



### OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA MAY 1984

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#### MAIN FEATURES

##### MAY 1984

##### *Permanent and Long Term Movement*

In May 1984 there were 10,060 permanent and long term arrivals, 8 per cent less than in May 1983 (10,970) and 34 per cent less than in May 1982 (15,320). There were 8,160 permanent and long term departures in May 1984, 5 per cent higher than in May 1983 (7,740) and 17 per cent higher than in May 1982 (6,960).

Settler arrivals numbered 5,300 in May 1984, 21 per cent less than in May 1983 and 43 per cent below the number of settler arrivals in 1982. Settler arrivals from Europe remained at a low level (27 per cent of settler arrivals), similar to that of the first 4 months of 1984. Settler arrivals from Asia were 7 per cent lower than the number in May 1983.

##### *Short Term Movement*

Overseas visitor arrivals in May 1984 were 71,500, 22 per cent higher than in May 1983. All continents, except Africa, recorded increases greater than 20 per cent over the same time period.

Short term departures of Australian residents were 122,000 in May 1984, 7 per cent higher than in May 1983. 26 per cent more travelled to Asia in May 1984 compared with May 1983, but 24 per cent less travelled to America.

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 Some additional unpublished information in various forms can be made available on request.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
- r revised since previous issue.

#### 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 May 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	
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>						
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
<i>1983—</i>						
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
<i>1984—</i>						
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
April	5,570	3,130	94,100	1,550	83,300	187,600
May	5,300	2,940	113,900	1,820	71,500	195,500
Period	Permanent departures	Departures of residents for—		Departures of visitors after—		Total departures
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>						
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
<i>1983—</i>						
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
<i>1984—</i>						
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
April	2,010	4,010	126,300	1,620	84,000	217,900
May	1,890	4,520	122,000	1,750	86,000	216,200

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

Country of birth (Summary)	Month of		Quarter ended		Month of—			
	March		31 March		April		May	
	1983	1984	1983	1984r	1983	1984	1983	1984
<i>Africa</i>	440	310	1,430	930	390	210	330	260
<i>America</i>	260	380	1,060	940	350	380	290	460
<i>Asia(a)—</i>								
East and South East Asia	2,400	2,050	6,400	5,940	2,230	2,020	2,290	1,800
South Central Asia	220	460	800	980	290	410	290	380
Other Asia	110	400	400	820	160	310	120	330
<i>Total Asia</i>	2,730	2,910	7,600	7,740	2,690	2,730	2,700	2,510
<i>Europe—</i>								
U.K. and Ireland	1,430	800	5,850	2,680	2,170	870	1,710	840
Other Europe	1,560	730	4,840	2,230	1,230	730	1,120	600
<i>Total Europe</i>	2,980	1,530	10,690	4,910	3,400	1,600	2,820	1,440
<i>Oceania—</i>								
New Zealand	410	510	1,620	1,720	370	510	430	540
Other Oceania	130	120	500	410	120	130	140	90
<i>Total Oceania</i>	540	630	2,120	2,130	500	640	570	640
At sea and not stated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total settlers</b>	<b>6,950</b>	<b>5,750</b>	<b>22,910</b>	<b>16,650</b>	<b>7,310</b>	<b>5,570</b>	<b>6,710</b>	<b>5,300</b>

