



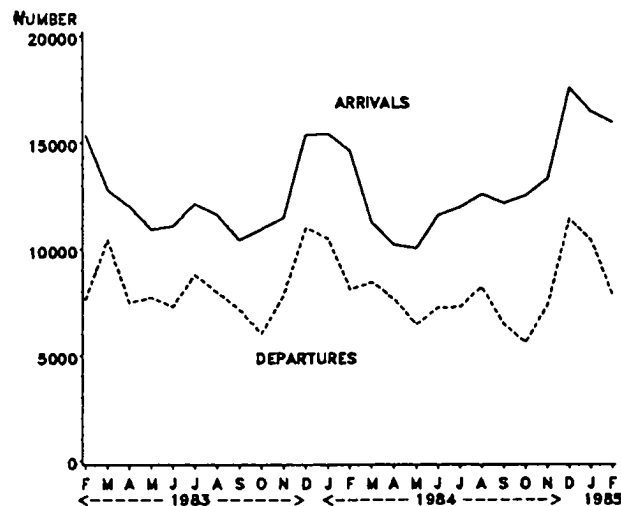
### OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA FEBRUARY 1985

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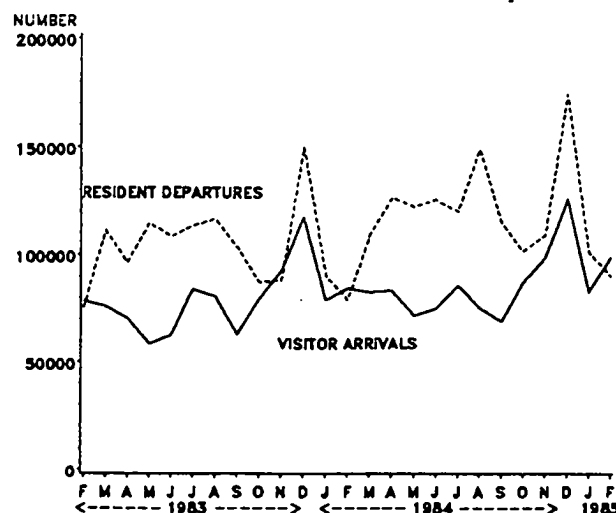
#### MAIN FEATURES

##### *Permanent and long-term movements*



In February 1985 there were 15,940 permanent and long-term arrivals, 9% more than in February 1984 (14,630). The number of permanent and long-term departures was 7,790, marginally fewer than the 8,100 in February 1984.

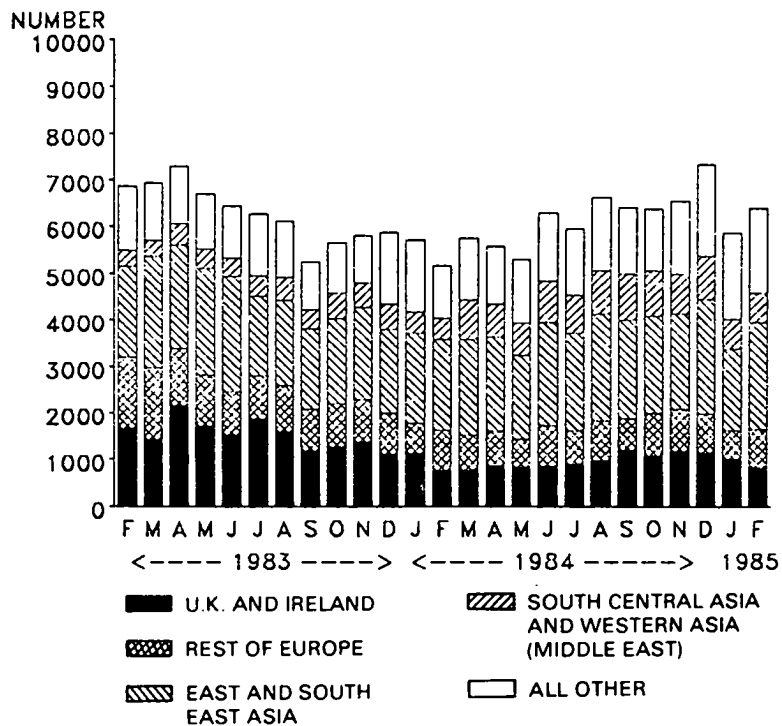
##### *Short-term visitor arrivals and resident departures*



In February 1985 there were 98,800 short-term visitor arrivals, an increase of 17% over February 1984 (84,500). The largest increases, in absolute numbers, were visitors from Japan, the U.S.A., the United Kingdom and Hong Kong.

