

Visitor Arrival Report– April 2019

PLEASE NOTE: Due to a change in PVA data source, starting in October 2016, and until further notice, PVA will be reporting its visitor arrival statistics based solely on NATIONALITY and VISITORS.

PVA uses actual data based upon arrivals and departures, current month uses averages for visitors that have not departed yet. This information will be updated on next month's stats report.

Visitors arrivals comparing last year with this year and percentage change.

A) Visitor Arrivals, Monthly, by Country Group	2018-01	2018-02	2018-03	2018-04	2018-05	2018-06	2018-07	2018-08	2018-09	2018-10	2018-11	2018-12
JAPAN	2,466	2,536	3,319	2,567	1,243	958	1,104	2,012	1,423	1,025	1,502	2,261
SOUTH KOREA	1,810	1,000	1,114	1,127	1,103	1,055	1,227	1,527	1,174	1,047	1,059	1,104
TAIWAN	807	837	1,001	830	667	1,028	1,401	1,612	875	751	777	800
CHINA	3,907	6,613	3,676	4,275	3,281	3,907	3,787	4,613	2,440	2,028	1,281	1,509
USA/CANADA	697	685	935	709	830	761	867	584	619	497	603	638
EUROPE	494	446	602	422	264	191	179	250	178	585	366	400
OTHERS	284	301	377	407	263	276	444	493	324	284	317	271
Total Visitor Arrivals	10,465	12,418	11,024	10,337	7,651	8,176	9,009	11,091	7,033	6,217	5,905	6,983
Y-on_Y change	-10.2%	23.9%	24.1%	4.6%	-15.1%	-19.1%	-26.7%	-15.7%	-20.0%	-35.4%	-37.0%	-28.5%

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JAPAN	1,959	2,060	2,437	1,763								
SOUTH KOREA	1,171	1,037	1,092	810								
TAIWAN	923	1,095	1,195	1,104								
CHINA	2,083	4,070	2,559	3,196								
USA/CANADA	626	702	832	778								
EUROPE	312	439	485	369								
OTHERS	284	372	465	418								
Total Visitor Arrivals	7,358	9,775	9,065	8,438								
Y-on_Y change	-29.7%	-21.3%	-17.8%	-18.4%								

Comparison showing this month, this month last year and past month.

	April		Last Year		Past Month	
	2019-04	Share	2018-04	Share	2019-03	Share %
JAPAN	1,763	21%	2,567	25%	2,437	27%
SOUTH KOREA	810	10%	1,127	11%	1,092	12%
TAIWAN	1,104	13%	830	8%	1,195	13%
CHINA	3,196	38%	4,275	41%	2,559	28%
USA/CANADA	778	9%	709	7%	832	9%
EUROPE	369	4%	422	4%	485	5%
OTHERS	418	5%	407	4%	465	5%
Total:	8,438	100%	10,337	100%	9,065	100%

Overall:

- For the month of April 2019, visitor arrivals to Palau (excluding residents, students, employments, flight crews and transits) totaled 8,384 representing a decrease of 1,953 compared to April 2018 with 10,337 visitor arrivals.
- This month's visitors from Taiwan, US/Canada showed an increase from last month; Japan, Korea, China and Europe showed a decrease.

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Visitor Arrivals by Mode of Transportation (excluding residents, students, employments, flight crews and transits).

AIRLINES	Asiana Airlines	China Airlines	Korean Airlines	PAPA Airline	United Airlines	Japan Airline	ANA	Lanmei Airlines	Totals
Originated (Airport)	Korea (ICN)	Taiwan (TPE)	Korea (ICN)	China (HKG)	Guam/Philippines	Japan Tokyo	Japan Tokyo	China (HKG)	
Passengers	1,124	1,648	871	1,722	1,707	194	0	930	
AIRLINES	Private Plane	Uzbekistan Airways	Carolinas	Cruise Ship		Other			
Originated (Airport)		China (HKG)	(Yap)						
Passengers	185	0	19	0		38			8,438

Nationality of arrivals comparing Scheduled vs. Charter.

