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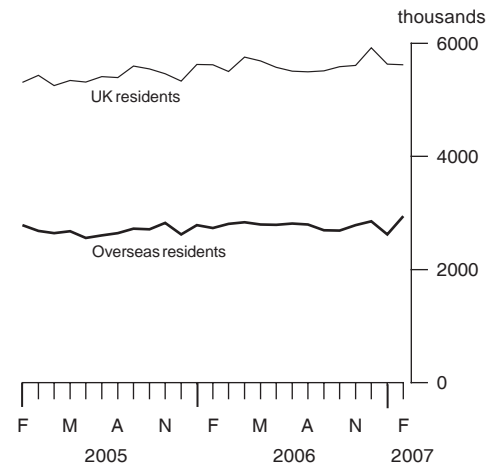
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## Overseas travel and tourism February 2007

In the three months to February 2007, compared with the previous three months, the seasonally adjusted results from the International Passenger Survey showed that:

- Overseas residents' visits to the UK increased in number by 3 per cent to 8.4 million
- Overseas earnings decreased by 3 per cent to £3.8 billion
- UK residents' visits abroad increased in number by 3 per cent to 17.2 million
- UK residents' expenditure abroad decreased by 1 per cent to £8.1 billion

Overseas residents' visits to the UK and UK residents' visits abroad by month seasonally adjusted



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|                            |     | Overseas residents'<br>visits to the UK |                         | UK residents'<br>visits abroad |                            |
|----------------------------|-----|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                            |     | Visits<br>(thousands)                   | Earnings<br>(£ million) | Visits<br>(thousands)          | Expenditure<br>(£ million) |
| <i>seasonally adjusted</i> |     |   |                         |                                |                            |
| <b>2006</b>                | Sep | 2 690                                   | 1 320                   | 5 510                          | 2 780                      |
|                            | Oct | 2 690                                   | 1 290                   | 5 590                          | 2 610                      |
|                            | Nov | 2 790                                   | 1 260                   | 5 610                          | 2 760                      |
|                            | Dec | 2 860                                   | 1 280                   | 5 920                          | 2 740                      |
| <b>2007</b>                | Jan | 2 620                                   | 1 200                   | 5 630                          | 2 650                      |
|                            | Feb | 2 940                                   | 1 280                   | 5 620                          | 2 720                      |
| <i>three months ending</i> |     |   |                         |                                |                            |
| <b>2006</b>                | Nov | 8 170                                   | 3 870                   | 16 710                         | 8 160                      |
| <b>2007</b>                | Feb | 8 420                                   | 3 760                   | 17 170                         | 8 110                      |



### **Overseas visitors to the UK**

The estimated number of overseas residents' visits to the UK, seasonally adjusted, in the three months to February 2007 increased by 3 per cent to 8.4 million compared with the previous three months and increased by 3 per cent compared with the three months to February 2006.

The total number of overseas residents' visits to the UK, not seasonally adjusted, increased by 7 per cent during the 12 months ending in February 2007 compared with a year earlier (from 30.0 million to 32.3 million). This was as a result of the number of visits from Europe increasing by 8 per cent (to 23.4 million), visits from North America increasing by 8 per cent (to 4.5 million) and visits from other parts of the world increasing by 4 per cent (to 4.3 million). (Tables 1 and 2)

### **UK residents' visits abroad**

The estimated number of UK residents' visits abroad, seasonally adjusted, in the three months to February 2007 increased by 3 per cent to 17.2 million compared with the previous three months and increased by 4 per cent compared with the three months to February 2006.

The total number of UK residents' visits overseas, not seasonally adjusted, increased by 2 per cent during the 12 months ending in February 2007 compared with a year earlier (from 66.8 million to 68.4 million). This was as a result of the number of visits to Europe increasing by 2 per cent (to 54.2 million), visits to North America decreasing by 4 per cent (to 4.5 million) and visits to other parts of the world increasing by 9 per cent (to 9.7 million). (Tables 1 and 3)

### **Overseas earnings and expenditure**

Comparing the three months to February 2007, seasonally adjusted, with the previous three months, total spending by overseas visitors to the UK (earnings) decreased by 3 per cent to £3.8 billion and spending by UK residents overseas (expenditure) decreased by 1 per cent to £8.1 billion. This resulted in a deficit to the UK of £4.4 billion, compared with £4.3 billion in the three months to November 2006.



During the 12 months ending February 2007, not seasonally adjusted, overseas earnings increased by 9 per cent to £15.5 billion and expenditure by UK residents increased by 4 per cent to £33.6 billion compared with the previous year. This resulted in a deficit to the UK of £18.1 billion compared with £18.0 billion during the same period to February 2006. (Tables 1 and 4)

### Revisions

The layout of this publication differs from that in previous issues. This has been necessary in order to reflect changing definitions of the regions of the world and also to bring the geographical definitions used in this publication into line with those of other ONS travel and tourism publications. In addition, sub-totals of the Europe group are given for the EU27, EU25, EU15 and the A12 countries (i.e. those that have joined the EU since May 2004). The revised and additional geographical formats are defined in note 7.

