



MINISTRY OF TOURISM  
REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES

# TOURISM STATISTICS

MAY 2023



**TOURIST ARRIVALS BY NATIONALITY, January - May 2023**

REGION / NATIONALITY	May				January - May				Market Ranking 2023
	2022	2023	% Change	% Share 2023	2022	2023	% Change	% Share 2023	
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>55,012</b>	<b>53,355</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>44.1</b>	<b>458,304</b>	<b>494,478</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>61.1</b>	
<b>CENTRAL / EASTERN EUROPE</b>	<b>13,923</b>	<b>18,314</b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>139,344</b>	<b>171,425</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>21.2</b>	
Belarus	186	196	5.4	0.2	1,667	2,359	41.5	0.3	52
Bulgaria	256	353	37.9	0.3	5,162	5,896	14.2	0.7	26
Czech Republic	681	1,037	52.3	0.9	9,295	11,141	19.9	1.4	15
Hungary	564	510	-9.6	0.4	8,911	8,235	-7.6	1.0	22
Kazakhstan	1,036	379	-63.4	0.3	10,028	8,362	-16.6	1.0	21
Latvia	54	76	40.7	0.1	819	981	19.8	0.1	69
Lithuania	96	113	17.7	0.1	1,512	1,413	-6.5	0.2	62
Poland	738	1,096	48.5	0.9	10,108	12,311	21.8	1.5	12
Romania	417	612	46.8	0.5	6,122	8,591	40.3	1.1	19
Russia	8,885	12,174	37.0	10.1	66,498	94,213	41.7	11.6	1
Slovakia	360	496	37.8	0.4	5,343	6,054	13.3	0.7	25
Ukraine	268	778	190.3	0.6	8,835	5,840	-33.9	0.7	27
Uzbekistan	83	126	51.8	0.1	1,637	1,591	-2.8	0.2	58
Other Central / Eastern Europe	299	368	23.1	0.3	3,407	4,438	30.3	0.5	39
<b>NORTHERN EUROPE</b>	<b>14,450</b>	<b>9,308</b>	<b>-35.6</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>108,590</b>	<b>91,397</b>	<b>-15.8</b>	<b>11.3</b>	
Denmark	526	314	-40.3	0.3	7,555	5,433	-28.1	0.7	30
Finland	104	105	1.0	0.1	1,469	1,772	20.6	0.2	56
Ireland	495	360	-27.3	0.3	2,969	2,769	-6.7	0.3	48
Norway	174	130	-25.3	0.1	2,632	2,038	-22.6	0.3	54
Sweden	340	251	-26.2	0.2	6,159	5,767	-6.4	0.7	28
United Kingdom	12,808	8,142	-36.4	6.7	87,740	73,514	-16.2	9.1	3
Other Northern Europe	3	6	100.0	0.0	66	104	57.6	0.0	78
<b>SOUTHERN EUROPE</b>	<b>8,729</b>	<b>8,196</b>	<b>-6.1</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>72,865</b>	<b>91,020</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>11.2</b>	
Croatia	114	122	7.0	0.1	1,343	2,094	55.9	0.3	53
Greece	94	102	8.5	0.1	1,291	1,573	21.8	0.2	60
Italy	4,329	3,967	-8.4	3.3	45,208	60,396	33.6	7.5	4
Portugal	1,047	816	-22.1	0.7	5,055	4,731	-6.4	0.6	33
Serbia	316	370	17.1	0.3	2,668	3,882	45.5	0.5	41
Slovenia	145	173	19.3	0.1	2,126	3,107	46.1	0.4	45
Spain	2,233	2,265	1.4	1.9	12,587	12,046	-4.3	1.5	13
Other Southern Europe	451	381	-15.5	0.3	2,587	3,191	23.3	0.4	44
<b>WESTERN EUROPE</b>	<b>16,206</b>	<b>15,833</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>126,581</b>	<b>129,223</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>16.0</b>	
Austria	1,183	941	-20.5	0.8	12,834	11,985	-6.6	1.5	14
Belgium	423	452	6.9	0.4	3,509	3,441	-1.9	0.4	42
France	2,580	2,340	-9.3	1.9	28,455	29,158	2.5	3.6	8
Germany	9,151	9,758	6.6	8.1	59,392	60,172	1.3	7.4	5
Netherlands / Holland	868	750	-13.6	0.6	4,209	4,704	11.8	0.6	34
Switzerland	1,922	1,519	-21.0	1.3	17,528	19,134	9.2	2.4	9
Other Western Europe	79	73	-7.6	0.1	654	629	-3.8	0.1	72
<b>EAST MEDITERRANEAN EUROPE</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>10,924</b>	<b>11,413</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>1.4</b>	
Israel	789	736	-6.7	0.6	5,752	5,380	-6.5	0.7	31
Turkey	876	933	6.5	0.8	4,651	5,473	17.7	0.7	29
Other East Mediterranean Europe	39	35	-10.3	0.0	521	560	7.5	0.1	74

