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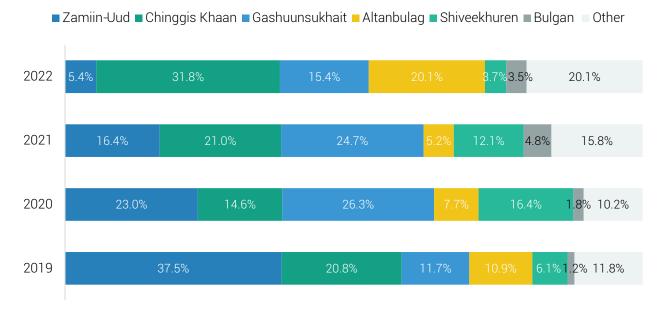
# The number of inbound foreign passengers increased by 261.3 thousand compared to the previous year

In 2022, 2016.2 thousand passengers (double counting) crossed the border of Mongolia. Compared to the previous year, the number of passengers increased by 1372.8 (3.1 times). This increase was mainly due to the opening of the border crossing after the Covid-19 pandemic. The number of inbound passengers increased by 700.1 (1.5 times) compared to the 2020, but decreased by 4080.2 (66.9%) thousand from 2019.

In 2022, 988.6 thousand passengers entered Mongolia. In terms of border points for all inbound passengers, 31.8% were crossed through Chinggis khaan, 20.1% were crossed through Altanbulag, 15.4% were crossed through Gashuun sukhait, 5.4% were crossed Zamiin-Uud, 3.7% were crossed Shiveekhuren, 3.5% were crossed through Bulgan, 20.1% were crossed through other border points.

Out of the inbound passengers, 688.1 (69.6%) thousand were Mongolian citizens and 300.5 (30.4%) thousand were foreigners.

FIGURE 1. NUMBER OF INBOUND PASSENGERS, by year and border, percent



Note: The "New Ulaanbaatar International Airport" established in the Khushi Valley of Sergelen soum, Tuv aimag, was named "Chinggis Khaan" International Airport, while the "Chinggis Khaan" International Airport of Ulaanbaatar was renamed "Buyant-Ukhaa" international Airport since July 1, 2020. (Resolution No. 455 of the Government of Mongolia)

In 2022, 300.5 thousand foreign passengers have entered, respectively increased by 261.3 (7.7 times) thousand. Of those foreign passengers, 92.4 % stayed up to 30 days, 2.8 % stayed for 30-90 days and 4.8% stayed for 90 days or more.

TABLE 1. NUMBER OF INBOUND FOREIGN PASSENGERS, by year, region and country

Region and country	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total	636 960	66 940	39 236	300 520
East Asia and the Pacific	389 581	27 806	12 799	103 374
China	208 449	17 340	7 519	13 972
South Korea	103 379	5 515	2 639	54 692
Kazakhstan	16 530	1 564	806	17 738
Europe	207 851	35 931	2 054	177 833
Russia	146 783	30 980	14 231	157 309
Belarus	3 299	2 338	4 509	4 194
Germany	12 654	641	560	4 175
America	27 174	1 862	2 054	11 086
USA	19 948	1 416	1759	9 195
Canada	4 501	320	216	1 343
Brazil	900	34	20	187
East Asia	4 381	296	643	2 157
India	2 793	236	364	1 471
Pakistan	337	9	144	178
Bangladesh	201	7	40	88
Middle East	5 453	620	1 917	4 668
Turkey	1 999	573	1 514	3 754
Qatar	866	11	118	111
Syria	125	2	88	106
Africa	2 480	422	401	1 391
South Africa	1 764	299	240	986
Ethiopia	58	73	47	78
Morocco	36	2	37	35
Stateless	37	3	3	11

In 2022, 170.4 (56.7%) thousand of the inbound foreign passengers were males and 130.1 (43.3%) were females, 276.6 (92.0%) thousand were adults and 23.9 (8.0%) thousand were children.

