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KEY TOURISM INDICATORS

			Latest figures	Percenta	age change on
	Unit	Period	Value	Previous period	Corresponding period last year
Tourist accommodation—supply and demand(a)					
Licensed hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments					
Establishments	no.	Mar qtr 2000	3 789	0.3	2.3
Guest rooms/units	'000	Mar qtr 2000	191.1	0.5	3.9
Bed spaces	'000	Mar qtr 2000	559.5	-0.0	3.4
Room nights occupied	'000	Mar qtr 2000	10 088.1	-3.1	5.2
Room occupancy rate(b)	%	Mar qtr 2000	58.2	-2.5	0.2
Guest nights	'000	Mar qtr 2000	18 036.5	-2.5	5.4
Guest arrivals	'000	Mar qtr 2000	7 930.8	-4.6	4.4
Takings from accommodation	\$m	Mar qtr 2000	1 088.6	-2.1	8.5
Caravan parks(c)					
Establishments	no.	End Mar 2000	1 827	-3.3	
Powered sites and cabins	no.	End Mar 2000	201 815	-0.4	
Holiday flats, units and houses(c)					
Letting Entities	no.	End Mar 2000	643	-1.1	
Flats, units and houses	no.	End Mar 2000	28 253	1.3	
Visitor hostels(c)					
Establishments	no.	End Mar 2000	478	23.2	
Bed spaces	no.	End Mar 2000	39 792	31.4	
Tourist accommodation construction					
Hotels, etc. approved(d)	\$m	Apr 2000	30.2	-27.2	-71.7
Hotels, etc. commenced(e)	\$m	Mar gtr 2000	160.4	-32.5	-14.0
Hotels, etc. under construction(e)	\$m	Mar qtr 2000	1 454.7	-5.0	-17.3
Hotels, etc. completed(e)	\$m	Mar qtr 2000	257.4	-32.2	201.4
Domestic tourism(f)	+		20111	02.2	202.1
Number of overnight trips	'000	Year end Dec 1999	72 969	-1.1	-1.1
Number of visitor nights	'000	Year end Dec 1999	294 198	14.5	0.3
International visitor arrivals	000		204 100	14.0	0.0
Number of visitor arrivals(g)	'000	May 2000	321.5	-20.7	7.8
Number of visitor arrivals(g)	'000	Mar gtr 2000	1 207.3	-5.3	6.0
Number of visitor arrivals(g)	'000	1999	4 459.5	-50.4	7.0
Number of person days(h)	,000 000	Mar qtr 2000	42 948.1	-30.4 15.7	8.9
Median intended length of stay(h)		Mar qtr 2000 Mar qtr 2000	42 948.1	-3.6	-0.9
Expenditure by international visitors(i)	days \$m	Year end Dec 1999	8 914.3		-0.9
International visitor nights(i)	۹۱۱ 2000	Year end Dec 1999	108 313		10.5
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Australian departures	,000	Apr 2000	207.7	246	26.0
Short-term departures(g)	'000 '000	Apr 2000	307.7	24.6	26.0
Short-term departures(g)	'000 '000	Mar qtr 2000	721.9	-11.5	3.1
Short-term departures(g)	'000 '000	1999 Mar etr 2000	3 210.0	1.5	
Number of person days(h)	'000	Mar qtr 2000	27 584.2	1.6	-1.2
Median intended length of stay(h)	days	Mar qtr 2000	14.7	-15.5	-2.0

(a) Tourist Accommodation, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 8635.0).

(b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

(c) For caravan parks, holiday flats and units, and visitor hostels the previous period refers to March quarter 1997.

(d) Building Approvals, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 8731.0).

(e) Building Activity, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 8752.0).

(f) Bureau of Tourism Research, National Visitor Survey: Travel by Australians

(g) Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 3401.0).

(h) Unpublished data, Overseas Arrivals and Departures.

(i) Bureau of Tourism Research, International Visitor Survey, Excludes international airfares and inclusive package tours purchased outside Australia.

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KEY TOURISM INDICATORS — continued

			Latest figures	Percent	tage change on
	Unit	Period	Value	Previous period	Corresponding period last year
Retail turnover(a)					
Hospitality and services					
Hotels and licensed clubs	\$m	May 2000	1 133.4	-3.2	-0.3
Cafes and restaurants	\$m	May 2000	677.2	3.9	0.5
Selected services	\$m	May 2000	186.6	2.6	-4.1
Price index(b)					
Holiday travel and accommodation	1989-90=100	Jun qtr 2000	116.2		
Employment and earnings					
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants					
Number employed(c)	'000	May 2000	449.9	2.3	7.5
Average weekly hours worked(c)	hours	May 2000	32.2	-3.6	2.5
Proportion employed part-time(c)(d)	%	May 2000	46.8	4.2	-6.2
Average total weekly earnings(e)	\$	Feb 2000	384.9	4.8	10.8
Female/male ratio of average total full-time weekly earnings(c)(d)	%	Feb 2000	0.87	-2.2	-2.2
Unemployment rate(c)(d)					
Worked full time for two weeks or more in the last two years in accommodation, cafes and restaurants	%	May 2000	5.0	-5.7	4.2
Balance of payments(f)					
Travel credits	\$m	Mar qtr 2000	4 060	30.7	7.4
Travel debits	\$m	Mar qtr 2000	-2 295	-1.8	3.3
Balance on travel services	\$m	Mar qtr 2000	1 765	129.2	13.3
Exchange rates(g)					
United States dollar	per \$A	End Jun 2000	0.6048	-1.8	-8.1
Japanese yen	per \$A	End Jun 2000	63.92	-2.0	-20.1
Euro	per \$A	End Jun 2000	0.6406	-0.9	-0.3

(a) Retail Trade, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 8501.0).

(b) Consumer Price Index (ABS Cat. no. 6401.0); base year: 1989–90=100.

(c) The Labour Force, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 6203.0).

(d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

(e) Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (ABS Cat. no. 6302.0).

(f) Balance of Payments, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 5302.0).

(g) Average of Daily Exchange Rates, Australia (ABS Cat. no.5654.0)

IN BRIEF

TOURIST REFUND SCHEME (TRS)

This scheme is part of the Australian Government's new tax system. The TRS enables travellers departing Australia to claim a refund of the goods and services tax (GST) and the wine equalisation tax (WST) paid on goods bought in Australia.

The refund only applies to goods which travellers take with them as hand luggage when leaving the country. It does not apply to goods consumed or any services purchased while in Australia. It does not apply to goods purchased before 1 July 2000.

However unlike other tourist shopping refund schemes in other countries, some goods can be used in Australia before departure (eg.cameras). Goods for consumption, such as perfume, must be unopened to be eligible for a refund. Tobacco products and alcohol, other than wine, are excluded from the scheme.

There will be no change to the existing sealed bag shopping scheme or "airport" shop duty free sales.

The refund will be paid on goods totalling \$300.00 or more bought from the one store, no earlier than 30 days before the tourist leaves Australia. However this amount may consist of purchases of several lower-priced items from the one store, either at the one time or over several occasions within the 30 day period, provided the total purchase amounts to \$300.00 or more and the goods are covered by one tax invoice. The tourist may buy goods at several stores, provided each store's tax invoice totals at least \$300.00.

To obtain a refund departing tourists must get a tax invoice from the store where the goods are purchased. This invoice along with the goods, a passport and proof of travel can be presented at the TRS booth at international departure lounges.

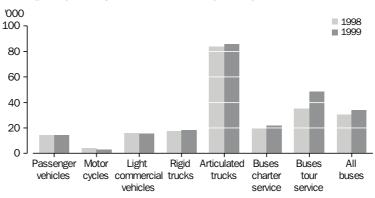
For more information on the above scheme please contact the Australian Customs Service on 1300 363 263, direct email queries to information@customs.gov.au or access via the Internet at http://www.customs.gov.au.

THE NEW TAX SYSTEM AND THE SURVEY OF TOURIST ACCOMMODATION With the introduction of the new tax system on 1 July 2000, there will be some impacts on the collection of quarterly data from the Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA). The item 'Gross takings from accommodation' will be inclusive of the Goods and Services Tax (GST), beginning with the September quarter 2000. By including GST, the survey will continue to measure the total cost of accommodation to the consumer. Takings relating to the supply of meals will continue to be excluded and bed taxes will cease to apply. For further information contact Paull Hoffmann on Brisbane 07 3222 6201. SURVEY OF MOTOR VEHICLEThe Survey of Motor Vehicle Use (SMVU) collects information on the useUSAGE—1999of passenger vehicles, motor cycles, light commercial vehicles, rigid
trucks, articulated trucks and buses. Information available relates to
vehicle numbers, distance, area and purpose of travel and driver
characteristics. Results from the 1999 survey were released in July 2000.

Bus charter and Tour Services represent 23.5% of total kilometres travelled by buses for the period from 1 August 1998 to 31st July 1999, however in 1999 bus kilometre travel represented only one percent of all vehicle kilometres travelled.

Bus tour services travelled an average of 48,700 kilometres per vehicle in 1999 up from an average of 35,100 kilometres per vehicle in 1998. When compared with other vehicle types bus tour services had the second highest average kilometres per vehicle after articulated trucks.

The following graph shows the average kilometres travelled by type of vehicle (Cat. no. 9208.0).



AVERAGE KILOMETRES TRAVELLED BY TYPE OF VEHICLE

For further information please refer to *Survey of Motor Vehicle Use* (Cat. no. 9208.0), or contact Tony Webb on Brisbane 07 3222 6185.

The ABS Tourism Statistics Consultative Group meets periodically to discuss statistical issues in the tourism field. It consists of representatives from the Australian tourism industry, associated industry bodies and government organisations with an interest in tourism statistics.

Meetings are usually held annually and cover such subjects as the Survey of Tourist Accommodation developments, the Australian Tourism Satellite Accounts, future tourism statistical activities and other topical issues. It assists ABS to obtain feedback from the industry, to review priorities and to inform users of issues of interest.

The next meeting will be held in Canberra on 30 August 2000. For additional information please contact Dianne Bourke, ABS Tourism Statistics on Canberra 02 6252 6348.

TOURISM STATISTICS CONSULTATIVE GROUP (TSCG) MARKET RESEARCH The ABS recently released the findings from the Survey of Market SERVICES Research Services (1998–99). For the purposes of this survey, market research services were defined to include the investigation and compilation of data on market potential, acceptance and familiarity of products, and buying habits of consumers. It also involved the investigation of public opinion about political, economic and social issues. Businesses mainly conducting these activities are classified to Class 7853 (Market Research Services) of the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).

> Businesses mainly providing business consultancy services and/or business marketing services were excluded from the survey. Information available relates to the size of the industry, major sources of income, components of expenditure, characteristics of employment, performance ratios and key characteristics by State.

> The following table relates to the sphere of work that generated market research income. Of particular interest, 83 market research businesses generated \$22 million income from the Tourism and hospitality sphere of work during 1998–99, which represented 5% of the market research industry's total income.

	Businesses at end June(a)	Income	Proportion of total income
Type of accommodation(a)	no.	\$m	%
Fast moving consumer goods	144	97.5	22.2
Retail (excluding fast moving consumer goods)	126	62.2	14.2
Tourism and hospitality	83	22.0	5.0
Communication and information technology	122	31.4	7.2
Automotive	66	18.1	4.1
Utilities	73	17.6	4.0
Finance and insurance services	132	56.1	12.8
Health and pharmaceutical	118	43.1	9.8
Media	61	40.6	9.3
Other	127	50.1	11.4
Total	272	438.8	100.0

INCOME FROM MARKET RESEARCH BY SPHERE OF WORK, AUSTRALIA-1998-99

(a) Businesses may have more than one sphere of work. Hence, the counts of businesses for each sphere of work do not sum to the total.

For further information please refer to *Market Research Services*, *Australia 1998–99* (Cat. no. 8556.0) or please contact the Output Manager, Service Industries and Technology Statistics on Melbourne 03 9615 7095.This release and a summary of the main findings are also available on the ABS website, at www.abs.gov.au on the Tourism Theme Page.

FEATURE ARTICLE HOLIDAY FLATS, CARAVAN PARKS AND VISITOR HOSTELS

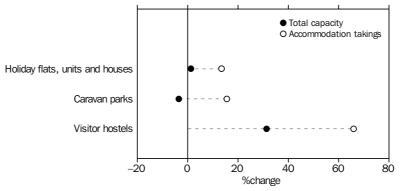
INTRODUCTION

The Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) has been expanded for the year 2000 to include quarterly statistics for the following sectors:

- holiday flats, units and houses of letting entities with 15 or more rooms or units;
- caravan parks with 40 or more powered sites; and
- visitor hostels with 25 or more beds.

The next time data for these establishments will be included in the collection will be the four quarters in 2003. This article examines the findings for the March quarter 2000 and makes comparisons with data from 1997.

Overall the figures show that visitor hostels had strong growth in both capacity and takings, while caravan parks show strong growth in higher yield sites such as cabin accommodation at the expense of other site capacity. This growth is reflected in an overall increase in takings for caravan parks since the March quarter 1997.



CAPACITY AND ACCOMMODATION TAKINGS, AUSTRALIA(a)

Holiday flats, units The number of holiday flats, units and houses available increased by a modest 1% to 28,253 but takings increased by 13% to \$109.7 million in the March quarter 2000 compared to the equivalent 1997 period.

Queensland had the majority (50%) of all holiday flats, units and houses in the March quarter 2000. New South Wales had 31% with the Northern Territory having the least with less than 1%. The Australian Capital Territory had the highest occupancy rate of 79% in the March quarter 2000, closely followed by Tasmania with 73% and the Northern Territory with 72%. Victoria had the lowest occupancy rate of 43%. Of the \$109.7 billion takings in the March quarter 2000, Queensland had the largest share with 57%, followed by New South Wales at 26% and the Northern Territory the least with less than 1% share.

⁽a) March quarter 2000 on March quarter 1997

Caravan parks The capacity available in caravan parks fell by 3.5% between the March quarter 1997 and the March quarter 2000. While the number of powered and unpowered sites in caravan parks fell by 18,154, on-site van numbers increased by 7% to 18,854 and cabins increased by 47% to 24,913. These changes in the nature of caravan parks are reflected in an increase in takings over the three year period of 16% to \$151.6 million. Takings per site night occupied in caravan parks increased slightly over the same period to be \$13 in the March quarter 2000 (up from \$11).

Short-term caravan parks increased their share of capacity by 3% to 71% in the March quarter 2000 compared to the March quarter 1997. New South Wales had a third (34%) of all caravan park capacity in the March quarter 2000, with cabins and on-site vans making up 37% of this State's capacity. New South Wales had an occupancy rate of 58% in the March quarter 2000, Victoria had 56% with the Northern Territory the lowest at 21%.

Visitor hostels In the March quarter 2000, there was a 31% increase in visitor hostel bed spaces available nationally with takings increasing by 66% to \$30.7 million compared with the March quarter 1997. Visitor hostels showed an increase in average takings per guest night to \$17 in the March quarter 2000 from \$14 in the March quarter 1997.

Queensland and New South Wales maintained their share of visitor hostel bed spaces at 32% and 24% in the March quarter 2000 compared to the March quarter 1997. Victoria increased to 15% from 11%. The highest bed occupancy rates for visitor hostels in the March quarter 2000 occurred in New South Wales, which while 2% lower than the equivalent period in 1997, was 61%. South Australia increased from a rate of 43% to 51%, Western Australia 43% to 46% and Queensland increasing by 2% to 51% when compared to the previous period.

Further information can be found in *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Cat. no. 8635.0), available from ABS bookshops or by contacting Paull Hoffmann on 07 3222 6201. A summary of the main findings are available on the ABS website, at www.abs.gov.au via the Tourism Theme Page.

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION—SELECTED ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS

	March quarter 1997	March quarter 2000	% change
Holiday flats, units and houses(a)			
Letting entities (no.)	650	643	-1.1
Capacity—flats, units and houses (no.)	27 882	28 253	1.3
Unit nights occupied ('000)	1 354	1 389	2.6
Unit occupancy rates (%)(b)	54.0	54.2	0.2
Unit lettings ('000)	231	249	7.8
Average length of stay (days)	5.9	5.6	-5.2
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	96 679	109 667	13.4
Persons employed (no.)	2 757	2 701	-2.0
Caravan parks(c)			
Establishments (no.)			
Short-term caravan parks	1 185	1 197	1.0
Long-term caravan parks	704	630	-10.
Total caravan parks	1 889	1 827	-3.
Capacity (no.)			
On-site vans	17 660	18 854	6.
Other powered sites	168 007	158 048	-5.
Unpowered sites	52 230	44 035	-15.
Cabins, flats etc.	16 912	24 913	47.
Total capacity	254 809	245 850	-3.
Site nights occupied ('000)	11 421	11 344	-0.
Site occupancy rates (%)(b)	49.8	50.7	0.
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	131 234	151 597	15.
Persons employed (no.)	8 502	9 063	6.
/isitor hostels(d)			
Establishments (no.)	388	478	23.
Capacity—bed spaces	30 291	39 792	31.4
Guest nights (no.)	1 313 991	1 810 102	37.
Bed occupancy rates (%)(b)	48.9	50.4	1.
Average length of stay (days)	2.7	2.7	0.0
Takings from accommodation (\$'000)	18 498	30 664	65.
Persons employed (no.)	1 863	3 300	77.
a) Of letting entities with 15 or more units.			
(b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.			
(c) With 40 or more powered sites.			
(d) With 25 or more beds.			

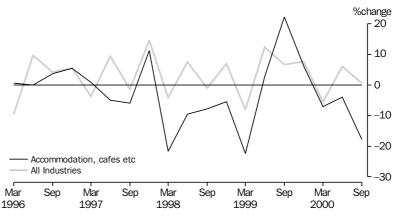
SURVEY OF BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS

INTRODUCTION The quarterly Survey of Business Expectations (BES) is undertaken by the ABS to provide comprehensive information about expected business conditions in Australia. Expected changes are measured for a range of business performance indicators. The latest survey was conducted in May/June 2000. Results from this survey relate to business expectations about the September quarter 2000 and the June quarter 2001, compared with the June quarter 2000. This article focuses on industry data for businesses categorised to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) subdivision 57, Accommodation, cafes and restaurants.

Short-term expectations The short-term outlook (i.e. the expected change in the September quarter 2000 compared with the June quarter 2000) across all industries is generally pessimistic. In original terms, increases are expected in operating income (0.8%) and profit (0.6%), but these expectations are well below the levels recorded for the same indicators in the June quarter 2000 (1.6% and 6.1% respectively).

In the September quarter 2000, businesses in the Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry expect operating income to fall by 2.1% from the June quarter 2000, with only the Construction industry expecting a larger fall (2.5%). As shown in the graph below the Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry expect profits to fall by 17.8%, the largest expected fall by any industry group.

SHORT TERM OUTLOOK-PROFIT

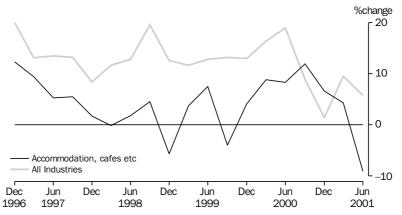


Across all industries, full time equivalent employment is expected to fall by 0.3% in the short-term. The Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry is expecting employment to fall by 0.9%, with only the Mining industry expecting a larger decrease (1.9%). It appears that the anticipated increase in employment due to the Olympic Games has been counteracted by general business uncertainty resulting from tax reform.

- Short-term expectations *continued*Capital expenditure is expected to increase by 2.3% across all industries. Capital expenditure by businesses in the Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry is expected to rise by 18.0%, the largest expected increase by any industry group and the largest expected increase for this industry since the December quarter 1996.
- Medium-term expectations Overall, expectations for the medium-term for all businesses, (i.e. the expected change in the June quarter 2001 compared with the June quarter 2000) are more positive than the short-term outlook. In original terms, increases are expected in operating income (1.5%) and profit (5.8%). However, these expectations are below the levels recorded for the same indicators in the March quarter 2001 (2.5% and 9.5% respectively) and are indicative of a general downturn in both series over recent periods.

In the June quarter 2001, the Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry expects operating income to fall by 2.7%, with only the Mining industry expecting a larger decrease (4.3%). The Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry is expecting profit to fall by 9.1% (see graph), with only the Construction industry expecting a larger decrease (12.4%).

MEDIUM TERM OUTLOOK-PROFIT



Across all industries, full time equivalent employment is expected to fall by 0.6% in the medium-term. The Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry is expecting employment to fall by 2.9%, the largest expected fall by any industry group.

Capital expenditure is expected to increase by 1.3% across all industries in the medium-term. The Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry expects a rise of 8.6% in capital expenditure, with only the Wholesale industry expecting a larger increase (11.5%). Conclusion There has been a general fall in both short and medium-term expectations of businesses recorded during the June quarter 2000. The Accommodation, cafes & restaurants industry is the most pessimistic industry group overall, in both the short and medium-term.

For more information about *Australian Business Expectations, September Quarter 2000 and June Quarter 2001* (Cat. no. 5250.0), contact Steve Glaznieks on Canberra 02 6252 5145.

A TOURISM SATELLITE ACCOUNT FOR AUSTRALIA—1997–98

INTRODUCTION	In October 2000 the ABS will release the first Australian Tourism Satellite Account (TSA), based on the Australian System of National Accounts. This is the result of work by the ABS over four years with substantial funding from the Department of Industry, Science and Resources (DISR).
	Tourism has long been regarded as an important activity in Australia although the actual contribution of the 'tourism industry' to the Australian economy has never been officially measured. While all the commodities that are produced and consumed in meeting tourism demand are embedded in the core national accounts, they are not readily apparent, since 'tourism' is not identified as a conventional industry or product in international statistical standards. To overcome this problem, a TSA identifies the economic aspects of tourism separately, but within the framework of the national accounts.
WHAT IS A TSA?	The concepts and methods to be used in the calculation of the Australian TSA are based on international standards for TSAs which are published in <i>Tourism Satellite Account: Methodological References</i> . This document was released in March 2000 as a joint publication by an Inter-Secretariat Working Group made up of the United Nations (UN), Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), World Tourism Organisation (WTO) and Eurostat (Statistical Office of the European Communities).
	The national accounts for a particular country or region are a comprehensive set of economic data which are exhaustive and consistent within the boundary of the economic activities covered.
	Satellite accounts allow an expansion of the national accounts for a selected area of interest, such as tourism, while using the relevant concepts and structures of the central accounts.
	A "tourism" satellite account provides a picture of tourism within the national accounting framework allowing a complete and comprehensive set of economic data on tourism to be compiled.
WHAT CAN THE TSA BE USED FOR?	Some of the key uses of the <i>Tourism Satellite Account</i> include the following:
	• It will provide policy makers with an improved measure of the contribution of tourism to the Australian economy, and a basis from which to compare the performance of tourism across countries, and with other industries within Australia.
	• It provides detailed data on visitor demand and how it is met by both domestic supply and imports. This will allow analysts to determine which industries supply particular products to visitors.

