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MONTHLY TOURIST ARRIVALS REPORT

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SUMMARY

The total number of international tourist arrivals to Sri Lanka during June 2018 was 146,828. In comparison to June last year, there is a growth of 19.0 % when the arrivals were 123,351.

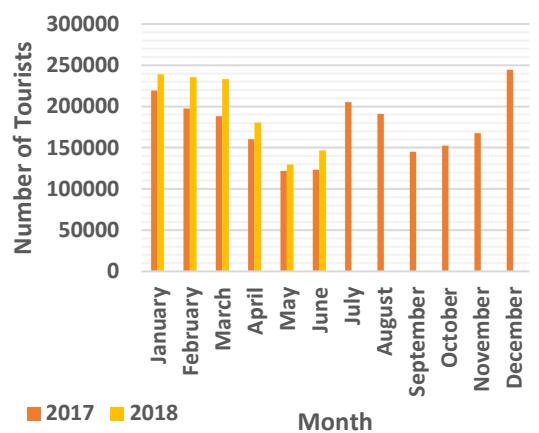
This month, the largest source market for tourists is India, followed by China and United Kingdom.

Almost 98% of tourists travelled by air to Sri Lanka.

As at 31st June 2018, 1,164,647 tourists had visited Sri Lanka for this year. It is a 15.3% growth over last year when 1,010,444 tourists had visited the country during the same period.

Month	2017	2018*	% Change 2017/2018
January	219,360	238,924	8.9
February	197,517	235,618	19.3
March	188,076	233,382	24.1
April	160,249	180,429	12.6
May	121,891	129,466	6.2
June	123,351	146,828	19.0
July	205,482		
August	190,928		
September	145,077		
October	152,429		
November	167,511		
December	244,536		
TOTAL	2,116,407		
Up to June	1,010,444	1,164,647	15.3

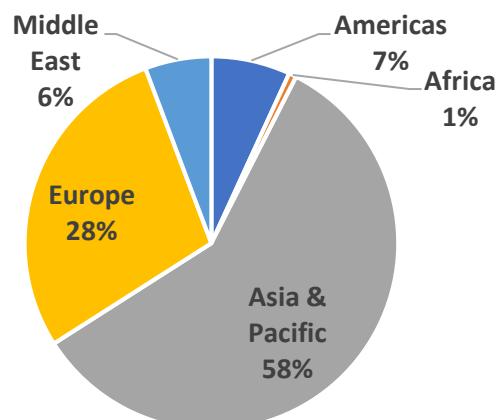
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TOURIST ARRIVALS BY REGION

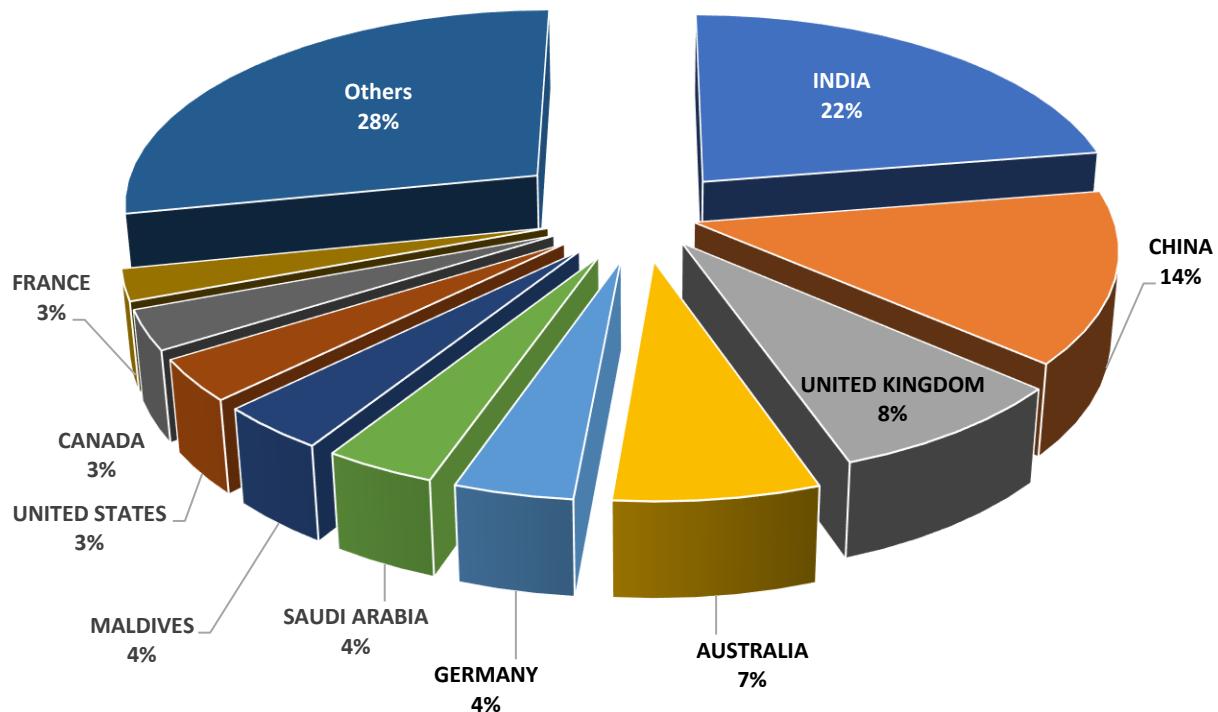
Asia and Pacific continued to be the largest source of tourist traffic to Sri Lanka with 58% of the total traffic received in June 2018.

