



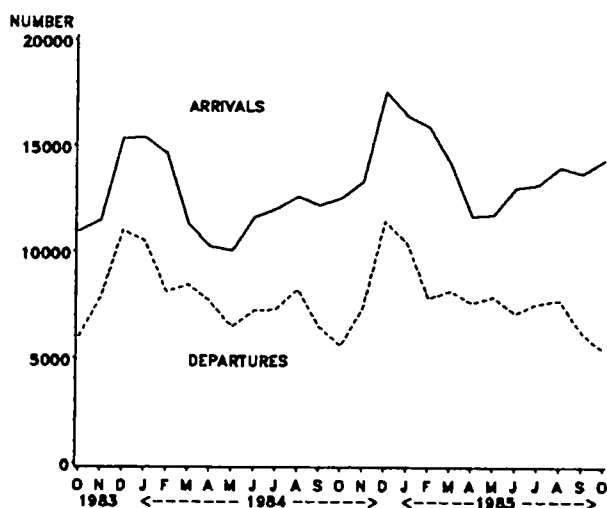
OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA OCTOBER 1985

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MAIN FEATURES

In October 1985 the number of permanent (settler), long-term and short-term visitor arrivals continued to increase compared with the same month last year, and the number of permanent and long-term departures continued to decrease. Short-term resident departures, however, showed a marginal decrease compared with the same month in 1984. This is the first time since March 1984 that the number of short-term resident departures has been lower than the corresponding month of the previous year.

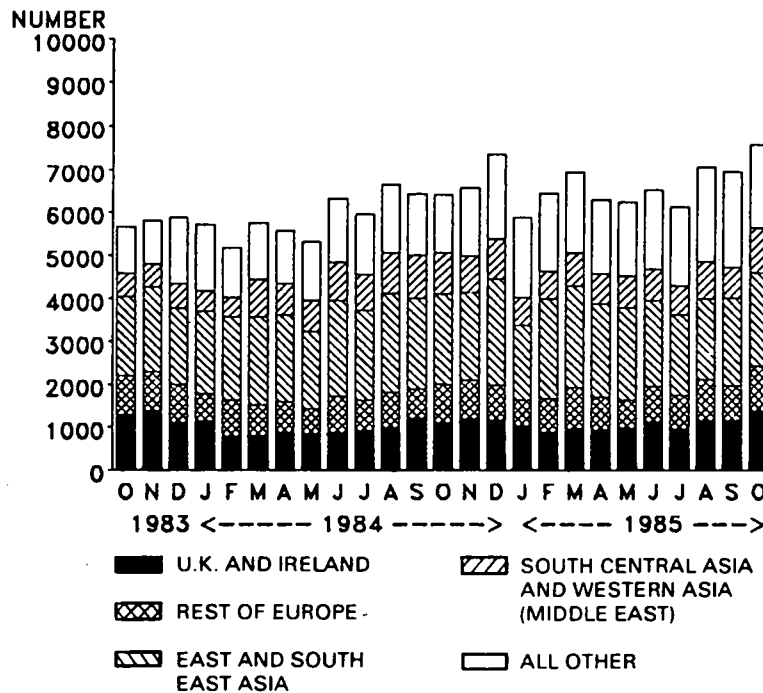
Permanent and long-term movement



There were 14,300 permanent and long-term arrivals in October 1985, an increase of 14% over October 1984 (12,500). Permanent and long-term departures numbered 5,400 in October 1985, a decrease of 4% compared with October 1984 (5,600).

