

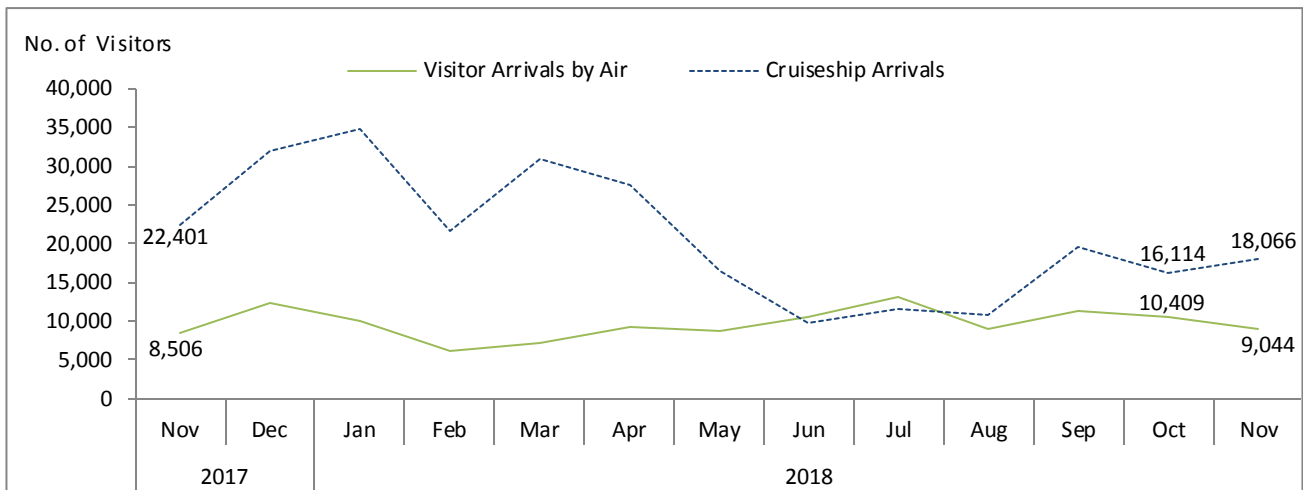
## STATISTICS UPDATE: INTERNATIONAL ARRIVAL STATISTICS

### NOVEMBER 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

RELEASE DATE: 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019

#### OVERVIEW

**Fig 1: International Visitor Arrivals: November 2017 to November 2018**



- The total international visitor by air stood at 9,044 or 33% of all international visitors to Vanuatu. This is an increase of 6% over the corresponding month in 2017 while it declined by 13% over the previous month. The increase over corresponding month was attributed by the increase in visitor arrivals for holiday purpose.
- Cruise ship or day visitors stood at 18,066 or 67% of all international arrivals to Vanuatu. This is a decline of 19% over corresponding month in 2017 while it increased by 12% over the previous month.

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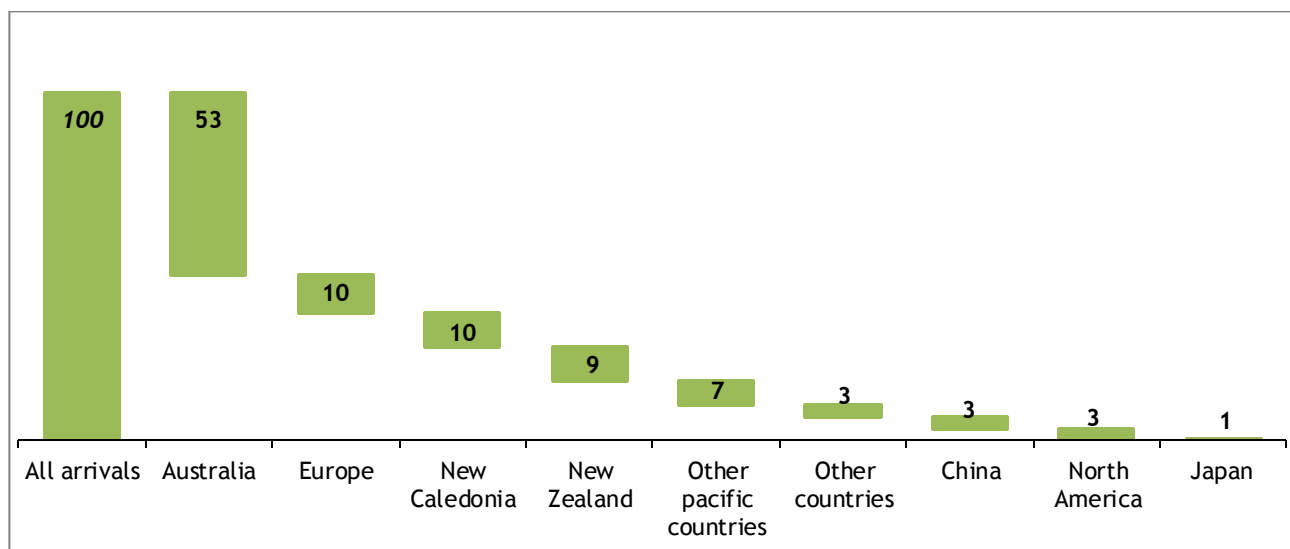
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**PURPOSE OF VISIT FOR VISITORS ARRIVING BY AIR**

