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Week ending Sunday 10th July 2016

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1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the bulletin presents visitor arrivals for the week ending Sunday 10th July 2016. 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

Six thousand two hundred and eighteen (6,218) visitors arrived in Seychelles during the week ending Sunday 10th July 2016.

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE (TABLE 1)

Year to date

The year to date figure for 2016 shows that 148,356 visitors arrived in Seychelles. This was 10% above that of 2015 (134,280).

Overall visitor arrivals from Europe increased by 10% compared to the same period in 2015. 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 (20%), UK & Eire (17%), Germany (8%) and Italy (7%). A decrease of (11%) was recorded in visitors from Russia.

Visitors from Africa decreased by 6% in 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. A decrease of 9% was recorded in the number of visitors from South Africa.

Asia recorded a 24% increase in visitor arrivals. United Arab Emirates and China recorded increases of 28% and 3% respectively.

Visitors from Oceania decreased by 8% whereas from America, a decrease of 2% was recorded in visitors compared to the same period in 2015.

The leading markets to date are:

Country	No. of visitors
France	23,048
Germany	18,322
United Arab Emirates	11,844
Italy	10,624
UK & Eire	8,737
China	8,321

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT (TABLE 2)

Year to date

The number of holidaymakers visiting Seychelles in 2016 was 12% above the 2015 level. The number of visitors on business or combining business with a holiday decreased by 6% below the 2015 level and the number in transit¹ was 9% below the 2015 level.

ARRIVALS BY TYPE OF CARRIER AND CATEGORY OF PASSENGER (TABLE 3)

In Week 27, visitors made up 82%, residents 16% and seamen 2% of total passengers arriving and 94% of total arrivals were on scheduled flights.

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 20th July 2016.

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 10TH JULY 2016

TABLE 1

Country of residence	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 27/16	2016	2015	2014	16/15	16/14
TOTAL VISITORS	<u>6,218</u>	<u>148,356</u>	<u>134,280</u>	<u>117,081</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>27</u>
EUROPE TOTAL	<u>2,928</u>	<u>91,732</u>	<u>83,169</u>	<u>77,726</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>
France	433	23,048	19,227	17,443	20	32
UK & Eire	403	8,737	7,475	5,856	17	49
Germany	523	18,322	17,003	17,284	8	6
Italy	397	10,624	9,936	9,414	7	13
Switzerland	276	5,512	5,112	4,630	8	19
Austria	125	3,101	2,829	2,367	10	31
Belgium & Luxembourg	95	1,630	1,426	1,396	14	17
Netherlands	49	1,169	836	743	40	57
Scandinavia	178	2,971	2,789	2,480	7	20
Spain & Portugal	88	1,743	1,502	1,292	16	35
Russia	124	6,434	7,196	8,360	-11	-23
Other C.I.S.	31	1,740	1,564	1,584	11	10
Other Europe	206	6,701	6,274	4,877	7	37
AFRICA TOTAL	<u>601</u>	<u>16,279</u>	<u>17,395</u>	<u>12,911</u>	<u>-6</u>	<u>26</u>
Reunion	178	2,950	3,108	1,049	-5	181
Mauritius	66	1,923	2,107	1,713	-9	12
East Africa	81	3,817	3,661	2,678	4	43
South Africa	229	6,103	6,689	6,202	-9	-2
Other Southern Africa	0	214	213	215	0	0
Other Africa	47	1,272	1,617	1,054	-21	21
ASIA TOTAL	<u>2,435</u>	<u>35,082</u>	<u>28,297</u>	<u>22,322</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>57</u>
United Arab Emirates	1,642	11,844	9,285	6,358	28	86
Other Middle East	273	5,481	4,652	3,710	18	48
India	141	5,849	3,330	1,571	76	272
Indian Sub Continent	62	1,175	1,116	1,068	5	10
China	224	8,321	8,047	7,707	3	8
Other Far East	93	2,412	1,867	1,908	29	26
OCEANIA	<u>21</u>	<u>965</u>	<u>1,049</u>	<u>821</u>	<u>-8</u>	<u>18</u>
AMERICA TOTAL	<u>233</u>	<u>4,298</u>	<u>4,370</u>	<u>3,301</u>	<u>-2</u>	<u>30</u>
USA	145	2,964	3,101	2,124	-4	40
Other America	88	1,334	1,269	1,177	5	13

SOURCE: NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS FROM DISEMBARKATION CARDS

