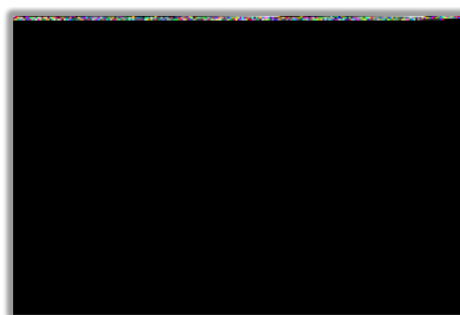


## SUMMARY

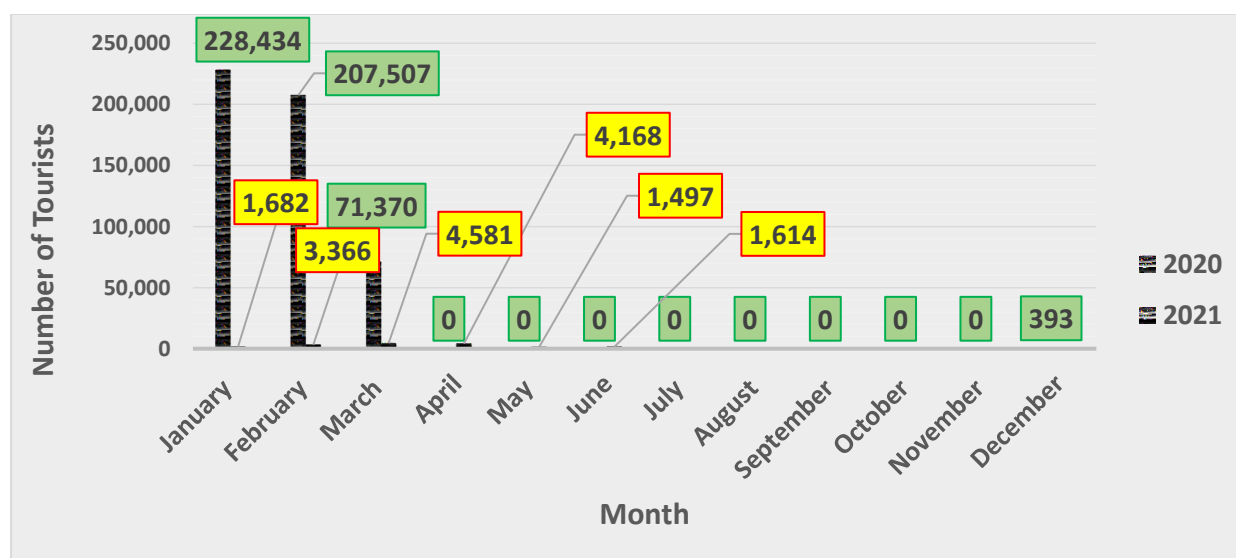
The total number of international tourist arrivals to Sri Lanka during June 2021 was 1,614. The sharp contraction in arrivals observed after the month of April continued in the Months of May and June owing to the closure of borders and travel restrictions from specific countries such as India and regions such as South African and South American region. As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021, 16,908 of tourists had visited Sri Lanka for this year. It is a decline of 96.7 % over last year when 507,311 tourists had visited the country from January to 18th March. The figures reflect the evolution of COVID- 19 and its palpable impact on the travel and tourism industry.

The largest source markets recorded for the month of June was France, followed by the China, and Germany.

