MIGRATION STATISTICS MONTHLY BULLETIN

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF GOVERNMENT STATISTICIAN- ZANZIBAR

OCTOBER 2026

OFFICIAL STATISTICS

Migration Statistics for Development

A. INTERNATIONAL VISITORS TRAVEL INSURANCE

85,377 Total insured visitors **(100.0%)**

38,188 (44.7%) **Male**

47,189 (55.3%) **Female**

81,504 (95.5%) Airport arrivals

3,873 (4.5%) Sea port arrivals

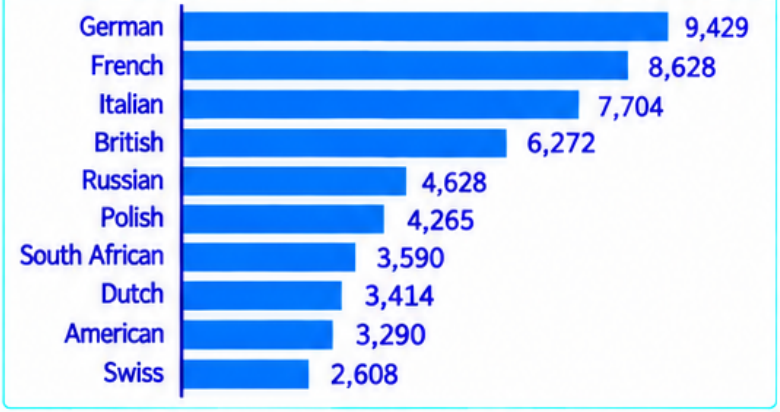
1. ENSURED VISITORS BY ENTRY POINT

Entry Point	September 2026 Number	October 2026 Number	% Change (September – October 2026)
Airport	90,257	81,504	-9.7%
Sea Port	5,815	3,873	-33.4%
Total	**96,072**	**85,377**	**-11.1%**

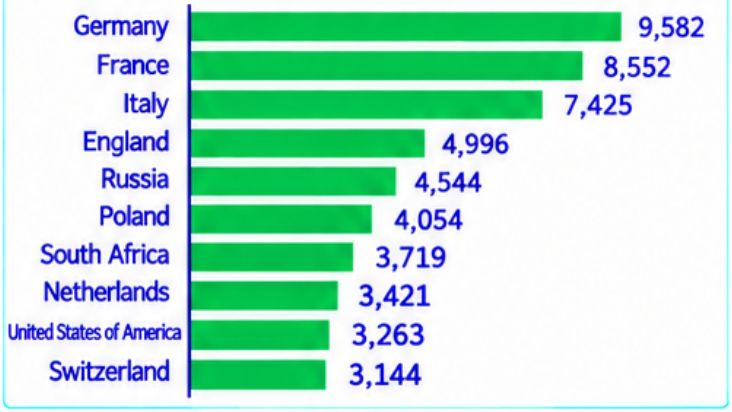
2. ENSURED VISITORS BY SEX

Sex	September 2026 Number	October 2026 Number	% Change (September – October 2026)
Male	43,658	38,188	-12.5%
Female	52,414	47,189	-10.0%
Total	**96,072**	**85,377**	**-11.1%**

3. TOP 10 NATIONALITIES OF ENSURED VISITORS – OCTOBER 2026



4. TOP 10 COUNTRIES OF VISITOR RESIDENCY – OCTOBER 2026

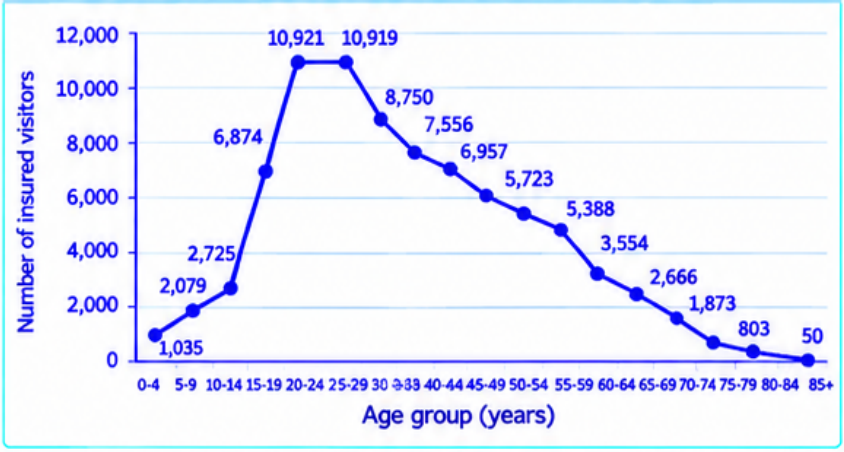


The most visitors **(12.8%)** were aged **25 – 29 years** in October 2026.

