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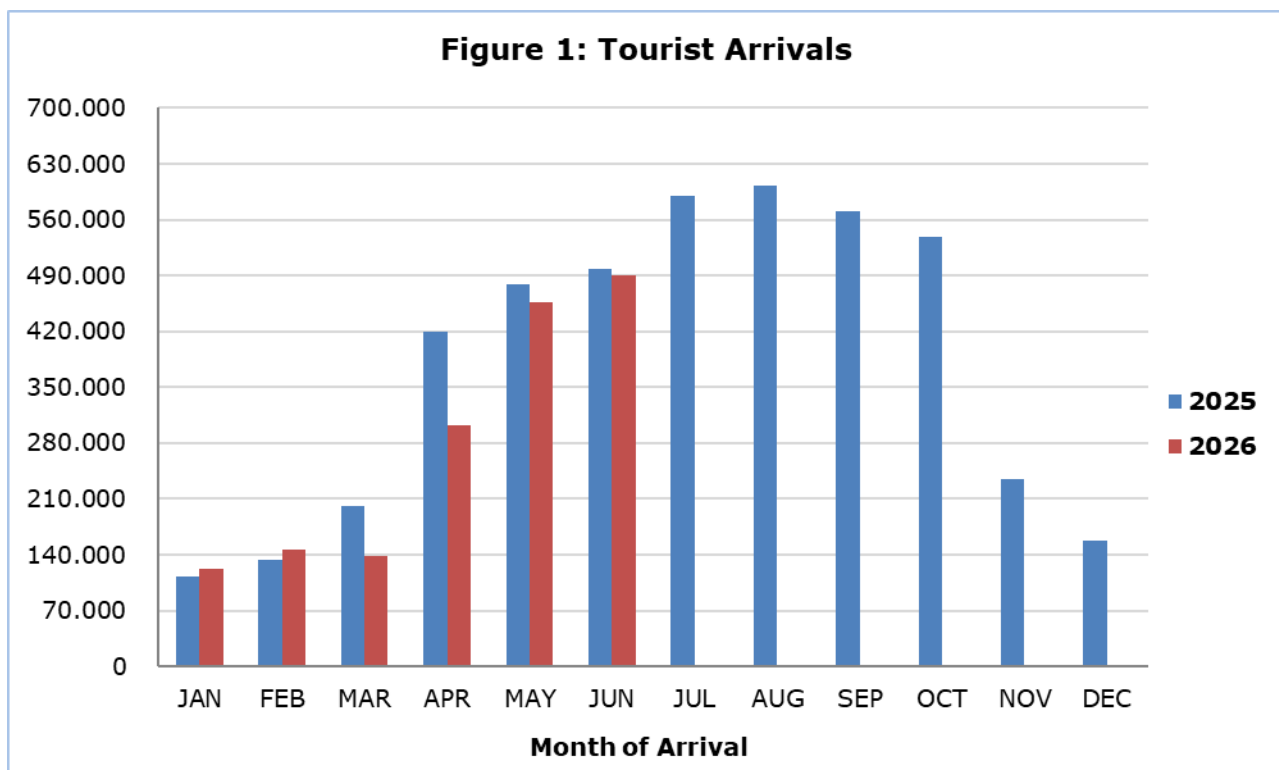
TOURIST ARRIVALS AND RETURNS OF RESIDENTS OF CYPRUS FROM TRIPS ABROAD: JUNE 2026

Tourist Arrivals -1,7% and Returns of Residents of Cyprus 7,4%

Tourist Arrivals

The arrivals of tourists reached 489.965 in June 2026 compared to 498.527 in June 2025, recording a decrease of 1,7%.

For the period of January – June 2026, arrivals of tourists totaled 1.656.015 compared to 1.843.013 in the corresponding period of 2025, recording a decrease of 10,1%.



Arrivals from the United Kingdom were the main source of tourism for June 2026, with a share of 33,0% (161.913) of total arrivals, followed by Israel with 16,4% (80.343), Poland with 7,3% (35.871), Sweden with 5,5% (26.884) and Germany with 4,4% (21.587) (Table 1).

Table 1

Country of Usual Residence	Tourist Arrivals			Percentage Change (%)
	June			
	2024	2025	2026	June 2026/25
	TOTAL	482.261	498.527	489.965
Austria	8.677	10.002	6.734	-32,7
France	9.162	7.323	4.833	-34,0
Germany	21.552	26.643	21.587	-19,0
Denmark	5.218	9.058	7.098	-21,6
Switzerland	8.229	7.311	5.991	-18,1
Greece	19.088	15.960	13.910	-12,8
United Kingdom	171.704	181.610	161.913	-10,8
Israel	51.814	30.246	80.343	165,6
Lebanon	4.369	5.462	3.922	-28,2
Norway	10.337	10.148	9.239	-9,0
Netherlands	4.779	6.273	3.997	-36,3
Hungary	7.098	6.586	7.301	10,9
Poland	36.202	36.616	35.871	-2,0
Romania	13.055	16.860	13.308	-21,1
Sweden	23.639	23.750	26.884	13,2
Other	87.338	104.679	87.034	-16,9

In June 2026, 81,6% of tourists travelled for holidays, 11,3% visited friends and relatives and 7,0% travelled for business purposes. Respectively, in June 2025, 81,2% of tourists visited Cyprus for holidays, 13,2% visited friends or relatives and 5,6% visited Cyprus for business purposes (Table 2).

