



### OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA FINAL ESTIMATES FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1983 PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES FOR APRIL 1983

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#### MAIN FEATURES

##### MARCH QUARTER

###### *Permanent and long term movement*

Permanent and long term arrivals totalled 47,443, 19.2 per cent below the total of 58,723 for the March quarter 1982. Permanent and long term departures totalled 29,299 11.2 per cent above the total of 26,344 for the March quarter 1982.

Permanent settler arrivals declined 24.1 per cent from 30,194 in the March quarter 1982 to 22,910 in the March quarter 1983. The decline was principally due to a fall in the number of European born settlers, particularly those from U.K. and Ireland.

###### *Short-term movement*

Short-term visitor arrivals fell 3.2 per cent from 242,900 in the March quarter 1982 to 235,100 in the March quarter 1983. The decline was principally due to a 10.4 per cent fall in the number of visitor arrivals in the month of March. Short term resident departures fell 3.6 per cent from 285,200 in the March quarter 1982 to 274,900 in the March quarter 1983.

The number of visitors from Europe fell 14.2 per cent from 90,900 (March quarter 1982) to 78,000 (March quarter 1983). The largest fall was from the U.K. and Ireland, down 18.6 per cent to 44,800. Visitors from Asia rose 19.1 per cent to 53,900.

The decline in visitors from Europe was heavily concentrated in the month of March, when arrivals fell 32.5 per cent from 31,100 in March 1982 to 21,000 in March 1983.

Resident departures to Africa fell 35.2 per cent over a twelve month period to 2,700 in the March quarter 1983. Departures to America rose 5.2 per cent to 39,800. Departures to Asia fell 5.6 per cent to 82,800. The decline in departures to Asia was the first since 1977 and was concentrated in the months of February and March. Departures to Oceania fell 3.1 per cent over the twelve month period to 92,500 in the March quarter 1983.

#### MONTH OF APRIL — PROVISIONAL

Compared with the month of April 1982, provisional estimates for April 1983 indicate that permanent and long term arrivals fell 25.5 per cent to 11,866 and permanent and long term departures fell 26.9 per cent to 5,000.

Short term visitor arrivals and short term resident departures are provisionally estimated at 72,200 and 97,700 respectively, an estimated fall of 12.7 per cent and 3.0 per cent respectively on the March 1982 figures.

#### 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 January, February and March 1983, and provisional estimates for April 1983.

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). 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	Permanent arrivals	Arrivals of residents returning after—		Arrivals of visitors for—		Total arrivals
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
Year ended 31 December—						
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
1982	107,171	53,766	1,259,643	34,265	954,674	2,409,519
1982—						
March	9,612	4,269	89,357	3,229	84,492	190,959
April	9,788	3,709	91,849	2,423	82,686	190,455
May	9,320	3,651	101,583	2,348	61,727	178,629
June	8,251	3,524	98,533	2,284	63,602	176,194
July	9,251	4,356	112,099	2,541	83,623	211,870
August	9,294	4,051	109,236	2,474	75,743	200,798
September	7,664	3,545	130,887	2,423	66,074	210,592
October	8,480	4,244	120,283	2,182	78,166	213,354
November	8,172	4,565	97,421	1,741	88,522	200,421
December	6,757	7,873	71,070	1,568	111,602	198,870
1983—						
January	9,095	4,985	150,970	5,229	80,909	251,188
February	6,866	3,181	84,574	5,310	78,412	178,342
March	6,949	3,192	85,108	2,636	75,738	173,622
April (a)	7,166	3,100	85,800	1,600	72,200	169,900
Period	Permanent departures	Departures of residents for—		Departures of visitors after—		Total departures
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
Year ended 31 December—						
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
1982	22,493	46,892	1,286,908	22,956	921,459	2,300,708
1982—						
March	2,165	4,748	114,745	1,780	85,834	209,272
April	1,714	3,708	100,724	1,419	79,839	187,404
May	1,716	3,673	113,300	1,572	81,058	201,319
June	1,750	3,328	122,773	1,637	59,109	188,596
July	1,722	3,510	117,945	1,755	66,989	191,921
August	1,705	3,953	122,211	1,675	78,523	208,067
September	1,829	3,590	102,902	1,451	66,593	176,365
October	1,826	2,763	85,252	1,546	77,439	168,826
November	2,132	3,189	92,804	2,302	72,572	172,999
December	2,382	3,726	143,785	4,424	68,364	222,681
1983—						
January	2,237	6,411	88,358	2,448	110,322	209,775
February	1,994	3,867	75,373	1,870	83,962	167,066
March	3,041	5,095	111,179	2,336	81,362	203,013
April(a)	1,300	2,500	97,700	1,200	76,900	179,600

(a) Provisional estimates only.

