

SECTION 2 - INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM

Table 2.1 - Passenger traffic¹ - Island of Mauritius, 1995 - 2007

Period	Arrivals			Departures			Net overseas migration
	Total	By sea	By air	Total	By sea	By air	
1995	579,993	18,854	561,139	578,481	17,895	560,586	+ 1,512
1996	672,070	27,308	644,762	663,501	24,794	638,707	+ 8,569
1997	743,291	29,756	713,535	737,523	27,390	710,133	+ 5,768
1998	778,574	43,706	734,868	775,998	40,809	735,189	+ 2,576
1999	823,085	40,499	782,586	809,233	39,230	770,003	+ 13,852
2000	915,203	34,262	880,941	895,569	33,368	862,201	+ 19,634
2001	910,489	27,847	882,642	903,073	26,313	876,760	+ 7,416
2002	951,090	43,890	907,200	942,876	42,630	900,246	+ 8,214
2003	968,927	31,296	937,631	947,839	28,936	918,903	+ 21,088
2004	1,000,545	32,238	968,307	979,322	28,609	950,713	+ 21,223
2005	1,043,900	35,422	1,008,478	1,029,666	35,478	994,188	+ 14,234
2006	1,072,879	31,713	1,041,166	1,060,074	28,725	1,031,349	+ 12,805
2007 ²	1,238,826	33,373	1,205,453	1,237,747	31,001	1,206,746	+ 1,079
2007 ² 1st Qr	315,269	9,674	305,595	337,010	9,612	327,398	- 21,741
2nd Qr	265,761	7,982	257,779	264,582	7,130	257,452	+ 1,179
3rd Qr	303,564	6,110	297,454	298,468	5,539	292,929	+ 5,096
4th Qr	354,232	9,607	344,625	337,687	8,720	328,967	+ 16,545

¹ As from January 1994, data on passenger traffic are being compiled from all embarkation and disembarkation cards. Prior to this period, they were based on a 10% sample of such cards. They

(a) emigrants to and immigrants from the dependencies; and

(b) movement of military personnel as from the 1962 Population Census but excludes those transit passengers who did not leave the airport.

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Table 2.2 - Passenger traffic¹ by country of original embarkation or final destination, 2007

Country of original embarkation or final destination	Total arrivals	Total departures
Australia	26,181	29,325
Austria	3,350	3,503
Belgium	127	247
Comoros	17	18
France	246,006	261,855
Germany	65,876	68,261
Hong Kong	26,245	21,441
India	66,329	64,669
Italy	64,048	64,939
Japan	33	13
Kenya	8,459	6,236
Malagasy Republic	27,343	27,815
Reunion	203,508	200,200
Rodrigues	61,595	61,617
Seychelles	26,795	28,189
Singapore	18,953	17,955
South Africa, Republic of	136,487	122,724
Switzerland	16,250	16,136
United Kingdom	128,983	130,804
Zambia	12	3
Zimbabwe	175	45
Other countries	112,054	111,752
All countries	1,238,826	1,237,747

¹ Excluding seamen and transit passengers who did not leave the airport.

Table 2.3 - Tourist¹ arrivals by mode of transport and tourist nights spent during period, 1995 - 2007

Period	Mode of transport			Tourist nights spent during period ²	% change over previous year	
	Sea	Air	Total		Tourist arrivals	Tourist nights
1995	6,105	416,358	422,463	4,434,891	+ 5.5	+ 1.7
1996	6,484	480,383	486,867	4,957,683	+ 15.2	+ 11.8
1997	7,476	528,649	536,125	5,451,314	+ 10.1	+ 10.0
1998	17,109	541,086	558,195	5,567,889	+ 4.1	+ 2.1
1999	13,852	564,233	578,085	5,729,464	+ 3.6	+ 2.9
2000	10,677	645,776	656,453	6,412,876	+ 13.6	+ 11.9
2001	10,532	649,786	660,318	6,527,800	+ 0.6	+ 1.8
2002	14,180	667,468	681,648	6,768,870	+ 3.2	+ 3.7
2003	12,155	689,863	702,018	6,952,313	+ 3.0	+ 2.7
2004	11,390	707,471	718,861	7,118,603	+ 2.4	+ 2.4
2005	13,321	747,742	761,063	7,498,251	+ 5.9	+ 5.3
2006	13,249	775,027	788,276	7,760,679	+ 3.6	+ 3.5
2007	12,163	894,808	906,971	8,986,934 ³	+ 15.1	+ 15.8

¹ A tourist is defined as a non-resident staying in the island for more than 24 hours but less than a year.

² Including nights spent during reference period by tourist arriving prior to the period.

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Table 2.4 - Official long-term emigrants¹ by sex, Island of Mauritius, 1972 - 1994

Year	Both sexes	Male	Female
1972	2,271	956	1,315
1973	2,037	844	1,193
1974	1,494	606	888
1975	874	328	546
1976	579	195	384
1977	290	120	170
1978	320	111	209
1979	191	43	148
1980	308	84	224
1981	485	283	202
1982	913	682	231
1983	1,735	1,437	298
1984	1,961	1,256	705
1985	1,585	742	843
1986	2,014	931	1,083
1987	3,339	1,545	1,794
1988	2,493	1,186	1,307
1989	1,752	1,082	670
1990	1,042	674	368
1991	715	483	232
1992	437	244	193
1993	1,161	539	622
1994	1,900	882	1,018

¹ Persons who have obtained a permit to migrate to another country. The figures have been compiled from the Passport Office register.