(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**

	<i>Month of</i>		<i>Quarter ended</i>		<i>Month of—</i>			
	<i>March</i>		<i>31 March</i>		<i>April</i>		<i>May</i>	
	<i>1983</i>	<i>1984</i>	<i>1983</i>	<i>1984r</i>	<i>1983</i>	<i>1984</i>	<i>1983</i>	<i>1984</i>
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	19,300	21,600	55,000	61,000	15,600	18,100	14,600	16,500
1 and under 2 weeks	14,800	16,700	41,000	45,300	13,500	19,700	12,100	16,500
2 weeks and under 1 month	16,600	16,900	47,400	48,600	17,100	20,900	14,700	18,700
1 and under 2 months	11,700	12,500	39,900	38,100	11,100	12,600	7,100	8,600
2 and under 3 months	4,100	5,000	14,700	16,000	4,000	4,000	2,400	3,200
3 and under 6 months	4,500	4,900	16,400	16,600	4,800	3,600	3,900	4,000
6 and under 12 months	4,100	4,000	18,500	17,800	3,700	3,600	3,300	3,400
Not stated	700	700	2,100	2,200	600	800	500	600
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
In transit	5,800	6,000	18,100	17,900	4,800	4,300	4,300	4,900
Attending convention	800	1,800	2,500	4,200	800	1,100	1,200	1,800
Business	11,000	13,000	32,000	34,700	10,700	11,200	10,700	12,800
Accompanying business traveller	800	1,100	3,000	3,500	1,100	1,000	1,000	1,100
Visiting relatives	19,000	19,800	60,300	59,300	20,000	21,700	13,600	17,700
Holiday	33,100	35,200	98,800	104,200	28,300	38,800	22,300	27,900
Employment	1,000	1,100	3,400	3,300	1,100	1,000	1,000	800
Education	1,300	1,200	8,200	8,900	1,000	700	1,300	1,400
Other and not stated	2,900	3,200	8,800	9,600	2,600	3,500	3,100	3,100
<i>Country of residence</i>								
<b>AFRICA—</b>								
South Africa	1,200	1,000	2,800	2,600	1,100	900	600	700
Other and unspecified	500	500	1,500	1,500	400	500	400	500
<i>Total, Africa</i>	<i>1,700</i>	<i>1,400</i>	<i>4,300</i>	<i>4,000</i>	<i>1,500</i>	<i>1,400</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,100</i>
<b>AMERICA—</b>								
Canada	2,700	3,400	9,500	11,100	2,900	3,300	1,600	1,900
U.S.A.	11,500	16,300	32,400	42,100	13,100	17,000	9,700	12,100
Other and unspecified	300	600	1,000	1,600	400	300	300	300
<i>Total, America</i>	<i>14,500</i>	<i>20,300</i>	<i>43,000</i>	<i>54,800</i>	<i>16,400</i>	<i>20,600</i>	<i>11,600</i>	<i>14,300</i>
<b>ASIA—</b>								
Hong Kong	1,700	1,300	6,300	5,600	1,600	1,600	1,100	1,200
India	400	400	1,100	1,300	400	500	600	700
Indonesia	1,000	1,000	3,200	3,100	800	1,100	800	900
Japan	7,400	8,300	20,700	23,200	4,200	5,600	4,600	5,700
Malaysia	2,900	2,000	8,000	7,600	2,600	2,800	1,600	1,900
Philippines	700	800	1,600	1,800	700	900	600	700
Singapore	2,300	2,300	5,600	6,800	2,300	2,200	1,400	2,000
Thailand	500	500	1,400	1,300	500	500	300	400
Other and unspecified	1,800	2,000	5,900	6,600	2,100	2,300	1,400	1,800
<i>Total, Asia</i>	<i>18,800</i>	<i>18,600</i>	<i>53,900</i>	<i>57,400</i>	<i>15,400</i>	<i>17,600</i>	<i>12,300</i>	<i>15,300</i>
<b>EUROPE—</b>								
France	800	900	2,500	2,600	600	600	500	700
Germany(a)	3,800	3,100	11,800	10,300	1,900	2,400	1,700	1,400
Greece	300	200	1,000	900	200	300	300	200
Ireland(b)	300	400	1,400	1,300	400	200	200	200
Italy	800	900	3,200	2,800	700	1,000	500	500
Netherlands	900	1,100	4,100	4,200	900	800	700	600
Switzerland	1,000	1,000	3,400	3,500	700	800	700	600
United Kingdom	11,200	14,300	43,400	44,200	11,600	9,000	6,300	9,100
Yugoslavia	100	200	1,100	1,100	300	400	200	200
Other and unspecified	1,900	2,100	6,200	7,200	1,400	1,700	1,200	1,400
<i>Total, Europe</i>	<i>21,000</i>	<i>24,300</i>	<i>78,000</i>	<i>78,000</i>	<i>18,700</i>	<i>17,300</i>	<i>12,400</i>	<i>14,900</i>
<b>OCEANIA—</b>								
Fiji	900	700	2,700	2,600	600	800	700	600
New Caledonia	700	500	3,500	2,700	400	600	500	400
New Zealand	15,700	14,100	41,000	37,000	15,000	21,900	17,800	22,500
Papua New Guinea	1,800	1,500	6,100	6,000	1,700	2,100	1,400	1,400
Other and unspecified	600	800	2,100	2,500	700	800	700	700
<i>Total, Oceania</i>	<i>19,600</i>	<i>17,500</i>	<i>55,500</i>	<i>50,800</i>	<i>18,300</i>	<i>26,200</i>	<i>21,100</i>	<i>25,700</i>
Not stated	200	200	500	600	100	100	200	100
<b>Total</b>	<b>75,700</b>	<b>82,400</b>	<b>235,100</b>	<b>245,600</b>	<b>70,400</b>	<b>83,300</b>	<b>58,500</b>	<b>71,500</b>