TABLE 2. PERMANENT (SETTLER) ARRIVALS : COUNTRY OF BIRTH

Country of birth (Summary)	Month of—						Quarter ended 31 March	
	January		February		March		1982	1983
	1982	1983	1982	1983	1982	1983		
Africa	628	597	399	393	563	440	1,590	1,430
America	426	447	286	358	257	259	969	1,064
Asia	2,554	2,574	2,774	2,299	2,730	2,729	8,058	7,602
<i>Europe—</i>								
U.K. and Ireland	4,046	2,764	2,723	1,660	2,761	1,427	9,530	5,851
Other Europe	2,151	1,751	1,782	1,531	2,220	1,556	6,153	4,838
Total Europe	6,197	4,515	4,505	3,191	4,981	2,983	15,683	10,689
<i>Oceania—</i>								
New Zealand	1,277	728	964	484	952	410	3,193	1,622
Other Oceania	337	233	234	141	129	128	700	502
Total Oceania	1,614	961	1,198	625	1,081	538	3,893	2,124
At sea and not stated	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Total settlers	11,420	9,095	9,162	6,866	9,612	6,949	30,194	22,910

**TABLE 3. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : ARRIVALS OF OVERSEAS VISITORS  
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS**

	Month of—						Quarter ended	
	January		February		March		31 March	
	1982	1983	1982	1983	1982	1983	1982	1983
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	15,822	15,402	16,989	20,318	17,753	19,267	50,564	54,987
1 and under 2 weeks	10,483	11,455	12,179	14,769	13,914	14,760	36,576	40,984
2 weeks and under 1 month	15,557	15,418	16,503	15,396	18,870	16,597	50,930	47,412
1 and under 2 months	14,520	16,414	15,468	11,829	15,847	11,684	45,835	39,928
2 and under 3 months	6,424	6,174	4,663	4,418	5,285	4,072	16,373	14,664
3 and under 6 months	7,012	7,034	5,475	4,832	6,698	4,541	19,185	16,407
6 and under 12 months	8,335	8,232	6,836	6,201	5,120	4,115	20,292	18,547
Not stated	1,075	779	1,096	647	1,004	703	3,175	2,129
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
In transit	6,665	5,967	5,641	6,372	5,798	5,773	18,105	18,112
Attending convention	587	617	799	1,055	1,208	824	2,594	2,496
Business	8,306	8,757	12,563	12,311	13,492	10,951	34,361	32,019
Accompanying business traveller	1,376	985	1,268	1,189	1,088	843	3,732	3,017
Visiting relatives	23,434	23,696	21,090	17,608	24,862	18,977	69,387	60,282
Holiday	30,461	32,519	29,174	33,119	30,702	33,136	90,337	98,773
Employment	2,403	1,565	1,570	878	1,578	980	5,551	3,423
Education	2,768	3,583	3,532	3,276	899	1,307	7,199	8,166
Other and not stated	3,227	3,221	3,573	2,603	4,865	2,947	11,664	8,771
<i>Country of residence</i>								
<b>AFRICA—</b>								
South Africa	926	910	734	636	1,480	1,205	3,140	2,750
Other and unspecified	309	478	435	569	483	475	1,227	1,523