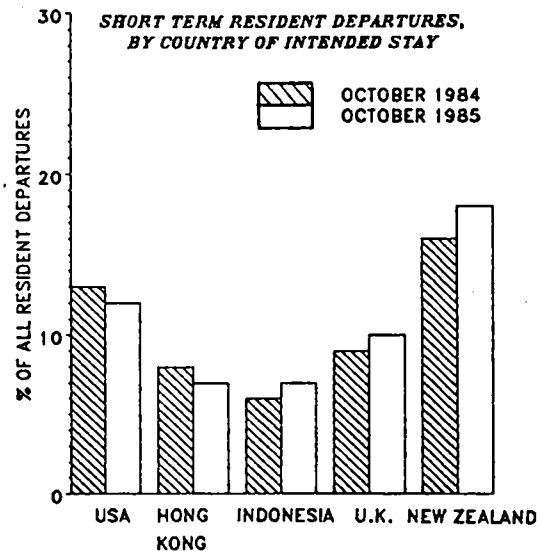
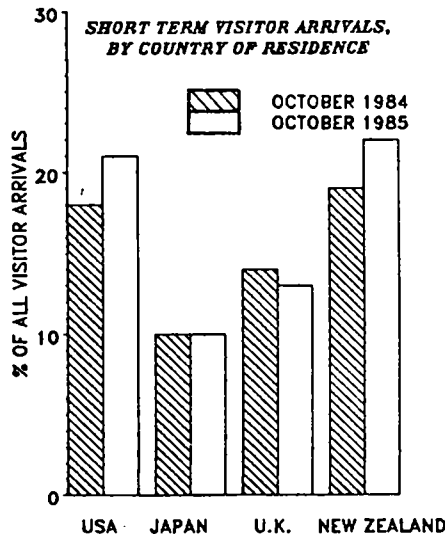
There were 7,600 settler arrivals in October 1985, 18% more than in October 1984 (6,400), continuing the increase in settler arrivals each month since July 1984 compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

Settler arrivals by area of birth



In October 1985 the number of settlers born in Asia was 3,200, an increase of 4% compared with October 1984 (3,100). 42% of all settlers were born in Asia, compared with 48% in October 1984. Included in settlers born in Asia were 500 settlers born in Western Asia (Middle East) in October 1985. Settlers born in Europe increased by 21% (to 2,400) in October 1985 compared with October 1984 (2,000). Settlers born in the U.K. and Ireland comprised 32% of all settlers in October 1985, marginally more than in October 1984 (31%). Settlers born in Oceania (mainly New Zealand) have continued to increase, from 600 in October 1984 to 1,000 in October 1985, comprising 14% of all settler arrivals.

Short-term visitor arrivals and resident departures



Short-term visitor arrivals numbered 105,700 in October 1985, 22% more than in October 1984 (86,800). Compared with October 1984, visitors from the USA increased by 45%, from New Zealand by 37%, from Japan by 21% and from the United Kingdom by 13%. Visitors from New Zealand comprised 22% of all visitor arrivals (compared with 19% in October 1984), from the USA 21% (18% in October 1984), from the United Kingdom 13% (14% in October 1984) and from Japan 10% (10% in October 1984).

Short-term resident departures numbered 101,500, marginally fewer than in October 1984 (101,600). Compared with October 1984 short-term resident departures to Indonesia increased by 19%, to New Zealand by 15%, to the United Kingdom by 14% and to the USA by 13%, but decreased by 7% to Hong Kong. 18% of departures were to New Zealand (compared with 16% in October 1984), 12% to the USA (13% in October 1984), 10% to the United Kingdom (9% in October 1984), 7% to Indonesia (6% in October 1984) and 7% to Hong Kong (8% in October 1984).

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 October 1985. More detailed statistics are available in the quarterly and annual publications, *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3402.0 and 3404.0), or can be made available, on request, in unpublished form.

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).

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

— nil or rounded to zero.

