

Table 3.1 Tourism Indicators, 2019 - 2024

Period	Tourist arrivals & stay			Capacity & operations					International flight Movements ^{3/}			Memorandum items	
	Total arrivals (thousands)	Bednights (thousands)	Average stay (days) ^{1/}	Operational bed capacity	Bednight capacity (thousands)	Registered bed capacity	Occupancy rate (%)	Resorts in operation ^{2/}	Total number of arrival flights			Travel Receipts (millions of USD) ^{6/}	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(10+11) (9)	Scheduled flights ^{4/} (10)	General flights ^{5/} (11)	(12)	
2019	1,703	10,689	6.3	47,274	17,260	48,910	62.3	146	13,781	12,800	981	3,157.1	
2020	555	3,985	7.2	27,745	10,146	52,341	25.7	91	5,896	4,795	1,101	1,397.9	
2021	1,322	10,073	8.8	48,960	17,877	54,610	56.1	154	12,887	10,382	2,505	3,508.4	
2022	1,675	12,260	8.0	57,254	20,905	59,132	58.9	164	15,289	13,151	2,138	4,498.0	
2023	1,879	12,903	7.6	61,562	22,472	62,349	57.6	172	15,883	14,608	1,275	4,230.4	
2024	2,047	13,347	na	61,739	22,597	63,975	59.1	170	16,830	15,432	1,398	na	
2023	Jan-23	172	1,340	8.1	60,194	1,866	61,156	71.8	168	1,673	1,398	275	425.9
	Feb-23	178	1,282	8.0	60,354	1,690	61,316	75.9	168	1,391	1,262	129	459.5
	Mar-23	174	1,244	7.8	60,656	1,880	61,618	66.2	170	1,472	1,334	138	407.3
	Apr-23	164	1,165	7.6	60,716	1,821	61,690	64.0	170	1,305	1,174	131	358.4
	May-23	121	825	7.2	60,818	1,885	61,550	43.8	170	1,150	1,078	72	140.1
	Jun-23	120	796	7.1	61,100	1,833	61,686	43.4	171	1,082	1,042	40	351.2
	Jul-23	146	909	7.7	61,658	1,911	62,266	47.6	172	1,211	1,158	53	283.4
	Aug-23	155	1,108	7.5	62,222	1,929	63,098	57.5	172	1,247	1,172	75	169.8
	Sep-23	131	852	7.2	62,880	1,886	63,216	45.1	174	1,153	1,119	34	378.6
	Oct-23	159	1,090	7.5	63,083	1,956	63,841	55.7	175	1,334	1,238	96	382.6
	Nov-23	164	1,152	7.6	63,358	1,901	64,204	60.6	176	1,344	1,263	81	407.7
	Dec-23	195	1,139	7.7	61,706	1,913	62,552	59.5	176	1,521	1,370	151	466.0
2024	Jan-24	192	1,330	7.9	61,036	1,892	62,720	70.3	171	1,630	1,418	212	589.4
	Feb-24	217	1,420	7.8	61,311	1,778	63,092	79.9	171	1,490	1,341	149	553.0
	Mar-24	194	1,336	8.0	61,555	1,908	63,338	70.0	171	1,508	1,382	126	501.3
	Apr-24	168	1,158	7.6	61,761	1,853	63,544	62.5	172	1,354	1,237	117	363.0
	May-24	120	855	7.3	61,616	1,910	63,706	44.7	170	1,211	1,145	66	213.6
	Jun-24	123	736	7.2	61,475	1,844	63,803	39.9	169	1,144	1,088	56	274.3
	Jul-24	168	1,076	7.7	61,075	1,893	63,945	56.8	168	1,361	1,255	106	317.3
	Aug-24	176	1,201	7.7	61,104	1,894	64,120	63.4	167	1,374	1,273	101	299.6
	Sep-24	133	823	na	61,274	1,838	64,344	44.8	167	1,192	1,142	50	310.2
	Oct-24	173	1,136	na	62,540	1,939	64,682	58.6	171	1,407	1,284	123	365.0
	Nov-24	173	1,105	na	62,848	1,885	64,990	58.6	171	1,472	1,331	141	367.6
	Dec-24	209	1,173	na	63,274	1,961	65,416	59.8	172	1,687	1,536	151	na
2023	Jan-Dec	1,879	12,903	7.6	61,562	22,472	62,349	57.6	172	15,883	14,608	1,275	4,230.4
2024	Jan-Dec	2,047	13,347	7.7	61,739	22,597	63,975	59.1	170	16,830	15,432	1,398	na

Source: Ministry of Tourism; Maldives Monetary Authority; Maldives Airports Company Limited

^{1/} From April 2020 to June 2020, average stay and tourist bednights is based on the estimated number of tourists in the Maldives during the months April, May and June 2020 as due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some tourists in the Maldives were unable to travel back to their home country. Furthermore, from August 2020 average stay is based on a new data source available from Maldives Immigration portal. Average stay from September 2024 onward is unavailable from the Ministry of Tourism

^{2/} Annual data refers to average number of resorts in operation.

