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OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, AUSTRALIA PROVISIONAL ESTIMATES FOR MAY, JUNE AND JULY 1981 FINAL ESTIMATES FOR APRIL 1981

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MAIN FEATURES

Permanent and long-term movements

Provisional estimates of permanent arrivals (settlers) for the four months April to July 1981, were 38,100, 30 per cent higher than the estimates for the same period of 1980. Together with 26,400 long-term arrivals, the inflow to Australia of permanent and long-term arrivals exceeded 64,500, an increase of 20.8 per cent over the corresponding number in 1980.

Permanent and long-term departures, however, declined compared with 1980. In these four months there were 5,900 permanent and 18,700 long-term departures, making a total of 24,600. This represents a decline of 13.0 per cent compared with 1980 permanent and long-term departures for the same period.

The balance of permanent and long-term arrivals and departures for this period was a net gain of 39,900, an increase of 59.1 per cent over the net gain for the same period in 1980.

Short-term movements

Overseas visitor arrivals for the period April to July 1981 were estimated at 283,400, an increase of 5.2 per cent over corresponding figures for 1980. The largest increase occurred in the month of April, for which more detailed statistics are available in this publication. The number of Australian residents departing overseas for short-term visits was 422,700, a marginal increase of 0.5 per cent over the same period in 1980.

There was an increase of 19.7 per cent from April 1980 to April 1981 in the number of visitor arrivals specifying holiday as the main purpose for visiting Australia. Decreases occurred in the numbers specifying business or accompanying a business traveller as their main purpose.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This series of publications comes out at approximately monthly intervals and contains the latest available provisional and final estimates in summary form. The new data in this issue are final estimates for April 1981 and provisional estimates for May, June and July 1981.

2. Overseas arrivals and departures statistics are obtained from passenger cards completed by travellers. Provisional estimates, based on early counts of cards by the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, are shown in these publications if they are available and not yet superseded by final estimates.

Related publications

3. Comprehensive definitions and explanations, and detailed data for three months and twelve months periods, are contained in *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3402.0 and 3404.0) and in *Australian Demographic Statistics Quarterly* (3101.0). Some additional unpublished information in various forms can be made available on request.

4. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS office.

Note. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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TABLE 1. OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES — SUMMARY

Period	Arrivals						Total
	Permanent	Residents returning after—			Visitors arriving for—		
		Long-term	Short-term		Long-term	Short-term	
Year ended 31 December—							
1978	68,419	57,938	1,029,482	28,389	630,594	1,814,822	
1979	72,236	61,441	1,144,334	33,450	793,345	2,104,807	
1980	94,503	58,760	1,194,768	31,025	904,558	2,283,613	
1980—							
June	7,036	3,941	95,171	*2,001	69,732	177,880	
July	7,420	4,282	94,188	2,231	77,331	185,453	
August	8,080	4,567	99,787	2,375	69,956	184,765	
September	8,016	3,984	118,286	2,131	60,873	193,290	
October	9,198	4,705	110,680	2,031	71,886	198,500	
November	10,084	6,233	97,902	2,146	84,787	201,152	
December	9,634	9,422	66,904	2,182	112,587	200,728	
1981—							
January	9,993	5,484	143,403	4,718	69,566	233,165	
February	7,931	4,315	84,177	4,983	78,701	180,107	
March	11,851	4,865	90,105	3,681	84,300	194,802	
April	9,061	3,729	86,786	2,414	67,803	169,793	
May(a)	9,700	4,000	103,500	2,600	63,700	183,400	
June(a)	9,700	4,100	98,000	2,700	71,600	186,000	
July(a)	9,600	4,600	94,600	2,300	80,300	191,300	
Departures							
Period	Permanent	Residents departing for—			Visitors departing after—		Total
		Long-term	Short-term		Long-term	Short-term	
	Year ended 31 December—						
1978	24,960	58,519	1,062,234	19,643	597,123	1,762,480	
1979	23,420	54,266	1,175,769	20,422	752,440	2,026,316	
1980	20,843	50,713	1,203,602	19,306	874,090	2,168,555	
1980—							
June	1,588	3,699	98,811	1,459	57,770	163,328	
July	1,506	3,601	96,866	1,386	68,786	172,146	
August	1,695	4,276	115,446	1,480	72,184	195,082	
September	1,330	3,481	87,512	1,017	64,048	157,388	
October	1,594	2,970	86,494	1,099	65,937	158,094	
November	1,763	3,107	81,826	1,571	75,491	163,758	
December	1,740	4,010	135,269	3,716	58,766	203,501	
1981—							
January	1,802	6,650	88,936	1,951	105,006	204,345	
February	1,611	4,338	77,148	1,199	75,118	159,414	
March	1,844	4,788	109,014	1,465	88,095	205,206	
April	1,713	3,711	103,973	1,229	75,032	185,658	
May(a)	1,400	3,400	114,800	1,300	70,000	190,900	
June(a)	1,300	3,200	100,200	1,300	59,400	165,400	
July(a)	1,500	3,200	103,700	1,400	69,400	179,300	