- The number of holiday visitors who arrived by air made up 76%, visitors who arrived for other, education or sports at 9%, visitor arrivals to visit friends and relatives and for business, meetings or conferences at 8% each while visitors who arrived for transit stood at 1%.

**COUNTRY OF USUAL RESIDENCE FOR VISITORS ARRIVING BY AIR**

**Fig 2: Percentage share of visitors in November 2018 by Country of Usual Residence**



- Australian visitors made up 53% of all international visitors by air; followed by European and New Caledonian visitors at 10% each; New Zealand visitors at 9%; other pacific countries at 7%; other countries, China and North American visitors at 3% each and Japanese visitors at 1%.

**AVERAGE INTENDED LENGTH OF STAY FOR VISITORS ARRIVING BY AIR**

- International visitors by air spent an average of 10 days in Vanuatu. This remained unchanged over the corresponding month in 2017 while it declined by 1 day over the previous month. (see table 5)

**AVERAGE AGE FOR VISITORS ARRIVING BY AIR**

- The average age for visitors by air stood at 43 years. It increased by 2 years over the corresponding month in 2017 and also increased by 1 year over the previous month. (see table 6)

**SUMMARY OF VISITORS TO OUTER ISLANDS**

- Tanna Island received the highest number of visitors at 37%; followed by visitors to Santo Island at 35%. (see table 7)

**DATA SOURCE**

All International arrival and departure statistics by air provided in this report is sourced from completed Arrival and Departure cards at the Department of Immigration. Cruise ship figures were also supplied by the Department of Immigration.

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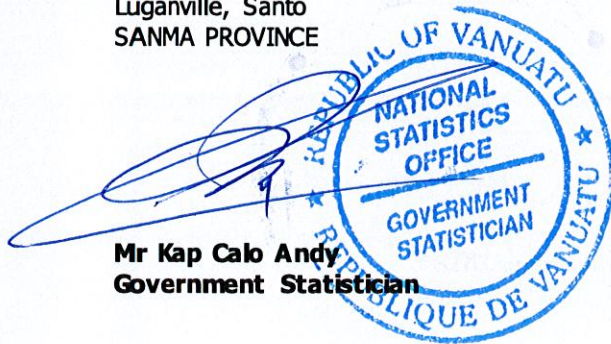
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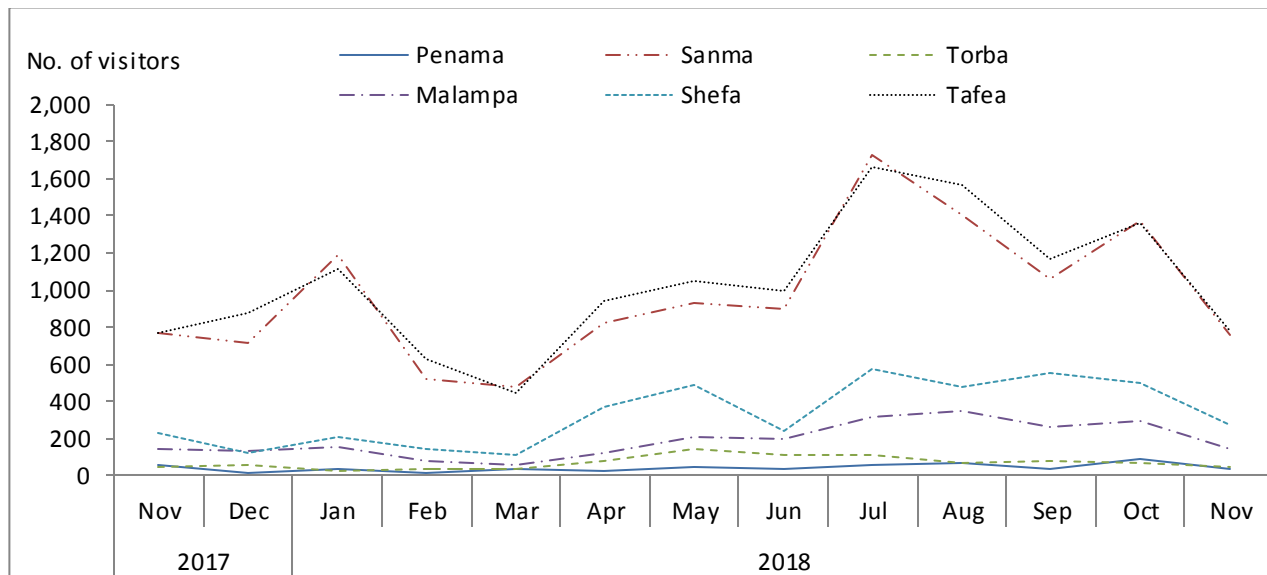


