

Visitor Arrival Report– February 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										
SOUTH KOREA	1,171	1,037										
TAIWAN	923	1,095										
CHINA	2,083	4,070										
USA/CANADA	626	702										
EUROPE	312	439										
OTHERS	284	372										
Total Visitor Arrivals	7,358	9,775										
Y-on_Y change	-29.7%	-21.3%										

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

	February		Last Year		Past Month	
	2019-02	Share	2018-02	Share	2019-01	Share %
JAPAN	2,060	21%	2,536	20%	1,959	27%
SOUTH KOREA	1,037	11%	1,000	8%	1,171	16%
TAIWAN	1,095	11%	837	7%	923	13%
CHINA	4,070	42%	6,613	53%	2,083	28%
USA/CANADA	702	7%	685	6%	626	9%
EUROPE	439	4%	446	4%	312	4%
OTHERS	372	4%	301	2%	284	4%
Total:	9,775	100%	12,418	100%	7,358	100%

Overall:

- For the month of February 2019, visitor arrivals to Palau (excluding residents, students, employments, flight crews and transits) totaled 9,775 representing a decrease of 2,643 compared to February 2018 with 12,418 visitor arrivals.
- This month's visitors from Japan, Taiwan, China, US/Canada, Europe showed an increase from last month; Korea, showed a decrease.
- March show be a good month with flights coming to Palau.

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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	1,905	1,511	783	1,605	1,662	0	631	1,492	
AIRLINES	Private Plane	Uzbekistan Airways	Carolinas	Cruise Ship		Other			
Originated (Airport)		China (HKG)	(Yap)						
Passengers	41	0	36	81		28			9,775

Nationality of arrivals comparing Scheduled vs. Charter.

Is, by 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										
S 2 SOUTH KOREA	1,168	1,030										
S 3 TAIWAN	904	1,091										
S 4 CHINA	1,051	1,028										
S 5 USA/CANADA	609	596										
S 6 EUROPE	303	413										
S 7 OTHERS	263	305										
Scheduled, Total	5,513	5,897										
Charter Airlines												
C 1 JAPAN	734	625										
C 2 SOUTH KOREA	3	3										
C 3 TAIWAN	8	4										
C 4 CHINA	1,013	3,014										
C 5 USA/CANADA	4	28										
C 6 EUROPE	3	20										
C 7 OTHERS	9	34										
Charter, Total	1,774	3,728										
Other arrivals	77	156										
Total arrivals	7,364	9,781										
% Scheduled	75%	60%										
% Charter	24%	38%										

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%										
2	SOUTH KOREA	13%	9%										
3	TAIWAN	9%	10%										
4	CHINA	28%	41%										
5	USA/CANADA	13%	10%										
6	EUROPE	8%	7%										
7	OTHERS	5%	4%										
Total Visitor Nights		100%	100%										

Chart shows average length of stay by nationality.

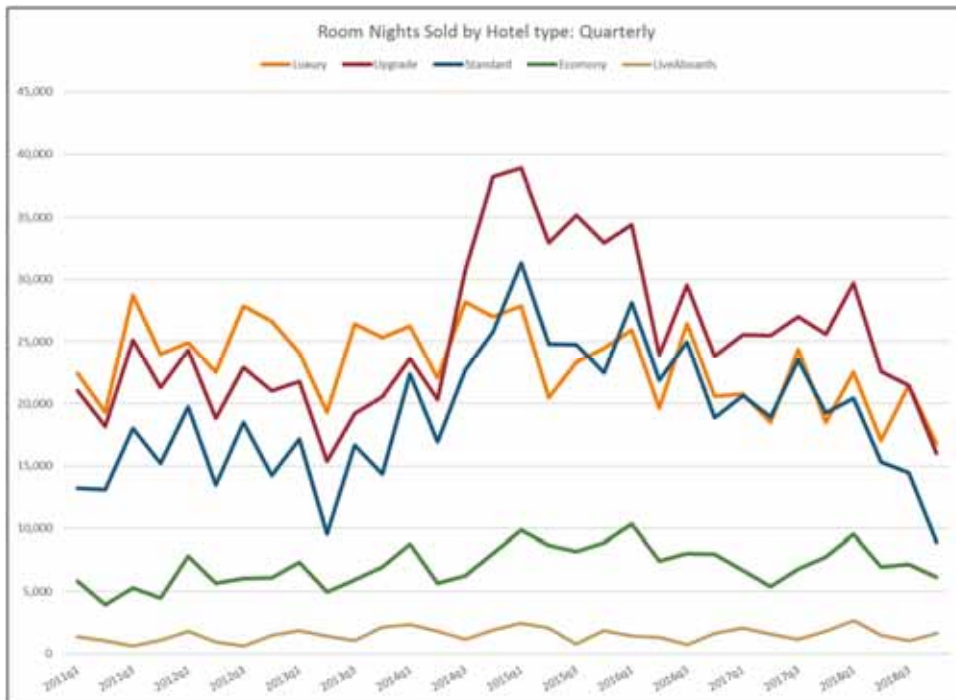
D) Average length of Visitor stay (nights), Monthly, by Country Group		2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04	2019-05	2019-06	2019-07	2019-08	2019-09	2019-10	2019-11	2019-12
	JAPAN	4.5	4.3										
	SOUTH KOREA	4.2	4.0										
	TAIWAN	3.9	4.1										
	CHINA	5.2	4.6										
	USA/CANADA	7.9	6.2										
	EUROPE	9.4	7.7										
	OTHERS	7.2	5.2										
	Total	5.1	4.6										

