2,404	2,282
Not stated	27,334	25,814	6,510	6,530	3,194	3,182	2,126	1,990
Sex –								
Males	485,984	501,091	127,649	130,263	64,992	63,705	41,426	38,981
Females	487,815	470,162	126,709	122,480	69,855	64,303	39,737	35,436
Total	973,799	971,253	254,358	252,743	134,847	128,008	81,163	74,417

(a) See paragraphs 6, 9 and 10 of the explanatory notes. (b) See paragraph 7 of the explanatory notes. (c) Includes a proportion of travellers reporting stays of 12 months exactly who have been allocated to the short-term movement category. (d) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany.

TABLE 10. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT (a) BY AIR : OVERSEAS VISITORS ARRIVING BY COUNTRY OF EMBARKATION AND AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS DEPARTING BY COUNTRY OF DISEMBARKATION (b)

Country of embarkation/ disembarkation (b)	Year ended December		Quarter ended December		December		January	
	1976	1977	1976 (d)	1977	1976	1977	1977	1978 p
VISITORS ARRIVING								
Africa –								
South Africa	5,219	5,977	1,596	1,386	691	755	525	417
Other	2,081	2,044	752	747	436	431	178	156
America –								
Canada	3,800	4,068	1,623	1,464	945	811	463	597
U.S. of America	40,129	41,631	12,792	15,036	4,473	6,109	3,598	4,009
Other	104	192	18	53	5	53	25	16
Asia –								
Hong Kong	20,718	20,599	5,906	6,332	1,856	2,498	1,492	1,663
India	4,654	4,337	1,207	1,307	432	458	607	425
Indonesia	15,631	14,600	4,628	4,223	1,576	1,141	1,072	1,033
Malaysia	8,690	9,637	2,473	2,681	1,073	1,038	929	584
Japan	18,232	18,911	6,574	6,407	2,289	2,019	1,293	1,603
Philippines	7,262	6,499	2,361	2,193	665	632	549	416
Singapore	44,029	47,204	14,155	15,714	4,766	5,044	3,567	3,723
Thailand	6,708	5,884	1,849	1,940	538	585	401	321
Other	1,969	1,742	717	650	180	224	75	214
Europe –								
U.K. and Ireland	47,984	57,468	19,958	26,165	6,897	7,640	4,724	4,137
France	2,145	1,704	757	507	347	218	125	159
Germany (c)	7,976	9,678	3,301	3,896	1,384	1,734	1,013	998
Greece	4,271	3,440	1,776	1,388	755	710	280	341
Italy	7,452	8,208	3,273	3,888	1,268	1,670	690	699
Netherlands	6,251	7,355	2,855	3,221	1,124	1,152	700	835
Yugoslavia	2,950	3,324	1,308	1,506	715	620	308	341
Other	1,839	1,792	689	826	230	343	135	277
Oceania –								
Fiji	16,879	15,994	4,952	4,943	1,794	1,630	1,588	1,316
New Caledonia	9,930	10,809	2,724	3,197	1,338	1,556	1,458	1,702
New Zealand	191,309	211,759	52,844	60,549	23,527	27,678	17,012	19,258
Papua New Guinea	31,891	27,866	9,471	8,101	4,583	4,013	3,701	3,208
Other	6,711	6,900	1,406	1,869	675	713	796	508
Not stated	5,422	5,165	1,915	1,591	644	565	587	410
Total	522,231	554,794	163,881	181,783	65,205	72,040	47,885	49,370
RESIDENTS DEPARTING								
Africa –								
South Africa	5,628	5,221	1,367	1,539	773	856	298	254
Other	2,959	2,741	1,190	847	867	584	247	151
America –								
Canada	7,190	5,859	1,598	1,055	910	622	107	256
U.S. of America	87,293	93,681	21,288	22,573	12,201	12,345	6,048	5,954
Other	786	686	425	223	212	142	93	13
Asia –								
Hong Kong	48,280	47,464	13,724	12,146	6,697	5,862	4,365	3,638
India	8,276	9,487	3,071	3,779	1,965	2,190	633	710
Indonesia	32,693	32,965	9,062	8,658	4,465	4,346	3,756	3,665
Malaysia	19,899	15,636	5,965	4,970	4,064	2,937	1,615	1,954
Japan	8,336	9,672	2,426	2,888	1,023	1,182	388	608
Philippines	17,457	19,422	5,643	5,772	3,341	2,833	1,659	1,844
Singapore	93,269	95,973	23,993	25,055	11,902	12,935	8,781	7,886
Thailand	13,176	8,277	3,729	2,068	2,392	1,037	915	548
Other	6,485	8,512	1,860	1,923	908	1,099	651	531
Europe –								
U.K. and Ireland	122,736	129,689	26,863	31,118	15,675	13,035	4,648	3,980
France	7,669	6,942	1,530	1,504	768	875	291	222
Germany (c)	20,326	19,871	3,909	3,802	1,984	1,991	737	686
Greece	38,813	36,334	6,574	5,261	3,708	2,677	1,203	1,204
Italy	39,600	39,103	6,832	7,533	3,497	3,673	1,300	1,295
Netherlands	14,474	14,390	3,205	2,265	1,683	1,264	447	624
Yugoslavia	12,147	12,238	1,806	1,849	902	971	306	252
Other	6,417	5,425	1,120	996	624	536	231	224
Oceania –								
Fiji	51,731	51,408	13,508	13,918	5,990	6,364	5,395	5,796
New Caledonia	16,618	17,844	4,652	4,537	2,110	2,329	2,042	2,294
New Zealand	220,210	210,726	72,230	68,888	38,840	38,037	27,987	23,603
Papua New Guinea	21,184	21,905	5,082	5,518	2,213	2,427	2,171	2,264
Other	17,978	19,429	4,636	5,145	2,267	2,072	2,292	1,748
Not stated	8,825	10,280	2,784	2,925	1,569	1,497	728	786
Total	950,457	949,180	250,073	248,755	133,547	126,718	79,333	72,989

(a) See paragraphs 6, 9 and 10 of the explanatory notes. (b) See paragraph 7 of the explanatory notes. (c) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and Federal Republic of Germany. (d) December quarter 1976 figures for this table as published in *Overseas Arrivals and Departures*, December 1977 were incorrect. Revised figures are shown in this bulletin.