

## STATISTICS UPDATE: INTERNATIONAL VISITOR AND RESIDENT ARRIVALS

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### The Impact of COVID-19 on international travels

- Since January of 2020, governments have imposed international travel restrictions in most countries due to the spread of Covid 19 Pandemic. In Mid-March of 2020, Vanuatu government has locked down its international borders as a measure to protect the people and stop the spread of the Novel Corona Virus.

### JUNE 2021, PROVISIONAL KEY FINDINGS

#### International Visitor arrivals

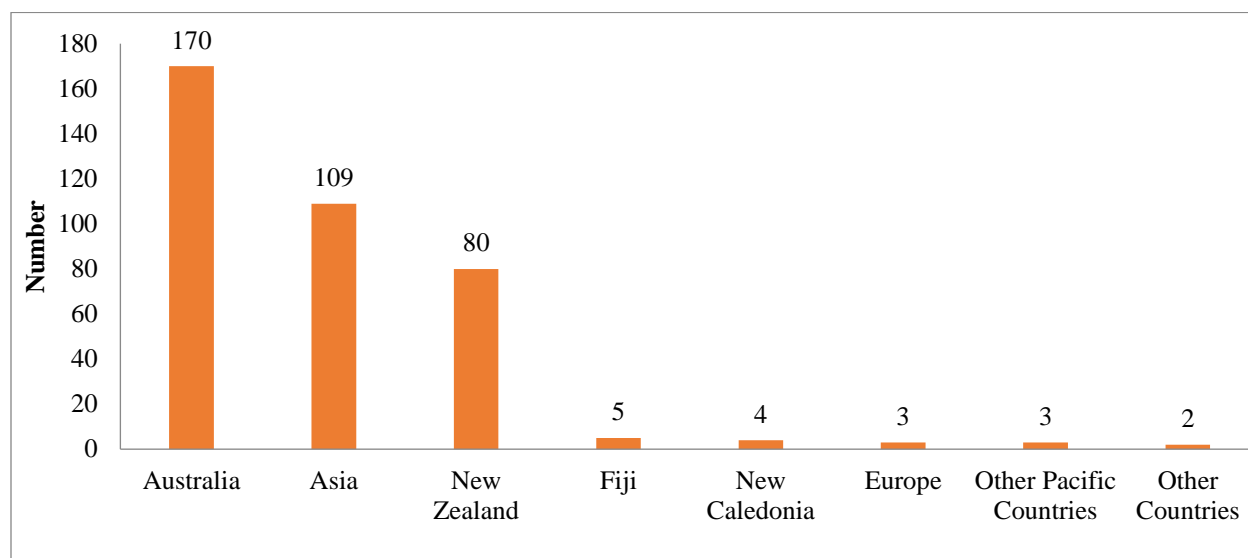
- The International visitor arrival by air and cruise ship in June of 2021 has recorded no visitor arrivals
- There were only repatriation flights recorded for disembarking and embarking residents travelling by air for that month (see table 1 and table 4)

#### Residents returning

- The total number of Vanuatu residents returning from overseas trip in June 2021 went down by 376, a decreased of 74 percent compared to June of 2020 when it stood at 1,460.
- Over the previous month it increased by 6 percent from 355 to 376.
- Out of the 376 residents, 317 are males and 59 are females.

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**FIG 1: RESIDENT ARRIVALS BY MAIN COUNTRY VISITED, JUNE 2021**

The share of residents returning to Vanuatu by main country visited shows that;

- Australia (45%)
- Asia (29%)<sup>1</sup>
- New Zealand (21%)
- Fiji (1%)
- New Caledonia (1%)
- Europe (1 %)
- Other Pacific Counties (1%)
- Other Countries (1%)

#### **Resident arrivals by purpose of absence;**

- Others (336), including those who stated their occupation type as seasonal employment and other stated jobs
- Business/conference/convention (25)
- Education(15)

<sup>1</sup> Accounted for most Chinese nationals that intend to stay longer in Vanuatu

## DATA SOURCE AND REVISIONS

All International arrival and departure statistics by air provided in this report is sourced from the Passenger processing module within ASYCUDA World system and also completed Arrival and Departure cards from the Department of Customs. Cruise ship figures are also supplied by the Department of Customs through the Passenger processing module.

The Vanuatu National Statistics Office will be temporarily excluding Table 5 to Table 8 including the Annexes until such time as the borders re-open and travel restrictions are lifted.

