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PROVISIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS – NOVEMBER 2022

Provisional numbers show that visitor arrivals for November 2022 totaled 63,646. This is a decrease of 9.3% compared to October 2022 totaled 70,152.

Figure 1: Visitor Arrivals from November 2018 to November 2022

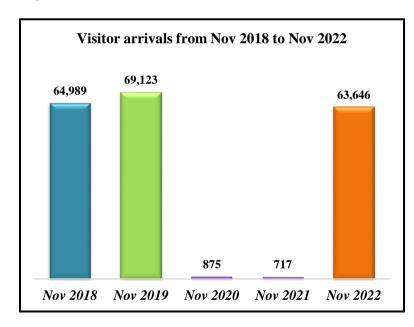
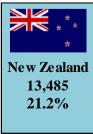


Figure 1 shows visitor arrivals for the month of November 2018 to 2022. While visitor arrival numbers for November 2022 has greatly improved, the number is lower [7.9%] compared to the visitor arrival numbers for November from the pre-COVID era in 2019.

Of the 63,646 visitors, 63,042 came by air while 422 came by sea. The sea arrivals were mostly seamen on fishing vessels (414) and 8 arrivals by yachts.

Figure 2: Visitor Arrivals by Major Source Markets – November 2022

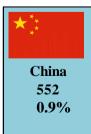














These Countries accounted for 91.5% of the total Visitor Arrivals for November 2022 and remain the major source markets for Fiji from the pre-COVID era in 2019.

Visitors by Gender and Age

The majority of visitors were in the age range of 25-64 years (63.1%), which accounts for the vast majority of the working age population. Children aged 14 and below accounted for 13.0% of the November visitor arrivals; 13.2% were youths aged 15-24 with the remaining, 10.7% comprising those in the predominantly retirement age group of 65 and over.

Figure 3 below shows a significant gender differential in the age groups 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 40-44, and 65 and over.

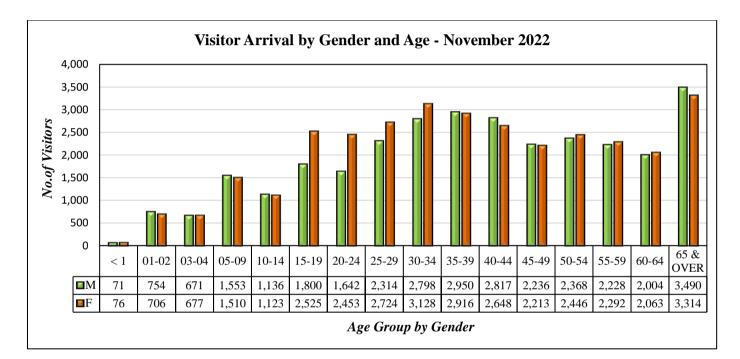


Figure 3: Visitor Arrivals by Gender and Age – November 2022

Resident Departures for November 2022

A total of 11,568 Fiji Residents departed our shores during the month of November of which 10,213 or 88.3% were for a short-term absence of under three months and 504 or 4.4% were for over three months and within 12 months period. A total of 851 or 7.4% of resident departures were for a longer-term absence of 1 year or more.

The reasons for departure as reported by residents leaving for a short-term absence were as follows;

- Holiday 45.2%
- Visiting Friends or Relatives 33.7%
- Employment 8.3%
- Education/Training 4.9%
- Business -4.8%
- Others -3.0%.

Table 1: Resident Departures for November 2022 by Purpose of Visit and Length of Absence.

