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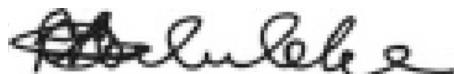
Preface

This release is compiled and published by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) according to a framework of International Recommendations for Tourism Statistics 2008 (IRTS 2008) developed by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO). The IRTS is one element of a System of Tourism Statistics (STS) that provides information for understanding and monitoring the impact of tourism over time. The other element of the STS for South Africa includes the use of border statistics from the National Department of Home Affairs.

This monthly statistical release provides information on South African residents and foreign travellers who entered or left South Africa in September 2023. Specific focus is on foreign tourists who entered the country in September 2023. Tourists are classified by region and country of residence. Details of their mode of travel; purpose of visit; age and sex distribution are also provided.

This release comes against the backdrop of nearly three unprecedented and challenging years for the tourism economy: South African tourism was hit hard during the first and second year of the COVID-19 pandemic. Though the recovery of the sector has begun, it is highly uncertain. The shock has been a reminder of tourism's vital role as an economic and social force for change in the country.

The March, June, September and December releases include summaries of number of tourists for the current quarter and comparisons with previous periods.



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1. Highlights of the results

In September 2023, 2 563 410 (arrivals, departures and transits) travellers entered and exited South Africa. They were made up of 766 769 South African residents and 1 796 641 foreign travellers. Foreign arrivals, 943 387, were made up of 25 240 non-visitors and 918 147 visitors. The visitors consisted of 233 986 same-day visitors and 684 161 overnight visitors (tourists).

Tourists

Overseas tourists were 158 407 or 23,2% of all tourists. USA (30 096), UK (23 380) and Germany (17 608) contributed 44,9% to overseas tourists. Southern African Development Community (SADC) tourists were 514 268 or 75,2% of all tourists. Zimbabwe (171 080), Mozambique (107 496) and Lesotho (86 821) contributed 71,1% to SADC tourists. 'Other' African countries (non-SADC) tourists were 10 415 or 1,5% of all tourists. Kenya (3 552), Nigeria (1 652) and Uganda (1 003) contributed 59,6% to 'other' African tourists. The country of residence of 1 071 (0,2%) tourists was classified as unspecified.

Purpose of visit

'Holiday'¹ continues to be the main purpose of visit. About 96,6% of all the tourists were in South Africa for holiday purposes.

¹ The holiday category includes tourists who came for vacation, visiting friends and relatives, shopping and other personal reasons.

2. Key findings

2.1 Travellers

2.1.1 Number of travellers

The routine data collected by the Department of Home Affairs' (DHA) immigration officers at the ports of entry into and out of South Africa shows that a total of 2 563 410 travellers (arrivals, departures and transits) passed through South African ports of entry/exit in September 2023. As presented in Table 1 below, these travellers were made up of 766 769 South African residents and 1 796 641 foreign travellers. A further breakdown of the figures for South African residents indicates that there were 363 659 arrivals, 402 641 departures and 469 travellers in transit. The corresponding volume for foreign arrivals, departures and travellers in transit was 943 387, 813 196 and 40 058 respectively.

A comparison between the movements in August 2023 and September 2023 indicates that the volume of arrivals and departures increased for South African residents but decreased for foreign travellers, whereas the volume of transits decreased for both groups of travellers. For South African residents, the volume of arrivals increased by 9,6% (from 331 749 in August 2023 to 363 659 in September 2023). Departures increased by 12,5% (from 357 882 in August 2023 to 402 641 in September 2023) and transits decreased by 5,3% (from 495 in August 2023 to 469 in September 2023). For foreign travellers, arrivals decreased by 4,3% (from 985 800 in August 2023 to 943 387 in September 2023), departures decreased by 5,0% (from 856 149 in August 2023 to 813 196 in September 2023), and transits decreased by 12,2% (from 45 649 in August 2023 to 40 058 in September 2023).

A comparison between the movements in September 2022 and September 2023 indicates that the volume of arrivals, departures and travellers in transit increased for both South African residents and foreign travellers. For South African residents, the volume of arrivals increased by 14,6% (from 317 220 in September 2022 to 363 659 in September 2023), departures increased by 16,4% (from 345 786 in September 2022 to 402 641 in September 2023) and transits increased by 10,6% (from 424 in September 2022 to 469 in September 2023). For foreign travellers, arrivals increased by 19,0% (from 792 934 in September 2022 to 943 387 in September 2023), departures increased by 21,7% (from 668 318 in September 2022 to 813 196 in September 2023) and transits increased by 30,4% (from 30 726 in September 2022 to 40 058 in September 2023).

Table 1 – Number of South African residents and foreign travellers by travel direction

Travel Direction	September 2022	August 2023	September 2023	% Change Aug 2023 – Sep 2023	% Change Sep 2022 – Sep 2023
Total	2 155 408	2 577 724	2 563 410	-0,6%	18,9%
South African residents	663 430	690 126	766 769	11,1%	15,6%
Arrivals	317 220	331 749	363 659	9,6%	14,6%
Departures	345 786	357 882	402 641	12,5%	16,4%
Transits	424	495	469	-5,3%	10,6%
Foreign travellers	1 491 978	1 887 598	1 796 641	-4,8%	20,4%
Arrivals	792 934	985 800	943 387	-4,3%	19,0%
Departures	668 318	856 149	813 196	-5,0%	21,7%
Transits	30 726	45 649	40 058	-12,2%	30,4%

2.1.2 Mode of travel of travellers

Information presented in Table 2 below shows the number of South African residents and foreign travellers by travel direction and mode of travel. In September 2023, road was the most common mode of travel used by 1 720 388 (67,1%) of the 2 563 410 travellers. Total number of travellers who used air was 838 651 (32,7%). Compared to air and land, a smaller number of travellers, 4 371 (0,2%) used sea into and out of South Africa. Information on arrivals of South African residents shows that 167 469 (46,1%) came by air, 196 153 (53,9%) came by road and 37 (less than 0,1%) arrived by sea. For departures, 188 216 (46,7%) used air, 214 271 (53,2%) used road and 154 (less than 0,1%) left by sea. All travellers in transit, 469 (100,0%) used air.

In the case of foreign travellers, 222 867 (23,6%) arrived by air, 718 465 (76,2%) came by road and 2 055 (0,2%) arrived by sea. When departing South Africa, 219 572 (27,0%) foreign travellers left by air, 591 499 (72,7%) left by road and 2 125 (0,3%) left by sea. All travellers in transit, 40 058 (100,0%) used air.

Table 2 – Number of South African residents and foreign travellers by travel direction and mode of travel

Travel direction	Total	Air					Road	Sea
		Cape Town	King Shaka	OR Tambo	Other	Total		
Total	2 563 410	195 006	22 507	615 707	5 431	838 651	1 720 388	4 371
South African residents	766 769	75 654	16 675	261 831	1 994	356 154	410 424	191
Arrivals	363 659	34 462	7 355	124 575	1 077	167 469	196 153	37
Departures	402 641	41 189	9 320	136 790	917	188 216	214 271	154
Transit	469	3	-	466	-	469	-	-
Foreign travellers	1 796 641	119 352	5 832	353 876	3 437	482 497	1 309 964	4 180
Arrivals	943 387	61 768	2 933	157 030	1 136	222 867	718 465	2 055
Departures	813 196	57 279	2 899	157 093	2 301	219 572	591 499	2 125
Transit	40 058	305	-	39 753	-	40 058	-	-
Visitors	918 147	59 873	2 419	152 334	982	215 608	702 529	10
Same-day	233 986	1 453	68	20 242	74	21 837	212 142	7
Tourist	684 161	58 420	2 351	132 092	908	193 771	490 387	3

2.2 Visitors

Detailed information on the departure of travellers is not available in the movement control system. Data on the purpose of travel and the number of days South African residents intend to spend or spent abroad are not collected by the DHA. It is therefore not possible to categorise South African residents as tourists or non-tourists. However, some data are available on foreign arrivals for this categorisation.

As presented in Table 3 on page 4, in September 2023, 25 240 (2,7%) of foreign arrivals were classified as non-visitors, while 918 147 (97,3%) were classified as visitors. Visitors were categorised into three groups:

- Arrivals only – comprising visitors who entered the country in September 2023 but did not depart in September 2023 [312 520 (34,0%)];
- Single trips – visitors who came to South Africa once in September 2023 and left in September 2023 [294 846 (32,1%)]; and
- Multiple trips – visitors who came to and left South Africa more than once in September 2023 [310 781 (33,8%)].

Visitors were further grouped as same-day visitors and overnight visitors (tourists). In September 2023, there were 233 986 (25,5%) same-day visitors and 684 161 (74,5%) tourists. Between August 2023 and September 2023, the volume of same-day visitors decreased by 5,8% (from 248 316 in August 2023 to 233 986 in September 2023) and that of tourists decreased by 3,4% (from 708 159 in August 2023 to 684 161 in September 2023). Between September 2022 and September 2023, the volume of same-day visitors increased by 23,1% (from 190 077 in September 2022 to 233 986 in September 2023) and that of tourists increased by 26,9% (from 539 202 in September 2022 to 684 161 in September 2023).

Table 2 on page 3 further shows that of the 233 986 same-day visitors, a majority, 212 142 (90,7%) arrived in the country by road, 21 837 (9,3%) flew into the country and seven (less than 0,1%) arrived by sea. Information on tourists shows that 490 387 (71,7%) used road, 193 771 (28,3%) came by air and three (less than 0,1%) arrived by sea.

Table 3 – Number of visitors by type of visitor

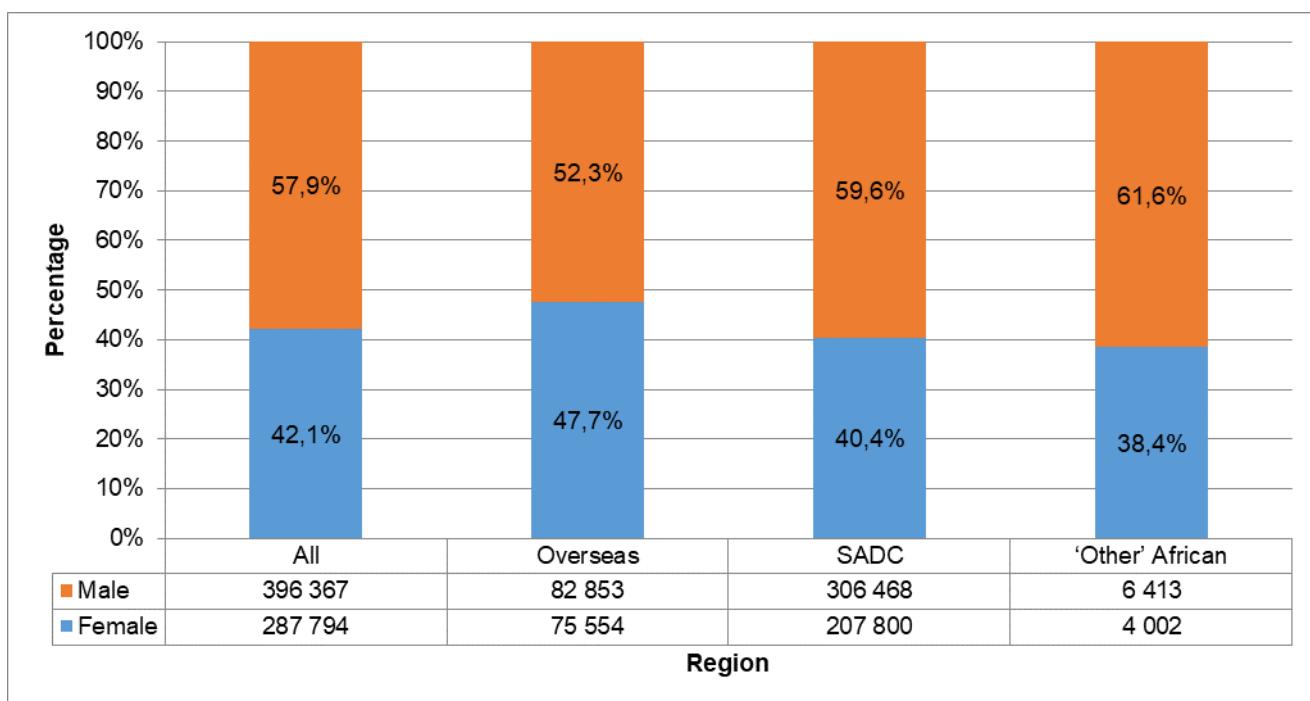
Travel Direction	September 2022	August 2023	September 2023	% Change Aug 2023 – Sep 2023	% Change Sep 2022 – Sep 2023
Foreign arrivals	792 934	985 800	943 387	-4,3%	19,0%
Non-visitors	63 655	29 325	25 240	-13,9%	-60,3%
Visitors	729 279	956 475	918 147	-4,0%	25,9%
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Arrivals only	223 802	315 883	312 520	-1,1%	39,6%
Single trips	238 328	308 792	294 846	-4,5%	23,7%
Multiple trips	267 149	331 800	310 781	-6,3%	16,3%
Visitors	729 279	956 475	918 147	-4,0%	25,9%
Same-day	190 077	248 316	233 986	-5,8%	23,1%
Overnight (Tourists)	539 202	708 159	684 161	-3,4%	26,9%