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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>						
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
June	6,500	4,140	116,600	2,390	75,400	205,000
July	6,120	4,520	125,600	2,530	83,100	221,900
August	7,040	4,480	132,800	2,480	92,900	229,600
September	6,930	4,030	167,900	2,750	77,300	258,900
October	7,550	4,590	147,000	2,200	105,700	267,000
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>						
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
June	1,360	4,010	144,700	1,730	67,200	219,100
July	1,460	4,340	132,800	1,730	69,800	210,200
August	1,520	4,270	149,000	1,910	89,200	245,800
September	1,310	3,580	124,200	1,280	76,600	207,000
October	1,240	2,940	101,500	1,180	85,400	192,300

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

Country of birth (Summary)	Year ended 31 December		Quarter ended 30 September		Month of—			
	1983	1984	1984	1985	September		October	
					1984	1985	1984	1985
Africa	4,340	3,290	710	1,100	240	340	240	380
America	4,020	5,580	1,570	1,810	510	660	450	510
Asia(a)—								
East and South East Asia	24,350	25,090	6,540	5,780	2,130	2,040	2,090	2,160
South Central Asia	3,280	5,350	1,460	1,240	550	400	580	580
Western Asia (Middle East)	2,080	4,310	1,290	980	440	290	400	470
Total Asia	29,700	34,750	9,290	7,990	3,120	2,730	3,070	3,200
Europe—								
U.K. and Ireland	19,630	11,750	3,090	3,230	1,200	1,150	1,090	1,360
Other Europe	13,760	9,330	2,240	2,600	680	820	910	1,060
Total Europe	33,360	21,070	5,320	5,830	1,880	1,970	2,000	2,420
Oceania—								
New Zealand	5,320	6,850	1,740	2,820	550	1,010	530	870
Other Oceania	1,650	1,570	360	540	110	220	100	180
Total Oceania	6,960	8,420	2,100	3,360	660	1,240	630	1,040
At sea and not stated	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	78,390	73,110	18,990	20,080	6,410	6,930	6,390	7,550

(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		Quarter ended		Month of—			
	31 December		30 September		September		October	
	1983	1984	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	202,600	230,500	48,800	57,200	16,200	19,500	21,500	26,600
1 and under 2 weeks	176,400	199,100	46,700	48,900	14,000	16,200	18,900	25,000
2 weeks and under 1 month	221,600	230,100	58,200	57,400	14,200	16,400	17,900	21,400
1 and under 2 months	158,500	156,900	33,800	34,200	9,300	9,300	10,800	12,300
2 and under 3 months	57,300	61,800	12,600	12,700	3,900	3,800	4,300	5,300
3 and under 6 months	64,100	65,900	13,800	13,700	5,600	4,700	5,600	6,100
6 and under 12 months	55,500	62,000	13,400	16,200	4,900	6,400	7,000	7,800
Not stated	8,000	8,900	1,900	2,800	600	900	800	1,100
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
In transit	62,300	64,400	15,200	19,000	4,600	5,800	4,800	5,600
Attending convention	16,700	19,400	5,500	6,100	1,900	1,900	2,800	2,800
