

NOTES ON THE LATEST FIGURES

The total number of arrivals in June quarter of 2005 was 24,881 persons, an increase of 9.8 percent compared to June quarter of 2004.

The number of visitor arrivals in June quarter of 2005 was 18,594, which was 31.8 percent higher than in June quarter of 2004. Of these, 7,476 came for business, 4,135 came for employment, 3,872 came for holidays and 3,111 came for other specific reasons.

The increase in number of visitors in June quarter of 2005 when compared with the June quarter of 2004 was due to the tourists coming to visit Outer-Ports in PNG apart from Port Moresby.

As usual, the largest group of visitors in June quarter of 2005 was from Australia (10,753) who gave Australia as their overseas address, accounting for 57.8 percent of all visitor arrivals. Substantial number of visitors also came from United States of America (1,488), Philippines (1,025), Malaysia (764) and Japan (644).