



MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENT  
REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES

# TOURISM UPDATES

29th January 2026

## 200,801 tourists

Visited the Maldives as of 28th January 2026.

## +3.9% Increase

compared to the same period of 2025

## 66,854 Beds

available for visitors. Out of which 44,807 were resort beds

## Key Markets

Russia (13.4%), Italy (10.5%), China (9.2%) United Kingdom (9.0%), & Germany (6.3%)

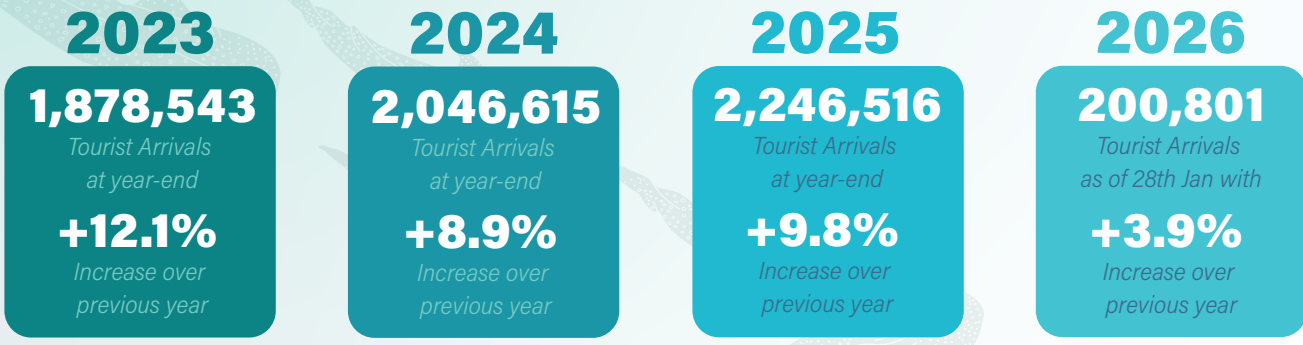
## Major Highlights

Visit Maldives showcases destination at Travel & Adventure Show New York 2026





# Tourist Arrivals



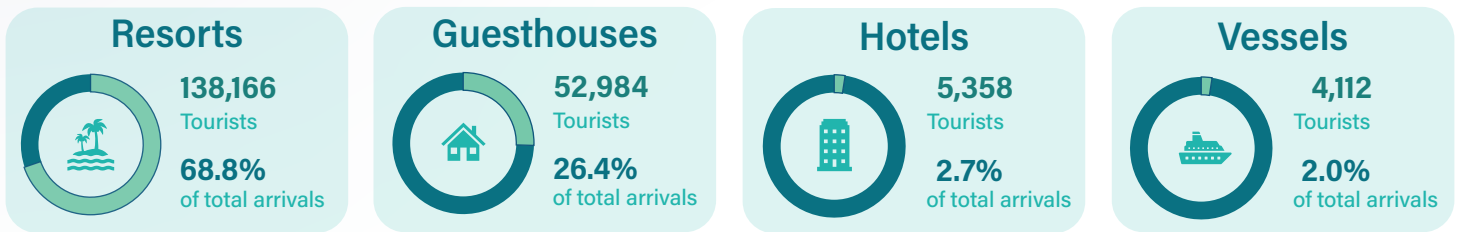
## Tourist Arrivals by Month

As of 28th Jan 2026

	Arrivals				Growth (%) 2026/2025	Daily Average 2026
	2023	2024	2025	2026		
January	173,513	174,449	193,174	200,801	3.9	7,171
<b>Total (as of 28th Jan)</b>	<b>173,513</b>	<b>174,449</b>	<b>193,174</b>	<b>200,801</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>7,171</b>