<i>Total, Africa</i>	<i>1,235</i>	<i>1,388</i>	<i>1,169</i>	<i>1,205</i>	<i>1,963</i>	<i>1,680</i>	<i>4,367</i>	<i>4,273</i>
<b>AMERICA—</b>								
Canada	3,199	3,341	3,075	3,479	3,145	2,720	9,419	9,541
U.S.A.	9,407	9,716	11,758	11,235	12,345	11,491	33,511	32,442
Other and unspecified	586	454	414	240	482	303	1,482	995
<i>Total, America</i>	<i>13,192</i>	<i>13,511</i>	<i>15,247</i>	<i>14,954</i>	<i>15,972</i>	<i>14,514</i>	<i>44,412</i>	<i>42,978</i>
<b>ASIA—</b>								
Hong Kong	2,409	1,471	1,423	3,166	1,536	1,711	5,368	6,349
India	312	341	477	388	442	393	1,230	1,122
Indonesia	1,021	1,166	1,117	1,029	1,181	1,006	3,319	3,201
Japan	4,985	5,193	6,365	8,023	5,763	7,439	17,113	20,656
Malaysia	1,767	2,604	1,954	2,554	2,066	2,877	5,787	8,035
Philippines	291	442	372	443	642	720	1,304	1,605
Singapore	1,413	1,179	1,629	2,155	1,913	2,282	4,955	5,616
Thailand	432	277	466	621	474	545	1,373	1,443
Other and unspecified	1,527	1,684	1,480	2,378	1,783	1,793	4,791	5,854
<i>Total, Asia</i>	<i>14,157</i>	<i>14,357</i>	<i>15,283</i>	<i>20,757</i>	<i>15,800</i>	<i>18,766</i>	<i>45,240</i>	<i>53,881</i>
<b>EUROPE—</b>								
France	783	962	655	748	859	817	2,296	2,527
Germany(a)	3,774	3,158	4,974	4,844	5,044	3,765	13,793	11,767
Greece	333	387	488	343	497	258	1,317	988
Italy	993	1,005	1,157	1,314	978	843	3,127	3,162
Netherlands	1,997	1,992	1,730	1,240	1,009	857	4,736	4,089
Switzerland	961	1,202	998	1,148	955	1,006	2,914	3,355
U.K. and Ireland	18,151	19,433	17,463	13,899	19,382	11,418	54,995	44,751
Yugoslavia	761	699	319	306	213	128	1,293	1,133
Other and unspecified	2,101	2,147	2,180	2,199	2,115	1,858	6,399	6,204
<i>Total, Europe</i>	<i>29,854</i>	<i>30,985</i>	<i>29,964</i>	<i>26,041</i>	<i>31,052</i>	<i>20,950</i>	<i>90,870</i>	<i>77,976</i>
<b>OCEANIA—</b>								
Fiji	978	1,083	1,130	750	831	874	2,940	2,707
New Caledonia	1,603	1,769	804	980	469	735	2,876	3,484
New Zealand	14,103	13,828	12,400	11,501	15,541	15,695	42,044	41,025
Papua New Guinea	3,170	3,039	1,929	1,326	1,907	1,762	7,005	6,127
Other and unspecified	738	799	1,074	767	753	574	2,565	2,140
<i>Total, Oceania</i>	<i>20,592</i>	<i>20,518</i>	<i>17,337</i>	<i>15,324</i>	<i>19,501</i>	<i>19,640</i>	<i>57,430</i>	<i>55,483</i>
Not stated	198	150	209	130	205	187	612	467
<b>Total</b>	<b>79,228</b>	<b>80,909</b>	<b>79,209</b>	<b>78,412</b>	<b>84,492</b>	<b>75,738</b>	<b>242,930</b>	<b>235,058</b>

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

**TABLE 4. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : DEPARTURES OF AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS  
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS**