94.5% of insured visitors arrived in Zanzibar from abroad.

5.5% of insured visitors arrived locally from different parts of Mainland Tanzania.

5. AGE PROFILE OF ENSURED VISITORS – OCTOBER 2026



6. KEY HIGHLIGHTS – OCTOBER 2026

- A total of **85,377** visitors were insured under mandatory travel insurance in October 2026, a decrease of **11.1%** compared with September 2026 (96,072).
- Ensured females accounted for **47,189** (55.3%), slightly higher than males with **38,188** (44.7%).
- The majority, **81,504** (95.5%) of visitors arrived through the airport, while **3,873 (4.5%)** arrived through the sea port.
- German, French and Italian were among the leading nationalities in October 2026.
- Germany, France and Italy were the most popular countries of residency in October 2026.
- About **94.5%** of insured visitors arrived from abroad, while **5.5%** arrived locally from Mainland Tanzania.
- The most **(12.8%)** insured visitors were aged 25 – 29 years in October 2026.

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B. REGISTERED DIASPORA

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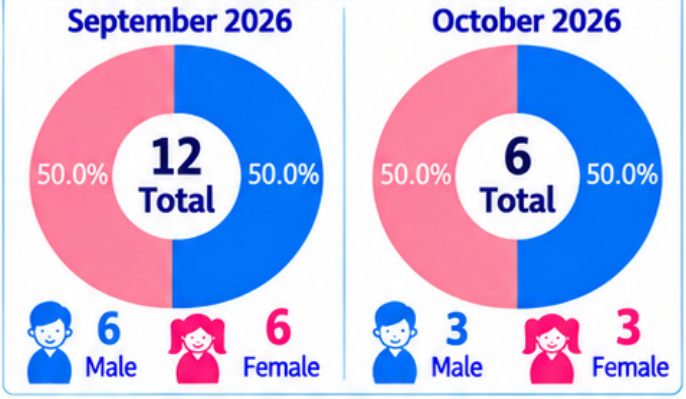
REGISTERED DIASPORA

36 Applications Submitted	29 Total Registered Diaspora
19 (65.5%) Male	10 (34.5%) Female

1. REGISTERED DIASPORA BY AGE GROUP – SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2026

Age Group	September 2026			October 2026			% Change (September – October, 2026)
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	
18 – 28	15	12	27	5	2	7	-74.1
29 – 39	18	14	32	5	3	8	-75.0
40 – 50	20	18	38	5	1	6	-84.2
51+	18	22	40	4	4	8	-80.0
Not Stated	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Total	**71**	**66**	**137**	**19**	**10**	**29**	**-78.8**

2. DEPENDENTS (AGED 0 – 17)



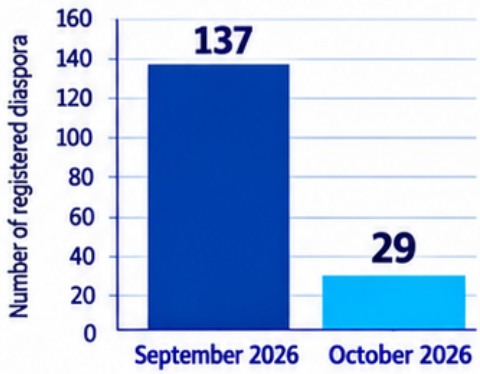
3. REGISTERED DIASPORA BY COUNTRIES OF RESIDENCE – OCTOBER 2026

Country	Male	Female	Total	% of Total
Oman	5	4	9	31.0
United Arab Emirates	4	2	6	20.7
United Kingdom	3	2	5	17.2
United States of America	2	1	3	10.3
Canada	2	0	2	6.9
Other Countries	3	1	4	13.8
Total	**19**	**10**	**29**	**100.0**

4. REGISTERED DIASPORA BY CONTINENT OF RESIDENCE

Continent	Male	Female	Total	% of Total
Asia	11	5	16	55.2
Europe	4	3	7	24.1
North America	2	1	3	10.3
Africa	1	1	2	6.9
Oceania	1	0	1	3.4
Total	**19**	**10**	**29**	**100.0**

