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Week ending Sunday 22nd November 2015

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1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the bulletin presents visitor arrivals for the week ending Sunday 22nd November 2015. 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 eight hundred and fifty two (4,852) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 22nd November 2015.

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (TABLE 1)

Year to date

The year to date figure for 2015 shows that 244,886 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This was 19% above that of 2014 (206,503).

Overall visitor arrivals from Europe increased by 11% compared to the same period in 2014. An analysis of arrivals by country of residence shows significant increases in visitors from the main European markets. Increases were recorded in visitors from France (15%), UK & Eire (33%) and Italy (9%). A decrease of 15% was recorded in visitors from Russia. Visitors coming from Germany remained unchanged.

Visitors from Africa increased by 31% in 2015 compared to the same period in 2014. An increase of 8% was recorded in the number of visitors from South Africa.

Asia recorded a 37% increase in visitor arrivals. United Arab Emirates and China recorded increases of 51% and 5% respectively.

Visitors from America and Oceania recorded increases of 24% and 8% respectively compared to the same period of 2014.

The leading markets to date are:

Country	No. of visitors
France	34,177
Germany	33,088
Italy	19,707
United Arab Emirates	17,888
UK & Eire	15,267
China	13,244

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT (TABLE 2)

Year to date

The number of holidaymakers visiting Seychelles in 2015 was 18% above the 2014 level. The number of visitors on business or combining business with a holiday increased by 20% above the 2014 level and the number in transit¹ was 86% above the 2014 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 2nd December 2015.

5. CONTACT US

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¹ Note that transit passengers who do not go through immigration but connect directly on the next outbound flight are not included in the figures for transit.

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE
WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 2015

TABLE 1

Country of residence	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 47/15	2015	2014	2013	15/14	15/13
<u>TOTAL VISITORS</u>	<u>4,852</u>	<u>244,886</u>	<u>206,503</u>	<u>205,422</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>EUROPE TOTAL</u>	<u>3,443</u>	<u>154,102</u>	<u>138,373</u>	<u>143,382</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>7</u>
France	791	34,177	29,666	32,894	15	4
UK & Eire	355	15,267	11,463	11,418	33	34
Germany	933	33,088	33,019	30,940	0	7
Italy	268	19,707	18,146	20,205	9	-2
Switzerland	226	10,536	8,837	8,706	19	21
Austria	109	5,168	3,996	4,183	29	24
Belgium & Luxembourg	53	2,841	2,338	2,537	22	12
Netherlands	44	1,888	1,533	1,650	23	14
Scandinavia	106	4,641	3,996	4,350	16	7
Spain & Portugal	55	3,193	2,656	2,638	20	21
Russia	202	10,802	12,781	12,277	-15	-12
Other C.I.S.	67	2,414	2,197	2,427	10	-1
Other Europe	234	10,380	7,745	9,157	34	13
<u>AFRICA TOTAL</u>	<u>443</u>	<u>30,140</u>	<u>22,964</u>	<u>22,558</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>34</u>
Reunion	59	5,059	3,726	2,675	36	89
Mauritius	64	3,608	3,140	2,998	15	20
East Africa	121	7,403	4,192	4,144	77	79
South Africa	122	10,717	9,938	10,465	8	2
Other Southern Africa	23	475	287	283	66	68
Other Africa	54	2,878	1,681	1,993	71	44
<u>ASIA TOTAL</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>51,565</u>	<u>37,651</u>	<u>32,624</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>58</u>
United Arab Emirates	266	17,888	11,881	12,104	51	48
Other Middle East	89	8,613	6,262	7,343	38	17
India	158	6,478	2,118	1,982	206	227
Indian Sub Continent	23	1,847	1,722	945	7	95
China	137	13,244	12,584	7,113	5	86
Other Far East	64	3,495	3,084	3,137	13	11
<u>OCEANIA</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>1,627</u>	<u>1,512</u>	<u>1,475</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>AMERICA TOTAL</u>	<u>197</u>	<u>7,452</u>	<u>6,003</u>	<u>5,383</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>38</u>
USA	140	5,316	4,087	3,590	30	48
Other America	57	2,136	1,916	1,793	11	19

SOURCE: NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FROM DISEMBARKATION CARDS

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT
WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 2015

TABLE 2

PURPOSE OF VISIT	YEAR TO DATE				<i>% Change</i>	
	Week 47/15	2015	2014	2013	15/14	15/13
TOTAL VISITORS	<u>4,852</u>	<u>244,886</u>	<u>206,503</u>	<u>205,422</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>19</u>
Holiday	4,502	225,850	190,634	189,942	18	19
Business	210	9,157	7,663	7,226	19	27
Holiday/Business	11	421	331	200	27	111
Transit	31	2,065	1,109	1,095	86	89
Other/Not Stated	98	7,393	6,766	6,959	9	6