## Distribution of Arrivals to Facilities

As of 28th Jan 2026



## Arrivals by Airports

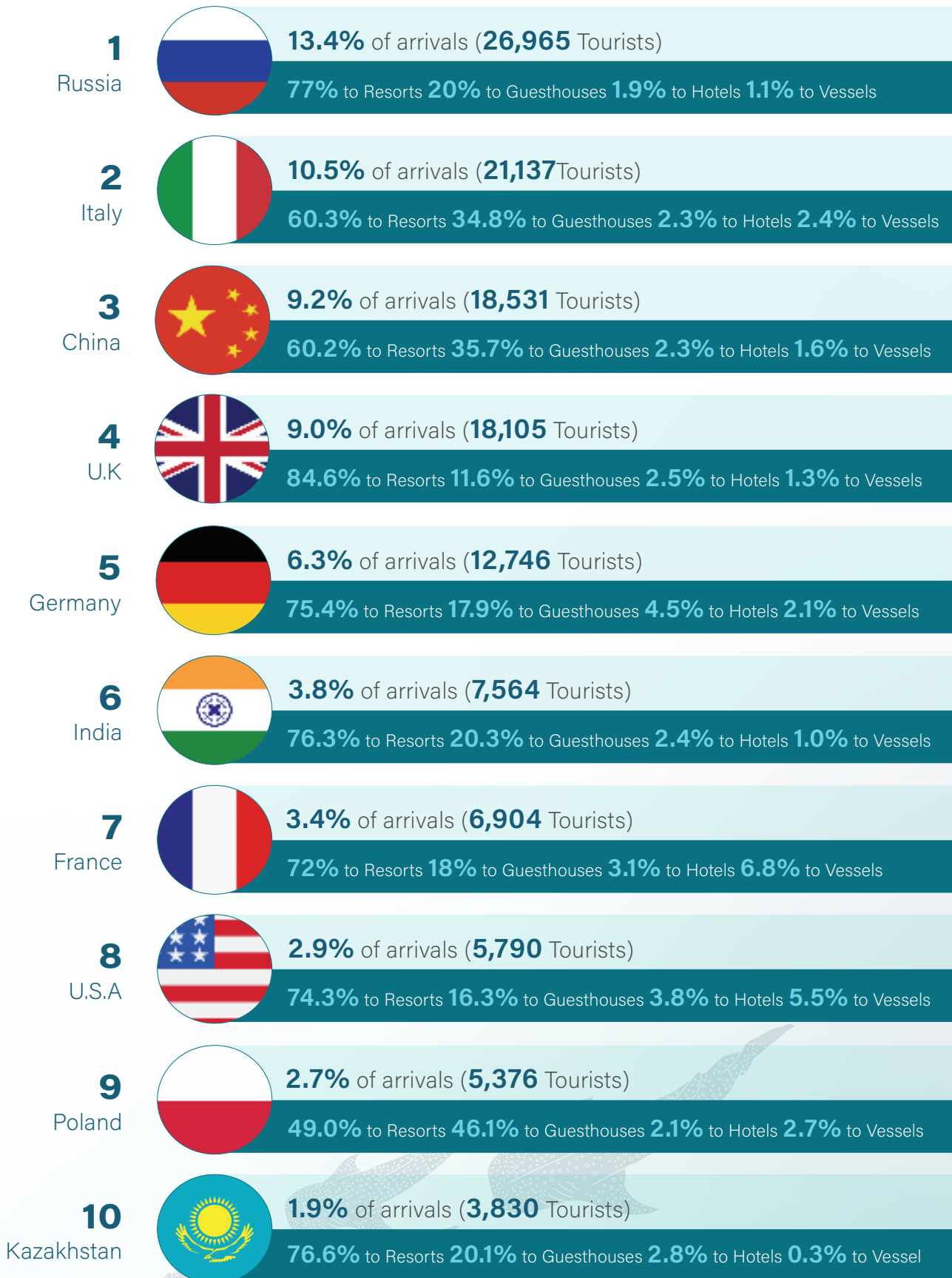
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Airport	Arrivals	Share
Velana International Airport	198,329	98.8%
Hanimaadhoo International Airport	563	0.3%
Maafaru International Airport	714	0.4%
Gan International Airport	599	0.3%
Dhaalu Airport	237	0.1%
Villa International Airport Maamigili	359	0.2%

