



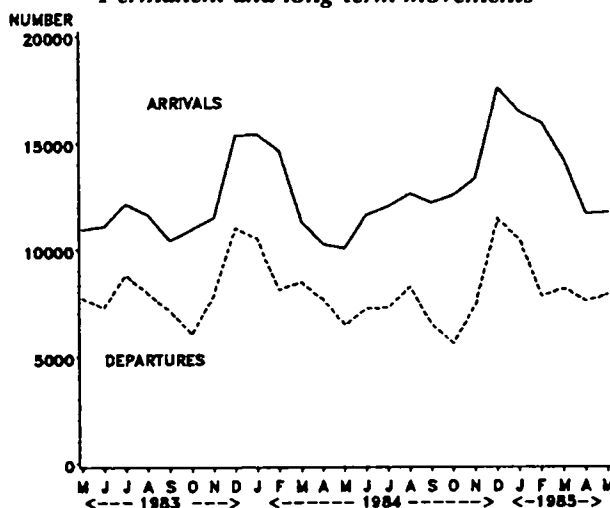
OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA MAY 1985

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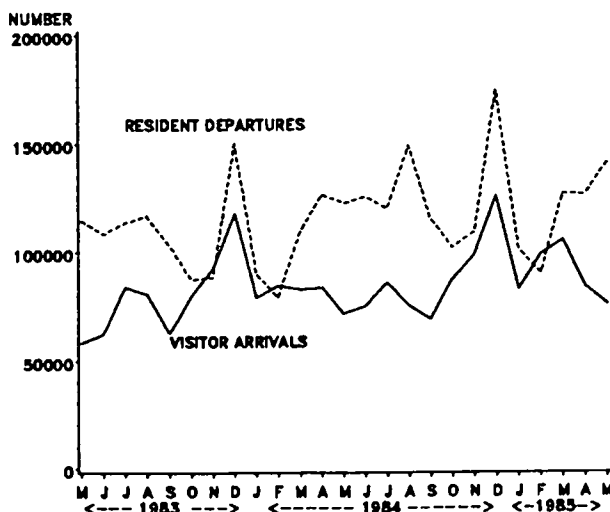
MAIN FEATURES

Permanent and long-term movements



In May 1985 there were 11,740 permanent and long-term arrivals, 17% more than in May 1984 (10,060). The number of permanent and long-term departures was 7,860, 4% fewer than in May 1984 (8,160).

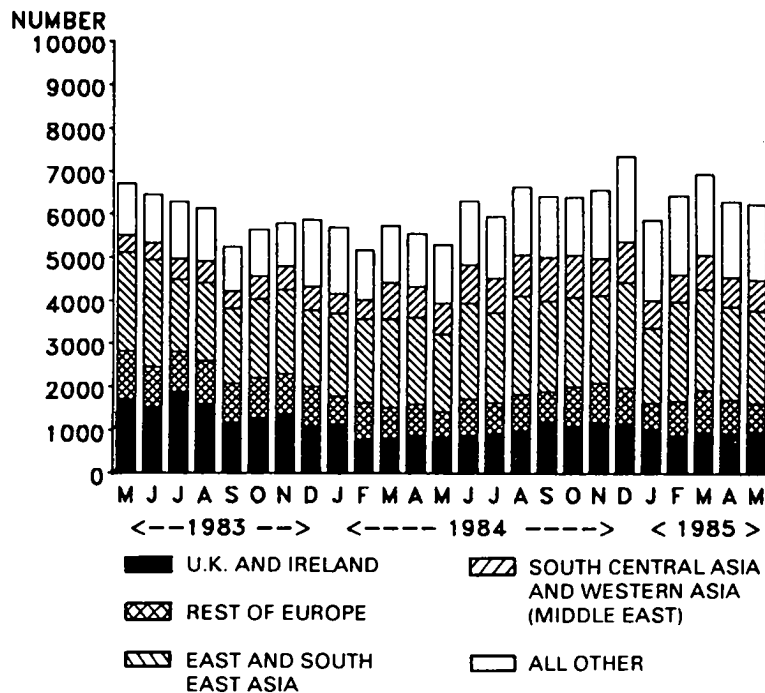
Short-term visitor arrivals and resident departures



There were 75,700 short-term visitor arrivals in May 1985, an increase of 6% over May 1984 (71,500). The major countries from which short-term visitors came were New Zealand (22,600, a marginal increase), the U.S.A. (12,400, a 2% increase), the United Kingdom (8,100, a decrease of 11%), Japan (6,900, a 21% increase) and Canada (2,300, a 21% increase).

141,400 short-term resident departures were recorded for May 1985, an increase of 16% over May 1984 (122,000). The largest increase was recorded in travel to China, which rose from 1,300 in May 1984 to 2,600 in May 1985.