			Length of	Absence			
Purpose of Visit	Under 3 months	3 months - 12 months	1 year - 5 years	Over 5 years or Permanently	Grand Total	% To Total	
Holiday	4,614 (45.2%)	0	0	0	4,614	39.9%	
Visiting Friends or Relatives	3,443 (33.7%)	0	0	0	3,443	29.8%	
Business	495 (4.8%)	21	0	0	516	4.5%	
Employment	848 (8.3%)	387	37	0	1,272	11.0%	
Education/Training	505 (4.9%)	1	85	0	591	5.1%	
Emigration	0	0	0	550	550	4.8%	
Others	308 (3.0%)	95	60	119	582	5.0%	
Grand Total	10,213 (100%)	504	182	669	11,568		
% To Grand Total	88.3%	4.4%	1.6%	5.8%		100.0%	

Note: Percentage November not sum to 100% due to rounding of the figures

For more information on Visitor Arrivals Statistics refer to the following attached tables:

Table 1: Arrivals and Departures: Number of Residents, Visitors and Persons in Transit;

Table 2: Visitor Arrivals by Country of Residence;

Table 3: Visitor Arrivals by Purpose of Visit;

Table 4: Visitor Arrivals from Continental Europe;

Table 5: Visitor Arrivals by Country of Residence, Sex and Age - November 2022; and

Table 6: Resident Departure by Final Destination and by Purpose of Absence – November 2022.

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TABLE 1

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES: NUMBER OF RESIDENTS, VISITORS AND PERSONS IN TRANSIT

			ARRIVALS			DEPARTURES		TOTAL IN	PASSENGER
YEAR/N	MONTH	RESIDENT	VISITORS	TOTAL	RESIDENT	VISITORS	TOTAL	TRANSIT	MOVEMENT
20	17	158,300	842,884	1,001,184	168,662	800,441	969,103	93,857	2,064,144
20	18	147,994	870,309	1,018,303	173,612	831,639	1,005,251	111,990	2,135,544
20	19	146,552	894,389	1,040,941	173,955	863,518	1,037,473	106,390	2,184,804
20	20	42,532	146,905	189,437	40,326	163,151	203,477	26,484	419,398
20	21	10,255	31,618	41,873	13,641	18,314	31,955	12,364	86,192
020	January	18,238	65,386	83,624	15,434	76,195	91,629	12,571	187,824
	February	10,448	46,343	56,791	11,748	43,748	55,496	8,366	120,653
	March	8,166	27,972	36,138	7,608	34,782	42,390	4,064	82,592
	April	510	678	1,188	532	1,488	2,020	28	3,236
	May	410	709	1,119	259	940	1,199	0	2,318
	June	628	413	1,041	650	645	1,295	0	2,336
	July	775	711	1,486	473	888	1,361	0	2,847
	August	465	976	1,441	460	687	1,147	428	3,016
	September	683	1,005	1,688	526	1,081	1,607	199	3,494
	October	974	1,125	2,099	731	1,250	1,981	253	4,333
	November	626	875	1,501	949	926	1,875	228	3,604
	December	609	712	1,321	956	521	1,477	347	3,145
21	January	905	1,011	1,916	1,024	880	1,904	9	3,829
	February	1,854	1,251	3,105	907	848	1,755	255	5,11:
	March	895	1,961	2,856	1,190	1,049	2,239	203	5,298
	April	613	813	1,426	844	724	1,568	52	3,040
	May	108	400	508	319	477	796	213	1,51
	June	136	330	466	1,017	891	1,908	0	2,37
	July	221	452	673	686	207	893	117	1,683
	August	441	419	860	777	341	1,118	0	1,978
	September	331	460	791	812	225	1,037	0	1,82
	October	598	578	1,176	1,086	381	1,467	49	2,692
	November	819	717	1,536	1,544	843	2,387	869	4,792
	December	3,334	23,226	26,560	3,435	11,448	14,883	10,597	52,040
22	January	1,903	16,502	18,405	2,716	24,069	26,785	8,186	53,376
	February	1,724	11,014	12,738	3,071	10,033	13,104	3,803	29,645
	March	2,433	21,390	23,823	4,955	16,899	21,854	4,436	50,113
	April	6,675	46,680	53,355	6,754	37,934	44,688	6,058	104,10
	May	4,370	47,813	52,183	8,086	44,021	52,107	7,389	111,679
	June	4,688	62,130	66,818	8,419	51,304	59,723	7,728	134,269
	July	6,218	78,638	84,856	11,296	75,350	86,646	8,652	180,154
	August	6,384	70,110	76,494	11,603	69,274	80,877	8,823	166,194
	September	6,911	72,657	79,568	11,662	59,837	71,499	10,971	162,038
	October	7,865	70,152	78,017	11,387	63,859	75,246	12,814	166,077
	November	9,560	63,646	73,206	11,568	60,924	72,492	11,649	157,347

