# OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA FINAL ESTIMATES FOR AUGUST 1981 PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES FOR SEPTEMBER 1981 

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## MAIN FEATURES

## Permanent and long-term movement

Provisional estimates of permanent arrivals (settlers) for September 1981 were $9,800,21.8$ per cent higher than for September 1980. The estimated 29,500 settler arrivals for the September quarter 1981 represents a 25.5 per cent increase compared with the previous September quarter.

Permanent and long-term arrivals increased by 15.1 per cent from 14,100 in September 1980 to 16,300 in September 1981. There were 5,800 permanent and long-term departures in September 1981, approximately the same as in September 1980.

Permanent and long-term net gain for September 1981 was estimated at $\mathbf{1 0 , 5 0 0}$, an increase of 26.1 per cent over the net gain for September 1980. For the quarter ended September 1981, the net gain from permanent and long-term movements was $\mathbf{3 0 , 8 0 0}$, an increase of $\mathbf{3 2 . 2}$ per cent compared with September quarter 1980.

## Short-term movement

Overseas visitor arrivals for September 1981 are provisionally estimated at $\mathbf{6 3 , 9 0 0}$, an increase of 5.0 per cent from 60,900 in September 1980. Overseas visitor arrivals for the September quarter 1981 totalled 220,100, 5.7 per cent more than for the September quarter 1980.

The estimated number of Australian residents departing for short-term visits in September 1981 was 92,200 compared with 87,500 in September 1980, a 5.4 per cent increase. For the September quarter 1981 there were 306,100 short-term departures by residents, an increase of 2.1 per cent over the September quarter 1980.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

## Introduction

This series of publications comes out at approximately monthly intervals and contains the latest available provisional and final estimates in summary form. The new data in this issue are final estimates for August 1981, and provisional estimates for September 1981.
2. Overseas arrivals and departures statistics are obtained from passenger cards completed by travellers. Provisional estimates, based on early counts of cards by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, are shown in these publications if they are available and not yet superseded by final estimates.

## Related publications

3. Comprehensive definitions and explanations, and detailed data for three months and twelve months periods, are contained in Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (3402.0 and 3404.0) and in Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly (3101.0). Some additional unpublished information in various forms can be made available on request.
4. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a Publications Advice (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Note. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES - SUMMARY

| Period | Arrivals |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Residents returning after- |  | Visitors arriving for- |  | Total |
|  | Permanent | Long-term | Short-term | Long-term | Short-term |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1979 | 67,192 | 60,947 | 1,101,713 | 34,064 | 699.523 | 1,963,440 |
| 1980 | 80,748 | 59,963 | 1,189,105 | 29,586 | 876,734 | 2,236,136 |
| 1981 | 110,689 | 59,871 | 1,187,671 | 34,220 | 913,502 | 2,305,952 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 8,080 | 4,567 | 99.787 | 2,375 | 69,956 | 184,765 |
| September | 8,016 | 3,984 | 118.286 | 2,131 | 60,873 | 193,290 |
| October | 9,198 | 4,705 | 110,680 | 2,031 | 71,886 | 198,500 |
| November | 10,084 | 6,233 | 97,902 | 2,146 | 84,787 | 201,152 |
| December | 9,634 | 9,422 | 66,904 | 2,182 | 112.587 | 200,728 |
| 1981- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 9,993 | 5,484 | 143,403 | 4,718 | 69,566 | 233.165 |
| February | 7,931 | 4,315 | 84.177 | 4,983 | 78,701 | 180,107 |
| March | 11,851 | 4,865 | 90,105 | 3,681 | 84,300 | 194.802 |
| April | 9,061 | 3,729 | 86,786 | 2,414 | 67,803 | 169.793 |
| May | 9,678 | 4,163 | 98,220 | 2.620 | 63,119 72 | 177,800 186,398 |
| June | 9,743 | 4,122 | 97,233 | 2,708 | 72,592 81.198 | 186,398 190901 |
| July | 9,514 | 4,588 | 93,372 | 2,229 2.547 | 81,198 74.985 | 190,901 188.475 |
| August | 10,244 | 4,597 | 96,102 | 2,547 | 74,985 | 188,475 |
| September(a) | 9,766 | 4,200 | 112,800 | 2,300 | 63,900 | 192,900 |