2.3 Tourists

2.3.1 Sex and age distribution of tourists

Sex

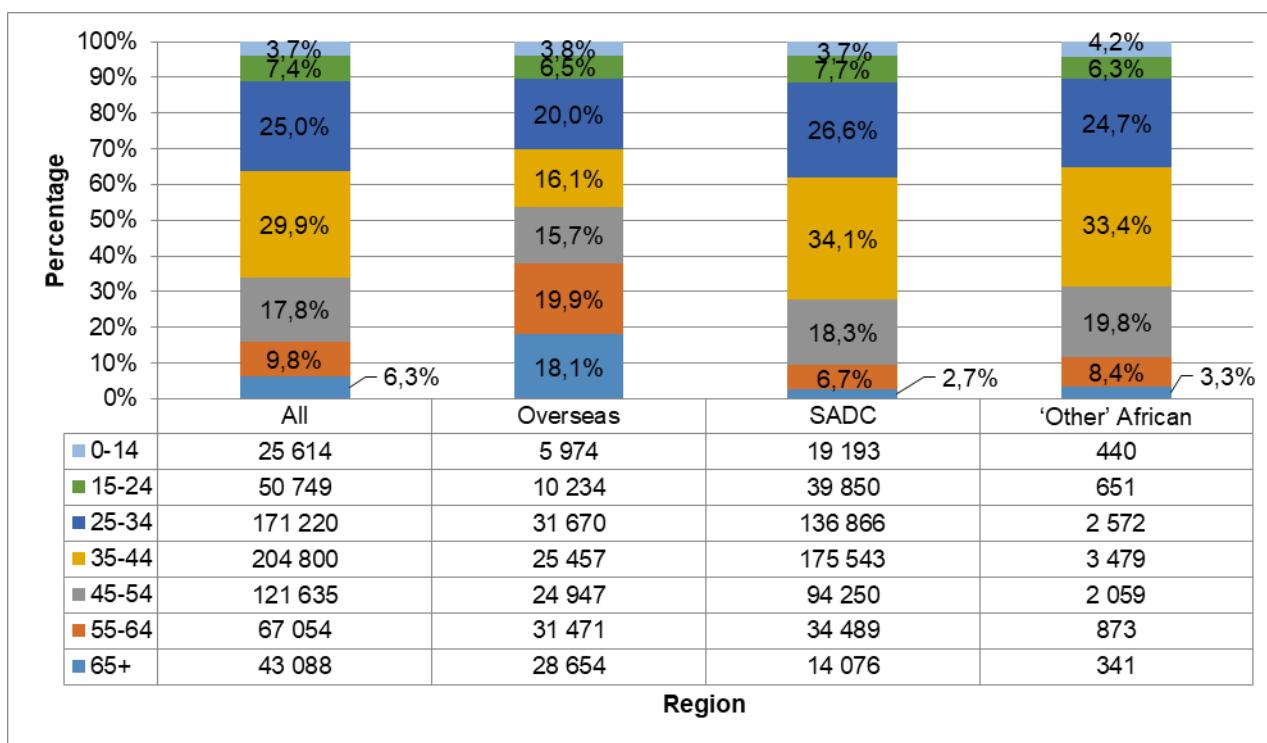
Figure 1 on page 5 shows that there were more male [396 367 (57,9%)] than female [287 794 (42,1%)] tourists. Male tourists constituted the majority of tourists for all three regions, SADC countries [306 468 (59,6%)], overseas countries [82 853 (52,3%)] and ‘other’ African countries [6 413 (61,6%)]. Similarly, the largest portion of female tourists was from SADC countries [207 800 (40,4%)], followed by overseas countries [75 554 (47,7%)] and ‘other’ African countries [4 002 (38,4%)].

Figure 1 – Percentage distribution of tourists by region of residence and sex, September 2023

Age

The age distribution indicates that out of all tourists, [25 614 (3,7%)] were aged younger than 15 years; [50 749 (7,4%)] were aged between 15 and 24 years; [171 220 (25,0%)] were aged between 25 and 34 years; [204 800 (29,9%)] were aged between 35 and 44 years; [121 635 (17,8%)] were aged between 45 and 54 years; [67 054 (9,8%)] were aged between 55 and 64 years; [43 088 (6,3%)] were aged 65 years and above. (see Figure 2 on page 6).

Taking the region of residence into consideration, the results show that the highest proportion of tourists from SADC countries [175 543 (34,1%)] and those from 'other' African countries [3 479 (33,4%)] were aged between 35 and 44 years, whereas overseas countries [31 670 (20,0%)] were aged between 25 and 34 years. The second highest proportion of tourists from SADC countries [136 866 (26,6%)] and those from 'other' African countries [2 572 (24,7%)] were aged between 25 and 34 years, whereas those from overseas countries [31 471 (19,9%)] were aged between 55 and 64 years. The median ages of tourists from overseas, SADC and 'other' African countries were 47, 38 and 39 years, respectively. The proportion of tourists aged younger than 15 years was higher among tourists from 'other' African countries, 4,2% (440) compared to those from overseas countries, 3,8% (5 974) and those from SADC countries, 3,7% (19 193).

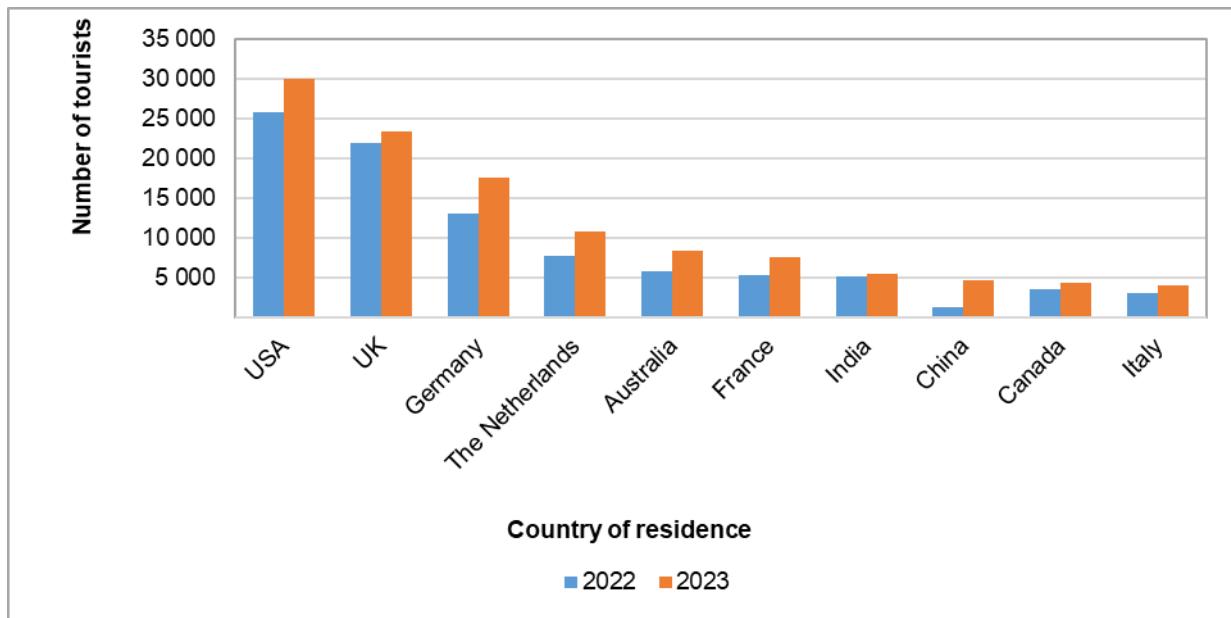
Figure 2 – Percentage distribution of tourists by region of residence and age, September 2023

2.3.2 Regional and national distribution of tourists

In September 2023, the distribution of overseas tourists was as follows: Europe, 86 228 (54,4%); North America, 34 513 (21,8%); Asia, 17 064 (10,8%); Australasia, 10 437 (6,6%); The Middle East, 5 218 (3,3%) and Central and South America, 4 947 (3,1%).

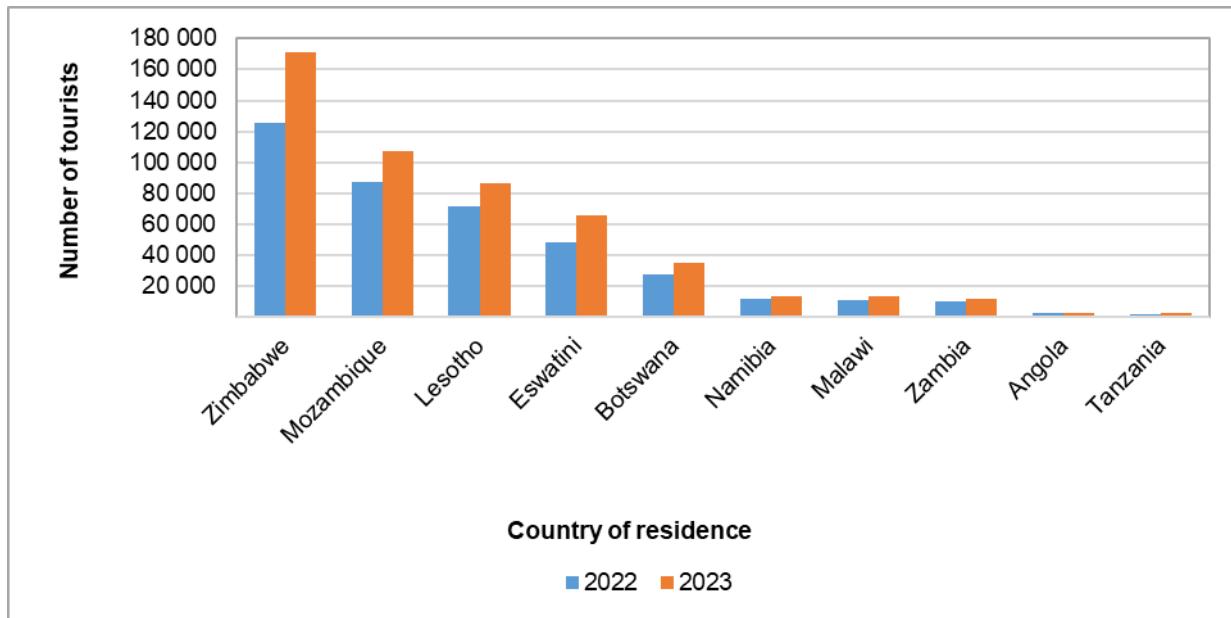
Figure 3 on page 7 indicates that the 10 leading overseas countries in terms of the number of tourists visiting South Africa in September 2023 were: United States of America (USA), 30 096 (19,0%); United Kingdom (UK), 23 380 (14,8%); Germany, 17 608 (11,1%); The Netherlands, 10 763 (6,8%); Australia, 8 494 (5,4%); France, 7 579 (4,8%); India, 5 529 (3,5%); China, 4 650 (2,9%); Canada, 4 417 (2,8%) and Italy, 3 988 (2,5%). Tourists from these 10 countries constituted 73,5% of all tourists from overseas countries. A comparison of movements in the 10 leading countries between September 2022 and September 2023 shows that the number of tourists increased for all 10 leading countries. China had the highest increase of 251,7% (from 1 322 tourists in September 2022 to 4 650 tourists in September 2023).