# Top 10 Nationalities & their Preferred Accommodations

As of 28th Jan 2026



# Tourist Accommodation

## Total Capacity

As of 28th Jan 2026

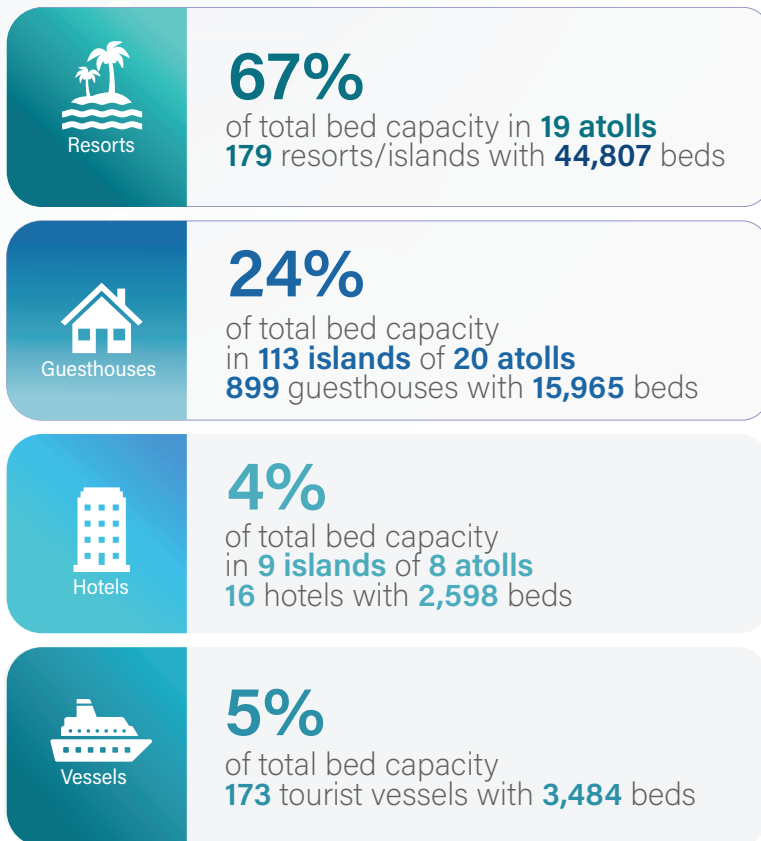
**98.4%**  
of the beds were in  
**Operation**

(as of 28th Jan 2026)

	Nos.	Beds
Resorts	186	45,893
Guesthouses	899	15,965
Hotels	16	2,598
Tourist Vessels	173	3,484
<b>Total</b> (As of 28th Jan)	<b>1,274</b>	<b>67,940</b>

## Operational Capacity

As of 28th Jan 2026



# Arrivals & Beds Distribution by Atolls

As of 28th Jan 2026

Atolls	Arrivals	Beds			
		Total	Resorts	Hotels	Guesthouses
Haa Alifu	1,442	836	448		388
Haa Dhaalu	676	588	162	104	322
Shaviyani	1,384	544	444		100
Noonu	7,866	2,802	2,566		236
Raa	14,869	4,966	4,548	300	118
Baa	10,806	4,872	3,424	150	1,298
Lhaviyani	9,263	3,403	3,326		77
Kaafu	86,482	22,606	15,566	1,604	5,436
Alifu Alifu	16,634	5,250	2,426		2,824
Alifu Dhaalu	18,998	6,570	4,298	88	2,184
Vaavu	7,218	2,014	794	52	1,168
Meemu	1,926	688	614		74
Faafu	701	430	250		180
Dhaalu	8,412	3,010	2,864		146
Thaa	277	342	152		190
Laamu	940	432	360		72
Gaafu Alifu	3,675	1,813	1,301	144	368
Gaafu Dhaalu	1,733	596	440		156
Gnaviyani	1,030	436			436
Seenu	2,177	1,172	824	156	192
<b>Total</b>	<b>196,508</b>	<b>63,370</b>	<b>15,557</b>	<b>2,598</b>	<b>15,965</b>