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

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

	Month of March		Quarter ended 31 March		Month of—			
	1983	1984	1983	1984r	April		May	
					1983	1984	1983	1984
Intended length of stay								
Under 1 week	4,600	5,800	12,000	14,000	4,800	5,400	4,500	5,700
1 and under 2 weeks	21,900	22,700	62,900	61,400	18,300	26,700	22,700	25,800
2 weeks and under 1 month	34,000	34,200	94,200	95,900	32,000	36,600	35,100	38,400
1 and under 2 months	18,000	16,200	42,500	41,100	16,600	21,600	20,500	18,600
2 and under 3 months	8,900	8,600	16,800	17,600	8,200	11,500	9,200	10,200
3 and under 6 months	11,700	10,300	19,000	19,000	8,000	13,800	13,300	14,500
6 and under 12 months	10,700	9,900	23,900	25,700	7,400	9,300	7,600	7,800
Not stated	1,400	1,200	3,600	3,200	1,100	1,300	1,700	1,100
Purpose of journey								
Attending convention	2,700	2,700	5,300	5,900	2,100	3,300	3,200	2,800
Business	11,900	15,500	33,100	40,600	13,300	14,600	14,200	16,600
Accompanying business traveller	1,400	2,000	4,200	5,600	1,900	2,200	2,600	2,500
Visiting relatives	22,900	19,100	46,900	46,100	15,400	23,700	21,400	20,600
Holiday	65,600	63,300	166,000	159,600	57,500	74,700	65,800	72,000
Employment	2,000	1,800	5,800	6,000	1,400	1,700	1,600	1,900
Education	700	500	2,600	2,900	900	1,200	1,000	900
Other and not stated	4,100	4,000	11,100	11,100	3,800	5,000	4,900	4,700
Country in which most time will be spent								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	600	500	1,600	1,600	600	500	300	300
Other and unspecified	400	700	1,100	1,700	700	700	700	600
Total, Africa	1,000	1,200	2,700	3,300	1,300	1,200	1,000	900
AMERICA—								
Canada	800	1,000	1,900	2,000	1,400	1,200	1,400	1,300
U.S.A.	14,600	12,900	36,300	28,300	11,800	13,000	12,400	10,900
Other and unspecified	400	1,500	1,600	3,700	500	1,400	400	1,000
Total, America	15,800	15,400	39,800	34,000	13,700	15,600	14,200	13,300
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	7,300	8,200	18,600	20,400	5,900	7,400	6,500	8,300
India	700	1,000	2,200	3,600	700	800	600	800
Indonesia	5,400	5,900	16,600	19,900	5,200	7,200	7,200	7,500
Japan	1,500	2,100	3,600	4,500	3,000	3,100	2,600	3,100
Malaysia	2,900	2,500	8,600	8,700	2,800	2,900	3,400	3,400
Philippines	2,600	1,800	7,100	5,600	2,200	2,400	2,000	2,100
Singapore	4,400	4,000	13,500	12,300	4,300	4,900	5,500	6,300
Thailand	1,200	1,800	3,300	4,800	1,200	1,700	1,100	1,200
Other and unspecified	4,200	3,200	9,100	8,200	4,200	4,200	4,700	4,400
Total, Asia	30,200	30,500	82,800	88,100	29,400	34,600	33,600	37,200
EUROPE—								
France	800	900	2,000	2,400	700	1,600	1,300	1,300
Germany(a)	1,800	1,900	3,600	4,100	1,500	2,100	2,300	2,600
Greece	2,400	2,200	3,900	4,100	3,300	3,000	3,000	3,400
Ireland(b)	300	400	500	800	300	500	300	500
Italy	3,100	2,400	5,500	5,000	2,600	4,000	4,200	3,900
Netherlands	1,100	1,000	1,900	1,900	1,100	1,700	1,500	1,100
Switzerland	500	500	1,100	1,500	400	600	600	600
United Kingdom	18,800	16,900	30,200	30,900	12,600	21,400	19,200	19,300
Yugoslavia	1,100	900	1,900	1,800	800	1,700	1,600	1,500
Other and unspecified	2,600	2,200	5,100	5,100	2,000	3,000	3,400	4,200
Total, Europe	32,500	29,200	55,800	57,700	25,200	39,700	37,500	38,300
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	4,000	6,100	16,100	17,800	5,300	7,700	6,600	7,600
New Caledonia	1,500	1,800	4,000	4,600	1,600	2,200	2,100	2,100
New Zealand	20,300	19,300	57,100	55,800	14,200	19,200	13,600	15,800
Papua New Guinea	1,700	2,000	5,800	6,000	1,800	2,200	2,200	2,600
Other and unspecified	3,900	3,000	9,500	9,700	3,300	3,600	3,400	3,900
Total, Oceania	31,300	32,000	92,500	93,800	26,400	34,900	27,900	32,000
Not stated	300	400	1,300	900	400	200	400	300
Total	111,200	108,800	274,900	277,800	96,300	126,300	114,600	122,000

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