(a) Provisional estimates only.

TABLE 2. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : OVERSEAS VISITORS ARRIVING
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS

	Visitors arriving intending to stay less than 12 months							
	Month of				Quarter ended		Month of	
	February		March		31 March		April	
	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	20,103	16,159	19,353	17,143	55,378	49,213	14,264	14,163
1 and under 2 weeks	15,414	12,706	14,663	14,451	40,199	37,589	13,893	14,451
2 weeks and under 1 month	16,610	16,518	20,427	18,602	49,876	50,499	13,904	17,129
1 and under 2 months	14,753	17,001	17,218	15,758	42,527	43,406	8,906	9,954
2 and under 3 months	4,678	4,807	4,673	5,437	13,286	14,770	2,862	2,988
3 and under 6 months	4,387	4,707	4,635	5,105	14,507	14,990	3,366	3,784
6 and under 12 months	5,030	5,628	4,668	6,417	15,728	18,501	3,529	4,304
Not stated	1,233	1,174	1,158	1,387	3,475	3,599	1,043	1,031
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
In transit	6,256	5,221	5,924	5,810	18,698	17,700	4,991	4,881
Attending convention	3,130	1,195	1,263	1,392	4,897	3,120	1,522	1,198
Business	10,845	10,490	12,202	12,539	29,845	30,216	9,912	9,562
Accompanying business traveller	1,004	1,195	845	885	2,745	3,147	999	929
Visiting relatives	21,344	23,577	26,483	25,030	64,917	65,271	15,793	17,312
Holiday	31,745	30,036	33,226	31,533	91,454	90,824	23,830	28,519
Employment	1,334	1,222	1,344	1,805	4,754	5,111	1,335	1,558
Education	2,786	2,848	1,126	1,255	6,188	6,300	530	661
Other and not stated	3,761	2,917	4,381	4,050	11,478	10,878	2,855	3,184
<i>Country of residence</i>								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	664	856	989	1,007	2,479	2,705	770	881
Other and unspecified	389	391	276	557	945	1,231	406	330
<i>Total, Africa</i>	<i>1,053</i>	<i>1,247</i>	<i>1,265</i>	<i>1,564</i>	<i>3,424</i>	<i>3,936</i>	<i>1,176</i>	<i>1,211</i>
AMERICA—								
Canada	4,701	3,382	3,920	3,944	11,406	10,560	1,716	2,280
U.S.A.	13,561	11,865	14,613	11,661	36,453	32,305	8,574	8,979
Other and unspecified	417	475	393	491	1,281	1,388	487	629
