

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, the Vanuatu government has locked down its international borders as a measure to protect the people and stop the spread of the Corona Virus.

MAY 2022, PROVISIONAL KEY FINDINGS

International Visitor arrivals

- The International visitor arrival by air and cruise ship in May of 2022 has recorded no visitor arrivals.
- There were only repatriation flights recorded for disembarking and embarking residents traveling by air for that month (see table 1 and table 4).

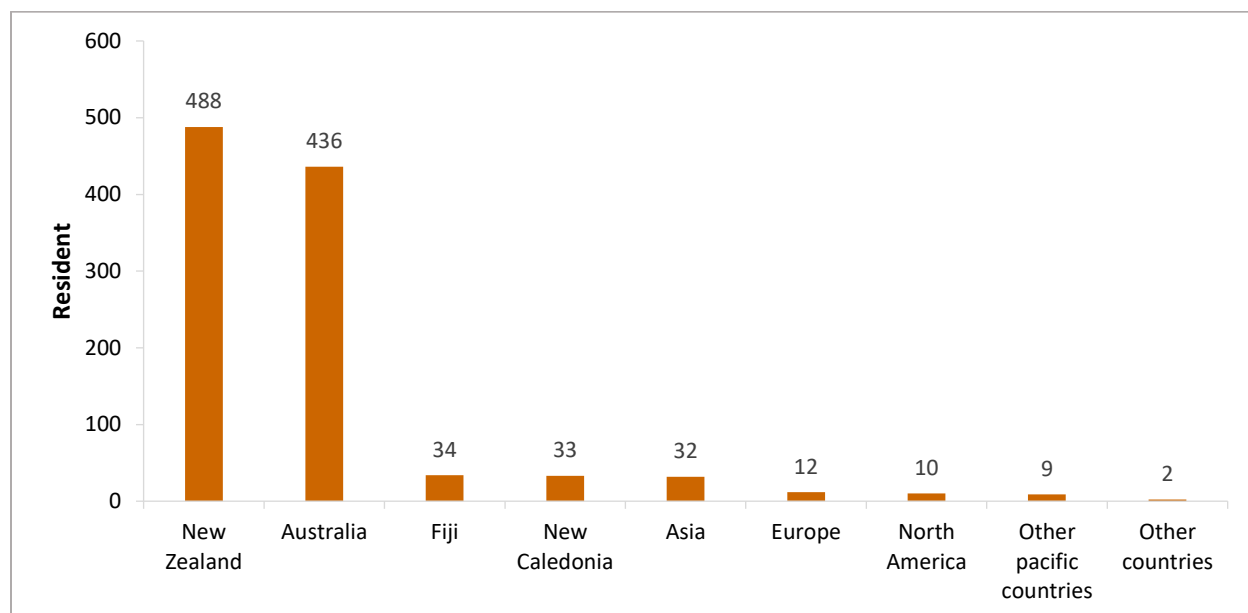
Resident returning

- The total number of Vanuatu residents returning from overseas trip in May 2022 recorded stood at 1,056, it increased in number by 701 over May of 2021.
- Over the previous month, it also increased by 991 people.
- Out of the 1,056 residents, 228 are females and 828 are males.

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Fig 1: RESIDENT ARRIVALS BY MAIN COUNTRY VISITED, MAY 2022



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

- New Zealand (46%)
- Australia (41%)
- New Caledonia, Asia and Fiji (3%) each
- Europe, North America and Other Pacific Countries (1%) each

Resident arrivals by purpose of absence

- Others (982), including those who stated their occupation type as seasonal employment and other types of jobs.
- Business (41)
- Education (33)

Resident Departure

- There are a total number of 1,040 residents departing out of the country this month. It increased by 51 percent compared to May 2021 but it decreased by 14 percent over the previous month.
- Out of the 1,040 residents departing, 199 are females, and 841 are males.

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 and the Annexes until such time as the borders re-open and travel restrictions are lifted.

