

Tourism and Migration

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1. Introduction

1.1 Sources of data

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). Information on tourism and documented immigration are obtained from all ports of entry while the data on self-declared emigration statistics are obtained from only the three international airports of Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban. Information on arrivals into and departures from South Africa are captured by DHA and loaded onto the mainframe at Bureau Nucleus. Stats SA accesses this data remotely, which is then used as part of the input data for this report. Information on emigration from South Africa and reason for temporary departure of South African residents is obtained from departure forms from the three international airports. The forms are sent to Stats SA on a weekly basis for data capture and processing. Lastly, information on legal immigrants to South Africa is sent to Stats SA on computer printout from DHA. The information on the printout is coded and captured by clerical staff at Stats SA.

Stats SA published complete emigration data up to and including February 1992. Since basic information on emigration was not available thereafter, it was not possible to publish data on emigration on a monthly basis for the period July 1993 to December 1993. However, as from 26 February 1993, the Department of Home Affairs implemented a system according to which South African residents departing for overseas from Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban International Airports complete departure forms. The system was implemented at these three airports only since approximately 97% of the emigrants left the country through these three ports. This system again made it possible to obtain and process information on South African tourists and emigrants leaving the country through these three ports as from February 1993.

1.2 Glossary of terms

Key terms used in this release are defined as follows:

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 other places s/he frequently visits.

A **Tourist** (overnight visitor) is a visitor who stays at least one night in collective or private accommodation in the place visited. An **international tourist** is an international visitor who stays at least one night in collective or private accommodation in the country visited. A **domestic tourist** refers to a domestic visitor who stays at least one night in collective or private accommodation in the place visited.

Traveller is any person on a trip between two or more localities. An **international traveller** refers to any person on a trip between two or more localities in different countries. A **domestic traveller** refers to any person on a trip between two or more localities in his/her country of residence.

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

An **international visitor** is any person travelling to a country other than the one in which he/she has his/her usual residence, but outside his/her usual environment, for less than 12 consecutive months and whose main purpose of trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited.

Domestic visitor refers to any person residing in a country, who travels to a place within that country other than the one in which s/he has his/her usual environment, for less than 12 consecutive months and whose main purpose of trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited.

Overseas traveller refers to a number of foreign travellers visiting South Africa, excluding travellers from mainland Africa and from 'unspecified' countries.

1.3 Symbols used

- = nil

.. = not applicable

? = unspecified

2. Key findings

2.1 Foreign travellers

The total number of foreign travellers who visited South Africa from mainland Africa, overseas and unspecified countries, arriving through all ports of entry during March 2003 was 554 640. The March 2003 figure represents a decrease of 0,4 % as compared with the March 2002 figure of 556 569.

During March 2003, the most common mode of travel used by foreign travellers arriving in South Africa was road, involving 361 793 (65,2%) travellers, followed by air, involving 176 266 (31,8%) travellers. Of the total number of foreign travellers arriving by air, 132 433 (75,1%) arrived through Johannesburg International Airport while 42 009 (23,8%) arrived through Cape Town International Airport, 481 (0,3%) arrived through Durban International Airport and the rest, 1 343 (0,8%), arrived through other airports.

For the total number of foreign travellers departing, road constituted the most common mode of travel 329 699 (61,9%), then followed by air 201 090 (37,7%). Of the total number of foreign travellers departing by air, 147 732 (73,5%) departed from Johannesburg International Airport, 51 642 (25,7%) departed from Cape Town International Airport, 432 (0,2%) used Durban International Airport and the rest, 1 284 (0,6%), departed through other airports. Figure 1 shows the breakdown of air arrivals and departures according to the airport used.

2.2 Ports of entry and mode of travel used by overseas and mainland Africa travellers

2.2.1 Overseas travellers

During March 2003, 173 687 overseas travellers visited South Africa. The March 2003 figure represents an increase of 0,7% over the March 2002 figure of 172 559. The figures show that for March 2003, there were 148 148 air arrivals from overseas, which accounts for 85,3% of all overseas arrivals. Of these overseas air arrivals, 106 355 (71,8%) arrived through Johannesburg International Airport; 40 748 (27,5%) arrived through Cape Town International Airport; 372 (0,3%) arrived through Durban International Airport and the rest, 673 (0,5%), arrived through other airports.

The number of overseas travellers arriving by road during March 2003 was 24 112 (13,9%). The number of travellers arriving by rail, sea and unspecified mode of travel was 1 427 (0,8%).

2.2.2 Mainland Africa travellers

The total number of travellers who arrived in South Africa from mainland Africa during March 2003 was 365 408, as compared to the March 2002 figure of 371 377, this represents a decrease of 1,6%. Of these travellers from mainland Africa, the number arriving by road was 337 158 (92,3%).

For the same month, there were 27 276 (7,5%) air travellers arriving from mainland Africa. Of these air arrivals, 25 315 (92,8%) arrived through Johannesburg International Airport, 1 211 (4,4%) arrived through Cape Town International Airport, 107 (0,4%) arrived through Durban International Airport while the rest, 643 (2,4%), arrived through other airports. The number of travellers from mainland Africa arriving by rail, sea and unspecified mode of travel was 974 (0,3%).

2.3 Purpose and duration of visit

Of the 173 687 overseas travellers visiting South Africa during March 2003, 155 045 (89,3%) stated that they were in South Africa for holidays while 11 300 (6,5%) stated that they were on a business trip. Overseas travellers on transit in South Africa were 3 384 (1,9%), those visiting for the purpose of work (including contract work) were 3 370 (1,9%) and those visiting for the purpose of study were 526 (0,3%).

Mainland Africa travellers:

Of the 365 408 travellers from mainland Africa visiting South Africa during March 2003, an overwhelming majority 327 707 (89,7%) stated that they were in South Africa for holidays while 20 509 (5,6%) stated that they were on a business trip. Transit visitors were 4 213 (1,2%), those visiting for the purpose of study were 6 384 (1,7%) and those visiting for the purpose of work (including contract work) were 6 201 (1,7%).