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	2022	2023	% Change	% Share 2023	2022	2023	% Change	% Share 2023	
<b>ASIA &amp; THE PACIFIC</b>	<b>46,483</b>	<b>51,773</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>147,978</b>	<b>224,100</b>	<b>51.4</b>	<b>27.7</b>	
<b>NORTH EAST ASIA</b>	<b>5,239</b>	<b>19,148</b>	<b>265.5</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>13,884</b>	<b>70,300</b>	<b>406.3</b>	<b>8.7</b>	
China	815	15,204	1765.5	12.6	2,637	46,399	1,659.5	5.7	6
Japan	313	1,068	241.2	0.9	1,290	8,824	584.0	1.1	18
Korea	4,105	2,864	-30.2	2.4	9,513	15,021	57.9	1.9	10
Other North East Asia	6	12	100.0	0.0	444	56	-87.4	0.0	80
<b>SOUTH EAST ASIA</b>	<b>5,079</b>	<b>5,584</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>12,543</b>	<b>24,573</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	
Indonesia	252	196	-22.2	0.2	618	1,209	95.6	0.1	66
Malaysia	675	1,219	80.6	1.0	1,618	5,240	223.9	0.6	32
Myanmar	39	64	64.1	0.1	94	317	237.2	0.0	77
Philippines	793	555	-30.0	0.5	2,315	3,028	30.8	0.4	46
Singapore	1,768	963	-45.5	0.8	4,550	4,502	-1.1	0.6	37
Thailand	1,329	2,106	58.5	1.7	2,774	8,487	205.9	1.0	20
Viet Nam	160	229	43.1	0.2	451	1,292	186.5	0.2	63
Other South East Asia	63	252	300.0	0.2	123	498	304.9	0.1	75
<b>SOUTH ASIA</b>	<b>34,102</b>	<b>24,023</b>	<b>-29.6</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>114,379</b>	<b>113,705</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>14.1</b>	
Bangladesh	1,889	2,034	7.7	1.7	4,934	9,430	91.1	1.2	17
India	29,991	20,098	-33.0	16.6	98,513	93,883	-4.7	11.6	2
Iran	124	152	22.6	0.1	1,669	1,590	-4.7	0.2	59
Pakistan	864	461	-46.6	0.4	4,987	2,824	-43.4	0.3	47
Sri Lanka	873	1,031	18.1	0.9	3,138	4,469	42.4	0.6	38
Other South Asia	361	247	-31.6	0.2	1,138	1,509	32.6	0.2	61
<b>OCEANIA</b>	<b>2,063</b>	<b>3,018</b>	<b>46.3</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>7,172</b>	<b>15,522</b>	<b>116.4</b>	<b>1.9</b>	
Australia	1,897	2,759	45.4	2.3	6,564	14,238	116.9	1.8	11
New Zealand	154	245	59.1	0.2	574	1,217	112.0	0.2	65
Other Oceania	12	14	0.0	0.0	34	67	97.1	0.0	79
<b>AMERICAS</b>	<b>10,396</b>	<b>7,344</b>	<b>-29.4</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>51,497</b>	<b>51,267</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>6.3</b>	
Argentina	274	205	-25.2	0.2	1,280	1,812	41.6	0.2	55
Brazil	1,956	1,153	-41.1	1.0	9,801	6,551	-33.2	0.8	23
Canada	897	653	-27.2	0.5	4,456	6,103	37.0	0.8	24
Mexico	181	198	9.4	0.2	855	854	-0.1	0.1	70
U.S.A.	6,628	4,681	-29.4	3.9	33,063	33,566	1.5	4.1	7
Other Americas	460	454	-1.3	0.4	2,042	2,381	16.6	0.3	51
<b>MIDDLE EAST</b>	<b>11,134</b>	<b>6,651</b>	<b>-40.3</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>33,845</b>	<b>30,285</b>	<b>-10.5</b>	<b>3.7</b>	
Egypt	981	575	-41.4	0.5	3,279	2,415	-26.3	0.3	50
Jordan	399	216	-45.9	0.2	1,123	1,145	2.0	0.1	67
Kuwait	938	504	-46.3	0.4	3,713	4,611	24.2	0.6	35
Lebanon	275	115	-58.2	0.1	1,241	1,288	3.8	0.2	64
Oman	113	77	-31.9	0.1	422	388	-8.1	0.0	76
Qatar	1,058	455	-57.0	0.4	2,344	2,746	17.2	0.3	49
Saudi Arabia	4,619	2,547	-44.9	2.1	15,285	10,914	-28.6	1.3	16
Syria	192	135	-29.7	0.1	542	578	6.6	0.1	73
United Arab Emirates	1,947	1,594	-18.1	1.3	4,056	4,519	11.4	0.6	36
Other Middle East	612	433	-29.2	0.4	1,840	1,681	-8.6	0.2	57
<b>AFRICA</b>	<b>2,503</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>-26.6</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>10,673</b>	<b>9,114</b>	<b>-14.6</b>	<b>1.1</b>	
Algeria	178	185	3.9	0.2	538	636	18.2	0.1	71
Morocco	224	231	3.1	0.2	762	1,081	41.9	0.1	68
South Africa	1,292	814	-37.0	0.7	5,891	3,985	-32.4	0.5	40
Other Africa	809	606	-25.1	0.5	3,482	3,412	-2.0	0.4	43
<b>OTHERS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-100.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
UN Passport Holders	0	0	0.0	0.0	5	0	-100.0	0.0	81
Other / Not Stated	0	0	0.0	0.0	32	0	-100.0	0.0	81
<b>TOTAL TOURIST ARRIVALS</b>	<b>125,528</b>	<b>120,959</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>702,334</b>	<b>809,244</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	