89,900 short-term resident departures were recorded in February 1985, 14% higher than the 78,800 recorded in February 1984. The largest increases were in the numbers travelling to Hong Kong (33%) and New Zealand (27%).

### Settler — Arrivals by Area of Birth



6,400 settler arrivals were recorded in February 1985, 24% more than in February 1984 (5,170). This is the seventh consecutive month in which the number of settler arrivals has exceeded the number in the corresponding month a year ago. Arrivals of both settlers born in Asia and those born in Europe increased in February 1985 compared to February 1984 (23% and 1% respectively).

Settlers born in Asia numbered 2,960 in February 1985 (46% of all settlers). Included in this category are 320 settlers born in Western Asia (Middle East). Settlers born in Europe numbered 1,630 in February 1985 (26% of all settlers) of whom 860 were born in the United Kingdom and Ireland.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

#### Introduction

This series of publications contains the latest available statistics of overseas arrivals and departures in summary form. The new data in this issue are statistics for February 1985. More detailed statistics are available in the quarterly and annual publications, *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3402.0 and 3404.0).

#### Scope

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

#### Definitions

##### Category of movement

3. Category of movement is primarily determined by the traveller's selection of his or her own category on the passenger card. This selection is accepted provided it is consistent with other information on the card.

##### Permanent movement

4. Permanent movement comprises arrivals of settlers (i.e. persons who hold migrant visas, regardless of stated intended period of stay), New Zealand citizens who indicate an intention to settle and those who are otherwise eligible to settle (e.g. overseas born children of Australian citizens), and permanent departures of Australian residents, including former residents (i.e. those who on departure state they do not intend to return to Australia). This definition of settlers is now identical to that used by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs. Previously the definition of settlers used by the ABS was the stated intention of the traveller only. Numerically the effect of the change in definition is insignificant, and the

change was made to avoid the confusion caused by minor differences between data on settlers published separately by ABS and the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs.

#### Long-term movement

5. Long-term movement is defined as the arrivals of visitors (except those who hold migrant visas — see paragraph 4 above) and the temporary departures by Australian residents with the intention to stay, in Australia or abroad respectively, for twelve months or more, together with the departure of visitors and the return of Australian residents who had stayed, in Australia or abroad, for twelve months or more.

#### Short-term movement

6. Movements of travellers whose intended or actual period of stay is less than twelve months are classified as short-term, except those who on arrival hold migrant visas (see paragraph 4 above).

#### Country of birth or residence

7. The grouping of countries into regions in Asia in Table 2 is based on United Nations' classification of world regions. Applying this classification, the region which includes most 'middle east' countries is included in Asia and is called 'Western Asia (Middle East)'. The Appendix to this publication contains a detailed list of countries included in the various regions of Asia.

8. Statistics on country of birth or residence have certain limitations because of inadequate reporting on passenger cards. For instance, it is not possible to make a distinction between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, (for the tables in this publication 'Ireland' refers to 'The Republic of Ireland' plus 'Ireland, undefined'), or to separately identify England, Scotland and Wales. Similarly 'Germany' could refer to the Federal Republic or to the Democratic Republic.

#### Estimation Method

9. Overseas arrival and departure statistics are derived from a combination of full enumeration and sampling. Fully enumerated strata cover all movements by sea regardless of duration of stay, all permanent movements and all movements with a duration of stay of one year or more. All movements by air with a duration of stay of less than one year are sampled and 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.

10. The statistics in this publication have been rounded to a level consistent with their general validity. The sums of the components may not add exactly to totals, due to rounding.

#### Corrections and imputations

11. The 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, both through 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 and country of birth are also imputed by reference to other related items.

12. Errors of this kind differ from discrepancies arising from the fact that certain information reflects the travellers intentions, or in the case of settler arrivals the fact that the traveller holds a migrant visa, at the time the cards were completed. These intentions are of course subject to change. The items particularly affected by such discrepancies are 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.

#### Related publications

13. Comprehensive definitions and explanations, and detailed data for three and twelve monthly periods, are contained in *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3402.0 and 3404.0). Some additional unpublished information in various forms can be made available on request.

14. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

#### Symbols and other usages

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TABLE 1. OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES — SUMMARY

Period	Permanent arrivals	Arrivals of residents returning after—		Arrivals of visitors for—		Total arrivals
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>						
1982	107,170	53,770	1,259,600	34,270	954,700	2,409,500
1983	78,390	47,810	1,219,700	27,380	943,900	2,317,100
1984	73,110	51,550	1,374,700	28,870	1,015,100	2,543,300
<i>1983—</i>						
December	5,880	7,960	72,700	1,510	117,600	205,600
<i>1984—</i>						
January	5,720	5,210	160,200	4,450	78,700	254,200
February	5,170	3,650	88,700	5,810	84,500	187,900
March	5,750	3,180	83,900	2,360	82,400	177,600
April	5,570	3,130	94,100	1,550	83,300	187,600
May	5,300	2,940	113,900	1,820	71,500	195,500
June	6,300	3,620	100,300	1,730	74,700	186,600
July	5,950	4,120	115,500	1,950	85,500	213,000
August	6,630	4,120	118,600	1,860	75,100	206,300
September	6,410	3,780	158,600	1,990	68,700	239,400
October	6,390	4,310	139,800	1,840	86,800	239,100
November	6,560	5,130	112,600	1,650	98,300	224,300
December	7,350	8,350	88,400	1,860	125,700	231,700
<i>1985—</i>						
January	5,870	5,490	182,000	5,080	82,600	281,000
February	6,400	3,890	106,500	5,650	98,800	221,200
Period	Permanent departures	Departures of residents for—		Departures of visitors after—		Total departures
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>						
1982	22,490	46,890	1,286,900	22,960	921,500	2,300,700
1983	25,870	48,180	1,253,000	26,460	928,900	2,282,400
1984	22,310	50,780	1,418,600	23,270	985,800	2,500,800
<i>1983—</i>						
December	2,390	3,820	149,800	4,790	75,800	236,700
<i>1984—</i>						
January	1,940	6,320	90,100	2,240	108,600	209,200
February	1,970	4,520	78,800	1,610	85,800	172,700
March	2,150	4,430	108,800	1,850	86,700	203,900
April	2,010	4,010	126,300	1,620	84,000	217,900
May	1,890	4,520	122,000	1,750	86,000	216,200
June	1,710	3,790	125,100	1,720	64,400	196,800
July	1,650	4,060	119,600	1,560	71,900	198,800
August	1,910	4,590	148,800	1,730	85,400	242,400
September	1,500	3,660	114,600	1,300	69,200	190,200
October	1,560	2,870	101,600	1,150	73,500	180,600
November	1,760	3,480	108,800	2,120	88,500	204,700
December	2,270	4,530	174,100	4,630	81,700	267,300
<i>1985—</i>						
January	1,770	6,520	101,100	2,160	110,800	222,400
February	1,690	4,600	89,900	1,500	92,100	189,800

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

Country of birth (Summary)	Quarter ended 31 December		Year ended 31 December		Month of—			
					January		February	
	1983	1984	1983	1984	1984	1985	1984	1985
Africa	970	890	4,340	3,290	360	280	260	240
America	910	1,690	4,020	5,580	320	510	240	610
Asia(a)—								
East and South East Asia	5,600	6,590	24,350	25,090	1,940	1,740	1,950	2,310
South Central Asia	830	1,680	3,280	5,350	260	380	260	320
Western Asia (Middle East)	790	1,100	2,080	4,310	210	270	200	320
Total Asia	7,200	9,370	29,700	34,750	2,420	2,390	2,410	2,960
Europe—								
U.K. and Ireland	3,760	3,410	19,630	11,750	1,110	1,010	770	860
Other Europe	2,760	2,670	13,760	9,330	650	620	850	770
Total Europe	6,520	6,080	33,360	21,070	1,760	1,630	1,620	1,630
Oceania—								
New Zealand	1,330	1,840	5,320	6,850	700	900	510	820
Other Oceania	410	440	1,650	1,570	160	160	140	140
Total Oceania	1,740	2,280	6,960	8,420	860	1,060	640	960
At sea and not stated	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,350</b>	<b>20,310</b>	<b>78,390</b>	<b>73,110</b>	<b>5,720</b>	<b>5,870</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>6,400</b>

(a) For a detailed composition of the regions of Asia, refer to the Appendix to this publication.

