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PROVISIONAL VISITOR ARRIVALS – OCTOBER 2022

Provisional numbers show that visitor arrivals for October 2022 totaled 70,152. This is a decrease of 3.4% compared to September 2022.

Figure 1: Visitor Arrivals from October 2018 to October 2022



Figure 1 shows visitor arrivals for the month of October 2018 to 2022. While visitor arrival numbers for October 2022 has greatly improved, the number is lower [9.4%] compared to the visitor arrival numbers for October from the pre-COVID era in 2019.

Of the 70,152 visitors, 69,052 came by air while 1,100 came by sea. The sea arrivals were mostly seamen on fishing vessels (1,031) and 69 arrivals by yachts.

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



These Countries accounted for 93.4% of the total Visitor Arrivals for October 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 (64.1%), which accounts for the vast majority of the working age population. Children aged 14 and below accounted for 17.1% of the October visitor arrivals; 11.8% comprising those in the predominantly retirement age group of 65 and over, with the remaining 7.0% were youths aged 15-24.

Figure 3 below shows a significant gender differential in the age groups 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 60-64 and 65 and over.

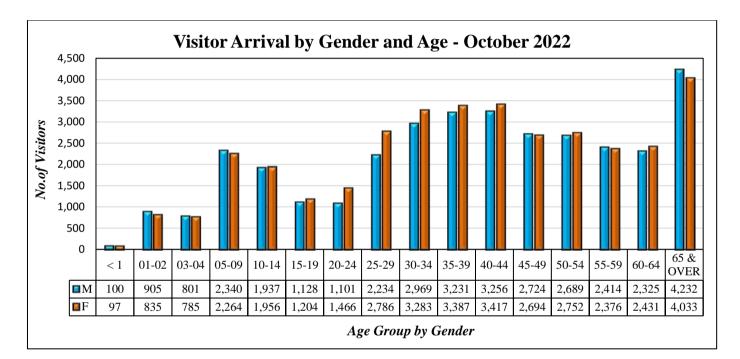


Figure 3: Visitor Arrivals by Gender and Age – October 2022

Resident Departures for October 2022

A total of 11,387 Fiji Residents departed our shores during the month of October of which 8,642 or 75.9% were for a short-term absence of under three months and 955 or 8.4% were for over three months and within 12 months period. A total of 1,790 or 15.7% 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;

- Visiting Friends or Relatives 40.2%
- Holiday 38.2%
- Business 10.1%
- Employment 4.1%
- Education/Training 3.9%
- Others -3.6%.

Table 1: Resident Departures for October 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	3,304 (38.2%)	0	0	0	3,304	29.0%
Visiting Friends or Relatives	3,473 (40.2%)	386	0	0	3,859	33.9%
Business	871 (10.1%)	0	0	0	871	7.6%
Employment	351 (4.1%)	463	895	52	1,761	15.5%
Education/Training	334 (3.9%)	72	300	0	706	6.2%
Emigration	0	0	0	378	378	3.3%
Others	309 (3.6%)	34	57	108	508	4.5%
Grand Total	8,642 (100%)	955	1,252	538	11,387	
% To Grand Total	75.9%	8.4%	11.0%	4.7%		100.0%

Note: Percentage October 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 - October 2022; and

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

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TABLE 1

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

								TOTAL	
	MONTH	RESIDENT	ARRIVALS VISITORS	TOTAL	RESIDENT	DEPARTURES VISITORS	TOTAL	IN TRANSIT	PASSENGER
EAK/I	MONTH	KESIDENI	VISITORS	TOTAL	KESIDENI	VISITORS	TOTAL	IKANSII	MOVEMENTS
20	017	158,300	842,884	1,001,184	168,662	800,441	969,103	93,857	2,064,144
20	018	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	021	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
,20	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	5,115
	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	3,046
	May	108	400	508	319	477	796	213	1,517
	June	136	330	466	1,017	891	1,908	0	2,374
	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	1,828
	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	104,101
	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