WHAT CAN THE TSA BE USED FOR? continued	• The supply-use framework will provide the basic information required for the development of models of the economic impact of tourism. For example, analysts may use data from the TSA to estimate the effect of taxes on tourism demand, or the effect of tourism on other industries.
	• The combination of the tourism supply-use table with employment profiles will allow for investigation of tourism employment issues.
	 Provides a link between economic data and other non-monetary information on tourism, such as number of trips, type of trips, purpose of trip.
	• By improving data on tourism relationships at the national level it is expected that the TSA will allow modellers, using more detailed input-output matrices, to construct and understand impacts of tourism at a sub-national level.
WHAT WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE TSA	The TSA is a set of national tables that provide a powerful analytical tool for economic analysts. However the scope and structure of the TSA mean that:
	• the results are at the Australia level only, and no State or Territory data are available; and
	• the TSA does not measure the indirect effects of tourism.
Australia level data only	The TSA will present a comprehensive data set and picture of tourism's contribution to the national economy. While detailed estimates related to production and demand functions of the whole economy are available, data limitations on the supply side mean that it has not been possible for TSA's by State and Territory to be developed. The ABS is aware that a number of State and Territories compile their own supply-use tables, so using these and the general methods from the national TSA data, it would be possible for these agencies to compile their own TSA accounts.
No measurement of the indirect effects of tourism	Tourism's contribution to Gross Domestic Product as presented in the TSA allows direct comparison with other industries in the economy. The datasets in the TSA will not include any of the indirect or downstream contributions of tourism to the economy. Indirect tourism demand results from purchases by the producer of commodities sold to tourists. For example, when a visitor buys a meal from a restaurant, the direct tourism demand is the cost of the meal. The meal's indirect tourism demand is generated from the production of inputs used by the restaurant—e.g., the growing of meat and vegetables used to make the meal, electricity for cooking it, etc. Producers of these inputs have no direct relationship with the tourist.

OUTPUT FROM THE TSA	The TSA contains two dimensions in order to place the output in an
	integrated and meaningful context. The first dimension focuses on
	consumption and output. This view will provide the basic economic
	structure of tourism in terms of supply and demand relationships, and it
	will allow tourism to be compared to other types of economic activity.
	The second dimension of the TSA identifies factors which will impact on
	the economic structure of tourism. Data from the second dimension
	tables can be related to the economic structure defined in the first
	dimension.

First dimension outputs The main outputs of the first dimension of the TSA will be:

- Tourism value added (TVA) at basic and market prices;
- TVA at market prices as a proportion of total GDP;
- The tourism component of the value-added of major tourism related industries (such as accommodation, restaurants and cafes, air transportation);
- Expenditures by overseas visitors and Australians travelling abroad;
- Total household and business tourism expenditures;
- Wages and operating surplus of tourism related industries;
- Tourism consumption by commodity type (e.g., accommodation, transport, meals) by industry of supplier;
- Net taxes on tourism related products; and
- Imports of goods and services purchased by visitors.

Second dimension outputs The main outputs of the second dimension of the TSA will be:

- employment in tourism related industries;
- employment profiles;
- domestic visitor numbers; and
- international inbound and outbound visitor numbers.

KEY CONCEPTS ANDSome of the key concepts that form part of the international standards,DEFINITIONS OF THE TSAand on which the Australian TSA will be based, include:

- **Tourism**, which "comprises the activities of persons travelling to and staying in places outside their usual environment for not more than one consecutive year for leisure, business and other purposes not related to the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited."
- A visitor is defined as "any person travelling to a place other than that of his/her usual environment for less than twelve months and whose main purpose of trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited"

KEY CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS OF THE TSA

- The **usual environment** of an individual is made up of a number of areas in which a person undertakes their regular activities, such as their residence, place of work, place of study and other places frequently visited. This criteria has two dimensions, *frequency* (places which are visited on a routine basis, that is at least once a week, are considered part of a person's usual environment (even if the place visited is located a considerable distance from place of residence), *distance* (locations close to the place of residence of a person are also included in their usual environment—that is up to 40 kilometres from home for overnight trips and up to 50 kilometres from home for day trips).
- Tourism consumption, which is defined as "the total consumption made by a visitor or on behalf of a visitor for and during his/her trip and stay at the destination". Consistent with the definition of visitors, tourism consumption includes expenditure by business visitors, and includes consumption before, during or after the trip (which is related to the trip, such as the purchase of luggage or film processing). However, an important limit to tourism consumption is that it only includes transactions between a visitor and the business with which the visitor has direct contact. Therefore, tourism consumption includes the purchase of a plane ticket by a visitor but excludes any purchases by the airline related to the provision of the travel service to the visitor. It should be noted that particular exclusions from tourism consumption, will be documented in full when the ATSA is released.
- **Tourism specific products**, are those products that would cease to exist, or for which the level of consumption would be significantly reduced in the absence of visitors (for example accommodation services).
- **Tourism specific industries**, are those industries which, without tourism, would cease to exist or be significantly reduced (for example, the travel agency services industry).
- RELEASE PLANSA more comprehensive and detailed explanation of the TSA will be
released by the ABS in the September issue of Australian Economic
Indicators (Cat. no.1350.0) due for release at the end of August.

The TSA will be published on 16 October in *Australian National Accounts: Tourism Satellite Accounts 1997–98* (Cat. no. 5249.0).

Following release of the TSA, the ABS is planning technical seminars in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. For more information about the seminars contact Dianne Bourke on Canberra 02 6252 6348, or email dianne.bourke@abs.gov.au.

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

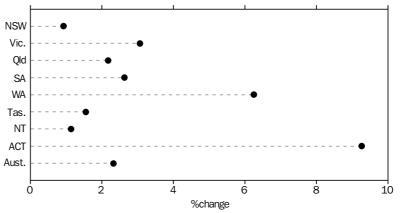
INTRODUCTIONThe statistics presented in this section are from the quarterly Survey of
Tourist Accommodation (STA). The data presented here are for hotels,
motels, guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or
units.

AUSTRALIA

Establishments The number of accommodation establishments increased by 2% (86) to reach 3,789 during the 12 months to the March quarter 2000. Serviced apartments contributed 55% to this growth, motels and guest houses 29%, and licensed hotels 16%. The increase during this period in the number of serviced apartments of 8% (to 611), was 4 times greater than the percentage increase for all establishments. All States and Territories contributed to the increase in the number of serviced apartments since the March quarter 1999, with Queensland, Victoria and Western Australia contributing 74% of the growth.

The Australian Capital Territory recorded the largest percentage growth in establishments during the 12 months to the March quarter 2000 of just over 9% to reach 59. The strongest contributors in absolute terms to the 86 new establishments were Victoria (21), Queensland (20), Western Australia (19) and New South Wales (12).

NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS-Mar qtr 1999-Mar qtr 2000



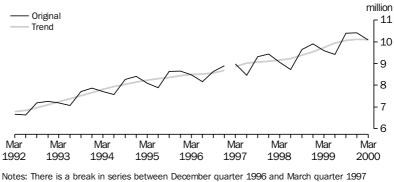
Guest rooms The number of guest rooms increased by 4%, or 7,262 since the March quarter 1999 to be 191,123. Serviced apartments accounted for 54% (3,932) of the increase to reach 31,542 guest rooms. While the number of guest rooms in serviced apartments were up by 14%, other accommodation types recorded smaller increases—licensed hotels up by 3% to 73,760, and motels and guest houses up by 1% to 85,821.

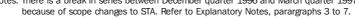
Over the 12 months to the March quarter 2000, the average number of guest rooms per establishment remained at 50. The Australian Capital Territory (84) and the Northern Territory (69) had the largest average number of rooms per establishment.

Room nights occupied Room nights occupied were 10.1 million in original terms during the March quarter 2000, an increase of 5% (502,300) compared to the same period last year. Average nightly rooms occupied per establishment increased by 1% to 29.3.

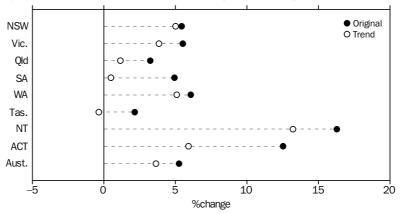
In trend terms, there has been a continuing upward movement of quarterly room nights occupied from 6.8 million in the March quarter 1992 to 10.1 million in the most recent March quarter. The trend estimate during the March quarter 2000 decreased by less than 1% over the previous quarter, and increased by 4% on the March quarter 1999.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, Aust





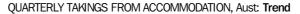
Between the March quarters of 1999 and 2000 all States and Territories showed increases in the number of room nights occupied with strongest proportional growth (in original terms) in the Northern Territory (up 16%), the Australian Capital Territory (up 13%) and Western Australia (up 6%). NSW showed the largest growth in absolute terms—up 174,900 (5%) in original terms and 159,200 (5%) in trend terms.

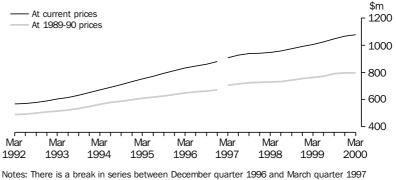


QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED—Mar qtr 1999–Mar qtr 2000

Guests There were 1.8 nightly guests per occupied room during the March quarters 1999 and 2000. This number was higher for serviced apartments at 2.2, lower for licensed hotels at 1.6 and the same for motels and guest houses with 1.8. During the March quarter 2000, the average length of stay of guests was 2.3 days, the same as the previous March quarter. Guests stayed longer in serviced apartments (3.8 days), than in licensed hotels (2.3 days) and motels and guest houses (1.8 days).

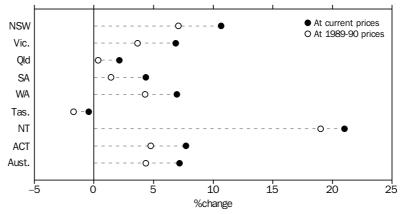
Takings from accommodation The March quarter 2000 takings of \$1,088.3 million in original terms, shows an 8% increase on the previous March quarter. The trend estimate for takings in the March quarter 2000 of \$1,077.7 million, although slightly lower than the original series, was above \$1 billion in current price terms for the fifth consecutive quarter in a row and the highest quarterly figure to date. The trend series for takings in both constant and current prices has continued a steady upward movement since the March quarter 1991.





because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

All States and the Territories excluding Tasmania recorded positive growth in quarterly takings during the March quarter 2000 compared with the March quarter 1999. The Northern Territory had the greatest percentage growth for quarterly takings in trend terms in that period (up 21% in current prices and 19% in constant prices).



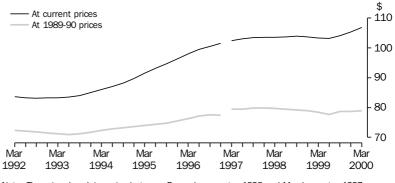
QUARTERLY TAKINGS: Trend—Mar qtr 1999–Mar qtr 2000

Average takings per room night occupied

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In the March quarter 2000, the trend estimate for average takings per room night occupied in current price terms increased to the highest level ever to \$107. In constant price terms, the average takings of \$79 per room night occupied for the March quarter 2000 reflects slight gains in the three most recent quarters after six consecutive quarters of gradual decline.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Aust: Trend



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

The trend estimate in current price terms for the March quarter 2000 shows that all States and Territories increased their average takings per room night occupied compared to the March quarter 1999. Victoria has the highest average takings per room night occupied of \$117, while Tasmania remains as the State with the lowest at \$87.

		Room nights	occupied(b)	Takin	ngs at curren	t prices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	25 755.7	25 769.4	25 685.7	2 138.3	2 138.9	2 125.6	1 924.4	1 925.9	1 916.6	
1991	26 417.8	26 389.4	26 365.7	2 211.7	2 208.4	2 206.9	1 929.0	1 926.6	1 924.3	
1992	27 736.6	27 645.2	27 687.3	2 307.3	2 299.4	2 306.3	1 993.5	1 987.0	1 992.0	
1993	29 834.6	29 833.7	29 798.5	2 503.1	2 502.5	2 502.3	2 124.0	2 123.5	2 123.9	
1994	31 948.5	31 953.2	31 935.1	2 807.9	2 807.2	2 804.0	2 336.5	2 336.2	2 332.3	
1995	33 278.7	33 301.7	33 328.5	3 124.9	3 125.9	3 130.9	2 482.9	2 484.1	2 489.3	
1996	34 171.6	34 181.6	34 248.1	3 412.9	3 413.7	3 420.9	2 641.1	2 641.5	2 641.2	
1997	36 182.8	36 174.0	36 064.4	3 727.8	3 730.1	3 717.8	2 876.0	2 877.6	2 873.3	
1998	37 324.5	37 326.2	37 317.5	3 877.8	3 876.6	3 871.2	2 963.4	2 961.5	2 959.9	
1999	39 822.3	39 849.2	39 843.8	4 139.7	4 143.2	4 144.1	3 120.6	3 123.0	3 122.7	
1998										
Dec qtr	9 904.4	9 593.7	9 549.2	1 043.2	999.4	990.5	792.7	758.3	754.3	
1999										
Mar qtr	9 585.8	9 661.4	9 738.2	1 003.1	998.3	1 005.5	762.6	759.0	763.5	
Jun qtr	9 427.3	9 941.4	9 933.1	946.4	1 018.0	1 024.9	716.8	771.7	771.4	
Sep qtr	10 395.6	10 143.5	10 062.9	1 077.8	1 056.9	1 047.8	809.5	793.0	791.9	
Dec qtr	10 413.6	10 102.9	10 109.7	1 112.4	1 070.0	1 066.0	831.7	799.2	796.0	
2000										
Mar qtr	10 088.1	10 046.5	10 093.3	1 088.3	1 069.1	1077.7	806.1	792.7	796.6	

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS—AUST.(a)

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7.

(b) Australian quarterly seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are the sum of the relevant State and Territory estimates.

(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 8 to 10 of the Explanatory Notes.

								S	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
			ESTABLISHI	MENTS A	ND CAPAC	ITY				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999										
Establishments	753	2 386	564	74	566	1 864	705	66	428	3 703
Guest rooms	71 637	84 614	27 610	2 202	16 513	69 905	58 580	16 423	20 238	183 861
Rooms per establishment	95	35	49	30	29	38	83	249	47	50
Mar qtr 2000										
Establishments	767	2 411	611	69	508	1 825	805	87	495	3 789
Guest rooms	73 760	85 821	31 542	2 122	14 552	71 153	62 661	21 508	19 127	191 123
Rooms per establishment	96	36	52	31	29	39	78	247	39	50
	AVE	RAGE NIG	HTLY ROOM	IS OCCU	PIED PER	ESTABLISH	MENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	59.4	19.1	29.7	10.0	12.9	20.8	54.5	177.2	23.2	28.9
2000										
Jan	54.9	18.1	32.6	10.4	12.8	21.1	46.7	162.4	16.6	27.9
Feb	63.2	18.6	29.8	10.0	12.3	21.0	51.7	184.0	17.0	29.4
Mar	64.7	20.0	30.5	11.1	13.2	22.7	53.4	182.7	17.6	30.7
Mar qtr	60.9	18.9	31.0	10.5	12.8	21.6	50.6	176.2	17.1	29.3
		AVERAGE	NIGHTLY	GUESTS F	PER OCCUI	PIED ROON	Λ			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								. –	. –	
Mar qtr	1.6	1.8	2.2	1.6	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8
2000										
Jan	1.8	2.0	2.5	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0
Feb	1.6	1.6	2.1	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7
Mar	1.6	1.7	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7
Mar qtr	1.6	1.8	2.2	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.8
			AVERAGI	E LENGTH	I OF STAY					
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999										
Mar qtr	2.4	1.8	3.7	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.3
2000										
Jan	2.5	1.9	4.2	1.9	1.8	2.1	2.7	3.2	2.6	2.4
Feb	2.2	1.8	3.6	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.2
Mar	2.3	1.8	3.5	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.7	2.4	2.2
Mar qtr	2.3	1.8	3.8	1.9	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.8	2.5	2.3

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								S	Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels								
	hotels with	and guest	Serviced apart-							
	facilities	houses	ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
				TAKINGS I	ROM ACCC	MMODATION	1			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999										
Mar qtr	514 165	322 196	166 699	3 351	41 190	277 421	401 708	194 304	85 086	1 003 060
2000										
Jan	171 527	113 047	72 729	1 258	12 951	104 449	138 462	79 195	20 988	357 302
Feb	181 923	104 485	56 901	1 087	10 748	91 472	138 052	81 920	20 029	343 308
Mar	203 375	120 359	63 973	1 273	12 086	104 860	156 636	89 898	22 955	387 707
Mar qtr	556 825	337 890	193 602	3 617	35 785	300 781	433 149	251 013	63 972	1 088 317
						ESTABLISHM				
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999	000.0	105.0	005.0	45.0	70.0	1 10 0	500.0	0.014.0	100.0	070.0
Mar qtr	682.8	135.0	295.6	45.3	72.8	148.8	569.8	2 944.0	198.8	270.9
2000										
Jan	223.6	46.9	119.0	18.2	25.5	57.2	172.0	910.3	42.4	94.3
Feb	237.2	43.3	93.1	15.7	21.2	50.1	171.5	941.6	40.5	90.6
Mar	265.2	49.9	104.7	18.4	23.8	57.5	194.6	1 033.3	46.4	102.3
Mar qtr	726.0	140.1	316.9	52.4	70.4	164.8	538.1	2 885.2	129.2	287.2
	^	•				M NIGHT OC		.	.	^
1000	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999 Mar qtr	128	79	111	50	63	80	116	185	98	105
2000 Jan	100	84	119	57	64	00	110	181	87	110
Feb	132 130	84 81	109	57 54	59	88 82	119 114	181	87 84	107
Mar	130	81	105	54	59	82	114	183	85	107
Mar qtr	131	82	113	55	61	84	117	180	85	108
						M NIGHT AV				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999	*	•	Ť	Ŧ	Ŧ	Ť	•	Ť	Ŧ	Ŧ
Mar qtr	80	42	67	17	28	44	76	132	48	61
2000										
Jan	76	43	75	19	29	47	71	119	37	61
Feb	85	42	63	18	26	44	76	132	37	62
Mar	89	45	66	19	27	48	81	135	39	66
Mar qtr	83	43	68	19	27	47	76	128	38	63
			A١	/ERAGE TA	AKINGS PER	GUEST NIG	HT			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1998										
Mar qtr	78	44	51	31	34	43	66	112	57	59
2000										
Jan	73	42	48	30	33	42	59	98	44	55
Feb	83	49	53	34	35	47	69	110	50	63
Mar	85	48	54	31	34	47	71	115	51	64
Mar qtr	80	46	51	32	34	45	66	108	48	60

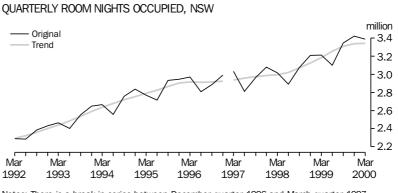
Capacity There were 1,306 accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or more in New South Wales at the end of March 2000, an increase of 12 since March 1999. The overall capacity of the 1,306 establishments rose by 2,525 guest rooms to 61,967, with the highest percent growth occurring in serviced apartments, up 14%, licensed hotels up 7% and motels and guest houses up 1%.

Accommodation establishments in New South Wales had on average 28.6 nightly rooms occupied in the March quarter 2000. Within the quarter, the highest level of nightly rooms occupied occurred in March with 29.9. Duration of stay varied according to the type of accommodation, guests in serviced apartments stayed an average of 3.4 days while those in licensed hotels stayed 2.3 days, guests in motels and guest houses stayed 1.7 days.

Takings from
accommodationTotal takings from accommodation establishments were \$397.9 million in
the March quarter 2000, up 10% or \$37.2 million since the same period
in 1999. Takings from licensed hotels increased 13%, from \$184.4 million
in the March quarter 1999, to \$207.8 in the March quarter 2000 and
accounted for 52% of the total takings in the most recent quarter.
Licensed hotels recorded their lowest monthly takings in January while
motels, guest houses and serviced apartments lowest monthly takings
were in February.

For the industry as a whole, the average takings per establishment for New South Wales were \$304,600 for the March quarter 2000. Average takings rose for all forms of accommodation except for ungraded establishments which fell by 48%. Average takings per room night occupied rose in the March quarter 2000 by \$5 to \$117 compared to the same period in 1999. All accommodation types recorded increases with serviced apartments rising by \$6, licensed hotels up by \$5, and motels and guest houses up by \$4 when compared with the previous year.

Room nights occupied The trend estimate of room nights occupied for the March quarter 2000 continued at a steady pace to reach 3.3 million, a 5% increase since the March quarter 1999.



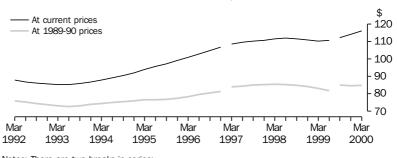
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Average takings per room night occupied

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The March quarter 2000 shows that average takings per room night occupied grew compared with the same period last year. The trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied, at current prices, increased to over \$116, an increase of \$6 on the March 1999 level and \$2 on the December quarter 1999. In 1989–90 prices, the estimate has increased to \$85, an increase of \$2 on the March quarter 1999 level.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, NSW: Trend



Notes: There are two breaks in series: (a) between December guarter 1996 and March guarter 1997

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS-NSW(a)

		Room nights	occupied(b)	Takings	s at current _l	prices(b)(c)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
		Seasonally			Seasonally			Seasonally		
	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	8 878.2	8 882.7	8 894.5	818.8	819.9	818.2	735.4	736.5	735.3	
1991	8 928.1	8 920.0	8 905.2	798.6	798.3	796.5	696.5	696.3	694.7	
1992	9 389.7	9 356.9	9 376.0	812.6	810.1	811.9	702.7	700.6	701.8	
1993	10 065.0	10 061.6	10 050.9	863.7	863.4	863.4	736.1	735.9	736.2	
1994	10 817.2	10 808.7	10 788.3	972.9	972.2	970.4	814.4	813.9	812.1	
1995	11 363.4	11 358.2	11 385.3	1 097.1	1 097.0	1 099.2	873.1	873.2	875.2	
1996	11 654.7	11 672.9	11 667.1	1 209.5	1 211.6	1 212.2	933.1	934.7	933.5	
1997	11 887.0	11 871.7	11 854.7	1 303.6	1 305.2	1 302.6	1 003.5	1 004.8	1 004.2	
1998	12 195.4	12 201.9	12 207.7	1 361.2	1 361.9	1 361.4	1 035.5	1 036.0	1 036.8	
1999	13 081.1	13 102.6	13 085.2	1 463.7	1 466.4	1 464.2	1 095.0	1 097.2	1 095.6	
1998										
Dec qtr	3 210.5	3 132.5	3 123.4	359.2	347.7	346.5	271.5	262.8	263.0	
1999										
Mar qtr	3 213.2	3 175.3	3 182.5	360.7	351.2	350.9	272.2	265.1	264.6	
Jun qtr	3 099.8	3 227.5	3 253.8	332.8	352.8	360.0	250.2	265.3	266.4	
Sep qtr	3 345.0	3 350.1	3 310.8	375.0	378.0	371.9	279.4	281.6	281.6	
Dec qtr	3 423.1	3 349.7	3 338.2	395.2	384.5	381.5	293.1	285.2	282.9	
2000										
Mar qtr	3 388.1	3 306.9	3 341.7	397.9	382.3	388.3	292.6	281.1	283.3	

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7.