	Month of—						Quarter ended	
	January		February		March		31 March	
	1982	1983	1982	1983	1982	1983	1982	1983
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	3,104	2,912	4,380	4,416	4,465	4,649	11,949	11,978
1 and under 2 weeks	20,790	21,346	17,299	19,634	22,618	21,913	60,707	62,893
2 weeks and under 1 month	36,655	34,820	28,674	25,446	37,182	33,974	102,512	94,241
1 and under 2 months	14,323	13,106	12,930	11,349	18,321	18,029	45,574	42,484
2 and under 3 months	4,473	4,395	3,727	3,490	8,806	8,895	17,007	16,780
3 and under 6 months	3,590	3,261	4,597	4,097	11,216	11,671	19,403	19,029
6 and under 12 months	7,671	7,373	6,015	5,838	10,329	10,678	24,015	23,888
Not stated	1,084	1,146	1,156	1,103	1,809	1,369	4,049	3,618
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
Attending convention	1,631	1,140	2,562	1,469	2,832	2,693	7,025	5,302
Business	11,230	9,717	11,633	11,460	13,793	11,916	36,657	33,093
Accompanying business traveller	1,945	1,826	1,302	989	1,805	1,370	5,052	4,184
Visiting relatives	13,355	13,061	12,109	10,945	21,817	22,889	47,281	46,894
Holiday	55,544	54,991	45,170	45,401	67,897	65,565	168,612	165,957
Employment	2,420	2,098	1,764	1,695	1,790	1,977	5,973	5,770
Education	1,298	1,387	882	567	729	656	2,908	2,611
Other and not stated	4,268	4,138	3,356	2,848	4,082	4,113	11,706	11,099
<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>								
<b>AFRICA—</b>								
South Africa	521	492	470	513	789	605	1,779	1,610
Other and unspecified	1,242	395	421	295	757	422	2,421	1,112
<i>Total, Africa</i>	<i>1,763</i>	<i>887</i>	<i>891</i>	<i>808</i>	<i>1,546</i>	<i>1,027</i>	<i>4,200</i>	<i>2,722</i>
<b>AMERICA—</b>								
Canada	534	491	698	612	1,057	824	2,288	1,927
U.S.A.	8,952	8,989	10,130	12,682	14,675	14,624	33,758	36,295
Other and unspecified	637	690	570	521	606	368	1,804	1,579
<i>Total, America</i>	<i>10,123</i>	<i>10,170</i>	<i>11,389</i>	<i>13,815</i>	<i>16,338</i>	<i>15,816</i>	<i>37,850</i>	<i>39,801</i>
<b>ASIA—</b>								
Hong Kong	5,117	6,538	5,515	4,814	6,878	7,284	17,511	18,636
India	1,136	864	810	690	484	675	2,430	2,229
Indonesia	7,276	6,639	4,247	4,573	6,111	5,413	17,634	16,625
Japan	1,431	1,430	949	679	2,248	1,532	4,628	3,640
Malaysia	2,682	3,248	2,721	2,466	2,399	2,914	7,802	8,629
Philippines	2,389	2,167	2,705	2,319	3,519	2,617	8,614	7,104
Singapore	5,586	5,542	4,966	3,552	6,070	4,380	16,622	13,474
Thailand	1,300	1,304	780	879	1,629	1,159	3,709	3,341
Other and unspecified	2,608	2,702	2,502	2,146	3,613	4,237	8,721	9,085
<i>Total, Asia</i>	<i>29,525</i>	<i>30,434</i>	<i>25,195</i>	<i>22,118</i>	<i>32,951</i>	<i>30,211</i>	<i>87,671</i>	<i>82,763</i>
<b>EUROPE—</b>								
France	790	704	434	548	894	758	2,118	2,010
Germany(a)	981	880	842	852	1,767	1,822	3,589	3,555
Greece	936	726	1,024	747	2,715	2,433	4,675	3,906
Italy	1,601	1,344	1,379	1,108	2,903	3,079	5,883	5,531
Netherlands	565	390	674	426	1,592	1,123	2,830	1,939
Switzerland	507	437	287	253	367	450	1,160	1,140
U.K. and Ireland	6,606	5,784	6,684	5,867	18,333	19,149	31,622	30,800
Yugoslavia	371	308	405	406	1,424	1,144	2,200	1,858
Other and unspecified	1,218	1,566	1,169	941	2,114	2,553	4,505	5,059
<i>Total, Europe</i>	<i>13,575</i>	<i>12,139</i>	<i>12,898</i>	<i>11,148</i>	<i>32,109</i>	<i>32,511</i>	<i>58,582</i>	<i>55,798</i>
<b>OCEANIA—</b>								
Fiji	6,289	6,957	4,513	5,172	6,543	3,954	17,345	16,083
New Caledonia	2,567	1,518	1,308	1,007	1,579	1,510	5,453	4,034
New Zealand	21,690	19,522	18,576	17,324	18,662	20,264	58,928	57,110
Papua New Guinea	2,546	2,420	1,562	1,652	1,465	1,722	5,573	5,793
Other and unspecified	2,930	3,508	2,072	2,106	3,235	3,899	8,239	9,515
<i>Total, Oceania</i>	<i>36,022</i>	<i>33,925</i>	<i>28,031</i>	<i>27,261</i>	<i>31,484</i>	<i>31,349</i>	<i>95,538</i>	<i>92,535</i>
Not stated	682	803	374	223	317	264	1,373	1,290
<b>Total</b>	<b>91,690</b>	<b>88,358</b>	<b>78,778</b>	<b>75,373</b>	<b>114,745</b>	<b>111,179</b>	<b>285,214</b>	<b>274,909</b>

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