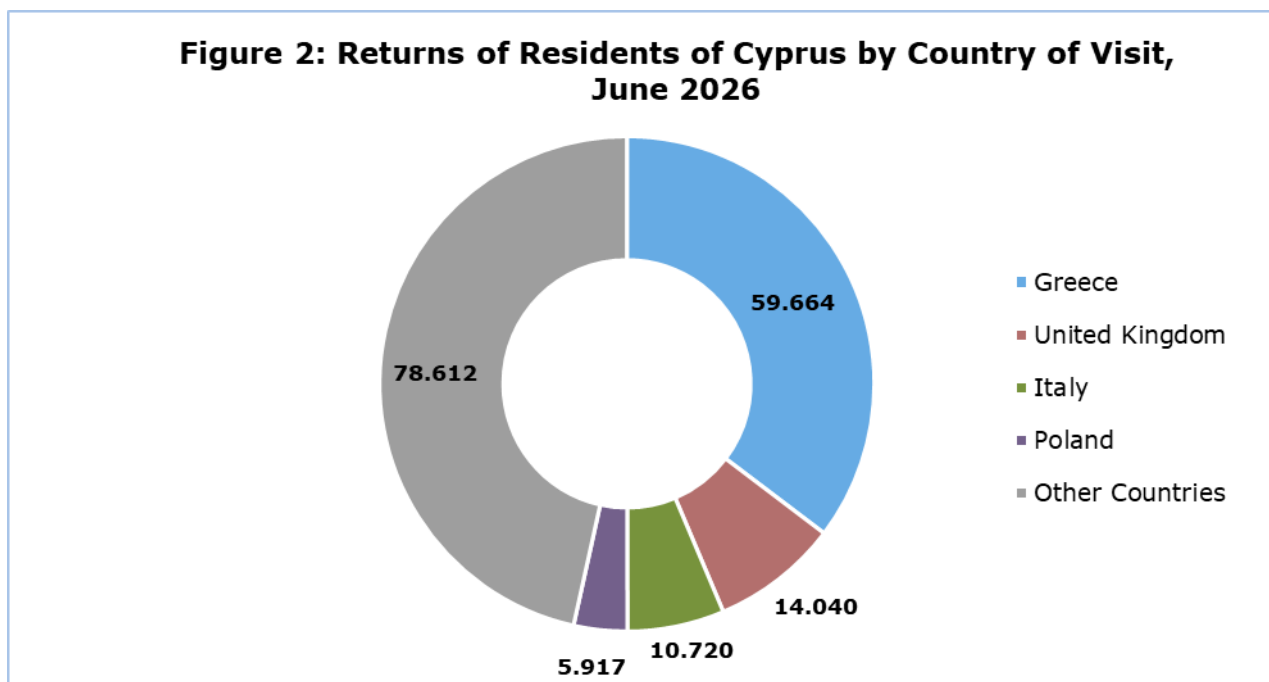
Table 2

Purpose of Visit	Percentage (%)		
	June 2024	June 2025	June 2026
Holidays	83,4	81,2	81,6
Visiting friends & relatives	10,5	13,2	11,3
Business	5,9	5,6	7,0

Returns of Residents of Cyprus

A total of 168.953 residents of Cyprus returned from a trip abroad in June 2026 compared to 157.324 in the corresponding month last year, recording an increase of 7,4%.

The main countries from which residents of Cyprus returned in June 2026 were Greece with a share of 35,3% (59.664), the United Kingdom with 8,3% (14.040), Italy with 6,3% (10.720) and Poland with 3,5% (5.917).



The purpose of travel for the residents of Cyprus in June 2026 was mainly holidays, with a percentage of 68,1%, whilst business reasons held a percentage of 21,7%, studies 8,9% and other reasons 1,3%.

METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Definitions

Tourists – Visitors who stay for at least one night in Cyprus.

Tourist arrivals – The term refers to the number of trips and not to the number of persons. This differs in the sense that one person can take more than one trip during the reference period.

Residents of Cyprus - This category includes persons who have resided in Cyprus for at least 12 months or who have come to Cyprus with the intention of staying for at least 12 months, prior to their travel.

Source of Data and Coverage

The data are obtained from the Passengers Survey which is carried out at the points of arrival in Larnaka and Pafos airports. Additionally, data are also collected from administrative sources, such as the monthly arrivals from ports.

The data covers all persons who pass through passport control at the ports and airports in the Government controlled area of Cyprus. It does not include travelers who arrive and depart illegally via ports and airports in the occupied part of Cyprus.

The weighting was conducted based on the data sent to the Statistical Service by the Civil Aviation Department and from the ship manifests, as well as on the data sent by the Analysis and Statistics Office of the Cyprus Police.

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