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## OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA, NOVEMBER 1979

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### MAIN FEATURES

Provisional estimates of total arrivals in November 1979 are 187,000, an increase of 15 per cent over November 1978. Total departures are provisionally estimated at 148,600, an increase of 16 per cent over November 1978.

76,800 short-term visitors arrived in November 1979, an increase of 7 per cent over November 1978; Australian residents departing for short term trips abroad increased by 17 per cent (from 64,900 in November 1978 to 75,700 in November 1979).

March 1979 figures show large increases in short term arrivals from USA (49 per cent over March 1978), Germany (64 per cent) and New Zealand (16 per cent). March 1979 departure figures show increases in the number of Australian residents travelling to USA (131 per cent over March 1978), Indonesia (54 per cent), Germany (103 per cent) and UK and Ireland (70 per cent).

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

#### Introduction

This publication contains the latest available provisional estimates of overseas arrivals and departures as obtained from counts of passenger cards made by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, together with preliminary and final figures for earlier periods. Provisional estimates are expected to be superseded quickly by better based statistics. Preliminary estimates

are produced at a later stage of processing and are subject to minimal revision. More detailed statistics for the months of January, February and March 1979 are shown overleaf.

#### Related publications

2. Statistics of overseas arrivals and departures are shown in some detail in the quarterly publication *Overseas Arrivals and Departures* (3402.0), which also contains comprehensive definitions and explanations, and in *Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (3101.0).

3. All current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications* (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS office.

#### Symbols and other usages

- p preliminary – figure subject to revision
- r figure revised since previous issue
- .. not applicable

#### Rounding

4. Provisional figures shown in this publication are rounded to the nearest hundred. Although preliminary and sampled estimates are not rounded, neither they nor the provisional figures should be assumed accurate to the last digit shown. 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					Departures						
	Perma- nent	Residents returning after –			Visitors arriving for –		Perma- nent	Residents departing for –			Visitors departing after –	
		Long- term	Short- term	Long- term	Short- term	Long- term		Short- term	Long- term	Short- term		
Year ended 30 June –												
1977	70,916	59,193	963,730	26,133	540,395	24,588	68,792	965,659	19,724	525,256		
1978	73,171	57,312	989,025	28,043	580,883	23,096	60,099	1,004,931	19,194	564,250		
1979 p (a)	67,200	57,000	1,101,700	32,000	704,400	25,100	56,600	1,134,100	20,900	663,900		
Month of –												
1978 – October	5,513	4,964	99,410	1,969	52,936	1,875	3,022	72,847	1,186	48,297		
November	5,020	5,269	79,603	1,703	71,467	1,725	3,256	64,939	1,584	56,291		
December	6,270	9,841	59,263	1,892	91,382	2,808	5,745	146,337	3,859	49,700		
1979 – January	5,057	5,276	156,710	3,965	57,208	2,103	6,666	83,054	2,320	85,324		
February	5,345	4,430	76,432	4,622	60,305	1,999	5,182	66,187	1,519	65,694		
March r	5,836	4,303	72,179	3,287	65,346	2,413	5,575	101,698	1,650	64,646		
April p	5,297	3,800	73,255	2,449	55,432	2,003	4,862	100,035	1,468	58,966		
May p	5,547	3,764	96,791	2,496	53,897	2,161	5,452	120,721	1,774	57,854		
June p (a)	6,500	3,600	84,400	2,200	57,000	1,700	3,300	101,500	1,300	44,900		
July p (a)	5,500	4,800	87,900	2,400	66,600	1,800	4,100	93,100	1,400	54,700		
August p (a)	6,300	4,800	95,800	2,300	62,100	1,700	4,400	125,600	1,600	59,500		
September p (a)	6,000	4,600	130,100	2,300	55,200	1,700	4,000	84,600	1,200	57,700		
October p (a)	6,500	5,200	105,500	1,900	64,400	1,700	3,500	79,200	1,100	62,700		
November p (a)	6,800	5,500	96,200	1,700	76,800	1,700	3,500	75,700	1,600	66,100		

(a) Provisional estimate only – see paragraphs 1 and 4 of the explanatory notes.