2.4 Duration of stay as stated by overseas and mainland Africa travellers

Overseas and mainland Africa travellers: In March 2003, of the 173 687 overseas travellers visiting South Africa 94 005 (54,1%) stated that they intended to stay for 271 to 365 and 22 659 (13,0%) stated that they intended to stay for 90 to 180 days. Of the 365 408 travellers from mainland Africa, 139 231 (38,1%) stated that they intended to stay in South Africa for 91 to 180 and 38 351 (10,5%) stated that they intended to stay for 2 to 7 days.

2.5 Leading source countries of overseas and mainland Africa travellers

Overseas travellers: During March 2003, the number of travellers from the UK visiting South Africa was 45 407 (26,1%), making it the leading country of origin of overseas travellers. This was followed by travellers from Germany, 25 828 (14,9%). The other main countries of origin of overseas travellers were: the USA, 15 089 (8,7%); France 13 795 (7,9%); the Netherlands, 8 829 (5,1%); Australia, 6 336 (3,6%); Switzerland, 3 114 (1,8%) and India, 5 486 (3,2%). Upon comparing the figures for March 2003 with those of March 2002, the highest increase in the number of arrivals from these leading source countries was for France, (45,0% up from 9 513 in 2002), (Figure: 2). The main stated purpose of visit for travellers coming from these leading source countries was holidays, followed by business.

Travellers from mainland Africa: During March 2003, the top eight countries in mainland Africa from which travellers arriving in South Africa came, were: Lesotho, 107 089 (29,3%); Swaziland, 59 839 (16,4%); Botswana, 59 855 (16,4%); Zimbabwe, 52 254 (14,3%); Mozambique, 40 949 (11,2%); Namibia, 15 439 (4,2%); Zambia, 9 296 (2,5%) and Malawi, 7 430 (2,0%). When comparing arrival figures from mainland Africa, for 2002 and 2003, there was an increase in the number of travellers arriving from Lesotho, (20,6% up from 88 787 in 2002) and Zimbabwe, (16,0% up from 45 047 in 2002) (Figure: 3).

2.6 Departing South African residents

2.6.1 Purpose of travel

During March 2003, the total number of South African residents who departed ‘temporarily’ (through all ports of exit) was 241 827, a decrease of 27,7% compared to the number of South African residents who departed temporarily during the same month in 2002. Of these departing South African residents, the number who travelled by air was 73 550 (31,7%). There has been a significant increase in the number of departing air travellers who completed the departure forms. Of those air travellers who left through the three international airports of Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban, 81 145 (98,9%) filled in departure forms. From the completed March 2003 departure forms, one can see that, on the whole, South African residents travelled within mainland Africa more for business than for holidays (65,7% versus 31,7%) and travelled overseas more for holidays than business (61,8% versus 33,8%).

2.6.2 Destination countries

The predominant mode of travel used by South African residents departing temporarily from South Africa in March 2003 was road, 158 910 (65,7%) followed by air 82 080 (33,9%).

In March 2003, the UK was the leading countries of destination at 15 644 (19,3%); followed by the USA, 4 835 (6,0%); Namibia, 3 748 (4,6%); Australia, 3 483 (4,6%); Germany, 2 547 (3,1%); Mauritius, 3 155 (3,9%); Zambia, 2 689 (3,3%) and Botswana, 2 078 (2,6%). Among these leading destination countries, Zambia showed a significant increase in the number of South African residents visiting during March 2003 as compared to March 2002, (114,8% up from 1 252), (Figure: 4).

2.7 Returning South African residents

The number of returning South African residents in March 2003 was 231 884, a decrease of 23,1% compared to those

returning during March 2002. The predominant mode of travel used by South African residents in returning to South Africa was road, 157 848 (68,1%) followed by air 73 550 (31,7%).

Of the South African residents returning by air, 63 101 (85,8%) used Johannesburg International Airport as port of re-entry while 8 060 (11,0%) used Cape Town International Airport as port of re-entry. For the same month in 2003, the number of South African residents returning through Durban International Airport was 446 (0,6%) and through other airports 1 943 (2,6%).

2.8 Migration

2.8.1 Documented immigration and self-declared emigration

For the purpose of clarification, in the migration statistics published here, the emigration status reported refers to self-declared status. South Africans who leave permanently under the pretext of temporary visits will not appear as emigrants in the emigration statistics collected. Similarly, as per definition, 'undocumented immigrants' will not appear in the statistics collected. It is against this background that we report the migration statistics for March 2003.

The total number of self-declared emigrants who completed the departure forms at the three international airports in March 2003 was 1 500. For documented immigrants into South Africa, the total number approved as immigrants (either before or after arrival) was 790 for March 2003.

In March 2003, the leading source countries of documented immigrants were: Nigeria, 137 (15,8%); Zimbabwe, 80 (9,2%); Pakistan, 57 (6,6%); the UK, 55 (6,3%); and China, 50 (5,8%). The five leading destination countries for self-declared emigrants during March 2003 were: the UK, 523 (34,9%); Australia, 193 (12,9%); the USA, 141 (9,4%); New Zealand, 99 (6,6%) and Namibia, 54 (3,6%), (Figure: 5).

2.8.2 Historical trends in tourism, immigration and self-declared emigration

It should be borne in mind that there is often quite a substantial month to month variation in tourism and migration figures, and one needs to look at a longer period of several months to be able to detect any trends and patterns. The trend regarding the number of overseas travellers arriving in South Africa since 1999 is shown in Figure 6. Although the figure shows evidence of seasonal fluctuations, the level of overseas tourism over the period has shown an upward trend. The historical trends in the number of immigrants and self-declared emigrants are shown in Figure 7. The Figure shows that since 1999, the number of documented immigrants has remained less than the number of self-declared emigrants. However, the gap between the two trends is slowly closing down during the first quarter of 2003, as can be seen from the Figure.