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**SUMMARY OF VISITORS TO OUTER ISLANDS<sup>1</sup> (PAGE 5)**

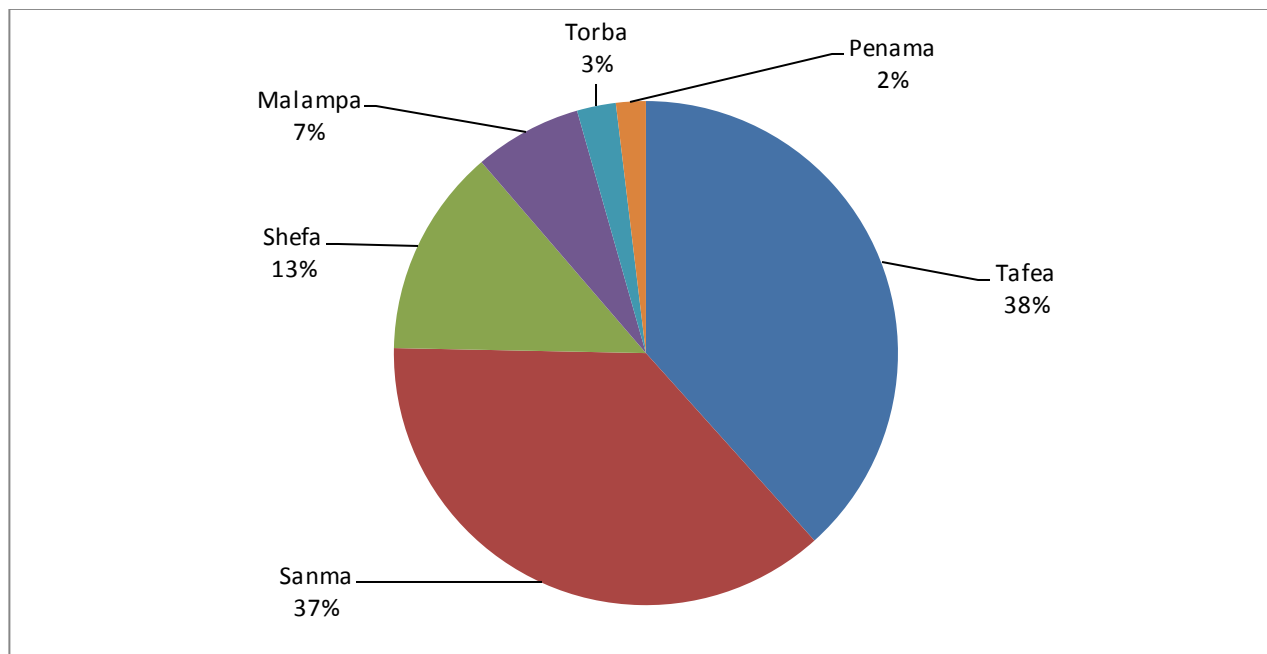
**Summary of Indicators**

- Tafea received the highest number of visitors at 38%, followed by Sanma province at 37%.
- Visitors who travelled to outer islands spent an average of 7 days.