| Period | Departures |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Permanent | Residents departing for- |  | Visitors departing after- |  | Toral |
|  |  | Long-term | Short-term | Long-term | Short-term |  |
| Year ended 30 June- 666.938 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1979 | 25,429 | 57,256 | 1,132,038 | 21,216 | 666,938 | 1,902,876 |
| 1980 | 22,017 | 52,114 | 1,204,666 | 19,228 | 840,627 | 2,138,652 |
| 1981 | 19,496 | 47,848 | 1,194,594 | 18,778 | 877.735 | 2.158.451 |
| 1980- 72,184 195082 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 1,695 | 4,276 | 115,446 | 1,480 | 72,184 | 195,082 |
| September | 1,330 | 3,481 | 87.512 | 1,017 | 64,048 65,937 | 157,388 158.094 |
| October | 1,594 | 2,970 | 86,494 | 1,099 | 65,937 75,491 | 158.094 163.758 |
| November | 1,763 | 3.107 | 81,826 | 1.571 | 75,491 58,766 | 163.758 |
| December | 1.740 | 4,010 | 135,269 | 3.716 | 58,766 | 203,501 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1,802 | 6,650 | 88,936 | 1.951 | 105,006 | 204.345 |
| February | 1,611 | 4,338 | 77,148 | 1.199 | 75,118 | 159,414 |
| March | 1,844 | 4,788 | 109,014 | 1.465 | 88.095 | 205,206 |
| April | 1,713 | 3,711 | 103,973 | 1.229 1.399 | 75.032 72.212 | 185,658 191.929 |
| May | 1,557 | 3,712 | 113,049 | 1,399 | 72,212 57,060 | 191.929 161.931 |
| June | 1,341 | 3,204 | 99,061 | 1.266 | 57,060 | 161.931 |
| July | 1,514 | 3,228 | 104,455 | 1,374 | 69,023 78.293 | 179,594 194,958 |
| August | 1,719 | 4,144 | 109,416 | 1,386 1,100 | 78.293 68.100 | 194,958 166,100 |
| September(a) | 1,400 | 3,300 | 92,200 | 1,100 | 68.100 | 166,100 |

(a) Provisional estimates only.

TABLE 2. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : OVERSEAS VISITORS ARRIVING
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS

|  | Visitors arriving intending to stay less than 12 months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Month of |  | Quarter ended 30 June |  | Month of |  |  |  |
|  | June |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1980 | 1981 | 1980 | 1981 | 1980 | 1981 | 1980 | 1981 |
|  | Intended length of stay |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under I week | 11,120 | 10,960 |  | 37,405 | 12,849 | 11,357 | 13.613 | 14,099 |
| 1 and under 2 weeks | 16,117 | 14,736 | 43,142 | 43,956 | 18,082 | $17,168$ | $16,266$ | $16,507$ |
| 2 weeks and under 1 month | 20,072 | 20,907 | 50,647 | 54,464 | 21,534 | 24,745 | 21.523 | 22.936 |
| 1 and under 2 months | 9.493 | 10,573 | 24,566 | 28.052 | 12,157 | 13,974 | 8.420 | 9,224 |
| 2 and under 3 months | 4,458 | 4,712 | 9,880 | 10,202 | 5,158 | 4,883 4,765 | 2,740 | 3,337 4,056 |
| 3 and under 6 months | 4.259 | 5,742 | 12,003 | 14.092 | 3,664 | 4,765 | 3,289 | 4,056 |
| 6 and under 12 months | 3,183 | 4,028 | 10,423 | 12,700 | 2,960 | 3,195 | 3,071 | $\begin{array}{r}3,857 \\ \hline 968\end{array}$ |
| Not stated | 1,028 | 935 | 2.998 | 2,643 | 928 | 1,112 | 1.033 | 968 |
|  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In transit | 4,630 | 4,276 | 15,006 | 13,253 | 5,002 | 4,144 | 5,657 | 5,639 |
| Attending convention | 644 | 449 | 4,096 | 2,648 | 1,554 | 972 | 2,326 | 2,601 |
| Business | 8,424 | 8.901 | 27,127 | 29,232 | 8,653 | 10,346 | 8,830 | 10.121 |
| Accompanying business traveller | 854 | 735 21.799 | 2,541 | 2,642 | $\begin{array}{r}940 \\ \hline 557\end{array}$ | 752 22.197 | 1,238 16828 | 1,103 18115 |
| Visiting relatives | 20,370 | 21,079 | 51,179 | 54,720 | 21,557 | 22,197 35246 | 16,828 28,799 | 18,115 31268 |
| Holiday | 29,677 | 31.581 1.560 | 75,896 | 84,097 4,666 | 31,152 1,324 | 35,246 1,422 | 28,799 1,208 | 31,268 1,226 |
| Employment | 1,455 | 1,560 915 | 4,274 2,575 | 4,666 2,857 | 1,324 840 | 1,422 | 1,272 | 1,226 1,080 3,832 |
| Other and not stated | 686 $\mathbf{2 , 9 9 1}$ | 1915 3.096 | 2,575 9,467 | 2,857 $\mathbf{9 , 3 9 9}$ | 3,309 | 1,847 4,273 | 1,272 | 1,080 |
|  | Country of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AFRICA- 451 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| South Africa Other and unspecified | 351 250 | 389 | 1,665 1,047 | 2,100 | 441 | 544 | 429 | 645 |
| Total, Africa | 601 | 816 | 2.712 | 3.205 | 864 | 1.209 | 1,007 | 1.539 |
| AMERICA Canada | 1,349 | 1,363 | 4,306 | 5,287 | 1,575 | 2,203 | 996 | 1,831 |
| U.S.A. | 7,564 | 7,781 | 22,014 | 23,717 | 6,372 | 8,595 | 7,043 | 8.972 |
| Other and unspecified | 462 | 460 | 1,464 | 1,642 | +449 | 510 | 454 | 556 |