Figure 3 – Number of tourists from the 10 leading overseas countries in September 2022 and September 2023



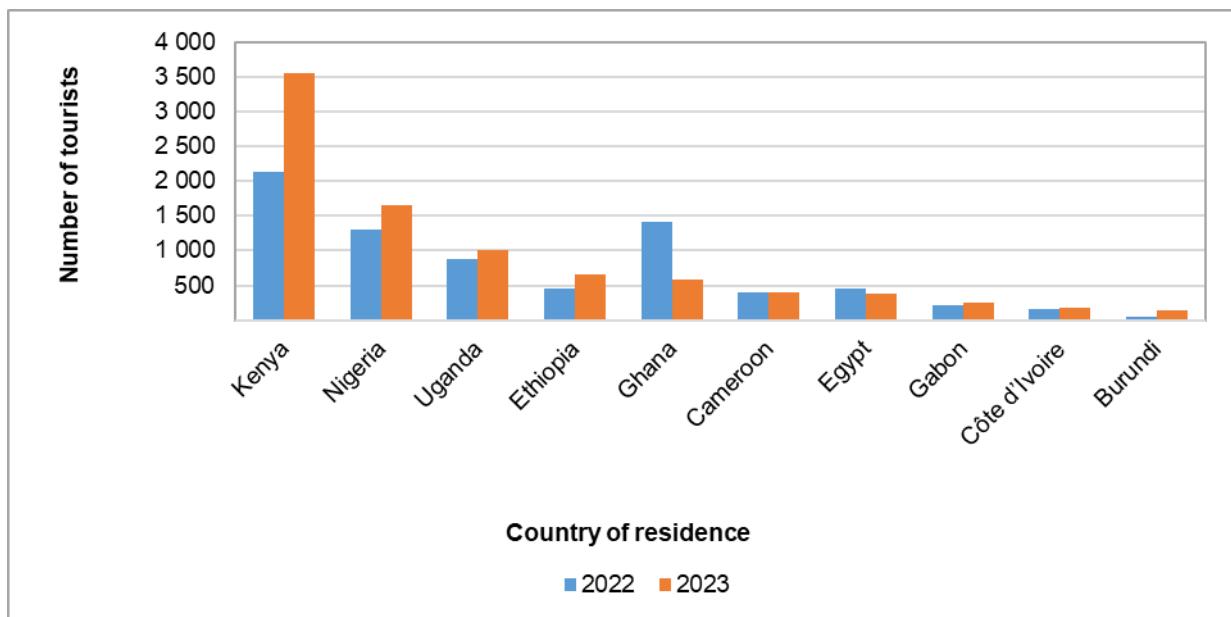
Virtually, most tourists from Africa, 514 268 (98,0%), came from SADC countries. The distribution of the remaining tourists from Africa was as follows: East and Central Africa, 6 388 (1,2%); West Africa, 3 074 (0,6%) and North Africa 953 (0,2%). Ten leading SADC countries in terms of the number of tourists visiting South Africa in September 2023 were: Zimbabwe, 171 080 (33,3%); Mozambique, 107 496 (20,9%); Lesotho, 86 821 (16,9%); Eswatini, 65 659 (12,8%); Botswana, 34 890 (6,8%); Namibia, 13 745 (2,7%); Malawi, 13 186 (2,6%); Zambia, 12 024 (2,3%); Angola, 2 947 (0,6%) and Tanzania, 2 625 (0,5%) (see Figure 4 below). Tourists from these 10 countries constituted 99,3% of all tourists from the SADC countries. A comparison of movements in the 10 leading countries between September 2022 and September 2023 shows that the number of tourists increased for nine of the ten leading countries. Zimbabwe showed the highest increase of 36,0% (from 125 757 tourists in September 2022 to 171 080 tourists in September 2023) followed by Eswatini with an increase of 35,4% (from 48 497 tourists in September 2022 to 65 659 tourists in September 2023).

Figure 4 – Number of tourists from the 10 leading SADC countries in September 2022 and September 2023



The 10 leading countries in terms of the number of tourists visiting South Africa in September 2023 from 'other' African countries, as shown in Figure 5 below, were: Kenya, 3 552 (34,1%); Nigeria, 1 652 (15,9%); Uganda, 1 003 (9,6%); Ethiopia, 661 (6,3%); Ghana, 577 (5,5%); Cameroon, 394 (3,8%); Egypt, 390 (3,7%); Gabon, 253 (2,4%); Côte d'Ivoire, 173 (1,7%) and Burundi, 144 (1,4%). Tourists from these 10 countries constituted 84,5% of all tourists from 'other' African countries. A comparison between movements in September 2022 and September 2023 shows that the number of tourists increased for seven of ten leading countries. Burundi showed the highest increase of 157,1% (from 56 tourists in September 2022 to 144 tourists in September 2023).

Figure 5 – Number of tourists from the 10 leading 'other' African countries in September 2022 and September 2023



2.3.3 Purpose of visit of tourists

Table 4 on page 9, shows the number of tourists by region and sub-region. Detailed data on the country of residence and purpose of visit is presented in Annexure C on pages 21 to 24. It is observed that in September 2023, the majority of tourists, 661 197 (96,6%), were in South Africa for holiday compared to 19 712 (2,9%); 3 007 (0,4%) and 245 (less than 0,1%) who were in South Africa for business, study and medical treatment respectively.

Within the overseas regions, Australasia, 99,4% (10 372) had the highest proportion of tourists who came for holiday followed by North America, 98,7% (34 069); Central and South America, 98,2% (4 859); Europe, 97,8% (84 344); The Middle East, 97,6% (5 095) and Asia, 93,0% (15 877).

Asia, 6,3% (1 082) had the highest proportion of tourists who came to South Africa for business, followed by Europe, 1,7% (1 448); Central and South America, 1,4% (68); The Middle East, 1,3% (69); North America, 1,1% (375) and Australasia, 0,5% (57).

The Middle East, 1,0% (54) had the highest proportion of tourists who came to study, followed by Asia, 0,6% (99); Europe, 0,4% (388); Central and South America, 0,4% (19); North America, 0,2% (61) and Australasia, 0,1% (6).

Europe (48) had 0,1% of tourists who came for medical treatment. North America (8), Asia (6), Australasia (2) and Central and South America (1) had less than 0,1% of medical treatment tourists, whereas The Middle East had none.

Majority of African tourists, 505 558 (96,4%) came to South Africa for holiday. However, the following differences in terms of reasons for travel were observed between tourists from the SADC countries and 'other' African countries, namely:

- Holiday makers constituted 96,5% (496 249) of tourists from SADC countries compared to 89,4% (9 309) from 'other' African countries. Information on the regions of 'other' African countries shows that 92,3% (5 895) of tourists from East and Central Africa were on holiday, followed by tourists from West Africa, 87,2% (2 682) and those from North Africa, 76,8% (732).
- Business persons constituted 3,1% (15 952) of tourists from SADC countries compared to 5,9% (614) from 'other' African countries. North Africa, 10,5% (100) had the highest proportion of tourists who came to South Africa for business purposes, followed by West Africa, 6,1% (186) and East and Central Africa, 5,1% (328).
- Students constituted 0,4% (1 931) of tourists from SADC countries compared with 4,3% (449) from 'other' African countries. North Africa, 12,5% (119) had the highest proportion of tourists who came to South Africa for study purposes, followed by West Africa, 6,1% (189) and East and Central Africa, 2,2% (141).
- Tourists who came for medical treatment constituted less than 0,1% (136) of tourists from SADC countries, while those from 'other' African countries constituted 0,4% (43). West Africa, 0,6% (17) had the highest proportion of tourists who came for medical treatment, followed by East and Central Africa, 0,4% (24) and North Africa, 0,2% (2).

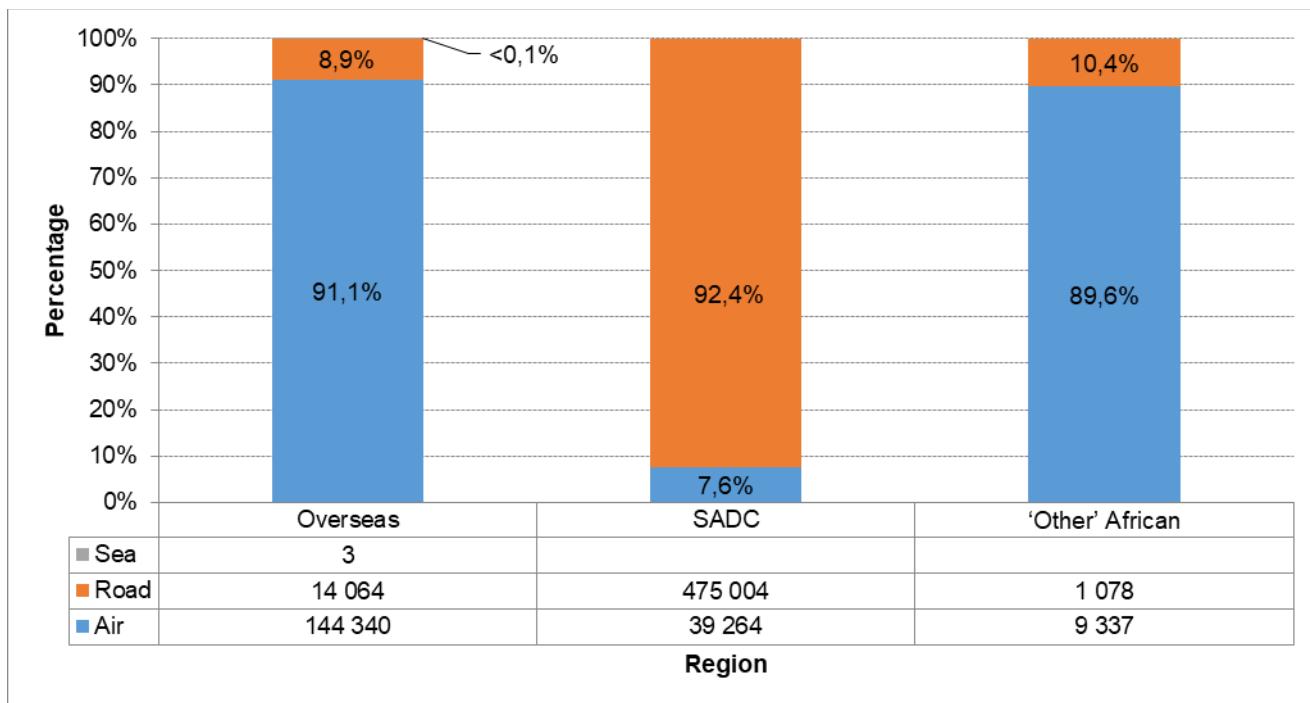
Table 4 – Number of tourists by region of residence and purpose of visit

Region of residence	September 2023	Business	Holiday	Study	Medical treatment
Total	684 161	19 712	661 197	3 007	245
Overseas	158 407	3 099	154 616	627	65
Europe	86 228	1 448	84 344	388	48
North America	34 513	375	34 069	61	8
Central and South America	4 947	68	4 859	19	1
Australasia	10 437	57	10 372	6	2
Middle East	5 218	69	5 095	54	-
Asia	17 064	1 082	15 877	99	6
Africa	524 683	16 566	505 558	2 380	179
SADC	514 268	15 952	496 249	1 931	136
'Other' African	10 415	614	9 309	449	43
East and Central Africa	6 388	328	5 895	141	24
West Africa	3 074	186	2 682	189	17
North Africa	953	100	732	119	2
Unspecified	1 071	47	1 023	-	1

2.3.4 Mode of travel of tourists

Tourists are categorised by their countries of residence and regions. Information on the specific region and country of residence of tourists and the mode of travel used to enter South Africa is provided in Annexure B on pages 17 to 20. As shown in Figure 6 below, 144 340 (91,1%) overseas tourists arrived in the country by air, whilst 14 064 (8,9%) came in by road and three (less than 0,1%) arrived by sea. Tourists from the SADC countries, on the other hand, came predominantly by road, 475 004 (92,4%), whilst 39 264 (7,6%) came by air and none arrived by sea. The number of tourists who came into South Africa by air from 'other' African countries was 9 337 (89,6%); while 1 078 (10,4%) used road transport and none preferred sea.

