



MINISTRY OF TOURISM
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TOURISM STATISTICS

AUGUST 2023



TOURIST ARRIVALS BY NATIONALITY, January - August 2023

REGION / NATIONALITY	August				January - August				Market Ranking 2023
	2022	2023	% Change	% Share 2023	2022	2023	% Change	% Share 2023	
EUROPE	81,980	77,983	-4.9	50.4	671,209	691,756	3.1	56.2	
CENTRAL / EASTERN EUROPE	28,115	26,607	-5.4	17.2	216,162	247,857	14.7	20.1	
Belarus	322	434	34.8	0.3	2,491	3,653	46.6	0.3	51
Bulgaria	139	130	-6.5	0.1	5,549	6,284	13.2	0.5	40
Czech Republic	947	1,013	7.0	0.7	12,053	14,532	20.6	1.2	17
Hungary	746	730	-2.1	0.5	11,153	10,326	-7.4	0.8	23
Kazakhstan	1,323	1,773	34.0	1.1	13,859	13,965	0.8	1.1	19
Latvia	26	38	46.2	0.0	939	1,101	17.3	0.1	72
Lithuania	76	104	36.8	0.1	1,730	1,682	-2.8	0.1	68
Poland	901	1,570	74.3	1.0	14,724	16,890	14.7	1.4	14
Romania	454	789	73.8	0.5	7,376	10,496	42.3	0.9	22
Russia	21,793	17,526	-19.6	11.3	123,203	144,530	17.3	11.7	1
Slovakia	404	329	-18.6	0.2	6,476	7,193	11.1	0.6	34
Ukraine	341	797	133.7	0.5	9,860	7,961	-19.3	0.6	32
Uzbekistan	78	544	597.4	0.4	1,917	2,823	47.3	0.2	55
Other Central / Eastern Europe	565	830	46.9	0.5	4,832	6,421	32.9	0.5	38
NORTHERN EUROPE	14,183	11,757	-17.1	7.6	150,427	123,978	-17.6	10.1	
Denmark	290	345	19.0	0.2	9,859	7,143	-27.5	0.6	35
Finland	104	85	-18.3	0.1	1,830	2,142	17.0	0.2	64
Ireland	422	309	-26.8	0.2	4,435	3,792	-14.5	0.3	50
Norway	148	120	-18.9	0.1	3,921	3,059	-22.0	0.2	54
Sweden	261	182	-30.3	0.1	7,352	6,837	-7.0	0.6	36
United Kingdom	12,956	10,710	-17.3	6.9	122,943	100,880	-17.9	8.2	4
Other Northern Europe	2	6	200.0	0.0	87	125	43.7	0.0	78
SOUTHERN EUROPE	20,694	20,015	-3.3	12.9	115,441	131,449	13.9	10.7	
Croatia	244	286	17.2	0.2	1,834	2,734	49.1	0.2	56
Greece	421	442	5.0	0.3	2,030	2,296	13.1	0.2	60
Italy	10,356	10,525	1.6	6.8	64,141	79,640	24.2	6.5	6
Portugal	1,628	1,315	-19.2	0.8	9,454	8,003	-15.3	0.7	31
Serbia	557	626	12.4	0.4	4,017	5,652	40.7	0.5	42
Slovenia	226	236	4.4	0.2	2,914	3,825	31.3	0.3	49
Spain	6,803	5,927	-12.9	3.8	27,364	24,644	-9.9	2.0	9
Other Southern Europe	459	658	43.4	0.4	3,687	4,655	26.3	0.4	48
WESTERN EUROPE	15,928	16,631	4.4	10.7	171,332	169,873	-0.9	13.8	
Austria	1,338	1,327	-0.8	0.9	16,594	15,431	-7.0	1.3	16
Belgium	330	432	30.9	0.3	4,612	4,686	1.6	0.4	47
France	2,478	3,268	31.9	2.1	34,354	35,670	3.8	2.9	8
Germany	9,473	8,382	-11.5	5.4	85,698	81,241	-5.2	6.6	5
Netherlands / Holland	1,083	1,986	83.4	1.3	7,064	8,588	21.6	0.7	28
Switzerland	1,086	1,129	4.0	0.7	22,096	23,439	6.1	1.9	10
Other Western Europe	140	107	-23.6	0.1	914	818	-10.5	0.1	75
EAST MEDITERRANEAN EUROPE	3,060	2,973	-2.8	1.9	17,847	18,599	4.2	1.5	
Israel	2,192	1,599	-27.1	1.0	9,976	8,585	-13.9	0.7	29
Turkey	703	1,131	60.9	0.7	7,077	9,066	28.1	0.7	24
Other East Mediterranean Europe	165	243	47.3	0.2	794	948	19.4	0.1	74