Source: Ministry of Tourism (MoT)

Date: 19/06/2023

Data provided by Maldives Immigration

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

#	Country of Residence	No. of Arrivals	% Share of Arrivals	% of Residing Country's Nationality
1	Russia	85,732	10.9	99.0
2	India	84,540	10.8	97.4
3	United Kingdom	69,505	8.9	90.4
4	Italy	55,137	7.0	97.2
5	Germany	54,330	6.9	91.9
6	China	37,252	4.7	98.3
7	United States	31,057	4.0	88.8
8	France	26,170	3.3	92.9
9	United Arab Emirates	26,149	3.3	15.8
10	Switzerland	21,782	2.8	75.8

Source: Ministry of Tourism

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Note: Based on data from IMUGA portal

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

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jan-May	
<b>TOURIST ARRIVALS (by Air)</b>						<b>Total</b>	
<b>2022</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>131,765</b>	<b>149,011</b>	<b>150,748</b>	<b>145,282</b>	<b>125,528</b>	<b>702,334</b>
	Male	63,080	70,520	71,865	69,929	60,608	336,002
	Female	68,685	78,491	78,883	75,353	64,920	366,332
<b>2023</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>172,499</b>	<b>177,915</b>	<b>173,514</b>	<b>164,357</b>	<b>120,959</b>	<b>809,244</b>
	Male	82,501	84,517	81,772	77,445	57,485	383,720
	Female	89,998	93,396	91,742	86,912	63,474	425,522
<b>% Change (2023/2022)</b>		<b>30.9</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>15.2</b>
<b>TOURIST ARRIVALS (by Sea)</b>						<b>Total</b>	
<b>2022</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>52</b>
	Male	0	42	0	0	9	51
	Female	0	0	1	0	0	1
<b>2023</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	Male	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>% Change (2023/2022)</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>-100.0</b>	<b>-100.0</b>	<b>#DIV/0!</b>	<b>-100.0</b>	<b>-100.0</b>
<b>Arrivals at International Airports 2023</b>						<b>Total</b>	
	<b>Velaana (MLE)</b>	<b>172,085</b>	<b>177,402</b>	<b>172,924</b>	<b>163,828</b>	<b>120,662</b>	<b>806,901</b>
	<b>Gan (GAN)</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>1,117</b>
	<b>Hanimaadhoo (HAQ)</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>
	<b>Kudahuvadhoo (DDD)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Maafaru (NMF)</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>1,183</b>
	<b>Maamigili (VAM)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>172,499</b>	<b>177,915</b>	<b>173,514</b>	<b>164,357</b>	<b>120,959</b>	<b>809,244</b>
<b>TOTAL BEDS IN OPERATION</b>						<b>Average</b>	
<b>2022</b>		54,114	54,172	54,661	54,846	57,595	55,078
<b>2023</b>		60,040	60,174	60,476	60,562	60,664	60,383
<b>% Change (2023/2022)</b>		<b>11.0</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>9.6</b>
<b>BED NIGHTS</b>						<b>Total</b>	
<b>2022</b>		1,150,713	1,100,759	1,137,972	1,074,532	860,191	5,324,166
<b>2023</b>		1,342,905	1,304,786	1,248,963	1,181,815	837,768	5,916,238
<b>% Change (2023/2022)</b>		<b>16.7</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>11.1</b>
<b>OCCUPANCY RATE (%)</b>						<b>Average</b>	
<b>2022</b>		68.6	72.6	67.2	65.3	48.2	64.4
<b>2023</b>		72.2	77.4	66.6	65.0	44.5	65.2
<b>% Change (2023/2022)</b>		<b>5.2</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-7.5</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>AVVERAGE DURATION OF STAY (Days)</b>						<b>Average</b>	
<b>2022</b>		9.0	8.6	8.0	8.1	7.2	8.2
<b>2023</b>		8.1	8.0	7.8	7.6	7.2	7.7
<b>% Change (2023/2022)</b>		<b>-0.9</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-0.5</b>