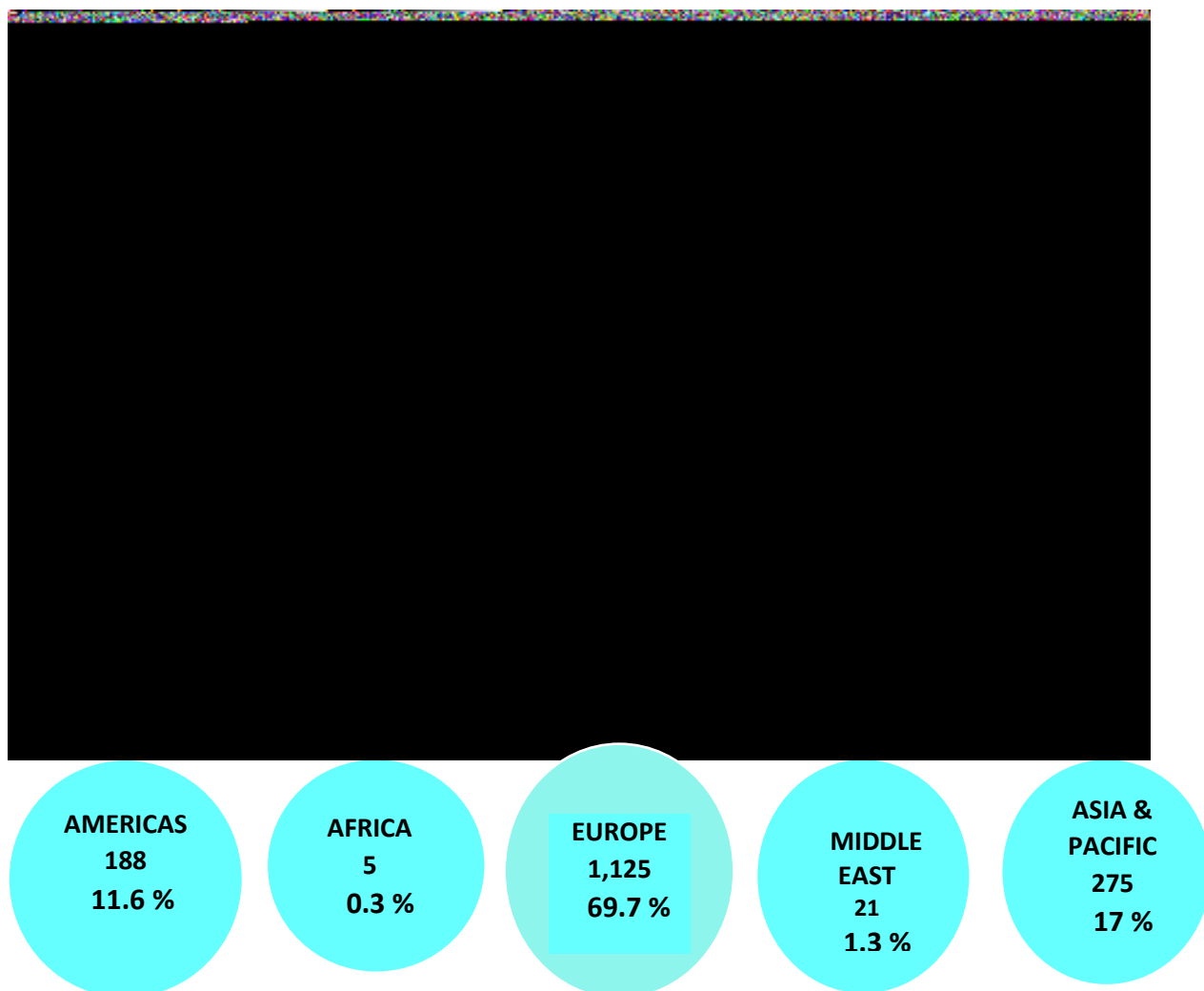
Month	2020	2021	% change 2021/20
January	228,434	1,682	(99.3)
February	207,507	3,366	(98.4)
March	71,370	4,581	(93.6)
April	0	4,168	-
May	0	1,497	-
June	0	1,614	-
July	0	-	-
August	0	-	-
September	0	-	-
October	0	-	-
November	0	-	-
December	393	-	-
<b>Total (Jan ~ June)</b>	<b>507,311</b>	<b>16,908</b>	<b>(96.7)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>507,704</b>		