The introduction of the format has caused some slight changes to some previous monthly estimates in both the non seasonal adjusted and seasonally adjusted fields. Annual and quarterly estimates are unaffected.



## BACKGROUND NOTES

1. The figures in this First Release are based on provisional results from the *International Passenger Survey (IPS)*. The IPS is a sample survey and therefore the results are subject to sampling errors. Detailed analyses for Quarter 4 of 2006 may be obtained from the publication *MQ6 Overseas Travel and Tourism*. Further information and a full breakdown of the figures for 2005 can be obtained from the annual report, *Travel Trends* (ISBN 1-4039-9309-0) which was published on 8 November 2006. *Travel Trends* and *MQ6 Overseas Travel and Tourism* and a compact dataset, *Travelpac* (giving a selection of variables drawn from the survey) are available from the National Statistics website, [www.statistics.gov.uk](http://www.statistics.gov.uk).
  2. The main series are seasonally adjusted. This aids interpretation by identifying seasonal patterns and smoothing them out of the unadjusted data. The resulting figures give a more accurate indication of the underlying trend.
  3. Figures for the most recent months are provisional and subject to revision in light of (a) more accurate data on passenger figures becoming available at the end of each quarter and (b) additional passenger data obtained at the end of the year, and the subsequent revisions to seasonally adjusted estimates that these entail. Non seasonally adjusted data has been revised for previously published time periods. The seasonally adjusted estimates have been revised in this publication to ensure both non seasonally adjusted and seasonally adjusted estimates are on a consistent basis. An annual review of seasonal adjustment settings is planned for May and this may lead to additional revisions. In addition, ONS has recently begun to publish revisions triangles on the National Statistics website. Details can be found at : <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/cci/article.asp?ID=1026>.
- With the introduction of Liverpool and Prestwick into the International Passenger Survey Sample from January 2005, methodology was changed to address a discontinuity in results in regional visits to the UK. Details can be found at : [http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/methodology\\_by\\_theme/gini/Int\\_passenger\\_survey.asp](http://www.statistics.gov.uk/about/methodology_by_theme/gini/Int_passenger_survey.asp).

In January 2007 some changes were made to the way IPS data are collected or calculated. The changes made are: a) to the way the sample is drawn, b) to the method of estimating fares, c) the method of imputing spending for cases where expenditure information has not been given by the respondent. These changes mean that results in 2007 may not be entirely consistent with those of previous years and so care should be taken when making comparison with estimates from earlier years.



4. One indication of the reliability of the key indicators in this release can be obtained by monitoring the size of revisions. Normally revisions triangles would be published in this first release but due to the many changes made in the systems it has not been possible to include them on this occasion. The revisions information will be reinstated in the next first release
5. With the enlargement of the European Union in May 2004 and again in January 2007, there is considerable interest in the number of visits to the UK from these accession countries. From 25 April 2007, additional information on the enlarged European Union is provided in addition to the regular series.
6. Abbreviations used in the tables:
  - NA ..... not available
  - SA ..... seasonally adjusted
  - NSA ..... not seasonally adjusted
  - † ..... point of earliest revision
  - <sup>1</sup> ..... estimate (rounded to nearest 10,000 visits or £5 million)
  - ..... no change (in revision tables)

7. The geographical areas used in this publication from 25th April are:

North America:

Canada (including Greenland and St Pierre et Miquelon),  
USA (including Puerto Rico and US Virgin Islands).

Europe:

All countries listed under EU27 plus other central & eastern Europe, North Cyprus, Gibraltar, Iceland (including Faroe Islands), Malta, Norway, Switzerland (including Liechtenstein), Turkey, the former USSR and the states of former Yugoslavia.

EU15: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France (including Monaco), Finland, Germany, Greece, Irish Republic, Italy (including San Marino and Vatican City), Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal (including Azores and Madeira), Spain (including Canary Islands, the Balearic Islands and Andorra) and Sweden.

EU27: As for EU15 plus, Bulgaria, Cyprus (see \* below), Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

\* Only the south of Cyprus is a member of the EU but the IPS is unable to separate North and South Cyprus for the period before May 2004 and so all of Cyprus is included in the EU27 section until May 2004. From May 2004, only southern Cyprus is included in the EU27 figures. Where Cyprus is shown separately in a table, the figures relate to the whole island.

8. Constituent items in the tables may not add exactly to totals due to rounding.



9. Details of the policy governing the release of new data are available from the press office. Also available is a list of the names of those given pre-publication access to the contents of this release.
  
