



06 February 2019

MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL CONCERNED

FROM : OIC - DIRECTOR
Office of Tourism Development Planning, Research and Information Management

SUBJECT : VISITOR ARRIVALS FOR JANUARY – DECEMBER 2018

We are pleased to provide the attached visitor arrival report for December 2018. The said report indicated that visitor arrivals for the month reached a total of 687,726 visitors, up by 12.12% from the 613,372 arrivals in December 2017.

On the other hand, arrivals for January – December 2018 generated a total of 7,127,678 visitors. This volume registered an increase of 7.65% from the 6,620,908 count for the same period last year.

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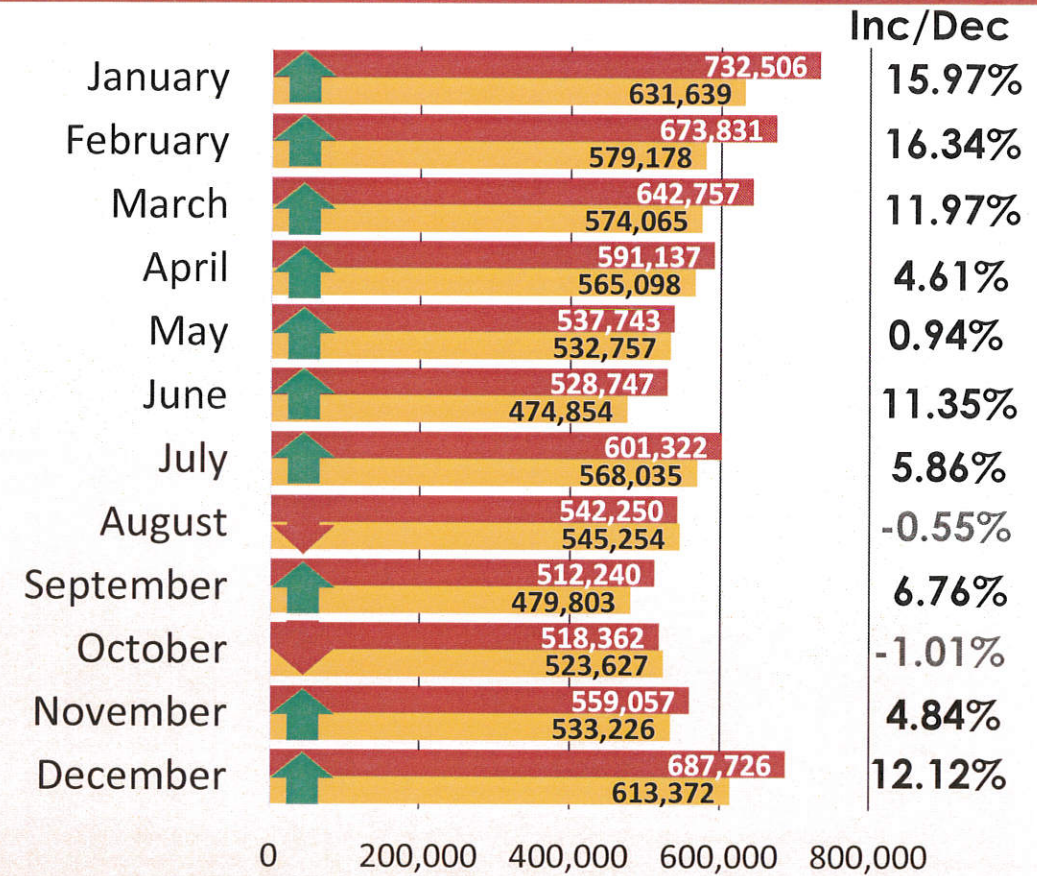

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Visitor Arrivals to the Philippines