1. TOURISM
1.1 Arrivals and departures of foreign travellers and South African residents
1.1.1 Purpose of visit

Purpose of visit	March		Jan. - Mar.		Cum.Total	Year 2002
	2002	2003	2002	2003		
(a) ARRIVALS: GRAND TOTAL	858 145	786 524	2 528 896	2 540 057		10 399 706
(i) Foreign travellers						
.Actual data	556 569	554 640	1 594 062	1 673 061		6 549 916
.Seasonally adjusted data	562 669	561 152	..	..		..
.Business	37 676	31 985	109 823	94 550		445 753
.Holiday	481 171	483 494	1 352 506	1 442 709		5 595 897
.Study	5 099	6 976	30 234	37 941		94 015
.Work	4 944	5 298	15 374	15 465		58 747
.Contract workers	4 378	4 599	17 499	16 922		61 586
.Border traffic concession	11 400	14 163	35 943	40 662		156 977
.Transit	11 698	7 669	31 995	23 876		132 677
.Unspecified	203	456	688	936		4 264
(ii) South African residents returning	301 576	231 884	934 834	866 996		3 849 790
(b) DEPARTURES: GRAND TOTAL	833 433	774 556	2 245 619	2 270 390		9 615 808
(i) Foreign travellers - Total	498 924	532 729	1 382 782	1 499 820		5 822 136
(ii) South African residents departing temporarily	334 509	241 827	862 837	770 570		3 793 672

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1.1 Arrivals and departures of foreign travellers and South African residents
1.1.2 Mode of travel

Arrivals and departures	Total	Mode of travel								
		Air					Rail	Road	Sea	Unspec.
		(C/Town)	(Durban)	(J/burg)	(Other)	Total				
(a) ARRIVALS: GRAND TOTAL	786 524	50 069	927	195 534	3 286	249 816	732	519 641	1 407	14 928
(i) Foreign travellers	554 640	42 009	481	132 433	1 343	176 266	597	361 793	1 087	14 897
(ii) South African residents returning	231 884	8 060	446	63 101	1 943	73 550	135	157 848	320	31
(b) DEPARTURES: GRAND TOTAL	774 556	59 808	963	219 229	3 170	283 170	654	488 609	2 007	116
(i) Foreign travellers	532 729	51 642	432	147 732	1 284	201 090	409	329 699	1 452	79
(ii) South African residents departing temporarily	241 827	8 166	531	71 497	1 886	82 080	245	158 910	555	37

1. TOURISM
 1.2 Foreign travellers
 1.2.1 Arrivals by country of residence and mode of travel

Country	Foreign travellers												Jan. - Mar. Cum. Total	
	March		Mode of travel										2003	2002
	2002	2003	Air					Rail	Road	Sea	?			
			(C/Town)	(Durban)	(J/burg)	(Other)	Total							
GRAND TOTAL	556 569	554 640	42 009	481	132 433	1 343	176 266	597	361 793	1 087	14 897	1 673 061	1 594 062	
OVERSEAS TOTAL	172 559	173 687	40 748	372	106 355	673	148 148	556	24 112	849	22	528 017	475 966	
EUROPE	123 888	123 627	34 573	122	69 004	443	104 142	271	18 642	565	7	382 154	344 626	
Austria	1 854	1 782	486	1	1 086	4	1 577	1	200	4	-	6 786	6 282	
Belgium	3 483	3 615	567	2	2 423	19	3 011	-	565	39	-	10 159	8 802	
Denmark	1 733	1 859	470	2	1 158	-	1 630	3	221	5	-	6 394	5 068	
France	9 513	13 795	1 565	43	8 538	118	10 264	8	3 492	31	-	35 248	25 021	
Germany	27 101	25 828	7 895	9	12 798	23	20 725	23	4 908	170	2	77 223	74 358	
Greece	586	612	49	-	435	3	487	12	111	2	-	1 970	1 715	
Ireland	2 970	3 147	1 552	1	1 370	5	2 928	4	214	1	-	10 164	7 652	
Italy	3 083	3 023	312	1	2 304	60	2 677	11	333	2	-	10 136	9 349	
Netherlands	7 412	8 829	2 201	2	4 503	6	6 712	9	2 087	21	-	28 906	24 514	
Norway	1 907	1 529	343	4	938	-	1 285	-	241	3	-	5 344	4 568	
Portugal	2 599	2 334	72	13	971	4	1 060	1	1 270	3	-	7 175	6 995	
Spain	1 772	1 498	226	1	1 084	4	1 315	14	161	8	-	4 439	4 422	
Sweden	2 289	2 867	808	6	1 645	9	2 468	1	397	1	-	9 472	6 921	
Switzerland	3 639	3 114	255	2	2 467	10	2 734	2	366	12	-	9 907	11 351	
UK	49 153	45 407	16 720	31	24 800	107	41 658	79	3 611	58	1	145 448	133 637	
Other	4 794	4 388	1 052	4	2 484	71	3 611	103	465	205	4	13 383	13 971	
NORTH AMERICA	18 621	18 563	3 529	17	12 770	141	16 457	120	1 917	55	14	51 169	47 331	
Canada	3 333	3 474	630	-	2 253	31	2 914	3	553	4	-	9 843	8 634	
USA	15 288	15 089	2 899	17	10 517	110	13 543	117	1 364	51	14	41 326	38 697	
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA	2 943	3 242	596	-	2 164	9	2 770	6	443	23	-	10 475	9 099	
Argentina	435	717	265	-	1 034	1	637	-	80	-	-	2 469	1 694	
Brazil	1 289	1 210	17	-	119	6	1 057	-	149	4	-	4 145	4 111	
Chile	168	286	120	1	640	-	239	2	42	3	-	929	697	
Other	1 051	1 029	194	-	-	2	837	4	172	16	-	2 932	2 597	
AUSTRALASIA	7 400	7 657	541	10	6 299	22	6 872	48	723	13	1	21 907	19 365	
Australia	6 109	6 336	421	10	5 298	11	5 740	40	546	9	1	17 867	15 820	
New Zealand	1 214	1 239	119	-	947	11	1 077	2	157	3	-	3 795	3 300	
Other	77	82	1	-	54	-	55	6	20	1	-	245	245	