Figure 6 – Percentage distribution of tourists by region of residence and mode of travel, September 2023



2.3.5 Quarterly and annual trends

Figures 7, 8, and 9 on pages 11 and 12 show monthly and yearly changes in number of tourists from overseas, SADC and 'other' African countries, respectively. Figure 7 on page 11, shows that the number of overseas tourists who come to South Africa is generally highest in quarter one (January to March) and quarter four (October to December) of each year. Quarter two (April to June) is characterised by a large decrease in the number of tourists, reaching its lowest in June. Between quarters two and three of 2023 (Annexure E, pages 29 to 30), the number of tourists from overseas increased by 16,7% (from 416 159 in quarter two to 485 488 in quarter three). A year-on-year comparison between 2022 and 2023 for quarter three (Annexure F, pages 33 to 34) shows that the number of overseas tourists increased by 27,1% (from 381 886 in quarter three of 2022 to 485 488 in quarter three of 2023).

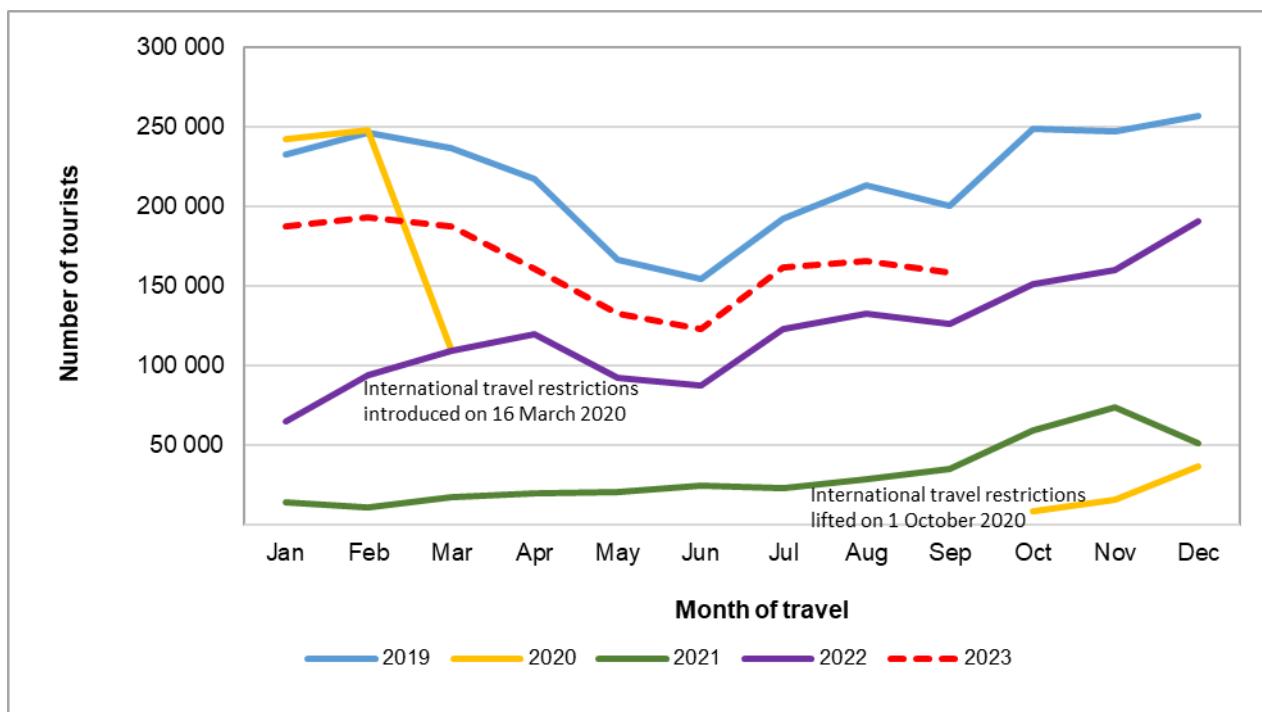
Figure 7 – Number of tourists from overseas countries by month: 2019 – 2023

Figure 8 below, shows the patterns for SADC countries. A distinct peak is observed in December due to the Christmas holiday break and a smaller peak in March/April, depending on the month where the Easter holiday falls. These periods are characterised by high volumes of travellers between South Africa and neighbouring SADC countries. Between quarters two and three of 2023, the number of tourists increased by 4,1% (from 1 503 393 in the second quarter to 1 564 315 in the third quarter) (see Annexure E on pages 30 to 31). Comparisons between the third quarters of 2022 and 2023 show that the number of SADC tourists increased by 31,2% (from 1 192 545 in quarter three of 2022 to 1 564 315 in quarter three of 2023) (see Annexure F on pages 34 to 35).

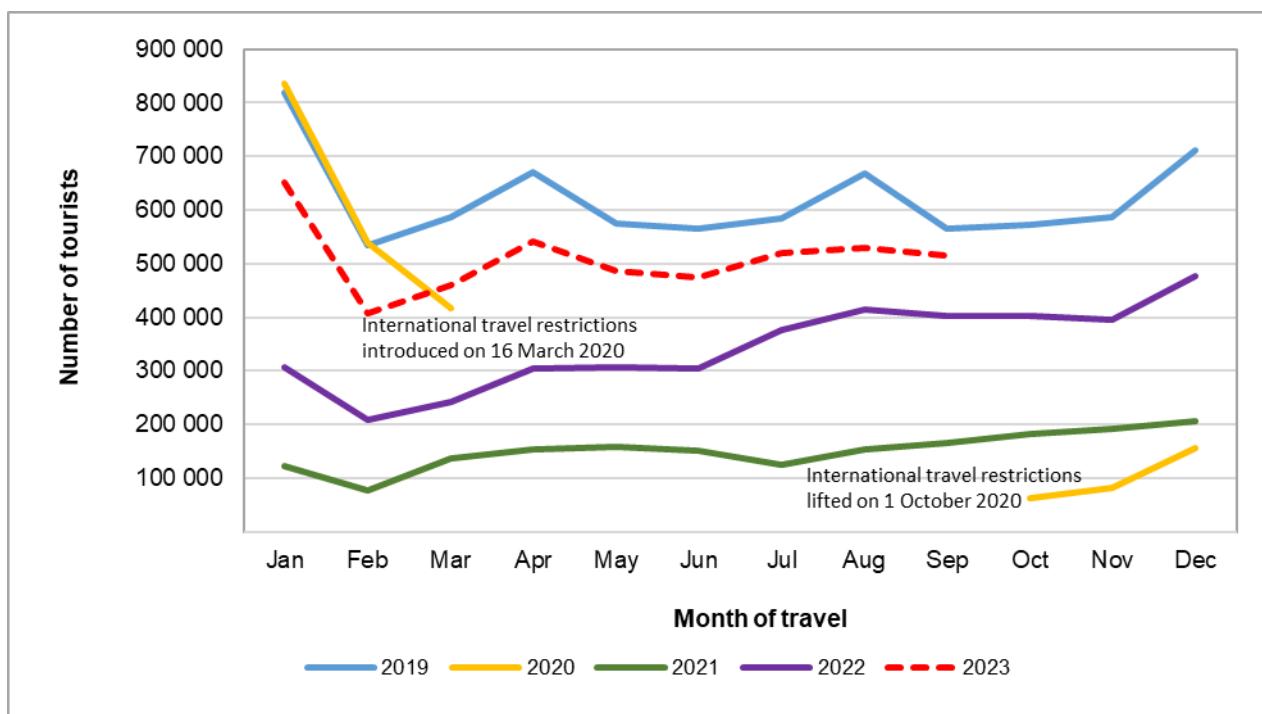
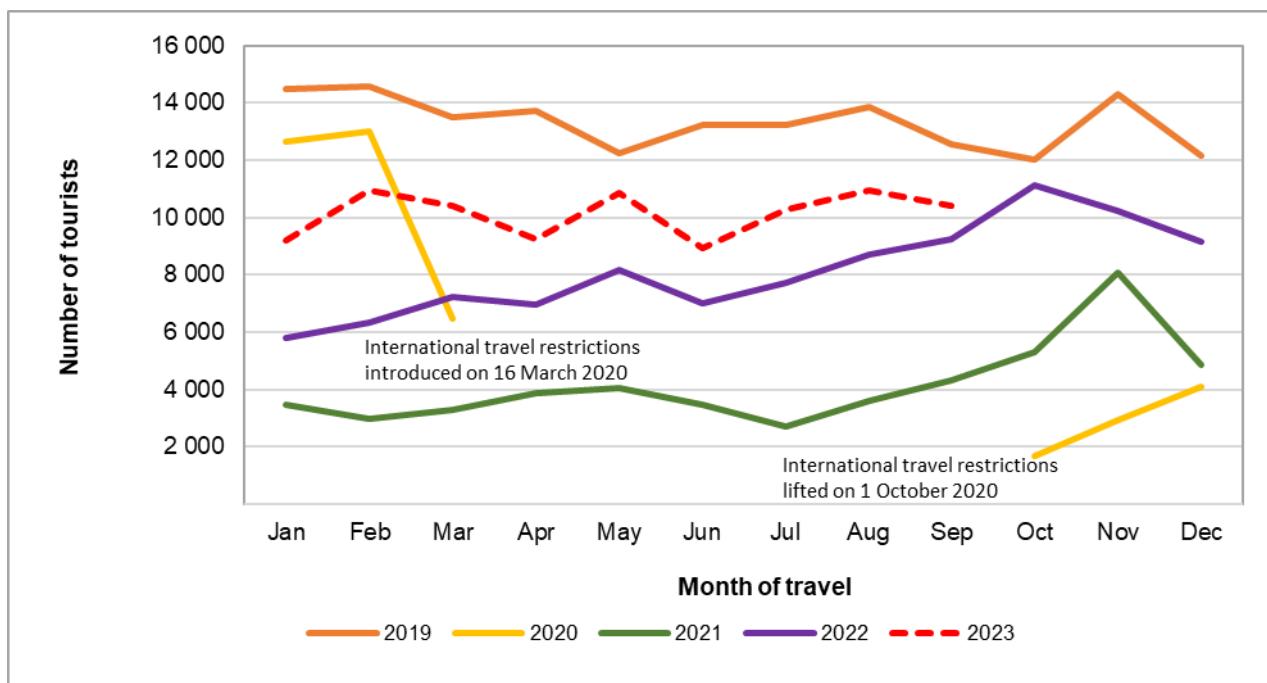
Figure 8 – Number of tourists from SADC countries by month: 2019 – 2023

Figure 9 below, shows the number of tourists from 'other' African countries. Between quarters two and quarter three of 2023 (see Annexure E on pages 31 to 32), the number of tourists from 'other' African countries increased by 8,9% (from 29 067 in quarter two to 31 647 in quarter three). East and Central Africa increased by 10,7% (from 16 563 in quarter two to 18 327 in quarter three), West Africa increased by 9,6% (from 9 545 in quarter two to 10 460 in quarter three) whereas North Africa decreased by 3,3% (from 2 959 in quarter two to 2 860 in quarter three). A year-on-year comparison for quarter three (see Annexure F on pages 35 to 36) shows that the number of tourists from 'other' African countries increased by 23,0% (from 25 732 in quarter three of 2022 to 31 647 in quarter three of 2023). East and Central Africa had the largest increase of 44,4% (from 12 692 in quarter three of 2022 to 18 327 in quarter three of 2023), followed by North Africa which increased by 2,5% (from 2 789 in quarter three of 2022 to 2 860 in quarter three of 2023) and West Africa which increased by 2,0% (from 10 251 in quarter three of 2022 to 10 460 in quarter three of 2023).