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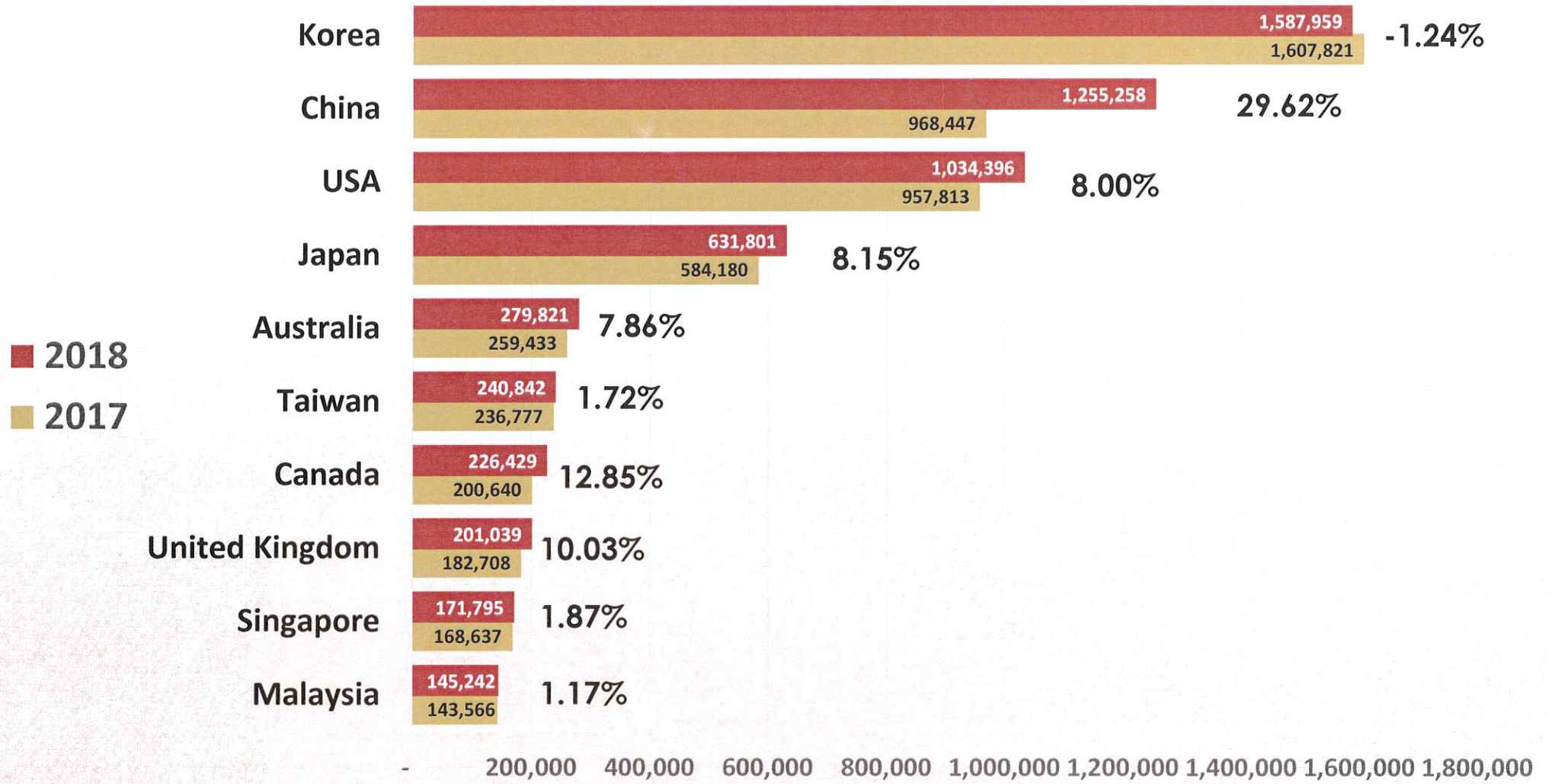
January-December 2018/2017



Source: Arrival/Departure Cards and Shipping Manifests

■ 2018 ■ 2017

Top Visitor Markets January-December 2018



Share of Top Visitor Markets January-December 2018



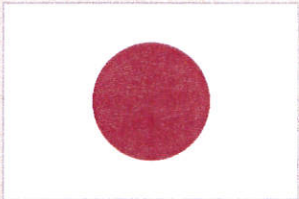
SOUTH KOREA
(22.28%)



CHINA
(17.61%)



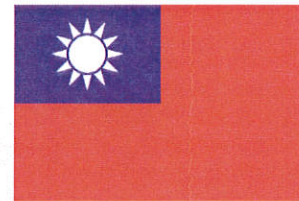
USA
(14.51%)