1. TOURISM
 1.2 Foreign travellers
 1.2.1 Arrivals by country of residence and mode of travel

Country	Foreign travellers											Jan. - Mar. 2003	Cum.Total 2002
	March		Mode of travel										
			Air					Rail	Road	Sea	?		
	2002	2003	(C/Town)	(Durban)	(J/burg)	(Other)	Total						
MIDDLE EAST	3 177	2 649	289	-	2 158	9	2 456	9	180	4	-	8 234	9 202
Israel	1 918	1 196	23	-	1 112	-	1 135	-	61	-	-	3 531	5 089
Saudi Arabia	160	104	1	-	83	-	84	-	20	-	-	466	513
Turkey	353	600	232	-	334	1	567	6	27	-	-	2 236	1 502
Other	746	749	33	-	629	8	670	3	72	4	-	2 001	2 098
ASIA	14 671	16 217	1 077	70	12 685	45	13 877	90	2 061	189	-	48 783	41 497
China	1 763	1 756	83	-	1 400	5	1 488	4	220	44	-	7 031	5 957
Hong Kong	1 267	578	55	-	500	-	555	5	18	-	-	2 535	3 952
India	2 790	5 486	51	57	4 702	24	4 834	5	620	27	-	14 773	7 767
Japan	2 128	1 922	165	1	1 628	9	1 803	1	94	24	-	5 399	5 547
Malaysia	816	692	300	-	347	1	648	-	44	-	-	2 445	2 292
Philippines	1 046	665	38	5	339	-	382	54	175	54	-	1 648	2 203
Rep of China (Taiwan)	1 322	1 343	186	-	913	-	1 099	1	240	3	-	3 980	4 261
Rep of Korea	901	779	53	1	619	-	673	1	101	4	-	3 447	2 736
Singapore	488	452	47	1	344	1	393	1	58	-	-	1 287	1 269
Other	2 150	2 544	99	5	1 893	5	2 002	18	491	33	-	6 238	5 513
INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS	1 859	1 732	143	152	1 275	4	1 574	12	146	-	-	5 295	4 846
Mauritius	1 326	1 171	142	117	757	3	1 019	12	140	-	-	3 783	3 708
Other	533	561	1	35	518	1	555	-	6	-	-	1 512	1 138
AFRICA	371 377	365 408	1 211	107	25 315	643	27 276	37	337 158	228	709	1 100 173	1 078 087
Angola	2 287	2 243	25	-	1 963	46	2 034	-	200	9	-	8 931	8 350
Botswana	76 135	59 855	27	-	1 749	80	1 856	-	57 993	-	6	178 927	190 607
Kenya	1 465	1 609	3	2	1 408	2	1 415	-	194	-	-	4 560	4 203
Lesotho	88 787	107 089	6	-	477	29	512	-	105 892	-	685	326 208	291 664
Malawi	7 049	7 430	5	1	1 525	3	1 534	-	5 893	1	2	22 117	21 703
Mozambique	46 222	40 949	11	82	1 703	18	1 814	1	38 976	158	-	132 808	136 933
Namibia	19 287	15 439	1 013	-	1 878	21	2 912	4	12 481	41	1	47 305	49 306
Nigeria	2 091	2 061	12	-	1 707	5	1 724	-	336	1	-	6 028	5 847
Swaziland	67 453	59 839	2	15	590	16	623	27	59 189	-	-	175 291	186 741
Zambia	9 196	9 296	7	-	2 415	14	2 436	-	6 859	-	1	28 372	27 985
Zimbabwe	45 047	52 254	11	2	4 186	83	4 282	-	47 961	9	2	149 123	136 678
Other	6 358	7 344	89	5	5 714	326	6 134	5	1 184	9	12	20 503	18 070
UNSPECIFIED	12 633	15 545	50	2	763	27	842	4	523	10	14 166	44 871	40 009

1. TOURISM
 1.2 Foreign travellers
 1.2.2 Arrivals by country of residence and purpose of visit

Country	Foreign travellers									
	March		Purpose of visit (March 2003)							
	2002	2003	Business	Holiday	Study	Work	Transit	Contract worker	Border traffic	Unspecified
GRAND TOTAL	556 569	554 640	31 985	483 494	6 976	5 298	7 669	4 599	14 163	456
OVERSEAS TOTAL	172 559	173 687	11 300	155 045	526	3 370	3 384	-	-	62
EUROPE	123 888	123 627	6 700	112 915	206	1 950	1 856	-	-	-
Austria	1 854	1 782	106	1 648	1	18	9	-	-	-
Belgium	3 483	3 615	211	3 224	11	75	94	-	-	-
Denmark	1 733	1 859	136	1 633	7	51	32	-	-	-
France	9 513	13 795	488	12 904	29	251	123	-	-	-
Germany	27 101	25 828	933	24 174	44	498	179	-	-	-
Greece	586	612	47	528	-	7	30	-	-	-
Ireland	2 970	3 147	163	2 931	2	34	17	-	-	-
Italy	3 083	3 023	220	2 706	2	53	42	-	-	-
Netherlands	7 412	8 829	417	8 197	36	128	51	-	-	-
Norway	1 907	1 529	116	1 351	4	27	31	-	-	-
Portugal	2 599	2 334	92	2 171	8	27	36	-	-	-
Spain	1 772	1 498	110	1 266	2	16	104	-	-	-
Sweden	2 289	2 867	254	2 525	7	66	15	-	-	-
Switzerland	3 639	3 114	146	2 890	2	58	18	-	-	-
UK	49 153	45 407	2 802	41 774	38	475	318	-	-	-
Other	4 794	4 388	459	2 993	13	166	757	-	-	-
NORTH AMERICA	18 621	18 563	1 484	16 352	59	446	222	-	-	-
Canada	3 333	3 474	221	3 135	3	87	28	-	-	-
USA	15 288	15 089	1 263	13 217	56	359	194	-	-	-
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA	2 943	3 242	228	2 688	26	102	198	-	-	-
Argentina	435	717	35	644	2	13	23	-	-	-
Brazil	1 289	1 210	76	1 010	9	20	95	-	-	-
Chile	168	286	18	249	4	3	12	-	-	-
Other	1 051	1 029	99	785	11	66	68	-	-	-
AUSTRALASIA	7 400	7 657	497	6 899	16	113	131	-	-	1
Australia	6 109	6 336	417	5 724	8	80	107	-	-	-
New Zealand	1 214	1 239	58	1 136	1	29	15	-	-	-
Other	77	82	22	39	7	4	9	-	-	1

