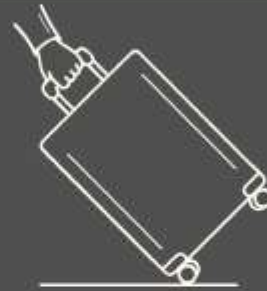


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*International Passenger Movements -
Arrivals vs Departures 2025*

11.1
Million
Arrivals



11.55
Million
Departures



Source: Gallup & Gilani Pakistan
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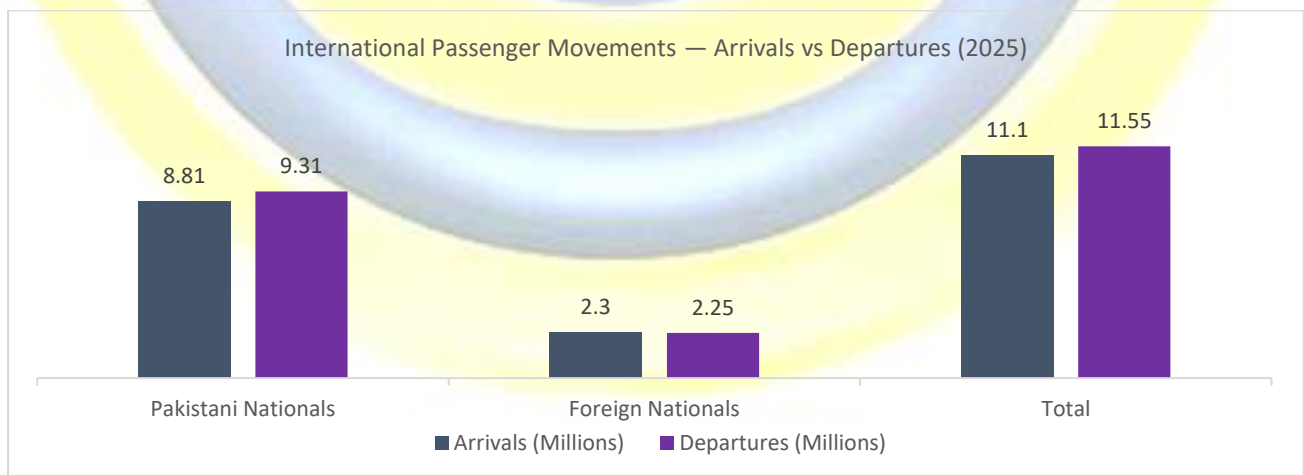
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Pakistan recorded more than 22.6 million international passenger movements in 2025, highlighting the continued dominance of air travel in the country's cross-border mobility patterns. Analysis from Gallup Pakistan Digital Analytics, based on FIA passenger movement data, shows that the overwhelming majority of international travel occurred through aviation channels. Approximately 19.45 million passengers traveled by air, accounting for nearly 86% of all international passenger movements recorded during the year.

Land routes, while substantially smaller in comparison, still handled a significant volume of regional movement. Around 3.04 million passengers crossed Pakistan's international borders through land routes, reflecting continued mobility with neighboring countries and regional connectivity patterns. Sea travel, by contrast, remained extremely limited. Total passenger movement through sea routes stood at approximately 166,000 passengers, representing less than 1% of total international traffic.

The data also provides insight into who is traveling. Pakistan recorded approximately 11.10 million arrivals during 2025, including 8.81 million Pakistani nationals and 2.30 million foreign nationals. Departures were slightly higher, reaching 11.55 million, including 9.31 million Pakistani nationals and 2.25 million foreign nationals. One notable pattern in the data is that Pakistan recorded more departures than arrivals during the year, particularly among Pakistani citizens. This imbalance may reflect labor migration, overseas employment mobility, religious travel, business travel, or broader international movement trends among Pakistanis. The broader picture is clear: despite discussions around regional connectivity and maritime transport, Pakistan's international mobility system remains overwhelmingly aviation-driven, with airports continuing to serve as the country's primary gateway to the world.



Source: Gallup & Gilani Pakistan
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This analysis was conducted and released by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. It draws on international passenger movement data compiled from FIA records for 2025, covering arrivals and departures through air, land, and sea routes.



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