Note: 1. [p] provisional, [r] revised

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YEAR/MONTH	AUSTRALIA	NEW ZEALAND	USA	CANADA	UNITED (KINGDOM	CONTINENTAL EUROPE	JAPAN	SOUTH KOREA	CHINA	INDIA	HONG KONG		PACIFIC ISLANDS	OTHERS	TOTAL
2017	365,689	184,595	81,198	12,421	16,925	34,638	6,350	8,871	48,796	5,183	939	18,829	53,720	4,730	842,884
2018	365,660	198,718	86,075	13,220	16,297	37,433	11,903	8,176	49,271	5,901	1,061	19,966	51,654	4,974	870,309
2019	367,020	205,998	96,968	13,269	16,856	36,058	14,868	6,806	47,027	6,231	2,142	21,532	54,369	5,245	894,389
2020	58,062	25,316	17,198	2,896	3,487	6,847	2,252	548	9,319	1,185	156	6,453	12,097	1,089	146,905 [
2021	18,569	532	4,233	358	188	401	233	51	2,178	150	2	2,557	2,075	91	31,618 [
2020 January	29,886	11,316	6,209	1,075	1,423	2,802	726	316	4,469	367	65	1,238	5,022	472	65,386 [
February	16,690	8,242	7,020	1,167	1,286	2,524	1,042	161	1,661	469	35	1,014	4,685	347	46,343 [
March	11,260	5,520	3,835	623	723	1,361	460	28	835	276	55	896	1,923	177	27,972 [
April	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	6	277	2	0	386	0	0	678 [
May	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	6	276	0	0	412	9	0	709 [
June	22	4	9	2	8	4	0	1	140	0	0	217	6	0	413 [
July	16	11	21	3	7	20	0	4	261	0	0	333	31	4	711 [
August	39	32	15	4	14 17	48	7	4	270	4	1	464	17	57	976 [
Septembe October		55	22		4	39 16	2 2	6 12	336	21	0	396 580	70 59	2 9	1,005 [
November	33 r 36	33 55	28 18	12 7	5	24	12	0	335 239	2 43	0	296	122	18	1,125 [875 [
December		41	19	3	0	7	1	4	220	1	0	221	153	3	712 [
2021 January	69	46	13	3	4	16	5	11	286	3	0	254	299	2	1,011 [
February	58	22	123	6	13	23	4	10	236	16	0	450	280	10	1,251 [
March	70	32	185	23	10	53	8	1	377	19	0	379	792	12	1,961 [
April	106	31	50	12	2	12	113	2	81	23	0	95	285	1	813 [
May	5	18	32	0	9	3	0	0	166	5	0	158	3	1	400 [
June	11	28	23	1	7	17	0	0	111	7	0	123	1	1	330 [
July	37	39 20	8 51	2	0 4	14 18	10 0	1	136	4	2	195 118	3 2	1 15	452 [
August Septembe	83 r 25	5	28	3	2	22	8	2 3	102 160	3 36	0	118	3	15	419 [460 [
October	39	15	62	4	4	17	8 14	4	181	5	0	203	18	12	578 [
November		25	156	15	9	24	16	2	118	9	0	85	80	8	717 [
December		251	3,502	288	124	182	55	15	224	20	0	336	309	24	23,226 [
2022 January	14,075	179	1,310	109	72	135	79	12	150	7	3	217	130	24	16,502 [
February	7,911	273	1,859	177	80	165	29	21	128	1	2	202	130	36	11,014 [
March	13,220	1,889	3,446	318	201	243	21	15	253	55	6	347	1,285	91	21,390 [
April	30,462	8,298	4,733	565	278	433	61	70	436	127	9	595	481	132	46,680 [
May	27,298	10,871	5,698	741	370	713	66	79	459	155	17	578	607	161	47,813 [
June	33,495	15,117	8,190	758	753	946	84	47	462	238	28	869	971	172	62,130 [
July	37,005	25,237	9,295	1,221	832	1,138	75	112	571	225	13	910	1,792	212	78,638 [
August	32,283	21,457	7,471	1,528	669 454	1,599	97 61	91 40	671	301	23	1,046	2,639	235	70,110 [
Septembe October	r 38,950 34,351	20,512	6,115 7,692	750 916	454 737	1,120 1,526	61 85	49 52	418 588	251 286	1 15	985 907	2,764 3,194	227 193	72,657 [70,152 [
Novembe:		19,610 13,485	7,692	1,194	543	1,526 1,292	85 111	52 95	588 552	286	15 19	907	3,194	193 245	
novembe	33,793	13,463	1,293	1,194	343	1,292	111	93	332	292	19	908	3,022	243	63,646 [