JAPAN
(8.86%)



AUSTRALIA
(3.93%)



TAIWAN
(3.38%)



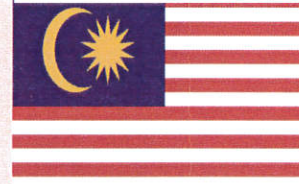
CANADA
(3.18%)



UNITED KINGDOM
(2.82%)



SINGAPORE
(2.41%)



MALAYSIA
(2.04%)

**VISITOR ARRIVALS TO THE PHILIPPINES BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE
DECEMBER 2018**

Country of Residence	DECEMBER 2018		DECEMBER 2017		% GROWTH RATE
	VOLUME	% SHARE	VOLUME	% SHARE	
ASIA					
<i>ASEAN</i>					
<i>BRUNEI</i>	1,013	0.15	907	0.15	11.69
<i>CAMBODIA</i>	241	0.04	384	0.06	-37.24
<i>INDONESIA</i>	5,446	0.79	5,414	0.88	0.59
<i>LAOS</i>	112	0.02	79	0.01	41.77
<i>MALAYSIA</i>	11,617	1.69	11,559	1.88	0.50
<i>MYANMAR</i>	955	0.14	683	0.11	39.82
<i>SINGAPORE</i>	13,784	2.00	14,846	2.42	-7.15
<i>THAILAND</i>	4,314	0.63	3,611	0.59	19.47
<i>VIETNAM</i>	3,782	0.55	3,018	0.49	25.31
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	41,264	6.00	40,501	6.60	1.88
<i>EAST ASIA</i>					
<i>CHINA</i>	97,961	14.24	78,333	12.77	25.06
<i>HONGKONG</i>	7,944	1.16	9,047	1.47	-12.19
<i>JAPAN</i>	53,806	7.82	48,371	7.89	11.24
<i>KOREA</i>	169,228	24.61	150,097	24.47	12.75
<i>MACAU</i>	764	0.11	756	0.12	1.06
<i>TAIWAN</i>	19,477	2.83	14,911	2.43	30.62
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	349,180	50.77	301,515	49.16	15.81
<i>SOUTH ASIA</i>					
<i>BANGLADESH</i>	364	0.05	407	0.07	-10.57
<i>INDIA</i>	8,205	1.19	8,190	1.34	0.18
<i>IRAN</i>	209	0.03	180	0.03	16.11
<i>NEPAL</i>	1,058	0.15	585	0.10	80.85
<i>PAKISTAN</i>	305	0.04	300	0.05	1.67
<i>SRI LANKA</i>	443	0.06	420	0.07	5.48
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	10,584	1.54	10,082	1.64	4.98
<i>MIDDLE EAST</i>					
<i>BAHRAIN</i>	215	0.03	255	0.04	-15.69
<i>EGYPT</i>	187	0.03	169	0.03	10.65
<i>JORDAN</i>	122	0.02	43	0.01	183.72
<i>KUWAIT</i>	368	0.05	493	0.08	-25.35
<i>OMAN****</i>	142	0.02	229	0.04	-37.99
<i>QATAR*</i>	220	0.03	343	0.06	-35.86
<i>SAUDI ARABIA</i>	2,095	0.30	2,067	0.34	1.35
<i>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</i>	1,086	0.16	1,426	0.23	-23.84
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	4,435	0.64	5,025	0.82	-11.74
AMERICA					
<i>NORTH AMERICA</i>					
<i>CANADA</i>	29,661	4.31	25,071	4.09	18.31
<i>MEXICO</i>	301	0.04	1,635	0.27	-81.59
<i>USA</i>	104,588	15.21	97,840	15.95	6.90
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	134,550	19.56	124,546	20.31	8.03

