

## TOURISM INDICATORS

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### VISITOR ARRIVALS

In light of the outbreak of the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) in the neighbouring places, visitor arrivals in May 2003 recorded a significant drop of 36.8% over May 2002 to 596,628. Visitors came mainly from Hong Kong (48.8%), Mainland China (45.3%) and Taiwan (2.9%). Same-day visitors accounted for 47.0% of the total arrivals at 280,254.

In the first five months of 2003, there were 4,252,881 visitor arrivals, a decrease of 7.8% over the same period of 2002. Same-day visitors shared 46.3% of the total arrivals, with 1,969,512.

Compared with the first five months of 2002, the cumulative number of visitor arrivals by sea was 1,900,097 (-19.7%), in which 1,856,868 (-19.5%) arrived at the Outer Harbour. Arrivals by land totalled at 2,121,430 (+13.1%), among whom 2,035,961 (+13.8%) arrived through the Border Gate and 85,469 through the Checkpoint of CoTai. Arrivals by air reached 231,354 (-38.1%), of which 227,019 (-38.3%) arrived at the Macao International Airport.

#### VISITOR ARRIVALS BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE

Place of residence	May			May 2003			May 2003		Jan. - May		
	2002	2003	Δ%	By sea	By land	By air	2003	Δ%	2002	2003	Δ%
							Same-day visitors				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>943 352</b>	<b>596 628</b>	<b>-36.75</b>	<b>244 710</b>	<b>340 459</b>	<b>11 459</b>	<b>280 254</b>	<b>-27.76</b>	<b>4 614 159</b>	<b>4 252 881</b>	<b>-7.83</b>
East Asia	906 455	582 356	-35.75	237 993	334 562	9 801	275 169	-25.75	4 433 957	4 119 957	-7.08
Mainland China	356 951	270 537	-24.21	16 064	252 026	2 447	114 674	307.44	1 586 360	1 907 397	20.24
Hong Kong	397 240	291 091	-26.72	219 427	70 787	877	144 622	-30.70	2 144 971	1 784 321	-16.81
Taiwan	135 796	17 427	-87.17	735	10 294	6 398	14 253	-88.55	622 029	373 532	-39.95
Japan	13 169	2 306	-82.49	1 285	969	52	1 234	-84.54	57 805	38 465	-33.46
Republic of Korea	3 107	798	-74.32	467	305	26	339	-74.08	21 737	15 166	-30.23
Others	192	197	2.60	15	181	1	47	20.51	1 055	1 076	1.99
South Asia	1 401	831	-40.69	393	396	42	240	-59.66	6 941	5 877	-15.33
Southeast Asia	13 251	5 225	-60.57	1 705	2 538	982	1 388	-71.98	62 873	48 204	-23.33
Americas	9 330	2 816	-69.82	1 327	1 305	184	1 336	-74.37	46 664	32 287	-30.81
Europe	8 976	3 731	-58.43	2 414	939	378	1 465	-68.03	45 565	32 064	-29.63
Oceania	3 524	1 402	-60.22	798	544	60	534	-71.14	16 201	12 474	-23.00
Others	415	267	-35.66	80	175	12	122	-23.75	1 958	2 018	3.06

Δ Rate of change