Carrier and Nationality	2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04	2019-05	2019-06	2019-07	2019-08	2019-09	2019-10	2019-11	2019-12
Scheduled airlines												
S 1 JAPAN	1,215	1,434	1,601	1,419								
S 2 SOUTH KOREA	1,168	1,030	1,090	809								
S 3 TAIWAN	904	1,091	1,152	1,088								
S 4 CHINA	1,051	1,028	297	578								
S 5 USA/CANADA	609	596	754	755								
S 6 EUROPE	303	413	469	355								
S 7 OTHERS	263	305	433	365								
Scheduled, Total	5,513	5,897	5,796	5,369								
Charter Airlines												
C 1 JAPAN	734	625	831	194								
C 2 SOUTH KOREA	3	3	2	1								
C 3 TAIWAN	8	4	5	15								
C 4 CHINA	1,013	3,014	2,242	2,582								
C 5 USA/CANADA	4	28	10	12								
C 6 EUROPE	3	20	10	10								
C 7 OTHERS	9	34	15	32								
Charter, Total	1,774	3,728	3,115	2,846								
Other arrivals	71	150	154	223								
Total arrivals	7,358	9,775	9,065	8,438								
% Scheduled	75%	60%	64%	64%								
% Charter	24%	38%	34%	34%								

Comparison of our growth in tourism to other Pacific Countries

Compare visitors to other countries					
Country	2015	2016	2017	2018	Percent growth
Palau	163,909	138,430	122,566	106,303	-35.15%
Vietnam	7,944,000	10,013,000	12,922,151	15,497,791	95.09%
Guam	1,409,000	1,535,410	1,543,990	1,552,177	10.16%
Fiji	755,000	792,320	840,589	870,309	15.27%
Thailand	29,923,000	32,588,303	35,380,000	38,458,110	28.52%
Philippines	5,361,000	5,970,000	6,620,908	6,877,260	28.28%
Japan	19,737,000	24,039,000	28,700,000	31,191,929	58.04%
Marianas	479,679	501,179	653,150		47.12%
Cook Islands	125,130	146,473	161,362	168,760	34.87%

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Breakdown of percentage market share of visitors by nationality.

C) % of Visitor Nights, Monthly, by Country Group		2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04	2019-05	2019-06	2019-07	2019-08	2019-09	2019-10	2019-11	2019-12
1	JAPAN	23%	19%	23%	19%								
2	SOUTH KOREA	13%	9%	9%	7%								
3	TAIWAN	9%	10%	11%	13%								
4	CHINA	28%	39%	27%	36%								
5	USA/CANADA	13%	10%	12%	12%								
6	EUROPE	8%	8%	10%	7%								
7	OTHERS	5%	5%	7%	6%								
Total Visitor Nights		100%	100%	100%	100%								

Chart shows average length of stay by nationality.