Business	123,800	140,000	33,700	37,800	12,300	13,400	14,700	16,800
Accompanying business traveller	12,200	13,900	3,200	3,300	1,000	1,200	1,500	1,400
Visiting relatives	268,200	270,500	58,000	58,100	16,900	17,200	18,900	22,300
Holiday	396,100	435,600	96,800	98,600	26,300	31,200	38,000	49,600
Employment	11,600	12,400	3,200	4,000	900	1,300	1,200	1,400
Education	17,500	18,400	4,400	4,900	1,600	1,500	1,100	1,300
Other and not stated	35,600	40,400	9,200	11,500	3,100	3,800	3,700	4,500
<i>Country of residence</i>								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	11,400	10,600	2,000	2,200	800	900	900	1,000
Other	5,800	6,500	1,300	1,600	400	600	600	500
Total Africa	17,200	17,100	3,300	3,800	1,200	1,400	1,500	1,500
AMERICA—								
Canada	33,000	34,500	6,600	6,700	1,800	2,100	2,800	3,400
U.S.A.	140,000	160,400	32,900	40,900	9,600	13,500	15,500	22,400
Other	5,100	5,800	1,200	1,600	400	600	500	700
Total America	178,000	200,800	40,700	49,200	11,800	16,100	18,800	26,400
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	20,900	21,200	5,700	6,000	1,100	1,300	1,200	1,400
India	5,400	5,900	1,300	1,700	400	500	600	500
Indonesia	13,300	14,200	3,100	3,000	1,000	900	1,100	1,100
Japan	71,800	87,900	18,500	20,900	6,800	7,400	8,900	10,800
Malaysia	27,700	29,300	5,500	5,500	1,800	1,700	1,900	1,900
Philippines	6,700	8,300	1,900	2,000	700	700	700	700
Singapore	29,700	33,000	5,700	5,700	2,200	2,000	2,500	2,200
Thailand	5,000	5,400	1,100	1,400	400	400	700	500
Other	23,900	29,500	5,900	6,800	1,800	2,100	2,900	3,200
Total Asia	204,500	234,600	48,700	53,000	16,300	17,100	20,500	22,400
EUROPE—								
France	10,000	11,200	2,900	3,000	800	700	1,100	1,100
Germany(a)	34,600	34,200	6,300	7,100	1,800	2,100	3,400	3,500
Greece	4,200	5,000	800	1,200	300	300	400	500
Ireland(b)	5,000	4,000	900	800	300	300	400	600
Italy	12,000	13,400	2,700	3,300	700	600	1,200	1,200
Netherlands	14,900	14,100	3,300	3,100	1,100	900	1,400	1,400
Switzerland	11,600	12,500	2,200	2,300	800	800	1,400	1,500
United Kingdom	147,700	145,500	27,600	25,900	10,300	9,500	12,300	13,900
Yugoslavia	3,900	4,700	700	900	200	200	300	400
Other	24,200	28,800	5,700	7,400	2,000	2,400	3,300	4,000
Total Europe	268,100	273,500	53,100	55,000	18,300	17,800	25,300	28,100
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	9,400	9,700	1,800	2,600	600	900	700	700
New Caledonia	8,500	7,400	1,300	1,500	500	400	500	400
New Zealand	225,000	234,400	71,200	67,800	16,500	19,900	16,600	22,700
Papua New Guinea	23,000	23,700	5,400	6,600	2,200	2,400	1,800	2,300
Other	7,900	10,900	2,800	2,700	1,000	900	800	900
Total Oceania	273,800	286,200	82,500	81,200	20,800	24,500	20,400	27,000
Not stated	2,200	2,900	800	1,000	300	300	300	300
Total	943,900	1,015,100	229,200	243,300	68,700	77,300	86,800	105,700