Europe accounted for 28% of the total traffic, America 7%, Middle East 6% and Africa 1%.



TOP TEN SOURCE MARKETS

India, China, United Kingdom, Australia and Germany were Sri Lanka's top five international tourist generating markets in the month of June this year. India was the largest source of tourist traffic to Sri Lanka with 22% of the total traffic received in June 2018. China accounted for 14% of the total traffic, while United Kingdom, Australia and Germany accounted for 8%, 7% and 4% respectively.



Rank	Country of Residence	Tourist Arrivals June 2018			Tourist Arrivals June 2017	% Change June 2017/2018
		By Air	By Sea	Total		
1	INDIA	32,530	441	32,971	27,836	18.4
2	CHINA	20,333	91	20,424	17,205	18.7
3	UNITED KINGDOM	11,951	153	12,104	10,424	16.1
4	AUSTRALIA	8,643	1,354	9,997	6,360	57.2
5	GERMANY	5,769	23	5,792	7,024	(17.5)
6	SAUDI ARABIA	5,422	0	5,422	1,789	203.1
7	MALDIVES	5,361	1	5,362	4,443	20.7
8	UNITED STATES	4,919	60	4,979	4,200	18.5
9	CANADA	4,672	4	4,676	4,347	7.6
10	FRANCE	3,680	8	3,688	3,365	9.6

INTERNATIONAL TOURIST ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

	JUNE 2018			Total Tourist Arrivals June 2017	% Change June (2017/2018)	Total Annual Tourist Arrivals up to June 2018			
	Tourist Arrivals ¹								
	By Air	By Sea	Total						
AMERICAS			10,048	8,928	12.5	74,569			
North America	9,648	67	9,715	8,619	12.7	69,685			
Canada	4,672	4	4,676	4,347	7.6	27,739			
Mexico	57	3	60	72	(16.7)	979			
United States	4,919	60	4,979	4,200	18.5	40,967			
Caribbean & Central America	55	2	57	40	29.6	476			
Jamaica	7	0	7	7	60.0	59			
Costa Rica	3	0	3	0		62			
Others	45	2	47	33	42.4	355			
South America	273	3	276	269	2.6	4,408			
Argentina	48	2	50	37	35.1	1,233			
Brazil	115	1	116	91	27.5	1,765			
Chile	43	0	43	50	(14.0)	557			
Colombia	32	0	32	47	(31.9)	336			
Others	35	0	35	44	(20.5)	517			
AFRICA			962	828	16.2	6,934			
North Africa	216	2	218	161	35.4	1,345			
Morocco	60	0	60	65	(7.7)	473			
Sudan	98	2	100	54	85.2	350			
Others	58	0	58	42	38.1	522			
Sub-Saharan Africa	733	11	744	667	11.5	5,589			
Kenya	44	0	44	28	57.1	299			
Mauritius	33	1	34	26	30.8	314			
Nigeria	21	1	22	46	(52.2)	213			
South Africa	514	6	520	438	18.7	3,462			
Others	121	3	124	129	(3.9)	1,301			