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SOUTH AMERICA					
ARGENTINA	208	0.03	290	0.05	-28.28
BRAZIL	1,016	0.15	687	0.11	47.89
COLOMBIA	230	0.03	243	0.04	-5.35
PERU	107	0.02	359	0.06	-70.19
VENEZUELA	44	0.01	22	0.00	100.00
SUB-TOTAL	1,605	0.23	1,601	0.26	0.25
EUROPE					
WESTERN EUROPE					
ANDORRA	-	0.00	35	0.01	-100.00
AUSTRIA	1,920	0.28	1,454	0.24	32.05
BELGIUM	1,747	0.25	1,736	0.28	0.63
FRANCE	6,778	0.99	6,071	0.99	11.65
GERMANY	11,728	1.71	8,833	1.44	32.77
LUXEMBOURG	118	0.02	71	0.01	66.20
NETHERLANDS	4,441	0.65	3,555	0.58	24.92
SWITZERLAND	3,977	0.58	3,593	0.59	10.69
SUB-TOTAL	30,709	4.47	25,348	4.13	21.15
NORTHERN EUROPE					
DENMARK	2,172	0.32	1,742	0.28	24.68
FINLAND	1,148	0.17	919	0.15	24.92
IRELAND	2,485	0.36	1,963	0.32	26.59
NORWAY	3,019	0.44	2,569	0.42	17.52
SWEDEN	5,142	0.75	4,314	0.70	19.19
UNITED KINGDOM	21,778	3.17	19,327	3.15	12.68
SUB-TOTAL	35,744	5.20	30,834	5.03	15.92
SOUTHERN EUROPE					
GREECE	365	0.05	375	0.06	-2.67
ITALY	4,330	0.63	3,729	0.61	16.12
PORTUGAL	674	0.10	410	0.07	64.39
SPAIN	4,223	0.61	3,858	0.63	9.46
SUB-TOTAL	9,592	1.39	8,372	1.36	14.57
EASTERN EUROPE					
COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES					
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	3,904	0.57	4,088	0.67	-4.50
TOTAL(CIS & RUSSIA)	5,162	0.75	5,147	0.84	0.29
POLAND	1,287	0.19	978	0.16	31.60
SUB-TOTAL	6,449	0.94	6,125	1.00	5.29
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN EUROPE**					
ISRAEL	1,996	0.29	1,678	0.27	18.95
TURKEY	659	0.10	668	0.11	-1.35
SUB-TOTAL	2,655	0.39	2,346	0.38	13.17

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AUSTRALASIA/PACIFIC					
<i>AUSTRALIA</i>	36,994	5.38	31,721	5.17	16.62
<i>GUAM</i>	2,457	0.36	3,300	0.54	-25.55
<i>NAURU</i>	3	0.00	-	0.00	-
<i>NEW ZEALAND</i>	4,762	0.69	3,907	0.64	21.88
<i>PAPUA NEW GUINEA</i>	808	0.12	787	0.13	2.67
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	45,024	6.55	39,715	6.47	13.37
AFRICA					
<i>NIGERIA</i>	133	0.02	91	0.01	46.15
<i>SOUTH AFRICA</i>	1,230	0.18	1,030	0.17	19.42
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	1,363	0.20	1,121	0.18	21.59
OTHERS & UNSPECIFIED RESIDENCES					
	6,923	1.01	5,931	0.97	16.73
TOTAL	680,077	98.89	603,062	98.32	12.77
OVERSEAS FILIPINOS***	7,649	1.11	10,310	1.68	-25.81
GRAND TOTAL	687,726	100.00	613,372	100.00	12.12

*Prior to 2009, statistics from this country were lumped under "Others"

**Grouping from UNWTO; prior to 2009, statistics from Israel were lumped under "Middle East" and statistics from Turkey were lumped under "Others"

*** Philippine passport holders permanently residing abroad; excludes overseas Filipino workers

****Prior to April 2018, statistics from this country were lumped under "Others"

Sources of Data: A/D Cards & Shipping Manifests

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**TOP MARKETS
DECEMBER2018**

Rank	Country	December 2018	% Share	December 2017	% Share	Growth Rate (%)
1	KOREA	169,228	24.61%	150,097	24.47%	12.75
2	USA	104,588	15.21%	97,840	15.95%	6.90
3	CHINA	97,961	14.24%	78,333	12.77%	25.06
4	JAPAN	53,806	7.82%	48,371	7.89%	11.24
5	AUSTRALIA	36,994	5.38%	31,721	5.17%	16.62
6	CANADA	29,661	4.31%	25,071	4.09%	18.31
7	UNITED KINGDOM	21,778	3.17%	19,327	3.15%	12.68
8	TAIWAN	19,477	2.83%	14,911	2.43%	30.62
9	SINGAPORE	13,784	2.00%	14,846	2.42%	-7.15
10	GERMANY	11,728	1.71%	8,833	1.44%	32.77
11	MALAYSIA	11,617	1.69%	11,559	1.88%	0.50
12	INDIA	8,205	1.19%	8,190	1.34%	0.18