Source: Ministry of Tourism

Date: 19/06/2023

**Table 4: NUMBER OF TOURIST ESTABLISHMENTS BY TYPE**

(At end May 2023)

Month	2022					Registered No. of Establishments					Number of Establishments In OPERATION									
	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	2023				Total	2022				Total					
						Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels		Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels						
January	167	12	809	155	1,143	172	13	876	152	1,213	162	10	631	148	951	168	13	876	152	1,209
February	167	12	815	154	1,148	172	13	888	153	1,226	162	11	631	148	952	168	13	888	153	1,222
March	169	12	825	154	1,160	174	13	894	153	1,234	164	11	645	150	970	170	13	894	153	1,230
April	169	12	833	157	1,171	174	13	898	153	1,238	164	11	648	150	973	170	13	898	153	1,234
May	170	12	835	158	1,175	174	13	901	152	1,240	164	12	835	158	1,169	170	13	901	152	1,236
<b>Average for the Period</b>	168	12	823	156	1,159	173	13	891	153	1,230	163	11	678	151	1,003	169	13	891	153	1,226

Source: Ministry of Tourism

Date: 4/7/2023

**Table 5: TOURIST BED CAPACITY BY TYPE**

Month	2022					Registered No. of Beds					Number of Beds In OPERATION									
	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels	Total	2023				Total	2022				Total					
						Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels		Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels						
January	39,833	1,564	13,132	2,923	57,452	41,945	1,640	14,426	2,925	60,936	38,822	1,360	11,020	2,912	54,114	41,049	1,640	14,426	2,925	60,040
February	39,897	1,564	13,236	2,911	57,608	41,945	1,640	14,536	2,949	61,070	38,822	1,418	11,020	2,912	54,172	41,049	1,640	14,536	2,949	60,174
March	40,075	1,564	13,490	2,915	58,044	42,137	1,640	14,646	2,949	61,372	39,064	1,418	11,226	2,953	54,661	41,241	1,640	14,646	2,949	60,476
April	40,247	1,564	13,550	2,958	58,319	42,137	1,640	14,732	2,949	61,458	39,196	1,418	11,278	2,954	54,846	41,241	1,640	14,732	2,949	60,562
May	40,585	1,564	13,596	2,972	58,717	42,159	1,640	14,790	2,971	61,560	39,463	1,564	13,596	2,972	57,595	41,263	1,640	14,790	2,971	60,664
<b>Average for the Period</b>	40,127	1,564	13,401	2,936	58,028	42,065	1,640	14,626	2,949	61,279	39,073	1,436	11,628	2,941	55,078	41,169	1,640	14,626	2,949	60,383

Source: Ministry of Tourism

Date: 4/7/2023

**Table 6: TOURIST BED NIGHTS AND CAPACITY UTILIZATION**

Month	Bed Nights_1					Occupancy Rate (%)														
	2022				Total	2023				Total	2022				Total					
	Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels		Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels		Resorts	Hotels	Guest Houses	Tourist Vessels						
January	967,697	20,184	135,464	27,368	1,150,713	1,061,176	23,089	232,301	26,338	1,342,905	80.4	47.9	39.7	30.3	68.6	83.4	45.4	51.9	29.0	72.2
February	937,012	20,307	116,360	27,080	1,100,759	1,021,664	22,670	233,858	26,595	1,304,786	86.2	51.1	37.7	33.2	72.6	88.9	49.4	57.5	32.2	77.4
March	964,759	20,608	118,369	34,236	1,137,972	969,960	20,497	226,266	32,240	1,248,963	79.7	46.9	34.0	37.4	67.2	75.9	40.3	49.8	35.3	66.6
April	942,747	11,796	87,045	32,944	1,074,532	936,135	17,945	198,581	29,153	1,181,815	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	655,547	15,149	153,909	13,163	837,768	61.4	27.7	18.2	20.9	48.2	51.2	29.8	33.6	14.3	44.5
<b>End Period</b>	4,563,027	86,306	533,988	140,845	5,324,166	4,644,481	99,351	1,044,916	127,490	5,916,238	77.6	40.3	31.1	31.8	64.4	75.0	40.3	47.5	28.8	65.2

Note: <sup>-1</sup> Including estimates for missing data

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