Figure 9 – Number of tourists from 'other' African countries by month: 2019 – 2023



3. Annexures

3.1 Annexure A – Number of tourists' difference between September 2022 and September 2023 by country of residence

Country of residence	September 2022	September 2023	Difference between September 2022 and September 2023	% change between September 2022 and September 2023
Total	539 202	684 161	144 959	26,9%
Overseas	126 409	158 407	31 998	25,3%
Europe	70 874	86 228	15 354	21,7%
Austria	908	1 102	194	21,4%
Belgium	3 176	3 787	611	19,2%
Denmark	919	1 130	211	23,0%
France	5 291	7 579	2 288	43,2%
Germany	13 118	17 608	4 490	34,2%
Ireland	1 766	1 679	-87	-4,9%
Italy	3 045	3 988	943	31,0%
Portugal	1 385	1 362	-23	-1,7%
Russian Federation	1 404	1 671	267	19,0%
Spain	2 267	3 005	738	32,6%
Sweden	985	1 160	175	17,8%
Switzerland	2 481	3 113	632	25,5%
The Netherlands	7 782	10 763	2 981	38,3%
UK	21 948	23 380	1 432	6,5%
Other	4 399	4 901	502	11,4%
North America	29 353	34 513	5 160	17,6%
Canada	3 522	4 417	895	25,4%
USA	25 831	30 096	4 265	16,5%
Central and South America	2 990	4 947	1 957	65,5%
Argentina	421	396	-25	-5,9%
Brazil	1 368	2 828	1 460	106,7%
Mexico	323	372	49	15,2%
Other	878	1 351	473	53,9%

Annexure A – Number of tourists' difference between September 2022 and September 2023 by country of residence (continued)

Country of residence	September 2022	September 2023	Difference between September 2022 and September 2023	% change between September 2022 and September 2023
Australasia	7 288	10 437	3 149	43,2%
Australia	5 857	8 494	2 637	45,0%
New Zealand	1 325	1 933	608	45,9%
Other	106	10	-96	-90,6%
Middle East	4 598	5 218	620	13,5%
Iran	280	405	125	44,6%
Israel	2 787	2 737	-50	-1,8%
Saudi Arabia	756	1 218	462	61,1%
Other	775	858	83	10,7%
Asia	11 306	17 064	5 758	50,9%
Bangladesh	722	580	-142	-19,7%
China	1 322	4 650	3 328	251,7%
India	5 221	5 529	308	5,9%
Japan	580	1 136	556	95,9%
Malaysia	304	647	343	112,8%
Pakistan	1 035	1 094	59	5,7%
Philippines	381	430	49	12,9%
Singapore	296	585	289	97,6%
South Korea	492	670	178	36,2%
Thailand	309	519	210	68,0%
Other	644	1 224	580	90,1%
Africa	411 724	524 683	112 959	27,4%
SADC	402 457	514 268	111 811	27,8%
Angola	3 062	2 947	-115	-3,8%
Botswana	27 852	34 890	7 038	25,3%
DRC	1 233	1 793	560	45,4%
Eswatini	48 497	65 659	17 162	35,4%

Annexure A – Number of tourists' difference between September 2022 and September 2023 by country of residence (continued)

Country of residence	September 2022	September 2023	Difference between September 2022 and September 2023	% change between September 2022 and September 2023
Lesotho	71 620	86 821	15 201	21,2%
Madagascar	188	416	228	121,3%
Malawi	11 333	13 186	1 853	16,4%
Mauritius	980	1 267	287	29,3%
Mozambique	87 193	107 496	20 303	23,3%
Namibia	11 857	13 745	1 888	15,9%
Seychelles	271	319	48	17,7%
Tanzania	2 233	2 625	392	17,6%
Zambia	10 381	12 024	1 643	15,8%
Zimbabwe	125 757	171 080	45 323	36,0%
'Other' African	9 267	10 415	1 148	12,4%
East and Central Africa	4 681	6 388	1 707	36,5%
Burundi	56	144	88	157,1%
Cameroon	402	394	-8	-2,0%
Central African Republic	16	10	-6	-37,5%
Chad	34	43	9	26,5%
Comoros	25	19	-6	-24,0%
Congo	157	116	-41	-26,1%
Djibouti	8	2	-6	-75,0%
Equatorial Guinea	23	11	-12	-52,2%
Eritrea	32	48	16	50,0%
Ethiopia	460	661	201	43,7%
Gabon	222	253	31	14,0%
Kenya	2 140	3 552	1 412	66,0%
Réunion	-	2	2	-
Rwanda	73	76	3	4,1%
São Tomé and Príncipe	6	5	-1	-16,7%
Somalia	140	49	-91	-65,0%
Uganda	887	1 003	116	13,1%

Annexure A – Number of tourists' difference between September 2022 and September 2023 by country of residence (concluded)

Country of residence	September 2022	September 2023	Difference between September 2022 and September 2023	% change between September 2022 and September 2023
West Africa	3 572	3 074	-498	-13,9%
Benin	85	139	54	63,5%
Burkina Faso	56	59	3	5,4%
Cape Verde Island	33	16	-17	-51,5%
Côte d'Ivoire	161	173	12	7,5%
Gambia	27	33	6	22,2%
Ghana	1 421	577	-844	-59,4%
Guinea	98	121	23	23,5%
Guinea-Bissau	4	13	9	225,0%
Liberia	44	24	-20	-45,5%
Mali	65	67	2	3,1%
Mauritania	12	5	-7	-58,3%
Niger	24	14	-10	-41,7%
Nigeria	1 296	1 652	356	27,5%
Saint Helena	2	2	-	0,0%
Senegal	133	104	-29	-21,8%
Sierra Leone	65	38	-27	-41,5%
Togo	46	37	-9	-19,6%
North Africa	1 014	953	-61	-6,0%
Algeria	92	83	-9	-9,8%
Egypt	446	390	-56	-12,6%
Libya	46	50	4	8,7%
Morocco	116	141	25	21,6%
South Sudan	65	133	68	104,6%
The Sudan	156	57	-99	-63,5%
Tunisia	92	98	6	6,5%
Western Sahara	1	1	-	0,0%
Unspecified	1 069	1 071	2	0,2%

3.2 Annexure B – Number of tourists by country of residence and mode of travel, September 2023

Country of residence	September 2023	Air					Road	Sea
		Cape Town	King Shaka	OR Tambo	Other	Total		
Total	684 161	58 420	2 351	132 092	908	193 771	490 387	3
Overseas	158 407	51 291	1 899	90 442	708	144 340	14 064	3
Europe	86 228	28 775	1 057	47 025	201	77 058	9 168	2
Austria	1 102	485	12	520	1	1 018	84	-
Belgium	3 787	1 011	31	2 139	8	3 189	598	-
Denmark	1 130	240	7	842	1	1 090	40	-
France	7 579	1 922	15	4 567	26	6 530	1 049	-
Germany	17 608	7 168	139	8 312	20	15 639	1 968	1
Ireland	1 679	768	30	795	2	1 595	84	-
Italy	3 988	1 634	46	1 994	15	3 689	299	-
Portugal	1 362	212	14	711	6	943	419	-
Russian Federation	1 671	665	58	824	9	1 556	115	-
Spain	3 005	770	22	1 822	12	2 626	379	-
Sweden	1 160	415	20	665	2	1 102	58	-
Switzerland	3 113	1 235	30	1 630	4	2 899	213	1
The Netherlands	10 763	3 057	53	5 447	8	8 565	2 198	-
UK	23 380	7 407	421	14 201	74	22 103	1 277	-
Other	4 901	1 786	159	2 556	13	4 514	387	-
North America	34 513	12 994	165	19 507	356	33 022	1 491	-
Canada	4 417	1 648	33	2 458	17	4 156	261	-
USA	30 096	11 346	132	17 049	339	28 866	1 230	-
Central and South America	4 947	900	16	3 649	18	4 583	364	-
Argentina	396	65	7	302	2	376	20	-
Brazil	2 828	404	3	2 197	6	2 610	218	-
Mexico	372	140	-	221	4	365	7	-
Other	1 351	291	6	929	6	1 232	119	-

Annexure B – Number of tourists by country of residence and mode of travel, September 2023 (continued)

Country of residence	September 2023	Air					Road	Sea
		Cape Town	King Shaka	OR Tambo	Other	Total		
Australasia	10 437	1 931	174	7 728	80	9 913	524	-
Australia	8 494	1 480	120	6 426	68	8 094	400	-
New Zealand	1 933	448	54	1 296	12	1 810	123	-
Other	10	3	-	6	-	9	1	-
Middle East	5 218	2 250	36	2 769	33	5 088	130	-
Iran	405	167	4	203	22	396	9	-
Israel	2 737	636	17	2 001	11	2 665	72	-
Saudi Arabia	1 218	1 032	2	179	-	1 213	5	-
Other	858	415	13	386	-	814	44	-
Asia	17 064	4 441	451	9 764	20	14 676	2 387	1
Bangladesh	580	111	65	286	-	462	118	-
China	4 650	739	41	3 544	5	4 329	321	-
India	5 529	1 698	165	2 687	8	4 558	971	-
Japan	1 136	264	40	749	3	1 056	80	-
Malaysia	647	215	8	398	2	623	24	-
Pakistan	1 094	145	63	459	-	667	427	-
Philippines	430	139	23	204	-	366	63	1
Singapore	585	216	-	360	2	578	7	-
South Korea	670	246	6	317	-	569	101	-
Thailand	519	261	8	241	-	510	9	-
Other	1 224	407	32	519	-	958	266	-
Africa	524 683	7 051	450	40 901	199	48 601	476 082	-
SADC	514 268	5 234	412	33 497	121	39 264	475 004	-
Angola	2 947	887	-	1 422	23	2 332	615	-
Botswana	34 890	340	3	2 434	19	2 796	32 094	-
DRC	1 793	49	2	1 459	2	1 512	281	-
Eswatini	65 659	131	79	846	1	1 057	64 602	-

Annexure B – Number of tourists by country of residence and mode of travel, September 2023 (continued)

Country of residence	September 2023	Air					Road	Sea
		Cape Town	King Shaka	OR Tambo	Other	Total		
Lesotho	86 821	8	6	670	3	687	86 134	-
Madagascar	416	22	-	381	-	403	13	-
Malawi	13 186	26	3	2 065	-	2 094	11 092	-
Mauritius	1 267	339	3	845	1	1 188	79	-
Mozambique	107 496	293	9	4 385	9	4 696	102 800	-
Namibia	13 745	1 460	-	2 337	-	3 797	9 948	-
Seychelles	319	6	1	289	-	296	23	-
Tanzania	2 625	212	1	1 256	2	1 471	1 154	-
Zambia	12 024	125	75	3 602	24	3 826	8 198	-
Zimbabwe	171 080	1 336	230	11 506	37	13 109	157 971	-
'Other' African	10 415	1 817	38	7 404	78	9 337	1 078	-
East and Central Africa	6 388	1 220	9	4 482	4	5 715	673	-
Burundi	144	20	-	118	2	140	4	-
Cameroon	394	72	-	300	-	372	22	-
Central African Republic	10	-	-	10	-	10	-	-
Chad	43	4	-	39	-	43	-	-
Comoros	19	5	-	14	-	19	-	-
Congo	116	24	-	89	-	113	3	-
Djibouti	2	1	-	1	-	2	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	11	3	-	6	-	9	2	-
Eritrea	48	6	-	38	-	44	4	-
Ethiopia	661	75	3	493	-	571	90	-
Gabon	253	27	-	217	-	244	9	-
Kenya	3 552	807	6	2 319	1	3 133	419	-
Réunion	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	-
Rwanda	76	8	-	49	-	57	19	-
São Tomé and Príncipe	5	1	-	4	-	5	-	-
Somalia	49	3	-	29	-	32	17	-
Uganda	1 003	162	-	756	1	919	84	-

Annexure B – Number of tourists by country of residence and mode of travel, September 2023 (concluded)

Country of residence	September 2023	Air					Road	Sea
		Cape Town	King Shaka	OR Tambo	Other	Total		
West Africa	3 074	400	16	2 304	2	2 722	352	-
Benin	139	15	-	119	-	134	5	-
Burkina Faso	59	11	-	46	-	57	2	-
Cape Verde Island	16	-	-	11	-	11	5	-
Côte d'Ivoire	173	16	-	155	-	171	2	-
Gambia	33	11	-	21	-	32	1	-
Ghana	577	40	4	485	-	529	48	-
Guinea	121	3	-	53	-	56	65	-
Guinea-Bissau	13	-	-	10	-	10	3	-
Liberia	24	4	1	18	-	23	1	-
Mali	67	22	-	30	-	52	15	-
Mauritania	5	-	-	5	-	5	-	-
Niger	14	1	-	13	-	14	-	-
Nigeria	1 652	236	9	1 208	-	1 453	199	-
Saint Helena	2	-	-	2	-	2	-	-
Senegal	104	26	2	75	-	103	1	-
Sierra Leone	38	7	-	26	-	33	5	-
Togo	37	8	-	27	2	37	-	-
North Africa	953	197	13	618	72	900	53	-
Algeria	83	14	-	68	-	82	1	-
Egypt	390	78	4	293	-	375	15	-
Libya	50	11	-	21	-	32	18	-
Morocco	141	45	6	83	-	134	7	-
South Sudan	133	11	-	49	72	132	1	-
The Sudan	57	13	-	34	-	47	10	-
Tunisia	98	25	3	69	-	97	1	-
Western Sahara	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Unspecified	1 071	78	2	749	1	830	241	-