Settler Arrivals by Area of Birth



6,230 settler arrivals were recorded in May 1985, 18% more than in May 1984 (5,300). This continues the increase in settler arrivals recorded each month since July 1984, compared with the corresponding month of the previous year. Increases in settler arrivals for May 1985 were recorded from most continents, compared with May 1984. Arrivals of settlers born in Oceania (mainly New Zealand) rose from 640 in May 1984 to 1,020 in May 1985, constituting 16% of all settler arrivals.

Settlers born in Asia increased 15% over the number for May 1984 and totalled 2,880 (46% of all settlers). Included in this category are 270 settlers born in Western Asia (Middle East).

Settlers born in Europe increased 13% and numbered 1,630 (26% of all settlers) of whom 59% 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 May 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>1984—</i>						
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
March	6,930	3,920	100,500	3,320	105,400	220,100
April	6,280	3,230	100,000	2,180	83,900	195,600
May	6,230	3,300	122,100	2,210	75,700	209,500
Period	Permanent departures	Departures of residents for—		Departures of visitors after—		Total departures
		Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
<i>Year ended 31 December—</i>						
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>1984</i>						
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
March	1,740	4,700	126,800	1,710	108,800	243,700
April	1,480	4,470	126,400	1,630	93,100	227,000
May	1,690	4,220	141,400	1,950	90,000	239,200

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

Country of birth (Summary)	Year ended 31 December		Quarter ended 31 March		Month of—			
	1983	1984	1984	1985	April		May	
					1984	1985	1984	1985
Africa	4,340	3,290	930	800	210	280	260	240
America	4,020	5,580	940	1,570	380	410	460	460
Asia(a)—								
East and South East Asia	24,350	25,090	5,940	6,420	2,020	2,160	1,800	2,150
South Central Asia	3,280	5,350	980	1,140	410	440	380	450
Western Asia (Middle East)	2,080	4,310	810	920	310	250	330	270
Total Asia	29,700	34,750	7,740	8,480	2,730	2,850	2,510	2,880
Europe—								
U.K. and Ireland	19,630	11,750	2,680	2,820	870	920	840	960
Other Europe	13,760	9,330	2,230	2,360	730	790	600	670
Total Europe	33,360	21,070	4,910	5,180	1,600	1,710	1,440	1,630
Oceania—								
New Zealand	5,320	6,850	1,720	2,730	510	880	540	900
Other Oceania	1,650	1,570	420	430	130	150	90	120
Total Oceania	6,960	8,420	2,130	3,160	640	1,030	640	1,020
At sea and not stated	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	78,390	73,110	16,640	19,200	5,570	6,280	5,300	6,230