(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		Quarter ended		Month of—			
	31 December		30 September		September		October	
	1983	1984	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	58,000	62,800	15,300	18,800	4,700	5,700	6,200	6,100
1 and under 2 weeks	252,400	296,700	80,500	89,800	28,100	29,800	27,900	27,600
2 weeks and under 1 month	405,900	448,900	117,700	121,700	41,100	41,300	38,800	36,900
1 and under 2 months	233,900	255,900	70,500	75,100	19,700	24,200	14,200	14,800
2 and under 3 months	108,600	135,200	42,800	42,900	8,300	10,000	4,600	5,800
3 and under 6 months	101,100	119,500	33,500	34,500	6,600	7,100	4,900	5,300
6 and under 12 months	77,200	84,200	19,100	18,700	5,100	4,900	3,900	4,300
Not stated	16,000	15,500	3,800	4,400	1,000	1,200	1,000	800
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
Attending convention	27,000	30,900	9,500	10,500	2,800	3,500	3,100	3,200
Business	148,900	174,300	46,400	47,600	16,700	17,100	16,100	16,400
Accompanying business traveller	21,200	23,400	6,500	7,100	1,900	2,000	1,800	2,000
Visiting relatives	236,600	265,000	66,100	71,600	15,300	16,600	12,800	15,200
Holiday	737,800	837,200	232,400	243,900	71,800	76,900	61,100	59,000
Employment	19,900	20,600	4,600	5,700	1,400	2,100	1,900	1,700
Education	11,500	12,600	3,500	3,600	1,100	1,200	800	600
Other and not stated	50,000	54,700	14,100	16,000	3,600	4,900	4,100	3,300
<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>								
AFRICA—								
Egypt	2,800	3,700	900	1,000	300	300	200	200
South Africa	7,000	7,800	1,800	1,600	700	600	400	500
Other	4,500	5,200	1,300	1,400	400	300	400	300
<i>Total Africa</i>	<i>14,300</i>	<i>16,700</i>	<i>4,000</i>	<i>4,100</i>	<i>1,500</i>	<i>1,200</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,100</i>
AMERICA—								
Canada	14,300	15,800	4,900	5,700	1,400	1,500	1,100	900
U.S.A.	137,700	140,700	36,900	33,800	11,200	9,600	13,400	11,700
Other	11,800	17,500	3,500	4,100	1,300	1,100	1,800	1,700
<i>Total America</i>	<i>163,800</i>	<i>174,000</i>	<i>45,200</i>	<i>43,600</i>	<i>13,900</i>	<i>12,200</i>	<i>16,400</i>	<i>14,300</i>
ASIA—								
China	9,600	15,600	3,600	5,100	1,600	2,000	1,500	1,500
Hong Kong	78,900	96,100	23,500	22,300	8,600	8,000	8,100	7,500
India	12,800	14,400	2,600	3,000	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,000
Indonesia	80,200	87,900	25,000	30,700	9,000	10,900	6,200	7,400
Japan	24,300	26,300	6,300	8,300	2,400	3,300	3,200	3,100
Malaysia	38,900	38,700	10,500	10,600	3,000	3,300	2,400	2,800
Philippines	26,200	26,700	5,700	5,500	1,800	1,800	2,300	1,900
Singapore	54,900	61,300	14,200	15,900	4,300	5,800	5,500	5,500
Thailand	16,900	19,800	4,600	5,700	1,400	1,900	1,800	2,200
Other	35,800	38,500	11,200	11,800	3,500	3,100	3,000	2,800
<i>Total Asia</i>	<i>378,400</i>	<i>425,400</i>	<i>107,200</i>	<i>118,900</i>	<i>36,900</i>	<i>41,500</i>	<i>35,300</i>	<i>35,600</i>
EUROPE—								
France	9,700	13,000	3,400	4,000	1,000	1,300	500	700
Germany(a)	18,700	23,300	7,500	7,100	1,900	2,000	1,000	1,500
Greece	25,000	28,500	8,300	10,100	1,700	2,100	900	1,400
Ireland(b)	4,000	5,700	2,000	2,600	300	400	300	200
Italy	35,600	39,500	13,000	14,800	2,900	3,500	1,400	1,500
Netherlands	11,200	12,200	3,600	3,900	800	900	500	900
Switzerland	5,600	6,600	1,700	2,000	600	800	200	300
United Kingdom	161,500	194,800	63,100	65,400	14,200	19,300	8,700	9,900
Yugoslavia	13,500	15,400	5,300	5,600	800	600	600	700
Other	29,500	36,300	11,300	11,300	2,100	2,300	1,100	1,600
<i>Total Europe</i>	<i>314,300</i>	<i>375,300</i>	<i>119,200</i>	<i>126,900</i>	<i>26,400</i>	<i>33,200</i>	<i>15,200</i>	<i>18,800</i>
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	79,100	88,800	25,200	27,900	8,400	8,000	8,800	6,800
New Caledonia	19,900	24,100	7,700	1,400	2,400	500	2,200	400
New Zealand	211,700	237,200	54,000	64,100	18,200	21,100	16,200	18,600
Papua New Guinea	25,500	26,300	6,800	6,700	2,200	2,600	1,700	1,500
Other	41,300	46,000	12,600	10,800	4,400	3,400	4,200	4,300
<i>Total Oceania</i>	<i>377,400</i>	<i>422,500</i>	<i>106,300</i>	<i>110,900</i>	<i>35,600</i>	<i>35,600</i>	<i>33,000</i>	<i>31,600</i>
Not stated	4,700	4,700	1,100	1,600	300	600	700	200
Total	1,253,000	1,418,600	383,000	406,000	114,600	124,200	101,600	101,500

(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