

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1525
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FOREIGNERS IN INDIA
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of foreigners had visited the country on valid travel documents during the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise; and
- (c) the number of such persons who returned to their country and the number of those who are still staying in the country, country-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPALLAY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (c): The total number of foreigners who arrived and departed from the country on valid travel documents during 2008 and 2009 are given below:-

	2008	2009
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Arrival	52,82,603	51,67,699
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Departure	53,06,346	51,50,566
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(Data is year specific)

Figures of the year 2010 have not been compiled.

The country-wise figures on arrival/departure of foreigners from the top ten countries in terms of arrival/departure during 2008 and 2009 are given in Annexure-I.

As per information available, 73,441 foreigners, who have entered into the country on valid travel documents, have been found to be overstaying as on 31st December, 2009. Data for the year ending 31st December, 2010 has not been compiled. Country-wise details of such foreigners who were found to be overstaying as on 31st December 2009 are given in Annexure – II.