(b) There is a break in series between the June quarter 1999 and the September quarter 1999 because of a sudden sustained increase in takings from accommodation.

⁽b) between June quarter and September quarter 1999 because of a sudden sustained increase in takings from accommodation.

								S	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
		E	STABLISHME	ENTS AND	CAPACI	ΓY				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999										
Establishments	179	993	122	36	211	659	184	14	190	1 294
Guest rooms	20 636	33 255	5 551	1 221	6 052	22 276	16 892	3 541	9 460	59 442
Rooms per establishment	115	33	46	34	29	34	92	253	50	46
Mar qtr 2000										
Establishments	181	1001	124	34	193	669	197	20	193	1 306
Guest rooms	22 046	33 587	6 334	1 221	5 448	24 294	17 956	5 334	7 714	61 967
Rooms per establishment	122	34	51	36	28	36	91	267	40	47
	AVE	RAGE NIGH	TLY ROOMS	OCCUPI	ED PER E	STABLISHN	/IENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	79.2	18.2	31.1	10.8	14.1	19.5	66.1	194.3	25.9	27.8
2000										
Jan	70.9	18.0	32.0	11.1	14.2	20.7	57.4	169.5	16.0	26.6
Feb	90.5	17.9	32.2	11.2	13.4	21.0	68.0	223.3	17.5	29.3
Mar	89.0	19.0	31.7	12.0	14.2	22.0	67.8	215.9	17.8	29.9
Mar qtr	83.4	18.3	32.0	11.4	13.9	21.2	64.3	202.5	17.1	28.6
	AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM									
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.7
2000										
Jan	1.7	2.0	2.4	1.8	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.9	2.0
Feb	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.6
Mar	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.6
Mar qtr	1.6	1.8	2.1	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.7
			AVERAGE	LENGTH (OF STAY					
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999										
Mar qtr	2.4	1.7	3.4	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.1
2000										
Jan	2.4	1.8	3.6	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.3	2.8	2.1	2.1
Feb	2.3	1.7	3.2	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.6	2.1	2.0
Mar	2.3	1.7	3.2	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.6	2.2	2.0
Mar qtr	2.3	1.7	3.4	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.6	2.1	2.1

								5	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with	Motels and guest	Serviced apart-							
	facilities	houses	ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
			Т	AKINGS FI	ROM ACCO	MMODATION				
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999										
Mar qtr	184 374	131 742	44 557	1974	16 847	98 001	141 183	56 121	46 549	360 674
2000										
Jan	60 087	48 998	17 881	731	5 734	39 925	48 184	24 640	7 754	126 967
Feb	72 361	43 324	15 133	664	4 628	35 955	51 331	30 181	8 059	130 818
Mar	75 342	48 685	16 057	742	5 157	39 544	54 348	31 289	9 003	140 084
Mar qtr	207 791	141 007	49 072	2 137	15 520	115 424	153 862	86 110	24 816	397 869
			AVE	RAGE TAKI	NGS PER E	STABLISHME	NT			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000
Mar qtr	1 030.0	132.7	365.2	54.8	79.8	148.7	767.3	4 008.6	245.0	278.7
	1 00010	10211	00012	0 110		1.011			2.010	2.011
2000										
Jan	332.0	48.9	144.2	21.5	29.7	59.7	244.6	1 232.0	40.2	97.2
Feb	399.8	43.3	122.0	19.5	24.0	53.7	260.6	1 509.0	41.8	100.2
Mar	416.3	48.6	129.5	21.8	26.7	59.1	275.9	1 564.5	46.6	107.3
Mar qtr	1 148.0	140.9	395.7	62.9	80.4	172.5	781.0	4 305.5	128.6	304.6
				E TAKINGS	PER ROOM	/ NIGHT OCC	UPIED			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	147	81	132	57	63	85	129	229	111	112
2000										
Jan	152	88	148	62	68	93	138	234	84	118
Feb	152	84	133	60	62	88	132	233	84	118
Mar	151	83	132	59	61	87	131	234	86	116
Mar qtr	152	85	138	60	63	89	133	234	85	117
qa	101					/ NIGHT AVA				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	ψ	Ψ	Ψ
Mar qtr	101	44	90	18	31	49	93	176	58	68
Mar qu	101		50	10	01	40	50	110	50	00
2000										
Jan	89	47	93	19	34	53	87	149	34	66
Feb	113	45	84	19	29	51	99	195	37	73
Mar	110	47	82	20	31	53	98	189	38	73
Mar qtr	104	46	86	19	31	52	94	177	36	71
			AVI	ERAGE TAI	KINGS PER	GUEST NIGH	Т			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	93	45	65	33	33	46	78	139	67	64
2000										
Jan	88	44	62	34	34	45	72	140	44	61
Feb	100	50	69	38	36	43 52	84	140	50	72
Mar	100	49	69	35	34	50	84 84	160	50 50	72
Mar qtr	96	49	66	36	34	49	80	153	48	68
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(a) Including b	od tax whore a	nnliachla								

(a) Including bed tax where applicable.

VICTORIA

Capacity At the end of the March quarter 2000, Victoria had 707 accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or more, 21 more than at the same time in 1999. These establishments provided 31,332 guest rooms, a 4% gain on twelve months ago. Most of the increase in capacity was due to a rise in the number of serviced apartments (up 13% or 480) to 4,183 guest rooms. Capacity in licensed hotels increased by 5% (555) to 10,895, motels and guest houses increased by 1% (137) to 16,254 guest rooms.

The increase in supply was exceeded slightly by the demand for accommodation, with the average nightly rooms occupied per establishment rising to 27.6 in the March quarter 2000 from 27.3 a year ago. Licensed hotels had the highest average nightly number of rooms occupied in the March quarter 2000 (61.9), compared to 17.3 for motels and guest houses, and 39.7 for serviced apartments.

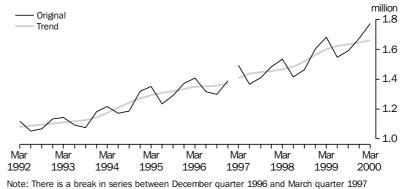
Average nightly guests per occupied room remained at 1.7 during the March quarter 2000, the same level as a year ago.

Takings from accommodation Establishments in Victoria earned \$213.0 million from accommodation (up 9%) in the March quarter 2000, showing increases across all types of accommodation. Serviced apartments recorded the strongest growth in takings, reflecting a 19% increase, with licensed hotels up by 10% and motels and guest houses up by 3%. Licensed hotels accounted for half of the takings in the March quarter 2000 while motels and guest houses accounted for 33%.

Average takings per establishment rose 6% in the March quarter 2000 compared to the same period in 1999, with average takings per guest night increasing by \$2 to \$71.

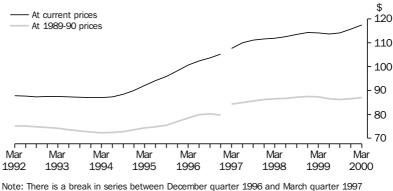
Room nights occupied The trend estimate of room nights occupied in Victoria has steadily increased during the quarterly periods December 1991 to March 2000. Both original and trend series show strong growth, and figures for the March quarter 2000 are at their highest levels.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, Vic



Average takings per room night occupied In original terms, Victoria's average takings per room night occupied increased by 4% to \$120 during the March quarter 2000 compared to a year ago. The graph below shows that the trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied, at current prices, also increased to reach \$118 in the March quarter 2000, a gain of \$4 on the March quarter 1999 level and \$2 more than the previous December quarter. The estimate in 1989–90 prices of \$87 for the March quarter 2000 is marginally down on the high December quarter 1998 level.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Vic: Trend



because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS-VIC.(a)

		Room nights c	ccupied(b)	Taking	s at current	prices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	4 161.6	4 166.0	4 156.3	361.5	361.9	360.2	323.6	324.0	322.7	
1991	4 209.1	4 212.1	4 209.7	369.1	369.4	370.2	318.4	318.8	319.2	
1992	4 367.6	4 359.1	4 366.0	382.5	382.0	382.5	327.3	326.9	327.1	
1993	4 490.5	4 497.3	4 498.0	391.6	392.8	392.7	328.8	329.8	329.9	
1994	4 890.8	4 894.7	4 894.5	432.5	432.7	431.8	356.8	357.0	356.1	
1995	5 248.4	5 259.1	5 255.2	497.7	499.2	500.0	394.0	395.2	396.3	
1996	5 411.1	5 409.0	5 430.5	555.7	556.4	559.7	431.2	431.7	432.4	
1997	5 754.2	5 763.0	5 746.1	634.9	635.8	632.7	490.3	491.0	490.2	
1998	6 016.7	6 028.2	6 029.1	681.0	682.2	681.9	523.9	524.8	524.6	
1999	6 488.5	6 499.0	6 503.1	741.5	743.0	744.4	561.5	562.7	563.5	
1998										
Dec qtr	1 602.6	1 563.6	1 560.8	182.2	179.4	178.3	139.6	137.5	136.7	
1999										
Mar qtr	1 680.8	1 609.0	1 600.5	195.6	183.9	182.8	149.5	140.6	139.7	
Jun qtr	1 545.6	1 619.1	1 622.5	170.1	184.0	184.5	129.6	140.2	140.4	
Sep qtr	1 589.5	1 638.6	1 633.4	184.1	186.0	186.6	138.8	140.2	140.9	
Dec qtr	1 672.7	1 632.4	1 646.8	191.6	189.1	190.5	143.6	141.7	142.6	
2000										
Mar qtr	1 773.4	1 675.7	1 661.9	213.0	197.5	195.3	158.0	146.5	144.8	

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to7.

(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.

(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Melbourne All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 8 to 10 of the

Explanatory Notes.

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				Star grading						
	Licensed hotels	Motels and	Serviced							
	with	guest	apart-							
	facilities	houses	ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
		ES	STABLISHMEN	ts and	CAPACIT	Y				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999										
Establishments	117	501	68	11	93	388	148	10	36	686
Guest rooms	10 340	16 117	3 703	242	2 548	12 299	10 810	2 930	1 331	30 160
Rooms per establishment	88	32	54	22	27	32	73	293	37	44
Mar qtr 2000			= 0	-			. = 0	. –		
Establishments	125	506	76	9	81	376	173	15	53	707
Guest rooms	10 895	16 254	4 183	217	2 126	12 078	11 502	3 456	1 953	31 332
Rooms per establishment	87	32	55	24	26	32	66	230	37	44
	AVE	RAGE NIGHT	TLY ROOMS C	CCUPIE	D PER E	STABLISHN	IENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	62.1	17.6	38.7	8.0	11.4	17.9	51.5	232.9	18.5	27.3
2000										
Jan	54.9	16.2	38.2	8.6	10.6	17.1	41.4	166.8	17.1	25.4
Feb	63.7	16.9	38.8	7.2	10.2	16.9	48.2	190.5	19.8	27.5
Mar	67.2	18.8	42.0	8.7	11.8	19.1	51.5	191.6	20.6	29.8
Mar qtr	61.9	17.3	39.7	8.2	10.9	17.7	47.0	182.8	19.2	27.6
		AVERAGE N	NIGHTLY GUES	STS PEF	R OCCUPI	ED ROOM				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	1.5	1.8	1.9	1.7	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.7
2000										
Jan	1.6	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.9
Feb	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.6
Mar	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.6
Mar qtr	1.5	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.6	1.7
			AVERAGE LE	NGTH C	OF STAY					
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999										
Mar qtr	2.2	1.8	3.4	1.8	1.6	1.9	2.2	2.6	3.2	2.1
2000										
Jan	2.3	1.8	4.0	1.8	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.7	3.0	2.2
Feb	2.2	1.8	3.3	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.1	2.3	2.8	2.1
Mar	2.2	1.8	3.2	1.7	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.1
Mar qtr	2.2	1.8	3.5	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.8	2.1

								:	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with	Motels and guest	Serviced apart-					_		
	facilities	houses	ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
	\$1000	* 1000				IMODATION	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000	\$1000
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999										
Mar qtr	96 321	67 486	31 766	401	5 792	50 442	87 283	44 905	6 751	195 573
2000										
Jan	30 275	22 359	12 366	125	1 731	16 882	27 268	15 705	3 289	65 001
Feb	33 340	22 333	11 204	103	1 489	14 431	29 453	16 865	3 574	65 916
Mar	41 886	25 944	14 240	138	1 805	18 242	37 546	19 977	4 361	82 069
Mar qtr	105 501	69 674	37 811	367	5 026	49 555	94 267	52 547	11 224	212 986
	100 001	00 01 1				STABLISHME		02 0 11		
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	\$ 000	φ 000	φ 000	ψ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	\$ 000	ψ 000
1999										
Mar qtr	823.3	134.7	467.1	36.5	62.3	130.0	589.7	4 490.5	187.5	285.1
2000										
Jan	242.2	44.2	162.7	13.9	21.4	44.9	157.6	1 047.0	62.1	91.9
Feb	266.7	42.2	147.4	11.5	18.4	38.4	170.2	1 124.3	67.4	93.2
Mar	335.1	51.3	187.4	15.4	22.3	48.5	217.0	1 331.8	82.3	116.1
Mar qtr	844.0	137.7	497.5	40.7	62.1	131.8	544.9	3 503.1	211.8	301.3
· · · ·			AVERAGE	TAKINGS	PER ROOM	1 NIGHT OCC	CUPIED			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	147	85	136	51	61	81	127	214	116	116
2000										
Jan	142	88	139	52	65	85	123	203	119	117
Feb	145	86	132	55	62	79	122	204	121	117
Mar	161	88	144	57	61	82	136	224	129	126
Mar qtr	150	88	139	55	63	82	127	211	123	120
			AVERAGE	TAKINGS	PER ROON	I NIGHT AVA	ILABLE			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1000										
1999 Mor otr	104	47	07	10	05	46	00	170	FO	70
Mar qtr	104	47	97	18	25	46	90	170	58	72
2000										
Jan	90	44	96	19	26	45	77	147	55	67
Feb	106	45	93	16	24	41	88	168	65	73
Mar	124	52	110	21	27	49	105	187	72	85
Mar qtr	106	47	100	19	26	45	90	167	64	75
			AVE	RAGE TAKI	NGS PER	GUEST NIGH	Т			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar gtr	97	48	72	30	31	45	78	156	65	69
	0.							200		
2000	88	45	65	26	32	43	66	135	69	63
Jan Feb	88 99	45 52	65 75	26 29	32 35	43 46	66 79	135 144	69 78	63 74
Mar	99 109	52 52	75 81	29 29	35	40 47	79 87	144 157	78 84	74 78
Mar qtr	99	52 50	73	29 28		47 45	87 77	157	84 77	
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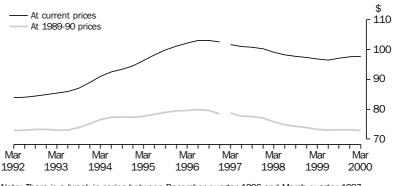
Room

Capacity	In Queensland at the end of the March quarter 2000, there were 940 accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or more, providing 51,821 guest rooms. The number of guest rooms offered by licensed hotels fell in comparison with the March quarter 1999 (1% or 282 rooms), while those in motels and guest houses increased (2% or 289) while guest rooms in serviced apartments rose (12% or 1339) to 12,768. Serviced apartments provided 25% of all guest rooms at the end of March 2000, a 2% gain on the same period 12 months ago.
	The average number of rooms per establishment varied across accommodation types. In the March quarter 2000, the average number of rooms in licensed hotels was 119 (a decrease of one compared to March 1999). In motels and guest houses the average number of rooms remained unchanged at 36, while serviced apartments increased by 2 to 50 rooms.
	The average nightly rooms occupied per establishment in the March quarter 2000 was 30.2 a slight rise when compared with the preceding March quarter (30.1). All accommodation types except motels and guest houses, showed increases in average nightly rooms occupied in the March quarter 2000 compared to the corresponding 1999 period.
	The average duration of stay was 2.9 days in the March quarter 2000 with visitors in serviced apartments choosing to stay the longest (4.8 days).
Takings from accommodation	In the March quarter 2000, takings from accommodation totalled \$252.9 million, a gain of 3% (\$8.5 million) on the March quarter 1999. Serviced apartments recorded the strongest growth in takings, recording a 14% increase to \$60.2 million. However, 52% (\$130.4 million) of all takings in the period were earned by licensed hotels.
	Average takings per establishment increased by 1% (\$3,400) to \$269,100 in the March quarter 2000 compared to the same period in 1999.
nights occupied	For the March quarter 2000, the trend estimate of quarterly room nights occupied was 2.7 million, up 1% on the March quarter 1999 level.
	QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, QId Original Trend Mar Mar Mar Mar Mar Mar Mar Mar Mar Mar

Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

Average takings per room night occupied Average takings per room night occupied, in current prices, have been on an upward trend since the September quarter 1999. In current prices, the trend estimate for the March quarter 2000 of \$98, rose \$1 from the March quarter 1999 level. The estimate in 1989–90 prices, remained at \$73 from the March quarter 1999.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Qld: Trend



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

LŲ	HOTELS	, MOTELS	, GUEST HOUSES	AND SERVICED	APARTMENTS-0	QLD(a)
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		Room nights	Takir	ngs at curren	t prices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1990	6 230.9	6 234.0	6 179.6	493.2	492.9	486.6	446.8	446.8	441.1
1991	6 761.7	6 743.9	6 737.3	559.8	557.3	556.5	490.7	488.7	487.8
1992	7 224.9	7 191.8	7 236.8	609.4	605.9	610.0	528.8	525.8	529.2
1993	8 089.6	8 088.5	8 074.9	702.5	701.5	701.4	596.3	595.5	595.6
1994	8 566.7	8 565.0	8 562.4	797.1	796.4	795.4	661.9	661.7	660.5
1995	8 753.9	8 756.5	8 761.7	866.1	865.1	866.5	687.5	687.1	688.3
1996	9 023.1	9 008.5	9 042.4	928.2	926.8	928.5	718.5	717.5	717.6
1997	10 034.9	10 021.8	9 958.3	1 012.1	1 010.6	1 005.5	778.2	776.9	774.2
1998	10 317.9	10 296.6	10 301.8	1 015.0	1 011.9	1 010.5	772.3	770.1	769.3
1999	11 014.0	11 005.9	11 010.7	1 068.9	1067.6	1 067.9	806.1	805.4	805.0
1998									
Dec qtr	2 793.0	2 672.4	2 656.1	284.5	263.0	258.6	215.5	199.2	196.2
1999									
Mar qtr	2 489.4	2 669.0	2 707.1	244.4	257.3	261.9	185.4	195.2	198.5
Jun qtr	2 586.2	2 772.6	2 756.9	239.0	265.3	266.2	180.9	200.8	201.2
Sep qtr	3 055.9	2 804.0	2 778.0	292.0	273.0	269.7	219.4	205.1	203.0
Dec qtr	2 882.5	2 760.2	2 768.6	293.6	272.0	270.2	220.4	204.2	202.3
2000									
Mar qtr	2 570.2	2 726.3	2 738.5	252.9	263.6	267.5	187.8	195.7	199.2

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Explanatory Notes.

			and Serviced guest apart-					5	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with facilities	ls and th guest		1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
		ES	STABLISHME	NTS AN	D CAPACI	ITY				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999										
Establishments	173	511	236	14	131	439	232	24	80	920
Guest rooms	20 812	18 234	11 429	385	3 623	16 362	19 583	5 741	4 781	50 475
Rooms per establishment	120	36	48	28	28	37	84	239	60	55
Mar qtr 2000										
Establishments	172	513	255	11	111	410	268	31	109	940
Guest rooms	20 530	18 523	12 768	265	2 808	16 087	19 736	8 281	4 644	51 821
Rooms per establishment	119	36	50	24	25	39	74	267	43	55
	AVEF	RAGE NIGH	ILY ROOMS	OCCUP	IED PER E	ESTABLISH	MENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	69.3	18.9	25.7	11.7	12.0	19.8	48.8	157.0	27.3	30.1
2000										
Jan	70.0	17.9	31.3	11.3	11.3	21.9	42.1	174.6	19.5	31.1
Feb	69.4	18.2	24.4	10.6	10.1	19.8	40.3	173.6	17.7	29.3
Mar	70.7	19.2	24.5	10.3	10.2	21.2	41.5	169.7	18.2	30.1
Mar qtr	70.0	18.5	26.8	10.7	10.5	21.0	41.3	172.6	18.4	30.2
	AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM									
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	1.9	1.8	2.4	1.5	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0
2000										
Jan	2.1	2.0	2.8	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.2
Feb	1.8	1.6	2.4	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9
Mar	1.8	1.7	2.4	2.3	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9
Mar qtr	1.9	1.8	2.5	2.1	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.9	2.0
	AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY									
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999										
Mar qtr	2.7	2.1	4.7	2.3	1.9	2.4	3.1	3.2	3.3	2.8
2000										
Jan	3.1	2.1	5.4	2.2	1.8	2.7	3.5	3.9	3.6	3.2
Feb	2.6	2.1	4.4	2.3	1.7	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.1	2.7
Mar	2.7	2.1	4.3	2.2	1.7	2.4	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.7
Mar qtr	2.8	2.1	4.8	2.2	1.8	2.5	3.2	3.3	3.2	2.9

			-						Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
			T/	AKINGS FF	ROM ACCO	MMODATION				
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999										
Mar qtr	130 165	61 243	52 992	575	9 624	56 615	101 657	58 374	17 553	244 399
2000										
Jan	48 341	20 938	26 147	199	2 357	24 066	36 047	27 040	5 717	95 426
Feb	38 914	19 426	16 356	146	1 804	18 403	28 165	21 747	4 430	74 696
Mar	43 107	22 060	17 657	164	1 923	20 828	31 470	23 578	4 862	82 824
Mar qtr	130 362	62 424	60 160	509	6 083	63 296	95 683	72 364	15 010	252 946
			AVER	AGE TAKIN	NGS PER E	STABLISHM	ENT			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999										
Mar qtr	752.4	119.8	224.5	41.1	73.5	129.0	438.2	2 432.3	219.4	265.7
2000										
Jan	281.1	40.8	102.5	18.1	21.2	58.7	134.5	872.3	52.5	101.5
Feb	226.2	37.9	64.1	13.3	16.3	44.9	105.1	701.5	40.6	79.5
Mar	250.6	43.0	69.2	14.9	17.3	50.8	117.4	760.6	44.6	88.1
Mar qtr	757.9	121.7	235.9	46.3	54.8	154.4	357.0	2 334.3	137.7	269.1
						M NIGHT OC				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999	121	71	98	39	68	73	100	172	90	98
Mar qtr	TST	11	90	39	00	15	100	112	90	90
2000										
Jan	130	74	107	52	62	87	103	161	92	106
Feb	113	72	91	43	56	78	90	140	81	94
Mar	115	72	91	47	55	77	91	145	79	95
Mar qtr	119	73	97		58	81 M NIGHT AV	95 All ADLE	149	84	98
	\$	\$	AVERAGE	. TANINGS \$	S 8	vinight Av. \$	AILADLE \$	\$	\$	\$
1999	Φ	φ	φ	φ	φ	φ	φ	φ	Φ	φ
Mar qtr	70	37	52	17	30	39	58	113	41	54
2000										
Jan	76	37	67	24	27	48	59	106	42	60
Feb	66	36	44	19	22	39	49	91	33	50
Mar	68	38	45	20	22	42	52	92	34	52
Mar qtr	70	37	52	21	24	43	53	96	36	54
			AVE	RAGE TAK	INGS PER	GUEST NIG	HT			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	64	40	41	27	37	37	50	90	46	50
2000										
Jan	63	38	39	24	31	40	44	73	43	48
Feb	63	44	38	26	33	43	47	75	46	50
Mar	64	44	38	20	32	42	48	77	44	51
Mar qtr	63	42	38	23	32	41	46	75	44	49

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Capacity There were 10,446 guest rooms available in South Australia at the end of March 2000, spread across 234 accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or more. The number of guest rooms rose from 10,060 in the corresponding 1999 period (an increase of 4%) while 6 new establishments were added. The bulk of the increase in capacity occurred in serviced apartments which grew by 37% to 1,213 guest rooms. The average size of accommodation establishments rose to 45 guest rooms up by one compared with a year ago.

