



OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA MARCH 1984

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MAIN FEATURES

MARCH 1984

Permanent and Long Term Movement

In March 1984 there were 11,300 permanent and long term arrivals, 12 per cent less than in March 1983 (12,780) and 34 per cent less than in March 1982 (17,110). 8,430 permanent and long term departures were recorded in March 1984, 19 per cent lower than March 1983 (10,470) and 3 per cent lower than March 1982 (8,690).

Settler arrivals numbered 5,750 in March 1984, 17 per cent less than March 1983 and 40 per cent below the March 1982 level. The decline in settler arrivals can be mainly attributed to the decline in settlers from Europe, a fall of 49 per cent between March 1983 (2,980) and March 1984 (1,530). Europe accounted for 27 per cent of the settlers in March 1984 compared with 43 per cent in March 1983 and 52 per cent in March 1982. In the same period Asian settlers have increased to 51 per cent of settlers in March 1984 from 39 per cent in March 1983 and 28 per cent in March 1982.

Short Term Movement

Overseas visitor arrivals in March 1984 were 82,400, 9 per cent higher than in March 1983. Visitors from America increased by 40 per cent between March 1983 (14,510) and March 1984 (20,300). America was the source of 25 per cent of short term arrivals in March 1984.

Short term departures of Australian residents were 108,800 in March 1984, 2 per cent lower than March 1983, with most of the decrease being in travel to Europe.

2. Overseas arrival and departure statistics are obtained from passenger cards completed by travellers. The estimates in this publication are subject to both sampling and other errors and have been rounded to a level consistent with their general validity. The sums of components may not add exactly to totals, due to rounding.

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 Some additional unpublished information in various forms can be made available on request.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.

Symbols and other usages

— nil or rounded to zero.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This series of publications is released at approximately monthly intervals and contains the latest available final estimates in summary form. The new data in this issue are final estimates for March 1984.

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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—						
1981	118,740	59,400	1,181,400	34,550	936,700	2,330,800
1982	107,170	53,770	1,259,600	34,270	954,700	2,409,500
1983	78,390	47,810	1,219,700	27,380	943,900	2,317,100
1983—						
January	9,100	4,990	151,000	5,230	80,900	251,200
February	6,870	3,180	84,600	5,310	78,400	178,300
March	6,950	3,190	85,100	2,640	75,700	173,600
April	7,310	3,120	88,000	1,600	70,400	170,300
May	6,710	2,750	98,000	1,510	58,500	167,400
June	6,460	3,120	93,300	1,520	62,700	167,100
July	6,280	4,110	102,800	1,770	84,000	199,000
August	6,130	3,800	99,900	1,710	80,500	192,000
September	5,250	3,390	126,500	1,790	63,100	200,000
October	5,660	3,860	127,300	1,430	79,700	217,900
November	5,810	4,330	90,700	1,360	92,300	194,500
December	5,880	7,960	72,700	1,510	117,600	205,600
1984—						
January	5,720	5,210	160,200	4,450	78,700	254,200
February	5,170	3,650	88,700	5,810	84,500	187,900
March	5,750	3,180	83,900	2,360	82,400	177,600
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—						
1981	19,860	46,740	1,217,300	19,020	900,400	2,203,300
1982	22,490	46,890	1,286,900	22,960	921,500	2,300,700
1983	25,870	48,180	1,253,000	26,460	928,900	2,282,400
1983—						
January	2,240	6,410	88,400	2,450	110,300	209,800
February	1,900	3,870	75,400	1,870	84,000	167,100
March	3,040	5,100	111,200	2,340	81,400	203,000
April	1,930	3,720	96,300	1,830	75,800	179,600
May	2,110	3,730	114,600	1,900	70,100	192,500
June	1,920	3,460	108,300	1,910	55,500	171,000
July	2,410	4,150	113,400	2,220	66,300	188,500
August	1,880	4,100	116,600	1,970	85,300	209,800
September	1,880	3,700	103,400	1,560	71,900	182,500
October	1,670	2,860	87,300	1,470	74,200	167,600
November	2,410	3,260	88,200	2,150	78,200	174,200
December	2,390	3,820	149,800	4,790	75,800	236,700
1984—						
January	1,940	6,320	90,100	2,240	108,600	209,200
February	1,970	4,520	78,800	1,610	85,800	172,700
March	2,150	4,430	108,800	1,850	86,700	203,900

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

Country of birth (Summary)	Month of—						Quarter ended 31 March	
	January		February		March		1983	1984
	1983	1984	1983	1984	1983	1984		
Africa	600	360	390	260	440	310	1,430	930
America	450	320	360	240	260	380	1,060	940
Asia(a)—								
East and South East Asia	2,100	1,940	1,960	1,950	2,400	2,050	6,400	5,940
South Central Asia	320	260	230	260	220	460	800	980
Other Asia	150	210	110	200	110	400	400	810
Total Asia	2,570	2,420	2,300	2,410	2,730	2,910	7,600	7,740
Europe—								
U.K. and Ireland	2,760	1,110	1,660	770	1,430	800	5,850	2,680
Other Europe	1,750	650	1,530	850	1,560	730	4,840	2,230
Total Europe	4,520	1,760	3,190	1,620	2,980	1,530	10,690	4,910
Oceania—								
New Zealand	730	700	480	510	410	510	1,620	1,720
Other Oceania	230	160	140	140	130	120	500	420
Total Oceania	960	860	630	640	540	630	2,120	2,130
At sea and not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total settlers	9,100	5,720	6,870	5,170	6,950	5,750	22,910	16,640

(a) The composition of the regions of Asia is shown in Appendix A in the January 1984 issue.