3.3 Annexure C – Number of tourists by country of residence and purpose of visit, September 2023

Country of residence	September 2023	Purpose of visit			
		Business	Holiday	Study	Medical Treatment
Total	684 161	19 712	661 197	3 007	245
Overseas	158 407	3 099	154 616	627	65
Europe	86 228	1 448	84 344	388	48
Austria	1 102	7	1 092	3	-
Belgium	3 787	41	3 731	12	3
Denmark	1 130	39	1 087	3	1
France	7 579	128	7 304	138	9
Germany	17 608	190	17 331	83	4
Ireland	1 679	31	1 646	2	-
Italy	3 988	109	3 868	10	1
Portugal	1 362	12	1 344	4	2
Russian Federation	1 671	47	1 621	3	-
Spain	3 005	50	2 943	12	-
Sweden	1 160	39	1 119	2	-
Switzerland	3 113	44	3 056	12	1
The Netherlands	10 763	131	10 588	34	10
UK	23 380	396	22 925	43	16
Other	4 901	184	4 689	27	1
North America	34 513	375	34 069	61	8
Canada	4 417	45	4 367	5	-
USA	30 096	330	29 702	56	8
Central and South America	4 947	68	4 859	19	1
Argentina	396	7	388	1	-
Brazil	2 828	23	2 795	10	-
Mexico	372	5	364	3	-
Other	1 351	33	1 312	5	1

Annexure C – Number of tourists by country of residence and purpose of visit, September 2023 (continued)

Country of residence	September 2023	Purpose of visit			
		Business	Holiday	Study	Medical Treatment
Australasia	10 437	57	10 372	6	2
Australia	8 494	45	8 445	2	2
New Zealand	1 933	12	1 919	2	-
Other	10	-	8	2	-
Middle East	5 218	69	5 095	54	-
Iran	405	3	400	2	-
Israel	2 737	7	2 727	3	-
Saudi Arabia	1 218	14	1 191	13	-
Other	858	45	777	36	-
Asia	17 064	1 082	15 877	99	6
Bangladesh	580	18	560	2	-
China	4 650	400	4 233	16	1
India	5 529	372	5 105	47	5
Japan	1 136	66	1 064	6	-
Malaysia	647	10	637	-	-
Other	1 224	74	1 139	11	-
Pakistan	1 094	48	1 038	8	-
Philippines	430	25	398	7	-
Singapore	585	18	567	-	-
South Korea	670	38	630	2	-
Thailand	519	13	506	-	-
Africa	524 683	16 566	505 558	2 380	179
SADC	514 268	15 952	496 249	1 931	136
Angola	2 947	43	2 825	54	25
Botswana	34 890	911	33 778	192	9
DRC	1 793	48	1 629	87	29
Eswatini	65 659	1 984	63 444	222	9

Annexure C – Number of tourists by country of residence and purpose of visit, September 2023 (continued)

Country of residence	September 2023	Purpose of visit			
		Business	Holiday	Study	Medical Treatment
Lesotho	86 821	697	85 486	636	2
Madagascar	416	5	392	19	-
Malawi	13 186	274	12 878	31	3
Mauritius	1 267	17	1 240	6	4
Mozambique	107 496	2 216	105 210	54	16
Namibia	13 745	3 311	10 219	211	4
Seychelles	319	6	308	4	1
Tanzania	2 625	87	2 493	45	-
Zambia	12 024	3 199	8 755	61	9
Zimbabwe	171 080	3 154	167 592	309	25
'Other' African	10 415	614	9 309	449	43
East and Central Africa	6 388	328	5 895	141	24
Burundi	144	9	131	4	-
Cameroon	394	22	347	19	6
Central African Republic	10	-	10	-	-
Chad	43	3	37	2	1
Comoros	19	3	16	-	-
Congo	116	7	104	3	2
Djibouti	2	-	2	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	11	1	7	3	-
Eritrea	48	1	45	2	-
Ethiopia	661	31	612	14	4
Gabon	253	3	240	9	1
Kenya	3 552	153	3 346	48	5
Réunion	2	-	2	-	-
Rwanda	76	3	71	2	-
São Tomé and Príncipe	5	-	5	-	-
Somalia	49	13	34	2	-
Uganda	1 003	79	886	33	5

Annexure C – Number of tourists by country of residence and purpose of visit, September 2023 (concluded)

Country of residence	September 2023	Purpose of visit			
		Business	Holiday	Study	Medical Treatment
West Africa	3 074	186	2 682	189	17
Benin	139	4	133	2	-
Burkina Faso	59	11	47	1	-
Cape Verde Island	16	-	16	-	-
Côte d'Ivoire	173	15	153	4	1
Gambia	33	7	23	3	-
Ghana	577	36	521	14	6
Guinea	121	4	107	7	3
Guinea-Bissau	13	1	12	-	-
Liberia	24		22	2	-
Mali	67	11	55	1	-
Mauritania	5		5	-	-
Niger	14		13	1	-
Nigeria	1 652	63	1 434	150	5
Saint Helena	2	-	2	-	-
Senegal	104	15	86	3	-
Sierra Leone	38	7	30	1	-
Togo	37	12	23	-	2
North Africa	953	100	732	119	2
Algeria	83	6	75	2	-
Egypt	390	54	317	19	-
Libya	50	2	38	10	-
Morocco	141	23	114	4	-
South Sudan	133	7	50	75	1
The Sudan	57	2	47	8	-
Tunisia	98	6	90	1	1
Western Sahara	1	-	1	-	-
Unspecified	1 071	47	1 023	-	1

3.4 Annexure D – Number of tourists' difference between Jan–Sep 2022 and Jan–Sep 2023 by country of residence

Country of residence	Jan – Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2023	Difference between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023	% change between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023
Total	3 888 604	6 158 088	2 269 484	58,4%
Overseas	949 044	1 469 302	520 258	54,8%
Europe	571 536	862 658	291 122	50,9%
Austria	8 234	13 473	5 239	63,6%
Belgium	22 687	32 361	9 674	42,6%
Denmark	9 190	12 739	3 549	38,6%
France	49 879	85 077	35 198	70,6%
Germany	99 986	162 268	62 282	62,3%
Ireland	13 615	19 392	5 777	42,4%
Italy	22 476	39 516	17 040	75,8%
Portugal	11 238	14 241	3 003	26,7%
Russian Federation	8 936	18 728	9 792	109,6%
Spain	16 925	23 960	7 035	41,6%
Sweden	8 933	15 259	6 326	70,8%
Switzerland	19 854	27 355	7 501	37,8%
The Netherlands	59 314	90 639	31 325	52,8%
UK	185 949	252 069	66 120	35,6%
Other	34 320	55 581	21 261	61,9%
North America	206 555	303 861	97 306	47,1%
Canada	22 225	38 450	16 225	73,0%
USA	184 330	265 411	81 081	44,0%
Central and South America	19 492	30 310	10 818	55,5%
Argentina	1 723	2 732	1 009	58,6%
Brazil	10 082	15 128	5 046	50,0%
Mexico	2 406	3 425	1 019	42,4%
Other	5 281	9 025	3 744	70,9%

Annexure D – Number of tourists' difference between Jan–Sep 2022 and Jan–Sep 2023 by country of residence (continued)

Country of residence	Jan – Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2023	Difference between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023	% change between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023
Australasia	39 193	78 161	38 968	99,4%
Australia	32 732	63 949	31 217	95,4%
New Zealand	6 311	14 017	7 706	122,1%
Other	150	195	45	30,0%
Middle East	31 130	46 175	15 045	48,3%
Israel	12 614	17 695	5 081	40,3%
Saudi Arabia	9 317	13 418	4 101	44,0%
United Arab Emirates	2 692	6 021	3 329	123,7%
Other	6 507	9 041	2 534	38,9%
Asia	81 138	148 137	66 999	82,6%
Bangladesh	5 479	5 994	515	9,4%
China	8 155	28 333	20 178	247,4%
India	38 419	60 396	21 977	57,2%
Japan	3 537	9 044	5 507	155,7%
Malaysia	1 839	4 247	2 408	130,9%
Pakistan	9 344	9 742	398	4,3%
Philippines	3 036	4 452	1 416	46,6%
Singapore	1 569	5 226	3 657	233,1%
South Korea	3 377	7 290	3 913	115,9%
Thailand	1 990	3 588	1 598	80,3%
Other	4 393	9 825	5 432	123,7%
Africa	2 932 778	4 679 545	1 746 767	59,6%
SADC	2 865 510	4 588 265	1 722 755	60,1%
Angola	22 715	29 562	6 847	30,1%
Botswana	172 753	245 515	72 762	42,1%
DRC	13 157	15 002	1 845	14,0%
Eswatini	295 642	527 730	232 088	78,5%

Annexure D – Number of tourists' difference between Jan–Sep 2022 and Jan–Sep 2023 by country of residence (continued)

Country of residence	Jan – Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2023	Difference between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023	% change between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023
Lesotho	593 979	883 832	289 853	48,8%
Madagascar	1 090	2 610	1 520	139,4%
Malawi	77 043	97 842	20 799	27,0%
Mauritius	7 148	11 944	4 796	67,1%
Mozambique	668 356	985 805	317 449	47,5%
Namibia	95 763	114 621	18 858	19,7%
Seychelles	1 540	3 056	1 516	98,4%
Tanzania	18 100	23 780	5 680	31,4%
Zambia	82 608	102 604	19 996	24,2%
Zimbabwe	815 616	1 544 362	728 746	89,3%
'Other' African	67 268	91 280	24 012	35,7%
East and Central Africa	32 193	52 618	20 425	63,4%
Burundi	491	800	309	62,9%
Cameroon	2 449	3 219	770	31,4%
Central African Republic	75	147	72	96,0%
Chad	216	320	104	48,1%
Comoros	247	283	36	14,6%
Congo	1 085	1 178	93	8,6%
Djibouti	43	79	36	83,7%
Equatorial Guinea	147	220	73	49,7%
Eritrea	315	297	-18	-5,7%
Ethiopia	3 572	4 432	860	24,1%
Gabon	1 957	3 046	1 089	55,6%
Kenya	14 243	28 554	14 311	100,5%
Réunion	-	22	22	-
Rwanda	480	687	207	43,1%
São Tomé and Príncipe	33	58	25	75,8%
Somalia	779	467	-312	-40,1%
Uganda	6 061	8 809	2 748	45,3%

Annexure D – Number of tourists' difference between Jan–Sep 2022 and Jan–Sep 2023 by country of residence (concluded)

Country of residence	Jan – Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2023	Difference between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023	% change between Jan – Sep 2022 and Jan – Sep 2023
West Africa	28 003	29 614	1 611	5,8%
Benin	789	1 240	451	57,2%
Burkina Faso	381	527	146	38,3%
Cape Verde Island	167	217	50	29,9%
Côte d'Ivoire	1 283	1 653	370	28,8%
Gambia	198	298	100	50,5%
Ghana	10 747	7 572	-3 175	-29,5%
Guinea	613	1 001	388	63,3%
Guinea-Bissau	33	67	34	103,0%
Liberia	248	455	207	83,5%
Mali	493	780	287	58,2%
Mauritania	84	128	44	52,4%
Niger	122	208	86	70,5%
Nigeria	11 459	13 618	2 159	18,8%
Saint Helena	44	41	-3	-6,8%
Senegal	832	1 093	261	31,4%
Sierra Leone	315	368	53	16,8%
Togo	195	348	153	78,5%
North Africa	7 072	9 048	1 976	27,9%
Algeria	638	844	206	32,3%
Egypt	3 346	4 199	853	25,5%
Libya	429	464	35	8,2%
Morocco	779	1 130	351	45,1%
South Sudan	417	685	268	64,3%
The Sudan	898	829	-69	-7,7%
Tunisia	560	886	326	58,2%
Western Sahara	5	11	6	120,0%
Unspecified	6 782	9 241	2 459	36,3%