**Figure 1: Summary of visitors to other province, November 2017 to November 2018**

\*Excludes Efate Island



**Figure 2: Proportion of visitors to other provinces, November 2018**

\*Excludes Efate Island

<sup>1</sup> Data on visitors travelling to outer islands is only available from June 2014

## ANNEX 1 –VISITORS TO OUTER ISLANDS, BY PROVINCE

**Table 1: Visitors to outer islands, by province**

Year	Month	Province						TOTAL
		Torba	Sanma	Penama	Malampa	Shefa*	Tafea	
2017	Nov	52	770	47	145	226	769	2,009
	Dec	16	711	56	127	119	874	1,903
2018	Jan	31	1,186	22	154	209	1,114	2,716
	Feb	10	524	33	78	142	623	1,410
	Mar	30	473	33	61	112	441	1,150
	Apr	22	821	74	119	365	943	2,344
	May	46	935	143	204	485	1,050	2,863
	Jun	36	900	112	200	244	998	2,490
	Jul	57	1,732	112	317	576	1,659	4,453
	Aug	62	1,405	62	349	478	1,566	3,922
	Sep	82	1,058	32	260	548	1,172	3,152
	Oct	64	1,377	88	298	501	1,361	3,689
	Nov	51	755	39	141	273	783	2,042

Source: Department of Immigration

\*Excludes Efate Island

## ANNEX 2 –AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (NIGHTS) FOR VISITORS TO OUTER ISLANDS, BY PROVINCE

**Table 2: The average length of stay (nights) for visitors travelling to outer islands, by province**

Year	Month	Province						TOTAL
		Torba	Sanma	Penama	Malampa	Shefa*	Tafea	
2017	Nov	3.7	6.1	4.8	6.2	3.7	3.3	4.6
	Dec	12.1	6.7	9.6	9.3	6.1	3.8	7.9
2018	Jan	25.1	6.6	17.1	7.4	3.6	3.8	10.6
	Feb	5.7	9.5	12.4	13.8	3.3	3.4	8.0
	Mar	1.9	7.6	5.7	5.3	13.3	4.4	6.4
	Apr	13.2	6.3	3.0	9.4	3.8	3.7	6.4
	May	4.3	6.8	5.4	5.2	3.8	3.8	4.9
	Jun	4.2	7.1	4.7	7.1	4.2	3.7	5.2
	Jul	21.4	6.8	4.6	6.8	4.6	3.7	8.0
	Aug	6.6	6.2	5.5	7.0	4.8	3.7	5.6
	Sep	3.9	6.6	6.9	5.7	3.6	3.7	5.1
	Oct	3.6	7.0	9.9	7.0	5.2	3.6	6.1
	Nov	6.2	6.4	14.2	6.4	7.1	3.4	7.3

Source: Department of Immigration

\*Excludes Efate Island

**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			
2013		25,116	106,466	495	3,643	25,611	110,109	16,380	118,753	164	3,496	16,544	122,249	247,296	2013	
2014		25,268	104,471	616	4,337	25,884	108,808	18,705	117,236	375	3,531	19,080	120,767	220,205	2014	
2015		26,655	85,527	307	4,425	26,962	89,952	19,116	95,301	161	3,030	19,277	98,331	197,471	2015	
2016		24,801	89,358	359	5,759	25,160	95,117	20,118	91,064	165	4,406	20,283	95,470	256,482	2016	
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	
2013	Nov	2,539	7,825	43	298	2,582	8,123	2,070	9,887	17	229	2,087	10,116	19,834	2013	Nov
2014	Nov	2,534	7,584	65	412	2,599	7,996	2,068	9,532	14	300	2,082	9,832	10,312	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	2,598	6,919	13	356	2,611	7,275	2,224	7,774	15	275	2,239	8,049	18,016	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	2,363	7,040	23	471	2,386	7,511	2,465	7,917	14	352	2,479	8,269	20,205	2016	Nov
2017	Nov	2,652	8,185	76	321	2,728	8,506	3,143	8,909	47	247	3,190	9,156	22,401	2017	Nov
	Dec	2,765	11,567	138	716	2,903	12,283	2,134	11,650	49	196	2,183	11,846	31,907		Dec
2018	Jan	2,300	9,716	102	414	2,402	10,130	2,326	13,291	23	217	2,349	13,508	34,656	2018	Jan
	Feb	1,355	6,089	65	177	1,420	6,266	2,234	6,443	35	125	2,269	6,568	21,674		Fév
	Mar	1,594	6,864	58	252	1,652	7,116	2,647	6,073	60	189	2,707	6,262	30,844		Mar
	Apr	2,618	8,773	54	420	2,672	9,193	1,875	9,327	14	432	1,889	9,759	27,537		Avr
	May	2,682	8,389	32	464	2,714	8,853	2,364	8,884	12	307	2,376	9,191	16,576		Mai
	Jun	2,586	10,181	33	392	2,619	10,573	1,841	8,444	13	272	1,854	8,716	9,734		Juin
	Jul	2,133	12,793	6	391	2,139	13,184	2,196	13,448	3	377	2,199	13,825	11,662		Juil
	Aug	1,425	8,575	39	397	1,464	8,972	2,441	11,810	15	453	2,456	12,263	10,751		Aoû
	Sep	3,314	11,070	35	356	3,349	11,426	2,436	10,745	16	452	2,452	11,197	19,632		Sep
	Oct	2,116	9,865	50	544	2,166	10,409	2,947	12,945	15	706	2,962	13,651	16,114		Oct
	Nov	2,593	8,760	29	284	2,622	9,044	2,847	9,292	7	162	2,854	9,454	18,066		Nov