**Tourist Arrivals – June**  
**1,614**



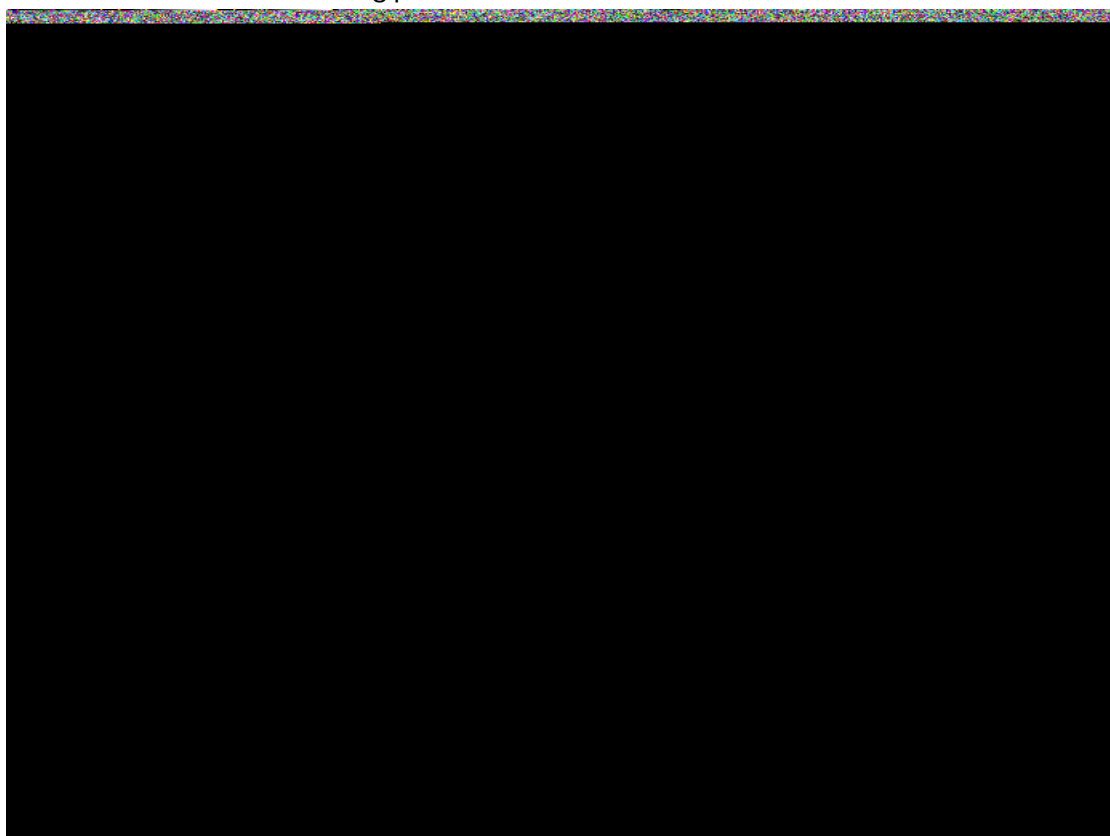
## TOURIST ARRIVALS BY REGION AND PERCENTAGE SHARE- JUNE 2021



Europe became the largest source of tourist traffic to Sri Lanka with 69.7 % of the total traffic received in June 2021. Asia and Pacific accounted for 17% of the total traffic, Americas 11.6 %, Middle East 1.3 % and Africa 0.3%. In comparison to arrivals up to June last year all regions have recorded a decline in arrivals. The emergence of new variants resulting in escalating COVID 19 cases, strict travel restrictions including mandatory testing, quarantines and local lockdowns have contributed to the curtailment in international travel (UNWTO Barometer, Volume 19- March 2021).