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# 1 Overseas travel and tourism - summary table

## Estimated visitor numbers and expenditure

Three months to February 2007 and March 2006 to February 2007

|  | Three months ending |          |          | % changes three months to February 2007 compared with the three months to |          | Twelve months ending |          |          |  |
|--|---------------------|----------|----------|---|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|--|
|  | Feb 2006            | Nov 2006 | Feb 2007 | Feb 2006  | Nov 2006 | Feb 2006             | Feb 2007 | % change |  |
| <b>Overseas residents' visits to the UK: by area of residence (thousands):</b> |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| <b>Seasonally adjusted</b>   |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| All visits   | 8 140               | 8 170    | 8 420    | +3  | +3       | 32 221               | 33 440   | +4       |  |
| <b>Not seasonally adjusted</b>   |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| All visits   | 6 296               | ..       | 6 670    | +6  | ..       | 30 048               | 32 280   | +7       |  |
| North America  | 744                 | ..       | 740      | -0  | ..       | 4 196                | 4 540    | +8       |  |
| Europe   | 4 792               | ..       | 5 110    | +7  | ..       | 21 693               | 23 400   | +8       |  |
| - of which EU27  | 4 341               | ..       | 4 680    | +8  | ..       | 19 813               | 21 330   | +8       |  |
| - of which A12   | 598                 | ..       | 690      | +16   | ..       | 2 385                | 2 800    | +17      |  |
| - of which EU25  | 4 318               | ..       | 4 620    | +7  | ..       | 19 724               | 21 160   | +7       |  |
| - of which EU15  | 3 743               | ..       | 3 990    | +7  | ..       | 17 426               | 18 530   | +6       |  |
| Other Countries  | 758                 | ..       | 810      | +7  | ..       | 4 160                | 4 340    | +4       |  |
| <b>UK residents' visits: by area of visit (thousands):</b>                     |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| <b>Seasonally adjusted</b>   |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| All visits   | 16 580              | 16 710   | 17 170   | +4  | +3       | 65,332               | 67 400   | +3       |  |
| <b>Not seasonally adjusted</b>   |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| All visits   | 12 212              | ..       | 12 470   | +2  | ..       | 66 761               | 68 410   | +2       |  |
| North America  | 921                 | ..       | 930      | +1  | ..       | 4 696                | 4 510    | -4       |  |
| Europe   | 9 006               | ..       | 8 850    | -2  | ..       | 53 226               | 54 250   | +2       |  |
| - of which EU27  | 8 487               | ..       | 8 270    | -3  | ..       | 49 755               | 50 400   | +1       |  |
| - of which A12   | 883                 | ..       | 810      | -8  | ..       | 4 552                | 4 740    | +4       |  |
| - of which EU25  | 8 420               | ..       | 8 190    | -3  | ..       | 49 304               | 50 000   | +1       |  |
| - of which EU15  | 7 603               | ..       | 7 460    | -2  | ..       | 45 202               | 45 660   | +1       |  |
| Other Countries  | 2 288               | ..       | 2 690    | +18   | ..       | 8 844                | 9 650    | +9       |  |
| <b>Overseas earnings and expenditure (£ million):</b>                          |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| <b>Seasonally adjusted</b>   |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| Visitors to the UK   | 3 650               | 3 870    | 3 755    | +3  | -3       | 13 865               | 15 190   | +10      |  |
| UK residents   | 7 493               | 8 155    | 8 115    | +8  | -1       | 29 885               | 32 270   | +8       |  |
| Balance  | -3 842              | -4 290   | -4 360   | ..  | ..       | -16 020              | -17 075  | ..       |  |
| <b>Not seasonally adjusted</b>   |                     |          |          |   |          |                      |          |          |  |
| Visitors to the UK   | 3 109               | ..       | 3 145    | +1  | ..       | 14 245               | 15 525   | +9       |  |
| UK residents   | 5 977               | ..       | 6 155    | +3  | ..       | 32 285               | 33 605   | +4       |  |
| Balance  | -2 868              | ..       | -3 010   | ..  | ..       | -18 040              | -18 080  | ..       |  |