Also, 59.2% of inbound foreign passengers were visited from Europe, 34.4% from East Asia and the Pacific region, 3.7% from the America, 1.5% from Middle East, 0.7% from the and South Asia, 0.5% from the African regions.

In terms of nationality of all the inbound foreign passengers, 52.3% were Russian, 18.2% were South Koreans, 5.9% were Kazakhstan, 4.6% were Chinese, 3.1% were from the USA, 15.9% were from other countries.

The number of tourists was 286.3 thousand and increased by 253.2 (8.6 times) thousand from the same period of the previous year. In 2022, the number of tourists from Russian Federation increased by 140 637 (12.2 times), tourists from South Korea increased by 51 070 (23.1 times), tourists from the Kazakhstan increased by 16 828 (24.1 times) and tourists from China increased by 5 423 (1.9 times) compared with the same period of the previous year.

In 2022, 728.6 thousand Mongolian passengers (double counting) traveled abroad, of which 429.4 (58.9%) thousand traveled for tourism purposes, which increased by 308.5 (3.6 times) thousand from

the same period of the previous year and 299.3 (41.1%) thousand traveled for employment, study and permanent residence purposes, increased by 137.9 (85.5%) thousand from the same period of the previous year, respectively (Table 2).

Out of all outbound Mongolian passengers, 524.7 (72.0%) thousand were males adult passengers, 204.0 (28.0%) thousand were females, adult passengers and 42.9 (0.6%) were children. In terms of duration of stay, 592.8 (81.4%) thousand Mongolian passengers stayed up to 30 days, 12414 (1.7%) stayed for 30 to 90 days and 123.4 (16.9%) thousand stayed for 90 days or more.

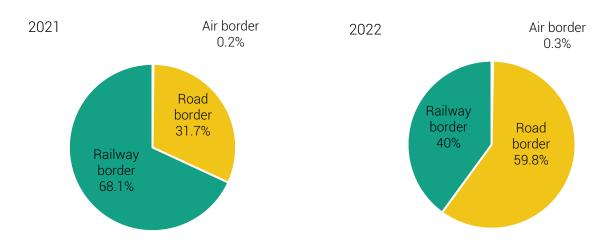
TABLE 2. NUMBER OF OUTBOUND MONGOLIAN PASSENGERS, by year and country

Name of countries	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total	2 415 113	571 867	282 227	728 638
Australia	5 562	877	374	6 112
USA	15 987	2 432	5 690	13 342
United Arab Emirates	969	290	653	2 436
Korea	97 017	18 571	9 542	74 545
China	1 791 374	467 076	224 368	345 407
Russian	344 267	48 402	12 222	157 739
Thailand	7 842	1 967	2 410	8 320
Turkey	7 165	3 038	10 161	31 928
Germany	10 241	2 673	2 682	12 327
Japan	27 953	6 380	2 365	22 342
Other	106 736	20 161	11 760	54 140

In 2022, there were 2 637.3 thousand crossings of transportation vehicles (double counting) entered through the border of Mongolia, which increased by 754.4 (40.1%) thousand compared to the previous year.

In terms of types of the crossing of transportation vehicles, 30.6% were freight trains, 25.6% were trucks, 5.9% were sedans, and 37.9% were other transportation vehicles. In terms of crossed border points, 29.7% through Gashuunsukhait, 29.5% through Zamiin-Uud, 8.4% through Shiveekhuren, 6.7% through Sukhbaatar, 6.4% through Altanbulag, and 19.3% through other border points.

FIGURE 2. PERCENTAGE OF TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES THROUGH THE BORDER OF MONGOLIA, by border type



## Methodological notes:

Passengers include all inbound passengers both Mongolian and foreigners. According to the purposes of the trip, passengers are classified as official, private, tourism, transit, study, work, permanent residence, and others.

Tourist: Foreign citizen who is traveling to a place other than the place of his or her usual residence for a period of fewer than 183 days for a purpose of official or personal business and/or tourism, transit, or other reasons.



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