Note :1. As from January 2011, Hong Kong and India were separated from Rest of Asia, while Taiwan was included; 2. [p] provisional, [r] revised Source: Fiji Immigration Department

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PERIOD)	BUSINESS	OFFICIAL CONFERENCE	HOLIDAY	VISITING FRIENDS/ RELATIVES	EDUCATION/ TRAINING	OTHERS	TOTAL
2	2017	33,222	14,708	630,700	74,492	8,541	81,221	842,884
	2018	29,755	14,629	658,585	80,441	7,921	78,978	870,309
	2019	29,882	18,443	656,249	92,026	8,608	89,181	894,389
	2020	4,282	1,788	99,199	15,126	4,132	22,378	146,905
	2021	1,420	24	19,922	2,617	718	6,917	31,618
2020	January	1,171	381	48,023	6,278	2,189	7,344	65,386
	February	1,857	892	30,801	5,636	1,635	5,522	46,343
	March	971	510	20,133	3,043	273	3,042	27,972
	April	3	0	0	0	0	675	678
	May	0	0	0	0	0	709	709
	June	28	0	4	0	0	381	413
	July	5	0	28	6	1	671	711
	August	35	0	78	12	6	845	976
	September	55	0	67	23	0	860	1,005
	October	55	0	29	28	3	1,010	1,125
	November	74	1	23	31	13	733	875
	December	28	4	13	69	12	586	712
021	January	133	4	47	41	99	687	1,011
	February	217	10	54	20	89	861	1,251
	March	295	2	83	46	309	1,226	1,961
	April	123	1	25	28	119	517	813
	May	6	0	56	0	0	338	400
	June	22	0	40	0	18	250	330
	July	30	0	53	1	2	366	452
	August	78	0	70	0	10	261	419
	September	32	0	24	4	3	397	460
	October	68	0	63	7	16	424	578
	November December	195 221	3 4	113 19,294	52 2,418	1 52	353 1,237	717 23,226
022	January	287	13	14,410	932	69	791	16,502
	February	499	20	8,694	1,223	50	528	11,014
	March	670	65	16,505	2,236	887	1,027	21,390
	April	870	144	38,839	5,128	150	1,549	46,680
	May	1,646	414	37,319	6,467	171	1,796	47,813
	June	1,241	187	50,023	8,054	172	2,453	62,130
	July	1,400	503	63,375	10,004	270	3,086	78,638
	August	1,569	669	56,037	7,257	327	4,251	70,110
	September	1,544	381	60,918	4,873	366	4,575	72,657
	October	933	304	58,835	4,543	117	5,420	70,152
	November	1,783	1,129	52,284	3,970	23	4,457	63,646