| Total, America | 9.375 | 9.604 | 27,784 | 30.646 | 8,395 | 11.308 | 8.493 | 11,359 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hong Kong | 817 1242 | 1,106 | 3,197 2,824 | 3,729 3,461 | 1,592 1,126 | 1,049 | 1,620 | 1,677 |
| Indonesia Japan | 1.242 1,950 | 1,275 1,878 | 2,824 8,642 | 3,461 9.297 | 1,126 3,040 | 1,049 3,139 | 3,054 | 3,491 |
| Malaysia | 667 | 910 | 3,348 | 3,643 | 861 | 1,262 | 1,194 | 1,695 |
| Phillipines | 335 | 529 | 1,257 | 1,778 | 360 | 453 | 410 | 631 |
| Singapore | 1,053 | 1,433 | 3,120 | 4,029 | 1.131 | 1,519 | 1,216 | 1,415 |
| Thailand | 163 | 323 | 1,038 | 1,211 | 293 | 402 | 366 1756 | $\begin{array}{r}400 \\ \hline 949\end{array}$ |
| Other and unspecified | 1,354 | 1,401 | 4,367 | 4,822 | 1,467 | 1,921 | 1.756 | 1,949 |
| Toral, Asia | 7.580 | 8,854 | 27.793 | 31.970 | 9.870 | 12.196 | 11.071 | 12.766 |
| EUROPE- $402{ }^{\text {- }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| France ${ }_{\text {Germany(a) }}$ | 1,370 | 1,645 | 5,126 | 5,540 | 2,679 | 2,998 | 1,820 | 2,263 |
| Greece | - 277 | . 3411 | , 640 | 985 | 238 | 325 | 225 | 244 |
| Italy | 563 | 457 | 1,406 | 1,736 | 1,095 | 1,043 | 807 680 | 807 827 |
| Netherlands | 957 | 1.005 | 2.867 | 2,570 | 1,351 | 1,621 | 680 319 | 827 442 |
| Switzerland | 216 | 395 5 | 1,282 18.112 | 1,365 20,644 | 543 7789 | 589 8.826 | 319 5.773 | 442 7.640 |
| U.K. and Ireland | 4,570 | 5,639 300 | 18.112 | $\begin{array}{r}20.644 \\ \hline 829\end{array}$ | 7,789 333 | 8,826 305 | 5.773 295 | $\begin{array}{r}7,640 \\ \hline 197\end{array}$ |
| Yugoslavia | 326 | 300 1107 | 758 3.250 | 829 3453 | 333 1329 | 305 1,611 | 1.177 | 1,431 |
| Other and unspecified | 968 0.738 | 1,107 11,339 | 3,250 35,049 | 3,453 38,637 | 1,329 16.131 | 18.611 | 11.925 | 14,646 |
| Total, Europe | 9.738 | 11.339 | 35,049 | 38,637 | 16,131 | 78.231 | 11.925 | 14.646 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fiji | 544 | 734 365 | 2,015 2,047 | 2,368 1,729 | 558 624 | 800 | 827 | $\begin{array}{r}1,104 \\ \hline 406\end{array}$ |
| New Caledonia | 479 | 365 39 | 2,047 87.149 | 1,729 87479 | 38,433 | 34.187 | 32,879 | 31,024 |
| New Zealand | 39,178 1,365 | 39,135 1,111 | 87,149 4,906 | 87,479 5,341 | 38,433 1,454 | 34,187 $\mathbf{2 , 0 4 7}$ | 3,086 | 1,369 |
| Papua New Guinea Other and unspecified | 1.365 .696 | 1.111 464 | 4,906 2,077 | 1,341 1,611 | $\begin{array}{r}1,454 \\ \hline 828\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}2,548 \\ \hline 3888\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}2,686 \\ \hline 37.216\end{array}$ | 1614 34.517 |
| Total. Oceania | 42,264 | 41.809 | 98.194 | 98.528 | 241,896 | 38.026 | 37,216 | 34.517 |
| Not stated | 174 | 170 | 628 | 528 | 176 | 227 | 244 | 158 |
| Total | 69,732 | 72,592 | 192,161 | 203,514 | 77,331 | 81,198 | 69,956 | 74,985 |