Source: International Passenger Survey

## 2a Overseas residents' visits to the UK by year and quarter

thousands

|                             |                 | All visits |       | Area of residence |          |          |         |          |          |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------|-------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|-----------------|
|                             |                 | NSA        | SA    | North America     | Europe   | of which |         |          |          | Other Countries |
|                             |                 |            |       | NSA               | NSA      | EU27 NSA | A12 NSA | EU25 NSA | EU15 NSA | NSA             |
| 2002                        |                 | 24 180 †   | ..    | 4 272 †           | 16 217 † | 14 866 † | 740 †   | 14 799 † | 14 126 † | 3 691 †         |
| 2003                        |                 | 24 715     | ..    | 3 997             | 17 207   | 15 783   | 996     | 15 699   | 14 787   | 3 511           |
| 2004                        |                 | 27 755     | ..    | 4 356             | 19 424   | 17 818   | 1 490   | 17 738   | 16 328   | 3 975           |
| 2005                        |                 | 29 970     | ..    | 4 234             | 21 565   | 19 714   | 2 291   | 19 626   | 17 424   | 4 171           |
| 2006                        |                 | 32 135     | ..    | 4 540             | 23 286   | 21 217   | 2 719   | 21 080   | 18 498   | 4 309           |
| % change 2006/2005          |                 | 7          | ..    | 7                 | 8        | 8        | 19      | 7        | 6        | 3               |
| 2004                        | Q1              | 5 449      | 7 172 | 825               | 3 907    | 3 636    | 237     | 3 607    | 3 399    | 717             |
|                             | Q2              | 7 022      | 7 445 | 1 246             | 4 858    | 4 460    | 354     | 4 446    | 4 106    | 918             |
|                             | Q3              | 8 501      | 7 719 | 1 419             | 5 600    | 5 115    | 483     | 5 096    | 4 633    | 1 482           |
|                             | Q4              | 6 783      | 7 948 | 865               | 5 059    | 4 608    | 417     | 4 589    | 4 191    | 859             |
| 2005                        | Q1              | 6 172      | 8 135 | 775               | 4 654    | 4 259    | 401     | 4 241    | 3 858    | 744             |
|                             | Q2              | 7 868      | 7 883 | 1 172             | 5 682    | 5 227    | 625     | 5 204    | 4 602    | 1 014           |
|                             | Q3              | 8 858      | 7 973 | 1 399             | 5 959    | 5 445    | 670     | 5 418    | 4 775    | 1 500           |
|                             | Q4              | 7 072      | 8 163 | 889               | 5 271    | 4 783    | 595     | 4 764    | 4 188    | 912             |
| 2006                        | Q1              | 6 369      | 8 327 | 812               | 4 836    | 4 413    | 540     | 4 382    | 3 873    | 720             |
|                             | Q2              | 8 371      | 8 426 | 1 275             | 6 054    | 5 545    | 622     | 5 528    | 4 922    | 1 042           |
|                             | Q3 <sup>1</sup> | 9 970      | 8 303 | 1 514             | 6 828    | 6 214    | 886     | 6 157    | 5 328    | 1 628           |
|                             | Q4 <sup>1</sup> | 7 426      | 8 331 | 938               | 5 568    | 5 046    | 671     | 5 013    | 4 375    | 919             |
| % changes from year earlier |                 |            |       |                   |          |          |         |          |          |                 |
| 2004                        | Q1              | 10         | ..    | 9                 | 11       | 12       | 23      | 12       | 11       | 10              |
|                             | Q2              | 16         | ..    | 20                | 13       | 13       | 63      | 13       | 10       | 23              |
|                             | Q3              | 13         | ..    | 9                 | 15       | 13       | 46      | 13       | 11       | 11              |
|                             | Q4              | 10         | ..    | -4                | 13       | 13       | 64      | 13       | 10       | 11              |
| 2005                        | Q1              | 13         | ..    | -6                | 19       | 17       | 69      | 18       | 14       | 4               |
|                             | Q2              | 12         | ..    | -6                | 17       | 17       | 77      | 17       | 12       | 11              |
|                             | Q3              | 4          | ..    | -1                | 6        | 6        | 39      | 6        | 3        | 1               |
|                             | Q4              | 4          | ..    | 3                 | 4        | 4        | 43      | 4        | 0        | 6               |
| 2006                        | Q1              | 3          | ..    | 5                 | 4        | 4        | 35      | 3        | 0        | -3              |
|                             | Q2              | 6          | ..    | 9                 | 7        | 6        | 0       | 6        | 7        | 3               |
|                             | Q3 <sup>1</sup> | 13         | ..    | 8                 | 15       | 14       | 32      | 14       | 12       | 9               |
|                             | Q4 <sup>1</sup> | 5          | ..    | 6                 | 6        | 6        | 13      | 5        | 4        | 1               |

