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To All Valuable Statistics Users,

The Vanuatu National Statistics Office wishes to inform you that the current format of this report is a temporary format. The format is temporary concerning the current Covid 19 situation impact on international arrivals and departures.

The format will change back to the previous format once the boarder is being open.

Please accept our sincere apologies for any inconveniences this may have caused.



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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.

MARCH 2021, PROVISIONAL KEY FINDINGS

International Visitor arrivals

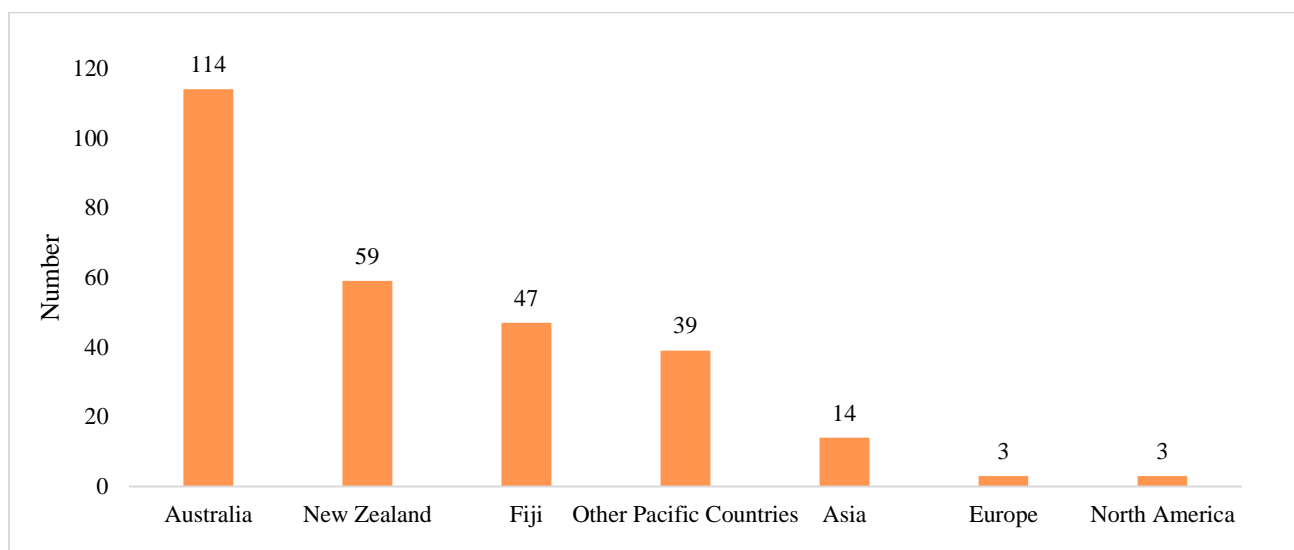
- The International visitor arrivals by air and cruise ship in March of 2021 has recorded no visitor arrivals.
- There were only repatriation flights recorded for disembarking and embarking residents travelling by air for that month (see table 1 and table 4)

Residents returning

- The total number of Vanuatu residents returning from overseas trip in March 2021 went down by 279, a decreased of 77 percent compared to March of 2020 when it stood at 1,229.
- Over the previous month it increased by 33 percent from 209 to 279
- Of the 279 residents, 196 are males and 83 are females.

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FIG 1: RESIDENT ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF DEPARTURE, MARCH 2021

* Country of departure may differ with for passengers travelling on connecting flights*

The share of resident arriving from country of departures shows that;

- Australia (41%)
- New Zealand (21%)
- Fiji (17%)
- Other Pacific Countries (14%)
- Asia (5%)
- Europe (1%)
- North America (1%)

Resident arrivals by purpose of absence were because of these reasons;

- Others (181), consisted on those who stated their occupation type as recognized seasonal employment, seasonal workers program and Others
- Education (63).
- Business/conference/convention (35).