> Between the March quarters of 1999 and 2000 the average nightly number of rooms occupied increased slightly from 25.6 to 25.9. Serviced apartments were the only accommodation type showing significant movement in this period increasing by 10% (up 2.6 nightly rooms to 29.2).

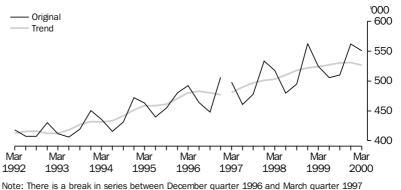
> For the March quarter 2000, there were on average 1.7 nightly guests per occupied room, whose average duration of stay was 2.0 days. Serviced apartments had both the highest number of nightly guests per occupied room (2.0) and the longest duration of stay (2.9).

Takings from
accommodationTakings from accommodation establishments in the March quarter 2000
were \$50.4 million, an 11% increase on the \$45.5 million recorded for
the same period in 1999. This equated to \$215,500 in average takings
per establishment, an 8% increase on the March quarter 1999 (\$199,500).
While all types of accommodation recorded increases, average takings for
serviced apartments showed the greatest movement, rising 26% to
\$259,200 in the March quarter 2000. Licensed hotels, motels and guest
houses both rose by 5% to \$382,900 and \$136,700 respectively.

In the March quarter 2000, average takings per room night occupied were \$92, an increase of \$5 on the March quarter 1999. Serviced apartments increased by \$12 to \$98, licensed hotels increased by \$5 to \$107, and motels and guest houses were up by \$3 to \$77.

Room nights occupied In the March quarter 2000, the trend estimate of room nights occupied was 526,500, a slight increase compared with the March quarter 1999 estimate of 523,900.

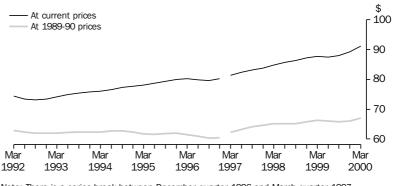




because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied Average takings per room night occupied, in both current and 1989–90 price terms, have continued recent increases. The current price trend estimate of \$91 for the March quarter 2000 is up \$3 on the March 1999 level. The estimate in 1989-90 prices of \$67 is \$1 more than for the March quarter 1999.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, SA: Trend



Note: There is a series break between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

13 HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS—SA(a)

	Room nights occupied(b)			Taking	is at current	prices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
		Seasonally			Seasonally			Seasonally		
	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	1 680.5	1 683.5	1 677.2	119.9	119.6	118.9	108.2	108.1	107.8	
1991	1 620.5	1 621.9	1 627.3	121.1	120.8	121.2	104.9	105.0	104.9	
1992	1 661.7	1 659.7	1 656.6	122.2	122.0	121.8	103.7	103.2	103.2	
1993	1 687.0	1 688.7	1 689.7	126.6	126.6	126.8	105.2	105.1	105.1	
1994	1 754.5	1 756.8	1 758.0	135.3	135.4	135.2	110.1	109.9	109.9	
1995	1 838.0	1 844.3	1 849.7	145.1	145.5	146.2	113.4	113.8	114.2	
1996	1 910.2	1 925.9	1 920.0	152.6	153.5	153.5	116.7	116.6	116.7	
1997	1 970.3	1 971.4	1 968.7	163.1	163.3	162.8	125.1	125.4	125.1	
1998	2 054.3	2 059.3	2 052.9	176.8	177.5	176.6	134.5	134.0	134.0	
1999	2 102.6	2 104.1	2 112.2	185.0	184.9	186.1	138.9	139.1	139.4	
1998										
Dec qtr	562.6	534.3	522.0	49.8	46.7	45.5	37.6	34.2	34.3	
1999										
Mar qtr	524.8	508.2	523.9	45.5	44.5	46.0	34.6	34.3	34.8	
Jun qtr	505.3	533.0	527.2	44.4	47.0	46.1	33.6	35.8	34.8	
Sep qtr	510.4	533.7	530.4	44.0	46.5	46.7	32.9	34.0	34.8	
Dec qtr	562.2	529.2	530.7	51.0	46.9	47.4	37.9	35.0	35.0	
2000										
Mar qtr	550.7	525.3	526.5	50.4	48.6	48.0	37.1	35.8	35.3	

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Explanatory Notes.

								S	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
	10,011,100		TABLISHME			-			011814404	
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999										
Establishments	61	145	22	5	49	125	37	4	8	228
Guest rooms	4 053	5 119	888	129	1 392	4 734	2 318	1 263	224	10 060
Rooms per establishment	66	35	40	26	28	38	63	316	28	44
Mar qtr 2000										
Establishments	62	146	26	7	55	117	41	4	10	234
Guest rooms	4 065	5 168	1 213	205	1 519	4 553	2 645	1 263	261	10 446
Rooms per establishment	66	35	47	29	28	39	65	316	26	45
	AVER	AGE NIGHT	LY ROOMS	OCCUPIE	ED PER ES	STABLISHN	/IENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	39.6	19.5	26.6	8.0	11.4	21.2	41.9	237.3	10.4	25.6
2000										
Jan	33.3	18.2	27.2	7.8	11.0	20.2	36.9	191.5	13.6	23.2
Feb	40.2	18.9	28.9	8.2	10.7	20.7	43.5	253.0	13.2	25.7
Mar	44.9	21.5	31.4	10.8	12.3	23.7	47.2	286.4	13.1	28.8
Mar qtr	39.4	19.6	29.2	9.0	11.4	21.5	42.5	243.4	13.3	25.9
	1	AVERAGE N	IIGHTLY GUE	STS PE	R OCCUPII	ED ROOM				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	1.5	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.6	1.7
2000										
Jan	1.7	2.0	2.3	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.5	2.2	1.9
Feb	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.7	1.6
Mar	1.4	1.6	1.9	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.8	1.6
Mar qtr	1.5	1.7	2.0	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.9	1.7
			AVERAGE L	ENGTH (OF STAY					
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999										
Mar qtr	2.1	1.8	3.1	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.4	1.9	2.0
2000										
Jan	2.2	1.8	3.1	1.5	1.8	1.9	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.0
Feb	2.1	1.8	2.8	1.5	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.2	3.3	2.0
Mar	2.2	1.8	2.8	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.0
Mar qtr	2.1	1.8	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.3	2.9	2.0

			-						Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels								
	hotels	and	Serviced							
	with facilities	guest houses	apart- ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
	laomico	1100303			DM ACCOM				ongraded	1000
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999	\$ 000	φ 000	\$ 000	φ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	φ 000
Mar qtr	22 181	18 793	4 516	151	2 532	16 812	14 665	10 969	362	45 490
2000	22 101	10100	1010	101	2 002	10 012	11000	10 000	002	10 100
Jan	6 339	6 333	2 127	79	1 028	5 448	5 061	2 872	310	14 798
Feb	7 734	6 1 1 0	2 085	77	854	5 138	5 636	3 962	261	15 928
Mar	9 666	7 514	2 527	105	1073	6 321	6 625	5 308	276	19 707
Mar qtr	23 738	19 956	6 739	261	2 955	16 907	17 321	12 142	847	50 433
			AVER	AGE TAKIN	GS PER ES	TABLISHMEN	νT			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999										
Mar qtr	363.6	129.6	205.3	30.1	51.7	134.5	396.3	2 742.2	45.3	199.5
2000										
Jan	102.2	43.4	81.8	11.3	18.7	46.6	123.4	718.0	31.0	63.2
Feb	124.7	41.8	80.2	11.0	15.5	43.9	137.5	990.6	26.1	68.1
Mar	155.9	51.5	97.2	15.0	19.5	54.0	161.6	1 327.0	27.6	84.2
Mar qtr	382.9	136.7	259.2	37.3	53.7	144.5	422.5	3 035.5	84.7	215.5
			AVERAGE	TAKINGS I	PER ROOM	NIGHT OCC	UPIED			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	102	74	86	42	50	71	105	128	49	87
2000										
Jan	99	77	97	46	55	74	108	121	74	88
Feb	108	76	96	46	51	73	109	135	68	92
Mar Mar qtr	113 107	77 77	100 98	45 46	52 53	74 74	110 109	150 137	68 70	95 92
	107	11				NIGHT AVAI		137	10	92
	¢	¢						¢	¢	¢
1999	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mar qtr	61	41	57	13	20	40	70	97	18	50
2000	ÛI	41	51	10	20	40	10	51	10	50
Jan	50	40	57	12	22	39	62	73	38	46
Feb	66	41	59	13	20	39	74	108	35	53
Mar	77	47	67	17	23	45	81	136	34	61
Mar qtr	64	42	61	14	22	41	72	106	36	53
· · · ·						UEST NIGHT				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	67	42	41	27	30	39	62	96	30	51
2000										
Jan	58	39	42	28	29	37	55	83	33	46
Feb	74	46	52	32	30	44	67	104	40	57
Mar	81	48	54	32	30	45	70	125	38	61
Mar qtr	72	44	49	31	30	42	64	105	36	55

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Capacity At the end of the March quarter 2000, there were 323 accommodation establishments in Western Australia with 15 or more rooms, 19 up on the same period 12 months earlier. Over the same period, the total capacity of these establishments rose from 17,517 to 18,846 guest rooms, an increase of 8% (1,329 guest rooms). Both licensed hotels and serviced apartments recorded increases in average capacity (up one room and four rooms respectively), while motels and guest houses average size remained at 48 rooms.

Demand for accommodation decreased marginally, with 31.8 average nightly rooms occupied per establishment in the March quarter 2000, down slightly from 32.1 in the same period in 1999. Both licensed hotels and serviced apartment accommodation showed increased demand over this period while motels and guest houses showed a decline in average nightly rooms occupied, falling to 22.7 in the March quarter 2000 from 24.6 in the previous March quarter.

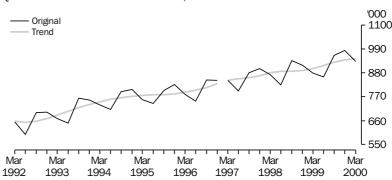
Takings from
accommodationTakings from accommodation establishments during the March quarter 2000,
totalled \$89.8 million, an increase of 8% from the corresponding period in
1999. Average takings per establishment increased 2%, from \$272,300 in the
March quarter 1999 to \$278,000 in the March quarter 2000.

Average takings per room night occupied increased \$2 since the March quarter 1999 to \$96, while average takings per room night available remained at \$53 for the March quarter 2000, compared to the corresponding period in 1999.

Average takings per guest night remained at \$55 for the March quarter 2000, compared to the corresponding period in 1999. Motels and guest houses and serviced apartments showed rises of \$2 each for the March quarter 2000, compared to the corresponding period in 1999. Licensed hotels decreased \$2 to \$68 for the corresponding period.

Room nights occupied For the March quarter 2000, the trend estimate of room nights occupied was 944,700, an increase of 5% (45,700 room nights) since the March quarter 1999. This continued the pattern of steady growth evident over the 8 year period.

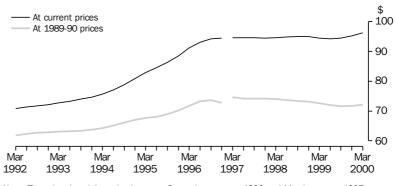
QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, WA



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7. Average takings per room night occupied

In current prices, the trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied has risen by \$1, to be \$96 for the March quarter 2000 compared to the equivalent 1999 level. In terms of 1989–90 prices, the trend estimate has declined slightly since the March 1999 quarter level of \$73 to be \$72 in the March quarter 2000.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, WA: Trend



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS—WA(a)
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-	i	Room nights c	ccupied(b)	Taking	s at current	prices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	
	'000'	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	2 503.6	2 503.9	2 498.5	170.5	170.4	169.7	152.1	152.1	151.6	
1991	2 566.6	2 563.0	2 556.1	180.2	179.9	179.8	157.6	157.4	157.2	
1992	2 645.7	2 634.4	2 636.4	189.6	188.8	188.6	165.5	164.8	164.6	
1993	2 835.3	2 836.1	2 841.5	209.0	209.0	209.4	179.7	179.7	180.1	
1994	3 041.7	3 042.3	3 042.8	237.9	237.6	237.8	200.2	200.0	200.0	
1995	3 119.8	3 122.3	3 117.6	266.8	266.9	266.7	214.3	214.3	214.3	
1996	3 223.3	3 221.7	3 235.4	301.2	300.7	301.7	235.8	235.5	235.7	
1997	3 424.9	3 426.0	3 420.3	323.8	324.0	323.4	253.8	253.9	254.0	
1998	3 547.2	3 551.2	3 547.5	336.5	336.7	336.3	260.7	260.9	260.8	
1999	3 686.1	3 689.1	3 681.1	348.4	348.7	348.2	265.2	265.4	264.9	
1998										
Dec qtr	914.8	884.9	890.5	87.1	83.6	84.5	66.9	64.2	65.1	
1999										
Mar qtr	878.9	895.4	899.0	82.8	84.8	85.0	63.8	65.4	65.3	
Jun qtr	861.7	922.0	913.7	81.4	86.9	86.0	62.2	66.4	65.7	
Sep qtr	961.4	919.3	929.2	90.2	86.4	87.8	68.4	65.5	66.6	
Dec qtr	984.1	952.4	939.3	94.0	90.6	89.4	70.7	68.2	67.3	
2000										
Mar qtr	932.3	937.5	944.7	89.8	90.6	90.9	67.4	67.9	68.1	

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(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.

(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Perth All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 8 to 10 of the

Explanatory Notes.

								S	Star grading	
	Licensed hotels with	Motels and guest	Serviced apart-	4	0	2	4	-		Tatal
	facilities	houses	ments TABLISHMEN			3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999	10.	110.	110.	110.	10.	110.	110.	110.	10.	10.
Establishments	131	113	60	4	35	127	45	10	83	304
Guest rooms	9 147	5 413	2 957	91	1 039	7 298	3 844	2 173	3 072	17 517
Rooms per establishment	70	48	49	23	30	57	85	217	37	58
Mar qtr 2000										
Establishments	134	121	68	3	24	127	61	13	95	323
Guest rooms	9 477	5 766	3 603	65	846	7 276	5 138	2 399	3 122	18 846
Rooms per establishment	71	48	53	22	35	57	84	185	33	58
·	AVER	AGE NIGHT	LY ROOMS	OCCUPIE	ED PER ES	STABLISHN	ЛЕNT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999										
Mar qtr	39.4	24.6	30.5	4.9	13.3	29.6	53.5	157.9	18.5	32.1
2000										
Jan	36.8	22.0	32.6	5.2	14.5	26.9	48.3	129.6	14.6	30.4
Feb	41.0	22.2	29.6	3.9	14.1	27.4	53.8	137.5	13.6	31.6
Mar	42.9	23.9	32.0	7.1	13.4	29.9	57.2	138.4	14.5	33.5
Mar qtr	40.2	22.7	31.5	5.4	14.0	28.1	53.1	135.1	14.3	31.8
	1	AVERAGE N	NGHTLY GUE	STS PE	R OCCUPI	ED ROOM				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999							. –	. –		. –
Mar qtr	1.5	1.7	2.3	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.7
2000										
Jan	1.7	1.9	2.6	2.1	1.8	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9
Feb	1.5	1.6	2.1	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Mar	1.5	1.7	2.1	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Dec qtr	1.5	1.7	2.2	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
			AVERAGE L	ENGTH (OF STAY					
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999										
Mar qtr	2.3	2.2	3.9	1.5	2.2	2.4	2.8	3.2	2.1	2.5
2000										
Jan	2.2	2.3	4.0	1.1	2.2	2.4	2.7	3.1	2.5	2.6
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.6	1.6	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.3	2.4
Mar	2.1	2.2	3.3	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.8	2.2	2.4
Mar qtr	2.2	2.2	3.6	1.4	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.4

			-						Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels								
	hotels	and	Serviced							
	with facilities	guest houses	apart- ments	1	2	3	4	5	Ungraded	Total
	Tacilities	nouses					4	5	Ungraueu	TULAI
	¢1000	¢2000					¢2000	¢2000	¢1000	¢2000
1999	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Mar qtr	47 850	18 742	16 193	82	2 711	26 040	23 771	19 631	10 551	82 786
2000	47 850	10/42	10 193	02	2 / 11	20 040	23 111	19 031	10 331	02 100
Jan	15 761	6 654	7 329	26	786	8 644	10 227	7 348	2 715	29 744
Feb	16 889	5 979	5 434	18	665	7 740	10 227	7 306	2 161	28 303
Mar	18 667	6 745	6 341	25	682	8 925	11 937	7 628	2 557	31 754
Mar qtr	51 318	19 378	19 105	69	2 133	25 309	32 576	22 281	7 433	89 801
						TABLISHME				
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999	¢ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	φ 000	\$ 000	φ 000
Mar qtr	365.3	165.9	269.9	20.6	77.5	205.0	528.2	1 963.1	127.1	272.3
2000	00010	20010	20010	2010		20010	020.2	100011		2.2.0
Jan	117.6	55.0	107.8	8.7	32.7	68.1	167.7	565.2	28.6	92.1
Feb	126.0	49.4	79.9	6.0	27.7	60.9	170.7	562.0	22.7	87.6
Mar	139.3	55.7	93.3	8.4	28.4	70.3	195.7	586.8	26.9	98.3
Mar qtr	383.0	160.2	281.0	23.1	88.9	199.3	534.0	1 713.9	78.2	278.0
			AVERAGE	TAKINGS I	PER ROOM	NIGHT OCC	UPIED			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	103	75	98	47	65	77	110	138	77	94
2000										
Jan	104	81	108	53	73	82	112	141	66	99
Feb	106	77	94	53	68	77	110	141	58	96
Mar	105	75	94	38	69	76	110	137	60	95
Mar qtr	105	78	99	47	70	78	111	139	61	96
			AVERAGE	TAKINGS I	PER ROOM	NIGHT AVAI	LABLE			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999										
Mar qtr	58	39	61	10	29	40	69	100	38	53
2000				10						
Jan	54	38	66	13	30	38	64	99	29	51
Feb	62	36	53	10	27	37	70	105	24	52
Mar Mar	64	38	57	13	26	40	75	103	26	54
Mar qtr	60	37	59	12	28	38	70	102	27	53
						UEST NIGH				
1000	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999	70	40	40	24	27	40	05	01	50	
Mar qtr	70	43	42	31	37	42	65	81	50	55
2000 Jan	61	43	42	25	40	41	57	75	36	匚1
Feb	72	43 48	42 45	25 32	40 45	41 45	57 69	75 87	36 37	51 59
Mar	72	40 46	45 46	32 28	43 43	43 44	69	84	37	58
Mar qtr	68	40	40	28	43	44	65	82	37	55
mai qu	00			20	74		00	02	51	

TASMANIA

Capacity In the March quarter 2000, there were 131 accommodation establishments in Tasmania with 15 rooms or more, an increase of two since the March quarter 1999. In the twelve months to March 2000, the number of guest rooms rose by 1% (58) to 5,570.

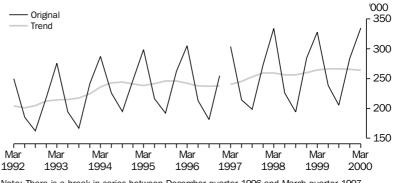
During the March quarter 2000, the average nightly rooms occupied per establishment was 28.1, down slightly on the March quarter 1999. While average nightly guests per occupied room remained at 1.8, guests stayed an average of 1.9 days per establishment. Guests in serviced apartments stayed longer at 2.3 days during the March quarter 2000, up from 2.0 a year ago, while guests in both licensed hotels, motels and guest houses stayed 1.8 days compared to 1.7 days a year ago.

Takings from accommodation Total takings from accommodation were \$30.0 million in the March quarter 2000, a 6% increase on the March quarter 1999 figure of \$28.4 million. On average, accommodation takings per establishment rose by 4% during this period (\$229,400), compared to \$219,800 in March quarter 1999. All accommodation types showed growth in average takings per establishment, with licensed hotels increasing by 5%, motels and guest houses up by 3% and serviced apartments up by 4%.