<sup>1</sup> Estimate rounded to nearest 1000

† indicates earliest point of revision

NSA Not seasonally adjusted

SA Seasonally adjusted

Source: International Passenger Survey

## 2b Overseas residents' visits to the UK by month

thousands

|                                  |                  | All visits |       | Area of residence |        |          |         |          |                 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------|-------|-------------------|--------|----------|---------|----------|-----------------|
|                                  |                  | NSA        | SA    | North America     | Europe | of which |         |          | Other Countries |
|                                  |                  |            |       | NSA               | NSA    | EU27 NSA | A12 NSA | EU15 NSA | NSA             |
| 2005                             | Jan              | 2 130      | 2 666 | 302               | 1 505  | 1 372    | 157     | 1 218    | 322             |
|                                  | Feb              | 1 851      | 2 786 | 194               | 1 455  | 1 342    | 116     | 1 225    | 202             |
|                                  | Mar              | 2 191      | 2 683 | 278               | 1 693  | 1 545    | 128     | 1 415    | 220             |
|                                  | Apr              | 2 328      | 2 644 | 291               | 1 771  | 1 629    | 157     | 1 472    | 269             |
|                                  | May              | 2 766      | 2 681 | 384               | 2 074  | 1 937    | 265     | 1 672    | 311             |
|                                  | Jun              | 2 774      | 2 557 | 497               | 1 837  | 1 662    | 203     | 1 459    | 434             |
|                                  | Jul              | 3 117      | 2 604 | 535               | 2 028  | 1 842    | 232     | 1 610    | 553             |
|                                  | Aug              | 3 208      | 2 644 | 508               | 2 212  | 2 051    | 242     | 1 808    | 486             |
|                                  | Sep              | 2 533      | 2 725 | 356               | 1 719  | 1 552    | 196     | 1 357    | 461             |
|                                  | Oct              | 2 446      | 2 714 | 329               | 1 757  | 1 593    | 162     | 1 431    | 363             |
|                                  | Nov              | 2 390      | 2 824 | 274               | 1 810  | 1 661    | 201     | 1 460    | 305             |
|                                  | Dec              | 2 236      | 2 625 | 286               | 1 704  | 1 528    | 232     | 1 297    | 245             |
| 2006                             | Jan              | 2 266      | 2 786 | 275               | 1 684  | 1 531    | 188     | 1 343    | 306             |
|                                  | Feb              | 1 794      | 2 733 | 183               | 1 404  | 1 282    | 179     | 1 103    | 207             |
|                                  | Mar              | 2 309      | 2 808 | 354               | 1 748  | 1 600    | 173     | 1 427    | 207             |
|                                  | Apr              | 2 883      | 2 837 | 348               | 2 256  | 2 054    | 224     | 1 830    | 282             |
|                                  | May              | 2 801      | 2 800 | 422               | 2 052  | 1 882    | 190     | 1 692    | 328             |
|                                  | Jun              | 2 686      | 2 790 | 505               | 1 746  | 1 609    | 209     | 1 401    | 432             |
|                                  | Jul              | 3 411      | 2 812 | 620               | 2 189  | 2 000    | 251     | 1 750    | 606             |
|                                  | Aug              | 3 598      | 2 797 | 478               | 2 599  | 2 341    | 361     | 1 979    | 514             |
|                                  | Sep              | 2 961      | 2 694 | 416               | 2 039  | 1 873    | 274     | 1 599    | 507             |
|                                  | Oct              | 2 439      | 2 688 | 346               | 1 724  | 1 522    | 221     | 1 301    | 375             |
|                                  | Nov              | 2 521      | 2 787 | 307               | 1 939  | 1 761    | 207     | 1 555    | 273             |
|                                  | Dec              | 2 466      | 2 856 | 285               | 1 906  | 1 763    | 243     | 1 519    | 272             |
| 2007                             | Jan <sup>1</sup> | 2 240      | 2 620 | 270               | 1 650  | 1 500    | 240     | 1 260    | 320             |
|                                  | Feb <sup>1</sup> | 1 960      | 2 940 | 190               | 1 550  | 1 430    | 210     | 1 210    | 220             |
| Year to date                     |                  | 4 210      | ..    | 460               | 3 210  | 2 920    | 450     | 2 470    | 540             |
| <b>% change from year ealier</b> |                  | 4          | ..    | 0                 | 4      | 4        | 23      | 1        | 6               |

1 Estimate rounded to nearest 1000  
† indicates earliest point of revision  
NSA Not seasonally adjusted  
SA Seasonally adjusted