Source: Immigration Department/Service de l'Immigration

**Table 2 : Visitor Arrivals by Purpose of Visit**  
**Tableau 2 : Arrivées de visiteurs selon le motif du voyage**

Year	Month	VISITORS/VISITEURS					Total Visitors	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			
2013		89,253	7,755	9,079	613	3,409	110,109	2013	
2014		86,239	7,672	8,007	1,022	5,868	108,808	2014	
2015		63,625	8,495	8,687	336	8,809	89,952	2015	
2016		71,088	8,300	8,521	551	6,657	95,117	2016	
2017		83,465	8,940	8,338	897	7,530	109,170	2017	
2013	Nov	6,389	566	757	36	375	8,123	2013	Nov
2014	Nov	5,816	564	780	162	674	7,996	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	5,147	637	809	40	642	7,275	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	5,416	648	807	39	601	7,511	2016	Nov
2017	Nov	5,794	795	909	55	953	8,506	2017	Nov
	Dec	9,702	1,116	374	37	1,054	12,283		Dec
2018	Jan	8,106	873	465	81	605	10,130	2018	Jan
	Feb	4,571	446	494	47	708	6,266		Fév
	Mar	5,630	600	561	18	307	7,116		Mar
	Apr	7,182	741	726	27	517	9,193		Avr
	May	6,642	680	739	58	734	8,853		Mai
	Jun	8,621	688	558	61	645	10,573		Juin
	Jul	10,736	820	714	117	797	13,184		Juil
	Aug	7,212	687	711	20	342	8,972		Août
	Sep	9,209	739	752	54	672	11,426		Sep
	Oct	8,147	691	740	65	766	10,409		Oct
	Nov	6,862	694	675	42	771	9,044		Nov

Source: Immigration Department/Service de l'Immigration

**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			
2013		65,776	15,068	12,515	4,874	5,544	2,614	659	1,062	1,997	110,109	2013	
2014		60,808	16,293	12,756	6,630	5,591	2,373	763	1,563	2,031	108,808	2014	
2015		46,098	13,422	10,567	5,953	5,839	2,962	633	2,186	2,292	89,952	2015	
2016		49,752	10,931	9,681	5,705	10,067	2,893	903	2,736	2,449	95,117	2016	
2017		57,387	11,554	15,880	7,147	6,806	3,016	1,076	3,612	2,692	109,170	2017	
2013	Nov	4,735	830	1,107	413	448	239	86	137	128	8,123	2013	Nov
2014	Nov	4,147	947	1,001	882	544	157	53	127	138	7,996	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	3,865	1,002	825	470	403	274	43	219	174	7,275	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	3,936	782	804	473	750	192	92	323	159	7,511	2016	Nov
2017	Nov	4,152	809	1,076	1,031	604	219	71	213	331	8,506	2017	Nov
	Dec	6,598	1,098	1,952	993	673	312	82	327	248	12,283		Dec
2018	Jan	5,206	804	2,129	528	570	251	63	317	262	10,130	2018	Jan
	Feb	2,606	381	1,238	606	490	229	63	385	268	6,266		Fév
	Mar	3,819	523	1,000	424	465	219	60	321	285	7,116		Mar
	Apr	4,878	820	1,308	491	589	319	105	392	291	9,193		Avr
	May	4,456	996	1,173	667	554	271	93	320	323	8,853		Mai
	Jun	5,563	1,409	1,398	524	631	372	56	299	321	10,573		Juin
	Jul	7,056	2,135	1,129	728	835	436	93	366	406	13,184		Juil
	Aug	4,071	1,483	1,195	424	737	278	102	385	297	8,972		Aoû
	Sep	6,330	1,658	888	491	1,023	221	122	328	365	11,426		Sep
	Oct	5,731	1,302	1,246	551	679	273	65	292	270	10,409		Oct
	Nov	4,754	854	916	660	946	269	57	284	304	9,044		Nov