## NEXT UPDATE (MONTHLY)

July 2021

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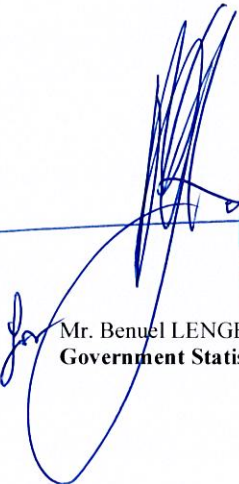
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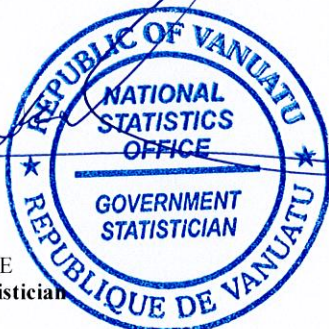
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**Table 1 : Summary of Overseas Migration**  
**Tableau 1 : Résumé des échanges migratoires avec l'extérieur**

Year      Month		ARRIVALS / ARRIVEES						DEPARTURES / DEPARTURES						Cruiseship Arrivals/ Croisiéristes	Année    Mois	
		PORT VILA		LUGANVILLE		TOTAL		PORT VILA		LUGANVILLE		TOTAL				
		Residents Résidents	Visitors Visiteurs	Residents Résidents	Visitors Visiteurs	Residents Résidents	Visitors Visiteurs	Resident Résidents	Visitor Visiteurs	Resident Résidents	Visitors Visiteurs	Resident Résidents	Visitors Visiteurs			
2016		24,801	89,358	359	5,759	25,160	95,117	20,118	91,064	165	4,406	20,283	95,470	256,482	2016	
2017		27,418	103,463	830	5,707	28,248	109,170	25,845	108,427	441	3,831	26,286	112,258	223,551	2017	
2018		28,426	111,296	510	4,338	28,936	115,634	28,160	120,736	231	3,840	28,391	124,576	234,567	2018	
2019		34,575	117,154	326	3,474	34,901	120,628	35,876	142,012	529	3,303	36,405	145,315	135,357	2019	
2020		10,392	21,764	17	201	10,409	21,965	9,122	28,095	253	39	9,375	28,134	60,401	2020	
2016	Jun	2,512	8,653	44	505	2,556	9,158	1,426	8,208	9	326	1,435	8,534	15,737	2016	Juin
2017	Jun	2,420	9,008	50	492	2,470	9,500	1,697	7,991	23	270	1,720	8,261	11,149	2017	Juin
2018	Jun	2,586	10,181	33	392	2,619	10,573	1,841	8,444	13	272	1,854	8,716	9,734	2018	Juin
2019	Jun	3,035	10,321	5	286	3,040	10,607	1,334	10,670	23	320	1,357	10,990	7,555	2019	Juin
2020	Jun	1,460	-	-	-	1,460	-	11	121	-	-	11	121	-	2020	Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	37	-	-	41	37	-		Juיל
	Aug	141	-	-	-	141	-	29	15	-	-	29	15	-		Aoû
	Sep	1,156	-	-	-	1,156	-	237	49	-	-	237	49	-		Sep
	Oct	705	-	-	-	705	-	228	22	-	-	228	22	-		Oct
	Nov	515	-	-	-	515	-	94	28	-	-	94	28	-		Nov
	Dec	506	-	-	-	506	-	337	53	-	-	337	53	-		Dec
2021	Jan	325	-	-	-	325	-	660	15	-	-	660	15	-	2021	Jan
	Feb	209	-	-	-	209	-	936	15	-	-	936	15	-		Fév
	Mar	279	-	-	-	279	-	882	-	-	-	882	-	-		Mar
	Apr [p]	245	-	-	-	245	-	575	-	-	-	575	-	-		Avr [p]
	May[p]	355	-	-	-	355	-	688	-	-	-	688	-	-		Mai [p]
	Jun[p]	376	-	-	-	376	-	1,041	-	-	-	1,041	-	-		Juin[p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département des douanes

p: provisional figures

- No visitors/residents were recorded for the reference month

**Table 2 : Visitor Arrivals by Purpose of Visit**  
**Tableau 2 : Arrivées de visiteurs selon le motif du voyage**

Year	Month	<u>VISITORS/VISITEURS</u>						Année	Mois
		Holidays Vacances	Visiting Friends and relatives Visite à des amis et à la famille	Business, Meetings/ Conferences Affaires, réunions ou conférence	Stop Over Escale	Others, Education, sports Autres, education, sport	Total Visitors Visiteurs global		
2016		71,088	8,300	8,521	551	6,657	95,117	2016	
2017		83,465	8,940	8,338	897	7,530	109,170	2017	
2018		91,726	8,616	7,552	645	7,095	115,634	2018	
2019		95,849	8,764	8,059	524	7,432	120,628	2019	
2020		17,166	1,445	1,085	448	1,821	21,965	2020	
2016	Jun	6,905	782	826	63	582	9,158	2016	Juin
2017	Jun	7,328	784	781	80	527	9,500	2017	Juin
2018	Jun	8,621	688	558	61	645	10,573	2018	Juin
2019	Jun	8,388	828	680	4	707	10,607	2019	Juin
2020	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	2020	Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-		Aoû
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-		Sep
	Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-		Oct
	Nov	-	-	-	-	-	-		Nov
	Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-		Dec
2021	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	2021	Jan
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-		Feb
	Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mar
	Apr [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr [p]
	May [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai [p]
	Jun [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juin [p]

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**Table 3 : Visitor Arrivals by Usual Country of Residence**  
**Tableau 3 : Arrivées des visiteurs par pays de résidence habituelle**

