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# BULLETIN

**VISITOR ARRIVALS - WEEKLY BULLETIN (38/12)**

**Week ending Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012**

### TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS

Three thousand four hundred and eighty seven (3,487) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012.

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

#### Year to date

The year to date figure for 2012 shows that 146,208 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This figure was 6% above the 2011 figure (137,853).

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 (53%).

It is to be noted that in spite of the decrease in visitors from France, France is to date still the leading market with 22,420 visitors.

Visitors from Africa remained at the same level compared to the same period in 2011. 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 53% and 111% respectively above the same period of 2011.

Visitors from America increased by 19% whereas from Oceania, an increase of 20% was recorded in the visitors arriving in 2012 compared to the same period in 2011.

The leading markets to date are:

Country	No. of visitors
France	22,420
Germany	19,606
Italy	18,471
Russia	9,609
United Arab Emirates	9,291
UK & Eire	8,003

### 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 10% below the 2011 level and the number in transit was 153% above the 2011 level.

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**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2012**

**TABLE 1**

Country of residence	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 38/12	2012	2011	2010	12/11	12/10
<b><u>TOTAL VISITORS</u></b>	<b><u>3,487</u></b>	<b><u>146,208</u></b>	<b><u>137,853</u></b>	<b><u>123,247</u></b>	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>19</u></b>
<b><u>EUROPE TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>2,485</u></b>	<b><u>103,289</u></b>	<b><u>102,952</u></b>	<b><u>93,631</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>10</u></b>
France	351	22,420	27,949	24,068	-20	-7
UK & Eire	237	8,003	9,837	8,889	-19	-10
Germany	639	19,606	15,874	14,550	24	35
Italy	591	18,471	20,878	20,225	-12	-9
Switzerland	155	5,617	4,793	4,260	17	32
Austria	76	3,443	2,631	2,375	31	45
Belgium & Luxembourg	30	1,920	1,877	1,793	2	7
Netherlands	32	1,296	1,216	860	7	51
Scandinavia	38	2,405	2,270	2,103	6	14
Spain & Portugal	40	2,223	2,537	2,371	-12	-6
Russia	131	9,609	6,267	6,602	53	46
Other C.I.S.	31	2,083	1,526	1,139	37	83
Other Europe	134	6,193	5,297	4,396	17	41
<b><u>AFRICA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>377</u></b>	<b><u>16,759</u></b>	<b><u>16,737</u></b>	<b><u>14,696</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>14</u></b>
Reunion	36	2,814	3,522	3,043	-20	-8
Mauritius	71	2,050	2,891	2,585	-29	-21
East Africa	28	1,398	1,114	917	25	52
South Africa	192	7,653	6,523	6,567	17	17
Other Southern Africa	1	505	534	432	-5	17
Other Africa	49	2,339	2,153	1,152	9	103
<b><u>ASIA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>435</u></b>	<b><u>21,494</u></b>	<b><u>14,241</u></b>	<b><u>11,497</u></b>	<b><u>51</u></b>	<b><u>87</u></b>
United Arab Emirates	169	9,291	6,087	3,936	53	136
Other Middle East	116	4,375	2,874	2,605	52	68
Indian Sub Continent	35	2,281	2,155	2,715	6	-16
China	50	3,172	1,503	836	111	279
Other Far East	65	2,375	1,622	1,405	46	69
<b><u>OCEANIA</u></b>	<b><u>44</u></b>	<b><u>848</u></b>	<b><u>706</u></b>	<b><u>749</u></b>	<b><u>20</u></b>	<b><u>13</u></b>
<b><u>AMERICA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>146</u></b>	<b><u>3,818</u></b>	<b><u>3,217</u></b>	<b><u>2,674</u></b>	<b><u>19</u></b>	<b><u>43</u></b>
USA	128	2,609	2,238	1,929	17	35
Other America	18	1,209	979	745	23	62

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

**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2012**

**TABLE 2**

PURPOSE OF VISIT	YEAR TO DATE				<i>% Change</i>	
	Week 38/12	2012	2011	2010	12/11	12/10
<b>TOTAL VISITORS</b>	<b><u>3,487</u></b>	<b><u>146,208</u></b>	<b><u>137,853</u></b>	<b><u>123,247</u></b>	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>19</u></b>
Holiday	3,160	133,949	124,275	110,499	<b>8</b>	<b>21</b>
Business	98	4,336	4,683	6,884	<b>-7</b>	<b>-37</b>
Holiday/Business	3	152	281	310	<b>-46</b>	<b>-51</b>
Transit	18	1,107	438	628	<b>153</b>	<b>76</b>
Other/Not Stated	208	6,664	8,176	4,926	<b>-18</b>	<b>35</b>

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