Note: 1. [p] provisional, [r] revised Source: Fiji Immigration Department

TABLE 4

VISITOR ARRIVALS FROM CONTINENTAL EUROPE

YEA	R/MONTH	SPAIN	FRANCE	ITALY SW	/ITZERLAND NETHI	ERLANDS G	SERMANY	AUSTRIA	DENMARK	FINLAND	NORWAY	RUSSIA	SWEDEN	REST OF EUROPE	TOTAL
20)17	1,412	5,798	3,039	2,552	1,700	9,071	994	1,442	573	1,016	782	1,497	4,762	34,638
	018	1,561	6,443	3,359	2,583	1,770	9,658	959	1,500	631	996	863	1,513	5,597	37,433
)19	1,549	5,644	3,259	2,253	1,835	8,871	791	1,677	620	905	1,116	1,470	6,068	36,058
20	020	160	907	273	536	362	2,041	197	297	151	146	277	367	1,133	6,847 [p]
20)21	13	115	36	23	8	43	13	5	6	7	22	13	97	401 [p]
2020	January	80		124	241	152	788	70	100	72	81	123	151	489	2,802 [p]
	February	44		90	191	134	756	88	111	60	42	75	135	404	2,524 [p]
	March	24		50	98	70	483	31	85	18	21	53	73	213	1,361 [p]
	April	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 [p]
	May	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2 [p]
	June	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4 [p]
	July	2		5	0	0	5 2	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	20 [p]
	August	3	15	0 3	0 5	1	2 2	0 8	1 0	0	2	8 5	8	8	48 [p]
	September October	4	6	3 1	0	3	1	8	0	1	0	0	0	8 3	39 [p] 16 [p]
	November	1	7	0	0	3 1	4	0	0	0	0	7	0	4	24 [p]
	December	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7 [p]
2021	January	0	3	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	16 [p]
	February	0	9	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	23 [p]
	March	1	11	2	0	1	5	5	0	0	0	9	1	18	53 [p]
	April	0		1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	12 [p]
	May	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3 [p]
	June	0		1	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	7	17 [p]
	July	0	2	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	14 [p]
	August	0		0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	4	18 [p]
	September	1	5	7	0	1	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	22 [p]
	October November	0		3 1	0 1	0	0	1 4	0	0	0	0	2	8 10	17 [p]
	December	10	6 59	15	20	6	19	0	5	2	4	3	7	32	24 [p] 182 [p]
2022	January	32	37	5	9	3	6	3	10	2	1	1	4	22	135 [p]
	February	3	49	9	6	4	29	6	3	6	10	3	7	30	165 [p]
	March	15		12	17	6	44	6	0	4	0	7	6	54	243 [p]
	April	38		19	21	24	62	6	58	8	7	4	8	117	433 [p]
	May	35		50	41	30	112	18	62	6	21	4	27	118	713 [p]
	June	77	203	65	39	39	147	19	110	5	55	7	33	147	946 [p]
	July	74		127	87	59	176	14	52	9	54	10	31	214	1,138 [p]
	August	145		456	58	78 70	261	42	18	4	15	11	31	234	1,599 [p]
	September	63		172	70	50	238	19	139	13	26	12	16	141	1,120 [p]
	October	119		229	101	75 72	307	45	75	26	39	25	49	195	1,526 [p]
	November	71	117	63	87	72	354	18	58	16	40	16	48	332	1,292 [p]

Note: 1. As from January 2011, Russia was excluded from Rest of Europe and Belgium included; 2. [p] provisional, [r] revised.

Source: Fiji Immigration Department

TABLE 5

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE, SEX AND AGE - NOVEMBER 2022