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 1.2 Foreign travellers
 1.2.2 Arrivals by country of residence and purpose of visit (concluded)

Country	Foreign travellers									
	March		Purpose of visit (March 2003)							
	2002	2003	Business	Holiday	Study	Work	Transit	Contract worker	Border Traffic	Unspecified
MIDDLE EAST	3 177	2 649	299	2 196	16	80	56	-	-	2
Israel	1 918	1 196	131	1 022	6	25	12	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	160	104	15	81	-	6	2	-	-	-
Turkey	353	600	45	517	1	21	16	-	-	-
Other	746	749	108	576	9	28	26	-	-	2
ASIA	14 671	16 217	1 946	12 480	194	653	885	-	-	59
China	1 763	1 756	421	963	98	143	122	-	-	9
Hong Kong	1 267	578	31	540	-	3	4	-	-	-
India	2 790	5 486	621	4 512	18	143	187	-	-	5
Japan	2 128	1 922	194	1 543	10	112	63	-	-	-
Malaysia	816	692	57	609	6	15	5	-	-	-
Philippines	1 046	665	36	302	-	39	288	-	-	-
Rep of China (Taiwan)	1 322	1 343	237	1 001	16	37	48	-	-	4
Rep of Korea	901	779	73	598	29	45	34	-	-	-
Singapore	488	452	64	370	-	10	8	-	-	-
Other	2 150	2 544	212	2 042	17	106	126	-	-	41
INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS	1 859	1 732	146	1 515	9	26	36	-	-	-
Mauritius	1 326	1 171	130	984	7	22	28	-	-	-
Other	533	561	16	531	2	4	8	-	-	-
AFRICA	371 377	365 408	20 509	327 707	6 384	1 607	4 213	4 594	-	394
Angola	2 287	2 243	193	1 736	155	43	91	-	-	25
Botswana	76 135	59 855	1 793	53 945	3 331	142	499	145	-	-
Kenya	1 465	1 609	269	1 162	58	80	31	-	-	9
Lesotho	88 787	107 089	9 077	96 373	870	222	532	15	-	-
Malawi	7 049	7 430	654	6 544	38	41	112	-	-	41
Mozambique	46 222	40 949	455	36 081	345	130	141	3 796	-	1
Namibia	19 287	15 439	1 969	11 611	229	39	1 591	-	-	-
Nigeria	2 091	2 061	381	1 479	47	63	69	-	-	22
Swaziland	67 453	59 839	683	57 290	674	166	388	638	-	-
Zambia	9 196	9 296	1 333	7 697	55	78	132	-	-	1
Zimbabwe	45 047	52 254	2 024	49 160	363	344	333	-	-	30
Other	6 358	7 344	1 678	4 629	219	259	294	-	-	265
UNSPECIFIED	12 633	15 545	176	742	66	321	72	5	14 163	-

1. TOURISM
 1.2 Foreign travellers
 1.2.3 Arrivals by country of residence and duration of stay

Country	Foreign travellers												
	March 2003	Duration of stay(days)											
	Total	<1	1	2-7	8-14	15-31	32-90	91-180	181-270	271-365	>365	Unspecified	
TOTAL	554 640	14 280	13 830	46 542	59 202	47 371	43 751	162 159	22 976	123 981	18 387	2 161	
OVERSEAS TOTAL	173 687	541	601	8 111	8 797	12 202	9 257	22 659	11 930	94 005	4 737	847	
EUROPE	123 627	372	373	5 346	6 527	10 028	6 787	11 906	8 624	70 753	2 521	390	
AUSTRIA	1 782	2	-	62	95	115	85	158	97	1 126	34	8	
BELGIUM	3 615	30	6	155	127	160	90	247	374	2 342	75	9	
DENMARK	1 859	1	9	66	94	131	114	155	181	1 047	54	7	
FRANCE	13 795	28	22	481	662	489	386	754	880	9 807	249	37	
GERMANY	25 828	75	56	670	1 286	2 497	1 334	2 812	2 011	14 485	532	70	
GREECE	612	9	8	61	24	16	27	50	32	371	7	7	
IRELAND	3 147	1	2	124	252	392	267	326	174	1 538	63	8	
ITALY	3 023	7	7	113	65	89	73	208	231	2 170	52	8	
NETHERLANDS	8 829	23	10	279	407	709	307	763	892	5 212	204	23	
NORWAY	1 529	5	2	66	104	81	73	152	187	824	25	10	
PORTUGAL	2 334	52	70	382	85	84	75	250	185	1 104	44	3	
SPAIN	1 498	12	15	140	55	48	45	104	66	990	21	2	
SWEDEN	2 867	24	6	108	183	191	206	265	227	1 595	51	11	
SWITZERLAND	3 114	7	7	70	85	99	47	234	270	2 201	86	8	
UK	45 407	67	132	1 682	2 660	4 520	3 242	4 216	2 661	25 228	879	120	
OTHER	4 388	29	21	887	343	407	416	1 212	156	713	145	59	
NORTH AMERICA	18 563	43	66	573	710	967	790	1 506	1 368	11 710	575	255	
CANADA	3 474	3	5	87	104	228	118	345	323	2 144	95	22	
USA	15 089	40	61	486	606	739	672	1 161	1 045	9 566	480	233	
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA	3 242	17	22	305	158	203	174	598	179	1 427	136	23	
ARGENTINA	717	5	5	52	69	46	71	97	21	345	6	-	
BRAZIL	1 210	4	11	108	14	36	24	148	108	710	40	7	
CHILE	286	1	-	37	28	16	34	26	8	121	15	-	
OTHER	1 029	7	6	108	47	105	45	327	42	251	75	16	
AUSTRALASIA	7 657	8	23	164	124	211	130	611	731	5 484	139	32	
AUSTRALIA	6 336	4	13	135	87	171	93	476	626	4 591	110	30	
NEW ZEALAND	1 239	4	9	18	34	36	32	105	98	877	24	2	
OTHER	82	-	1	11	3	4	5	30	7	16	5	-	