Source: International Passenger Survey

### 3a UK residents' visits abroad by year and quarter

thousands

|                             |                 | All visits |        | Area of residence |          |          |         |          |          |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------|-------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|-----------------|
|                             |                 | NSA        | SA     | North America     | Europe   | of which |         |          |          | Other Countries |
|                             |                 |            |        | NSA               | NSA      | EU27 NSA | A12 NSA | EU25 NSA | EU15 NSA | NSA             |
| 2002                        |                 | 59 377 †   | ..     | 4 211 †           | 48 879 † | 46 499 † | 2 677 † | 46 312 † | 43 822 † | 6 287 †         |
| 2003                        |                 | 61 424     | ..     | 4 142             | 50 667   | 48 066   | 2 976   | 47 859   | 45 090   | 6 615           |
| 2004                        |                 | 64 194     | ..     | 4 780             | 51 525   | 48 583   | 3 446   | 48 221   | 45 137   | 7 889           |
| 2005                        |                 | 66 441     | ..     | 4 869             | 52 838   | 49 390   | 4 399   | 48 928   | 44 991   | 8 734           |
| 2006                        |                 | 68 547     | ..     | 4 525             | 54 688   | 50 903   | 4 836   | 50 516   | 46 067   | 9 334           |
| % change 2006/2005          |                 | 7          |        | 7                 | 8        | 8        | 19      | 7        | 6        | 3               |
| 2004                        | Q1              | 11 817     | 15 167 | 1 024             | 8 772    | 8 344    | 520     | 8 294    | 7 824    | 2 021           |
|                             | Q2              | 16 911     | 15 480 | 1 163             | 13 862   | 13 184   | 883     | 13 116   | 12 302   | 1 886           |
|                             | Q3              | 21 273     | 15 664 | 1 342             | 17 848   | 16 565   | 1 204   | 16 375   | 15 361   | 2 083           |
|                             | Q4              | 14 194     | 15 909 | 1 250             | 11 043   | 10 490   | 838     | 10 437   | 9 651    | 1 900           |
| 2005                        | Q1              | 12 821     | 16 208 | 1 148             | 9 388    | 8 901    | 710     | 8 822    | 8 191    | 2 285           |
|                             | Q2              | 17 417     | 15 911 | 1 221             | 14 058   | 13 168   | 1 078   | 13 107   | 12 090   | 2 138           |
|                             | Q3              | 21 767     | 16 408 | 1 324             | 18 183   | 16 775   | 1 610   | 16 519   | 15 164   | 2 260           |
|                             | Q4              | 14 436     | 16 335 | 1 176             | 11 209   | 10 546   | 1 000   | 10 479   | 9 546    | 2 051           |
| 2006                        | Q1              | 13 121     | 16 747 | 986               | 9 607    | 9 041    | 947     | 8 963    | 8 094    | 2 529           |
|                             | Q2              | 18 589     | 17 019 | 1 154             | 15 143   | 14 220   | 1 273   | 14 158   | 12 947   | 2 292           |
|                             | Q3 <sup>1</sup> | 21 952     | 16 513 | 1 263             | 18 453   | 16 810   | 1 567   | 16 635   | 15 243   | 2 236           |
|                             | Q4 <sup>1</sup> | 14 884     | 17 117 | 1 123             | 11 484   | 10 832   | 1 049   | 10 760   | 9 783    | 2 277           |
| % changes from year earlier |                 |            |        |                   |          |          |         |          |          |                 |
| 2004                        | Q1              | 3          | ..     | 16                | 0        | 0        | 20      | -1       | -1       | 11              |
|                             | Q2              | 4          | ..     | 11                | 1        | 0        | 21      | 0        | -1       | 26              |
|                             | Q3              | 5          | ..     | 19                | 2        | 1        | 12      | 0        | 0        | 25              |
|                             | Q4              | 7          | ..     | 16                | 4        | 4        | 14      | 3        | 3        | 17              |
| 2005                        | Q1              | 9          | ..     | 12                | 7        | 7        | 36      | 6        | 5        | 13              |
|                             | Q2              | 3          | ..     | 5                 | 1        | 0        | 22      | 0        | -2       | 13              |
|                             | Q3              | 2          | ..     | -1                | 2        | 1        | 34      | 1        | -1       | 8               |
|                             | Q4              | 2          | ..     | -6                | 1        | 1        | 19      | 0        | -1       | 8               |
| 2006                        | Q1              | 2          | ..     | -14               | 2        | 2        | 33      | 2        | -1       | 11              |
|                             | Q2              | 7          | ..     | -5                | 8        | 8        | 18      | 8        | 7        | 7               |
|                             | Q3 <sup>1</sup> | 1          | ..     | -5                | 1        | 0        | -3      | 1        | 1        | -1              |
|                             | Q4 <sup>1</sup> | 3          | ..     | -5                | 2        | 3        | 5       | 3        | 2        | 11              |

1 Estimate rounded to nearest 1000

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Source: International Passenger Survey