3.5 Annexure E – Number of tourists: Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel

Country of residence	Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023								% change Qtr 2, 2023 – Qtr 3, 2023
	Apr	May	Jun	Qtr 2 2023	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	
Total	713 470	630 100	608 319	1 951 889	692 068	708 159	684 161	2 084 388	6,8%
Overseas	160 647	132 443	123 069	416 159	161 376	165 705	158 407	485 488	16,7%
Europe	97 243	60 955	48 894	207 092	88 440	93 602	86 228	268 270	29,5%
Austria	1 308	830	459	2 597	1 034	1 258	1 102	3 394	30,7%
Belgium	3 811	2 048	1 481	7 340	5 796	3 691	3 787	13 274	80,8%
Denmark	1 315	764	637	2 716	1 192	730	1 130	3 052	12,4%
France	11 792	7 748	5 450	24 990	10 587	10 498	7 579	28 664	14,7%
Germany	17 802	9 019	5 895	32 716	9 505	12 358	17 608	39 471	20,6%
Ireland	2 488	2 031	1 643	6 162	1 836	1 635	1 679	5 150	-16,4%
Italy	3 253	2 625	2 956	8 834	4 915	11 933	3 988	20 836	135,9%
Portugal	2 130	1 390	1 334	4 854	1 214	1 475	1 362	4 051	-16,5%
Russian Federation	2 103	1 721	1 469	5 293	1 373	1 878	1 671	4 922	-7,0%
Spain	2 123	1 882	2 093	6 098	3 446	5 711	3 005	12 162	99,4%
Sweden	1 406	1 049	806	3 261	806	633	1 160	2 599	-20,3%
Switzerland	3 929	1 838	1 158	6 925	2 666	1 744	3 113	7 523	8,6%
The Netherlands	10 707	5 176	4 031	19 914	14 338	11 455	10 763	36 556	83,6%
UK	27 125	17 989	15 461	60 575	25 192	23 804	23 380	72 376	19,5%
Other	5 951	4 845	4 021	14 817	4 540	4 799	4 901	14 240	-3,9%
North America	31 029	36 461	39 101	106 591	35 029	32 933	34 513	102 475	-3,9%
Canada	4 179	3 989	3 069	11 237	3 417	3 633	4 417	11 467	2,0%
USA	26 850	32 472	36 032	95 354	31 612	29 300	30 096	91 008	-4,6%
Central and South America	3 188	2 830	2 852	8 870	3 601	2 697	4 947	11 245	26,8%
Argentina	255	173	251	679	311	148	396	855	25,9%
Brazil	1 487	1 255	1 433	4 175	1 759	1 423	2 828	6 010	44,0%
Mexico	540	356	335	1 231	549	312	372	1 233	0,2%
Other	906	1 046	833	2 785	982	814	1 351	3 147	13,0%

Annexure E – Number of tourists: Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel (continued)

Country of residence	Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023								% change Qtr 2, 2023 – Qtr 3, 2023
	Apr	May	Jun	Qtr 2 2023	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	
Australasia	9 959	7 878	8 422	26 259	8 140	8 702	10 437	27 279	3,9%
Australia	7 877	6 435	6 926	21 238	6 609	7 226	8 494	22 329	5,1%
New Zealand	2 025	1 434	1 454	4 913	1 503	1 461	1 933	4 897	-0,3%
Other	57	9	42	108	28	15	10	53	-50,9%
Middle East	3 318	2 716	5 388	11 422	9 519	8 941	5 218	23 678	107,3%
Israel	1 972	971	1 065	4 008	2 037	2 859	2 737	7 633	90,4%
Saudi Arabia	474	652	2 555	3 681	3 932	2 775	1 218	7 925	115,3%
United Arab Emirates	249	316	733	1 298	2 231	1 879	219	4 329	233,5%
Other	623	777	1 035	2 435	1 319	1 428	1 044	3 791	55,7%
Asia	15 910	21 603	18 412	55 925	16 647	18 830	17 064	52 541	-6,1%
Bangladesh	612	812	531	1 955	759	660	580	1 999	2,3%
China	3 524	3 389	3 281	10 194	3 472	3 996	4 650	12 118	18,9%
India	5 942	10 876	8 495	25 313	6 237	6 962	5 529	18 728	-26,0%
Japan	964	1 060	1 033	3 057	955	1 597	1 136	3 688	20,6%
Malaysia	490	579	541	1 610	460	681	647	1 788	11,1%
Pakistan	898	1 351	955	3 204	1 192	1 144	1 094	3 430	7,1%
Philippines	452	556	600	1 608	697	529	430	1 656	3,0%
Singapore	570	797	969	2 336	559	666	585	1 810	-22,5%
South Korea	681	683	735	2 099	782	1 119	670	2 571	22,5%
Thailand	632	487	387	1 506	384	338	519	1 241	-17,6%
Other	1 145	1 013	885	3 043	1 150	1 138	1 224	3 512	15,4%
Africa	551 661	496 493	484 306	1 532 460	529 712	541 567	524 683	1 595 962	4,1%
SADC	542 427	485 608	475 358	1 503 393	519 422	530 625	514 268	1 564 315	4,1%
Angola	3 651	2 842	2 454	8 947	3 399	3 616	2 947	9 962	11,3%
Botswana	33 024	24 640	26 686	84 350	26 651	26 167	34 890	87 708	4,0%
DRC	1 761	1 516	1 425	4 702	1 760	2 213	1 793	5 766	22,6%
Eswatini	69 354	53 876	56 512	179 742	61 476	66 951	65 659	194 086	8,0%

Annexure E – Number of tourists: Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel (continued)

Country of residence	Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023								% change Qtr 2, 2023 – Qtr 3, 2023
	Apr	May	Jun	Qtr 2 2023	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	
Lesotho	107 924	94 585	88 025	290 534	101 030	86 438	86 821	274 289	-5,6%
Madagascar	319	329	241	889	296	288	416	1 000	12,5%
Malawi	8 101	9 717	10 502	28 320	12 635	13 780	13 186	39 601	39,8%
Mauritius	1 631	1 410	1 088	4 129	1 527	1 351	1 267	4 145	0,4%
Mozambique	101 922	107 160	104 152	313 234	107 318	113 161	107 496	327 975	4,7%
Namibia	14 065	12 419	13 328	39 812	13 114	11 758	13 745	38 617	-3,0%
Seychelles	321	339	185	845	249	291	319	859	1,7%
Tanzania	2 593	3 042	2 444	8 079	2 549	2 693	2 625	7 867	-2,6%
Zambia	11 624	11 821	11 616	35 061	11 833	12 990	12 024	36 847	5,1%
Zimbabwe	186 137	161 912	156 700	504 749	175 585	188 928	171 080	535 593	6,1%
'Other' African	9 234	10 885	8 948	29 067	10 290	10 942	10 415	31 647	8,9%
East and Central Africa	5 616	6 019	4 928	16 563	5 630	6 309	6 388	18 327	10,7%
Burundi	71	98	60	229	103	98	144	345	50,7%
Cameroon	340	340	285	965	393	400	394	1 187	23,0%
Central African Republic	12	30	10	52	3	30	10	43	-17,3%
Chad	32	42	21	95	36	52	43	131	37,9%
Comoros	19	29	22	70	54	68	19	141	101,4%
Congo	159	125	99	383	175	159	116	450	17,5%
Djibouti	3	18	3	24	2	27	2	31	29,2%
Equatorial Guinea	13	24	8	45	67	47	11	125	177,8%
Eritrea	20	30	28	78	27	46	48	121	55,1%
Ethiopia	406	554	442	1 402	434	509	661	1 604	14,4%
Gabon	263	269	205	737	489	700	253	1 442	95,7%
Kenya	3 277	3 346	2 844	9 467	2 756	3 151	3 552	9 459	-0,1%
Réunion	-	-	5	5	7	-	2	9	80,0%
Rwanda	61	80	74	215	93	52	76	221	2,8%
São Tomé and Príncipe	9	4	5	18	9	4	5	18	0,0%
Somalia	24	76	62	162	48	49	49	146	-9,9%
Uganda	907	954	755	2 616	934	917	1 003	2 854	9,1%

Annexure E – Number of tourists: Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel (concluded)

Country of residence	Quarter 2, 2023 – Quarter 3, 2023								% change Qtr 2, 2023 – Qtr 3, 2023
	Apr	May	Jun	Qtr 2 2023	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	
West Africa	2 824	3 664	3 057	9 545	3 700	3 686	3 074	10 460	9,6%
Benin	126	151	115	392	166	168	139	473	20,7%
Burkina Faso	35	67	33	135	72	48	59	179	32,6%
Cape Verde Island	21	33	12	66	11	23	16	50	-24,2%
Côte d'Ivoire	104	217	132	453	210	251	173	634	40,0%
Gambia	49	36	16	101	28	37	33	98	-3,0%
Ghana	772	1 063	954	2 789	1 110	834	577	2 521	-9,6%
Guinea	105	102	102	309	101	112	121	334	8,1%
Guinea-Bissau	7	1	5	13	4	8	13	25	92,3%
Liberia	38	70	37	145	63	71	24	158	9,0%
Mali	56	108	68	232	94	71	67	232	0,0%
Mauritania	12	18	13	43	13	9	5	27	-37,2%
Niger	23	36	16	75	21	3	14	38	-49,3%
Nigeria	1 322	1 539	1 380	4 241	1 548	1 827	1 652	5 027	18,5%
Saint Helena	10	5	5	20	4	7	2	13	-35,0%
Senegal	76	149	74	299	175	124	104	403	34,8%
Sierra Leone	44	42	33	119	45	38	38	121	1,7%
Togo	24	27	62	113	35	55	37	127	12,4%
North Africa	794	1 202	963	2 959	960	947	953	2 860	-3,3%
Algeria	107	88	56	251	53	179	83	315	25,5%
Egypt	385	569	505	1 459	503	387	390	1 280	-12,3%
Libya	39	52	40	131	55	53	50	158	20,6%
Morocco	57	202	171	430	112	98	141	351	-18,4%
South Sudan	58	89	60	207	72	87	133	292	41,1%
The Sudan	56	57	46	159	94	48	57	199	25,2%
Tunisia	91	141	85	317	70	93	98	261	-17,7%
Western Sahara	1	4	-	5	1	2	1	4	-20,0%
Unspecified	1 162	1 164	944	3 270	980	887	1 071	2 938	-10,2%

3.6 Annexure F – Number of tourists: Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel

Country of residence	Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023								
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2022	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	% change 2022 – 2023
Total	507 824	555 832	539 202	1 602 858	692 068	708 159	684 161	2 084 388	30,0%
Overseas	122 720	132 757	126 409	381 886	161 376	165 705	158 407	485 488	27,1%
Europe	66 322	77 988	70 874	215 184	88 440	93 602	86 228	268 270	24,7%
Austria	774	979	908	2 661	1 034	1 258	1 102	3 394	27,5%
Belgium	4 667	2 948	3 176	10 791	5 796	3 691	3 787	13 274	23,0%
Denmark	1 247	699	919	2 865	1 192	730	1 130	3 052	6,5%
France	6 605	8 479	5 291	20 375	10 587	10 498	7 579	28 664	40,7%
Germany	7 894	10 541	13 118	31 553	9 505	12 358	17 608	39 471	25,1%
Ireland	1 467	1 579	1 766	4 812	1 836	1 635	1 679	5 150	7,0%
Italy	2 959	7 272	3 045	13 276	4 915	11 933	3 988	20 836	56,9%
Portugal	1 168	1 467	1 385	4 020	1 214	1 475	1 362	4 051	0,8%
Russian Federation	697	1 229	1 404	3 330	1 373	1 878	1 671	4 922	47,8%
Spain	2 712	4 518	2 267	9 497	3 446	5 711	3 005	12 162	28,1%
Sweden	608	655	985	2 248	806	633	1 160	2 599	15,6%
Switzerland	2 229	1 527	2 481	6 237	2 666	1 744	3 113	7 523	20,6%
The Netherlands	11 111	8 642	7 782	27 535	14 338	11 455	10 763	36 556	32,8%
UK	18 967	23 361	21 948	64 276	25 192	23 804	23 380	72 376	12,6%
Other	3 217	4 092	4 399	11 708	4 540	4 799	4 901	14 240	21,6%
North America	30 807	28 336	29 353	88 496	35 029	32 933	34 513	102 475	15,8%
Canada	2 671	3 174	3 522	9 367	3 417	3 633	4 417	11 467	22,4%
USA	28 136	25 162	25 831	79 129	31 612	29 300	30 096	91 008	15,0%
Central and South America	3 095	2 475	2 990	8 560	3 601	2 697	4 947	11 245	31,4%
Argentina	201	185	421	807	311	148	396	855	5,9%
Brazil	1 630	1 396	1 368	4 394	1 759	1 423	2 828	6 010	36,8%
Mexico	574	271	323	1 168	549	312	372	1 233	5,6%
Other	690	623	878	2 191	982	814	1 351	3 147	43,6%