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

	Quarter ended		Year ended		Month of—			
	31 December		31 December		January		February	
	1983	1984	1983	1984	1984	1985	1984	1985
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	58,200	69,700	202,600	230,500	17,500	19,400	21,800	27,600
1 and under 2 weeks	50,700	55,800	176,400	199,100	11,300	12,400	17,200	19,700
2 weeks and under 1 month	66,700	64,700	221,600	230,100	15,500	16,100	16,200	17,900
1 and under 2 months	54,400	53,300	158,500	156,900	13,700	12,700	11,900	13,300
2 and under 3 months	19,700	20,500	57,300	61,800	5,800	6,300	5,200	5,500
3 and under 6 months	22,000	23,400	64,100	65,900	6,900	6,800	4,800	5,900
6 and under 12 months	15,500	20,500	55,500	62,000	7,300	8,100	6,500	8,000
Not stated	2,300	2,800	8,000	8,900	700	900	800	1,000
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
In transit	15,800	17,500	62,300	64,400	6,000	6,800	5,900	7,700
Attending convention	3,400	4,700	16,700	19,400	700	500	1,700	800
Business	31,200	36,900	123,800	140,000	8,200	9,100	13,400	14,400
Accompanying business traveller	2,900	4,000	12,200	13,900	1,200	1,400	1,200	1,200
Visiting relatives	96,800	94,000	268,200	270,500	22,600	21,400	16,900	19,400
Holiday	125,900	136,300	396,100	435,600	32,100	33,800	36,900	45,000
Employment	2,300	3,200	11,600	12,400	1,300	1,600	1,000	1,500
Education	2,400	2,300	17,500	18,400	3,500	3,500	4,100	4,600
Other and not stated	8,900	11,800	35,600	40,400	3,100	4,500	3,400	4,200
<i>Country of residence</i>								
<b>AFRICA—</b>								
South Africa	4,100	3,800	11,400	10,600	900	700	700	700
Other	1,700	2,400	5,800	6,500	500	500	500	400
<i>Total Africa</i>	<i>5,800</i>	<i>6,100</i>	<i>17,200</i>	<i>17,100</i>	<i>1,300</i>	<i>1,200</i>	<i>1,300</i>	<i>1,100</i>
<b>AMERICA—</b>								
Canada	10,100	10,200	33,000	34,500	3,700	4,100	4,000	3,900
U.S.A.	37,800	44,300	140,000	160,400	11,300	12,800	14,500	16,600
Other	1,900	1,800	5,100	5,800	500	600	400	500
<i>Total America</i>	<i>49,700</i>	<i>56,300</i>	<i>178,000</i>	<i>200,800</i>	<i>15,600</i>	<i>17,500</i>	<i>18,900</i>	<i>21,000</i>
<b>ASIA—</b>								
Hong Kong	5,300	5,600	20,900	21,200	1,600	1,300	2,700	3,600
India	1,400	1,700	5,400	5,900	400	500	400	700
Indonesia	4,300	4,600	13,300	14,200	1,000	1,200	1,100	1,300
Japan	24,400	29,900	71,800	87,900	6,200	7,500	8,700	11,500
Malaysia	8,700	10,100	27,700	29,300	1,900	2,000	3,700	4,200
Philippines	1,800	2,400	6,700	8,300	400	600	600	900
Singapore	11,800	13,600	29,700	33,000	1,700	1,800	2,800	3,600
Thailand	1,400	1,600	5,000	5,400	300	300	500	600
Other	8,200	10,800	23,900	29,500	1,700	2,400	2,900	3,200
<i>Total Asia</i>	<i>67,300</i>	<i>80,200</i>	<i>204,500</i>	<i>234,600</i>	<i>15,200</i>	<i>17,500</i>	<i>23,500</i>	<i>29,800</i>
<b>EUROPE—</b>								
France	3,100	3,600	10,000	11,200	800	800	900	900
Germany(a)	11,100	12,400	34,600	34,200	3,100	3,000	4,000	4,700
Greece	1,600	2,400	4,200	5,000	300	500	300	600
Ireland(b)	1,400	1,200	5,000	4,000	500	400	300	500
Italy	4,700	5,400	12,000	13,400	1,000	1,000	900	1,300
Netherlands	5,100	4,700	14,900	14,100	1,700	2,100	1,300	1,600
Switzerland	4,200	5,100	11,600	12,500	1,200	1,300	1,300	1,500
United Kingdom	51,800	48,900	147,700	145,500	17,500	15,000	12,400	14,300
Yugoslavia	1,500	2,000	3,900	4,700	500	400	400	500
Other	9,100	11,200	24,200	28,800	2,500	2,800	2,700	3,300
<i>Total Europe</i>	<i>93,600</i>	<i>96,800</i>	<i>268,100</i>	<i>273,500</i>	<i>29,200</i>	<i>27,100</i>	<i>24,500</i>	<i>29,200</i>
<b>OCEANIA—</b>								
Fiji	3,000	3,200	9,400	9,700	1,000	800	1,000	1,100
New Caledonia	2,200	1,800	8,500	7,400	1,300	1,100	900	800
New Zealand	58,400	54,600	225,000	234,400	11,100	12,600	11,800	12,400
Papua New Guinea	6,800	7,400	23,000	23,700	2,900	3,200	1,600	1,900
Other	2,000	3,300	7,900	10,900	800	1,000	900	1,100
<i>Total Oceania</i>	<i>72,400</i>	<i>70,300</i>	<i>273,800</i>	<i>286,200</i>	<i>17,200</i>	<i>18,800</i>	<i>16,200</i>	<i>17,400</i>
Not stated	800	1,000	2,200	2,900	200	400	200	300
<b>Total</b>	<b>289,600</b>	<b>310,800</b>	<b>943,900</b>	<b>1,015,100</b>	<b>78,700</b>	<b>82,600</b>	<b>84,500</b>	<b>98,800</b>