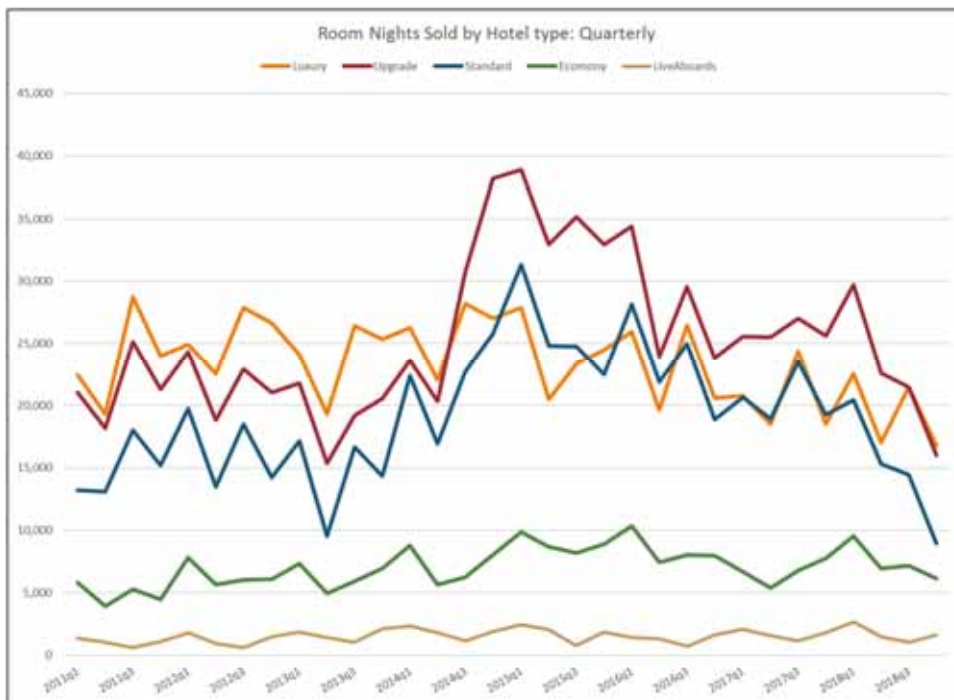
D) Average length of Visitor stay (nights), Monthly, by Country Group		2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04	2019-05	2019-06	2019-07	2019-08	2019-09	2019-10	2019-11	2019-12
	JAPAN	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.6								
	SOUTH KOREA	4.2	4.0	4.0	3.7								
	TAIWAN	3.9	4.3	4.5	4.8								
	CHINA	5.2	4.7	4.9	4.8								
	USA/CANADA	7.9	7.3	6.8	6.6								
	EUROPE	9.4	9.3	9.1	8.0								
	OTHERS	7.2	6.2	7.4	5.9								
	Total	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.0								

Average Length of stay is based on records where Departures and arrivals could be matched, excluding any that stayed longer than 30 days

Sex and age group of visitors to Palau.

YrMth	Sex	0-9yrs	10-17yrs	18-29yrs	30-39yrs	40-49yrs	50-59yrs	60 & Over	Total
2019-04	X				2				2
2019-04	M	148	99	656	1210	998	816	481	4408
2019-04	F	115	91	1013	1152	745	577	335	4028
		263	190	1669	2364	1743	1393	816	8438
	Percent	2.9%	2.3%	25.1%	28.6%	18.5%	14.3%	8.3%	100.0%

Where our visitors are staying, and the changes over time



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Visitor group by nationality and arrivals.

	2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04
Asia	6,286	8,435	7,448	7,093
Japan	1,959	2,060	2,437	1,763
Korea, Republic of	1,171	1,037	1,092	810
Taiwan, Republic of China	923	1,095	1,195	1,104
China	2,083	4,070	2,559	3,196
Hong Kong, Special Administrat	-	-	-	-
Macao, Special Administrative	-	-	-	-
Bangladesh	-	-	-	-
Indonesia	12	15	9	4
India	3	-	7	6
Malaysia	10	22	12	31
Philippines	73	102	95	128
Singapore	26	10	16	9
Thailand	11	13	19	29
Asia-Other	15	11	7	13
North America	626	702	832	778
Canada	37	49	50	40
United States of America	589	653	782	738
North America-Other	-	-	-	-
Caribbean	1	1	2	1
Central America	1	13	1	3
South America	15	12	20	11
Argentina	1	1	1	2
Brazil	9	7	18	7
Chile	1	3	-	1
Ecuador	1	-	-	-
South America-Other	3	1	1	1
Europe	312	442	487	369
Austria	11	49	11	6
Belgium	6	10	9	5
Switzerland	20	10	15	22
Czech Republic	5	21	3	11
Germany	45	85	100	98
Denmark	2	10	-	5
Spain	5	8	37	25
Finland	1	2	1	-
France	18	35	77	38
United Kingdom	60	68	63	48
Greece	12	2	1	-
Italy	28	44	35	59
Norway	4	10	2	-
Poland	2	1	24	4
Portugal	3	10	7	1
Russian Federation	29	28	14	15
Sweden	12	12	5	2
Europe-Other	49	37	83	30
Middle East	21	8	45	26
Africa	4	8	3	4
Oceania	92	154	227	152
Australia	50	41	74	90
Fiji	1	4	15	3
Micronesia, Federated States of	33	46	50	32
Marshall Islands	-	25	11	12
New Zealand	6	19	26	4
Republic of the Marshall Island	-	-	-	-
Solomon Islands	-	2	10	2
Tuvalu	-	-	7	-
Oceania-Other	2	17	34	9
Total	7,358	9,775	9,065	8,437

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Visitor nationality arriving by airline.