Year	Month	Australia	New Zealand	New Caledonia	Other Pacific Countries	Europe	North America	Japan	China	Other Countries	TOTAL	Année	Mois
		Australie	Nouvelle-Zélande	Nouvelle-Calédonie	Autres Pays du Pacifique		Amérique du Nord	Japon	Chine	Autres pays			
2016		49,752	10,931	9,681	5,705	10,067	2,893	903	2,736	2,449	95,117	2016	
2017		57,387	11,554	15,880	7,147	6,806	3,016	1,076	3,612	2,692	109,170	2017	
2018		60,616	13,432	15,105	6,545	8,023	3,347	963	4,007	3,596	115,634	2018	
2019		63,122	15,085	14,738	6,560	8,992	3,120	1,107	4,671	3,233	120,628	2019	
2020		11,248	1,819	3,778	1,241	1,728	692	171	680	608	21,965	2020	
2016	Jun	5,170	1,197	1,143	402	495	306	70	217	158	9,158	2016	Juin
2017	Jun	5,104	1,209	1,302	492	433	324	97	317	222	9,500	2017	Juin
2018	Jun	5,563	1,409	1,398	524	631	372	56	299	321	10,573	2018	Juin
2019	Jun	5,525	1,581	1,101	607	808	256	52	390	287	10,607	2019	Juin
2020	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2020	Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Aoû
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Sep
	Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Oct
	Nov	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Nov
	Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Dec
2021	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2021	Jan
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Fév
	Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mar
	Apr [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr [p]
	May [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai [p]
	Jun [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juin [p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département des douanes

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**Table 4 : Overseas Arrivals of Residents by Nationality****Tableau 4 : Arrivées des résidents par nationalité**

Year	Month	Ni-Vanuatu	Australian Australien	French Français	British Anglais	New Zealander Néo- Zélandais	Asian Asiatiques	Pacific Islanders Autres pays du Pacifique	North Americans Américain du Nord	Other countries Autres pays	TOTAL	Année	Mois
2016		18,511	2,516	1,120	164	855	741	645	343	264	25,160	2016	
2017		21,967	2,463	1,036	118	797	712	564	358	233	28,248	2017	
2018		23,610	1,919	750	97	591	875	593	273	228	28,936	2018	
2019		26,317	2,344	884	329	780	2,809	665	409	364	34,901	2019	
2020		8,374	719	285	42	243	283	273	87	103	10,409	2019	
2016	Jun	1,817	272	133	27	86	98	65	29	29	2,556	2016	Juin
2017	Jun	1,912	207	118	8	64	77	40	29	15	2,470	2017	Juin
2018	Jun	2,211	128	65	6	45	78	39	23	24	2,619	2018	Juin
2019	Jun	2,767	87	19	1	32	43	70	9	12	3,040	2019	Juin
2020	Jun	1,403	15	7	-	22	2	11	-	-	1,460	2020	Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	132	-	6	-	2	-	1	-	-	141		Aoû
	Sep	1,107	20	4	-	9	3	7	2	4	1,156		Sep
	Oct	646	43	3	-	5	6	-	-	2	705		Oct
	Nov	437	17	1	-	1	49	7	2	1	515		Nov
	Dec	449	23	15	2	3	10	2	-	2	506		Dec
2021	Jan	276	34	1	-	-	9	5	-	-	325	2021	Jan
	Feb	122	35	11	-	9	9	15	4	4	209		Fév
	Mar	184	34	2	-	10	17	25	4	3	279		Mar
	Apr [p]	193	27	8	-	9	5	2	-	1	245		Avr [p]
	May[p]	323	12	6	-	8	3	1	-	2	355		Mai [p]
	Jun [p]	223	22	3	2	4	106	9	2	5	376		Juin [p]

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**Table 4.1 : Resident Arrivals by main country visited****Tableau 4.1:Arrivées de résidents par principal pays visité**

Year	Month	Australia	New Zealand	New Caledonia	Fiji	Solomon Islands	Asia	Other Pacific Countries	Europe	North America	Other Countries	Total	Année	Mois
		Australie	Nouvelle Zélande	Nouvelle Calédonie	Fidji	îles salomon	Asie	Autres pays du pacifique		Amérique du nord	Autres pays			
2020	Jun	196	1099	84	54	-	27	-	-	-	-	1460	2020	Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	3	118	6	-	-	2	12	-	-	-	141		Aoû
	Sep	314	732	22	65	-	9	3	4	6	1	1156		Sep
	Oct	211	456	7	-	-	22	2	6	-	1	705		Oct
	Nov	49	288	6	101	-	68	1	-	2	-	515		Nov
	Dec	159	128	40	141	-	4	26	5	-	3	506		Dec
2021	Jan	198	56	19	4	1	26	15	-	6	-	325	2021	Jan
	Feb	113	20	19	4	-	11	32	8	2	-	209		Feb
	Mar	110	50	-	47	1	20	40	7	4	-	279		Mar
	Apr [p]	150	47	11	-	2	20	2	9	2	2	245		Avr [p]
	May[p]	173	151	6	-	-	2	15	5	-	3	355		Mar [p]
	Jun [p]	170	80	4	5	-	109	3	3	-	2	376		Juin [p]

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