## 3b UK residents' visits abroad by month

thousands

|                            |                  | All visits |       | Area of residence    |               |             |            |             | Other Countries |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------|-------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|
|                            |                  | NSA        | SA    | North America<br>NSA | Europe<br>NSA | of which    |            |             | NSA             |
|                            |                  |            |       |                      |               | EU27<br>NSA | A12<br>NSA | EU15<br>NSA |                 |
| 2005                       | Jan              | 4 298      | 5 468 | 468                  | 3 000         | 2 823       | 271        | 2 552       | 825             |
|                            | Feb              | 3 915      | 5 308 | 369                  | 2 801         | 2 645       | 204        | 2 441       | 743             |
|                            | Mar              | 4 608      | 5 432 | 311                  | 3 587         | 3 433       | 235        | 3 198       | 717             |
|                            | Apr              | 5 454      | 5 255 | 449                  | 4 107         | 3 913       | 358        | 3 555       | 889             |
|                            | May              | 5 394      | 5 342 | 384                  | 4 374         | 4 088       | 338        | 3 750       | 636             |
|                            | Jun              | 6 569      | 5 314 | 388                  | 5 577         | 5 167       | 382        | 4 785       | 613             |
|                            | Jul              | 6 492      | 5 414 | 374                  | 5 493         | 5 116       | 550        | 4 567       | 627             |
|                            | Aug              | 8 110      | 5 395 | 467                  | 6 841         | 6 292       | 602        | 5 690       | 805             |
|                            | Sep              | 7 166      | 5 599 | 484                  | 5 849         | 5 366       | 458        | 4 907       | 827             |
|                            | Oct              | 6 475      | 5 545 | 506                  | 5 233         | 4 876       | 455        | 4 420       | 728             |
|                            | Nov              | 4 281      | 5 460 | 413                  | 3 158         | 3 016       | 289        | 2 727       | 713             |
|                            | Dec              | 3 679      | 5 330 | 257                  | 2 818         | 2 654       | 256        | 2 399       | 611             |
| 2006                       | Jan              | 4 447      | 5 627 | 381                  | 3 121         | 2 935       | 370        | 2 565       | 939             |
|                            | Feb              | 4 086      | 5 619 | 283                  | 3 068         | 2 898       | 258        | 2 640       | 739             |
|                            | Mar              | 4 588      | 5 501 | 322                  | 3 419         | 3 209       | 319        | 2 890       | 851             |
|                            | Apr              | 6 020      | 5 756 | 432                  | 4 586         | 4 315       | 412        | 3 903       | 987             |
|                            | May              | 5 756      | 5 687 | 314                  | 4 823         | 4 567       | 375        | 4 192       | 624             |
|                            | Jun              | 6 813      | 5 576 | 407                  | 5 733         | 5 338       | 486        | 4 852       | 681             |
|                            | Jul              | 6 594      | 5 506 | 351                  | 5 621         | 5 115       | 467        | 4 648       | 627             |
|                            | Aug              | 8 235      | 5 496 | 503                  | 6 856         | 6 248       | 589        | 5 658       | 872             |
|                            | Sep              | 7 123      | 5 511 | 409                  | 5 976         | 5 447       | 511        | 4 936       | 737             |
|                            | Oct              | 6 481      | 5 587 | 508                  | 5 192         | 4 849       | 463        | 4 387       | 797             |
|                            | Nov              | 4 326      | 5 609 | 337                  | 3 194         | 3 046       | 307        | 2 738       | 786             |
|                            | Dec              | 4 078      | 5 922 | 278                  | 3 098         | 2 937       | 279        | 2 658       | 694             |
| 2007                       | Jan <sup>1</sup> | 4 400      | 5 630 | 330                  | 2 910         | 2 670       | 310        | 2 360       | 1 170           |
|                            | Feb <sup>1</sup> | 4 000      | 5 620 | 320                  | 2 850         | 2 660       | 220        | 2 440       | 830             |
| Year to date               |                  | 8 400      | ..    | 650                  | 5 750         | 5 330       | 530        | 4 800       | 2 000           |
| % change from year earlier |                  | -2         | ..    | -2                   | -7            | -9          | -15        | -8          | 19              |

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## 4a Expenditure in the UK and spending abroad

£ million

|                             |                 | Overseas residents' visits to the UK |       | UK residents' visits abroad |       | Balance |        |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|--------|
|                             |                 | Earnings                             |       | Expenditure                 |       |         |        |
|                             |                 | NSA                                  | SA    | NSA                         | SA    | NSA     | SA     |
| 2002                        |                 | 11 737 †                             | ..    | 26 962 †                    | ..    | -15 225 | ..     |
| 2003                        |                 | 11 855                               | ..    | 28 550                      | ..    | -16 695 | ..     |
| 2004                        |                 | 13 047                               | ..    | 30 285                      | ..    | -17 238 | ..     |
| 2005                        |                 | 14 248                               | ..    | 32 154                      | ..    | -17 906 | ..     |
| 2006                        |                 | 15 419                               | ..    | 33 659                      | ..    | -18 240 | ..     |
| % change 2006/2005          |                 | 8                                    |       | 5                           |       |         |        |
| 2004                        | Q1              | 2 229                                | 3 039 | 5 729                       | 6 731 | -3 500  | -3 692 |
|                             | Q2              | 3 231                                | 3 076 | 7 602                       | 6 641 | -4 370  | -3 565 |
|                             | Q3              | 4 390                                | 3 082 | 10 437                      | 6 846 | -6 047  | -3 764 |
|                             | Q4              | 3 196                                | 3 165 | 6 517                       | 7 178 | -3 321  | -4 013 |
| 2005                        | Q1              | 2 644                                | 3 326 | 6 411                       | 7 532 | -3 767  | -4 206 |
|                             | Q2              | 3 562                                | 3 449 | 8 110                       | 7 376 | -4 548  | -3 927 |
|                             | Q3              | 4 474                                | 3 342 | 10 912                      | 7 395 | -6 438  | -4 053 |
|                             | Q4              | 3 568                                | 3 693 | 6 722                       | 7 567 | -3 154  | -3 874 |
| 2006                        | Q1              | 2 753                                | 3 557 | 6 657                       | 7 657 | -3 904  | -4 100 |
|                             | Q2              | 3 928                                | 3 820 | 8 663                       | 8 089 | -4 735  | -4 269 |
|                             | Q3 <sup>1</sup> | 5 050                                | 3 809 | 11 215                      | 8 095 | -6 165  | -4 287 |
|                             | Q4 <sup>1</sup> | 3 689                                | 3 832 | 7 124                       | 8 116 | -3 435  | -4 284 |
| % changes from year earlier |                 |                                      |       |                             |       |         |        |
| 2004                        | Q1              | 4                                    | -     | 5                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q2              | 18                                   | -     | 7                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q3              | 9                                    | -     | 4                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q4              | 9                                    | -     | 9                           | -     | -       | -      |
| 2005                        | Q1              | 19                                   | -     | 12                          | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q2              | 10                                   | -     | 7                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q3              | 2                                    | -     | 5                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q4              | 12                                   | -     | 3                           | -     | -       | -      |
| 2006                        | Q1              | 4                                    | -     | 4                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q2              | 10                                   | -     | 7                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q3 <sup>1</sup> | 13                                   | -     | 3                           | -     | -       | -      |
|                             | Q4 <sup>1</sup> | 3                                    | -     | 6                           | -     | -       | -      |