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

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

	Quarter ended		Year ended		Month of—			
	31 December		31 December		January		February	
	1983	1984	1983	1984	1984	1985	1984	1985
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	15,300	16,600	58,000	62,800	3,300	3,300	4,900	5,400
1 and under 2 weeks	62,600	81,000	252,400	296,700	22,000	24,800	16,700	19,600
2 weeks and under 1 month	110,000	126,600	405,900	448,900	35,300	40,800	26,300	32,600
1 and under 2 months	71,000	81,100	233,900	255,900	12,600	14,100	12,200	13,800
2 and under 3 months	31,200	38,800	108,600	135,200	4,200	5,000	4,800	5,200
3 and under 6 months	17,700	20,900	101,100	119,500	3,500	3,600	5,200	4,700
6 and under 12 months	13,900	14,700	77,200	84,200	8,100	8,000	7,800	7,800
Not stated	3,800	4,700	16,000	15,500	1,100	1,400	800	800
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
Attending convention	5,600	6,400	27,000	30,900	1,200	1,300	1,900	2,200
Business	35,800	39,900	148,900	174,300	11,100	11,300	14,000	13,000
Accompanying business traveller	4,700	5,100	21,200	23,400	2,200	2,200	1,400	1,800
Visiting relatives	70,500	81,300	236,600	265,000	13,100	13,200	14,000	15,900
Holiday	190,000	229,000	737,800	837,200	54,600	64,800	41,600	51,300
Employment	4,300	4,900	19,900	20,600	2,700	2,500	1,500	1,800
Education	2,600	3,000	11,500	12,600	1,500	1,300	900	700
Other and not stated	12,000	14,800	50,000	54,700	3,700	4,400	3,500	3,200
<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>								
<b>AFRICA—</b>								
South Africa	2,700	2,900	7,000	7,800	700	500	500	500
Other	2,600	3,300	7,300	8,900	700	400	400	600
<i>Total Africa</i>	<i>5,200</i>	<i>6,200</i>	<i>14,300</i>	<i>16,700</i>	<i>1,300</i>	<i>900</i>	<i>900</i>	<i>1,100</i>
<b>AMERICA—</b>								
Canada	2,700	3,900	14,300	15,800	400	700	600	600
U.S.A.	29,300	37,500	137,700	140,600	7,000	9,200	8,500	8,700
Other	5,800	6,500	11,800	17,600	800	1,500	1,300	1,500
<i>Total America</i>	<i>37,900</i>	<i>47,900</i>	<i>163,800</i>	<i>174,000</i>	<i>8,200</i>	<i>11,500</i>	<i>10,400</i>	<i>10,700</i>
<b>ASIA—</b>								
Hong Kong	24,300	29,200	78,900	96,100	7,200	9,600	5,100	6,800
India	6,500	5,700	12,800	14,400	1,500	1,300	1,100	700
Indonesia	22,300	21,500	80,200	87,900	8,800	8,200	5,200	5,600
Japan	6,600	7,100	24,300	26,300	1,300	1,300	1,000	1,000
Malaysia	10,200	10,500	38,900	38,700	4,000	4,100	2,200	2,500
Philippines	7,600	9,200	26,200	26,700	2,000	2,600	1,800	2,000
Singapore	13,600	18,000	54,900	61,300	5,200	6,000	3,100	3,900
Thailand	6,400	6,200	16,900	19,800	1,800	2,500	1,100	1,300