1. TOURISM
 1.2 Foreign travellers
 1.2.3 Arrivals by country of residence and duration of stay (concluded)

Country	Foreign travellers											
	March 2003	Duration of stay										
		Total	<1	1	2-7	8-14	15-31	32-90	91-180	181-270	271-365	>365	Unspecified
MIDDLE EAST	2 649	7	7	154	109	70	62	859	136	1 113	104	28
ISRAEL	1 196	-	3	21	10	6	11	136	74	900	27	8
SAUDI ARABIA	104	2	1	9	3	8	1	30	14	29	2	5
TURKEY	600	-	1	75	66	33	10	351	15	27	22	-
OTHER	749	5	2	49	30	23	40	342	33	157	53	15
ASIA	16 217	83	100	1 457	1 086	643	1 253	5 980	866	3 404	1 237	108
CHINA	1 756	12	18	132	200	51	284	474	78	188	306	13
HONG KONG	578	-	-	22	13	18	17	415	9	77	6	1
INDIA	5 486	19	22	476	377	193	273	2 509	341	1 025	219	32
JAPAN	1 922	1	6	94	63	67	54	208	177	1 160	71	21
MALAYSIA	692	2	1	70	65	51	108	341	8	20	24	2
PHILIPPINES	665	18	34	258	27	60	80	101	13	55	18	1
REP OF CHINA (TAIWAN)	1 343	11	9	95	150	28	162	441	86	254	100	7
REP OF KOREA	779	4	2	47	14	26	23	294	35	189	141	4
SINGAPORE	452	1	-	22	15	23	11	218	10	135	14	3
OTHER	2 544	15	8	241	162	126	241	979	109	301	338	24
INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS	1 732	11	10	112	83	80	61	1 199	26	114	25	11
MAURITIUS	1 171	10	10	90	66	60	56	769	24	57	21	8
OTHER	561	1	-	22	17	20	5	430	2	57	4	3
AFRICA	365 408	13 730	13 221	38 351	36 203	35 133	34 433	139 231	10 965	29 761	13 459	921
ANGOLA	2 243	4	7	90	59	106	97	1 342	73	309	134	22
BOTSWANA	59 855	553	434	3 107	2 458	3 783	2 081	10 309	8 873	24 101	3 950	206
KENYA	1 609	5	18	74	41	60	78	902	48	239	139	5
LESOTHO	107 089	2 389	978	4 012	8 246	17 681	5 236	66 530	187	191	1 603	36
MALAWI	7 430	14	22	171	313	468	316	5 797	46	137	139	7
MOZAMBIQUE	40 949	1 205	1 180	11 301	9 101	2 276	8 148	1 494	302	1 631	4 200	111
NAMIBIA	15 439	723	913	1 385	1 525	2 132	1 061	7 128	72	165	215	120
NIGERIA	2 061	14	20	147	98	55	124	898	80	275	324	26
SWAZILAND	59 839	8 650	9 363	15 539	7 128	2 460	6 043	8 894	234	410	992	126
ZAMBIA	9 296	37	31	222	725	498	717	6 604	107	202	138	15
ZIMBABWE	52 254	109	193	1 781	6 104	5 263	9 841	26 123	658	1 119	949	114
OTHER	7 344	27	62	522	405	351	691	3 210	285	982	676	133
UNSPECIFIED	15 545	9	8	80	14 202	36	61	269	81	215	191	393

1. TOURISM
 1.3 South African residents
 1.3.1 Departures by country of destination and purpose of visit
 1.3.1.1 Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban International Airports

Country	South African residents							
	March		Purpose of visit				Jan. - Mar. Cum.Total	
			Holiday	Business	Study	Unspec	2003	2002
	2002	2003	March 2003					
GRAND TOTAL	54 762	81 145	42 928	35 117	1 318	1 782	204 550	183 298
OVERSEAS TOTAL	36 646	52 585	32 495	17 765	1 095	1 230	136 420	123 370
EUROPE	18 039	27 212	15 841	9 994	693	684	70 251	62 633
Austria	388	514	366	132	10	6	1 684	1 624
Belgium	241	440	187	209	27	17	997	838
Denmark	71	119	51	64	2	2	300	259
France	740	1 450	665	706	49	30	3 206	2 591
Germany	1 602	2 547	952	1 430	77	88	5 967	5 224
Greece	271	354	271	62	7	14	710	822
Ireland	462	748	407	304	20	17	1 986	1 649
Italy	680	1 130	655	441	8	26	2 379	2 163
Netherlands	826	925	454	399	42	30	2 275	2 417
Portugal	438	499	402	86	1	10	1 093	1 295
Spain	470	660	366	278	12	4	1 341	1 231
Sweden	224	206	40	146	13	7	514	543
Switzerland	885	1 265	702	524	15	24	3 146	2 871
UK	10 277	15 644	9 988	4 880	392	384	42 842	37 622
Other	464	711	335	333	18	25	1 811	1 484
NORTH AMERICA	4 329	5 580	2 910	2 331	204	135	15 277	14 300
Canada	559	745	428	263	28	26	2 076	1 925
USA	3 770	4 835	2 482	2 068	176	109	13 201	12 375
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA	598	1 366	892	437	13	24	3 061	1 977
Argentina	59	485	422	56	4	3	780	240
Brazil	254	442	230	195	5	12	1 266	823
Other	285	439	240	186	4	9	1 015	914
AUSTRALASIA	4 239	4 751	3 655	904	98	94	12 926	13 054
Australia	3 256	3 483	2 561	778	72	72	9 389	9 695
New Zealand	980	1 256	1 089	121	25	21	3 492	3 337
Other	3	12	5	5	1	1	45	22

1. TOURISM
 1.3 South African residents
 1.3.1 Departures by country of destination and purpose of visit
 1.3.1.1 Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban International Airports (concluded)

