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This report presents data on permanent immigration to, and permanent emigration from South Africa during 1999.

The total number of self-declared emigrants from South Africa during 1999 was 8 487. Of these, 6 506 (76,7%) were South African citizens. The rest of the self-declared emigrants were either returning to their countries of origin or emigrating to other countries after having been living in South Africa.

The report indicates that 3 669 persons were granted permanent residence in South Africa. Of these, 923 (25,2%) were granted residence before arrival and 2 746 (74,8%) after arrival. Of the total number granted residence, 2 151 (58,6%) were permanent residents of an overseas country and 1 504 (41,0%) were permanent residents of a mainland African country.

Of the 3 669 persons granted permanent immigration status, 1 365 (37,2%) were economically active, while 2 304 (63,8%) were not economically active. For self-declared emigrants, out of a total of 8 487, 4 848 (57,1%) were economically active, while 3 639 (42,9%) were not economically active.

For those who are interested in statistics around tourism and migration, this information is comprehensively outlined in a recent publication by Stats SA, Documented migration 1999, (Report No. 03-51-03 1999).

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