



Overseas Travel and Tourism

Introduction

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) compiles statistics on visits to the UK by overseas residents and on visits abroad made by UK residents. Quarterly reports, MQ6 "Transport Travel and Tourism" give information about visitor numbers, expenditure, length of visit, area or country visited, purpose of visit and mode of travel. They are available on the ONS website:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=1905&More=n>

The tables and charts below have been compiled from data in the reports under the terms of the Click-Use licence.

Contents: Visits to the UK by Overseas Residents.

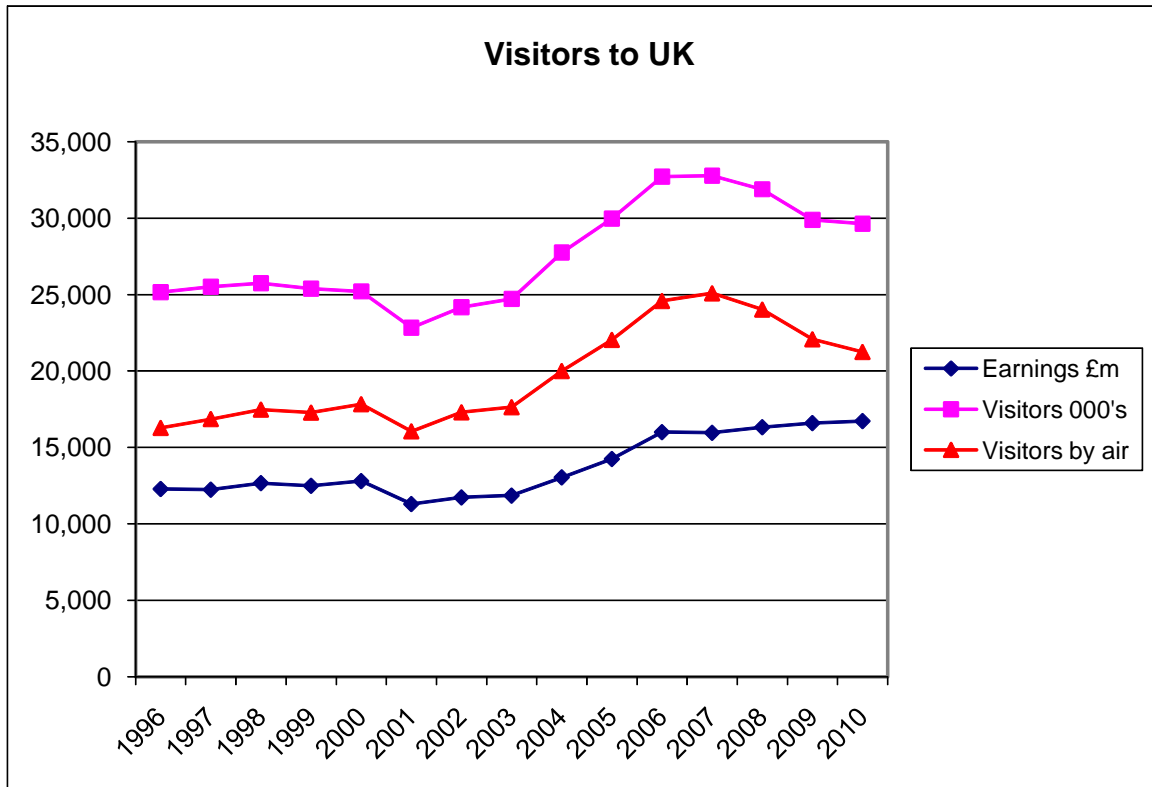
Visits Abroad made by UK Residents.

Overseas Travel and Tourism

Visits to the UK by Overseas Residents

Year	Visitors to UK 000's	Percent change	Earnings (current prices) £million	Percent change	Visitors by air 000's	Percent by air
1996	25,163		12,290		16,279	64.7%
1997	25,515	1.4%	12,244	-0.4%	16,858	66.1%
1998	25,745	0.9%	12,671	3.5%	17,479	67.9%
1999	25,394	-1.4%	12,498	-1.4%	17,284	68.1%
2000	25,209	-0.7%	12,805	2.5%	17,831	70.7%
2001	22,835	-9.4%	11,306	-11.7%	16,054	70.3%
2002	24,180	5.9%	11,737	3.8%	17,302	71.6%
2003	24,715	2.2%	11,855	1.0%	17,635	71.4%
2004	27,755	12.3%	13,047	10.1%	20,002	72.1%
2005	29,970	8.0%	14,248	9.2%	22,043	73.6%
2006	32,713	9.2%	16,002	12.3%	24,588	75.2%
2007	32,778	0.2%	15,960	-0.3%	25,089	76.5%
2008	31,888	-2.7%	16,323	2.3%	24,024	75.3%
2009	29,889	-6.3%	16,592	1.6%	22,080	73.9%
2010	29,637	-0.8%	16,724	0.8%	21,250	71.7%

Source: National Statistics. MQ6 Transport Travel and Tourism & Travel Trends. Crown Copyright.



Overseas Travel and Tourism

Visits Abroad by UK Residents

Year	Visits abroad from UK 000's	Percent change	Expenditure (current prices) £million	Percent change	Visits by air abroad from UK 000's	Percent by air
1996	42,050		16,223		27,907	
1997	45,957	9.3%	16,931	4.4%	30,341	66.0%
1998	50,872	10.7%	19,489	15.1%	34,282	67.4%
1999	53,881	5.9%	22,020	13.0%	37,510	69.6%
2000	56,837	5.5%	24,251	10.1%	41,392	72.8%
2001	58,281	2.5%	25,332	4.5%	43,011	73.8%
2002	59,377	1.9%	26,962	6.4%	44,520	75.0%
2003	61,424	3.4%	28,550	5.9%	47,101	76.7%
2004	64,194	4.5%	30,285	6.1%	50,435	78.6%
2005	66,441	3.5%	32,155	6.2%	53,267	80.2%
2006	69,536	4.7%	34,411	7.0%	56,460	81.2%
2007	69,450	-0.1%	35,013	1.7%	56,329	81.1%
2008	69,011	-0.6%	36,838	5.2%	56,041	81.2%
2009	58,614	-15.1%	31,694	-14.0%	46,657	79.6%
2010	54,928	-6.3%	30,933	-2.4%	42,837	78.0%

Source: National Statistics. MQ6 Transport Travel and Tourism & Travel Trends. Crown Copyright.

