MEASUREMENT OF INBOUND TOURISM (MAINLY BY AIR)

- Lesotho has only one (1) International Airport being the Moshoeshoe I International Airport. Visitors, on arrival and departure are requested to fill the Immigration forms (Self fill) which are then presented to and checked by Immigration officials at the Airport. The forms are then collected monthly by the Lesotho Tourism Development Corporation (LTDC) which takes the responsibility of editing, coding, capturing, tabulation and analysis of the information collected. The statistics are then published on monthly basis and at the end of the year an analytical report is then produced (by the LTDC).
- The 2009 Arrivals show that about 13, 549 visitors arrived by air into Lesotho, this is about 3.95 percent of the 2009 Arrivals into Lesotho. The arrivals peaked during August (1,678 visitors) which was followed by November (1,402 visitors) and then September and October with 1,372 and 1,328 visitors respectively.
- Variables include: Age, Sex, Country of Residence, Purpose of Visit, Mode of Travel, Length of Stay but however does not include expenditure, therefore we have no information on expenditure.
- The forms of accommodation used are mainly Hotels, Lodges, Guest Houses, Hostels, Bed and Breakfast, Self Catering and Home Stays.

	2009 AIR ARRIVALS INTO LESOTHO BY MONTH											
COUNTRY	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
AFRICA	379	495	562	608	622	684	636	985	697	855	764	33
Botswana	17	28	40	19	21	14	23	9	32	26	37	0
Malawi	5	15	10	10	11	10	13	23	14	10	7	0
South Africa	236	321	331	433	411	502	432	718	493	644	557	25
Swaziland	17	18	18	3	9	12	8	13	6	11	14	1
Zambia	13	13	15	24	18	8	15	37	15	10	15	0
Zimbabwe	18	27	25	17	45	41	29	32	41	22	42	0
Other Africa	73	73	123	102	107	97	116	153	95	132	101	7
AMERICA	108	76	86	69	96	97	87	97	113	64	103	5
Canada	18	18	13	8	14	11	9	19	15	11	15	2
United States	85	55	68	59	80	86	71	77	95	52	87	3
Other America	5	3	5	2	2	0	7	1	3	1	1	0
EUROPE	111	145	130	106	100	136	101	115	120	121	150	4
Holland/Netherlands	10	26	25	6	8	4	4	5	3	6	1	0
Germany	19	21	9	4	15	21	4	16	17	9	17	0
United Kingdom	37	47	51	46	36	59	53	56	39	59	57	1
Other Europe	45	51	45	50	41	52	40	38	61	47	75	3
ASIA	250	211	261	361	344	370	402	457	429	284	364	4
China	109	116	154	176	219	223	158	245	254	203	256	4
India	13	13	24	15	13	12	26	9	29	8	33	0
Taiwan	4	12	4	6	7	8	5	7	5	6	14	0
Other Asia	124	70	79	164	105	127	213	196	141	67	61	0
MIDDLE EAST	26	18	9	16	9	7	12	24	13	4	12	1
No Response	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	874	945	1,048	1,160	1,171	1,295	1,238	1,678	1,372	1,328	1,402	47