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
2019-02	M	291	240	684	1177	1133	808	675	5009
2019-02	F	246	221	1037	1255	889	641	475	4765
		538	461	1721	2432	2022	1449	1150	9775
	Percent	5.2%	4.6%	21.8%	26.3%	18.7%	13.5%	10.0%	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
Asia	6,286	8,435
Japan	1,959	2,060
Korea, Republic of	1,171	1,037
Taiwan, Republic of China	923	1,095
China	2,083	4,070
Hong Kong, Special Administra	-	-
Macao, Special Administrative	-	-
Bangladesh	-	-
Indonesia	12	15
India	3	-
Malaysia	10	22
Philippines	73	102
Singapore	26	10
Thailand	11	13
Asia-Other	15	11
North America	626	702
Canada	37	49
United States of America	589	653
North America-Other	-	-
Caribbean	1	1
Central America	1	13
South America	15	12
Argentina	1	1
Brazil	9	7
Chile	1	3
Ecuador	1	-
South America-Other	3	1
Europe	312	442
Austria	11	49
Belgium	6	10
Switzerland	20	10
Czech Republic	5	21
Germany	45	85
Denmark	2	10
Spain	5	8
Finland	1	2
France	18	35
United Kingdom	60	68
Greece	12	2
Italy	28	44
Norway	4	10
Poland	2	1
Portugal	3	10
Russian Federation	29	28
Sweden	12	12
Europe-Other	49	37
Middle East	21	8
Africa	4	8
Oceania	92	154
Australia	50	41
Fiji	1	4
Micronesia, Federated States o	33	46
Marshall Islands	-	25
New Zealand	6	19
Republic of the Marshall Island	-	-
Solomon Islands	-	2
Tuvalu	-	-
Oceania-Other	2	17
Total	7,358	9,775

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Visitor nationality arriving by airline.

Airline	yp	rde	CountryGrp	2019-01	2019-02
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
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S	2	SOUTH KOREA	867	822
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S	3	TAIWAN	3	3
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S	4	CHINA	745	666
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S	5	USA/CANADA	42	59
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S	6	EUROPE	69	103
Asiana Airlines Inc.	S	7	OTHERS	21	22
Carolines	S	1	JAPAN		
Carolines	S	2	SOUTH KOREA		
Carolines	S	3	TAIWAN		
Carolines	S	4	CHINA		
Carolines	S	5	USA/CANADA		27
Carolines	S	6	EUROPE		1
Carolines	S	7	OTHERS	2	8
China Airlines	S	1	JAPAN	113	152
China Airlines	S	2	SOUTH KOREA	3	1
China Airlines	S	3	TAIWAN	894	1080
China Airlines	S	4	CHINA	29	91
China Airlines	S	5	USA/CANADA	41	37
China Airlines	S	6	EUROPE	70	117
China Airlines	S	7	OTHERS	43	33
CRUISE SHIP		1	JAPAN		1
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	
Japan Airlines	C	2	SOUTH KOREA	2	
Japan Airlines	C	3	TAIWAN	1	
Japan Airlines	C	4	CHINA	2	
Japan Airlines	C	5	USA/CANADA		
Japan Airlines	C	6	EUROPE	2	
Japan Airlines	C	7	OTHERS	1	
Korean Air	S	1	JAPAN	108	233
Korean Air	S	2	SOUTH KOREA	286	201
Korean Air	S	3	TAIWAN	1	1
Korean Air	S	4	CHINA	259	232
Korean Air	S	5	USA/CANADA	40	28
Korean Air	S	6	EUROPE	46	64
Korean Air	S	7	OTHERS	15	24
Lanmei Airlines	C	1	JAPAN	2	
Lanmei Airlines	C	2	SOUTH KOREA		
Lanmei Airlines	C	3	TAIWAN	7	1
Lanmei Airlines	C	4	CHINA	1011	1457
Lanmei Airlines	C	5	USA/CANADA	4	16
Lanmei Airlines	C	6	EUROPE	1	13
Lanmei Airlines	C	7	OTHERS	5	5
PAPA Airlines	C	1	JAPAN		1
PAPA Airlines	C	2	SOUTH KOREA		2
PAPA Airlines	C	3	TAIWAN		2
PAPA Airlines	C	4	CHINA		1553
PAPA Airlines	C	5	USA/CANADA		12
PAPA Airlines	C	6	EUROPE		6
PAPA Airlines	C	7	OTHERS		29
United Airlines	S	1	JAPAN	796	819
United Airlines	S	2	SOUTH KOREA	12	6
United Airlines	S	3	TAIWAN	6	7
United Airlines	S	4	CHINA	18	39
United Airlines	S	5	USA/CANADA	486	445
United Airlines	S	6	EUROPE	118	128
United Airlines	S	7	OTHERS	182	218
Uzbekistan Airways	C	1	JAPAN	141	
Uzbekistan Airways	C	2	SOUTH KOREA	1	
Uzbekistan Airways	C	4	CHINA		
Uzbekistan Airways	C	5	USA/CANADA		
Uzbekistan Airways	C	7	OTHERS	3	

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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												

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.