(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**

	Year ended 31 December		Quarter ended 31 March		Month of—			
					April		May	
	1983	1984	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	202,600	230,500	60,900	75,100	18,100	23,100	16,500	19,800
1 and under 2 weeks	176,400	199,100	45,200	52,700	19,700	18,000	16,500	17,600
2 weeks and under 1 month	221,600	230,100	48,600	56,100	20,900	17,900	18,700	18,300
1 and under 2 months	158,500	156,900	38,100	41,600	12,600	10,800	8,600	8,000
2 and under 3 months	57,300	61,800	16,000	17,900	4,000	4,100	3,200	3,100
3 and under 6 months	64,100	65,900	16,600	18,300	3,600	4,200	4,000	3,600
6 and under 12 months	55,500	62,000	17,800	22,100	3,600	4,900	3,400	4,300
Not stated	8,000	8,900	2,200	3,000	800	900	600	900
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
In transit	62,300	64,400	17,900	21,800	4,300	5,700	4,900	5,800
Attending convention	16,700	19,400	4,200	2,900	1,100	1,400	1,800	3,200
Business	123,800	140,000	34,600	39,600	11,200	12,900	12,800	13,100
Accompanying business traveller	12,200	13,900	3,500	3,900	1,000	1,100	1,100	1,100
Visiting relatives	268,200	270,500	59,300	67,000	21,700	19,300	17,700	16,500
Holiday	396,100	435,600	104,200	124,400	38,800	38,000	27,900	29,800
Employment	11,600	12,400	3,400	4,700	1,000	1,300	800	1,400
Education	17,500	18,400	8,800	9,800	700	1,100	1,400	1,300
Other and not stated	35,600	40,400	9,700	12,700	3,500	3,000	3,100	3,400
<i>Country of residence</i>								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	11,400	10,600	2,600	2,300	900	800	700	600
Other	5,800	6,500	1,500	1,500	500	500	500	300
<i>Total Africa</i>	<i>17,200</i>	<i>17,100</i>	<i>4,000</i>	<i>3,800</i>	<i>1,400</i>	<i>1,300</i>	<i>1,100</i>	<i>1,000</i>
AMERICA—								
Canada	33,000	34,500	11,100	12,100	3,300	4,200	1,900	2,300
U.S.A.	140,000	160,400	42,100	47,600	17,000	18,900	12,100	12,400
Other	5,100	5,800	1,500	1,800	300	500	300	700
<i>Total America</i>	<i>178,000</i>	<i>200,800</i>	<i>54,800</i>	<i>61,400</i>	<i>20,600</i>	<i>23,600</i>	<i>14,300</i>	<i>15,300</i>
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	20,900	21,200	5,600	7,000	1,600	1,800	1,200	1,100
India	5,400	5,900	1,200	1,800	500	600	700	800
Indonesia	13,300	14,200	3,100	3,800	1,100	1,100	900	900
Japan	71,800	87,900	23,200	30,200	5,600	7,800	5,700	6,900
Malaysia	27,700	29,300	7,600	9,200	2,800	3,100	1,900	2,100
Philippines	6,700	8,300	1,800	2,400	900	1,100	700	700
Singapore	29,700	33,000	6,800	8,300	2,200	2,100	2,000	2,000
Thailand	5,000	5,400	1,300	1,400	500	600	400	500
Other	23,900	29,500	6,600	9,200	2,300	2,400	1,800	2,100
<i>Total Asia</i>	<i>204,500</i>	<i>234,600</i>	<i>57,300</i>	<i>73,300</i>	<i>17,600</i>	<i>20,500</i>	<i>15,300</i>	<i>17,000</i>
EUROPE—								
France	10,000	11,200	2,600	2,500	600	700	700	900
Germany(a)	34,600	34,200	10,200	11,600	2,400	2,200	1,400	1,500
Greece	4,200	5,000	800	1,600	300	500	200	200
Ireland(b)	5,000	4,000	1,200	1,400	200	400	200	400
Italy	12,000	13,400	2,800	3,300	1,000	800	500	800
Netherlands	14,900	14,100	4,100	5,200	800	800	600	600
Switzerland	11,600	12,500	3,500	3,900	800	900	600	800
United Kingdom	147,700	145,500	44,200	49,600	9,000	9,200	9,100	8,100
Yugoslavia	3,900	4,700	1,100	1,300	400	300	200	300
Other	24,200	28,800	7,300	9,200	1,700	2,000	1,400	1,700
<i>Total Europe</i>	<i>268,100</i>	<i>273,500</i>	<i>78,000</i>	<i>89,500</i>	<i>17,300</i>	<i>17,700</i>	<i>14,900</i>	<i>15,400</i>
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	9,400	9,700	2,700	3,000	800	1,000	600	1,000
New Caledonia	8,500	7,400	2,700	2,700	600	400	400	700
New Zealand	225,000	234,400	37,000	41,700	21,900	15,900	22,500	22,600
Papua New Guinea	23,000	23,700	6,000	7,100	2,100	2,200	1,400	1,700
Other	7,900	10,900	2,500	3,100	800	800	700	800
<i>Total Oceania</i>	<i>273,800</i>	<i>286,200</i>	<i>50,900</i>	<i>57,500</i>	<i>26,200</i>	<i>20,300</i>	<i>25,700</i>	<i>26,700</i>
Not stated	2,200	2,900	600	1,100	100	300	100	300
Total	943,900	1,015,100	245,600	286,800	83,300	83,900	71,500	75,700