Source: Immigration Department/Service de l'Immigration



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

Year	Month	Ni-Vanuatu	Australian Australien	French Français	British Anglais	New Zealander Néo- Zélandais	Asian Asiatiques	Pacific Islanders Autres pays du Pacifique	North Americans Américain du Nord	Other countries Autres pays	TOTAL	Année	Mois
2013		15,410	4,096	1,782	167	1,293	915	1,007	566	375	25,611	2013	
2014		15,044	4,297	1,934	104	1,274	966	1,161	690	414	25,884	2014	
2015		17,406	3,557	1,672	95	1,206	1,008	1,045	569	404	26,962	2015	
2016		18,511	2,516	1,120	164	855	741	645	343	264	25,160	2016	
2017		21,967	2,463	1,036	118	797	712	564	358	233	28,248	2017	
2013	Nov	1,692	382	153	1	102	87	75	66	24	2,582	2013	Nov
2014	Nov	1,713	365	145	10	122	75	83	54	32	2,599	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	1,845	306	141	11	103	78	73	22	32	2,611	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	1,924	175	87	10	82	39	42	10	17	2,386	2016	Nov
2017	Nov	2,164	223	79	11	72	71	44	25	39	2,728	2017	Nov
	Dec	2,652	116	28	4	29	19	28	14	13	2,903		Dec
2018	Jan	1,538	304	107	15	118	138	108	42	32	2,402	2018	Jan
	Feb	1,085	137	38	6	33	56	26	25	14	1,420		Fév
	Mar	1,329	140	38	4	24	59	23	18	17	1,652		Mar
	Apr	2,246	149	86	6	53	53	48	14	17	2,672		Avr
	May	2,322	143	47	13	33	81	47	13	15	2,714		Mai
	Jun	2,211	128	65	6	45	78	39	23	24	2,619		Juin
	Jul	1,642	154	46	7	41	92	106	31	20	2,139		Juil
	Aug	1,186	95	54	7	39	34	32	11	6	1,464		Aoû
	Sep	2,913	175	58	10	46	57	43	26	21	3,349		Sep
	Oct	1,531	246	106	11	77	87	50	30	28	2,166		Oct
	Nov	2,216	146	58	7	50	79	37	13	16	2,622		Nov

Source: Immigration Department / Service de l'Immigration

**Table 5 : Visitors Arriving by Air Intended Length of Stay\*****Tableau 5 : Arrivée des Visiteurs à longue durée de Séjour**

Year	Month	AVERAGE INTENDED LENGTH OF STAY / LA MOYENNE DE LONGUE DUREE DE SEJOUR			Année	Mois
		Port Vila	Luganville	Vanuatu		
2013		10.8	11.6	11.2	2013	
2014		9.5	11.5	10.5	2014	
2015		10.5	11.7	11.1	2015	
2016		10.2	11.6	10.9	2016	
2017		10.4	12.3	11.4	2017	
2013	Nov	8.0	11.8	9.9	2013	Nov
2014	Nov	8.3	9.6	9.0	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	8.9	10.3	9.6	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	9.8	11.8	10.8	2016	Nov
2017	Nov	7.4	11.0	10.4	2017	Nov
	Dec	10.2	12.8	11.5		Dec
2018	Jan	10.7	12.9	11.8	2018	Jan
	Feb	13.5	15.8	14.6		Fév
	Mar	9.2	11.2	10.2		Mar
	Apr	11.4	10.2	10.8		Avr
	May	9.1	10.8	9.9		Mai
	Jun	9.6	11.5	10.5		Juin
	Jul	10.6	13.3	11.9		Juil
	Aug	8.8	11.0	9.9		Aoû
	Sep	9.5	10.9	10.2		Sep
	Oct	10.0	12.2	11.1		Oct
	Nov	8.8	12.0	10.4		Nov