AGE GROUP	AUSTI	RALIA	NEW ZE	ALAND	US	A	CANAD)A	UNITE		CONTINE		CHINA		ОТН	ERS	TOT	AL	TOTAL	%
YEARS	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
< 1	52	43	11	25	3	4	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	3	2	71	76	147	0.2
01-02	528	489	146	147	35	32	7	7	1	2	6	6	0	0	31	23	754	706	1,460	2.3
03-04	496	469	120	141	19	35	9	5	6	1	5	5	0	1	16	20	671	677	1,348	2.1
05-09	983	995	350	322	128	107	15	16	3	1	9	10	1	1	64	58	1,553	1,510	3,063	4.8
10-14	683	671	274	273	123	103	10	12	0	1	7	5	0	1	39	57	1,136	1,123	2,259	3.5
15-19	1,413	2,065	213	267	98	100	10	14	2	5	8	6	1	2	55	66	1,800	2,525	4,325	6.8
20-24	739	1,397	471	640	88	114	12	17	11	31	45	74	21	10	255	170	1,642	2,453	4,095	6.4
25-29	1,058	1,459	534	624	190	243	25	33	22	40	64	87	32	8	389	230	2,314	2,724	5,038	7.9
30-34	1,250	1,604	596	707	294	341	44	44	38	36	89	108	55	19	432	269	2,798	3,128	5,926	9.3
35-39	1,450	1,609	539	574	297	346	45	56	29	14	81	61	55	6	454	250	2,950	2,916	5,866	9.2
40-44	1,336	1,382	553	536	313	360	40	46	20	11	54	41	60	8	441	264	2,817	2,648	5,465	8.6
45-49	994	1,079	478	501	267	345	46	47	13	4	38	24	52	5	348	208	2,236	2,213	4,449	7.0
50-54	1,076	1,170	512	591	325	358	41	61	14	11	52	51	61	18	287	186	2,368	2,446	4,814	7.6
55-59	982	1,092	500	545	334	353	59	54	23	29	63	55	45	22	222	142	2,228	2,292	4,520	7.1
60-64	921	1,040	448	458	302	328	58	64	33	28	49	43	24	10	169	92	2,004	2,063	4,067	6.4
65 & OVER	1,671	1,599	706	683	648	660	147	149	61	52	86	58	16	18	155	95	3,490	3,314	6,804	10.7
TOTAL ALL																				
AGES TOTAL BOTH	15,632	18,163	6,451	7,034	3,464	3,829	568	626	277	266	657	635	423	129	3,360	2,132	30,832	32,814	63,646	100.0
SEXES	33,7	195	13,4	185	7,29	03	1,194		543		1,292		552		5,49	92	63,6	46		
PERCENTAGE TO TOTAL Note: Percentage m	53		21.		11.	4	1.9		0.9		2.0		0.9		8.6	5	100	.0		

Note: Percentage may not sum to 100 due to rounding of figures

TABLE 6 RESIDENT DEPARTURE BY FINAL DESTINATION AND BY PURPOSE OF ABSENCE - NOVEMBER 2022

					VISITING				
				EDUCATION/	FRIENDS/				
COUNTRY/PURPOSE	HOLIDAY	BUSINESS EMPLOYMENT		TRAINING	RELATIVES	EMIGRATION	OTHERS	TOTAL	
Australia	1,883	187	366	195	1,364	146	128	4,269	
% to total	44.1	4.4	8.6	4.6	32.0	3.4	3.0	100.0	
New Zealand	1,877	157	413	260	1,169	321	86	4,283	
% to total	43.8	3.7	9.6	6.1	27.3	7.5	2.0	100.0	
United States of America	378	27	73	37	204	76	27	822	
% to total	46.0	3.3	8.9	4.5	24.8	9.2	3.3	100.0	
Canada	1	2	2	1	98	7	4	115	
% to total	0.9	1.7	1.7	0.9	85.2	6.1	3.5	100.0	
United Kingdom	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
% to total	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	
Continental Europe	5	4	0	0	3	0	2	14	
% to total	35.7	28.6	0.0	0.0	21.4	0.0	14.3	100.0	
Japan	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	
% to total	25.0	50.0	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	
South Korea	1	2	1	0	4	0	1	9	
% to total	11.1	22.2	11.1	0.0	44.4	0.0	11.1	100.0	
China	15	14	4	0	7	0	14	54	
% to total	27.8	25.9	7.4	0.0	13.0	0.0	25.9	100.0	
Rest of Asia	312	53	19	8	155	0	138	685	
% to total	45.5	7.7	2.8	1.2	22.6	0.0	20.1	100.0	
Pacific Islands	128	67	358	90	437	0	179	1,259	
% to total	10.2	5.3	28.4	7.1	34.7	0.0	14.2	100.0	
Others	7	1	35	0	2	0	3	48	
% to total	14.6	2.1	72.9	0.0	4.2	0.0	6.3	100.0	
TOTAL	4,614	516	1,272	591	3,443	550	582	11,568	
PERCENTAGE TO TOTAL	39.9	4.5	11.0	5.1	29.8	4.8	5.0	100.0	

Note: Percentage may not sum to 100 due to rounding of figures Source: Fiji Immigration Department