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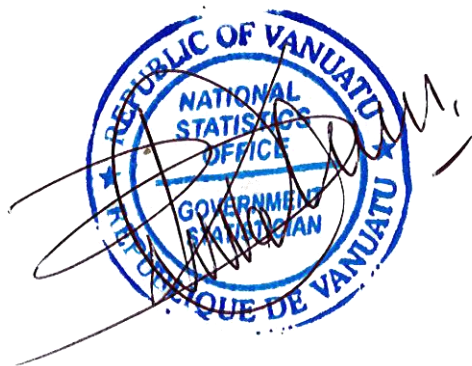
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Table 1 : Summary of Overseas Migration**Tableau 1 : Résumé des échanges migratoires avec l'extérieur**

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			
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	
2017	May	2,932	6,776	70	403	3,002	7,179	2,138	7,182	39	304	2,177	7,486	10,642	2017	Mai
2018	May	2,682	8,389	32	464	2,714	8,853	2,364	8,884	12	307	2,376	9,191	16,576	2018	Mai
2019	May	3,061	8,071	35	288	3,096	8,359	2,879	8,844	10	309	2,889	9,153	7,460	2019	Mai
2020	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	54	-	-	19	54	-	2020	Mai
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]
	Jul[p]	98	-	-	-	98	-	822	-	-	-	822	-	-		Juil [p]
	Aug [p]	244	-	-	-	244	-	1,007	-	-	-	1,007	-	-		Aoû [p]
	Sep [p]	44	-	-	-	44	-	502	-	-	-	502	-	-		Sep [p]
	Oct [p]	319	-	-	-	319	-	747	-	-	-	747	-	-		Oct [p]
	Nov [p]	648	-	-	-	648	-	751	-	-	-	751	-	-		Nov [p]
	Dec [p]	353	-	-	-	353	-	353	-	-	-	353	-	-		Déc [p]
2022	Jan [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	955	-	-	-	955	-	-	2022	Jan [p]
	Feb [p]	374	-	-	-	374	-	1,179	-	-	-	1,179	-	-		Feb [p]
	Mar[p]	16	-	-	-	16	-	865	-	-	-	865	-	-		Mar [p]
	Apr [p]	65	-	-	-	65	-	1,213	-	-	-	1,213	-	-		Avr [p]
	May[p]	1,056	-	-	-	1,056	-	1,040	-	-	-	1,040	-	-		Mai[p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département des douanes

- 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	VISITORS/VISITEURS					Total Visitors Visiteurs global	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			
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	
2017	May	5,154	739	787	78	421	7,179	2017 Mai	
2018	May	6,642	680	739	58	734	8,853	2018 Mai	
2019	May	6,142	710	865	4	638	8,359	2019 Mai	
2020	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	2020 Mai	
2021	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	2021 Jan	
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	Feb	
	Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mar	
	Apr [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Avr [p]	
	May [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mai [p]	
	Jun [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Juin [p]	
	Jul[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Juil [p]	
	Aug[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Aug [p]	
	Sep [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sep [p]	
	Oct [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Oct [p]	
	Nov [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Nov [p]	
	Dec [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Déc [p]	
2022	Jan [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	2022 Jan [p]	
	Fev [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fev [p]	
	Mar[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mar[p]	
	Apr[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Avr [p]	
	May[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mai[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			
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	
2017	May	3,647	737	1,017	486	491	257	55	320	169	7,179	2017	Mai
2018	May	4,456	996	1,173	667	554	271	93	320	323	8,853	2018	Mai
2019	May	3,919	868	1,139	552	806	294	60	425	296	8,359	2019	Mai
2020	May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2020	Mai
2021	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2021	Jan
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Fév
	Mar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mar
	Apr [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr [p]
	May [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai [p]
	Jun [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juin [p]
	Jul [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Juil [p]
	Aug [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Aoû [p]
	Sep [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Sep [p]
	Oct [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Oct [p]
	Nov [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Nov [p]
	Dec [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Déc [p]
2022	Jan [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2022	Jan [p]
	Feb [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Fév [p]
	Mar[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mar[p]
	Apr[p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Avr[p]
	May [p]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		Mai[p]

