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# BULLETIN

### VISITOR ARRIVALS - WEEKLY BULLETIN (37/12)

Week ending Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2012

#### TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS

Three thousand three hundred and seventy five (3,375) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

#### VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (TABLE 1)

##### Year to date

The year to date figure for 2012 shows that 142,718 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This figure was 6% above the 2011 figure (134,795).

Overall visitor arrivals from Europe remained at the same level compared to the same period in 2011. An analysis of arrivals by country of residence shows significant decreases in visitors from the main European markets. Decreases were recorded in visitors from France (-20%), UK & Eire (-19%) and Italy (-12%). There were increases in visitors from Germany (24%) and Russia (54%).

It is to be noted that in spite of the decrease in visitors from France, France is to date still the leading market with 22,069 visitors.

Visitors from Africa decreased by 1% in 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. However, an increase of 17% was recorded in the number of visitors from South Africa.

Asia recorded a 51% increase in visitor arrivals, with United Arab Emirates and China recording increases of 52% and 117% respectively above the same period of 2011.

Visitors from America and Oceania both increased by 17% compared to the same period in 2011.

The leading markets to date are:

Country	No. of visitors
France	22,069
Germany	18,967
Italy	17,880
Russia	9,478
United Arab Emirates	9,122
UK & Eire	7,766

#### VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT (TABLE 2)

##### Year to date

The number of holidaymakers visiting Seychelles in 2012 was 8% above the 2011 level. The number of visitors on business or combining business with a holiday was 9% below the 2011 level and the number in transit was 149% above the 2011 level.

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**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2012**

**TABLE 1**

Country of residence	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 37/12	2012	2011	2010	12/11	12/10
<b><u>TOTAL VISITORS</u></b>	<b><u>3,375</u></b>	<b><u>142,718</u></b>	<b><u>134,795</u></b>	<b><u>120,452</u></b>	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>18</u></b>
<b><u>EUROPE TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>2,503</u></b>	<b><u>100,804</u></b>	<b><u>100,485</u></b>	<b><u>91,462</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>10</u></b>
France	355	22,069	27,448	23,635	-20	-7
UK & Eire	233	7,766	9,564	8,665	-19	-10
Germany	706	18,967	15,344	14,121	24	34
Italy	648	17,880	20,299	19,707	-12	-9
Switzerland	121	5,462	4,684	4,129	17	32
Austria	59	3,367	2,599	2,322	30	45
Belgium & Luxembourg	36	1,890	1,830	1,742	3	8
Netherlands	23	1,264	1,179	837	7	51
Scandinavia	27	2,367	2,253	2,067	5	15
Spain & Portugal	46	2,183	2,440	2,304	-11	-5
Russia	126	9,478	6,171	6,497	54	46
Other C.I.S.	17	2,052	1,499	1,121	37	83
Other Europe	106	6,059	5,175	4,315	17	40
<b><u>AFRICA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>322</u></b>	<b><u>16,381</u></b>	<b><u>16,496</u></b>	<b><u>14,318</u></b>	<b><u>-1</u></b>	<b><u>14</u></b>
Reunion	26	2,778	3,510	3,010	-21	-8
Mauritius	50	1,979	2,840	2,529	-30	-22
East Africa	17	1,370	1,091	899	26	52
South Africa	158	7,461	6,403	6,335	17	18
Other Southern Africa	13	504	518	416	-3	21
Other Africa	58	2,289	2,134	1,129	7	103
<b><u>ASIA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>415</u></b>	<b><u>21,059</u></b>	<b><u>13,978</u></b>	<b><u>11,320</u></b>	<b><u>51</u></b>	<b><u>86</u></b>
United Arab Emirates	145	9,122	6,020	3,893	52	134
Other Middle East	117	4,259	2,819	2,543	51	67
Indian Sub Continent	25	2,246	2,121	2,693	6	-17
China	57	3,122	1,438	815	117	283
Other Far East	71	2,310	1,580	1,376	46	68
<b><u>OCEANIA</u></b>	<b><u>29</u></b>	<b><u>804</u></b>	<b><u>686</u></b>	<b><u>737</u></b>	<b><u>17</u></b>	<b><u>9</u></b>
<b><u>AMERICA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>106</u></b>	<b><u>3,670</u></b>	<b><u>3,150</u></b>	<b><u>2,615</u></b>	<b><u>17</u></b>	<b><u>40</u></b>
USA	60	2,481	2,207	1,883	12	32
Other America	46	1,189	943	732	26	62

**SOURCE: NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FROM DISEMBARKATION CARDS**

**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2012**

**TABLE 2**

PURPOSE OF VISIT	YEAR TO DATE				<i>% Change</i>	
	Week 37/12	2012	2011	2010	12/11	12/10
<b>TOTAL VISITORS</b>	<b><u>3,375</u></b>	<b><u>142,718</u></b>	<b><u>134,795</u></b>	<b><u>120,452</u></b>	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>18</u></b>
Holiday	3,158	130,786	121,454	107,877	<b>8</b>	<b>21</b>
Business	66	4,238	4,561	6,745	<b>-7</b>	<b>-37</b>
Holiday/Business	6	149	275	303	<b>-46</b>	<b>-51</b>
Transit	8	1,089	438	626	<b>149</b>	<b>74</b>
Other/Not Stated	137	6,456	8,067	4,901	<b>-20</b>	<b>32</b>

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