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ASIA																
<i>ASEAN</i>																
<i>BRUNEI</i>	702	953	1,096	650	771	946	659	533	781	636	793	1,013	9,533	0.13	8,679	9.84
<i>CAMBODIA</i>	306	278	314	384	461	299	329	283	353	463	443	241	4,154	0.06	4,712	-11.84
<i>INDONESIA</i>	6,464	5,756	7,773	6,466	6,093	8,451	5,505	5,317	6,186	6,642	6,552	5,446	76,651	1.08	62,923	21.82
<i>LAOS</i>	64	70	103	118	109	101	98	53	85	103	167	112	1,183	0.02	1,580	-25.13
<i>MALAYSIA</i>	12,012	12,322	12,756	11,771	12,179	12,623	11,035	11,577	13,211	11,490	12,649	11,617	145,242	2.04	143,566	1.17
<i>MYANMAR</i>	650	662	920	890	905	776	717	714	698	860	883	955	9,630	0.14	9,571	0.62
<i>SINGAPORE</i>	13,627	14,490	16,281	15,493	15,971	15,874	13,144	12,612	13,182	13,427	13,910	13,784	171,795	2.41	168,637	1.87
<i>THAILAND</i>	4,359	4,732	4,985	7,126	6,339	4,612	4,975	4,199	4,304	4,816	5,032	4,314	59,793	0.84	48,727	22.71
<i>VIETNAM</i>	3,147	4,357	4,298	4,927	5,173	5,473	4,641	3,871	4,144	4,112	4,403	3,782	52,328	0.73	39,951	30.98
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	41,331	43,620	48,526	47,825	48,001	49,155	41,103	39,159	42,944	42,549	44,832	41,264	530,309	7.44	488,346	8.59
<i>EAST ASIA</i>																
<i>CHINA</i>	111,344	145,536	114,549	109,789	78,071	85,800	119,005	106,083	102,373	87,238	97,509	97,961	1,255,258	17.61	968,447	29.62
<i>HONGKONG</i>	9,284	13,636	13,857	10,324	10,308	12,546	9,533	7,457	7,411	8,591	7,093	7,944	117,984	1.66	111,135	6.16
<i>JAPAN</i>	57,038	60,262	63,878	49,021	45,744	40,117	50,589	65,130	53,342	45,107	47,767	53,806	631,801	8.86	584,180	8.15
<i>KOREA</i>	198,145	156,555	122,387	114,973	113,488	110,135	121,544	122,095	119,456	117,084	122,869	169,228	1,587,959	22.28	1,607,821	-1.24
<i>MACAU</i>	796	882	1,000	768	869	899	816	643	544	730	625	764	9,336	0.13	9,111	2.47
<i>TAIWAN</i>	18,948	21,908	19,021	22,950	18,545	19,168	22,053	20,533	22,152	19,498	16,589	19,477	240,842	3.38	236,777	1.72
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	395,555	398,779	334,692	307,825	267,025	268,665	323,540	321,941	305,278	278,248	292,452	349,180	3,843,180	53.92	3,517,471	9.26
<i>SOUTH ASIA</i>																