[^0]TABLE 3. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS DEPARTING SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS

|  | Residents departing intending to be away less than 12 months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Month of |  | Quarter ended 30 June |  | Month of |  |  |  |
|  | June |  |  |  | - |  |  | gust |
|  | 1980 | 1981 | 1980 | 1981 | 1980 | 1981 | 1980 | 1981 |
|  | Intended length of stay |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 1 week | 3,995 | 4.625 | 11,873 | 13.491 | 3,816 | 4.471 | 3,912 | 3,801 |
| 1 and under 2 weeks | $14,263$ | 18,150 | 50,629 | $59,208$ | $17,014$ | $21,389$ | 23.329 | 21,148 |
| 2 weeks and under 1 month | 25,533 | 29,664 | 91,835 | 98.532 | 26,936 | 30.421 | 35.053 | 36.923 |
| 1 and under 2 months | 16,685 | 16,515 | 58,691 | 55.450 | 17,622 | 17,476 | 22,610 | 18,600 |
| 2 and under 3 months | 11,658 | 8.993 | 34,895 | 27.667 | 11.433 | 10.846 | 12,452 | 11,270 |
| 3 and under 6 months | 16,781 | 13,101 | 42,830 | 32,639 | 10,754 | 11,439 | 9.497 | 9.099 |
| 6 and under 12 months | 8,479 | 6,744 | 27,485 | 20,733 | 7,787 | 6.995 | 6,675 | 6.759 |
| Not stated | 1,418 | 1,269 | 5,542 | 8,364 | 1,504 | 1,419 | 1.919 | 1,816 |
|  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Attending convention | 2,498 | 3,219 | 7.441 | 8.627 | 2.921 | 2,209 | 2,435 | 2.062 |
| Business | 11,341 | 12,384 | 36,114 | 38,610 | 10.664 | 11,164 | 11,378 | 12,411 |
| Accompanying business traveller | ${ }^{1.978}$ | 1,757 | 6,059 | 6,066 | 1.749 | 1,661 | 2, 080 | 2.170 |
| Visiting relatives | 22,662 | 20,463 | 66,007 | 57,191 | 18.902 | 20,574 | 21,059 | 19.536 |
| Holiday | 54,530 | 55,024 | 188,966 | 181,511 | 55.696 | 61,954 | 70.531 | 65,491 |
| Employment | 1,349 | 1,237 | 4,165 | 4.476 | 1,449 | 1,470 | 1.737 | 1.697 |
| Education | 748 | 1,064 | 2,500 | 2,769 | 1,049 | 1,043 | 1.612 | 1,465 |
| Other and not stated | 3,707 | 3,912 | 12,527 | 16,833 | 4,436 | 4,380 | 4,614 | 4,583 |
| AFRICA- Country in which most time will be spent | Country in which most time will be spent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| South Africa | 504 | 427 | 1.742 | 1.816 | 369 | 331 | 418 | 567 |
| Other and unspecified | 283 | 456 | 1,210 | 1,293 | 552 | 1,005 | 712 | 926 |
| Total, Africa | 787 | 883 | 2.952 | 3,109 | 920 | 1.336 | 1.130 | 1.493 |
| AMERICA - 1575 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 1,575 | 1,235 | 3.838 | 3,956 | 1.599 | 2.244 | 1,391 | 1,169 |
| U.S.A. | 10,386 | 9,908 | 39,348 | 38,104 | 11,772 | 11,444 | 12.662 | 12,173 |
| Other and unspecified | 328 | 329 | 1,272 | 1,254 | 455 | 261 | 392 | 559 |
| Total, America | 12,289 | 11.473 | 44.458 | 43,314 | 13.825 | 13.949 | 14.445 | 13.901 |
| ASIA- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hong Kong | 4,609 | 5,107 | 14.100 | 15,467 | 4,000 | 5,137 | 4.093 | 4.817 |
| Indonesia | 4,737 | 6,970 | 14,159 | 21.343 | 6,098 | 8,551 | 6,139 | 7.514 |
| Japan | 917 | 1,358 | 3,765 | 5,400 | 1,083 | 1,591 | 1.431 | 1,340 |
| Malaysia | 2,437 | 3,220 | 7.555 | 9,044 | 2,256 | 3,232 | 2,233 | 3,084 |
| Phillipines | 1,848 | 2,406 | 6.641 | 6,154 | 1,764 | 1,969 | 1,713 | 1,360 |
| Singapore | 3,910 | 5,301 | 13,290 | 16,954 | 5,047 | 6,659 | 5,362 | 5.243 |
| Thailand | 921 | 1,150 | 2.874 | 3.144 | 1,098 | 1.093 | 853 | 790 |
| Other and unspecified | 3,600 | -3,851 | 11,171 | 10,542 | 3.384 | 3.498 | 3,707 | 4.203 |
| Total, Asia | 22,979 | 29.362 | 73.555 | 88.048 | 24.729 | 31.730 | 25,531 | 28.351 |
| EUROPE- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| France | 759 | 877 | 2,391 | 2,593 | 531 | 755 | 1.119 | 985 |
| Germany(a) | 2,108 | 1,419 | 6,732 | 4.898 | 1.599 | 1.700 | 2,772 | 1,776 |
| Greece | 4,658 | 3,634 | 11.718 | 9,333 | 3.451 | 3.537 | 3.074 | 3.105 |
| Italy | 6,534 | 4,663 | 14,219 | 10,883 | 5,471 | 4.294 | 4.449 | 4.280 |
| Netherlands | 1,014 | 1,206 | 4,553 | 3.623 | 1,001 | 796 | 1.504 | 972 |
| Switzerland | 555 | 348 | 1,576 | 962 | 1289 | 325 | 366 | 468 |
| U.K. and Ireland | 17,774 | 14,158 | 66,278 | 48,049 | 15.881 | 14,902 | 20.862 | 16,663 |
| Yugoslavia | 2,101 | 2,236 | 4,744 | 5,247 | 1.841 | 2,068 | 1.685 | 1.968 |
| Other and unspecified | 4,814 | 3,841 | 11,270 | 10.077 | 3,359 | 3.305 | 3.432 | 2.783 |
| Total, Europe | 40.315 | 32,381 | 123.481 | 95.665 | 33.419 | 31.682 | 39.263 | 33,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fiji | 4.575 | 6,223 | 16,039 | 18,399 | 5.401 | 6.647 | 7.336 | 8.747 |
| New Caledonia | 1.442 | 1,571 | 5,193 | 4.636 | 1,425 | 1.739 | 2,288 | 2.293 |
| New Zealand | 11.900 | 12,845 | 43,615 | 44,105 | 12.639 | 12.866 | 19.170 | 16.347 |
| Papua New Guinea | 2,316 | 2,254 | 6,618 | 6.786 | 2.047 | 2.104 | 2.869 | 2.485 |
| Other and unspecified | 1.921 | 1.630 | 7.052 | 6.364 | 2.144 | 2.046 | 2.655 | 2.293 |
| Total, Oceania | 22,155 | 24.523 | 78.517 | 80,290 | 23,655 | 25.402 | 34.318 | 32.165 |
| Not stated | 287 | 438 | 816 | 5.657 | 318 | 356 | 760 | 506 |
| Total | 98,811 | 99,061 | 323,779 | 316,083 | 96,866 | 104,455 | 115,446 | 109,416 |

(a) Comprises the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany.


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