(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**

	Year ended 31 December		Quarter ended 31 March		Month of—			
	1983	1984	1984	1985	April		May	
					1984	1985	1984	1985
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	58,000	62,800	14,000	14,900	5,400	6,200	5,700	7,500
1 and under 2 weeks	252,400	296,700	61,400	70,300	26,700	25,700	25,800	28,100
2 weeks and under 1 month	405,900	448,900	95,800	117,300	36,600	36,200	38,400	44,600
1 and under 2 months	233,900	255,900	41,000	46,300	21,600	21,400	18,600	20,600
2 and under 3 months	108,600	135,200	17,600	19,300	11,500	11,900	10,200	12,900
3 and under 6 months	101,100	119,500	19,000	19,700	13,800	13,600	14,500	17,200
6 and under 12 months	77,200	84,200	25,800	26,600	9,300	10,000	7,800	8,900
Not stated	16,000	15,500	3,100	3,500	1,300	1,500	1,100	1,600
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
Attending convention	27,000	30,900	5,800	6,500	3,300	3,300	2,800	3,400
Business	148,900	174,300	40,600	40,500	14,600	17,100	16,600	17,700
Accompanying business traveller	21,200	23,400	5,600	5,900	2,200	2,500	2,500	2,800
Visiting relatives	236,600	265,000	46,200	51,300	23,700	22,600	20,600	26,400
Holiday	737,800	837,200	159,500	193,500	74,700	73,700	72,000	82,900
Employment	19,900	20,600	6,000	6,000	1,700	2,000	1,900	1,700
Education	11,500	12,600	2,900	2,900	1,200	900	900	1,400
Other and not stated	50,000	54,700	11,200	12,200	5,000	4,300	4,700	5,200
<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>								
AFRICA—								
Egypt	2,800	3,700	700	700	300	500	200	300
South Africa	7,000	7,800	1,700	1,900	500	600	300	500
Other	4,500	5,200	1,100	800	400	300	400	400
<i>Total Africa</i>	<i>14,300</i>	<i>16,700</i>	<i>3,400</i>	<i>3,400</i>	<i>1,200</i>	<i>1,400</i>	<i>900</i>	<i>1,200</i>
AMERICA—								
Canada	14,300	15,800	2,000	2,300	1,200	1,500	1,300	1,300
U.S.A.	137,700	140,700	28,400	30,700	13,000	10,400	10,900	12,800
Other	11,800	17,500	3,600	4,600	1,400	1,500	1,000	2,500
<i>Total America</i>	<i>163,800</i>	<i>174,000</i>	<i>34,000</i>	<i>37,700</i>	<i>15,600</i>	<i>13,400</i>	<i>13,300</i>	<i>16,600</i>
ASIA—								
China	9,600	15,600	1,300	6,000	1,300	2,500	1,300	2,600
Hong Kong	78,900	96,100	20,500	26,600	7,400	7,900	8,300	8,700
India	12,800	14,400	3,600	3,400	800	900	800	800
Indonesia	80,200	87,900	19,900	21,200	7,200	6,900	7,500	9,100
Japan	24,300	26,300	4,400	5,300	3,100	3,600	3,100	3,600
Malaysia	38,900	38,700	8,700	10,000	2,900	2,800	3,400	3,700
Philippines	26,200	26,700	5,600	6,800	2,400	2,200	2,100	2,100
Singapore	54,900	61,300	12,300	15,300	4,900	4,300	6,300	5,200
Thailand	16,900	19,800	4,700	6,100	1,700	1,800	1,200	2,100
Other	35,800	38,500	6,900	8,400	2,900	3,700	3,200	3,600
<i>Total Asia</i>	<i>378,400</i>	<i>425,400</i>	<i>88,000</i>	<i>109,200</i>	<i>34,600</i>	<i>36,500</i>	<i>37,200</i>	<i>41,500</i>
EUROPE—								
France	9,700	13,000	2,400	2,600	1,600	1,300	1,300	1,600
Germany(a)	18,700	23,300	4,200	4,200	2,100	2,800	2,600	2,900
Greece	25,000	28,500	4,100	4,200	3,000	3,000	3,400	3,900
Ireland(b)	4,000	5,700	800	900	500	400	500	500
Italy	35,600	39,500	5,100	5,700	4,000	3,900	3,900	5,200
Netherlands	11,200	12,200	2,000	1,900	1,700	1,500	1,100	1,900
Switzerland	5,600	6,600	1,500	1,700	600	600	600	600
United Kingdom	161,500	194,800	31,000	34,700	21,400	22,700	19,300	23,700
Yugoslavia	13,500	15,400	1,800	1,500	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,900
Other	29,500	36,300	5,100	5,400	3,000	3,600	4,200	4,700
<i>Total Europe</i>	<i>314,300</i>	<i>375,300</i>	<i>57,600</i>	<i>62,800</i>	<i>39,700</i>	<i>41,400</i>	<i>38,300</i>	<i>47,100</i>
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	79,100	88,800	17,800	14,900	7,700	6,400	7,600	6,800
New Caledonia	19,900	24,100	4,600	1,300	2,200	200	2,100	200
New Zealand	211,700	237,200	55,800	69,900	19,200	20,700	15,800	20,500
Papua New Guinea	25,500	26,300	6,400	5,800	2,200	2,200	2,600	2,400
Other	41,300	46,000	9,400	10,900	3,600	3,500	3,900	4,600
<i>Total Oceania</i>	<i>377,400</i>	<i>422,500</i>	<i>93,700</i>	<i>103,000</i>	<i>34,900</i>	<i>33,000</i>	<i>32,000</i>	<i>34,500</i>
Not stated	4,700	4,700	800	1,800	200	800	300	600
Total	1,253,000	1,418,600	277,700	317,800	126,300	126,400	122,000	141,400

(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