Average takings per room night occupied for all accommodation types increased \$3 to \$90 compared to the same period a year ago. Average takings per guest night also increased, by \$2 to \$49 in the March quarter 2000.

Room nights occupied For the March quarter 2000, the trend estimate of room nights occupied was 263,600, a slight decrease on the March 1999 level (264,500) and a 1% decrease on the December quarter 1999 level (265,600).

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, Tas

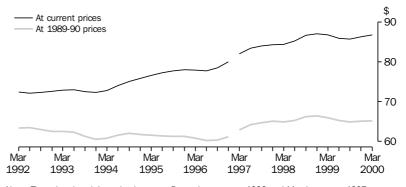


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Average takings per room night occupied

Average takings per room night occupied, in current prices, remains at \$87 for the March quarter 2000, the same as the March quarter 1999 level. The estimate in 1989–90 prices of \$65, reflects a decrease of \$1 since the March quarter 1999 level.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Tas: Trend



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

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HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS-TAS.(a)

_	Room nights occupied(b)			Taking	s at current p	orices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
		Seasonally			Seasonally			Seasonally		
	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	786.3	791.1	780.8	53.3	53.8	52.9	48.5	48.8	48.7	
1991	817.4	816.9	815.7	58.2	58.3	58.2	51.3	51.4	51.2	
1992	815.4	815.3	822.4	59.1	59.0	59.5	51.4	51.5	51.9	
1993	878.6	876.6	872.1	63.9	63.7	63.4	54.2	54.0	53.7	
1994	954.9	961.0	964.3	70.9	71.5	71.8	58.7	59.2	59.4	
1995	970.1	975.8	972.5	75.0	75.5	75.3	59.7	59.8	59.7	
1996	954.4	952.9	954.9	75.2	74.9	75.0	58.3	58.0	57.9	
1997	990.3	996.9	998.2	82.5	83.2	83.3	63.7	64.0	64.1	
1998	1 039.1	1 035.6	1 032.1	89.7	89.3	88.6	68.7	68.4	67.8	
1999	1 056.3	1 061.6	1 063.2	90.1	90.8	91.6	68.6	68.8	69.4	
1998										
Dec qtr	284.7	265.8	260.0	25.9	23.8	22.6	19.7	18.3	17.3	
1999										
Mar qtr	327.8	261.2	264.5	28.4	22.2	23.0	21.7	16.8	17.5	
Jun qtr	238.6	267.3	266.6	20.1	22.9	22.9	15.4	17.5	17.4	
Sep qtr	205.5	267.8	266.5	17.3	23.3	22.8	13.1	17.5	17.3	
Dec qtr	284.3	265.4	265.6	24.3	22.4	22.9	18.3	17.0	17.3	
2000										
Mar qtr	334.9	262.4	263.6	30.0	23.2	22.9	22.4	17.4	17.2	

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(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.

(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Hobart All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 8 to 10 of the Explanatory Notes.

			-			S	Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels	·					
	hotels with	and guest	Serviced apart-	1 and				
	facilities	houses	ments	ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
		ESTABLISH	HMENTS AND	CAPACITY				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999								
Establishments	54	51	24	8	17	71	33	129
Guest rooms	2 898	1 749	865	246	478	2 609	2 179	5 512
Rooms per establishment	54	34	36	31	28	37	66	43
Mar qtr 2000								
Establishments	55	51	25	11	15	73	32	131
Guest rooms	2 931	1747	892	337	415	2 993	1 825	5 570
Rooms per establishment	53	34	36	31	28	41	57	43
	AVERAGE 1	NIGHTLY ROO	MS OCCUPIED) PER ESTABLIS	SHMENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								
Mar qtr	34.7	22.7	25.4	10.1	13.7	24.3	48.6	28.2
2000								
Jan	30.0	19.8	25.1	11.1	10.6	24.2	38.8	25.1
Feb	37.3	22.9	25.9	11.7	12.5	28.3	46.4	29.5
Mar	36.8	24.2	26.5	10.9	12.9	29.6	45.1	29.9
Mar qtr	34.6	22.3	25.8	11.2	12.0	27.3	43.4	28.1
	AVERA	AGE NIGHTLY	GUESTS PER	OCCUPIED RO	OM			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								
Mar qtr	1.6	2.0	2.3	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.7	1.8
2000								
Jan	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.6	1.6	2.1	1.9	2.0
Feb	1.6	1.8	2.1	2.1	1.5	1.9	1.7	1.8
Mar	1.6	1.8	2.1	2.1	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.8
Mar qtr	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.3	1.5	1.9	1.7	1.8
		AVERAG	GE LENGTH OF	F STAY				
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999								
Mar qtr	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.5	1.6	1.7	2.0	1.8
2000								
Jan	1.8	1.8	2.4	2.0	1.4	1.9	2.1	1.9
Feb	1.8	1.8	2.3	2.1	1.5	1.9	1.9	1.9
Mar	1.7	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.4	1.8	1.9	1.8
Mar qtr	1.8	1.8	2.3	2.0	1.4	1.8	1.9	1.9

							Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels						
	hotels	and	Serviced	1 and				
	with facilities	guest houses	apart- ments	1 and ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
					TION			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999								
Mar qtr	14 215	8 408	5 728	422	943	11 611	15 375	28 351
2000								
Jan	4 545	2 766	2 179	325	240	4 631	4 294	9 490
Feb	5 245	2 821	1 951	278	269	4 801	4 668	10 017
Mar	5 394	3 042	2 104	282	280	5 207	4 770	10 540
Mar qtr	15 184	8 629	6 233	886	790	14 639	13 732	30 046
		AV	ERAGE TAKING	5 PER ESTABLIS	HMENT			
1000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999 Mar qtr	263.2	164.9	238.7	52.7	55.5	163.5	465.9	219.8
·	203.2	104.9	230.1	52.1	55.5	105.5	400.9	219.0
2000	00.0	54.0	07.0	00.0	40.0	<u> </u>	404.0	70.4
Jan	82.6	54.2	87.2	29.6	16.0	63.4	134.2	72.4
Feb	95.4	55.3	78.0	25.3	17.9	65.8	145.9	76.5
Mar Mar	98.1	59.6	84.1	25.7	18.7	71.3	149.1	80.5
Mar qtr	276.1	169.2	249.3	80.5 R ROOM NIGHT	52.7	200.5	429.1	229.4
	\$	AVERA \$	GE TANINGS PE \$	R ROOM NIGHT	OCCUPIED \$	\$	\$	\$
1999	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ
Mar qtr	84	81	104	58	45	75	107	87
2000								
Jan	89	89	112	86	49	85	112	93
Feb	88	83	104	75	50	80	108	89
Mar	87	79	102	76	47	78	107	87
Mar qtr	88	83	106	79	48	81	109	90
		AVERA	.GE TAKINGS PE	R ROOM NIGHT	AVAILABLE			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999								
Mar qtr	55	53	74	19	22	49	78	57
2000								
Jan	50	51	79	31	19	50	76	55
Feb	62	56	75	29	22	55	88	62
Mar	60	56	76	27	22	57	84	61
Mar qtr	57	54	77	29	21	54	83	59
				GS PER GUEST I				
1999	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mar qtr	52	41	46	33	28	37	62	47
200	-		-		-	-	-	
Jan	48	44	44	33	31	40	59	46
Feb	48 54	44	44 50	36	34	40	59 65	40 50
Mar	54	43	50 50	36	34 30	43	65	50 49
Mar qtr	52	43	48	35	30	42	63	49 49
	52	44	40	30	31	42	05	49

NORTHERN TERRITORY

Capacity At the end of the March quarter 2000, there were 89 accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or more in the Northern Territory, an increase of one on the March quarter 1999. The 89 establishments contained 6,182 guest rooms, 2% more than a year ago. Half of the guest rooms (3,073) were available in motels and guest house type accommodation and 31% (1,938) were available in licensed hotels.

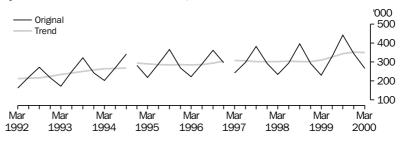
> On average, accommodation establishments in the Territories tend to be larger than those in the States. The average number of guest rooms per establishment in the Northern Territory for the March quarter 2000 was 69. This was surpassed only by the Australian Capital Territory with an average of 84 rooms per establishment.

In the March quarter 2000, the average nightly number of rooms occupied per establishment was 33.1, up from 29.0 in the March quarter 1999. The increase occurred across all accommodation types, but was strongest in licensed hotels which rose 24% to 41.2.

Takings from accommodation Takings by accommodation establishments in the Northern Territory were \$26.9 million in the March quarter 2000, an increase of 22% (\$4.9 million) compared to the previous March quarter. The rise in takings, coupled with the stable number of establishments, also resulted in a 21% gain in average takings per establishment. The growth in average takings was highest in licensed hotels (44%), and serviced apartments (15%), with motels and guest houses up 6%.

Room nights occupied The trend estimate for room nights occupied for the March quarter 2000 was 351,300, an increase of 13% on the March quarter 1999 but a slight decrease (less than 1%) on the December quarter 1999.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, NT

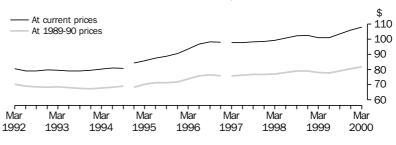


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There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

Average takings per room night occupied The trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied increased to new levels in the March quarter 2000 in both current and 1989–90 prices. The March quarter 2000 current price estimate of average takings per room night occupied of \$108, was up \$7 on the March quarter 1999 level. The comparable figure in 1989–90 prices of \$82 reflects an increase of \$4.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, NT: Trend



Notes: There is a break in series relating to the Northern Territory because two establishments previously classified as holiday units were reclassified as motels between the September and December quarters 1994.

There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS—NT(a)

-		Room nights occupied(b)			s at current	prices(b)	Takings at average 1989–90 prices(c)			
		Seasonally			Seasonally			Seasonally		
	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	Original	adjusted	Trend	
	'000'	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
1990	820.0	812.0	799.4	64.2	63.4	62.1	58.6	58.3	57.9	
1991	817.6	814.5	818.8	66.6	66.2	66.5	58.7	58.2	58.6	
1992	872.7	872.1	869.2	69.0	69.1	69.2	59.9	60.2	60.0	
1993	989.8	985.1	986.7	78.6	78.3	78.3	67.0	66.8	67.0	
1994	1 096.3	1 095.1	1 093.4	89.7	89.4	89.4	75.0	75.1	74.7	
1995	1 146.4	1 145.4	1 149.1	101.3	100.9	101.4	81.3	81.0	81.7	
1996	1 173.1	1 172.1	1 171.2	113.9	113.4	113.3	88.7	88.7	88.4	
1997	1 217.7	1 219.6	1 219.2	119.8	119.8	119.7	93.2	93.5	93.2	
1998	1 220.7	1 218.4	1 213.7	124.1	123.5	122.8	95.9	95.5	95.1	
1999	1 347.9	1 337.1	1 334.3	139.0	138.1	137.6	106.7	105.6	105.4	
1998										
Dec qtr	293.2	305.7	303.1	30.0	31.5	31.1	23.1	24.0	24.0	
1999										
Mar qtr	229.8	297.9	310.3	22.1	30.2	31.4	17.1	23.4	24.2	
Jun qtr	330.5	333.0	327.4	33.1	33.1	33.1	25.5	25.6	25.5	
Sep qtr	443.0	346.0	344.4	46.9	35.7	35.7	36.0	27.4	27.3	
Dec qtr	344.6	360.2	352.1	36.9	39.1	37.4	28.2	29.3	28.4	
2000										
Mar qtr	267.2	341.9	351.3	26.9	36.3	38.0	20.4	28.0	28.8	

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7.

(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by

summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures. (c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Darwin All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 8 to 10 of the

Explanatory Notes.

			_					
	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	1 and ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
		ESTABLISH	MENTS AND	CAPACITY				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999								
Establishments	24	48	16	18	23	33	14	88
Guest rooms	1 984	3 025	1 038	555	977	2 598	1 917	6 047
Rooms per establishment	83	63	65	31	42	79	137	69
Mar qtr 2000								
Establishments	23	48	18	20	20	33	16	89
Guest rooms	1 938	3 073	1 171	626	803	2 471	2 282	6 182
Rooms per establishment	84	64	65	31	40	75	143	69
	AVERAGE 1	NIGHTLY ROO	MS OCCUPIED	PER ESTABLIS	SHMENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								
Mar qtr	33.3	26.2	31.3	11.7	11.5	37.0	61.4	29.0
2000								
Jan	34.1	25.5	31.6	10.0	12.9	29.0	72.7	29.0
Feb	43.3	28.9	35.1	11.2	13.5	32.2	91.1	33.9
Mar	46.2	32.4	34.8	12.4	15.9	35.8	93.6	36.5
Mar qtr	41.2	29.0	33.8	11.2	14.1	32.3	85.7	33.1
	AVERA	AGE NIGHTLY	GUESTS PER	OCCUPIED RO	OM			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								
Mar qtr	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.6
2000								
Jan	1.7	1.6	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7
Feb	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.5
Mar	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.6
Mar qtr	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.6
		AVERAG	GE LENGTH OF	STAY				
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999	2	-	2	2	-	-	2	
Mar qtr	1.7	1.7	2.8	2.2	1.6	1.7	2.2	1.9
2000								
Jan	1.7	1.9	3.3	2.1	1.8	1.9	2.4	2.1
Feb	1.6	1.9	3.0	2.4	1.8	1.7	2.1	1.9
Mar	1.6	1.8	2.9	2.4	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.9
								2.0

							Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels						
	hotels	and	Serviced	4				
	with facilities	guest houses	apart- ments	1 and ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
	140111400			ACCOMMODAT				
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999								
Mar qtr	8 117	9 836	4 112	1 155	1 527	10 903	8 481	22 065
2000								
Jan	3 142	3 067	1 677	397	423	3 034	4 033	7 886
Feb	3 734	3 352	1 720	414	412	3 143	4 838	8 807
Mar	4 327	4 011	1 899	505	512	3 795	5 426	10 238
Mar qtr	11 203	10 431	5 297	1 315	1 347	9 972	14 297	26 931
		A	ERAGE TAKING	5 PER ESTABLIS	HMENT			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999 Mar qtr	338.2	204.9	257.0	64.1	66.4	330.4	605.8	250.7
	336.2	204.9	257.0	04.1	00.4	550.4	005.8	250.1
2000	100.0		00.0	10.0	04.0	04.0	050.0	00.0
Jan	136.6	63.9	93.2	19.8	21.2	91.9	252.0	88.6
Feb	162.4	69.8	95.6	20.7	20.6	95.2	302.4	99.0
Mar	188.1	83.6	105.5	25.2	25.6	115.0	339.1	115.0
Mar qtr	487.1	217.3	294.3	65.7	67.4	302.2	893.5	302.6
	¢			R ROOM NIGHT		¢	¢	¢
1999	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Mar qtr	113	87	92	61	64	99	110	96
2000								
Jan	129	81	95	67	53	102	112	99
Feb	129	83	94	64	53	102	115	101
Mar	131	84	98	66	54	104	117	102
Mar qtr	130	83	96	65	53	103	115	101
i		AVERA	GE TAKINGS PE	R ROOM NIGHT	AVAILABLE			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999								
Mar qtr	46	36	44	23	17	47	49	41
2000								
Jan	52	32	46	21	17	40	57	41
Feb	66	38	51	23	18	44	73	49
Mar	72	43	52	26	22	50	77	54
Mar qtr	64	38	50	23	19	44	69	48
				GS PER GUEST				
4000	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999 Mar qtr	72	54	53	38	35	61	71	59
	12	54		00	00	01	1 -	55
2000	76	50	17	20	21	57	66	57
Jan Fob	76	50 50	47	39	31	57	66 79	57
Feb	81	59 56	55 57	42	35	62 62	78 79	65 65
Mar Mar atr	84	56	57	41	36	62	78 74	65 63
Mar qtr	81	55	52	40	34	60	74	63

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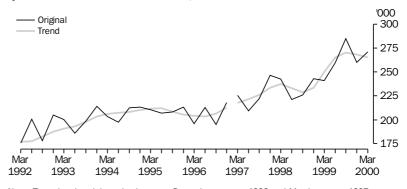
Capacity At the end of the March quarter 2000 there were 59 accommodation establishments with 15 rooms or more in the Australian Capital Territory, an increase of five since the March quarter 1999. The overall capacity of accommodation establishments rose by 311 guest rooms to 4,959 during this period, with serviced apartments accounting for 64% of the increase (199 new guest rooms). The average number of rooms per establishment across all accommodation types at the March quarter 2000 was 84 guest rooms, a decrease of two in comparison to the previous year.

> Accommodation establishments in the Australian Capital Territory had on average 51.2 nightly rooms occupied in the March quarter 2000, up from 49.6 since March 1999. Within the quarter, the highest level of nightly rooms occupied occurred in the month of March 2000 with 56.5. On average, guests chose to stay 2.2 nights over the March quarter 2000, the same as for the corresponding 1999 period. Across all accommodation types, guests in serviced apartments stayed an average of 3.9 days while those in licensed hotels, motels and guest houses stayed for shorter periods (1.8 days respectively).

Takings from accommodation Total takings from accommodation establishments were \$27.3 million in the March quarter 2000, a 15% increase (\$3.6 million) on the same period in 1999. Serviced apartments experienced a 34% increase in takings, motels and guest houses were up 8% and licensed hotels increased by 7%. Takings from licensed hotels during the March quarter 2000 represented 43% of all takings. The month of January was the lowest in the quarter in terms of total takings for all accommodation types.

Room nights occupied The trend estimate of room nights occupied during the March quarter 2000 was 265,100. This was an increase of 6% on the March quarter 1999 but a decrease of 1% on the December quarter 1999, reflecting declines in the two most recent quarters.

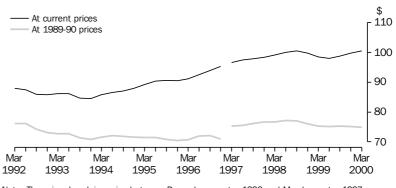
QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, ACT



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

Average takings per room night occupied Average takings per room night occupied, in current price terms, has increased by 2% to \$101 for the March quarter 2000, over the corresponding period last year. This is the third consecutive quarterly increase. The estimate in 1989-90 price terms of \$75 remains at the March quarter 1999 level.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, ACT: Trend



Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3–7.

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS-ACT(a)

_	ŀ	Room nights c	occupied(b)	Taking	s at current	prices(b)	Takings at aver	age 1989–90	prices(c)
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend
	'000	'000	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1990	694.6	696.3	699.5	56.8	56.9	57.0	51.3	51.2	51.5
1991	696.7	697.1	695.8	58.1	58.2	58.0	50.8	50.9	50.7
1992	758.9	755.9	724.0	62.9	62.5	62.8	54.1	54.1	54.2
1993	798.9	799.8	784.6	67.2	67.3	67.0	56.6	56.6	56.4
1994	826.4	829.6	831.5	71.6	72.0	72.2	59.4	59.4	59.7
1995	838.7	840.2	837.5	75.7	75.7	75.5	59.6	59.7	59.5
1996	821.5	818.7	826.4	76.5	76.3	77.0	58.8	58.9	59.0
1997	903.3	903.5	898.8	88.1	88.2	87.7	68.3	68.2	68.2
1998	933.1	934.9	932.7	93.5	93.5	93.1	71.9	71.9	71.6
1999	1 045.8	1 049.7	1 054.0	103.1	103.6	104.1	78.7	78.7	79.3
1998									
Dec qtr	242.9	234.6	233.4	24.4	23.7	23.3	18.7	18.0	17.8
1999									
Mar qtr	241.1	245.5	250.3	23.7	24.1	24.7	18.2	18.2	18.9
Jun qtr	259.7	266.9	265.1	25.4	25.8	26.0	19.5	20.1	19.9
Sep qtr	284.9	284.0	270.2	28.2	28.2	26.7	21.5	21.6	20.3
Dec qtr	260.1	253.4	268.5	25.8	25.5	26.8	19.5	18.8	20.2
2000									
Mar qtr	271.3	270.4	265.1	27.3	27.0	26.6	20.4	20.3	19.8

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7.

(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.