## TOP TEN SOURCE MARKETS- JUNE 2021

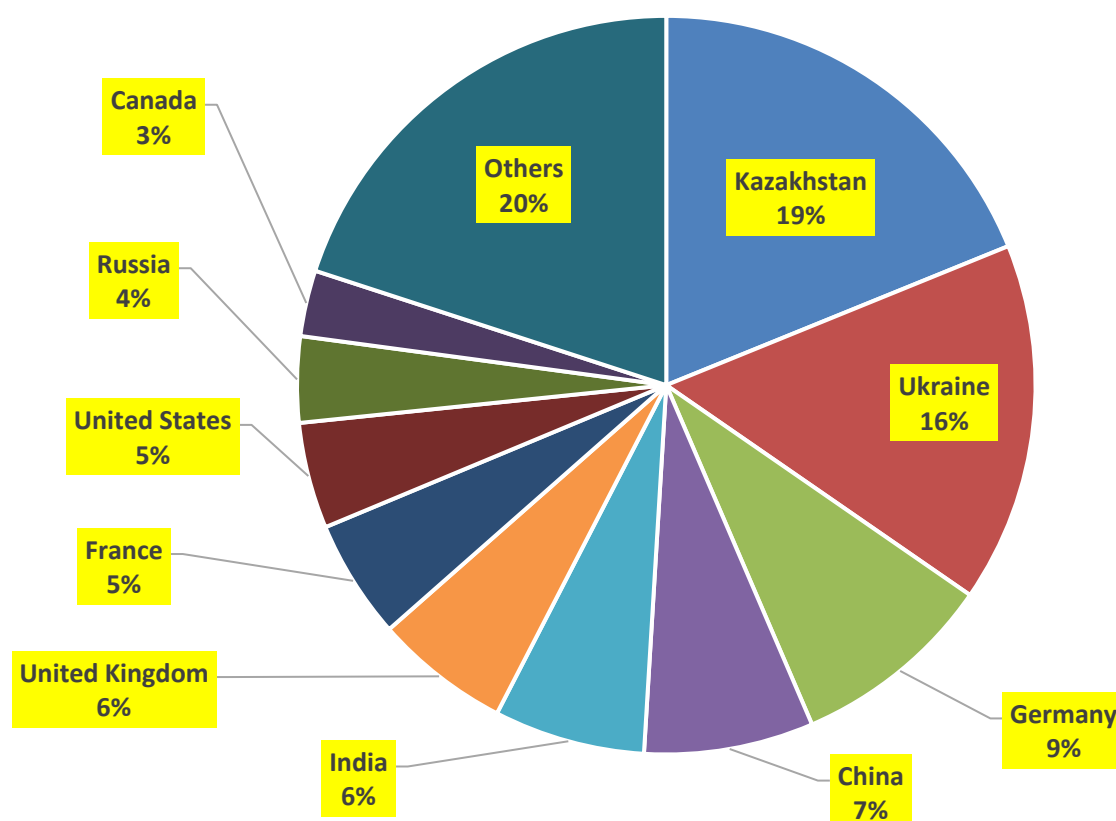
France, China, Germany, United Kingdom and United States were Sri Lanka's top five international tourist generating markets in the month of June this year. France was the largest source of tourist traffic to Sri Lanka with 40.5 % of the total traffic received in above period. The visit of a group of French Navy personnel to the island has significantly resulted in France moving up to the top source market. China accounted for 10.9 % of the total traffic; while Germany, United Kingdom and United States accounted for 8.5%, 7.5% and 7.3% respectively. The presence of countries from the Americas, Western, Central & Eastern Europe and Asia Pacific regions among the top source markets reflects the gradual revitalization of tourism industry fuelled by factors such as gradual improvement of traveller confidence, lifting of travel restrictions and roll out of the COVID 19 vaccine. It is noteworthy that India which was gradually regaining its position as the top source market is no longer in the list owing to the travel restrictions imposed in the wake of the escalating pandemic situation in India.



Rank	Country of Residence	Tourist Arrivals June 2021			Tourist Arrivals June 2020
		By Air	By Sea	Total	
1	FRANCE	38	616	654	0
2	CHINA	176	0	176	0
3	GERMANY	137	0	137	0
4	UNITED KINGDOM	121	0	121	0
5	UNITED STATES	118	0	118	0
6	CANADA	67	0	67	0
7	RUSSIA	33	0	33	0
8	NORWAY	32	0	32	0
9	SWITZERLAND	27	0	27	0
10	MALDIVES	22	0	22	0

## TOP TEN SOURCE MARKETS – JANUARY TO JUNE- 2021

Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Germany, China and India were Sri Lanka's top five international tourist generating markets from January to June this year. Kazakhstan was the largest source of tourist traffic to Sri Lanka with 19% of the total traffic received from January to June 2021. Ukraine accounted for 16% of the total traffic; while Germany, China & India accounted for 9%, 7% & 6% respectively. It is noteworthy that total arrivals up to June from Kazakhstan had recorded a growth in comparison to total arrivals up to June 2020 owing to the pilot project carried out to revive the industry following a 10-month pandemic-induced closure.