^{3/} This data refers to flight movements at Velana International Airport.

^{4/} From April 2020 onward, data for scheduled flights include cargo flights.

^{5/} This refers to chartered flights and private flights.

^{6/} This is calculated using tourism goods and services tax, green tax, tourism tax, duty free sales and airport development fee. Data for 2021 includes airport service charge and data from January 2022 onward includes departure tax.

Note: Figures from January 2024 to November 2024 have been revised.

Period	y/y % change								
	Total arrivals (thousands)	Bednights (thousands)	Operational bed capacity	Bednight capacity (thousands)	Registered bed capacity	Total number of arrival flights	Scheduled flights	General flights	
	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	
2019	14.7	12.8	12.9	12.9	13.6	15.5	15.2	19.2	
2020	-67.4	-62.7	-41.3	-41.2	7.0	-57.2	-62.5	12.2	
2021	138.0	152.8	76.5	76.2	4.3	118.6	116.5	127.5	
2022	26.7	21.7	16.9	16.9	8.3	18.6	26.7	-14.7	
2023	12.1	5.2	7.5	7.5	5.4	3.9	11.1	-40.4	
2024	8.9	3.4	0.3	0.6	2.6	6.0	5.6	9.6	
2023	Jan-23	30.9	16.4	11.2	11.2	6.4	9.8	23.2	-29.1
	Feb-23	19.4	16.5	11.4	11.4	6.4	8.9	23.1	-48.8
	Mar-23	15.1	9.3	11.0	11.0	6.2	11.3	20.1	-34.9
	Apr-23	13.1	8.4	10.7	10.7	5.8	10.9	16.4	-22.0
	May-23	-3.6	-4.1	5.6	5.6	4.8	-6.9	1.5	-58.4
	Jun-23	8.5	2.0	5.8	5.8	4.7	-0.6	5.7	-61.2
	Jul-23	9.0	-8.5	6.1	6.1	4.6	4.4	9.5	-48.0
	Aug-23	17.4	4.4	6.9	6.9	5.8	3.6	8.4	-39.0
	Sep-23	16.9	5.5	7.0	7.0	5.5	6.6	12.6	-61.4
	Oct-23	3.5	1.1	6.0	6.0	5.6	4.6	10.4	-37.7
	Nov-23	11.4	8.4	6.4	6.4	6.2	-1.3	5.2	-49.7
	Dec-23	5.8	-1.0	3.3	3.3	3.2	-3.9	0.1	-29.4
2024	Jan-24	11.5	-0.7	1.4	1.4	2.6	-2.6	1.4	-22.9
	Feb-24	22.2	10.7	1.6	5.2	2.9	7.1	6.3	15.5
	Mar-24	11.9	7.3	1.5	1.5	2.8	2.4	3.6	-8.7
	Apr-24	2.4	-0.6	1.7	1.7	3.0	3.8	5.4	-10.7
	May-24	-0.9	3.6	1.3	1.3	3.5	5.3	6.2	-8.3
	Jun-24	2.4	-7.6	0.6	0.6	3.4	5.7	4.4	40.0
	Jul-24	15.0	18.3	-0.9	-0.9	2.7	12.4	8.4	100.0
	Aug-24	13.8	8.4	-1.8	-1.8	1.6	10.2	8.6	34.7
	Sep-24	1.4	-3.4	-2.6	-2.6	1.8	3.4	2.1	47.1
	Oct-24	8.5	4.2	-0.9	-0.9	1.3	5.5	3.7	28.1
	Nov-24	5.7	-4.2	-0.8	-0.8	1.2	9.5	5.4	74.1
	Dec-24	7.3	3.0	2.5	2.5	4.6	10.9	12.1	-
2023	Jan-Dec	12.1	5.2	7.5	7.5	5.4	3.9	11.1	-40.4
2024	Jan-Dec	8.9	3.4	0.3	0.6	2.6	6.0	5.6	9.6