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ASIA & THE PACIFIC	32,484	58,412	79.8	37.7	251,872	389,342	54.6	31.7	
NORTH EAST ASIA	5,324	33,254	524.6	21.5	29,507	156,373	430.0	12.7	
China	1,605	28,530	1677.6	18.4	7,193	120,921	1,581.1	9.8	3
Japan	1,317	2,781	111.2	1.8	3,774	14,218	276.7	1.2	18
Korea	2,398	1,939	-19.1	1.3	18,061	21,157	17.1	1.7	13
Other North East Asia	4	4	0.0	0.0	479	77	-83.9	0.0	80
SOUTH EAST ASIA	4,524	4,154	-8.2	2.7	28,139	39,304	39.7	3.2	
Indonesia	161	207	28.6	0.1	1,165	1,998	71.5	0.2	65
Malaysia	841	1,345	59.9	0.9	3,991	8,903	123.1	0.7	26
Myanmar	51	51	0.0	0.0	337	470	39.5	0.0	77
Philippines	445	637	43.1	0.4	3,792	5,302	39.8	0.4	43
Singapore	1,034	727	-29.7	0.5	9,438	7,317	-22.5	0.6	33
Thailand	1,712	950	-44.5	0.6	7,756	12,038	55.2	1.0	20
Viet Nam	213	220	3.3	0.1	1,350	2,699	99.9	0.2	57
Other South East Asia	67	17	-74.6	0.0	310	577	86.1	0.0	76
SOUTH ASIA	20,413	18,543	-9.2	12.0	180,072	169,984	-5.6	13.8	
Bangladesh	1,697	2,542	49.8	1.6	9,469	16,161	70.7	1.3	15
India	16,375	12,912	-21.1	8.3	153,220	135,495	-11.6	11.0	2
Iran	221	293	32.6	0.2	2,268	2,401	5.9	0.2	58
Pakistan	669	613	-8.4	0.4	7,280	4,922	-32.4	0.4	46
Sri Lanka	1,114	1,956	75.6	1.3	5,938	8,767	47.6	0.7	27
Other South Asia	337	227	-32.6	0.1	1,897	2,238	18.0	0.2	61
OCEANIA	2,223	2,461	10.7	1.6	14,154	23,681	67.3	1.9	
Australia	2,051	2,279	11.1	1.5	13,035	21,683	66.3	1.8	12
New Zealand	157	172	9.6	0.1	1,031	1,893	83.6	0.2	67
Other Oceania	15	10	-33.3	0.0	88	105	19.3	0.0	79
AMERICAS	7,243	6,812	-6.0	4.4	76,940	73,260	-4.8	6.0	
Argentina	131	82	-37.4	0.1	1,708	2,161	26.5	0.2	62
Brazil	939	704	-25.0	0.5	13,323	8,962	-32.7	0.7	25
Canada	738	818	10.8	0.5	6,639	8,257	24.4	0.7	30
Mexico	118	119	0.8	0.1	1,261	1,200	-4.8	0.1	71
U.S.A.	4,965	4,666	-6.0	3.0	50,923	49,223	-3.3	4.0	7
Other Americas	352	423	20.2	0.3	3,086	3,457	12.0	0.3	52
MIDDLE EAST	7,503	9,120	21.6	5.9	60,445	59,902	-0.9	4.9	
Egypt	735	768	4.5	0.5	5,659	4,973	-12.1	0.4	45
Jordan	321	323	0.6	0.2	2,018	2,324	15.2	0.2	59
Kuwait	632	723	14.4	0.5	5,905	6,810	15.3	0.6	37
Lebanon	238	261	9.7	0.2	1,852	2,161	16.7	0.2	62
Oman	118	209	77.1	0.1	921	1,020	10.7	0.1	73
Qatar	469	675	43.9	0.4	5,375	5,265	-2.0	0.4	44
Saudi Arabia	3,120	3,723	19.3	2.4	25,858	22,013	-14.9	1.8	11
Syria	159	212	33.3	0.1	1,062	1,211	14.0	0.1	70
United Arab Emirates	1,244	1,700	36.7	1.1	8,329	10,704	28.5	0.9	21
Other Middle East	467	526	12.6	0.3	3,466	3,421	-1.3	0.3	53
AFRICA	2,653	2,497	-5.9	1.6	18,115	15,791	-12.8	1.3	
Algeria	241	498	106.6	0.3	1,099	1,513	37.7	0.1	69
Morocco	310	363	17.1	0.2	1,491	1,997	33.9	0.2	66
South Africa	1,238	754	-39.1	0.5	9,634	6,396	-33.6	0.5	39
Other Africa	864	882	2.1	0.6	5,891	5,885	-0.1	0.5	41
OTHERS	0	30	#DIV/0!	0.0	62	30	-51.6	0.0	
UN Passport Holders	0	10	0.0	0.0	11	10	-9.1	0.0	82
Other / Not Stated	0	20	0.0	0.0	51	20	-60.8	0.0	81
TOTAL TOURIST ARRIVALS	131,863	154,854	17.4	100.0	1,078,643	1,230,081	14.0	100.0	