<i>BANGLADESH</i>	463	434	387	403	435	441	432	454	578	531	573	364	5,495	0.08	4,591	19.69
<i>INDIA</i>	13,779	9,285	9,935	10,021	10,569	9,500	10,950	9,576	8,974	9,033	11,297	8,205	121,124	1.70	107,278	12.91
<i>IRAN</i>	216	169	470	146	207	189	151	153	157	195	194	209	2,456	0.03	2,598	-5.47
<i>NEPAL</i>	864	758	1,634	895	938	701	380	342	476	322	328	1,058	8,696	0.12	5,328	63.21
<i>PAKISTAN</i>	396	336	342	387	344	393	523	437	520	491	524	305	4,998	0.07	4,369	14.40
<i>SRI LANKA</i>	456	467	434	530	528	620	659	581	659	516	553	443	6,446	0.09	5,343	20.64
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	16,174	11,449	13,202	12,382	13,021	11,844	13,095	11,543	11,364	11,088	13,469	10,584	149,215	2.09	129,507	15.22
<i>MIDDLE EAST</i>																
<i>BAHRAIN</i>	312	253	370	306	221	372	486	325	237	258	283	215	3,638	0.05	3,795	-4.14
<i>EGYPT</i>	175	141	188	153	131	150	233	204	188	203	202	187	2,155	0.03	2,000	7.75
<i>JORDAN</i>	79	57	54	76	55	68	149	122	84	114	149	122	1,129	0.02	745	51.54
<i>KUWAIT</i>	695	521	526	561	372	670	712	639	375	502	507	368	6,448	0.09	8,082	-20.22
<i>OMAN****</i>	262	231	201	267	115	257	340	227	239	200	253	142	2,734	0.04	2,839	-3.70
<i>QATAR*</i>	435	396	458	399	247	417	308	324	188	209	180	220	3,781	0.05	4,195	-9.87
<i>SAUDI ARABIA</i>	4,532	3,609	3,745	3,763	1,832	5,830	6,499	4,851	3,211	3,451	3,548	2,095	46,966	0.66	54,716	-14.16
<i>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</i>	1,282	1,369	2,200	1,440	1,288	1,338	1,726	1,208	678	790	995	1,086	15,400	0.22	16,399	-6.09
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	7,772	6,577	7,742	6,965	4,261	9,102	10,453	7,900	5,200	5,727	6,117	4,435	82,251	1.15	92,771	-11.34
AMERICA																
<i>NORTH AMERICA</i>																
<i>CANADA</i>	28,913	19,278	22,310	19,148	19,484	11,965	17,369	12,843	11,348	15,476	18,634	29,661	226,429	3.18	200,640	12.85
<i>MEXICO</i>	318	261	403	359	380	309	400	360	362	362	431	301	4,246	0.06	5,744	-26.08
<i>USA</i>	109,154	84,831	90,961	85,573	92,754	94,560	91,663	65,564	59,597	76,078	79,073	104,588	1,034,396	14.51	957,813	8.00
<i>SUB-TOTAL</i>	138,385	104,370	113,674	105,080	112,618	106,834	109,432	78,767	71,307	91,916	98,138	134,550	1,265,071	17.75	1,164,197	8.66