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

VISITOR ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

YEAR/MO	ONTH AUSTRA	LIA	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		,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		,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		,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 Jan	•	,886	11,316	6,209	1,075	1,423	2,802	726	316	4,469	367	65	1,238	5,022	472	65,386 [
	•	,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 [
Ma		,260	5,520	3,835	623	723	1,361	460	28	835	276	55	896	1,923	177	27,972 [
Apr		0	5	2	0	0	0	0	6	277	2	0	386	0	0	678 [j
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July	y gust	39	32	15	4	14	48	7	4	270	4	1	333 464	17	57	976 [
	gust otember	39	55	22	0	17	39	2	6	336	21	0	396	70	2	1,005 [
	tober	33	33	28	12	4	16	2	12	335	2	0	580	59	9	1,125
	vember	36	55	18	7	5	24	12	0	239	43	0	296	122	18	875 [
Dec	cember	39	41	19	3	0	7	1	4	220	1	0	221	153	3	712 [
2021 Jan	-	69	46	13	3	4	16	5	11	286	3	0	254	299	2	1,011 [
	oruary	58	22	123	6	13	23	4	10	236	16	0	450	280	10	1,251 []
Ma		70	32 31	185 50	23 12	10 2	53	8	1	377 81	19	0	379 95	792 285	12	1,961 [
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July		37	39	8	2	0	14	10	1	136	4	2	195	3	1	452 [
-	gust	83	20	51	1	4	18	0	2	102	3	0	118	2	15	419 [
,	otember	25	5	28	3	2	22	8	3	160	36	0	161	3	4	460 [
Oct	tober	39	15	62	4	4	17	14	4	181	5	0	203	18	12	578 [
No	vember	170	25	156	15	9	24	16	2	118	9	0	85	80	8	717 [
Dec	cember 17	,896	251	3,502	288	124	182	55	15	224	20	0	336	309	24	23,226 [
2022 Jan		,075	179	1,310	109	72	135	79	12	150	7	3	217	130	24	16,502 [
		,911	273	1,859	177	80	165	29	21	128	1	2	202	130	36	11,014 [
Ma		,220	1,889	3,446	318	201 278	243 433	21	15	253	55 127	6 9	347	1,285 481	91 132	21,390 [
Ap		,462 ,298	8,298 10,871	4,733 5,698	565 741	278 370	433 713	61 66	70 79	436 459	155	9 17	595 578	481 607	132 161	46,680 [j 47,813 [j
Ma Jun		,298 ,495	15,117	8,190	741	753	946	84	79 47	462	238	28	378 869	971	172	62,130 [
Jul		,005	25,237	9,295	1,221	832	1,138	75	112	571	236	13	910	1,792	212	78,638 [j
	•	,283	21,457	7,471	1,528	669	1,599	97	91	671	301	23	1,046	2,639	235	70,110 [
,		,950	20,512	6,115	750	454	1,120	61	49	418	251	1	985	2,764	227	72,657 [
1		,351	19,610	7,692	916	737	1,526	85	52	588	286	15	907	3,194	193	70,152

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

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	
	018	29,755	14,629	658,585	80,441	7,921	78,978	870,309	
	019	29,882	18,443	656,249	92,026	8,608	89,181	894,389	
	020	4,282	1,788	99,199	15,126	4,132	22,378	146,905	αl
2	2021	1,420	24	19,922	2,617	718	6,917	31,618	[p
2020	January	1,171	381	48,023	6,278	2,189	7.344	65,386	์ตใ
	February	1,857	892	30,801	5,636	1,635	5,522	46,343	g
	March	971	510	20,133	3,043	273	3,042	27,972	g
	April	3	0	0	0	0	675	678	g
	May	0	0	0	0	0	709	709	[p
	June	28	0	4	0	0	381	413	[p]
	July	5	0	28	6	1	671	711	[p]
	August	35	0	78	12	6	845	976	[p]
	September	55	0	67	23	0	860	1,005	[p]
	October	55	0	29	28	3	1,010	1,125	[p
	November	74	1	23	31	13	733	875	[p
	December	28	4	13	69	12	586	712	[p]
2021	January	133	4	47	41	99	687	1,011	[p]
	February	217	10	54	20	89	861	1,251	[p]
	March	295	2	83	46	309	1,226	1,961	[p
	April	123	1	25	28	119	517	813	[p
	May	6	0	56	0	0	338	400	[p
	June	22	0	40	0	18	250	330	[p.
	July	30	0	53	1	2	366	452	[b]
	August	78	0	70	0	10	261	419	ĮP.
	September October	32 68	0	24 63	4 7	3 16	397 424	460	ľb.
	November	195	0 3	113	52	10	424 353	578 717	ľb.
	December	221	4	19,294	2,418	52	1,237	23,226	[p]
2022	January	287	13	14,410	932	69	791	16,502	[p]
	February	499	20	8,694	1,223	50	528	11,014	[p]
	March	670	65	16,505	2,236	887	1,027	21,390	[p]
	April	870	144	38,839	5,128	150	1,549	46,680	[p
	May	1,646	414	37,319	6,467	171	1,796	47,813	[p
	June	1,241	187	50,023	8,054	172	2,453	62,130	[p
	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	[p]

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

TABLE 4

VISITOR ARRIVALS FROM CONTINENTAL EUROPE

2021 13	YEA	R/MONTH	SPAIN	FRANCE	ITALY SV	WITZERLAND NETHE	RLANDS	GERMANY	AUSTRIA	DENMARK	FINLAND	NORWAY	RUSSIA	SWEDEN	REST OF EUROPE	TOTAL
2019	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
2020	20	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
2020 January 80 331 124 241 152 788 70 100 72 81 123 151 489 2,802	20)19	1,549	5,644	3,259	2,253	1,835	8,871	791		620	905		1,470	6,068	
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February	20)21	13	115	36	23	8	43	13	5	6	7	22	13	97	401 [p]
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May			24	142	50	98	70	483	31	85	18	21	53	73	213	1,361 [p]
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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 - OCTOBER 2022

