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## STATISTICAL

# BULLETIN

### VISITOR ARRIVALS - WEEKLY BULLETIN (49/12)

Week ending Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2012

#### TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS

Three thousand and six (3,006) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

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

##### Year to date

The year to date figure for 2012 shows that 191,814 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This figure was 7% above the 2011 figure (179,756).

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 (-18%), UK & Eire (-16%) and Italy (-10%). There were increases in visitors from Germany (19%) and Russia (51%).

It is to be noted that in spite of the decrease in visitors from France, France is to date still the leading market with 30,359 visitors.

Visitors from Africa increased by 1% in 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. An increase of 15% was recorded in the number of visitors from South Africa.

Asia recorded a 53% increase in visitor arrivals, with United Arab Emirates and China recording increases of 54% and 113% respectively above the same period of 2011.

Visitors from America increased by 23% whereas from Oceania, an increase of 16% 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	30,359
Germany	26,638
Italy	22,053
United Arab Emirates	12,100
Russia	12,029
UK & Eire	10,470

#### 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 8% below the 2011 level and the number in transit was 20% above the 2011 level.

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**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2012**

**TABLE 1**

Country of residence	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 49/12	2012	2011	2010	12/11	12/10
<b><u>TOTAL VISITORS</u></b>	<b><u>3,006</u></b>	<b><u>191,814</u></b>	<b><u>179,756</u></b>	<b><u>162,500</u></b>	<b><u>7</u></b>	<b><u>18</u></b>
<b><u>EUROPE TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1,627</u></b>	<b><u>134,622</u></b>	<b><u>133,980</u></b>	<b><u>123,445</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>9</u></b>
France	434	30,359	37,007	32,762	-18	-7
UK & Eire	133	10,470	12,416	11,576	-16	-10
Germany	328	26,638	22,353	20,346	19	31
Italy	152	22,053	24,445	24,145	-10	-9
Switzerland	94	7,969	7,092	6,159	12	29
Austria	40	4,489	3,398	3,181	32	41
Belgium & Luxembourg	34	2,530	2,728	2,524	-7	0
Netherlands	20	1,742	1,586	1,299	10	34
Scandinavia	56	3,351	3,033	2,881	10	16
Spain & Portugal	38	2,726	3,186	3,029	-14	-10
Russia	189	12,029	7,979	8,285	51	45
Other C.I.S.	38	2,557	1,921	1,477	33	73
Other Europe	71	7,709	6,836	5,781	13	33
<b><u>AFRICA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>633</u></b>	<b><u>22,016</u></b>	<b><u>21,719</u></b>	<b><u>20,048</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>10</u></b>
Reunion	41	3,668	4,361	4,114	-16	-11
Mauritius	76	2,669	3,642	3,405	-27	-22
East Africa	50	1,800	1,452	1,239	24	45
South Africa	374	10,172	8,823	9,109	15	12
Other Southern Africa	33	674	703	587	-4	15
Other Africa	59	3,033	2,738	1,594	11	90
<b><u>ASIA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>594</u></b>	<b><u>28,891</u></b>	<b><u>18,890</u></b>	<b><u>14,317</u></b>	<b><u>53</u></b>	<b><u>102</u></b>
United Arab Emirates	148	12,100	7,869	4,901	54	147
Other Middle East	96	6,313	3,980	3,335	59	89
Indian Sub Continent	75	2,887	2,831	3,190	2	-9
China	115	4,311	2,025	1,026	113	320
Other Far East	160	3,280	2,185	1,865	50	76
<b><u>OCEANIA</u></b>	<b><u>30</u></b>	<b><u>1,103</u></b>	<b><u>947</u></b>	<b><u>983</u></b>	<b><u>16</u></b>	<b><u>12</u></b>
<b><u>AMERICA TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>5,182</u></b>	<b><u>4,220</u></b>	<b><u>3,707</u></b>	<b><u>23</u></b>	<b><u>40</u></b>
USA	101	3,631	2,856	2,611	27	39
Other America	21	1,551	1,364	1,096	14	42

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

**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2012**

**TABLE 2**

PURPOSE OF VISIT	YEAR TO DATE				<i>% Change</i>	
	Week 49/12	2012	2011	2010	12/11	12/10
<b>TOTAL VISITORS</b>	<b><u>3,006</u></b>	<b><u>191,814</u></b>	<b><u>179,756</u></b>	<b><u>162,500</u></b>	<b><u>7</u></b>	<b><u>18</u></b>
Holiday	2,575	175,971	162,212	145,461	<b>8</b>	<b>21</b>
Business	213	5,881	6,256	9,554	<b>-6</b>	<b>-38</b>
Holiday/Business	0	187	369	453	<b>-49</b>	<b>-59</b>
Transit	14	1,277	1,064	1,110	<b>20</b>	<b>15</b>
Other/Not Stated	204	8,498	9,855	5,922	<b>-14</b>	<b>43</b>

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