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### WEEKLY VISITOR ARRIVALS

#### Week ending Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2014

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the bulletin presents visitor arrivals for the week ending Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2014. The classification used for this presentation is based on the Recommendations of Tourism Statistics adopted by the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO).

Visitors are classified by their country of residence rather than country of birth / nationality.

## 2. RESULTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

### TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS

Four thousand one hundred and seventy two (4,172) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2014.

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

#### Year to date

The year to date figure for 2014 shows that 118,468 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This figure was 1% below the 2013 (119,594).

Overall visitor arrivals from Europe decreased by 6% compared to the same period in 2013. 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 (-13%), UK & Eire (-5%), Italy (-9%) and Russia (-2%). An increase of 2% was recorded in visitors from Germany.

Visitors from Africa decreased by 2% in 2014 compared to the same period in 2013. Visitors coming from South Africa remained unchanged.

Asia recorded a 19% increase in visitor arrivals. China recorded an increase of 113% whilst visitors from United Arab Emirates decreased by 7%.

Visitors from America increased by 13% whereas from Oceania, an increase of 17% was recorded in the visitors arriving in 2014 compared to the same period in 2013.

The leading markets to date are:

Country	No. of visitors
France	17,584
Germany	17,551
Italy	9,564
Russia	8,383
China	7,748
United Arab Emirates	6,492

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

#### Year to date

The number of holidaymakers visiting Seychelles in 2014 was 2% below the 2013 level. The number of visitors on business or combining business with a holiday was 25% above the 2013 level and the number in transit was 3% below the 2013 level.

## 3. CONCEPTS SOURCES AND METHODS

For statistical purposes, the term "international visitor" describes "any person who travels to a country other than that in which s/he has his/her usual residence but outside his/her usual environment for a period not exceeding 12 months and whose main purpose of visit is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the country visited."

## 4. NEXT RELEASE

The next issue of the Bulletin will be released on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2014.

## 5. CONTACT US

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## VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 13TH JULY 2014

TABLE 1

Country of residence	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 28/14	2014	2013	2012	14/13	14/12
<b>TOTAL VISITORS</b>	<b><u>4,172</u></b>	<b><u>118,468</u></b>	<b><u>119,594</u></b>	<b><u>105,901</u></b>	<b><u>-1</u></b>	<b><u>12</u></b>
<b>EUROPE TOTAL</b>	<b><u>2,621</u></b>	<b><u>78,611</u></b>	<b><u>83,664</u></b>	<b><u>75,000</u></b>	<b><u>-6</u></b>	<b><u>5</u></b>
France	386	17,584	20,268	17,585	-13	0
UK & Eire	261	5,951	6,245	5,467	-5	9
Germany	551	17,551	17,230	13,371	2	31
Italy	407	9,564	10,509	11,338	-9	-16
Switzerland	267	4,701	4,532	4,130	4	14
Austria	144	2,404	2,462	2,667	-2	-10
Belgium & Luxembourg	63	1,389	1,381	1,330	1	4
Netherlands	46	776	882	831	-12	-7
Scandinavia	101	2,478	2,525	1,968	-2	26
Spain & Portugal	69	1,317	1,219	1,501	8	-12
Russia	126	8,383	8,552	8,131	-2	3
Other C.I.S.	21	1,580	1,601	1,763	-1	-10
Other Europe	179	4,933	6,258	4,918	-21	0
<b>AFRICA TOTAL</b>	<b><u>727</u></b>	<b><u>13,289</u></b>	<b><u>13,499</u></b>	<b><u>12,261</u></b>	<b><u>-2</u></b>	<b><u>8</u></b>
Reunion	244	1,274	2,014	2,093	-37	-39
Mauritius	71	1,753	1,622	1,509	8	16
East Africa	34	1,413	1,240	980	14	44
South Africa	303	6,346	6,331	5,751	0	10
Other Southern Africa	34	515	376	373	37	38
Other Africa	41	1,988	1,916	1,555	4	28
<b>ASIA TOTAL</b>	<b><u>681</u></b>	<b><u>22,392</u></b>	<b><u>18,764</u></b>	<b><u>15,300</u></b>	<b><u>19</u></b>	<b><u>46</u></b>
United Arab Emirates	212	6,492	7,002	6,261	-7	4
Other Middle East	47	3,359	4,087	3,076	-18	9
Indian Sub Continent	74	2,381	1,811	1,846	31	29
China	271	7,748	3,635	2,345	113	230
Other Far East	77	2,412	2,229	1,772	8	36
<b>OCEANIA</b>	<b><u>33</u></b>	<b><u>814</u></b>	<b><u>697</u></b>	<b><u>599</u></b>	<b><u>17</u></b>	<b><u>36</u></b>
<b>AMERICA TOTAL</b>	<b><u>110</u></b>	<b><u>3,362</u></b>	<b><u>2,970</u></b>	<b><u>2,741</u></b>	<b><u>13</u></b>	<b><u>23</u></b>
USA	86	2,181	1,971	1,794	11	22
Other America	24	1,181	999	947	18	25

SOURCE: NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FROM DISEMBARKATION CARDS

**VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT**  
**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 13TH JULY 2014**

**TABLE 2**

PURPOSE OF VISIT	YEAR TO DATE				<i>% Change</i>	
	Week 28/14	2014	2013	2012	14/13	14/12
<b>TOTAL VISITORS</b>	<b><u>4,172</u></b>	<b><u>118,468</u></b>	<b><u>119,594</u></b>	<b><u>105,901</u></b>	<b><u>-1</u></b>	<b><u>12</u></b>
Holiday	3,973	108,340	110,012	96,582	-2	12
Business	146	4,895	3,988	3,289	23	49
Holiday/Business	0	215	85	123	153	75
Transit	11	864	887	1,015	-3	-15
Other/Not Stated	42	4,154	4,622	4,892	-10	-15

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