Airline	yporde	CountryGrp	2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 1	JAPAN		624		
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 2	SOUTH KOREA		1		
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 3	TAIWAN		1		
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 4	CHINA		4		
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 5	USA/CANADA				
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 6	EUROPE		1		
ANA - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS	C 7	OTHERS				
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 1	JAPAN	198	230	200	243
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 2	SOUTH KOREA	867	822	730	571
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 3	TAIWAN	3	3	3	2
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 4	CHINA	745	666	85	223
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 5	USA/CANADA	42	59	26	26
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 6	EUROPE	69	103	113	39
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S 7	OTHERS	21	22	11	20
Carolines	S 1	JAPAN				
Carolines	S 2	SOUTH KOREA				
Carolines	S 3	TAIWAN				
Carolines	S 4	CHINA			10	5
Carolines	S 5	USA/CANADA		27	2	5
Carolines	S 6	EUROPE		1	7	5
Carolines	S 7	OTHERS	2	8	11	4
China Airlines	S 1	JAPAN	113	152	228	179
China Airlines	S 2	SOUTH KOREA	3	1	4	4
China Airlines	S 3	TAIWAN	894	1080	1127	1082
China Airlines	S 4	CHINA	29	91	25	76
China Airlines	S 5	USA/CANADA	41	37	69	112
China Airlines	S 6	EUROPE	70	117	161	112
China Airlines	S 7	OTHERS	43	33	74	83
CRUISE SHIP		1 JAPAN		1		
CRUISE SHIP		3 TAIWAN			4	
CRUISE SHIP		4 CHINA				
CRUISE SHIP		5 USA/CANADA		52		
CRUISE SHIP		6 EUROPE		1		
CRUISE SHIP		7 OTHERS		27		
Japan Airlines	C 1	JAPAN	591		829	194
Japan Airlines	C 2	SOUTH KOREA	2		2	
Japan Airlines	C 3	TAIWAN	1			
Japan Airlines	C 4	CHINA	2		4	
Japan Airlines	C 5	USA/CANADA			3	
Japan Airlines	C 6	EUROPE	2		2	
Japan Airlines	C 7	OTHERS	1		1	
Korean Air	S 1	JAPAN	108	233	350	216
Korean Air	S 2	SOUTH KOREA	286	201	349	229
Korean Air	S 3	TAIWAN	1	1	1	1
Korean Air	S 4	CHINA	259	232	111	250
Korean Air	S 5	USA/CANADA	40	28	75	37
Korean Air	S 6	EUROPE	46	64	71	114
Korean Air	S 7	OTHERS	15	24	63	24
Lanmei Airlines	C 1	JAPAN	2			
Lanmei Airlines	C 2	SOUTH KOREA				
Lanmei Airlines	C 3	TAIWAN	7	1	1	2
Lanmei Airlines	C 4	CHINA	1011	1457	773	904
Lanmei Airlines	C 5	USA/CANADA	4	16	3	4
Lanmei Airlines	C 6	EUROPE	1	13	4	3
Lanmei Airlines	C 7	OTHERS	5	5	7	17
PAPA Airlines	C 1	JAPAN		1	2	
PAPA Airlines	C 2	SOUTH KOREA		2		1
PAPA Airlines	C 3	TAIWAN		2	4	13
PAPA Airlines	C 4	CHINA		1553	1465	1678
PAPA Airlines	C 5	USA/CANADA		12	4	8
PAPA Airlines	C 6	EUROPE		6	4	7
PAPA Airlines	C 7	OTHERS		29	7	15
United Airlines	S 1	JAPAN	796	819	823	781
United Airlines	S 2	SOUTH KOREA	12	6	7	5
United Airlines	S 3	TAIWAN	6	7	21	3
United Airlines	S 4	CHINA	18	39	66	24
United Airlines	S 5	USA/CANADA	486	445	582	575
United Airlines	S 6	EUROPE	118	128	117	85
United Airlines	S 7	OTHERS	182	218	274	234

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Conclusion:

PVA is introducing new stats this year, it gives us the ability to monitor more information, see trends and know where our visitors are coming from.