Other	11,500	19,300	45,400	54,100	2,800	5,300	2,200	4,600
<i>Total Asia</i>	<i>109,100</i>	<i>126,600</i>	<i>378,400</i>	<i>425,400</i>	<i>34,700</i>	<i>41,000</i>	<i>22,800</i>	<i>28,400</i>
<b>EUROPE—</b>								
France	2,200	3,000	9,700	13,000	900	800	600	700
Germany(a)	4,200	4,600	18,700	23,300	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,200
Greece	3,900	5,400	25,000	28,500	1,000	700	900	1,100
Ireland(b)	1,000	1,400	4,000	5,700	100	200	300	200
Italy	7,400	8,000	35,600	39,500	1,300	1,500	1,400	1,300
Netherlands	2,400	2,600	11,200	12,200	500	400	500	600
Switzerland	1,400	1,500	5,600	6,600	600	900	400	500
United Kingdom	31,800	39,200	161,500	194,800	6,100	6,500	8,000	8,600
Yugoslavia	2,200	2,800	13,500	15,400	300	300	600	300
Other	5,800	7,100	29,500	36,300	1,400	1,700	1,500	1,500
<i>Total Europe</i>	<i>62,500</i>	<i>75,600</i>	<i>314,300</i>	<i>375,300</i>	<i>13,100</i>	<i>14,000</i>	<i>15,300</i>	<i>16,000</i>
<b>OCEANIA—</b>								
Fiji	21,200	24,300	79,100	88,800	6,900	5,800	4,800	4,000
New Caledonia	5,200	5,900	19,900	24,100	1,800	1,000	1,000	100
New Zealand	65,400	76,500	211,700	237,200	17,500	19,600	19,000	24,100
Papua New Guinea	6,600	6,400	25,500	26,300	2,400	2,200	2,000	1,800
Other	11,400	12,900	41,300	46,000	3,800	4,200	2,600	2,900
<i>Total Oceania</i>	<i>109,800</i>	<i>126,100</i>	<i>377,400</i>	<i>422,500</i>	<i>32,400</i>	<i>32,800</i>	<i>29,300</i>	<i>33,000</i>
Not stated	900	2,100	4,700	4,700	300	800	100	600
<b>Total</b>	<b>325,400</b>	<b>384,400</b>	<b>1,253,000</b>	<b>1,418,600</b>	<b>90,100</b>	<b>101,100</b>	<b>78,800</b>	<b>89,900</b>

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

## APPENDIX

COMPOSITION OF COMPONENT REGIONS OF ASIA USED IN ABS  
OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES STATISTICS

(Source: Based on the composition of regions shown on p.42-43 of the United Nations Demographic Year Book, 1983).

## EAST AND SOUTH EAST ASIA

*EAST ASIA*

China  
Taiwan Province  
Japan  
Hong Kong  
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of,  
Korea, Republic of,  
Macau  
Mongolia

*SOUTH EAST ASIA*

Brunei  
Burma  
East Timor  
Indonesia  
Kampuchea  
Laos  
Malaysia  
Philippines  
Singapore  
Thailand  
Vietnam

## SOUTH CENTRAL ASIA

Afghanistan  
Bangladesh  
Bhutan  
India  
Iran  
Maldives  
Nepal  
Pakistan  
Sri Lanka

## WESTERN ASIA (MIDDLE EAST)

Bahrain  
Cyprus  
Iraq  
Israel  
Jordan  
Kuwait  
Lebanon  
Oman  
Qatar  
Saudi Arabia  
Syria  
Turkey  
United Arab Emirates  
Yemen, Arab Republic  
Yemen, Democratic Republic