# Air Connectivity



AIRLINES	
 <b>AEROFLOT</b>	<b>AEROFLOT</b>
 <b>AIR ARABIA</b>	<b>AIR ARABIA</b>
 <b>AIR ASIA</b>	<b>AIR ASIA</b>
 <b>AIR ASIA THAILAND</b>	<b>AIR ASIA THAILAND</b>
 <b>AIR INDIA</b>	<b>AIR INDIA</b>
 <b>AUSTRIAN AIRLINES</b>	<b>AUSTRIAN AIRLINES</b>
 <b>AZUR AIR RUSSIA</b>	<b>AZUR AIR RUSSIA</b>
 <b>AIR ASTANA</b>	<b>AIR ASTANA</b>
 <b>AZERBAIJAN AIRLINES</b>	<b>AZERBAIJAN AIRLINES</b>
 <b>BATIK AIR</b>	<b>BATIK AIR</b>
 <b>BANGKOK AIRWAYS</b>	<b>BANGKOK AIRWAYS</b>
 <b>BEIJING CAPITAL AIRLINES</b>	<b>BEIJING CAPITAL AIRLINES</b>
 <b>BEOND</b>	<b>BEOND</b>
 <b>BRITISH AIRWAYS</b>	<b>BRITISH AIRWAYS</b>
 <b>CHINA EASTERN</b>	<b>CHINA EASTERN</b>
 <b>CHONGQING AIRLINES</b>	<b>CHONGQING AIRLINES</b>
 <b>CONDOR</b>	<b>CONDOR</b>

AIRLINES	
 <b>CENTRUM AIR</b>	<b>CENTRUM AIR</b>
 <b>EMIRATES</b>	<b>EMIRATES</b>
 <b>ETIHAD AIRWAYS</b>	<b>ETIHAD AIRWAYS</b>
 <b>EDELWEISS</b>	<b>EDELWEISS</b>
 <b>FITS AVIATION</b>	<b>FITS AVIATION</b>
 <b>FLY DUBAI</b>	<b>FLY DUBAI</b>
 <b>GULF AIR</b>	<b>GULF AIR</b>
 <b>INDIGO</b>	<b>INDIGO</b>
 <b>MALAYSIAN AIRLINES</b>	<b>MALAYSIAN AIRLINES</b>
 <b>MALDIVIAN</b>	<b>MALDIVIAN</b>
 <b>NEOS</b>	<b>NEOS</b>
 <b>QATAR AIRWAYS</b>	<b>QATAR AIRWAYS</b>
 <b>SAUDI ARABIAN AIRLINES</b>	<b>SAUDI ARABIAN AIRLINES</b>
 <b>SCAT AIRLINES</b>	<b>SCAT AIRLINES</b>
 <b>SICHUAN AIRLINES</b>	<b>SICHUAN AIRLINES</b>
 <b>SINGAPORE AIRLINES</b>	<b>SINGAPORE AIRLINES</b>
 <b>SRILANKAN AIRLINES</b>	<b>SRILANKAN AIRLINES</b>

AIRLINES	
 <b>TURKISH AIRLINES</b>	<b>TURKISH AIRLINES</b>
 <b>SMARTWINGS</b>	<b>SMARTWINGS</b>
 <b>US BANGLA AIRLINES</b>	<b>US BANGLA AIRLINES</b>
 <b>UZBEKISTAN AIRWAYS</b>	<b>UZBEKISTAN AIRWAYS</b>
 <b>VIRGIN ATLANTIC</b>	<b>VIRGIN ATLANTIC</b>



## Visit Maldives showcases destination at Travel & Adventure Show New York 2026



Visit Maldives Corporation (VMC), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Maldives to the United Nations in New York (PMNY), is showcasing the Maldives at the Travel & Adventure Show – New York, taking place on 24–25 January 2026 at the Javits Center.