Source: Ministry of Tourism (MoT)

Date: 04/09/23

Data provided by Maldives Immigration

**Table 2: Arrivals by Country of Residence
(Aug 2023)**

#	Country of Residence	No. of Arrivals	% Share of Arrivals	% of Residing Country's Nationality
1	Russia	132,090	16.8	99.1
2	India	118,907	15.2	97.4
3	China	103,527	13.2	98.5
4	U.K	93,472	11.9	90.6
5	Germany	73,089	9.3	91.9
6	Italy	72,961	9.3	97.0
7	UAE	47,397	6.0	20.7
8	USA	45,477	5.8	88.3
9	France	26,798	3.4	82.1
10	Switzerland	26,576	3.4	75.6

Source: Ministry of Tourism

Date: 12/09/2023

Note: Based on data from IMUGA portal

Table 4: NUMBER OF TOURIST ESTABLISHMENTS BY TYPE
(At end Aug 2023)

Month	Registered No. of Establishments										Number of Establishments In OPERATION									
	2022					2023					2022					2023				
	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total
January	167	12	809	155	1,143	172	13	876	159	1,220	162	10	631	148	951	168	13	876	159	1,216
February	167	12	815	154	1,148	172	13	888	161	1,234	162	11	631	148	952	168	13	888	161	1,230
March	169	12	825	154	1,160	174	13	894	161	1,242	164	11	645	150	970	170	13	894	161	1,238
April	169	12	833	157	1,171	174	13	898	160	1,245	164	11	648	150	973	170	13	898	160	1,241
May	170	12	835	158	1,175	174	13	901	159	1,247	164	12	835	158	1,169	170	13	901	159	1,243
June	170	12	841	158	1,181	174	13	909	160	1,256	164	12	841	158	1,175	171	13	909	160	1,253
July	170	13	843	155	1,181	175	13	910	162	1,260	164	13	843	159	1,179	172	13	910	162	1,257
August	170	13	850	156	1,189	176	14	912	162	1,264	164	13	850	160	1,187	172	14	912	162	1,260
Average for the Period	169	12	831	156	1,169	174	13	899	161	1,246	164	12	741	154	1,070	170	13	899	161	1,242