TABLE 2. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Visitors arriving intending to stay less than 12 months</i>						<i>Residents departing intending to be away less than 12 months</i>					
			<i>Month of -</i>						<i>Month of -</i>			
	<i>January</i>		<i>February</i>		<i>March</i>		<i>January</i>		<i>February</i>		<i>March</i>	
	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979
<i>Intended length of stay -</i>												
Under 1 week	12,073	12,927	13,978	13,778	14,099	15,879	2,549	2,612	3,351	3,158	3,822	3,546
1 and under 2 weeks	7,394	8,725	9,465	11,117	9,516	11,218	12,293	16,327	7,907	9,011	10,427	13,058
2 weeks and under 1 month	10,039	12,276	9,318	11,491	11,345	13,698	34,893	38,762	20,349	22,906	25,615	31,758
1 and under 2 months	6,998	8,292	7,220	10,005	8,346	11,482	10,367	10,998	9,273	11,786	11,805	17,588
2 and under 3 months	3,011	3,812	2,686	3,877	3,256	3,906	3,599	3,277	3,992	4,559	6,061	10,000
3 and under 6 months	4,366	4,468	3,490	4,167	3,543	4,379	2,774	2,510	4,566	5,730	7,285	12,288
6 and under 12 months	5,290	5,551	5,068	4,366	4,230	3,794	6,664	6,947	6,639	7,709	9,401	11,897
Not stated	726	1,157	658	1,502	643	990	1,278	1,620	1,007	1,329	1,173	1,563
<i>Purpose of journey -</i>												
In transit	5,463	5,736	4,867	5,059	4,317	5,538	..	..	..	..	..	..
Attending convention	234	374	899	666	822	828	857	1,871	849	1,115	839	2,633
Business	4,900	5,655	9,693	10,573	8,209	10,982	8,017	7,935	8,737	9,328	8,767	11,216
Accompanying business traveller	726	814	768	1,011	543	812	1,492	1,591	1,174	1,351	1,344	1,416
Visiting relatives	12,011	13,805	10,584	15,243	14,589	16,765	9,818	10,087	9,984	13,214	13,212	23,065
Holiday	18,775	22,420	17,828	20,946	19,748	23,983	46,400	53,495	31,518	35,645	45,198	57,108
Employment	2,012	2,430	1,573	1,535	1,421	1,668	1,744	2,095	1,151	1,368	1,501	1,543
Education	2,012	1,921	2,503	1,954	1,172	1,182	766	1,230	377	644	216	663
Other and not stated	3,765	4,052	3,167	3,318	4,157	3,588	5,323	4,750	3,295	3,521	4,511	4,053
			<i>Country of last residence</i>	<sup>P</sup>					<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>			
<i>Africa -</i>												
South Africa	461	740	449	644	417	875	223	492	131	485	183	610
Other	268	264	365	408	220	341	353	327	245	362	246	364
<i>America -</i>												
Canada	2,434	2,393	2,392	2,650	1,715	2,491	385	306	290	321	439	653
U.S.A.	6,079	6,871	8,994	9,304	7,083	10,555	6,033	6,964	4,160	7,649	5,568	12,882
Other	258	346	320	402	280	307	354	522	427	515	337	482
<i>Asia -</i>												
Hong Kong	627	970	1,238	944	844	617	3,808	5,016	2,261	2,280	3,420	3,665
Indonesia	576	551	823	621	622	702	3,320	3,958	1,717	2,215	1,901	2,920
Japan	3,078	3,033	3,835	4,295	3,400	3,646	754	803	756	581	1,719	1,056
Malaysia	817	768	1,471	907	1,348	1,004	2,293	2,391	1,116	1,110	1,207	950
Singapore	533	745	697	851	1,056	1,304	4,313	4,640	2,266	2,311	2,674	3,097
Other	1,654	1,839	2,043	2,133	2,130	2,330	5,315	6,119	3,608	4,115	5,239	5,772
<i>Europe -</i>												
Germany (a)	1,571	1,864	1,820	2,765	1,751	2,873	489	554	539	1,060	1,101	2,230
Greece	307	190	208	295	243	242	1,021	957	796	1,108	1,880	2,496
Italy	689	1,041	604	732	552	793	1,088	1,018	822	1,212	2,057	3,154
Netherlands	1,056	1,511	1,062	1,348	918	1,034	569	367	378	618	1,093	1,516
U.K. and Ireland	5,953	7,372	7,675	11,168	10,096	11,357	5,177	5,046	10,550	12,578	13,617	23,165
Other	2,497	2,830	2,484	3,133	1,910	2,875	2,045	1,934	2,045	2,742	3,280	5,563
<i>Oceania -</i>												
Fiji	676	778	643	695	581	631	5,744	6,649	2,366	2,963	3,486	3,998
New Caledonia	1,463	1,378	969	1,092	827	604	1,575	1,972	641	578	807	433
New Zealand	13,905	17,384	10,295	13,455	15,804	18,292	23,074	26,819	17,322	17,832	19,358	22,712
Papua New Guinea	3,354	3,038	1,840	1,549	1,701	1,746	2,211	2,207	1,396	1,464	1,615	1,543
Other	448	790	667	769	351	561	2,282	3,693	1,538	1,849	1,802	2,174
Not stated	1,192	514	990	147	1,133	170	1,990	299	1,717	235	2,559	262
<b>Total</b>	<b>49,898</b>	<b>57,208</b>	<b>51,883</b>	<b>60,305</b>	<b>54,978</b>	<b>65,346</b>	<b>74,417</b>	<b>83,054</b>	<b>57,084</b>	<b>66,187</b>	<b>75,589</b>	<b>101,698</b>

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