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

	Month of—						Quarter ended 31 March	
	January		February		March		1983	1984
	1983	1984	1983	1984	1983	1984		
Intended length of stay								
Under 1 week	15,400	17,500	20,300	21,800	19,300	21,600	55,000	60,900
1 and under 2 weeks	11,500	11,300	14,800	17,200	14,800	16,700	41,000	45,200
2 weeks and under 1 month	15,400	15,500	15,400	16,200	16,600	16,900	47,400	48,600
1 and under 2 months	16,400	13,700	11,900	11,900	11,700	12,500	39,900	38,100
2 and under 3 months	6,200	5,800	4,400	5,200	4,100	5,000	14,700	16,000
3 and under 6 months	7,000	6,900	4,800	4,800	4,500	4,900	16,400	16,600
6 and under 12 months	8,200	7,300	6,200	6,500	4,100	4,000	18,500	17,800
Not stated	800	700	600	800	700	700	2,100	2,200
Purpose of journey								
In transit	6,000	6,000	6,400	5,900	5,800	6,000	18,100	17,900
Attending convention	600	700	1,100	1,700	800	1,800	2,500	4,200
Business	8,800	8,200	12,300	13,400	11,000	13,000	32,000	34,600
Accompanying business traveller	1,000	1,200	1,200	1,200	800	1,100	3,000	3,500
Visiting relatives	23,700	22,600	17,600	16,900	19,000	19,800	60,300	59,300
Holiday	32,500	32,100	33,100	36,900	33,100	35,200	98,800	104,200
Employment	1,600	1,300	900	1,000	1,000	1,100	3,400	3,400
Education	3,600	3,500	3,300	4,100	1,300	1,200	8,200	8,800
Other and not stated	3,200	3,100	2,600	3,400	2,900	3,200	8,800	9,700
Country of residence								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	900	900	600	700	1,200	1,000	2,800	2,600
Other and unspecified	500	500	600	500	500	500	1,500	1,500
Total, Africa	1,400	1,300	1,200	1,300	1,700	1,400	4,300	4,000
AMERICA—								
Canada	3,300	3,700	3,500	4,000	2,700	3,400	9,500	11,100
U.S.A.	9,700	11,300	11,200	14,500	11,500	16,300	32,400	42,100
Other and unspecified	500	500	200	400	300	600	1,000	1,500
Total, America	13,500	15,600	15,000	18,900	14,500	20,300	43,000	54,800
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	1,500	1,600	3,200	2,700	1,700	1,300	6,300	5,600
India	300	400	400	400	400	400	1,100	1,200
Indonesia	1,200	1,000	1,000	1,100	1,000	1,000	3,200	3,100
Japan	5,200	6,200	8,000	8,700	7,400	8,300	20,700	23,200
Malaysia	2,600	1,900	2,600	3,700	2,900	2,000	8,000	7,600
Philippines	400	400	400	600	700	800	1,600	1,800
Singapore	1,200	1,700	2,200	2,800	2,300	2,300	5,600	6,800
Thailand	300	300	600	500	500	500	1,400	1,300
Other and unspecified	1,700	1,700	2,400	2,900	1,800	2,000	5,900	6,600
Total, Asia	14,400	15,200	20,800	23,500	18,800	18,600	53,900	57,300
EUROPE—								
France	1,000	800	700	900	800	900	2,500	2,600
Germany(a)	3,200	3,100	4,800	4,000	3,800	3,100	11,800	10,200
Greece	400	300	300	300	300	200	1,000	800
Ireland(b)	700	500	400	300	300	400	1,400	1,200
Italy	1,000	1,000	1,300	900	800	900	3,200	2,800
Netherlands	2,000	1,700	1,200	1,300	900	1,100	4,100	4,100
Switzerland	1,200	1,200	1,100	1,300	1,000	1,000	3,400	3,500
United Kingdom	18,700	17,500	13,500	12,400	11,200	14,300	43,400	44,200
Yugoslavia	700	500	300	400	100	200	1,100	1,100
Other and unspecified	2,100	2,500	2,200	2,700	1,900	2,100	6,200	7,300
Total, Europe	31,000	29,200	26,000	24,500	21,000	24,300	78,000	78,000
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	1,100	1,000	800	1,000	900	700	2,700	2,700
New Caledonia	1,800	1,300	1,000	900	700	500	3,500	2,700
New Zealand	13,800	11,100	11,500	11,800	15,700	14,100	41,000	37,000
Papua New Guinea	3,000	2,900	1,300	1,600	1,800	1,500	6,100	6,000
Other and unspecified	800	800	800	900	600	800	2,100	2,500
Total, Oceania	20,500	17,200	15,300	16,200	19,600	17,500	55,500	50,900
Not stated	200	200	100	200	200	200	500	600
Total	80,900	78,700	78,400	84,500	75,700	82,400	235,100	245,600

(a) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany. (b) Includes Republic of Ireland and Ireland, undefined.