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VISITOR ARRIVALS BY TYPE OF CARRIER - 2015

TABLE 3

WEEK	Week ending Sunday	TYPE OF CARRIER							TOTAL
		Scheduled Flight	Private Plane	Chartered Plane	Vessel	Yacht	Cruise Ship ⁽¹⁾	Other / Non-Scheduled	
Week 1	4-Jan-15	2,611	61	208	-	-	-	-	2,880
Week 2	11-Jan-15	3,428	68	45	-	-	102	-	3,643
Week 3	18-Jan-15	3,929	58	-	8	2	11	300 ⁽²⁾	4,308
Week 4	25-Jan-15	3,326	51	79	-	-	6	-	3,462
Week 5	1-Feb-15	3,772	57	-	-	3	18	-	3,850
Week 6	8-Feb-15	4,834	53	-	-	-	-	-	4,887
Week 7	15-Feb-15	6,080	84	-	-	1	-	-	6,165
Week 8	22-Feb-15	6,228	33	254	-	15	12	-	6,542
Week 9	1-Mar-15	5,392	39	239	-	13	199	-	5,882
Week 10	8-Mar-15	4,736	46	54	-	3	-	-	4,839
Week 11	15-Mar-15	4,790	221	60	-	4	-	-	5,075
Week 12	22-Mar-15	5,368	173	84	-	12	36	-	5,673
Week 13	29-Mar-15	6,231	262	20	-	89	-	-	6,602
Week 14	5-Apr-15	6,636	282	406	-	2	-	-	7,326
Week 15	12-Apr-15	4,925	101	-	-	6	-	-	5,032
Week 16	19-Apr-15	5,031	279	-	-	3	-	-	5,313
Week 17	26-Apr-15	6,257	211	181	-	2	107	-	6,758
Week 18	3-May-15	5,503	197	-	16	2	-	-	5,718
Week 19	10-May-15	4,622	48	-	-	5	-	-	4,675
Week 20	17-May-15	4,566	58	-	-	4	-	-	4,628
Week 21	24-May-15	4,241	49	-	-	8	-	-	4,298
Week 22	31-May-15	3,526	52	-	-	-	-	-	3,578
Week 23	7-Jun-15	3,660	138	-	-	4	-	-	3,802
Week 24	14-Jun-15	3,779	120	-	-	7	-	-	3,906
Week 25	21-Jun-15	3,898	63	-	-	2	-	-	3,963
Week 26	28-Jun-15	3,647	130	-	2	19	-	-	3,798
Week 27	5-Jul-15	4,964	158	-	-	11	-	-	5,133
Week 28	12-Jul-15	4,615	76	-	-	23	-	-	4,714
Week 29	19-Jul-15	5,966	183	-	2	2	-	-	6,153
Week 30	26-Jul-15	5,639	70	-	-	8	-	-	5,717
Week 31	2-Aug-15	6,008	120	1	-	3	-	-	6,132
Week 32	9-Aug-15	7,123	63	-	-	27	-	-	7,213
Week 33	16-Aug-15	6,039	44	2	-	-	-	-	6,085
Week 34	23-Aug-15	5,589	13	-	-	2	-	-	5,604
Week 35	30-Aug-15	3,847	-	-	-	11	-	-	3,858
Week 36	6-Sep-15	4,593	18	266	-	-	-	-	4,877
Week 37	13-Sep-15	4,468	34	-	-	18	-	-	4,520
Week 38	20-Sep-15	4,969	50	-	-	14	-	-	5,033
Week 39	27-Sep-15	5,728	51	502	-	6	-	-	6,287
Week 40	4-Oct-15	6,354	23	502	-	4	-	-	6,883
Week 41	11-Oct-15	5,466	33	1	-	7	-	-	5,507
Week 42	18-Oct-15	6,429	26	-	-	-	-	-	6,455
Week 43	25-Oct-15	6,755	51	-	-	1	-	-	6,807
Week 44	1-Nov-15	5,077	74	-	-	7	-	-	5,158
Week 45	8-Nov-15	5,742	40	-	5	5	13	-	5,805
Week 46	15-Nov-15	5,417	44	-	1	4	24	-	5,490
Week 47	22-Nov-15	4,733	108	-	7	4	-	-	4,852
Cumulative TOTAL		236,537	4,213	2,904	41	363	528	300	244,886

SOURCE: NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FROM DISEMBARKATION CARDS

Notes:

⁽¹⁾ Excludes day trippers

⁽²⁾ Diverted flight due to bad weather in country of destination