5. COMPARISON: TOTAL REGISTERED DIASPORA



CHANGE (SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2026)

-78.8%

137 → 29

6. KEY HIGHLIGHTS – OCTOBER 2026

- A total of **29** Zanzibari diaspora were registered in October 2026, a decrease of **78.8%** compared to September 2026 (137).
- Males accounted for **65.5%** of registrations, while females accounted for **34.5%**.
- A total of **6** dependents (aged 0 – 17) were registered in October 2026, compared to **12** in September 2026, a decrease of **50.0%**.
- The largest group of registered diaspora resided in Asia (**55.2%**), followed by Europe (**24.1%**) and North America (**10.3%**).
- The majority of registered diaspora resided in Oman (**31.0%**), followed by the United Arab Emirates (**20.7%**) and the United Kingdom (**17.2%**).

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C. WORK PERMIT

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WORK PERMITS ISSUED (DOMESTIC)

317 Total work permits issued

246 (77.6%) Male

71 (22.4%) Female

LONG-TERM PERMITS **248**

TEMPORARY PERMITS **69**

1. WORK PERMITS ISSUED BY AREA

Area	September			October		
	Long-Term	Temporary	Total	Long-Term	Temporary	Total
Head Quarter	29	27	**56**	113	69	**218**
ZIPA	96	0	**96**	95	0	**95**
Pemba Office	3	0	**3**	4	0	**4**
Total	**128**	**27**	**155**	**248**	**69**	**317**

2. WORK PERMITS BY TYPE AND SEX

Type of Permit	September			October		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
New	58	14	**72**	113	18	**131**
Renewal	39	4	**43**	87	10	**97**
Exempted	12	1	13	0	0	**0**
Temporary	19	8	27	46	43	**69**
Grand Total	**128**	**27**	**155**	**246**	**71**	**317**

3. MONTHLY WORK PERMITS BY TYPE

Months	New	Renewal	Exempted	Temporary	Monthly Total
January	81	79	23	35	**218**
February	74	78	19	52	**223**
March	140	118	30	37	**325**
April	111	77	31	27	**246**
May	130	88	24	45	**287**
June	116	124	21	42	**303**
July	131	111	21	64	**327**
August	163	78	13	36	**290**
September	72	43	13	27	**155**
October	131	97	0	69	**317**
Total	**1,118**	**875**	**195**	**434**	**2,622**

4. COMPARISON: TOTAL WORK PERMITS ISSUED



CHANGE (SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2026)

+104.5%

155 → 317

KEY HIGHLIGHTS (WORK PERMITS)

- A total of **317** work permits were issued in October 2026, an increase of 104.5% compared with September 2026 (155 permits).
- October recorded 131 New permits, 97 Renewal permits and 69 Temporary permits.
- Head Quarter had the highest number of permits (218), followed by ZIPA (95) and Pemba Office (4).

APPROVAL TO WORK ABROAD

338 Total workers approved to work abroad

43 (12.7%) Male

295 (87.3%) Female

Refers to workers approved to travel and work in foreign countries.

1. MONTHLY TREND OF WORKERS APPROVED TO WORK ABROAD

Month	Male	Female	Total
January	40	323	**363**
February	56	340	**396**
March	37	216	**253**
April	54	268	**322**
May	81	295	**376**
June	95	276	**371**
July	37	208	**245**
August	71	351	**422**
September	36	166	**202**
October	43	295	**338**
Total	**520**	**2,738**	**3,258**

2. COMPARISON: TOTAL APPROVALS

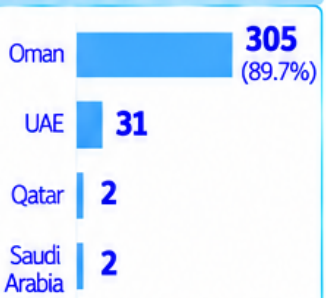


CHANGE (SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2026)

+67.3%

202 → 338

3. DESTINATION COUNTRIES



KEY HIGHLIGHTS (APPROVAL TO WORK ABROAD)

- A total of **338** workers were approved to work abroad in October 2026, an increase of 67.3% compared with September 2026 (202).
- The majority of approved workers were females (87.3%), while males accounted for 12.7%.
- Oman was the popular destination country with 305 workers (89.7%), followed by UAE (31), Qatar (2) and Saudi Arabia (2).

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