Source: Ministry of Tourism

Date: 12/9/2023

Table 5: TOURIST BED CAPACITY BY TYPE

Month	Registered No. of Beds										Number of Beds In OPERATION									
	2022					2023					2022					2023				
	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total
January	39,833	1,564	13,132	2,923	57,452	41,945	1,640	14,426	3,079	61,090	38,822	1,360	11,020	2,912	54,114	41,049	1,640	14,426	3,079	60,194
February	39,897	1,564	13,236	2,911	57,608	41,945	1,640	14,536	3,129	61,250	38,822	1,418	11,020	2,912	54,172	41,049	1,640	14,536	3,129	60,354
March	40,075	1,564	13,490	2,915	58,044	42,137	1,640	14,646	3,129	61,552	39,064	1,418	11,226	2,953	54,661	41,241	1,640	14,646	3,129	60,656
April	40,247	1,564	13,550	2,958	58,319	42,137	1,640	14,732	3,103	61,612	39,196	1,418	11,278	2,954	54,846	41,241	1,640	14,732	3,103	60,716
May	40,585	1,564	13,596	2,972	58,717	42,159	1,640	14,790	3,125	61,714	39,463	1,564	13,596	2,972	57,595	41,263	1,640	14,790	3,125	60,818
June	40,643	1,564	13,714	2,972	58,893	42,159	1,640	14,912	3,139	61,850	39,481	1,564	13,714	2,972	57,731	41,409	1,640	14,912	3,139	61,100
July	41,175	1,616	13,786	2,924	59,501	42,685	1,640	14,924	3,181	62,430	40,053	1,616	13,514	2,917	58,100	41,913	1,640	14,924	3,181	61,658
August	41,175	1,616	13,914	2,932	59,637	42,955	1,940	14,950	3,181	63,026	40,053	1,616	13,700	2,864	58,233	42,151	1,940	14,950	3,181	62,222
Average for the Period	40,454	1,577	13,552	2,938	58,521	42,265	1,678	14,740	3,133	61,816	39,369	1,497	12,384	2,932	56,182	41,415	1,678	14,740	3,133	60,965

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Table 6: TOURIST BED NIGHTS AND CAPACITY UTILIZATION

Month	Bed Nights_1										Occupancy Rate (%)									
	2022					2023					2022					2023				
	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total
January	967,697	20,184	135,464	27,368	1,150,713	1,061,176	23,089	232,301	27,725	1,344,292	80.4	47.9	39.7	30.3	68.6	83.4	45.4	51.9	29.0	72.0
February	937,012	20,307	116,360	27,080	1,100,759	1,021,664	22,670	233,858	28,218	1,306,410	86.2	51.1	37.7	33.2	72.6	88.9	49.4	57.5	32.2	77.3
March	964,759	20,608	118,369	34,236	1,137,972	969,960	20,497	226,266	34,208	1,250,931	79.7	46.9	34.0	37.4	67.2	75.9	40.3	49.8	35.3	66.5
April	942,747	11,796	87,045	32,944	1,074,532	936,135	17,945	198,581	30,676	1,183,338	80.2	27.7	25.7	37.2	65.3	75.7	36.5	44.9	33.0	65.0
May	750,812	13,412	76,750	19,217	860,191	663,042	15,149	150,289	14,221	842,701	61.4	27.7	18.2	20.9	48.2	51.8	29.8	32.8	14.7	44.7
June	674,802	11,359	85,654	8,971	780,786	645,331	12,892	144,336	8,444	811,004	57.0	24.2	20.8	10.1	45.1	51.9	26.2	32.3	9.0	44.2
July	840,923	17,566	124,728	10,681	993,898	714,366	16,530	196,169	11,558	938,624	67.7	35.1	29.8	11.8	55.2	55.0	32.5	42.4	11.7	49.1
August	895,289	18,444	128,794	19,403	1,061,929	868,645	20,214	208,712	12,943	1,110,515	72.1	36.8	30.3	21.9	58.8	66.5	33.6	45.0	13.1	57.6
End Period	6,974,042	133,675	873,164	179,899	8,160,780	6,880,319	148,988	1,590,512	167,994	8,787,813	73.1	37.2	29.5	25.3	60.1	68.6	36.7	44.6	22.2	59.6