AGE GROUP	AUSTE	RALIA	NEW ZE	ALAND	US	A	CANAD	A	UNITE		CONTINE		CHINA	1	ОТН	ERS	тот	AL	TOTAL	%
YEARS	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
< 1	60	61	32	24	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	100	97	100	97	197	0.3
01-02	582	548	249	226	28	26	4	4	4	1	9	7	2	1	905	835	905	835	1,740	2.5
03-04	511	490	239	235	22	26	1	4	3	2	7	3	3	2	801	785	801	785	1,586	2.2
05-09	1,361	1,317	798	796	74	62	8	14	3	6	16	11	1	7	2,340	2,264	2,340	2,264	4,604	6.6
10-14	991	951	799	855	53	61	4	8	11	8	11	13	1	1	1,937	1,956	1,937	1,956	3,893	5.5
15-19	488	481	475	562	42	55	7	9	5	6	25	18	4	1	1,128	1,204	1,128	1,204	2,332	3.3
20-24	460	750	297	388	57	102	7	11	14	26	46	78	14	5	1,101	1,466	1,101	1,466	2,567	3.7
25-29	1,076	1,501	451	631	194	245	21	29	50	67	59	93	31	13	2,234	2,786	2,234	2,786	5,020	7.2
30-34	1,341	1,626	641	797	331	358	31	41	42	43	145	161	50	12	2,969	3,283	2,969	3,283	6,252	8.9
35-39	1,578	1,817	794	880	292	314	31	29	29	15	94	80	58	14	3,231	3,387	3,231	3,387	6,618	9.4
40-44	1,616	1,771	869	993	288	321	31	32	30	12	58	58	64	12	3,256	3,417	3,256	3,417	6,673	9.5
45-49	1,229	1,211	784	895	291	316	29	28	26	16	46	35	75	12	2,724	2,694	2,724	2,694	5,418	7.7
50-54	1,095	1,263	828	861	328	346	31	44	24	24	50	48	95	12	2,689	2,752	2,689	2,752	5,441	7.8
55-59	1,039	1,102	650	596	372	417	45	54	34	33	54	45	36	15	2,414	2,376	2,414	2,376	4,790	6.8
60-64	1,019	1,216	556	559	434	417	54	63	42	31	54	47	18	13	2,325	2,431	2,325	2,431	4,756	6.8
65 & OVER	1,921	1,879	971	879	909	907	116	123	71	59	88	67	7	8	4,232	4,033	4,232	4,033	8,265	11.8
TOTAL ALL																				
AGES	16,367	17,984	9,433	10,177	3,715	3,977	423	493	388	349	762	764	460	128	2,838	1,894	34,386	35,766	70,152	100.0
TOTAL BOTH SEXES	34,3	351	19,6	10	7,69	92	916		737		1,526		588		4,73	32	70,1	52		
PERCENTAGE	40	0	20	0		0	1.0				2:		0.6				100	0		
TO TOTAL Note: Percentage m	49		28.		11.	U	1.3		1.1		2.1		0.8		6.7	<u> </u>	100	.υ		

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

TABLE 6

RESIDENT DEPARTURE BY FINAL DESTINATION AND BY PURPOSE OF ABSENCE - OCTOBER 2022

				EDUCATION/	VISITING FRIENDS/			
COUNTRY/PURPOSE	HOLIDAY	BUSINESS EMP	PLOYMENT	TRAINING	RELATIVES	EMIGRATION	OTHERS	TOTAL
Australia	1,252	251	603	338	1,449	87	80	4,060
% to total	30.8	6.2	14.9	8.3	35.7	2.1	2.0	100.0
New Zealand	1,294	134	634	199	1,578	218	58	4,115
% to total	31.4	3.3	15.4	4.8	38.3	5.3	1.4	100.0
United States of America	248	67	65	29	403	73	10	895
% to total	27.7	7.5	7.3	3.2	45.0	8.2	1.1	100.0
Canada	4	4	1	0	6	0	3	18
% to total	22.2	22.2	5.6	0.0	33.3	0.0	16.7	100.0
United Kingdom	5	2	1	0	2	0	2	12
% to total	41.7	16.7	8.3	0.0	16.7	0.0	16.7	100.0
Continental Europe	5	3	1	0	7	0	9	25
% to total	20.0	12.0	4.0	0.0	28.0	0.0	36.0	100.0
Japan	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	5
% to total	60.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	20.0	100.0
South Korea	4	2	0	0	3	0	2	11
% to total	36.4	18.2	0.0	0.0	27.3	0.0	18.2	100.0
China	13	2	0	0	13	0	22	50
% to total	26.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	26.0	0.0	44.0	100.0
Rest of Asia	374	64	1	18	169	0	85	711
% to total	52.6	9.0	0.1	2.5	23.8	0.0	12.0	100.0
Pacific Islands	99	336	184	122	217	0	222	1,180
% to total	8.4	28.5	15.6	10.3	18.4	0.0	18.8	100.0
Others	3	6	271	0	11	0	14	305
% to total	1.0	2.0	88.9	0.0	3.6	0.0	4.6	100.0
TOTAL	3,304	871	1,761	706	3,859	378	508	11,387
PERCENTAGE TO TOTAL	29.0	7.6	15.5	6.2	33.9	3.3	4.5	100.0

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Source: Fiji Immigration Department