<i>Total, America</i>	<i>18,679</i>	<i>15,722</i>	<i>18,926</i>	<i>16,096</i>	<i>49,140</i>	<i>44,253</i>	<i>10,777</i>	<i>11,888</i>
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	1,869	2,254	1,388	975	3,962	4,109	1,517	1,682
Indonesia	858	1,088	958	1,018	2,518	3,276	843	1,157
Japan	6,143	5,347	5,437	4,831	16,158	14,759	3,321	3,990
Malaysia	1,538	1,850	1,560	1,731	4,064	4,670	1,550	1,595
Philippines	419	757	576	646	1,297	1,767	422	664
Singapore	1,255	1,287	1,636	1,598	3,620	3,772	1,083	1,397
Thailand	512	500	463	539	1,230	1,398	555	463
Other and unspecified	1,777	1,852	1,602	1,924	4,501	5,367	1,456	1,721
<i>Total, Asia</i>	<i>14,371</i>	<i>14,935</i>	<i>13,620</i>	<i>13,262</i>	<i>37,350</i>	<i>39,118</i>	<i>10,745</i>	<i>12,669</i>
EUROPE—								
France	657	643	731	724	2,031	1,957	626	585
Germany (a)	4,341	4,454	4,007	4,073	11,476	12,171	2,252	2,467
Greece	440	406	393	415	1,250	1,114	210	278
Italy	1,053	1,276	781	1,012	2,996	3,383	410	741
Netherlands	2,059	2,225	1,896	1,846	5,724	5,645	1,132	891
Switzerland	876	942	602	851	2,150	2,654	617	620
U.K. and Ireland	15,880	18,385	17,965	18,073	43,882	46,144	7,659	8,552
Yugoslavia	413	461	528	570	1,620	1,728	231	293
Other and unspecified	2,004	2,032	2,109	2,160	5,742	6,051	1,191	1,264
<i>Total, Europe</i>	<i>27,723</i>	<i>30,824</i>	<i>29,012</i>	<i>29,724</i>	<i>76,871</i>	<i>80,847</i>	<i>14,327</i>	<i>15,692</i>
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	921	910	906	778	2,575	2,531	912	901
New Caledonia	1,035	1,006	608	519	3,255	3,124	586	707
New Zealand	15,337	11,369	19,903	19,850	52,617	49,127	20,395	21,858
Papua New Guinea	2,028	1,716	1,911	1,721	6,830	6,700	1,923	2,111
Other and unspecified	858	667	463	525	2,236	2,139	711	534
<i>Total, Oceania</i>	<i>20,179</i>	<i>15,668</i>	<i>23,791</i>	<i>23,396</i>	<i>33,671</i>	<i>31,621</i>	<i>24,527</i>	<i>26,114</i>
Not stated	203	305	180	258	678	791	216	233
Total	82,207	78,701	86,795	84,300	234,976	232,567	61,767	67,803

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

TABLE 3. SHORT-TERM MOVEMENT : AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS DEPARTING
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS

	Residents departing intending to be away less than 12 months							
	Month of				Quarter ended		Month of	
	February		March		31 March		April	
	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981
<i>Intended length of stay</i>								
Under 1 week	3,694	3,245	4,194	3,863	10,982	10,231	4,442	4,586
1 and under 2 weeks	14,630	15,139	19,431	18,989	50,086	52,486	17,487	21,434
2 weeks and under 1 month	26,028	26,319	31,641	35,814	93,291	97,671	30,755	31,700
1 and under 2 months	17,021	14,302	18,048	18,472	49,666	47,183	20,664	19,083
2 and under 3 months	5,970	4,515	9,001	8,937	19,982	18,476	9,997	9,635
3 and under 6 months	6,023	5,582	10,426	10,617	20,154	19,933	10,061	8,673
6 and under 12 months	7,902	6,660	11,169	10,562	27,032	24,588	8,676	7,428
Not stated	1,453	1,185	2,071	1,759	5,217	4,528	1,849	1,435
<i>Purpose of journey</i>								
Attending convention	1,726	1,445	3,484	2,341	6,664	5,050	2,543	2,554
Business	10,564	10,951	11,782	13,120	31,818	34,493	12,375	11,469
Accompanying business traveller	1,409	1,283	1,610	1,527	4,956	5,005	2,015	1,875
Visiting relatives	15,636	13,879	20,243	20,991	49,525	48,317	18,706	18,127
Holiday	46,949	43,628	62,712	63,509	163,431	161,005	61,891	63,096
Employment	2,094	1,963	1,542	2,025	5,595	6,186	1,365	1,649
Education	813	586	566	715	2,583	2,596	668	594
Other and not stated	3,530	3,414	4,043	4,786	11,838	12,445	4,367	4,609
<i>Country in which most time will be spent</i>								
AFRICA—								
South Africa	634	523	498	756	1,703	1,617	607	645
Other and unspecified	493	347	451	673	1,742	1,594	464	473
Total, Africa	1,127	870	949	1,429	3,445	3,211	1,071	1,118
AMERICA—								
Canada	743	500	859	1,529	2,048	2,549	990	1,078
U.S.A.	10,590	9,972	15,025	15,314	34,305	34,368	13,364	13,259
Other and unspecified	615	522	601	705	2,012	1,800	515	344
Total, America	11,948	10,994	16,491	17,548	38,365	38,717	14,869	14,681
ASIA—								
Hong Kong	4,019	3,698	5,650	6,190	13,966	15,122	4,925	5,579
Indonesia	3,458	6,086	4,595	6,763	12,898	20,826	4,295	7,381
Japan	766	765	1,098	1,545	3,014	3,379	1,404	2,053
Malaysia	2,357	2,266	1,844	2,461	6,699	8,501	2,203	2,890
Philippines	2,056	2,122	2,105	2,131	7,028	6,690	2,774	1,969
Singapore	3,901	4,828	4,593	4,559	13,904	15,157	4,981	6,405
Thailand	886	809	1,103	963	3,109	3,114	862	1,044
Other and unspecified	2,421	2,875	4,121	4,291	9,776	10,306	3,737	3,375
Total, Asia	19,864	23,449	25,109	28,903	70,394	83,095	25,184	30,697
EUROPE—								
France	489	307	487	694	1,512	1,467	801	671
Germany (a)	1,211	1,279	1,828	1,900	4,044	3,984	2,080	1,366
Greece	1,497	1,104	3,919	3,023	6,792	5,126	2,500	2,734
Italy	1,279	1,158	2,825	2,985	5,573	5,906	2,434	2,756
Netherlands	937	875	1,369	1,400	2,985	2,829	1,671	979
Switzerland	288	338	264	406	1,044	1,208	394	222
U.K. and Ireland	13,099	10,422	18,617	16,952	40,231	35,574	21,823	16,576
Yugoslavia	478	661	1,255	1,105	2,226	2,333	1,289	1,372
Other and unspecified	1,599	1,143	2,413	2,260	5,531	4,655	2,426	2,397
Total, Europe	20,877	17,287	32,977	30,725	69,938	63,082	35,418	29,074
OCEANIA—								
Fiji	3,396	3,224	5,451	4,511	14,191	12,830	5,405	5,614
New Caledonia	1,511	1,460	1,225	1,095	4,614	4,115	1,552	1,369
New Zealand	20,067	16,207	20,010	20,932	62,026	58,102	16,085	16,719
Papua New Guinea	1,633	1,521	1,529	1,496	5,264	5,118	1,843	1,941
Other and unspecified	1,900	1,451	1,911	2,110	7,036	5,631	2,339	2,231
Total, Oceania	28,507	23,863	30,126	30,144	93,131	85,796	27,225	27,873
Not stated	397	685	329	264	1,136	1,197	163	530
Total	82,720	77,148	105,982	109,014	276,410	275,097	103,929	103,973

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