Rank	Country of Residence	Tourist Arrivals (Jan – June ) 2021	Tourist Arrivals (Jan – June ) 2020	% Change (Jan -June 2021& Jan -June 2020)
1	Kazakhstan	3,188	2,333	36.6
2	Ukraine	2,666	16,776	(84.2)
3	Germany	1,508	34,507	(96.0)
4	China	1,255	26,147	(98.8)
5	India	1,119	89,357	(95.9)
6	United Kingdom	1,002	55,455	(98.4)
7	France	881	24,838	(96.0)
8	United States	786	16,842	(98.8)
9	Russia	636	49,397	(96.6)
10	Canada	488	12,436	(96.0)

## INTERNATIONAL TOURIST ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

		June 2021			Total Tourist Arrivals June 2020	% Change June (21/20)	Total Tourist Arrivals up to June 2021	Total Tourist Arrivals up to June 2020	% Change up to June 2021/20
		Tourist Arrivals							
		By Air	By Sea	Total					
<u>AMERICAS</u>		188	0	188	0	-	1,334	31,843	(95.8)
North America		186	0	186	0	-	1,281	29,627	(95.7)
Canada		67	0	67	0	-	488	12,436	(96.1)
Mexico		1	0	1	0	-	7	349	(98.0)
United States		118	0	118	0	-	786	16,842	(95.3)
Caribbean & Central America		0	0	0	0	-	14	226	(93.8)
Costa Rica		0	0	0	0	-	0	33	(100.0)
Jamaica		0	0	0	0	-	1	25	(96.0)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	13	168	(92.3)
South America		2	0	2	0	-	39	1,990	(98.0)
Argentina		0	0	0	0	-	6	416	(98.6)
Brazil		1	0	1	0	-	15	875	(98.3)
Chile		0	0	0	0	-	1	271	(99.6)
Colombia		1	0	1	0	-	13	201	(93.5)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	4	227	(98.2)
<u>AFRICA</u>		5	0	5	0	-	106	2,880	(96.3)
North Africa		1	0	1	0	-	7	689	(99.0)
Morocco		1	0	1	0	-	4	311	(98.7)
Sudan		0	0	0	0	-	2	143	(98.6)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	1	235	(99.6)
Sub-Saharan Africa		4	0	4	0	-	99	2,191	(95.5)
Kenya		0	0	0	0	-	2	110	(98.2)
Mauritius		0	0	0	0	-	3	170	(98.2)
Nigeria		0	0	0	0	-	2	25	(92.0)
South Africa		2	0	2	0	-	66	1,364	(95.2)
Others		2	0	2	0	-	26	522	(95.0)

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		Tourist Arrivals							
		By Air	By Sea	Total					
<b><u>ASIA &amp; PACIFIC</u></b>		<b>275</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,254</b>	<b>181,154</b>	<b>(98.2)</b>
<b>North East Asia</b>		<b>187</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>37,320</b>	<b>(96.4)</b>
China		176	0	176	0	-	1,255	26,147	(95.2)
Japan		11	0	11	0	-	60	6,644	(99.1)
South Korea		0	0	0	0	-	15	2,499	(99.4)
Taiwan		0	0	0	0	-	8	1,985	(99.6)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	0	45	(100.0)
<b>South East Asia</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>14,927</b>	<b>(98.7)</b>
Cambodia		0	0	0	0	-	1	372	(99.7)
Indonesia		9	0	9	0	-	27	1,114	(97.6)
Malaysia		0	0	0	0	-	17	3,494	(99.5)
Myanmar		2	0	2	0	-	15	532	(97.2)
Philippines		6	0	6	0	-	89	4,249	(97.9)
Singapore		1	0	1	0	-	21	2,545	(99.2)
Thailand		0	0	0	0	-	14	1,880	(99.3)
Vietnam		0	0	0	0	-	12	709	(98.3)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	0	32	(100.0)
<b>Oceania</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>22,706</b>	<b>(99.1)</b>
Australia		13	0	13	0	-	163	20,283	(99.2)
New Zealand		6	0	6	0	-	40	2,342	(98.3)
Others		3	0	3	0	-	3	99	(97.0)
<b>South Asia</b>		<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,514</b>	<b>106,201</b>	<b>(98.6)</b>
Afghanistan		1	0	1	0	-	4	146	(97.3)
Bangladesh		2	0	2	0	-	22	1,986	(98.9)
Bhutan		0	0	0	0	-	2	208	(99.0)
India		5	0	5	0	-	1,119	89,357	(98.7)
Iran		2	0	2	0	-	74	648	(88.6)
Maldives		22	0	22	0	-	213	9,407	(97.7)
Nepal		3	0	3	0	-	10	1,384	(99.3)
Pakistan		13	0	13	0	-	70	3,065	(97.7)