(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Canberra All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 8 to 10 of the

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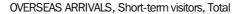
			_			9	Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels						
	hotels with	and guest	Serviced apart-	1 and				
	facilities	houses	ments	ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
		ESTABLISH	HMENTS AND	CAPACITY				
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Mar qtr 1999								
Establishments	14	24	16	9	7	22	16	54
Guest rooms	1 767	1 702	1 179	703	404	1 729	1 812	4 648
Rooms per establishment	126	71	74	78	58	79	113	86
Mar qtr 2000								
Establishments	15	25	19	9	9	20	21	59
Guest rooms	1878	1 703	1 378	619	587	1 401	2 352	4 959
Rooms per establishment	125	68	73	69	65	70	112	84
	AVERAGE 1	NIGHTLY ROO	MS OCCUPIED	D PER ESTABLIS	SHMENT			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								
Mar qtr	75.6	36.4	46.6	33.9	27.4	42.9	77.3	49.6
2000								
Jan	63.3	30.9	48.9	34.6	33.6	36.3	62.4	45.0
Feb	75.5	36.8	53.0	37.0	38.3	40.8	74.6	51.9
Mar	90.5	39.1	52.8	45.0	38.5	42.1	83.0	56.5
Mar qtr	76.9	35.6	51.5	39.4	36.8	39.7	73.3	51.2
	AVERA	AGE NIGHTLY	GUESTS PER	OCCUPIED RO	OM			
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1999								
Mar qtr	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.4	2.2	1.7	1.6	1.7
2000								
Jan	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.9
Feb	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.4	1.5
Mar	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.4	1.5
Mar qtr	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.6
		AVERAC	GE LENGTH OF	= STAY				
	days	days	days	days	days	days	days	days
1999								
Mar qtr	2.1	1.9	3.1	2.5	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.2
2000								
Jan	1.9	1.9	3.5	3.8	2.4	1.9	2.4	2.3
Feb	1.8	1.8	4.1	3.3	2.5	2.0	2.2	2.2
Mar	1.8	1.7	4.0	3.3	2.4	2.1	1.9	2.1
Mar Qtr	1.8	1.8	3.9	3.4	2.4	2.0	2.1	2.2

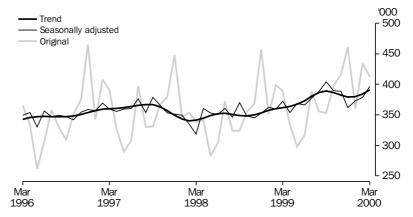
			_				Star grading	
	Licensed	Motels						
	hotels	and	Serviced					
	with facilities	guest houses	apart- ments	1 and ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
	Tacintics	1100303		ACCOMMODAT		5	4 4/10 5	10101
	¢2000	¢2000				¢2000	¢2000	¢2000
1000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999 Mor. etr	10 942	5 945	6 834	1 911	1 214	6 997	13 599	23 721
Mar qtr 2000	10 942	5 945	0 034	1 911	1 214	0 991	12 299	25721
Jan	3 036	1 932	3 022	578	652	1 821	4 939	7 990
Feb	3 706	2 101	3 017	930	625	1 860	4 939 5 408	8 824
Mar	4 986	2 359	3 146	1 207	654	1 998	6 633	10 491
Mar qtr	11 727	6 392	9 185	2 714	1 931	5 679	16 980	27 305
				S PER ESTABLIS		0010	10000	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999								
Mar qtr	781.6	247.7	427.2	212.4	173.5	318.1	849.9	439.3
2000								
Jan	202.4	77.3	159.0	64.2	72.4	91.1	235.2	135.4
Feb	247.0	84.0	158.8	103.3	69.5	93.0	257.5	149.6
Mar	332.4	94.4	165.6	134.1	72.6	99.9	315.9	177.8
Mar qtr	781.8	255.7	483.4	301.6	214.5	283.9	808.6	462.8
		AVERA	GE TAKINGS PE	R ROOM NIGHT	OCCUPIED			
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999								
Mar qtr	115	76	102	70	70	82	122	98
2000								
Jan	115	81	105	88	70	81	122	101
Feb	113	79	103	96	63	79	119	99
Mar	119	78	101	96	61	77	123	101
Mar qtr	116	79	103	94	64	79	121	101
				R ROOM NIGHT				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1999			0.4		~~~	45	00	
Mar qtr	69	39	64	30	33	45	83	57
2000	58	37	71	44	36	42	68	54
Jan Feb	68	43	71	52	30	42	79	54 61
Mar	86	43	76	63	36	40	91	68
Mar qtr	71	41	73	54	36	40	79	61
	11			GS PER GUEST N			10	
	¢		\$	\$		¢	\$	¢
1999	\$	\$	Φ	Φ	\$	\$	Φ	\$
Mar qtr	76	44	56	48	32	48	76	59
2000	10		00	-0	02	UF	10	00
Jan	69	43	51	46	36	39	69	54
Feb	80	50	64	63	40	45	85	65
Mar	86	47	62	61	35	44	88	66
Mar qtr	79	46	59	58	37	43	81	62
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INTERNATIONAL TOURISM

INTRODUCTIONThe statistics presented in this section are sourced from the overseas
arrivals and departures data obtained from incoming and outgoing
passenger cards, collected by the Department of Immigration and
Multicultural Affairs (DIMA). The data relate to short-term movements
(less than 12 months) of visitors to or from Australia, and departures of
Australian residents for short-term trips abroad. The statistics presented
here supplement those already released in the monthly publication,
Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (ABS Cat. no. 3401.0).

VISITOR ARRIVALS There were an estimated 1,207,300 short-term visitor arrivals to Australia during the March quarter 2000, with the highest number occurring during February (434,600). The March quarterly arrivals represent an increase of 6% (68,700) on the corresponding 1999 quarter and a decrease of 5% (67,100) on the December quarter 1999. In trend terms, this corresponded to a 7% increase on the March quarter 1999 and a slight increase (0.6%) on the December quarter 1999.

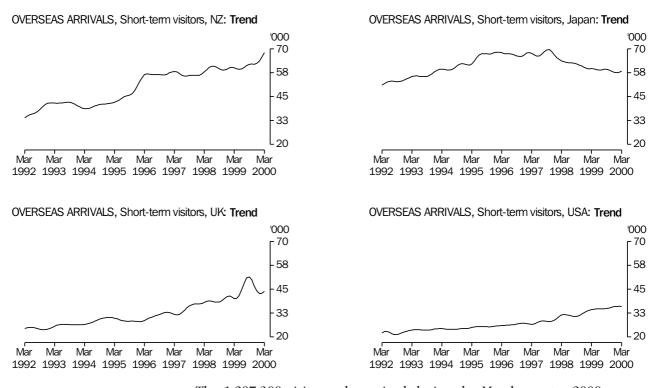




In original terms, the major source countries of visitor arrivals to Australia during the March quarter 2000 were Japan (16% or 192,000 of all arrivals), the UK (13% or 162,000), NZ (13% or 154,500) and the USA (10% or 118,800) (refer to table 28).

Compared to the same period last year, arrivals from Japan fell by 1%, the UK increased by 1%, NZ by 8% and the USA by 4%. With the exceptions of Indonesia and Africa (both down 12%), Taiwan (down 9%) and Canada (down 2%), all remaining countries recorded increases in visitor numbers to Australia during the March quarter 2000 compared to the same period in 1999.

VISITOR ARRIVALS continued Trend analysis of the four major source countries show that NZ and USA arrivals are at their highest levels ever. Visitor arrivals from Japan have increased in the three months to March 2000 but are well below the peak of October 1997 (69,600). The trend estimate for arrivals from the UK have increased since January 2000, but are not as high as the peak level in September 1999 (51,500).



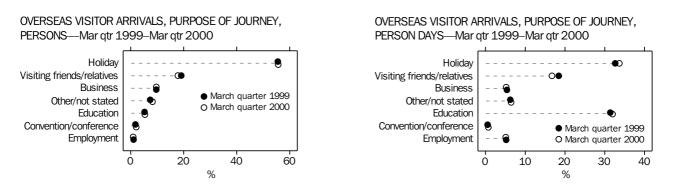
The 1,207,300 visitors who arrived during the March quarter 2000 intended staying a total of 42.9 million person days (refer to tables 28 and 31), an increase of 9% over the corresponding 1999 period. This translated to a median intended stay of 10.6 days, a decease of 0.1 days over the median recorded during the March 1999 quarter.

Visitors from Europe still intended to have the longest median stay (21.4 days), while those from Northeast Asia had the shortest (7.5 days). At the country level, visitors from Switzerland still recorded the longest intended length of stay (30.2 days), while visitors from Japan still retained the shortest median stay (6.5 days).

Japanese visitors accounted for 16% of all arrivals during the March quarter 2000, for 7% (3.0 million) of the total person days to be spent here and planned to stay a median of 6.5 days. Visitors from the UK accounted for 13% of all arrivals, for 16% (6.8 million) of the total person days and planned to stay a median of 21.2 days. NZ visitors accounted for 13% of all arrivals during the quarter, for 8% (3.5 million) of the total person days to be spent here and intended to stay a median of 8.8 days.

Purpose of journey The main purpose of journey for the majority of visitor arrivals in the March quarter 2000 were holidays (56% or 672,000), followed by visiting friends and relatives (18% or 216,700) (refer to table 30). Holiday visits were the most popular reason for travel for visitors from all countries. The majority of holiday makers visiting Australia were from Japan (24% or 164,100), the UK (12% or 80,700) and NZ (10% or 65,700). The greatest proportion of the 216,700 visitors intending to visit friends and relatives were from the UK (26% or 57,200) and NZ (19% or 41,100).

Business travel accounted for 10% of all arrivals (116,700), with most coming from NZ (23% or 27,000) and the USA (18% or 20,800).



Length of stay The majority of visitors (58% or 702,800) planned to spend less than two weeks in Australia during the March quarter 2000 (refer to table 32). Another 23% (273,800) intended staying for more than one month with 29% of these visitors (78,700) intending to stay for more than six months. Holidays were the most popular reason for travel regardless of the intended duration, with 65% (436,000) of holiday makers intending to stay between 1 to 2 weeks.

Of the 192,000 visitor arrivals from Japan, 58% intended to stay for less than one week, with the majority of these (101,600) being for holiday purposes. Visitors from the UK were the largest group of travellers intending to stay for more than one month, accounting for 21% of the 273,800 visitors in this category.

Age of visitors Visitors in the 25–34 year age group continue to account for the largest category of the overseas arrivals during the March quarter 2000 at 24%, followed by those aged 35-44 years (17%) and 45–54 years (16%) (refer to table 33).

Across all age groups, holidays were the most popular reason for travel.

ARRIVALS OF OVERSEAS VISITORS, COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

				Original				
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Mar qtr 2000	Change over Mar qtr 1999	Proportion of total visitors	Median intended length of stay	Person days
Country of residence	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	days	'000
Oceania and Antarctica								
New Zealand	47.8	45.0	61.7	154.5	8.0	12.8	8.8	3 502.1
Other	12.9	10.1	10.1	33.1	-2.2	2.7	10.4	970.3
Total	60.7	55.1	71.8	187.6	6.1	15.5	9.0	4 472.5
Europe and the former USSR								
France	5.0	5.0	3.9	13.9	17.6	1.1	15.8	499.4
Germany	14.1	14.7	13.1	42.0	3.7	3.5	23.0	1 422.0
Italy	4.4	4.8	3.5	12.7	23.7	1.1	20.1	404.5
Netherlands	5.0	6.1	4.8	15.9	17.1	1.3	27.6	776.7
Switzerland	5.3	4.6	3.8	13.6	12.3	1.1	30.2	674.1
United Kingdom	46.4	60.1	55.4	162.0	1.1	13.4	21.2	6 777.6
Other	20.6	22.0	19.1	61.7	16.6	5.1	21.3	3 168.5
Total	100.8	117.2	103.7	321.7	6.7	26.6	21.4	13 722.9
Middle East and North Africa								
Total	3.9	3.7	3.4	11.0	0.2	0.9	14.9	487.8
Southeast Asia								
Indonesia	10.1	9.5	7.1	26.6	-11.8	2.2	14.2	2 333.3
Malaysia	8.9	18.0	12.3	39.1	17.5	3.2	8.8	2 257.6
Singapore	10.4	24.6	23.7	58.7	11.5	4.9	8.2	2 251.7
Thailand	3.8	4.8	6.2	14.9	29.5	1.2	10.3	819.1
Other	4.5	4.7	4.8	13.9	-3.5	1.2	10.9	770.2
Total	37.6	61.7	54.0	153.3	7.9	12.7	10.1	8 431.7
Northeast Asia								
China	8.9	14.0	7.3	30.2	32.5	2.5	10.7	1 494.3
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	10.9	20.8	10.8	42.5	3.8	3.5	9.8	1 893.4
Japan	50.3	68.5	73.3	192.0	-0.9	15.9	6.5	2 969.8
Korea	19.8	12.7	12.2	44.7	68.8	3.7	6.9	1 437.2
Taiwan	10.1	16.4	10.2	36.7	-9.3	3.0	8.7	1 335.7
Other	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.9	-9.6	0.1	14.1	60.0
Total	100.1	132.6	114.2	346.9	6.6	28.7	7.5	9 190.4
Southern Asia								
Total	4.2	4.7	4.3	13.1	12.9	1.1	17.5	1 080.4
The Americas								
Canada	8.2	8.6	8.2	25.1	-1.5	2.1	21.5	1 197.9
United States of America	34.8	41.6	42.4	118.8	4.4	9.8	11.6	3 141.7
Other	4.9	3.1	2.9	10.8	10.9	0.9	15.5	477.6
Total	47.9	53.3	53.5	154.7	3.8	12.8	13.6	4 817.2
Africa								
Total	5.2	6.0	6.7	17.9	-12.0	1.5	14.9	711.9
Other and not stated	0.4	0.3	0.4	1.1	23.9	0.1	10.8	33.3
Total	360.8	434.6	411.9	1 207.3	6.0	100.0	10.6	42 948.1

OVERSEAS VISITOR ARRIVALS, COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE-TIME SERIES

			- /						1999			2000
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
	Арг	iviay	Jun	Jui	Aug	Sep		1000	Dec	Jan	i eb	Iviai
Country of residence	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
				C	RIGINAL							
Canada	4.9	3.9	3.5	5.6	4.6	5.1	7.2	8.4	9.7	8.2	8.6	8.2
Germany	9.4	6.9	7.2	9.6	9.1	10.9	17.5	14.9	18.6	14.1	14.7	13.1
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	10.0	7.5	9.9	15.4	10.8	10.7	10.7	10.4	13.3	10.9	20.8	10.8
Japan	56.4	52.3	46.1	63.6	69.8	54.7	54.5	57.8	58.4	50.3	68.5	73.3
Malaysia	10.6	16.7	8.1	9.8	10.0	13.6	10.6	12.5	14.7	8.9	18.0	12.2
New Zealand	59.4	52.5	67.7	67.6	72.8	75.3	71.8	60.4	58.2	47.8	45.0	61.7
Papua New Guinea	4.8	3.6	4.2	5.8	2.6	4.4	4.7	3.7	5.9	4.2	3.1	3.1
Singapore	15.3	19.9	35.2	17.1	16.9	21.6	18.7	34.3	35.4	10.4	24.6	23.7
United Kingdom	33.8	24.1	23.2	35.2	33.4	39.3	54.3	67.6	57.2	46.4	60.1	55.4
United States of America	31.1	25.8	35.6	37.8	30.1	27.1	36.4	34.2	45.1	34.8	41.6	42.4
Other and not stated	98.4	84.9	76.3	121.0	95.4	90.5	110.6	112.4	144.2	124.8	129.5	107.4
Total	334.1	298.1	317.1	388.5	355.6	353.1	397.0	416.7	460.8	360.8	434.6	411.9
				SEASON	ALLY ADJ	USTED						
Canada	6.3	6.3	5.6	5.6	6.3	6.8	7.0	6.6	7.2	6.3	6.3	7.2
Germany	10.5	11.4	12.3	11.4	12.0	12.8	12.7	13.1	14.4	12.4	11.0	11.3
Hong Kong (SAR of	10.7	11.0	11.2	12.9	12.4	15.5	12.0	13.1	10.0	14.1	11.1	10.2
China) Japan	60.3	60.1	58.7	58.6	12.4 56.5	15.5 56.6	65.9	63.4	10.0 52.9	48.0	62.5	63.3
Malaysia	11.1	12.7	10.3	11.6	11.3	14.6	12.2	10.0	14.1	48.0 15.7	10.5	14.0
New Zealand	58.1	58.5	60.6	54.4	66.2	62.0	63.3	65.9	55.7	62.4	65.5	69.9
Papua New Guinea	4.5	4.5	5.1	4.4	3.2	3.8	4.9	4.1	4.1	3.2	4.0	4.2
Singapore	19.7	22.4	23.1	25.9	25.8	26.9	23.3	24.2	17.9	22.3	21.7	25.1
United Kingdom	34.8	41.2	41.2	51.6	52.1	53.9	52.5	49.9	36.2	39.6	43.6	42.1
United States of America	32.8	34.6	36.7	32.8	35.8	37.0	32.7	31.4	42.1	37.0	32.0	37.8
Other and not stated	104.9	106.3	101.2	108.0	107.0	114.2	103.3	106.6	107.7	112.0	110.7	111.2
Total	353.7	368.9	366.0	377.4	388.6	404.1	389.8	388.3	362.1	373.0	378.9	396.3
					TREND							
Canada	6.4	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.5	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.9
Germany	11.2	11.4	11.6	11.8	12.3	12.7	13.0	13.1	12.9	12.5	12.0	11.5
Hong Kong (SAR of	10.0	44.0	44.0	40 5	40.0	40.4	40.4	40 -	40.0	44 -	44.0	10.0
China)	10.9	11.3	11.9	12.5	12.9	13.1	13.1	12.7	12.2	11.7	11.3	10.9
Japan Malaysia	59.6 11.4	59.2 11.4	58.9 11.5	59.0 11.7	59.3 12.0	59.3 12.3	58.9 12.5	58.3 12.8	57.8 13.0	57.6 13.1	57.8 13.3	58.3 13.5
Malaysia New Zealand	11.4 59.6	11.4 59.3	11.5 59.5	60.3	61.3	62.0	12.5 62.1	62.0	13.0 62.5	63.7	13.3 65.7	13.5 68.1
Papua New Guinea	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.5
Singapore	21.8	22.8	23.9	24.9	25.3	24.9	23.9	22.7	22.0	22.0	22.6	23.4
United Kingdom	40.3	41.8	44.8	48.4	51.0	51.5	49.8	46.7	44.0	42.7	42.8	43.9
United States of America	34.5	34.8	34.8	34.8	34.8	35.0	35.2	35.5	35.9	36.0	36.1	36.0
Other and not stated	103.9	104.9	105.9	106.7	107.3	107.6	107.7	107.8	108.5	110.1	112.4	114.9
Total	364.0	367.4	373.3	380.6	386.7	389.1	386.9	382.5	379.4	380.1	384.5	390.9

OVERSEAS VISITOR ARRIVALS, MAIN PURPOSE OF JOURNEY-BY PERSONS

					Μ	lain purpose	of journey	
	Convention/ conference	Business	Visiting friends/ relatives	Holiday	Employment	Education	Other and not stated	Total
Country of residence	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Oceania and Antarctica								
New Zealand	4.2	27.0	41.1	65.7	3.5	1.6	11.5	154.5
Other	1.1	2.3	6.1	15.2	0.1	1.8	6.4	33.1
Total	5.4	29.3	47.2	80.9	3.6	3.3	17.9	187.6
Europe and the former USSR								
France	0.3	2.1	2.5	6.5	0.2	0.6	1.7	13.9
Germany	0.8	3.1	6.1	28.1	0.2	1.3	2.5	41.9
Italy	0.4	0.8	2.6	6.9	0.2	0.3	1.5	12.7
Netherlands	0.2	1.1	4.4	8.7	0.3	0.2	1.1	15.9
Switzerland	0.2	0.6	2.2	8.8	0.0	0.8	0.9	13.6
United Kingdom	1.0	9.6	57.2	80.7	2.4	1.0	10.1	162.0
Other	2.0	5.6	12.2	31.3	1.1	3.3	6.4	61.7
Total	4.7	22.9	87.2	171.0	4.3	7.5	24.1	321.7
Middle East and North Africa								
Total	0.4	1.2	3.2	4.2	0.0	0.3	1.8	11.0
Southeast Asia								
Indonesia	0.5	1.7	3.2	10.1	0.2	7.8	3.1	26.6
Malaysia	0.9	2.5	5.9	21.1	0.2	6.1	2.3	39.1
Singapore	1.2	8.1	6.7	33.2	0.3	6.1	3.2	58.7
Thailand	0.5	1.0	1.8	6.6	0.1	3.2	1.7	14.9
Other	0.6	1.6	3.0	4.0	0.2	1.7	2.9	13.9
Total	3.7	15.0	20.5	75.0	1.1	24.9	13.2	153.3
Northeast Asia								
China	0.7	5.9	3.7	12.3	0.1	2.7	4.6	30.2
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	0.6	4.2	6.2	23.1	0.1	5.2	3.1	42.5
Japan	1.1	6.7	4.9	164.1	0.5	4.0	10.9	192.0
Korea	1.0	2.7	4.9	27.8	0.2	4.2	4.0	44.7
Taiwan	0.4	1.4	2.4	26.7	0.0	2.9	2.9	36.7
Other	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.9
Total	3.8	20.8	22.3	254.3	1.0	19.1	25.6	346.9
Southern Asia								
Total	0.9	1.7	2.9	3.1	0.4	2.6	1.7	13.1
The Americas								
Canada	0.8	2.3	7.1	12.0	0.6	0.8	1.6	25.1
United States of America	4.2	20.8	19.9	60.3	0.8	4.5	8.3	118.9
Other	0.6	0.6	1.4	5.1	0.1	1.4	1.6	10.8
Total	5.6	23.7	28.4	77.4	1.4	6.7	11.5	154.7
Africa								
Total	0.8	2.2	5.0	6.0	0.3	0.8	2.7	17.9
Not stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.1
Total	25.3	116.7	216.7	672.0	12.0	65.3	99.3	1 207.3