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SOUTH AMERICA																
ARGENTINA	586	513	457	422	294	177	173	145	150	161	182	208	3,468	0.05	3,157	9.85
BRAZIL	776	709	701	723	539	420	456	469	475	477	601	1,016	7,362	0.10	6,114	20.41
COLOMBIA	152	154	167	185	187	161	221	238	228	242	224	230	2,389	0.03	1,747	36.75
PERU	82	82	104	84	59	58	69	107	87	112	87	107	1,038	0.01	1,008	2.98
VENEZUELA	37	18	36	33	24	25	35	26	34	61	50	44	423	0.01	257	64.59
SUB-TOTAL	1,633	1,476	1,465	1,447	1,103	841	954	985	974	1,053	1,144	1,605	14,680	0.21	12,283	19.51
EUROPE																
WESTERN EUROPE																
ANDORRA	38	25	35	30	44	50	47	2	-	2	-	-	273	0.00	357	-23.53
AUSTRIA	1,742	1,435	1,204	1,151	924	750	1,446	899	761	891	1,069	1,920	14,192	0.20	13,524	4.94
BELGIUM	1,493	1,353	1,575	1,554	1,223	1,474	2,241	1,097	953	1,181	1,392	1,747	17,283	0.24	15,703	10.06
FRANCE	8,438	9,737	8,489	8,628	5,561	3,339	5,253	4,555	3,397	4,577	5,637	7,888	74,389	1.04	64,777	14.84
GERMANY	8,822	9,826	10,161	7,551	6,532	4,827	6,413	6,127	5,484	6,731	7,888	11,728	92,090	1.29	85,431	7.79
LUXEMBOURG	84	81	98	95	72	51	90	97	34	47	63	118	930	0.01	722	28.81
NETHERLANDS	3,434	2,860	3,136	3,405	2,945	2,195	3,922	2,426	2,018	2,729	3,536	4,441	37,047	0.52	33,821	9.54
SWITZERLAND	3,397	3,298	3,404	3,311	2,220	1,386	2,662	1,366	1,609	2,046	2,395	3,977	31,071	0.44	29,837	4.14
SUB-TOTAL	27,448	28,615	28,102	25,725	19,521	14,072	22,074	16,569	14,256	18,204	21,980	30,709	267,275	3.75	244,172	9.46
NORTHERN EUROPE																
DENMARK	2,141	2,095	2,021	1,429	1,244	1,023	1,517	843	965	1,146	1,281	2,172	17,877	0.25	18,445	-3.08
FINLAND	998	771	660	532	445	444	320	288	383	535	692	1,148	7,216	0.10	6,958	3.71
IRELAND	1,614	1,209	1,873	1,452	1,574	2,324	2,273	1,378	1,144	1,332	1,393	2,485	20,051	0.28	18,051	11.08
NORWAY	2,389	2,055	2,166	1,460	1,299	2,834	3,178	1,157	1,134	1,328	1,552	3,019	23,571	0.33	21,890	7.68
SWEDEN	3,985	3,620	3,111	1,901	1,483	1,952	1,494	926	1,051	1,528	1,892	5,142	28,085	0.39	27,703	1.38
UNITED KINGDOM	18,111	15,443	22,967	17,913	15,348	12,661	18,846	15,375	11,637	14,714	16,246	21,778	201,039	2.82	182,708	10.03
SUB-TOTAL	29,238	25,193	32,798	24,687	21,393	21,238	27,628	19,967	16,314	20,583	23,056	35,744	297,839	4.18	275,755	8.01
SOUTHERN EUROPE																
GREECE	304	336	324	234	296	239	198	223	238	272	424	365	3,453	0.05	3,165	9.10
ITALY	4,174	3,101	3,098	2,910	2,055	2,065	2,861	3,316	2,006	2,219	3,043	4,330	35,178	0.49	30,437	15.58
PORTUGAL	459	411	456	541	462	235	309	396	354	475	777	674	5,549	0.08	4,189	32.47
SPAIN	3,999	3,206	4,204	3,012	2,708	2,504	4,527	5,502	2,650	3,415	4,180	4,223	44,130	0.62	36,954	19.42
SUB-TOTAL	8,936	7,054	8,082	6,697	5,521	5,043	7,895	9,437	5,248	6,381	8,424	9,592	88,310	1.24	74,745	18.15
EASTERN EUROPE																
COMMONWEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES																
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	1,375	1,129	1,462	857	938	757	595	644	763	745	987	1,258	11,510	0.16	10,808	6.50
TOTAL (CIS & RUSSIA)	4,396	3,519	3,426	2,614	1,655	1,171	1,269	1,251	1,420	2,009	3,327	3,904	29,961	0.42	33,279	-9.97
POLAND	5,771	4,648	4,888	3,471	2,593	1,928	1,864	1,895	2,183	2,754	4,314	5,162	41,471	0.58	44,087	-5.93
SUB-TOTAL	2,078	1,564	1,274	1,100	683	464	572	471	655	835	1,585	1,287	12,568	0.18	10,786	16.52
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN EUROPE**																
ISRAEL	2,360	2,065	2,412	1,829	1,328	869	1,405	1,340	1,899	1,137	1,703	1,996	20,343	0.29	17,446	16.61
TURKEY	1,396	911	798	720	592	539	522	666	488	540	784	659	8,615	0.12	8,408	2.46
SUB-TOTAL	3,756	2,976	3,210	2,549	1,920	1,408	1,927	2,006	2,387	1,677	2,487	2,655	28,958	0.41	25,854	12.01