Note: _1 Including estimates for missing data

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Table 3: KEY INDICATORS, 2022-2023
(at end Aug 2023)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Jan-Aug	
TOURIST ARRIVALS (by Air)										
									Total	
2022	Total	131,765	149,011	150,748	145,282	125,528	110,885	133,561	131,863	1,078,643
	Male	63,080	70,520	71,865	69,929	60,608	53,183	63,543	63,210	515,938
	Female	68,685	78,491	78,883	75,353	64,920	57,702	70,018	68,653	562,705
2023	Total	172,499	177,915	173,514	164,357	120,959	120,363	145,620	154,854	1,230,081
	Male	82,501	84,517	81,772	77,445	57,485	56,314	68,211	73,196	581,441
	Female	89,998	93,396	91,742	86,912	63,474	64,049	77,409	81,658	648,638
	% Change (2023/2022)	30.9	19.4	15.1	13.1	-3.6	8.5	9.0	17.4	14.0
TOURIST ARRIVALS (by Sea)										
									Total	
2022	Total	0	42	1	0	9	0	0	0	52
	Male	0	42	0	0	9	0	0	0	51
	Female	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
2023	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	% Change (2023/2022)	0.0	-100.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-100.0
Arrivals at International Airports 2023										
									Total	
	Velaana (MLE)	172,085	177,402	172,924	163,828	120,662	120,133	145,409	154,489	1,226,932
	Gan (GAN)	149	289	308	154	217	201	182	322	1,822
	Hanimaadhoo (HAQ)	23	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	42
	Kudahuvadhoo (DDD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Maafaru (NMF)	242	205	282	374	80	29	29	43	1,284
	Maamigili (VAM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	172,499	177,915	173,514	164,357	120,959	120,363	145,620	154,854	1,230,081
TOTAL BEDS IN OPERATION										
									Average	
2022		54,114	54,172	54,661	54,846	57,595	57,731	58,100	58,233	56,182
2023		60,194	60,354	60,656	60,716	60,818	61,100	61,658	62,222	60,965
	% Change (2023/2022)	11.2	11.4	11.0	10.7	5.6	5.8	6.1	6.9	8.5
BED NIGHTS										
									Total	
2022		1,150,713	1,100,759	1,137,972	1,074,532	860,191	780,786	993,898	1,061,929	8,160,780
2023		1,344,292	1,306,410	1,250,931	1,183,338	842,701	811,004	938,624	1,110,515	8,787,813
	% Change (2023/2022)	16.8	18.7	9.9	10.1	-2.0	3.9	-5.6	4.6	7.7
OCCUPANCY RATE (%)										
									Average	
2022		68.6	72.6	67.2	65.3	48.2	45.1	55.2	58.8	58.9
2023		72.0	77.3	66.5	65.0	44.7	44.2	49.1	57.6	59.6
	% Change (2023/2022)	5.0	6.5	-0.9	-0.5	-7.2	-1.9	-11.0	-2.1	1.1
AVAERAGE DURATION OF STAY (Days)										
									Average	
2022		9.0	8.6	8.0	8.1	7.2	7.7	8.3	8.3	8.2
2023		8.1	8.0	7.8	7.6	7.2	7.1	7.7	7.5	7.6
	% Change (2023/2022)	-0.9	-0.6	-0.2	-0.5	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	-0.8	-0.5

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