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

Year	Month	Ni-Vanuatu	Australian	French	British	New Zealand	Asian	Pacific Islanders	North Americans	Other countries	TOTAL	Année	Mois
		Australien	Français	Anglais	Néo-Zélandais	Asiatiques	Autres pays du Pacifique	Américain du Nord	Autres pays				
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	2020	
2017	May	2,349	249	114	9	66	88	67	32	28	3,002	2017	Mai
2018	May	2,322	143	47	13	33	81	47	13	15	2,714	2018	Mai
2019	May	2,676	166	66	12	48	40	50	18	20	3,096	2019	Mai
2020	May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2020	Mai
2021	Jan	276	34	1	0	0	9	5	0	0	325	2021	Jan
	Feb	122	35	11	0	9	9	15	4	4	209		Fév
	Mar	184	34	2	0	10	17	25	4	3	279		Mar
	Apr [p]	193	27	8	0	9	5	2	0	1	245		Avr [p]
	May[p]	323	12	6	0	8	3	1	0	2	355		Mai [p]
	Jun [p]	223	22	3	2	4	106	9	2	5	376		Juin [p]
	Jul [p]	63	21	3	0	4	1	1	2	3	98		Juil [p]
	Aug [p]	152	46	12	2	10	12	1	1	8	244		Août [p]
	Sep [p]	6	1	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	44		Sep [p]
	Oct [p]	206	88	4	2	10	6	0	0	3	319		Oct [p]
	Nov [p]	597	19	8	2	1	4	3	4	10	648		Nov [p]
	Dec [p]	314	4	5	2	14	1	5	0	8	353		Dec [p]
2022	Jan [p]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2022	Jan [p]
	Feb [p]	0	321	12	8	3	7	10	4	4	369		Fév[p]
	Mar[p]	0	9	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	16		Mar[p]
	Apr[p]	54	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65		Avr[p]
	May[p]	876	95	4	9	9	32	10	12	9	1,056		Mai[p]

Source: Department of Customs/Département d

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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	New	New Caledonia	Fiji	Solomon Islands	Asia	Other Pacific Countries	Europe	North America	Other Countries	Total	Année	Mois
		Australia	Zealand	Nouvelle Calédonie	Fidji	iles salomon	Asie	Autres pays du pacifique		Amérique du nord			
		Australie	Nouvelle Zélande										
2020	May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		Mai
2021	Jan	198	56	19	4	1	26	15	0	6	0	325	2021 Jan
	Feb	113	20	19	4	0	11	32	8	2	0	209	Feb
	Mar	110	50	0	47	1	20	40	7	4	0	279	Mar
	Apr [p]	150	47	11	0	2	20	2	9	2	2	245	Avr [p]
	May[p]	173	151	6	0	0	2	15	5	0	3	355	Mar [p]
	Jun [p]	170	80	4	5	0	109	3	3	0	2	376	Juin [p]
	Jul [p]	21	61	4	0	0	7	0	3	2	0	98	Juil [p]
	Aug [p]	94	89	7	0	0	21	3	23	2	5	244	Août [p]
	Sep [p]	6	0	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	0	44	Sep [p]
	Oct [p]	148	142	18	0	0	4	1	5	0	1	319	Oct [p]
	Nov [p]	183	363	0	64	0	12	0	14	6	6	648	Nov [p]
	Dec [p]	93	88	0	125	0	31	0	6	0	10	353	Déc [p]
2022	Jan [p]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2022 Jan [p]
	Feb [p]	0	56	235	0	22	13	3	32	12	0	373	Fév [p]
	Mar [p]	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	Mar[p]
	Apr[p]	15	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	49	65	Avr[p]
	May[p]	436	488	33	34	0	32	9	12	10	2	1056	Mai[p]

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p: provisional figures