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# 4b Expenditure in the UK and spending abroad

£ million

|                            |                  | Overseas residents' visits to the UK |       | UK residents' visits abroad |       | Balance |        |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|--------|
|                            |                  | Earnings                             |       | Expenditure                 |       |         |        |
|                            |                  | NSA                                  | SA    | NSA                         | SA    | NSA     | SA     |
| 2005                       | Jan              | 927                                  | 1 133 | 2 147                       | 2 509 | -1 219  | -1 377 |
|                            | Feb              | 804                                  | 1 115 | 1 999                       | 2 535 | -1 194  | -1 421 |
|                            | Mar              | 912                                  | 1 079 | 2 266                       | 2 487 | -1 353  | -1 408 |
|                            | Apr              | 996                                  | 1 091 | 2 562                       | 2 263 | -1 566  | -1 172 |
|                            | May              | 1 222                                | 1 170 | 2 583                       | 2 576 | -1 361  | -1 406 |
|                            | Jun              | 1 344                                | 1 188 | 2 965                       | 2 537 | -1 621  | -1 348 |
|                            | Jul              | 1 525                                | 1 117 | 3 142                       | 2 478 | -1 617  | -1 361 |
|                            | Aug              | 1 689                                | 1 149 | 4 115                       | 2 450 | -2 427  | -1 301 |
|                            | Sep              | 1 260                                | 1 077 | 3 654                       | 2 467 | -2 394  | -1 390 |
|                            | Oct              | 1 156                                | 1 148 | 2 992                       | 2 545 | -1 836  | -1 397 |
|                            | Nov              | 1 032                                | 1 196 | 2 031                       | 2 589 | -999    | -1 393 |
|                            | Dec              | 1 380                                | 1 349 | 1 699                       | 2 433 | -319    | -1 084 |
| 2006                       | Jan              | 958                                  | 1 197 | 2 310                       | 2 632 | -1 352  | -1 435 |
|                            | Feb              | 771                                  | 1 105 | 1 968                       | 2 428 | -1 197  | -1 323 |
|                            | Mar              | 1 024                                | 1 255 | 2 380                       | 2 598 | -1 355  | -1 342 |
|                            | Apr              | 1 277                                | 1 343 | 2 797                       | 2 875 | -1 520  | -1 533 |
|                            | May              | 1 300                                | 1 259 | 2 584                       | 2 666 | -1 284  | -1 407 |
|                            | Jun              | 1 351                                | 1 219 | 3 282                       | 2 548 | -1 931  | -1 330 |
|                            | Jul              | 1 800                                | 1 345 | 3 321                       | 2 645 | -1 521  | -1 300 |
|                            | Aug              | 1 719                                | 1 147 | 4 341                       | 2 667 | -2 621  | -1 520 |
|                            | Sep              | 1 530                                | 1 316 | 3 553                       | 2 784 | -2 023  | -1 467 |
|                            | Oct              | 1 292                                | 1 292 | 3 113                       | 2 609 | -1 821  | -1 318 |
|                            | Nov              | 1 086                                | 1 261 | 2 082                       | 2 764 | -996    | -1 503 |
|                            | Dec              | 1 310                                | 1 280 | 1 929                       | 2 743 | -618    | -1 463 |
| 2007                       | Jan <sup>1</sup> | 920                                  | 1 195 | 2 060                       | 2 650 | -1 140  | -1 455 |
|                            | Feb <sup>1</sup> | 920                                  | 1 280 | 2 165                       | 2 720 | -1 245  | -1 440 |
| Year to date               |                  | 1 840                                |       | 4 230                       |       |         |        |
| % change from year earlier |                  | 6                                    |       | -1                          |       |         |        |

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