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PURPOSE OF VISIT
WEEK ENDING SUNDAY 10TH JULY 2016

TABLE 2

PURPOSE OF VISIT	YEAR TO DATE				% Change	
	Week 27/16	2016	2015	2014	16/15	16/14
TOTAL VISITORS	<u>6,218</u>	<u>148,356</u>	<u>134,280</u>	<u>117,081</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>27</u>
Holiday	5,919	138,153	122,984	106,974	12	29
Business	123	4,881	5,065	4,812	-4	1
Holiday/Business	1	152	267	212	-43	-28
Transit	13	1,128	1,235	924	-9	22
Other/Not Stated	162	4,042	4,729	4,159	-15	-3

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ARRIVALS BY TYPE OF CARRIER AND CATEGORY OF PASSENGER - 2016

TABLE 3

WEEK	Week ending Sunday	TYPE OF CARRIER													CATEGORY OF PASSENGER			
		Scheduled Flight		Private Plane		Chartered Plane		Vessel		Yacht		Cruise Ship ⁽¹⁾		Seamen ⁽²⁾	Visitors	Residents	Seamen	All passenger categories
		Visitors	Residents	Visitors	Residents	Visitors	Residents	Visitors	Residents	Visitors	Residents	Visitors	Residents		Visitors	Residents	Seamen	
Week 1	10-Jan-16	6,395	2,164	199	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	131	6,600	2,165	131	8,896
Week 2	17-Jan-16	3,766	1,764	39	1	-	-	-	-	24	-	8	-	125	3,837	1,765	125	5,727
Week 3	24-Jan-16	3,747	1,546	193	3	-	-	-	-	10	-	5	-	106	3,955	1,549	106	5,610
Week 4	31-Jan-16	4,282	1,408	41	-	-	-	30	-	2	-	13	-	123	4,368	1,408	123	5,899
Week 5	7-Feb-16	6,277	1,354	60	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	-	112	6,359	1,354	112	7,825
Week 6	14-Feb-16	7,319	1,424	131	1	-	-	2	-	3	-	102	-	171	7,557	1,425	171	9,153
Week 7	21-Feb-16	5,885	1,377	34	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	143	5,927	1,377	143	7,447
Week 8	28-Feb-16	5,793	1,289	99	1	-	-	-	-	6	10	35	-	120	5,933	1,300	120	7,353
Week 9	6-Mar-16	5,229	1,238	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	133	5,282	1,238	133	6,653
Week 10	13-Mar-16	5,395	1,322	93	2	-	-	1	13	37	-	21	-	106	5,547	1,337	106	6,990
Week 11	20-Mar-16	6,565	1,224	132	14	-	-	-	-	32	2	2	-	95	6,731	1,240	95	8,066
Week 12	27-Mar-16	7,605	1,226	482	1	-	-	-	-	17	-	-	-	122	8,104	1,227	122	9,453
Week 13	3-Apr-16	6,042	1,187	263	1	-	-	-	-	9	-	13	-	158	6,327	1,188	158	7,673
Week 14	10-Apr-16	5,948	1,289	119	3	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	119	6,069	1,292	119	7,480
Week 15	17-Apr-16	5,294	1,261	34	-	218	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	135	5,551	1,262	135	6,948
Week 16	24-Apr-16	6,257	1,392	35	-	941	-	-	12	16	-	-	-	66	7,249	1,404	66	8,719
Week 17	1-May-16	5,680	1,676	155	4	223	77	-	-	3	-	-	-	60	6,061	1,757	60	7,878
Week 18	8-May-16	5,870	1,683	80	7	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	82	5,958	1,690	82	7,730
Week 19	15-May-16	4,948	1,496	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	98	4,963	1,496	98	6,557
Week 20	22-May-16	4,389	1,364	22	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	103	4,412	1,367	103	5,882
Week 21	29-May-16	4,170	1,370	102	1	-	-	-	-	9	3	-	-	115	4,281	1,374	115	5,770
Week 22	5-Jun-16	4,011	1,280	37	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	116	4,050	1,281	116	5,447
Week 23	12-Jun-16	3,900	1,402	4	-	-	-	-	-	13	1	-	-	132	3,917	1,403	132	5,452
Week 24	19-Jun-16	3,969	1,282	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	142	3,981	1,282	142	5,405
Week 25	26-Jun-16	4,152	1,379	16	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	28	4,184	1,379	28	5,591
Week 26	3-Jul-16	4,857	1,568	72	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	103	4,935	1,568	103	6,606
Week 27	10-Jul-16	5,919	1,235	289	3	-	-	9	-	1	-	-	-	127	6,218	1,238	127	7,583
Cumulative TOTAL		143,664	38,200	2,799	47	1,382	77	44	25	262	17	205	-	3,071	148,356	38,366	3,071	189,793

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Notes:

⁽¹⁾ Excludes day trippers

⁽²⁾ All seamen arrive on scheduled flights