**VISITOR ARRIVALS TO THE PHILIPPINES BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE
JANUARY-DECEMBER 2018**

Country of Residence	JAN 2018	FEB 2018	MAR 2018	APR 2018	MAY 2018	JUN 2018	JUL 2018	AUG 2018	SEP 2018	OCT 2018	NOV 2018	DEC 2018	JAN-DEC 2018	% OF TOTAL	JAN-DEC 2017	% GROWTH RATE
AUSTRALASIA/PACIFIC																
<i>AUSTRALIA</i>	30,924	19,480	23,623	25,292	21,279	19,662	20,817	17,578	20,546	21,166	22,460	36,994	279,821	3.93	259,433	7.86
<i>GUAM</i>	2,901	2,509	3,190	2,691	3,286	4,040	3,528	1,775	1,728	2,088	2,164	2,457	32,357	0.45	36,637	-11.68
<i>NAURU</i>	1	-	-	13	2	2	1	5	2	7	2	3	38	0.00	16	137.50
<i>NEW ZEALAND</i>	3,549	1,904	2,503	2,828	2,596	2,544	2,720	2,333	2,335	2,487	2,779	4,762	33,340	0.47	28,983	15.03
<i>PAPUA NEW GUINEA</i>	814	427	594	698	665	857	671	613	730	802	802	808	8,481	0.12	8,110	4.57
SUB-TOTAL	38,189	24,320	29,910	31,522	27,828	27,105	27,737	22,304	25,341	26,550	28,207	45,024	354,037	4.97	333,179	6.26
AFRICA																
<i>NIGERIA</i>	171	136	188	141	348	204	165	125	138	187	168	133	2,104	0.03	1,558	35.04
<i>SOUTH AFRICA</i>	703	640	674	655	477	603	542	432	497	527	560	1,230	7,540	0.11	6,471	16.52
SUB-TOTAL	874	776	862	796	825	807	707	557	635	714	728	1,363	9,644	0.14	8,029	20.11
OTHERS & UNSPECIFIED RESIDENCES	7,446	7,213	7,058	5,925	4,862	4,740	5,375	4,447	4,287	5,301	7,423	6,923	71,000	1.00	59,115	20.10
TOTAL	724,586	668,630	635,485	583,996	531,175	523,246	594,356	537,948	508,373	513,580	554,356	680,077	7,055,808	98.99	6,480,297	8.88
OVERSEAS FILIPINOS***	7,920	5,201	7,272	7,141	6,568	5,501	6,966	4,302	3,867	4,782	4,701	7,649	71,870	1.01	140,611	-48.89
2018 MONTHLY TOTAL	732,506	673,831	642,757	591,137	537,743	528,747	601,322	542,250	512,240	518,362	559,057	687,726	7,127,678	100.00	6,620,908	7.65
2017 MONTHLY TOTAL	631,639	579,178	574,065	565,098	532,757	474,854	568,035	545,254	479,803	523,627	533,226	613,372				
Monthly Growth Rate (%)	15.97	16.34	11.97	4.61	0.94	11.35	5.86	(0.55)	6.76	(1.01)	4.84	12.12				

*Prior to 2009, statistics from this country were lumped under "Others"

**Grouping from UNWTO; prior to 2009, statistics from Israel were lumped under "Middle East" and statistics from Turkey were lumped under "Others"

*** Philippine passport holders permanently residing abroad; excludes overseas Filipino workers

****Prior to April 2018, statistics from this country were lumped under "Others"

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TOP MARKETS
JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2018

Rank	Country	Jan-Dec 2018	% Share	Jan-Dec 2017	% Share	Growth Rate (%)
1.	KOREA	1,587,959	22.28%	1,607,821	24.28%	-1.24
2.	CHINA	1,255,258	17.61%	968,447	14.63%	29.62
3.	USA	1,034,396	14.51%	957,813	14.47%	8.00
4.	JAPAN	631,801	8.86%	584,180	8.82%	8.15
5.	AUSTRALIA	279,821	3.93%	259,433	3.92%	7.86
6.	TAIWAN	240,842	3.38%	236,777	3.58%	1.72
7.	CANADA	226,429	3.18%	200,640	3.03%	12.85
8.	UNITED KINGDOM	201,039	2.82%	182,708	2.76%	10.03
9.	SINGAPORE	171,795	2.41%	168,637	2.55%	1.87
10.	MALAYSIA	145,242	2.04%	143,566	2.17%	1.17
11.	INDIA	121,124	1.70%	107,278	1.62%	12.91
12.	HONGKONG	117,984	1.66%	111,135	1.68%	6.16

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