Source: Immigration Department/Service de l'Immigration

**Table 6 : Visitors Arriving by Air Average Age**  
**Tableau 6 : Arrivée des Visiteurs par Age moyen**

Year	Month	AVERAGE AGE OF VISITORS / L'AGE MOYEN DES VISITEURS			Année	Mois
		Port Vila	Luganville	Vanuatu		
2013	Nov	32.5	38.7	35.6	2013	Nov
2014	Nov	38.9	41.1	40.0	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	39.9	41.6	40.7	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	39.8	42.1	41.0	2016	Nov
2016	Dec	36.3	44.3	40.3	2016	Dec
2017	Jan	34.2	40.3	37.2	2017	Jan
	Feb	39.1	46.2	42.6		Fév
	Mar	42.0	43.2	42.6		Mar
	Apr	38.2	43.5	40.8		Avr
	May	41.5	44.4	42.9		Mai
	Jun	39.2	38.2	38.7		Juin
	Jul	37.8	40.5	39.2		Juil
	Aug	41.6	44.1	42.8		Aoû
	Sep	35.7	43.0	39.4		Sep
	Oct	40.0	42.7	41.3		Oct
	Nov	41.6	43.4	40.7		Nov
	Dec	36.5	38.1	37.3		Dec
2018	Jan	36.4	39.4	37.9	2018	Jan
	Feb	40.1	46.1	43.1		Fév
	Mar	41.0	43.9	42.5		Mar
	Apr	36.9	40.5	38.7		Avr
	May	39.3	48.1	43.7		Mai
	Jun	39.8	43.1	41.5		Juin
	Jul	38.4	40.6	39.5		Juil
	Aug	39.5	46.1	42.8		Aoû
	Sep	39.2	42.7	40.9		Sep
	Oct	39.6	44.6	42.1		Oct
	Nov	40.5	44.7	42.6		Nov

Source: Immigration Department/Service de l'Immigration

**Table 7: Visitors travelling to Outer Islands, Vanuatu****Tableau 7: Les visiteurs en voyage d'Îles Extérieures, Vanuatu**

Year	Month	Tanna	Santo	Efate offshore Islands	Pentecost Island	Malekula	Ambrym	Other Islands	TOTAL	Année	Mois
				Efate et les îles côtières	îles Pentecôte	Malicolo		D'autres îles			
2014		6,343	4,739	2,144	379	636	521	1,349	16,111	2014	
2015		7,295	5,342	3,201	1,093	945	775	1,572	20,223	2015	
2016		7,774	6,861	4,328	820	935	863	1,973	23,554	2016	
2017		10,301	8,840	3,333	550	1,071	837	2,416	27,348	2017	
2014	Nov	499	366	255	8	65	51	145	1,389	2014	Nov
2015	Nov	1,472	415	65	441	142	63	9	2,607	2015	Nov
2016	Nov	498	550	304	21	55	43	134	1,605	2016	Nov
2017	Nov	750	685	231	9	76	66	192	2,009	2017	Nov
	Dec	838	657	131	28	92	28	129	1,903		Dec
2018	Jan	1,080	1,109	220	7	76	76	148	2,716	2018	Jan
	Feb	607	494	147	21	60	17	64	1,410		Fév
	Mar	404	428	130	10	33	27	118	1,150		Mar
	Apr	872	660	417	63	59	56	217	2,344		Avr
	May	963	855	508	135	114	79	209	2,863		Mai
	Jun	932	836	263	102	117	71	169	2,490		Juin
	Jul	1,565	1,566	628	81	145	133	335	4,453		Juil
	Aug	1,465	1,303	544	31	206	126	247	3,922		Aoû
	Sep	1,031	910	611	13	144	98	345	3,152		Sep
	Oct	1,221	1,146	586	33	160	130	413	3,689		Oct
	Nov	755	707	289	27	75	54	135	2,042		Nov

**Source: Department of Immigration**

Note: Data on visitors travelling to outer islands is only available from May 2014