		June2021			Total Tourist Arrivals June 2020	% Change June (21/20)	Total Tourist Arrivals up to June 2021	Total Tourist Arrivals up to June 2020	% Change up to June 2021/20
		Tourist Arrivals							
		By Air	By Sea	Total					
<b><u>EUROPE</u></b>		<b>509</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,916</b>	<b>281,203</b>	<b>(95.8)</b>
<b>Northern Eur.</b>		<b>169</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>75,146</b>	<b>(98.3)</b>
Denmark		1	0	1	0	-	48	4,905	(99.0)
Finland		0	0	0	0	-	24	2,298	(99.0)
Norway		32	0	32	0	-	86	3,019	(97.2)
Sweden		14	0	14	0	-	71	7,061	(99.0)
United Kingdom		121	0	121	0	-	1002	55,455	(98.2)
Others		1	0	1	0	-	60	2,408	(97.5)
<b>Western Eur.</b>		<b>233</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,996</b>	<b>82,229</b>	<b>(96.4)</b>
Austria		8	0	8	0	-	111	4,300	(97.4)
Belgium		3	0	3	0	-	42	3,371	(98.8)
France		38	616	654	0	-	881	24,838	(96.5)
Germany		137	0	137	0	-	1,508	34,507	(95.6)
Netherlands		20	0	20	0	-	157	8,656	(98.2)
Switzerland		27	0	27	0	-	285	6,389	(95.5)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	12	168	(92.9)
<b>Central/ Eastern Europe</b>		<b>68</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,190</b>	<b>100,373</b>	<b>(92.8)</b>
Belarus		0	0	0	0	-	81	2,638	(96.9)
Czech Republic		4	0	4	0	-	130	7,599	(98.3)
Estonia		1	0	1	0	-	34	1,185	(97.1)
Hungary		0	0	0	0	-	19	1,588	(98.8)
Kazakhstan		0	0	0	0	-	3,188	2,333	36.6
Lithuania		4	0	4	0	-	23	1,054	(97.8)
Poland		2	0	2	0	-	93	11,908	(99.2)
Romania		6	0	6	0	-	46	1,724	(97.3)
Russian Federation		33	0	33	0	-	636	49,397	(98.7)
Slovakia		6	0	6	0	-	93	1,513	(93.9)
Ukraine		9	0	9	0	-	2,666	16,776	(84.1)
Others		3	0	3	0	-	181	2,658	(93.2)



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		Tourist Arrivals							
		By Air	By Sea	Total					
Southern / Mediterranean Europe		39	0	39	0	-	439	23,455	(98.1)
Greece		0	0	0	0	-	10	1,573	(99.4)
Italy		16	0	16	0	-	147	8,603	(98.3)
Portugal		3	0	3	0	-	20	1,602	(98.7)
Spain		10	0	10	0	-	114	3,385	(96.6)
Turkey		3	0	3	0	-	42	2,121	(98.0)
Israel		3	0	3	0	-	59	3,556	(98.3)
Others		4	0	4	0	-	47	2,615	(98.2)
MIDDLE EAST		21	0	21	0	-	298	10,231	(97.1)
Bahrain		0	0	0	0	-	23	549	(95.8)
Egypt		0	0	0	0	-	23	956	(97.6)
Iraq		0	0	0	0	-	7	138	(94.9)
Jordan		17	0	17	0	--	81	627	(87.1)
Kuwait		0	0	0	0	-	6	825	(99.3)
Lebanon		0	0	0	0	-	115	483	(76.2)
Oman		0	0	0	0	-	1	1,045	(99.9)
Qatar		0	0	0	0	-	3	129	(97.7)
Saudi Arabia		4	0	4	0	-	13	4,755	(99.7)
United Arab Emirates		0	0	0	0	-	17	352	(95.2)
Others		0	0	0	0	-	9	372	(97.6)
TOTAL		998	616	1,614	0	-	16,908	507,311	(96.7)

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