OVERSEAS VISITOR ARRIVALS, MAIN PURPOSE OF JOURNEY-BY PERSON DAYS

	SHOR ANNI	- ,				Aain purpose	of journey	
	Convention/ conference	Business	Visiting friends/ relatives	Holiday	Employment	Education	Other and not stated	Total
Country of residence	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Oceania and Antarctica								
New Zealand	27.9	368.6	1 011.7	911.2	727.0	187.0	268.8	3 502.1
Other	12.9	30.0	228.9	261.8	11.8	315.3	109.7	970.3
Total	40.8	398.5	1 240.6	1 173.0	738.8	502.3	378.5	4 472.5
Europe and the former USSR								
France	2.0	57.5	81.8	189.4	16.6	97.5	54.5	499.4
Germany	14.2	87.1	194.1	797.3	31.7	244.7	52.9	1 422.0
Italy	4.6	13.6	105.5	194.5	20.6	35.1	30.7	404.5
Netherlands	1.7	19.0	151.2	473.9	36.6	30.1	64.2	776.7
Switzerland	3.0	15.8	94.2	391.8	13.0	113.9	42.3	674.1
United Kingdom	10.8	247.7	1 898.4	3 601.6	516.9	110.4	391.8	6 777.7
Other	25.7	133.8	517.4	1 408.2	211.6	640.0	231.9	3 168.5
Total	61.9	574.5	3 042.6	7 056.7	847.0	1 271.7	868.5	13 722.9
Middle East and North Africa								
Total	6.8	21.2	162.8	180.0	6.9	60.7	49.4	487.8
Southeast Asia								
Indonesia	6.5	36.0	88.5	193.6	19.2	1 899.0	90.4	2 333.3
Malaysia	11.6	47.3	141.0	251.6	36.2	1 702.2	67.7	2 257.6
Singapore	10.6	84.7	116.9	404.7	30.0	1 500.3	104.4	2 251.7
Thailand	5.8	15.8	59.5	112.8	15.0	572.0	38.2	819.1
Other	6.6	32.3	196.3	103.0	23.1	355.6	53.4	770.2
Total	41.1	216.1	602.1	1 065.7	123.5	6 029.1	354.2	8 431.7
Northeast Asia								
China	13.2	156.9	382.8	196.8	15.9	582.2	146.6	1 494.3
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	10.2	56.0	132.6	272.6	31.8	1 338.0	52.3	1 893.4
Japan	7.3	113.2	103.0	1 686.9	68.6	762.0	228.9	2 969.8
Korea	8.5	54.1	201.7	378.2	19.5	677.9	97.5	1 437.2
Taiwan	2.9	42.5	84.9	475.1	6.7	634.0	89.6	1 335.7
Other	0.1	0.2	9.9	3.2	0.2	43.7	2.8	60.0
Total	42.1	422.8	914.8	3 012.7	142.5	4 037.8	617.6	9 190.4
Southern Asia								
Total	16.9	60.3	185.7	88.7	63.0	580.1	85.7	1 080.4
The Americas								
Canada	10.7	55.5	253.2	547.9	96.8	155.0	78.9	1 197.9
United States of America	45.4	416.3	535.1	1 091.7	130.0	702.5	220.7	3 141.7
Other	6.9	13.3	63.6	114.1	6.0	235.9	37.8	477.6
Total	63.1	485.1	851.9	1 753.6	232.7	1 093.3	337.4	4 817.2
Africa								
Total	9.9	73.6	189.5	153.3	60.6	153.2	71.8	711.9
Not stated	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.0	1.8	29.7	33.3
Total	282.9	2 252.5	7 190.6	14 484.4	2 215.0	13 730.1	2 792.7	42 948.1
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						Intended le	ength of stay	
	Under 1 week	1 week and under 2 weeks	2 weeks and under 1 month	1 month and under 2 months	2 months and under 3 months	3 months and under 6 months	6 months and under 12 months	Total(a)
Purpose of journey	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
			JAP	AN				
Convention/conference	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1
Business	3.7	2.0	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	6.7
Visiting friends/relatives	0.9	2.0	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	4.9
Holiday	101.6	47.6	9.3	1.8	1.2	1.5	1.0	164.1
Employment	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.5
Education	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	2.3	4.0
Other and not stated(b)	3.3	6.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.4	10.9
Total	110.4	58.7	11.7	3.1	1.9	2.3	4.0	192.0
			NEW ZE	ALAND				
Convention/conference	2.6	1.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2
Business	19.8	3.5	1.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.5	27.0
Visiting friends/relatives	10.0	14.2	10.9	2.7	0.6	1.1	1.7	41.1
Holiday	21.4	28.2	12.4	1.7	0.4	0.6	0.8	65.7
Employment	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	2.1	3.5
Education	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.5	1.6
Other and not stated(b)	3.7	5.8	0.9	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.4	11.5
Total	57.8	53.8	26.4	5.7	1.7	3.0	6.2	154.5
			SINGA	PORE				
Convention/conference	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2
Business	4.9	2.0	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	8.1
Visiting friends/relatives	1.8	2.6	1.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	6.7
Holiday	12.4	15.8	3.5	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.4	33.2
Employment	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
Education	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.4	4.8	6.1
Other and not stated(b)	0.6	2.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	3.2
Total	20.4	23.3	6.2	1.4	0.7	1.0	5.6	58.7
			TAIV	/AN				
Convention/conference	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Business	0.4	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.4
Visiting friends/relatives	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	2.4
Holiday	6.2	17.1	1.5	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.9	26.7
Employment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	2.0	2.9
Other and not stated(b)	0.3	2.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.9
Total	7.4	21.0	2.4	1.1	0.5	1.0	3.4	36.7
			UNITED P	INGDOM				
Convention/conference	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Business	2.8	3.3	2.0	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	9.6
Visiting friends/relatives	3.7	5.2	25.2	14.7	4.5	2.8	1.0	57.2
Holiday	9.5	11.5	31.0	13.6	3.6	5.9	5.6	80.7
Employment	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	1.4	2.4
Education	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	1.0
Other and not stated(b)	1.2	6.1	1.2	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.9	10.1
Total	17.6	27.1	59.8	29.4	8.7	9.8	9.6	162.0
(a) Includes 'Not stated'. (b) Includes 'Exhibition' from July	/ 1998.							continue

						Intended le	ength of stay	
	Under 1 week	1 week and under 2 weeks	2 weeks and under 1 month	1 month and under 2 months	2 months and under 3 months	3 months and under 6 months	6 months and under 12 months	Total(a)
Purpose of journey	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
		U	NITED STATES	6 OF AMERICA				
Convention/conference	0.9	2.5	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2
Business	8.2	7.8	2.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	20.8
Visiting friends/relatives	2.0	4.7	7.9	2.9	0.8	1.3	0.3	19.9
Holiday	13.2	20.4	19.2	4.0	0.9	2.1	0.6	60.3
Employment	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.8
Education	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.0	2.1	1.6	4.5
Other and not stated(b)	1.8	4.3	1.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.5	8.3
Total	26.1	40.1	31.8	8.3	2.3	6.2	4.0	118.9
			OTHER AND	NOT STATED				
Convention/conference	3.4	6.2	2.7	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1	13.3
Business	14.8	14.0	7.0	2.5	1.6	2.3	1.0	43.2
Visiting friends/relatives	8.1	15.1	23.2	17.7	7.0	9.2	4.3	84.6
Holiday	64.4	66.8	52.1	29.9	9.7	12.0	6.5	241.4
Employment	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.6	2.1	4.6
Education	0.8	5.0	2.1	1.8	1.2	5.1	29.2	45.2
Other and not stated(b)	13.0	26.3	5.0	2.6	1.1	1.7	2.8	52.4
Total	105.1	134.1	92.3	55.3	20.8	31.0	45.9	484.5
			TOT	AL				
Convention/conference	8.8	11.3	4.0	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.1	25.3
Business	54.5	33.4	14.5	4.6	3.0	3.9	2.8	116.
Visiting friends/relatives	26.7	44.6	70.1	39.0	13.7	15.1	7.5	216.
Holiday	228.6	207.4	129.1	52.4	16.1	22.6	15.8	672.0
Employment	1.0	1.6	0.5	0.7	0.5	1.4	6.4	12.0
Education	1.4	6.9	3.3	2.8	1.7	8.3	40.8	65.2
Other and not stated(b)	23.8	52.9	9.1	4.0	1.4	2.8	5.4	99.3
Total	344.7	358.1	230.6	104.2	36.6	54.3	78.7	1 207.3

(a) Includes 'Not stated'.

(b) Includes 'Exhibition' from July 1998.

			Age group (years,						
	0–14	15–24	25–34	35–44	45–54	55–64	65 and over	Total	
Purpose of journey	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	
			JAPAN						
Convention/conference	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.0	1.1	
Business	0.1	0.1	1.7	2.3	2.1	0.5	0.0	6.7	
Visiting friends/relatives	0.3	1.4	1.5	0.2	0.7	0.4	0.4	4.9	
Holiday	11.2	39.6	43.5	19.6	21.7	19.5	9.1	164.3	
Employment	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	
Education	0.2	2.7	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	4.0	
Other and not stated(a)	1.2	2.4	2.9	1.7	1.2	1.1	0.5	10.9	
Total	12.8	46.4	50.8	24.5	25.8	21.7	10.1	192.0	
			NEW ZEAL	AND					
Convention/conference	0.0	0.4	0.8	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.1	4.2	
Business	0.0	1.3	6.5	9.0	7.5	2.4	0.3	27.0	
Visiting friends/relatives	4.3	5.6	7.5	6.8	7.4	5.0	4.4	41.:	
Holiday	6.1	9.9	14.2	12.4	11.8	6.7	4.6	65.	
Employment	0.0	1.4	1.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	3.5	
Education	0.0	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	1.6	
Other and not stated(a)	1.4	1.9	2.9	2.1	1.7	1.0	0.5	11.5	
Total	11.9	21.0	33.8	32.1	30.0	15.8	9.9	154.	
			SINGAPO	RE					
Convention/conference	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	1.2	
Business	0.0	0.1	2.1	3.7	1.7	0.4	0.0	8.2	
Visiting friends/relatives	0.5	0.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.1	0.6	6.	
Holiday	4.7	3.3	9.6	6.7	5.4	2.6	0.8	33.2	
Employment	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	
Education	0.2	4.2	1.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	
Other and not stated(a)	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.2	0.1	3.2	
Total	5.8	8.4	15.9	13.1	9.6	4.4	1.5	58.7	
			TAIWAN	1					
Convention/conference	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	
Business	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.0	0.0	1.4	
Visiting friends/relatives	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.4	
Holiday	3.0	3.6	7.9	4.9	3.8	2.3	1.3	26.	
Employment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Education	0.2	2.0	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	
Other and not stated(a)	0.3	0.4	1.0	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	2.9	
Total	3.8	6.2	10.4	6.7	5.1	2.8	1.8	36.	
			UNITED KING	GDOM					
Convention/conference	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.0	
Business	0.0	0.1	2.6	3.6	2.5	0.7	0.2	9.6	
Visiting friends/relatives	1.4	4.7	10.3	6.5	8.2	13.5	12.6	57.2	
Holiday	1.6	13.2	20.5	8.9	11.1	14.9	10.6	80.	
Employment	0.0	0.6	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	2.4	
Education	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	
Other and not stated(a)	0.6	0.8	3.4	1.7	1.3	1.3	1.1	10.2	
Total	3.7	19.9	38.5	21.1	23.5	30.7	24.6	162.0	
a) Includes 'Exhibition' from July 1	998.							continue	

	Age group (years)							
	0–14	15–24	25–34	35–44	45–54	55–64	65 and over	Tota
urpose of journey	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
		UNIT	ED STATES C	F AMERICA				
Convention/conference	0.0	0.2	0.7	1.1	1.2	0.5	0.5	4.2
Business	0.0	0.6	4.8	7.2	5.3	2.7	0.3	20.
Visiting friends/relatives	1.5	1.9	3.1	3.3	3.9	3.3	2.8	19.
Holiday	2.7	4.0	8.3	8.5	10.1	12.3	14.4	60.
Employment	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.
Education	0.0	3.7	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	4.
Other and not stated	0.6	0.4	2.3	1.6	1.5	1.2	0.7	8.
Total	4.8	10.8	19.8	22.2	22.4	20.0	18.8	118.
		OTH	ER AND NOT	STATED(a)				
Convention/conference	0.0	0.5	3.3	4.1	3.1	1.8	0.5	13.
Business	0.0	1.6	12.5	15.0	9.9	3.7	0.4	43.
Visiting friends/relatives	4.7	7.7	15.6	13.4	16.2	15.3	11.7	84.
Holiday	16.2	30.7	61.4	44.3	40.2	31.6	17.0	241.
Employment	0.0	1.0	1.8	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	4.
Education	2.7	30.8	8.5	2.0	0.8	0.3	0.1	45.
Other and not stated(a)	3.8	7.1	13.9	10.8	8.4	5.7	2.7	52.
Total	27.5	79.4	117.1	90.5	79.0	58.5	32.4	484.
			TOTAL					
Convention/conference	0.0	1.3	5.6	7.5	6.2	3.5	1.4	25.
Business	0.1	3.9	30.6	41.2	29.3	10.3	1.2	116.
Visiting friends/relatives	13.0	22.1	39.7	32.0	38.4	38.7	32.8	216.
Holiday	45.5	104.1	165.4	105.4	104.1	89.9	57.7	672.
Employment	0.0	3.0	5.2	1.9	1.1	0.5	0.2	12.
Education	3.4	44.4	12.5	3.0	1.3	0.5	0.2	65.
Other and not stated(a)	8.2	13.4	27.2	19.1	15.1	10.6	5.6	99.
Total	70.2	192.2	286.2	210.1	195.5	154.0	99.0	1 207.3

(a) Includes 'Exhibition' from July 1998.

Visitor departures During the March quarter 2000, 1,272,200 overseas visitors departed Australia (refer to table 34). This is a 7% increase (79,300) on the corresponding 1999 period. New South Wales and Queensland remain the States in which visitors spend most time (46% and 23% respectively). New South Wales was the predominant State of stay for visitors from most countries with the exception of those from Malaysia and Japan. Malaysian visitors spent more time in Western Australia whilst visitors from Japan spent more time in Queensland. Visitors from Singapore spent an equal amount of time in both New South Wales and Western Australia.

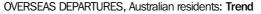
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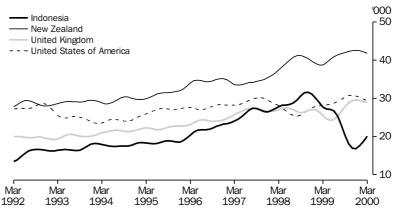
	State or Territory in which most time was spent							is spent	
	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.(a)
Country of residence	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Oceania and Antarctica									
New Zealand	67.6	34.9	43.6	2.7	5.9	2.0	0.9	1.3	158.7
Other	14.9	3.1	17.7	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.3	36.9
Total	82.5	38.0	61.3	2.9	6.4	2.1	1.0	1.6	195.6
Europe and the former USSR									
France	6.9	2.5	3.3	0.4	1.7	0.2	0.5	0.2	15.7
Germany	24.1	7.9	10.2	1.6	5.6	0.8	1.1	0.2	51.4
Italy	8.7	4.2	2.7	0.7	1.9	0.0	0.3	0.1	18.6
Netherlands	7.5	3.5	3.1	0.8	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	18.1
Switzerland	7.4	2.0	3.0	0.5	3.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	16.7
United Kingdom	89.2	30.3	27.3	7.1	30.2	2.1	1.1	1.4	188.8
Other	35.7	13.8	11.9	2.4	5.7	0.8	1.5	0.7	72.5
Total	179.6	64.3	61.4	13.5	50.5	4.5	5.1	2.8	381.8
Middle East and North Africa									
Total	6.5	3.2	1.2	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.2	12.5
Southeast Asia									
Indonesia	9.4	4.6	2.9	0.3	6.4	0.5	1.7	0.1	25.9
Malaysia	9.2	7.6	6.9	1.0	9.7	0.4	0.2	0.3	35.1
Singapore	16.0	10.8	10.8	1.4	16.0	1.0	0.9	0.1	57.1
Thailand	5.7	2.6	1.5	0.2	2.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	12.4
Other	5.6	2.4	2.1	0.5	1.3	0.1	0.6	0.2	12.4
Total	45.8	27.9	24.1	3.4	35.5	2.0	3.6	0.9	143.3
Northeast Asia									
China	17.1	5.8	4.9	0.4	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.3	29.2
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	17.3	6.5	10.5	0.7	2.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	37.8
Japan	77.9	13.0	84.8	1.8	12.7	1.0	0.9	0.5	192.7
Korea	33.7	2.1	8.3	0.3	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.2	45.6
Taiwan	15.6	3.2	13.4	0.3	1.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	34.1
Other	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Total	161.8	30.6	122.1	3.4	18.0	1.6	1.3	1.2	339.9
Southern Asia									
Total	6.5	3.7	2.0	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	13.2
The Americas									
Canada	13.3	4.1	5.5	0.9	2.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	26.9
United States of America	74.0	19.1	15.9	2.7	5.5	1.2	1.9	1.0	121.3
Other	7.8	1.7	1.0	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	11.5
Total	95.1	24.9	22.5	3.7	8.1	1.6	2.3	1.5	159.8
Africa									
Total	10.3	3.1	3.2	0.7	4.8	0.1	0.1	0.2	22.4
Not stated	2.3	0.7	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	3.8
Total	590.3	196.4	298.3	28.1	124.5	12.3	13.8	8.5	1 272.2

DEPARTURES OF AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS

There were 721,900 Australian resident departures for short-term trips overseas during the March quarter 2000. This was an increase of 3% (21,800) on the March quarter 1999 and a decrease of 11% (93,700) on the December quarter 1999. In trend terms, this also corresponded to a 3% increase on the March quarter 1999.

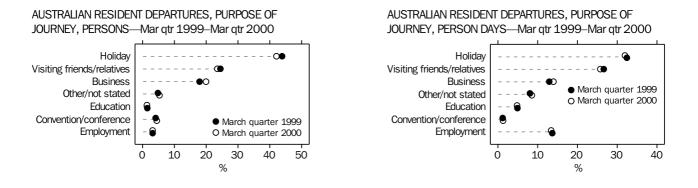
The trend estimate for Australian resident monthly departures to NZ (the most popular destination) has decreased for the third consecutive month to 41,800 in March 2000, from a record high in December 1999 of 42,600. Departures to the USA totalled 29,400 in March 2000, the fourth consecutive monthly fall after seasonal highs in October and November 1999 of 30,800. Departures to the UK have decreased slightly to 29,000 in March 2000 after a record high in December 1999 of 29,600 departures. The trend estimate for departures to Indonesia has increased during the past three months to 20,100 in March 2000 arresting 13 consecutive months of decline since the all-time high in November 1998 of 31,600 departures.





In original terms, the most popular destinations for Australian residents departing (refer to table 35) during the March quarter 2000 were NZ (18% or 131,100 departures), the USA (11% or 77,900), the UK (8% or 54,900), and Indonesia (8% or 54,500). In the March quarter 1999, Indonesia had been the second most popular destination accounting for 11% of all departures.

Purpose of journey In the March quarter 2000, over 42% (303,800) of all departures by Australian residents were for holiday purposes, compared with 24% (169,700) to visit friends and relatives and 20% (144,400) for business purposes (refer to table 36). The most popular destination for holiday makers was NZ with 16% (49,100), compared to Indonesia with 13% (38,100) and the USA with 11% (33,600). Of the 169,700 Australian residents departing to visit friends and relatives, the most popular destinations were NZ (26% or 43,500), the UK (11% or 17,900) and Vietnam (6% or 10,500). Purpose of journey continued New Zealand was also the most frequented destination for business travel, accounting for 18% (25,400) of the 144,400 business departures, followed by the USA at 13% (18,900). The reverse occurred for convention travel with the USA being the most popular destination, accounting for 32% (10,200) of the 32,300 departures for this purpose, while NZ accounted for 13% (4,100).



Length of stay Australian residents departing for overseas during the March quarter 2000 intended to stay in excess of 27.5 million person days abroad (refer to table 37), reflecting a 1% decrease on the March quarter 1999. Australian visitors intended to spend 4.8 million days (17%) in the UK, 2.9 million days (10%) in the USA, 2.1 million days (8%) in NZ and 1.5 million days (6%) in Hong Kong.

Australian residents intended to spend, on average, 87 days visiting the UK, with visitors to the USA intended to stay 37 days. Visitors to New Zealand planned to stay 16 days while those visiting Hong Kong planned staying an average of 39 days.

				Original					
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Mar qtr 2000	Change over Mar qtr 1999	Proportion of total visitors	Median intended length of stay	Person days	
Country of intended stay	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	days	'000	
Oceania and Antarctica									
Fiji	7.6	6.3	8.5	22.4	10.9	3.1	9.8	380.2	
New Zealand	42.9	43.8	44.4	131.1	7.9	18.2	10.6	2 082.5	
Other	12.3	9.1	12.9	34.3	21.5	4.8	9.2	878.1	
Total	62.8	59.3	65.8	187.8	10.5	26.0	10.4	3 340.8	
Europe and the former USSR									
France	2.0	2.3	2.9	7.3	-11.4	1.0	21.9	323.4	
Germany	2.8	2.5	2.2	7.4	-2.5	1.0	23.3	463.5	
Greece	0.9	1.2	2.1	4.2	-10.0	0.6	50.0	436.9	
Italy	2.2	1.8	5.0	9.1	-9.1	1.3	30.6	480.6	
United Kingdom	17.3	14.9	22.7	54.9	6.8	7.6	30.7	4 766.9	
Other	7.7	7.2	9.8	24.8	-1.9	3.4	30.7	1 971.9	
Total	32.9	30.0	44.7	107.6	0.5	14.9	30.5	8 443.2	
Middle East and North Africa									
Total	5.6	5.1	8.3	18.9	5.8	2.6	30.8	1 403.9	
Southeast Asia									
Indonesia	20.5	13.3	20.7	54.5	-26.7	7.5	10.6	1 159.6	
Malaysia	10.7	8.4	9.8	29.0	16.8	4.0	13.8	803.8	
Philippines	5.5	4.0	5.1	14.5	-1.6	2.0	17.6	571.2	
Singapore	10.0	10.3	15.0	35.3	-1.7	4.9	8.6	897.3	
Thailand	12.4	9.2	11.3	32.8	7.3	4.5	14.2	741.5	
Viet Nam	7.9	3.8	4.3	16.1	-5.4	2.2	30.5	704.0	
Other	1.5	0.8	1.5	3.8	33.8	0.5	30.0	185.0	
Total	68.5	49.7	67.7	185.9	-7.1	25.7	12.4	5 062.5	
Northeast Asia									
China	6.6	4.8	7.0	18.4	-4.1	2.5	21.8	906.7	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	13.3	10.9	15.2	39.3	15.5	5.4	11.0	1 543.1	
Japan	5.2	4.6	4.5	14.2	-3.4	2.0	12.5	787.4	
Other	4.8	4.3	4.1	13.1	0.6	1.8	21.4	596.5	
Total	29.8	24.5	30.7	85.0	5.0	11.8	14.6	3 833.6	
Southern Asia									
India	4.3	4.4	2.3	11.0	1.7	1.5	28.4	478.8	
Other	2.2	3.1	2.6	7.8	22.7	1.1	22.8	276.2	
Total	6.4	7.5	4.9	18.8	9.6	2.6	25.6	755.0	
The Americas									
Canada	5.9	5.2	4.4	15.5	27.9	2.1	21.8	723.8	
United States of America	28.0	23.2	26.6	77.9	9.5	10.8	16.6	2 854.9	
Other	2.2	2.2	3.0	7.3	-13.8	1.0	30.5	446.8	
Total	36.2	30.6	34.0	100.7	9.8	13.9	18.5	4 025.4	
Africa (excluding North Africa)									
Total	3.9	4.3	5.7	13.8	20.9	1.9	23.2	598.6	
Other and not stated	1.0	0.9	1.4	3.4	-12.5	0.5	18.4	121.2	
Total	246.9	211.8	263.1	721.9	3.1	100.0	14.7	27 584.2	

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AUSTRALIAN RESIDENT DEPARTURES FOR SHORT-TERM TRIPS ABROAD, MAIN PURPOSE OF JOURNEY—PERSONS