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ASIA & PACIFIC			85,852	71,832	19.5	536,884			
North East Asia	24,746	138	24,884	21,473	15.9	174,081			
China	20,333	91	20,424	17,205	18.7	136,294			
Japan	3,070	4	3,074	2,970	3.5	25,401			
South Korea	924	39	963	952	1.2	7,930			
Taiwan	408	4	412	337	22.3	4,364			
Others	11	0	11	9	22.2	92			
South East Asia	7,363	288	7,651	7,181	6.5	41,905			
Cambodia	38	0	38	33	15.2	537			
Indonesia	331	18	349	923	(62.2)	2,645			
Malaysia	2,384	5	2,389	2,019	18.3	11,293			
Myanmar	116	11	127	168	(24.4)	1,216			
Philippines	1,431	242	1,673	1,208	38.5	10,146			
Singapore	1,975	4	1,979	1,854	6.7	9,462			
Thailand	864	6	870	823	5.7	4,685			
Vietnam	210	2	212	134	58.2	1,770			
Others	14	0	14	19	(26.3)	151			
Oceania	9,953	1,686	11,639	7,082	64.3	59,525			
Australia	8,643	1,354	9,997	6,360	57.2	52,970			
New Zealand	1,281	332	1,613	706	128.5	6,421			
Others	29	0	29	16	81.3	134			
South Asia	41,145	533	41,678	36,096	15.5	261,373			
Afghanistan	44	0	44	24	83.3	537			
Bangladesh	1,024	6	1,030	1,106	(6.9)	5,150			
Bhutan	41	0	41	14	192.9	332			
India	32,530	441	32,971	27,836	18.4	206,337			
Iran	312	20	332	303	9.6	3,501			
Maldives	5,361	1	5,362	4,443	20.7	33,490			
Nepal	390	54	444	335	32.5	2,616			
Pakistan	1,443	11	1,454	2,035	(28.6)	9,410			

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<u>EUROPE</u>			41,533	37,648	10.3	516,243			
Northern Europe	17,066	184	17,250	15,155	13.8	170,758			
Denmark	941	18	959	1,103	(13.1)	10,826			
Finland	297	1	298	195	52.8	5,288			
Norway	2,265	7	2,272	1927	17.9	8,830			
Sweden	888	1	889	846	5.1	15,661			
United Kingdom	11,951	153	12,104	10,424	16.1	124,627			
Others	724	4	728	660	10.3	5,526			
Western Europe	14,479	44	14,523	15,133	(4.0)	195,275			
Austria	542	1	543	365	48.8	10,845			
Belgium	785	0	785	573	37.0	6,880			
France	3,680	8	3,688	3,365	9.6	58,730			
Germany	5,769	23	5,792	7,024	(17.5)	80,288			
Netherlands	2,341	9	2,350	2,399	(2.0)	22,722			
Switzerland	1,339	3	1,342	1,381	(2.8)	15,335			
Others	23	0	23	26	(11.5)	475			
Central / Eastern Europe	4,514	385	4,899	3,507	39.7	101,575			
Belarus	122	0	122	50	144.0	2,946			
Czech Republic	571	0	571	430	32.8	10,210			
Estonia	31	3	34	12	183.3	1,590			
Hungary	137	1	138	114	21.1	2,753			
Kazakhstan	67	0	67	70	(4.3)	1,749			
Lithuania	217	7	224	90	148.9	2,022			
Poland	648	62	710	589	20.5	10,659			
Romania	174	31	205	161	27.3	3,263			
Russian Federation	1,038	97	1,135	1,029	10.3	38,127			
Slovakia	144	1	145	135	7.4	3,268			
Ukraine	1,027	164	1,191	552	115.8	20,331			
Others	338	19	357	275	29.8	4,657			

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Southern / Mediterranean Europe	4,637	224	4,861	3,853	26.2	48,635			
Greece	319	170	489	246	98.8	3,800			
Italy	1,364	3	1,367	1,252	9.2	19,039			
Portugal	253	0	253	293	(13.7)	2,572			
Spain	1,516	0	1,516	1,059	43.2	10,110			
Turkey	159	10	169	241	(29.9)	2,356			
Israel	699	0	699	426	64.1	5,440			
Others	327	41	368	336	9.5	5,318			
MIDDLE EAST	8,431	2	8,433	4,115	104.9	30,017			
Bahrain	245	0	245	157	56.1	1,434			
Egypt	278	0	278	255	9.0	1,685			
Iraq	134	0	134	48	179.2	491			
Jordan	268	0	268	208	28.8	1,545			
Kuwait	226	0	226	217	4.1	1,806			
Lebanon	364	1	365	324	12.7	2,727			
Oman	539	0	539	284	89.8	2,612			
Qatar	183	0	183	50	266.0	753			
Saudi Arabia	5,422	0	5,422	1,789	203.1	13,810			
United Arab Emirates	488	0	488	590	(17.3)	2,012			
Others	284	1	285	193	47.7	1,142			
TOTAL	143,259	3,569	146,828	123,351	19.0	1,164,647			

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* All visitor arrival statistics in this report are from the Department of Immigration & Emigration.