Tourism is everyone's business, keep Palau clean and remember to wave with a smile.

Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Growth
2007								9,214	7,609	6,817	6,274	7,610	37,524	
2008	8,933	8,783	7,836	6,632	4,974	4,646	6,696	7,360	6,514	6,253	5,775	6,885	81,287	116.63%
2009	8,247	6,892	7,227	5,154	4,730	4,191	5,267	6,332	6,259	5,261	5,355	6,451	71,366	-12.20%
2010	6,829	8,594	7,701	5,119	5,444	4,458	9,782	9,005	7,102	6,693	6,028	7,849	84,604	18.55%
2011	9,630	8,846	7,637	8,078	7,334	7,616	11,245	12,494	10,453	8,375	8,823	10,473	111,004	31.20%
2012	11,174	11,349	10,063	8,507	7,845	9,845	11,653	11,866	8,955	8,783	9,777	10,543	120,360	8.43%
2013	10,161	10,931	10,621	7,394	6,204	7,018	9,384	10,506	9,501	8,493	8,057	9,980	108,250	-10.06%
2014	10,933	11,125	10,959	8,875	8,690	10,488	12,331	13,880	11,863	11,843	14,020	15,443	140,450	29.75%
2015	14,881	17,742	14,961	12,844	12,704	12,840	12,838	15,579	13,072	12,446	11,423	12,579	163,909	16.70%
2016	14,183	14,137	12,249	10,665	9,603	11,381	12,494	13,287	12,187	8,988	9,384	9,872	138,430	-15.54%
2017	11,654	10,026	8,886	9,882	9,018	10,108	12,295	13,156	8,796	9,622	9,378	9,761	122,582	-11.45%
2018	10,465	12,412	11,024	10,337	7,651	8,176	9,009	11,091	7,033	6,217	5,905	6,983	106,303	-13.28%
2019	7,358	9,755	9,065	8,438										

Comparison of last 5 years showing yearly number of Nationality visitors to Palau and visitor nights.

A) Visitor arrivals		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Growth
1	JAPAN	39,699	35,921	37,427	31,243	29,236	26,031	22,416	-13.89%
2	SOUTH KOREA	19,657	17,481	14,667	12,360	12,433	11,895	14,347	20.61%
3	TAIWAN	38,662	26,620	30,170	14,264	13,934	9,834	11,386	15.78%
4	CHINA	4,991	9,255	39,367	88,476	64,995	57,866	41,317	-28.60%
5	USA/CANADA	8,094	8,664	8,830	8,857	8,418	7,996	8,425	5.37%
6	EUROPE	5,202	5,676	5,211	4,274	4,924	4,695	4,377	-6.77%
7	OTHERS	4,055	4,633	4,778	4,430	4,486	4,249	4,041	-4.90%
	Total	120,360	108,250	140,450	163,905	138,426	122,566	106,309	-13.26%
B) Visitor nights		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Growth
1	JAPAN	181,426	167,083	169,077	133,040	121,921	110,415	98,375	-10.91%
2	SOUTH KOREA	71,887	65,659	55,431	47,253	48,043	47,491	56,744	19.48%
3	TAIWAN	149,971	104,160	127,756	57,932	57,187	40,327	45,354	12.47%
4	CHINA	23,448	39,341	169,938	381,276	293,803	268,136	197,216	-26.45%
5	USA/CANADA	55,776	60,602	61,806	62,725	58,302	55,883	63,492	13.62%
6	EUROPE	44,411	49,942	45,950	37,357	46,006	42,547	36,909	-13.25%
7	OTHERS	27,826	32,815	32,625	29,608	29,525	28,200	27,946	-0.90%
	Total	554,743	519,602	662,584	749,191	654,786	592,999	526,036	-11.29%

Jelly Fish Lake is open.

Welcome new PAPA Airlines.