Annexure F – Number of tourists: Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel (continued)

Country of residence	Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023								
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2022	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	% change 2022 – 2023
Australasia	4 914	5 883	7 288	18 085	8 140	8 702	10 437	27 279	50,8%
Australia	3 965	4 716	5 857	14 538	6 609	7 226	8 494	22 329	53,6%
New Zealand	941	1 161	1 325	3 427	1 503	1 461	1 933	4 897	42,9%
Other	8	6	106	120	28	15	10	53	-55,8%
Middle East	6 779	6 958	4 598	18 335	9 519	8 941	5 218	23 678	29,1%
Israel	1 522	2 348	2 787	6 657	2 037	2 859	2 737	7 633	14,7%
Saudi Arabia	3 077	2 643	756	6 476	3 932	2 775	1 218	7 925	22,4%
United Arab Emirates	1 001	875	180	2 056	2 231	1 879	219	4 329	110,6%
Other	1 179	1 092	875	3 146	1 319	1 428	1 044	3 791	20,5%
Asia	10 803	11 117	11 306	33 226	16 647	18 830	17 064	52 541	58,1%
Bangladesh	521	711	722	1 954	759	660	580	1 999	2,3%
China	1 018	1 374	1 322	3 714	3 472	3 996	4 650	12 118	226,3%
India	5 249	5 114	5 221	15 584	6 237	6 962	5 529	18 728	20,2%
Japan	474	522	580	1 576	955	1 597	1 136	3 688	134,0%
Malaysia	273	236	304	813	460	681	647	1 788	119,9%
Pakistan	1 011	1 253	1 035	3 299	1 192	1 144	1 094	3 430	4,0%
Philippines	548	291	381	1 220	697	529	430	1 656	35,7%
Singapore	196	246	296	738	559	666	585	1 810	145,3%
South Korea	548	484	492	1 524	782	1 119	670	2 571	68,7%
Thailand	265	259	309	833	384	338	519	1 241	49,0%
Other	700	627	644	1 971	1 150	1 138	1 224	3 512	78,2%
Africa	384 306	422 247	411 724	1 218 277	529 712	541 567	524 683	1 595 962	31,0%
SADC	376 566	413 522	402 457	1 192 545	519 422	530 625	514 268	1 564 315	31,2%
Angola	2 774	3 442	3 062	9 278	3 399	3 616	2 947	9 962	7,4%
Botswana	22 009	23 822	27 852	73 683	26 651	26 167	34 890	87 708	19,0%
DRC	1 626	2 004	1 233	4 863	1 760	2 213	1 793	5 766	18,6%
Eswatini	39 481	46 103	48 497	134 081	61 476	66 951	65 659	194 086	44,8%

Annexure F – Number of tourists: Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel (continued)

Country of residence	Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023								
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2022	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	% change 2022 – 2023
Lesotho	84 628	74 167	71 620	230 415	101 030	86 438	86 821	274 289	19,0%
Madagascar	190	160	188	538	296	288	416	1 000	85,9%
Malawi	9 657	10 028	11 333	31 018	12 635	13 780	13 186	39 601	27,7%
Mauritius	901	1 078	980	2 959	1 527	1 351	1 267	4 145	40,1%
Mozambique	78 273	87 591	87 193	253 057	107 318	113 161	107 496	327 975	29,6%
Namibia	11 722	11 011	11 857	34 590	13 114	11 758	13 745	38 617	11,6%
Seychelles	160	167	271	598	249	291	319	859	43,6%
Tanzania	2 094	2 466	2 233	6 793	2 549	2 693	2 625	7 867	15,8%
Zambia	10 020	10 848	10 381	31 249	11 833	12 990	12 024	36 847	17,9%
Zimbabwe	113 031	140 635	125 757	379 423	175 585	188 928	171 080	535 593	41,2%
'Other' African	7 740	8 725	9 267	25 732	10 290	10 942	10 415	31 647	23,0%
East and Central Africa	3 848	4 163	4 681	12 692	5 630	6 309	6 388	18 327	44,4%
Burundi	47	75	56	178	103	98	144	345	93,8%
Cameroon	266	268	402	936	393	400	394	1 187	26,8%
Central African Republic	14	4	16	34	3	30	10	43	26,5%
Chad	16	30	34	80	36	52	43	131	63,8%
Comoros	56	73	25	154	54	68	19	141	-8,4%
Congo	130	176	157	463	175	159	116	450	-2,8%
Djibouti	-	4	8	12	2	27	2	31	158,3%
Equatorial Guinea	19	19	23	61	67	47	11	125	104,9%
Eritrea	66	21	32	119	27	46	48	121	1,7%
Ethiopia	445	430	460	1 335	434	509	661	1 604	20,1%
Gabon	347	415	222	984	489	700	253	1 442	46,5%
Kenya	1 640	1 708	2 140	5 488	2 756	3 151	3 552	9 459	72,4%
Réunion	-	-	-	-	7	-	2	9	-
Rwanda	60	42	73	175	93	52	76	221	26,3%
São Tomé and Príncipe	4	2	6	12	9	4	5	18	50,0%
Somalia	114	136	140	390	48	49	49	146	-62,6%
Uganda	624	760	887	2 271	934	917	1 003	2 854	25,7%

Annexure F – Number of tourists: Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023 changes by country of residence and month of travel (concluded)

Country of residence	Quarter 3, 2022 – Quarter 3, 2023								
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2022	Jul	Aug	Sep	Qtr 3 2023	% change 2022 – 2023
West Africa	3 100	3 579	3 572	10 251	3 700	3 686	3 074	10 460	2,0%
Benin	98	114	85	297	166	168	139	473	59,3%
Burkina Faso	43	45	56	144	72	48	59	179	24,3%
Cape Verde Island	18	29	33	80	11	23	16	50	-37,5%
Côte d'Ivoire	239	181	161	581	210	251	173	634	9,1%
Gambia	37	28	27	92	28	37	33	98	6,5%
Ghana	1 345	1 528	1 421	4 294	1 110	834	577	2 521	-41,3%
Guinea	70	85	98	253	101	112	121	334	32,0%
Guinea-Bissau	3	4	4	11	4	8	13	25	127,3%
Liberia	21	28	44	93	63	71	24	158	69,9%
Mali	56	73	65	194	94	71	67	232	19,6%
Mauritania	1	10	12	23	13	9	5	27	17,4%
Niger	15	17	24	56	21	3	14	38	-32,1%
Nigeria	990	1 235	1 296	3 521	1 548	1 827	1 652	5 027	42,8%
Saint Helena	8	9	2	19	4	7	2	13	-31,6%
Senegal	102	130	133	365	175	124	104	403	10,4%
Sierra Leone	31	47	65	143	45	38	38	121	-15,4%
Togo	23	16	46	85	35	55	37	127	49,4%
North Africa	792	983	1 014	2 789	960	947	953	2 860	2,5%
Algeria	47	73	92	212	53	179	83	315	48,6%
Egypt	419	481	446	1 346	503	387	390	1 280	-4,9%
Libya	32	49	46	127	55	53	50	158	24,4%
Morocco	80	116	116	312	112	98	141	351	12,5%
South Sudan	44	51	65	160	72	87	133	292	82,5%
The Sudan	121	152	156	429	94	48	57	199	-53,6%
Tunisia	48	60	92	200	70	93	98	261	30,5%
Western Sahara	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	4	33,3%
Unspecified	798	828	1 069	2 695	980	887	1 071	2 938	9,0%

4. Explanatory notes

4.1 Introduction

Legal movements across South African borders, as well as legal immigration into South Africa, fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Home Affairs (DHA). Stats SA then processes, analyses and publishes this information.

Administrative data sources from the DHA, that is, information from all the country's ports of entry and applications for permanent residence, constitute the only comprehensive source of information on foreign arrivals and departures, documented immigrants and emigrants. The information from this source of data provides the best national coverage (in terms of both space and time) of the population movements of South African residents and foreign travellers. The data can be used for the following:

- To estimate, monitor and understand salient characteristics of foreign travellers and volumes of South African residents travelling outside South Africa.
- To provide information that can be used to (a) assess the extent of government's progress in strengthening bilateral political and economic relations by assessing the number of international tourist arrivals, and (b) benchmark surveys focusing on the demand for local tourism services by foreign travellers.

4.2 Purpose of the statistical release

This release reports on arrivals, departures and transit travellers of South African residents and foreign travellers. Detailed information on the age and sex distribution; mode of travel; national and regional distribution; and purpose of travel of overnight visitors or tourists are also provided.

4.3 Scope and coverage

The release covers data collected by DHA officials on travellers who departed from or entered the Republic of South Africa (RSA).

4.4 Data

Information published in this release is based on data obtained from the following data sources within the DHA:

- Data routinely collected by immigration officers at all road, air and sea entry ports on all travellers (South African residents and foreign travellers) arriving into or departing from South Africa are captured into the DHA's population Movement Control System (MCS). The counts/statistics relate to the number of individual movements, rather than to the number of people. Hence, the multiple movements of individual people during the calendar month are each counted separately. Generally, the data are collected directly from travel documents either by scanning or capturing onto the ports' electronic database. No forms or cards are used (except on rare occasions when the capturing system is down) to collect information from travellers. Individual ports regularly transmit data onto the national database at the head office of the DHA.
- Stats SA receives downloaded data covering a particular calendar month from the DHA.
- As part of data interrogation, data from O.R. Tambo International Airport, which has the highest volume of travellers, are compared with passenger statistics from the Airports Company of South Africa (ACSA). As expected, in any specific month, an increase in the volume of passengers reported by ACSA is also reflected in an increase in the volume of travellers recorded by DHA. A similar pattern has also been observed when the volume of travellers decreased. In September 2023, the DHA data was 3,2% lower than that of ACSA.

4.5 Limitations

4.5.1 Outbound tourists

The information on the total number of arrivals and departures of South African residents is collected from the scanning of passports. However, data on the country visited are not collected from passengers; country of final destination; intended duration of stay and purpose of visit. With this limitation, it is impossible to identify the number of tourists from the data on South African residents.

4.6 Definition of terms

4.6.1 Definitions used by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)

Traveller is someone who moves between different geographical locations for any purpose and any duration.

Visitor refers to any person travelling to a place other than that of his/her usual environment for less than 12 months and whose main purpose of the trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited.

Same-Day visitor is a visitor who visits a place for less than one night.

Tourist (overnight visitor) is a visitor who stays at least one night in collective or private accommodation in the place visited.

Tourism comprises the activities of persons travelling to, and staying in places outside their usual environment, for not more than one consecutive year, for leisure, business and other purposes. The usual environment of a person consists of a certain area around his/her place of residence, plus all the other places he/she frequently visits.

4.6.2 Definitions used specifically in this release

South African resident refers to either a South African citizen or a non-South African citizen with a South African permanent residence permit.

Foreign traveller refers to a traveller who is not a South African citizen or permanent resident.

Region refers to the following country classification:

- Overseas: Europe, North America, Central and South America, Australasia, the Middle East and Asia.
- Africa: SADC and 'other' Africa (East and Central Africa, West Africa and North Africa).

Country refers to individual countries within a region. The country of residence is used. The country of residence should not be confused with the country from which the visitor travelled.

Africa refers to all the countries in Africa (both mainland and island countries).

SADC refers to the fourteen countries, excluding South Africa, which belong to the Southern African Development Community.

'Other' African refers to all non-SADC African countries.

Overseas refers to all countries outside Africa.

Trip refers to the arrival and departure of a visitor in a specified month.

4.7 Symbols used

- = nil
- < = less than

4.8 Rounding off

Percentages may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

5. General information

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