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)

April 2021

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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	Année Mois	
		PORT VILA		LUGANVILLE		TOTAL		PORT VILA		LUGANVILLE		TOTAL		Arrivals/ Croisiéristes		
		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	26,322	124,576	234,567	2018	
2019		34,575	117,154	326	#	34,901	120,628	35,876	142,012	529	3,303	36,405	145,315	135,357	2019	
2020		10,392	21,764	17	#	10,409	21,965	9,122	28,095	253	39	9,375	28,134	60,401	2020	
2016	Mar	1,293	3,902	1	253	1,294	4,155	1,350	4,202	10	252	1,360	4,454	26,776	2016	Mar
2017	Mar	1,633	6,113	60	243	1,693	6,356	2,629	5,672	10	213	2,639	5,885	19,242	2017	Mar
2018	Mar	1,594	6,864	58	252	1,652	7,116	2,647	6,073	60	189	2,707	6,262	30,844	2018	Mar
2019	Mar	2,151	6,807	37	219	2,188	7,026	2,717	7,940	13	233	2,730	8,173	12,237	2019	Mar
2020	Mar	1,229	3,438	-	-	1,229	3,438	1,904	4,793	-	2	1,904	4,795	7,885	2020	Mar
	Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	39	228	-	-	39	228	-		Avr
	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	54	-	-	19	54	-		Mai
	Jun	1,460	-	-	-	1,460	-	11	121	-	-	11	121	-		Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	37	-	-	41	37	-		Juil
	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	-		Jan
	Feb	209	-	-	-	209	-	936	15	-	-	936	15	-		Fév
	Mar [p]	279	-	-	-	279	-	882	-	-	-	882	-	-		Mar [p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département des douanes

p: provisiona 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, éducation, 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	Mar	2,989	396	410	7	353	4,155	2016	Mar
2017	Mar	4,489	585	822	59	401	6,356	2017	Mar
2018	Mar	5,630	600	561	18	307	7,116	2018	Mar
2019	Mar	5,299	610	726	4	387	7,026	2019	Mar
2020	Mar	2,638	299	224	44	233	3,438	2020	Mar
	Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr
	May	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-		Aoû
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-		Sep
	Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-		Oct
	Nov	-	-	-	-	-	-		Nov
	Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-		Dec
2021	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	2021	Jan
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-		Feb
	Mar [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mar [p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département des douanes

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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 Australie	New Zealand Nouvelle-Zélande	New Caledonia Nouvelle-Calédonie	Other Pacific Countries Autres Pays du Pacifique	Europe	North America Amérique du Nord	Japan Japon	China Chine	Other Countries Autres pays	TOTAL	Année	Mois
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	Mar	2,060	325	313	267	664	168	44	175	139	4,155	2016	Mar
2017	Mar	3,304	454	939	405	445	224	72	315	198	6,356	2017	Mar
2019	Mar	3,864	611	949	411	413	209	71	331	167	7,026	2019	Mar
2020	Mar	1,808	351	438	260	300	134	8	51	88	3,438	2020	Mar
	Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr
	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai
	Jun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Aoû
	Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Sep
	Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Oct
	Nov	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Nov
	Dec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Dec
2021	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2021	Jan
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Fév
	Mar [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mar [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	Mar	905	164	50	7	48	26	48	31	15	1,294	2016	Mar
2017	Mar	1,207	201	74	13	59	63	38	26	12	1,693	2017	Mar
2018	Mar	1,329	140	38	4	24	59	23	18	17	1,652	2018	Mar
2019	Mar	1,629	208	88	15	48	93	41	28	38	2,188	2019	Mar
2020	Mar	857	156	53	7	45	27	41	19	24	1,229	2020	Mar
	Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr
	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai
	Jun	1,403	15	7	-	22	2	11	-	-	1,460		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 [p]	184	34	2	-	10	17	25	4	3	279		Mar [p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département des douanes

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Table 4.1 : Resident Arrivals by Country of Departure

Tableau 4.1:Arrivées de résidents par pays de Départ

		New	New Caledonia	Fiji	Solomon Islands	Asia	Other Pacific Countries	Europe	North America	Other Countries	Total			
		Australia	Zealand	Nouvelle Caledonia	Fidji	iles salomon	Asie	Autres pays du pacifique	Amérique du nord	Autres pays		Année	Mois	
Year	Month	Australie	Nouvelle Zélande											
2020	Mar	663	147	193	173	26	4	15	3	4	1	1,229	2020	Mar
	Apr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr
	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai
	Jun	131	1099	174	56	-	-	-	-	-	-	1460		Juin
	Jul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil
	Aug	2	13	118	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	141		Aoû
	Sep	320	748	23	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	1156		Sep
	Oct	212	478	9	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	705		Oct
	Nov	49	327	6	101	-	32	-	-	-	-	515		Nov
	Dec	163	129	48	143	-	-	23	-	-	-	506		Dec
2021	Jan	220	19	86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	325	2021	Jan
	Feb	116	20	20	4	-	11	32	5	1	-	209		Feb
	Mar [p]	114	59	-	47	-	14	39	3	3	-	279		Mar[p]

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