					٨	Aain purpose	of journey	
	Convention/ conference	Business	Visiting friends/ relatives	Holiday	Employment	Education	Other and not stated	Total
Country of intended stay	'000	'000	'000	'000'	'000	'000	'000	'000
Oceania and Antarctica								
Fiji	1.4	2.4	3.1	14.7	0.0	0.0	0.8	22.4
New Zealand	4.1	25.4	43.5	49.1	1.6	0.7	6.8	131.1
Other	0.4	5.8	3.3	19.1	4.0	0.4	1.3	34.3
Total	5.8	33.5	49.9	82.9	5.6	1.2	8.9	187.8
Europe and the former USSR								
France	0.6	1.6	0.6	3.4	0.1	0.3	0.8	7.3
Germany	0.8	2.1	1.8	1.2	0.3	0.5	0.8	7.4
Greece	0.2	0.5	1.7	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	4.1
Italy	0.4	1.6	2.2	3.9	0.2	0.4	0.3	9.1
United Kingdom	0.8	9.6	17.9	19.6	3.3	0.7	2.9	54.9
Other	1.1	4.3	8.5	7.6	1.1	0.6	1.6	24.8
Total	4.0	19.8	32.6	36.9	5.1	2.7	6.6	107.6
Middle East and North Africa								
Total	0.1	2.5	5.8	6.8	1.1	0.2	2.3	18.9
Southeast Asia								
Indonesia	0.8	8.1	4.4	38.1	1.1	0.3	1.9	54.5
Malaysia	2.3	5.9	6.0	12.9	0.6	0.2	1.1	29.0
Philippines	0.6	3.4	5.7	3.2	0.3	0.2	1.1	14.5
Singapore	2.0	10.1	5.9	13.7	1.3	0.4	1.9	35.3
Thailand	1.9	4.8	2.3	22.1	0.4	0.2	1.1	32.8
Viet Nam	0.0	1.3	10.5	3.6	0.2	0.0	0.4	16.1
Other	0.0	0.6	1.7	0.9	0.4	0.0	0.2	3.8
Total	7.4	34.2	36.5	94.4	4.4	1.3	7.7	185.9
Northeast Asia								
China	0.5	5.7	5.7	4.5	0.6	0.5	0.9	18.4
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	1.0	11.3	8.3	14.9	1.6	0.2	2.0	39.3
Japan	0.8	5.3	2.6	2.5	1.4	0.7	0.9	14.2
Other	0.4	4.3	5.5	1.4	0.3	0.3	0.9	13.1
Total	2.7	26.7	22.0	23.4	3.9	1.7	4.6	85.0
Southern Asia								
India	0.4	2.1	3.9	3.5	0.2	0.1	0.7	11.0
Other	0.1	0.8	2.6	3.7	0.1	0.0	0.6	7.8
Total	0.5	2.9	6.5	7.2	0.4	0.2	1.3	18.8
The Americas								
Canada	0.5	1.6	1.9	10.4	0.2	0.3	0.6	15.5
United States of America	10.2	18.9	9.2	33.6	1.5	1.6	3.0	77.9
Other	0.4	1.2	1.8	3.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	7.3
Total	11.2	21.7	13.0	46.9	1.7	2.3	4.0	100.7
Africa (excluding North Africa) Total	0.6	3.1	3.5	4.9	0.7	0.2	0.9	13.8
Other and not stated Total	0.0 32.3	0.2 144.4	0.0 169.7	0.5 303.8	0.4 23.2	0.0 9.8	2.3 38.6	3.4 721.9

AUSTRALIAN RESIDENT DEPARTURES FOR SHORT-TERM TRIPS ABROAD, MAIN PURPOSE OF JOURNEY—PERSON DAYS

	Main purpose of journey in person days							
	Convention/ conference	Business	Visiting friends/ relatives	Holiday	Employment	Education	Other and not stated	Total
Country of intended stay	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000'
Oceania and Antarctica								
Fiji	9.5	64.1	106.2	160.2	14.9	2.6	22.7	380.2
New Zealand	34.5	214.3	712.2	748.0	151.8	96.5	125.4	2 082.5
Other	14.6	124.3	139.3	214.3	278.4	20.2	87.0	878.1
Total	58.5	402.7	957.8	1 122.5	445.0	119.3	235.0	3 340.8
Europe and the former USSR								
France	9.8	37.4	30.3	152.1	21.6	29.8	42.4	323.4
Germany	9.5	83.1	101.7	49.8	87.9	80.6	51.0	463.5
Greece	2.4	16.9	252.7	118.2	4.1	13.9	28.7	436.9
Italy	5.4	50.2	143.7	202.8	37.1	29.3	12.0	480.6
United Kingdom	22.4	441.0	965.0	2 117.3	836.3	105.3	279.6	4 766.9
Other	14.5	195.2	701.6	507.4	226.4	167.1	159.7	1 971.9
Total	64.1	823.8	2 195.1	3 147.6	1 213.3	425.9	573.4	8 443.2
Middle East and North Africa								
Total	2.6	102.5	450.6	409.9	219.4	41.0	178.0	1 403.9
Southeast Asia								
Indonesia	7.2	230.7	156.3	484.5	145.5	25.1	110.2	1 159.6
Malaysia	16.0	159.3	207.1	223.7	83.0	15.8	99.1	803.8
Philippines	4.9	74.8	250.7	137.6	51.0	19.4	33.0	571.2
Singapore	13.2	191.2	178.6	175.2	196.7	42.9	99.5	897.3
Thailand	13.0	96.9	60.3	411.8	75.2	15.0	69.4	741.5
Viet Nam	0.0	56.4	496.9	96.2	37.2	1.5	15.9	704.0
Other	0.0	17.0	66.9	20.7	57.5	2.3	20.6	185.0
Total	54.3	826.2	1 416.7	1 549.7	646.1	122.0	447.5	5 062.5
Northeast Asia								
China	6.2	185.4	316.0	146.0	101.5	40.0	111.6	906.7
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	7.7	458.5	335.4	288.3	262.0	46.1	145.2	1 543.1
Japan	6.4	86.0	88.7	80.2	314.0	123.0	89.0	787.4
Other	3.2	141.1	254.5	68.5	54.0	24.0	51.2	596.5
Total	23.5	870.9	994.7	582.9	731.5	233.1	396.9	3 833.6
Southern Asia								
India	3.5	62.8	192.5	142.7	36.4	11.0	29.9	478.8
Other	1.3	22.1	112.2	85.4	13.3	2.1	39.9	276.2
Total	4.8	84.9	304.7	228.1	49.7	13.1	69.9	755.0
The Americas								
Canada	8.4	61.4	96.1	384.0	52.0	78.3	43.6	723.8
United States of America	131.9	534.9	460.2	1 015.8	239.5	221.8	250.8	2 854.9
Other	5.9	58.3	112.2	158.7	13.1	57.8	40.6	446.8
Total	146.2	654.7	668.5	1 558.5	304.7	358.0	334.9	4 025.4
Africa (excluding North Africa) Total	9.7	93.7	132.4	200.9	71.8	24.7	65.4	598.6
Other and not stated	0.0	3.5	0.9	34.3	7.9	0.4	74.3	121.2
Total	363.7		7 121.3	8 834.3	3 689.5	1 337.4	2 375.2	27 584.2
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	IL SLAIL	.0										
												2000
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Country of intended stay	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
				C	RIGINAL							
Fiji	9.8	10.5	11.4	12.8	10.5	13.8	8.5	8.3	9.5	7.6	6.3	8.5
Hong Kong (SAR of												
China)	12.2	10.6	11.5	10.5	11.7	13.2	11.2	11.8	17.1	13.3	10.9	15.2
Indonesia	22.0	23.1	24.2	35.0	30.6	26.3	17.9	10.2	16.8	20.5	13.3	20.7
Italy	5.9	8.0	9.1	6.0	5.9	8.0	4.2	3.5	3.7	2.2	1.8	5.0
Malaysia	10.6	7.6	9.6	11.9	10.2	11.8	13.2	8.2 44.1	12.1	10.7	8.4	9.8
New Zealand Singapore	40.4 10.6	30.9 9.9	29.0 13.2	38.7 12.9	39.2 12.4	46.0 14.4	35.1 11.5	44.1 10.7	64.1 9.3	42.9 10.0	43.8 10.3	44.3 15.0
Thailand	8.4	9.9 10.1	10.3	12.9	12.4	14.4	15.8	10.7	9.3 10.4	10.0	9.2	11.3
United Kingdom	22.0	36.2	34.1	26.8	36.7	35.2	23.3	19.3	27.7	17.3	15.0	22.7
United States of America	27.6	28.9	31.5	28.4	28.2	37.0	35.0	28.9	30.4	28.0	23.2	26.6
Other and not stated	74.7	86.7	105.3	90.9	84.4	111.2	86.3	85.7	108.2	82.0	69.7	83.9
Total	244.3	262.4	289.3	286.6	281.1	330.7	262.0	244.3	309.3	246.9	211.8	263.1
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Fiji	9.8	11.6	9.9	11.3	10.6	11.9	8.5	8.9	7.4	8.3	10.5	8.7
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	12.2	12.6	11.7	12.9	14.1	12.6	12.7	10.5	11.6	13.4	11.0	14.7
Indonesia	26.1	27.4	23.6	28.8	28.5	19.4	14.7	10.9	19.0	20.9	17.2	21.7
Italy	5.4	5.2	6.7	4.4	5.0	4.5	5.6	7.4	4.6	5.8	4.3	5.1
Malaysia	12.1	8.8	9.7	10.1	11.7	10.2	12.6	8.9	9.3	10.1	10.7	10.8
New Zealand	37.9	39.4	39.9	44.1	44.6	39.3	36.7	47.9	42.3	43.2	43.6	37.9
Singapore	11.4	11.3	12.9	11.9	12.6	13.4	10.6	10.8	9.5	10.4	11.4	13.7
Thailand	9.4	10.9	10.3	12.6	13.9	12.0	13.5	13.7	9.4	12.3	10.3	11.4
United Kingdom	22.4	24.1	24.4	20.4	35.2	25.5	26.0	29.9	30.2	32.6	29.4	25.0
United States of America	29.9	27.7	27.7	30.1	29.7	27.4	33.8	34.3	25.3	31.1	32.4	27.1
Other and not stated	83.3	77.7	90.4	83.0	91.5	93.7	101.8	88.1	81.1	102.5	100.4	84.9
Total	260.0	256.7	267.1	269.7	297.3	269.7	276.4	271.5	249.8	290.7	281.4	261.0
					TREND							
Fiji	9.7	10.3	10.9	11.0	10.7	10.1	9.5	9.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8
Hong Kong (SAR of	44 7	10.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.0	10.0	10 F	12.0
China)	11.7 27.2	12.1 27.1	12.6 26.7	12.9 25.3	12.9 23.1	12.6 20.4	12.3 18.1	12.1 16.9	12.0 16.8	12.2 17.6	12.5 18.7	13.0 20.1
Indonesia Italy	27.2 5.8	27.1 5.5	20.7 5.3	∠5.3 5.2	23.1 5.2	20.4 5.4	5.5	10.9 5.6	10.8 5.6	17.0 5.4	18.7 5.2	20.1 5.0
Malaysia	9.9	10.2	10.4	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.5	10.3	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.3
New Zealand	39.3	40.2	40.9	41.4	41.7	42.0	42.3	42.5	42.6	42.5	42.2	41.8
Singapore	12.0	12.2	12.3	12.4	12.3	11.9	11.3	10.9	10.7	10.9	11.3	11.7
Thailand	10.3	10.7	11.4	12.1	12.7	12.9	12.8	12.3	11.8	11.3	11.0	10.8
United Kingdom	24.6	24.2	24.4	25.3	26.5	27.8	28.8	29.4	29.6	29.5	29.1	29.0
United States of America	28.3	28.4	28.7	29.2	29.7	30.3	30.8	30.8	30.6	30.3	29.8	29.4
Other and not stated	86.0	85.1	85.8	87.7	89.9	91.8	93.0	93.3	93.3	93.2	92.9	92.5
Total	264.8	266.0	269.4	273.0	275.3	275.9	274.9	273.1	271.9	271.7	271.5	272.5
	20410	200.0	20014	210.0	210.0	210.0	214.0	21011	212.0		272.0	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION
 1 This publication brings together domestic tourism data from a number of sources, including previously unpublished data from the quarterly Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) and the Overseas Arrivals and Departures (OAD) Collection.
 TOURIST ACCOMMODATION
 2 The series of tables and graphs in the tourist accommodation section of this publication contain statistics for Australia and each State and Territory. Statistics in this publication are the latest available for the March quarter 2000

SCOPE AND COVERAGE
 3 Tourist accommodation establishments included in the STA and for which data appear in this publication, are hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities; and serviced apartments which are available to the general public for a minimum of one night. Every third year, beginning with 2000, the STA is expanded to include holiday flats, units and houses of letting entities; caravan parks and visitor hostels. Further information can be found in *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Cat. no. 8635.0), available from ABS bookshops or by contacting Paull Hoffmann on 07 3222 6201.

4 Data collected and published relate to both long-term and short-term guests at hotels, motels and guest houses, and only short-term guests at serviced apartments. For hotels, motels and guest houses the amount of long-term residential activity is considered insignificant. This activity is included in the data presented.

5 As a result of the separate classification of serviced apartments from the March quarter 1998, there have been several changes to definitions of accommodation units. Some units which were previously classified as hotels, motels or holiday flats have been reclassified to serviced apartments. A small number of establishments previously classified as motels, have been reclassified as holiday flats, units or houses, and are no longer in scope of the quarterly STA.

6 From the March quarter 1998, only those in-scope establishments with 15 or more rooms or units are covered by the survey. Data for the 1997 calendar year have been recompiled on the new basis. Data for time periods prior to 1997 have been recompiled to only include accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms, but have not been recompiled to reflect the inclusion of serviced apartments as a separate classification. This means that data for periods prior to the March quarter 1997 reflect the old classification and only include hotels, motels and guest houses. It should be noted that some serviced apartments may have been included in STA estimates prior to the March quarter 1997, as they may previously have been classified as hotels or motels, as outlined in paragraph 5 above.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE continued

7 As a result of the changes to the scope and classification of accommodation establishments there is a break in all time series between the December quarter 1996 and the March quarter 1997.

ESTIMATES AT CONSTANT **8** Estimates of quarterly takings from accommodation contained in this publication are also expressed in terms of average 1989–90 prices (constant prices). These estimates are presented in original, seasonally adjusted and trend terms, for Australia and each State and Territory. Monthly data at constant prices are not available.

9 Takings from accommodation for each State and Territory have been deflated using the All Groups Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the relevant capital city. The CPI has been used as it is a measure of the general extent of price change (inflation) in the economy. (Note: the CPI is only produced for capital cities.) As an example, an increase of 10% in the New South Wales takings from accommodation at 1989–90 prices over a period would mean that New South Wales takings from accommodation increased 10% more than the Sydney CPI over that period, implying that takings from accommodation in New South Wales increased 10% more than inflation.

10 General information on price deflators and constant price estimates is contained in section 4 of *Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1989* (Cat. no. 5216.0).

INTERNATIONAL TOURISM 11 The series of tables and graphs in the international tourism section of this publication contain statistics on short-term visitors arriving in or departing from Australia, and departures of Australian residents for short-term trips abroad. Short-term movement relates to an intended length of stay of less than 12 months.

SOURCE OF THE STATISTICS **12** 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 Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) for administrative purposes and serve as the source of statistics of overseas arrivals and departures. In accordance with the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*, information relating to individuals, individual flights or ships and individual carriers, which is contained in these cards or other documents, is treated as confidential by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

13 Implementation of the *Migration Reform Act 1992* by DIMA required that a health and character check be incorporated with the Incoming Passenger Card. The redesign of both passenger cards followed and new passenger cards were officially introduced on 1 September 1994. The main statistical change relating to data in this publication affects the purpose of journey classification and constitutes a break in time series for this data item.

SOURCE OF THE STATISTICS	14 From July 1998 there have been changes to passenger cards
continued	completed by travellers entering and leaving Australia, as well as to
	international passenger procedures and DIMA computer systems. Please
	refer to the May 1998 issue of Overseas Arrivals and Departures,
	Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0).

SCOPE **15** The statistics in this publication relate to the number of movements of travellers rather than the number of travellers (i.e. the multiple movements of individual persons during a given reference period are each counted separately). The statistics exclude the movements of operational air and ships' crew, of transit passengers who pass through Australia but are not cleared for entry, and of passengers on pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia aboard ships not then engaged on regular voyages.

ESTIMATION METHOD **16** Overseas arrival and departure statistics are derived from a combination of full enumeration and sampling. All movements with a duration of stay of less than one year are sampled. Statistics relating to these movements are therefore estimates, which may differ from statistics which would have been obtained if details of all these movements had been processed.

CORRECTIONS AND**17** Imprecision due to sampling errors should not be confused with
errors arising from imperfections in reporting, which may occur in any
data collection, whether sampled or not. Every effort is made to minimise
such errors, by careful design of the passenger cards and through checks
on the information once it is received. During the edit process some
items are corrected where they conflict with other known information.
Missing replies to certain items such as age are also imputed by
reference to other related items.

18 Errors of this kind differ from discrepancies arising from the fact that certain information reflects the travellers' intentions, at the time the passenger cards were completed. These intentions are, of course, subject to change. Particularly affected is the distinction between permanent and temporary movement and in the latter case, length of intended stay, country in which most time will be spent, and purpose of journey.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENTS **19** Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are shown in various graphs and tables throughout this publication. In these series, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors, 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying number of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for the months of March and April. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting the series from the STA and OAD collections are available on request.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENTS	20 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of
continued	normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effect of other
	influences on the series may be more clearly recognised. Seasonal
	adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or
	non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month.
	Irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to
	interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal
	variation, and cannot be assumed to indicate changes in the trend.

21 As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. For the Survey of Tourist Accommodation, the results of the latest review are shown in the March quarter issue of this publication. For the Overseas Arrivals and Departures series, the results of the latest review of seasonal factors are shown in the September quarter issue.

TREND ESTIMATES**22** Smoothing seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the
irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series and creates the
trend estimates. The trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term
weighted moving average to the monthly and a 7-term Henderson
moving average to the quarterly seasonally adjusted series. The 7- and
13-term Henderson averages (like all Henderson averages) are symmetric
but, as the end of a time series is approached, asymmetric forms of the
average are applied. Unlike the weights of the standard 7-term
Henderson moving average, the weights employed with the quarterly data
have been tailored to suit the particular characteristics of individual
series.

23 While these techniques enable smoothed data for the latest period to be produced, it does result in revisions to the smoothed series, principally of recent months, as additional observations become available. There may also be revisions as a result of the re-estimation of the seasonal factors. For further information refer to, *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring Trends, an Overview, 1993* (ABS Cat. no. 1348.0), or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra 02 6252 6345.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS	24 Comprehensive definitions and explanations, and detailed data are contained in the publications below, which can be obtained from ABS Bookshops or by mail order:					
	Consumer Price Index (Cat. no. 6401.0)—issued quarterly					
	Directory of Tourism Statistics, 2000 (Cat. no. 1130.0)-irregular					
	Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0)—issued monthly					
	Migration, Australia (Cat. no. 3412.0)—issued annually					
	Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0)-issued quarterly					
	Tourist accommodation small area data for each State and the Northern Territory—issued quarterly					
	25 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the <i>Catalogue of Publications and Products</i> (Cat. no. 1101.0). The ABS also issues on Tuesdays and Fridays, a <i>Release Advice</i> (Cat. no. 1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. Both are available from any ABS office or the ABS website.					
	26 Related statistics are also published by the Bureau of Tourism Research, DIMA and the Department of Transport and Regional Services.					
ADDITIONAL STATISTICS AVAILABLE	27 As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS can make available information which is not published. Generally a charge is made for providing unpublished information.					
ROUNDING	28 Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.					

GLOSSARY

Average length of stay	Average length of stay is expressed in numbers of days and calculated:
	 for hotels, motels and guest houses, by dividing guest nights by guest arrivals; and
	 for serviced apartments, by dividing units nights occupied by unit lettings.
Average nightly guests per occupied room	Guest nights divided by room nights occupied.
Average nightly rooms occupied per establishment	The average number of rooms per establishment multiplied by the occupancy rate for the survey period.
Average takings per establishment	The takings from accommodation for the survey period divided by the number of establishments at the end of the survey period.
Average takings per guest night	The takings from accommodation divided by the total number of guest nights for the survey period.
Average takings per room night available	The takings from accommodation divided by the total room nights available for the survey period.
Average takings per room night occupied	The takings from accommodation divided by the total number of room nights occupied for the survey period.
Capacity	Capacity in terms of guest rooms/units or bed spaces is the maximum number available to accommodate paying guests during the survey period. Capacity closed temporarily for seasonal reasons is included.
Country of intended stay	For Australian residents travelling abroad for short-term trips, this relates to the country in which they intend to spend the most time.
Country of residence	Refers to the country in which short-term visitors regard themselves as living or as last having lived.
	The classification of countries in this publication is based on the Standard Australian Classification of Countries. For more detailed information, refer to <i>Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC)</i> , <i>1998</i> (ABS Cat. no. 1269.0).
Establishments	All hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments within the scope of the survey which operated for any part of the survey period, or which closed temporarily for the quarter for seasonal reasons.
Guest nights	The total number of paying guests counted on each night they stayed at the accommodation establishment.

Guest rooms The maximum number of rooms available at each establishment during the survey period for accommodating short-term paying guests. Units and apartments within serviced apartments are treated as rooms in these survey results.

Median length of stay Defined as the length of stay which divides the relevant population into two equal parts, one half of the cases falling below the median and the other half exceeding it.

Occupancy rate Occupancy expressed as a percentage of total capacity available during the survey period, e.g. for the period.

Room occupancy rate (%) = $\frac{\text{Room nights occupied x 100}}{(\text{Guest rooms}) \times (\text{no. of days in the period})}$

Person days Defined as the number of short-term visitor arrivals or short-term resident departures multiplied by the intended length of stay for each visitor or resident.

Purpose of journeyFrom the September quarter 1994, all statistics relating to purpose of
journey are published using the following categories:
Convention/conference, Business, Visiting friends/relatives, Holiday,
Employment, Education and Other. In tabulations of data collected
before September 1994 quarter, the 'Other' category includes 'In transit',
and the 'Holiday' category includes 'Student vacation' and 'Accompanying
business visitor'.

Room nights available The total of guest rooms/units available multiplied by the number of days for which each was available during the survey period.

Room nights occupied The total number of nights each guest room/unit was occupied by a paying guest during the survey period.

Rooms per establishment The average number of rooms/units per establishment.

Short-term movement Movements of travellers whose intended or actual length of stay is less than 12 months are classified as short-term. The tables for visitor arrivals and resident departures in this publication relate to short-term movements only.

Star grading The grading of hotels and motels with facilities and serviced apartments is based on the classification system used by members of the Australian Automobile Association (AAA). The gradings are allocated according to a points system based on the amenities and facilities available to guests. Details of the grading scheme are contained in the RACV–RAASA members' publication *Accommodation Australia*, or the individual tour guides produced by members of the AAA. For the purpose of classifying establishments to a star grading in this publication, 'half' star gradings are ignored (e.g. a two and a half star grading has been shown as a two star).

Takings from accommodation

Gross revenue from the provision of accommodation, including bed taxes. Takings from meals are excluded. Takings from accommodation for each month generally represent the takings received during that month. Where payments are received in advance of, or after, the provision of accommodation to guests, the monthly figure for takings from accommodation may not necessarily bear a direct relationship to the number of guests accommodated during the month.

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