Country	South African residents							Jan. - Mar.	Cum.Total
	March		Purpose of visit						
	2002	2003	Holiday	Business	Study	Unspec			
			March 2003				2003			2002
MIDDLE EAST	1 912	2 537	1 265	1 154	40	78	9 421	9 318	
Israel	499	316	240	59	12	5	964	1 243	
Saudi Arabia	194	411	118	267	8	18	3 369	3 909	
United Arab Emirates	814	1 255	644	565	13	33	3 350	2 588	
Other	405	555	263	263	7	22	1 738	1 578	
ASIA	4 999	7 601	5 195	2 198	43	165	18 153	15 214	
Hong Kong	523	705	351	339	3	12	1 947	1 687	
India	911	1 778	1 416	303	8	51	4 128	3 172	
Japan	161	258	86	155	2	15	572	510	
Malaysia	511	532	386	136	3	7	1 093	1 140	
Rep of China (Taiwan)	245	447	266	167	6	8	1 429	1 082	
Singapore	506	566	359	193	4	10	1 551	1 464	
Thailand	1 241	1 824	1 523	264	7	30	3 951	3 461	
Other	901	1 491	808	641	10	32	3 482	2 698	
INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS	2 530	3 538	2 737	747	4	50	7 331	6 874	
Mauritius	2 308	3 155	2 486	624	2	43	6 506	6 173	
Other	222	383	251	123	2	7	825	701	
AFRICA	12 663	20 751	6 570	13 629	162	390	48 934	42 748	
Angola	523	979	136	822	3	18	2 618	1 897	
Botswana	1 208	2 078	447	1 591	10	30	4 602	4 106	
Egypt	208	291	183	103	3	2	688	631	
Kenya	556	951	286	630	12	23	2 376	1 904	
Malawi	419	783	253	503	4	23	1 885	1 718	
Mozambique	1 321	2 260	562	1 666	2	30	5 261	4 479	
Namibia	3 386	3 748	1 655	2 020	13	60	9 032	8 597	
Swaziland	320	675	110	553	1	11	1 283	1 235	
Zambia	1 252	2 689	928	1 649	70	42	5 498	4 625	
Zimbabwe	918	2 066	982	1 032	7	45	4 774	4 421	
Other	2 552	4 231	1 028	3 060	37	106	10 917	9 135	
ANTARTICA	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	8	
UNSPECIFIED	5 453	7 809	3 863	3 723	61	162	19 176	17 172	

2. MIGRATION
 2.1 Documented immigrants and self-declared emigrants
 2.1.1 Summary table

Documented immigrants and self-declared emigrants	March		Jan. - Mar. Cum.Total		Year
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002
(a) DOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS: GRAND TOTAL					
. Actual data	490	790	1 676	2 406	6 545
. Seasonally adjusted data	526	861	..	..	..
(i) Persons who arrived as approved immigrants	138	211	460	653	1 604
(ii) Persons who after arrival as travellers were approved as immigrants	352	579	1 216	1 753	4 941
(b) SELF-DECLARED EMIGRANTS 1/					
. Actual data	854	1 500	4 167	4 496	10 890
. Seasonally adjusted data	861	1 516	..	..	..
(c) NET GAIN/LOSS	-364	-710	-2 491	-2 090	-4 345

2.1 Documented immigrants and self-declared emigrants
 2.1.2 Mode of travel

Documented immigrants and self-declared emigrants	Total	Mode of travel			
		Air	Rail	Road	Sea
March 2003					
(a) Documented immigrants - Persons who arrived as approved immigrants	211	146	..	65	..
(b) Self-declared emigrants 1/	1 500	1 500	..	..	..

1/ Self-declared emigrants recorded only at the three international airports (See explanatory notes)

2. MIGRATION
 2.2 Migrants by occupation
 2.2.1 Documented immigrants

Occupation	March		Jan. - Mar. Cum.Total		Year
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002
GRAND TOTAL	490	790	1 676	2 406	6 545
TOTAL - ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE	95	76	335	260	1 054
Professional, semi-professional and technical occupations	54	34	176	142	576
Engineers and related technologists	2	5	6	14	27
Industrial/Production	2	5	6	11	19
Chemical	-	-	-	-	-
Electrical and related	-	-	-	-	2
Mechanical	-	-	-	1	2
Metallurgical	-	-	-	2	-
Mining	-	-	-	-	1
Civil and related	-	-	-	-	3
Engineers n.e.c.	-	-	-	-	-
Medical practitioner	3	3	14	15	65
Medical specialist	1	-	1	-	2
Dental professions	-	1	1	3	5
Education and related occupations	22	-	68	22	189
Accountant and related accounting occupations	4	4	16	9	41
Other	22	21	70	79	247
Managerial, executive and administrative occupations	33	40	126	101	382
Clerical and sales occupations	1	-	5	1	26
Transport, delivery and communications occupations	-	-	1	3	5
Service occupations	3	1	8	5	21
Farming and related occupations	-	-	1	-	2
Artisans, apprentice and related occupations	2	1	7	3	14
Production foreman and supervisor, miner and quarry worker operator, production and related worker	-	-	5	-	9
Occupation unspecified and n.e.c.	2	-	6	5	19
TOTAL - NOT ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE	395	714	1 341	2 146	5 491
House-keeping	-	22	-	50	131
Child - not scholar	14	27	45	74	236
Scholar/Student	125	98	316	346	1 182
Pensioner	11	30	57	96	246
Spouse	243	535	916	1 574	3 659
Not economically active n.e.c.	2	2	7	6	37