Table 2.5 - Tourist arrivals by country of residence, 2000 - 2007

Country of residence	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007*
Australia	8,771	8,790	8,387	9,103	11,373	13,486	16,660	19,635
Belgium	10,998	10,398	10,579	10,170	8,524	8,973	9,216	10,945
France	198,423	197,595	202,869	200,229	210,411	220,421	182,295	240,028
Germany	52,869	50,866	53,762	53,970	52,277	55,983	57,251	65,165
India	17,241	18,890	20,898	25,367	24,716	29,755	37,498	42,974
Italy	39,000	37,343	38,263	39,774	41,277	43,458	69,407	69,510
Japan	2,389	1,589	1,958	1,572	1,724	1,638	1,695	1,730
Kenya	1,801	1,734	1,507	1,510	1,506	1,358	1,694	1,790
Malagasy Republic	7,057	6,674	9,417	11,044	8,256	7,397	7,239	8,842
Reunion	86,945	91,140	96,375	95,679	96,510	99,036	89,127	95,823
Seychelles	9,229	10,687	13,468	9,869	7,456	10,084	12,023	14,275
Singapore	4,104	3,431	3,114	2,102	2,329	1,789	1,862	2,020
South Africa, Rep. of	48,683	47,882	42,685	45,756	52,609	58,446	70,796	81,733
Switzerland	20,473	18,427	17,371	17,929	16,110	15,773	16,161	17,546
United Kingdom	74,488	77,888	80,667	91,210	92,652	95,407	102,333	107,297
U.S.A.	3,704	3,923	4,116	4,505	4,305	4,890	5,220	5,451
Zambia	445	422	354	456	395	305	440	427
Zimbabwe	3,435	3,860	3,185	2,343	2,345	2,419	1,587	1,669
Other countries	66,398	68,779	72,673	79,430	84,086	90,445	105,772	120,111
All countries	656,453	660,318	681,648	702,018	718,861	761,063	788,276	906,971

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Table 2.6 - Tourist nights¹ by country of residence of tourist, 2000 - 2007

Country of residence	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007 ²
Australia	96,932	104,232	98,869	100,332	111,546	115,851	126,859	143,482
Belgium	132,571	125,752	124,586	121,687	105,445	117,210	120,987	132,145
France	1,934,683	1,966,911	2,020,850	1,996,305	2,101,125	2,208,575	1,931,005	2,542,172
Germany	635,600	612,881	651,913	636,435	608,031	655,283	655,738	735,938
Hong Kong	9,601	11,955	10,941	6,767	7,984	4,694	3,739	4,788
India	188,008	207,965	253,340	287,741	265,174	295,698	336,048	408,128
Italy	349,267	326,100	329,809	346,865	362,758	397,160	619,089	600,236
Japan	14,054	10,161	11,170	9,302	9,881	10,538	9,889	10,701
Kenya	12,585	10,780	8,784	11,347	11,069	12,258	13,875	12,642
Malagasy Republic	65,526	66,177	81,758	128,437	83,961	73,964	84,400	98,034
Reunion	596,449	632,970	675,483	738,968	832,879	828,889	730,678	917,369
Seychelles	82,577	96,303	113,942	92,493	75,277	93,951	108,603	133,595
Singapore	21,998	23,420	20,403	14,871	16,094	12,106	14,166	12,200
South Africa, Rep. of	422,300	400,656	376,588	379,561	425,680	467,603	565,627	676,795
Switzerland	248,345	229,227	210,510	220,382	189,115	185,482	200,141	207,130
United Kingdom	884,799	942,095	977,717	1,043,113	1,053,881	1,070,185	1,152,123	1,141,982
U.S.A.	32,719	37,067	38,478	38,795	39,039	41,298	44,827	49,666
Zambia	3,737	3,255	2,864	3,465	3,091	2,489	3,431	3,803
Zimbabwe	37,555	47,134	39,504	26,469	28,831	31,233	20,493	23,207
Other countries	643,570	672,759	721,361	748,978	787,742	873,784	1,018,961	1,132,921
All countries	6,412,876	6,527,800	6,768,870	6,952,313	7,118,603	7,498,251	7,760,679	8,986,934

¹ The number of nights spent during period by tourists who arrived during the period and those who arrived prior to the 1st January of the period under review.

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Table 2.7 - Hotels, rooms and bed places, 1997 - 2007

Year	No. of hotels	No. of rooms	No. of bed places
1997	87	6,809	14,126
1998	90	7,267	14,995
1999	92	8,255	16,947
2000	95	8,657	17,776
2001	95	9,024	18,350
2002	95	9,623	19,597
2003	97	9,647	19,727
2004	103	10,640	21,355
2005	99	10,497	21,072
2006	98	10,666	21,403
2007*	97 ¹	10,857	21,788

¹ Excluding five hotels not operational because of renovation works.

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Table 2.8 - Monthly occupancy rates in large hotels, 2006 & 2007

Month	2006		2007*	
	Room ¹	Bed ²	Room ¹	Bed ²
January	86	77	89	79
February	81	72	86	77
March	63	56	81	72
April	61	55	80	72
May	54	48	74	67
June	47	42	62	56
July	58	52	74	67
August	73	66	77	70
September	71	63	78	70
October	76	68	81	72
November	81	73	85	77
December	81	73	80	72
Whole year	69	62	78	70

¹ Room Occupancy Rate = $\frac{\text{Total number of room nights rented} \times 100}{\text{Total number of room nights available}}$

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