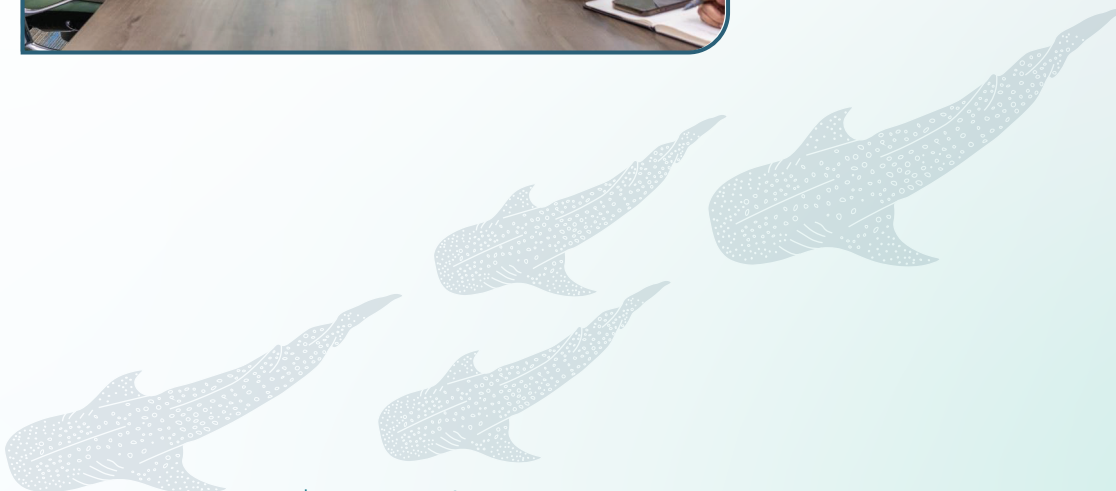
Recognised as one of the most influential travel forums in North America, the Travel & Adventure Show New York attracts over 20,000 attendees, including high-value travellers, leading travel advisors, industry professionals, and international media. The event provides a key platform to connect directly with American consumers seeking premium, experiential, and long-haul travel experiences.

## Minister of Tourism and Environment meets GM of Sheraton Maldives.



Productive discussions held between the Minister of Tourism and Environment HE Mr. Thoriq Ibrahim and Mr. Greg Allan, General Manager of Sheraton Maldives Full Moon Resort & Spa, a Marriott International property in the Maldives.

The discussions focused on destination marketing and key source markets, and further addressed areas of product innovation, community linkages, workforce development, and climate-resilient tourism solutions.



## Minister of Tourism and Environment meets GM and Resort Manager of Anantara Maldives



The Minister of Tourism and Environment, HE Mr. Thoriq Ibrahim met with Mr. Jason Kruse, Complex General Manager, and Mr. Ahmed Imthiyaz, Complex Resort Manager of Anantara Resorts & Spa Maldives, and Anantara Veli & Naladhu Maldives.

The discussions focused on strengthening the Maldives' position as a sustainable, high-value luxury destination, enhancing community linkages, workforce development, and advancing climate-resilient tourism solutions.



## Visit Maldives showcases at FITUR 2026 in Madrid



Visit Maldives Corporation, (VMC) showcases Maldives at the first travel exhibition of the year, FITUR 2026, held from 21 January to 25 January, in Madrid, Spain.

With global recognition as one of the world's leading tourism fairs, FITUR provides an optimal environment for networking, industry engagement, and business development, attracting over 50,000 trade participants and exhibitors. The fair serves as a key meeting point for tourism professionals and a platform for both inbound and outbound international markets. In addition, it offers access to the sector's largest business platforms, featuring expert-led forums and presentations on emerging trends, sustainability, and digital transformation in tourism.



## Senior Officials of the Ministry of Tourism and Environment meets with Indian Ocean Diving Association (IODA).



Meeting with Indian Ocean Diving Association (IODA) was held on 28th January 2026. Discussions were held regarding strengthening collaboration in dive sites monitoring and protected area management.

Dive centers play a key role in safeguarding the coral reefs and providing a safe and memorable diving experience in the Maldives.





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