2. MIGRATION
 2.2 Migrants by occupation
 2.2.2 Self-declared emigrants 1/

Occupation	March		Jan. - Mar. Cum.Total		Year
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002
GRAND TOTAL	854	1 500	4 167	4 496	10 890
TOTAL - ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE	584	1 037	2 684	3 136	7 334
Professional, semi-professional and technical occupations	236	420	1 076	1 208	2 689
Engineers and related technologists	28	64	149	179	390
Industrial/Production	-	12	1	27	31
Chemical	-	3	1	4	5
Electrical and related	1	3	3	5	7
Agricultural	-	-	-	1	3
Mechanical	-	-	2	1	-
Metallurgical	-	3	-	3	-
Civil and related	-	1	7	9	16
Engineers n.e.c.	27	42	135	129	328
Medical practitioner	16	12	44	50	117
Medical specialist	2	1	7	3	11
Dental professions	2	5	8	9	14
Education and related occupations	25	51	182	153	410
Accountant and related accounting occupations	43	87	213	252	529
Other	120	200	473	562	1 218
Managerial, executive and administrative occupations	79	168	403	457	1 146
Clerical and sales occupations	98	207	403	548	1 119
Transport, delivery and communications occupations	8	17	16	35	54
Service occupations	9	43	50	84	129
Farming and related occupations	4	2	8	9	25
Artisans, apprentice and related occupations	13	39	84	116	253
Production foreman and supervisor, miner and quarry worker operator, production and related worker	2	9	15	18	39
Occupation unspecified and n.e.c.	135	132	629	661	1 880
TOTAL - NOT ECONOMICALLY ACTIVE	270	463	1 483	1 360	3 556
House-keeping	77	114	339	355	876
Child - not scholar	52	109	257	265	593
Scholar/Student	116	149	802	596	1 798
Labour Disabled	-	-	-	1	1
Pensioner	22	30	78	79	267
Not economically active n.e.c.	3	61	7	64	21

1/ Emigrants recorded only at the three international airports (See explanatory notes)

2. MIGRATION

2.3 Documented immigrants by country of previous permanent residence

Country	Documented immigrants										
	March		Jan-Mar	Cum.Total	Year	Country	March		Jan-Mar	Cum.Total	Year
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002		2002	2003	2002	2001	2002
GRAND TOTAL	490	790	1 676	2 406	6 545						
OVERSEAS TOTAL	320	403	1 071	1 340	4 058						
EUROPE	142	165	532	576	1 847	MIDDLE EAST	5	18	29	43	103
Belgium	3	4	21	8	64	Israel	1	3	9	13	29
Bulgaria	10	9	46	53	149	Other	4	15	20	30	74
France	13	6	37	11	84	ASIA	146	183	421	593	1 738
Germany	17	26	83	85	286	India	69	39	150	146	608
Italy	5	4	9	8	51	Pakistan	17	57	79	156	345
Netherlands	10	10	28	44	92	People's Rep of China	37	50	109	135	361
Romania	4	2	11	12	38	Rep of China(Taiwan)	3	13	20	53	127
Russian Fed	5	8	14	22	77	Other	20	24	63	103	297
Switzerland	5	5	20	11	56	INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS	2	2	11	6	61
UK	53	55	197	225	668	Mauritius	2	2	11	6	51
Other	14	36	64	97	282	Other	-	-	-	-	10
NORTH AMERICA	16	23	51	74	184	AFRICA	169	386	604	1 060	2 472
Canada	-	5	7	14	34	Congo	3	30	25	59	91
USA	16	18	44	60	150	Ethiopia	4	2	7	14	18
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA	8	5	13	24	60	Ghana	16	23	50	53	202
Brazil	7	1	10	7	22	Kenya	5	13	22	51	75
Other	1	4	3	17	38	Malawi	3	13	20	36	66
AUSTRALASIA	1	7	14	24	65	Mozambique	5	6	17	31	87
Australia	1	7	11	20	53	Nigeria	29	137	117	354	631
New Zealand	-	-	3	4	11	Zambia	14	8	40	38	101
Other	-	-	-	-	1	Zimbabwe	30	80	110	195	464
						Other	60	74	196	229	737
						UNSPECIFIED	1	1	1	6	15

2. MIGRATION

2.4 Self-declared emigrants by country of destination

Country	Self-declared emigrants 1/										
	March		Jan-Mar Cum.Total		Year	Country	March		Jan-Mar Cum.Total		Year
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002		2002	2003	2002	2003	2002
GRAND TOTAL	854	1 500	4 167	4 496	10 890						
OVERSEAS TOTAL	744	1 250	3 663	3 885	9 318						
EUROPE	375	673	1 671	1 963	4 637	MIDDLE EAST	23	46	123	116	323
Austria	7	5	10	8	25	United Arab Emirates	10	23	36	53	140
Belgium	1	1	10	10	31	Other	13	23	87	63	183
France	2	11	11	33	51	ASIA	16	47	57	140	218
Germany	14	27	76	101	210	India	5	17	12	41	49
Ireland	5	34	64	65	159	Pakistan	1	3	10	3	14
Italy	1	5	18	12	51	People's Rep of China	1	10	5	31	25
Netherlands	26	19	66	70	175	Rep of China(Taiwan)	2	1	10	9	28
Portugal	-	11	5	19	54	Other	7	16	20	55	102
Switzerland	8	21	42	50	108	INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS	15	17	41	48	144
UK	301	523	1 321	1 539	3 626	Mauritius	14	15	39	39	128
Other	10	16	48	56	147	Other	1	2	2	9	16
NORTH AMERICA	127	171	543	565	1 430	AFRICA	104	236	468	576	1 461
Canada	31	30	117	121	339	Botswana	15	24	94	55	241
USA	96	141	426	444	1 091	Kenya	2	14	18	27	48
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA	6	4	18	28	43	Malawi	7	11	20	20	62
Brazil	2	1	5	7	12	Mozambique	4	12	10	24	37
Other	4	3	13	21	31	Namibia	38	54	127	160	448
AUSTRALASIA	182	292	1 210	1 025	2 523	Tanzania	4	18	43	51	96
Australia	107	193	769	651	1 580	Uganda	1	9	6	21	19
New Zealand	75	99	441	374	939	Zambia	17	29	57	88	187
Other	-	-	-	-	4	Zimbabwe	10	27	35	53	128
						Other	6	38	58	77	195
						UNSPECIFIED	6	14	38	35	111

1/ Self-declared emigrants recorded only at the three international airports (See explanatory notes)