

**Statistical
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**CHAPTER IX:
TRAVEL and
TOURISM**

Table 9.1.1: Visitor Arrivals in Rwanda by Region and Mode of Transport

| YEAR | Region | | | | | | | | Total | |
|--------------|------------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-------------|
| | Africa | | Americas | | Europe | | Other | | Tourist Arrivals | |
| 2010 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 41,634 | 8 | 23,293 | 70 | 30,598 | 56 | 14,704 | 47 | 110,229 | 16.6 |
| Land | 505,393 | 92 | 9,890 | 30 | 23,663 | 44 | 16,826 | 53 | 555,772 | 83 |
| Total | 547,027 | 100 | 33,183 | 100 | 54,261 | 100 | 31,530 | 100 | 666,001 | 99.6 |
| 2011 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 51,652 | 7 | 26,177 | 69 | 38,710 | 58 | 17,031 | 59 | 133,570 | 15 |
| Land | 722,095 | 93 | 11,731 | 31 | 28,601 | 42 | 12,012 | 41 | 774,439 | 85 |
| Total | 773,747 | 100 | 37,908 | 100 | 67,311 | 100 | 29,043 | 100 | 908,009 | 100 |
| 2012 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 58,192 | 6 | 18,198 | 55 | 32,530 | 52 | 14,644 | 47 | 123,564 | 13 |
| Land | 877,148 | 94 | 14,601 | 45 | 29,605 | 48 | 16,390 | 53 | 937,744 | 87 |
| Total | 935,340 | 100 | 32,799 | 100 | 62,135 | 100 | 31,034 | 100 | 1,061,308 | 100 |
| 2013 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 61,373 | 6 | 22,702 | 62 | 32,968 | 54 | 16,188 | 45 | 133,231 | 13 |
| Land | 926,661 | 94 | 13,999 | 38 | 28,412 | 46 | 19,847 | 55 | 988,919 | 87 |
| Total | 988,034 | 100 | 36,701 | 100 | 61,380 | 100 | 36,035 | 100 | 1,122,150 | 100 |
| 2014 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 57,101 | 5 | 19,574 | 56 | 31,584 | 51 | 14,557 | 45 | 122,816 | 10 |
| Land | 1,033,130 | 95 | 15,462 | 44 | 30,276 | 49 | 17,845 | 55 | 1,096,713 | 90 |
| Total | 1,090,231 | 100 | 35,036 | 100 | 61,860 | 100 | 32,402 | 100 | 1,219,529 | 100 |

Source: RDB & Directorate General of Immigration and Emigration

Figure 9.1: Evolution of Tourist Arrivals

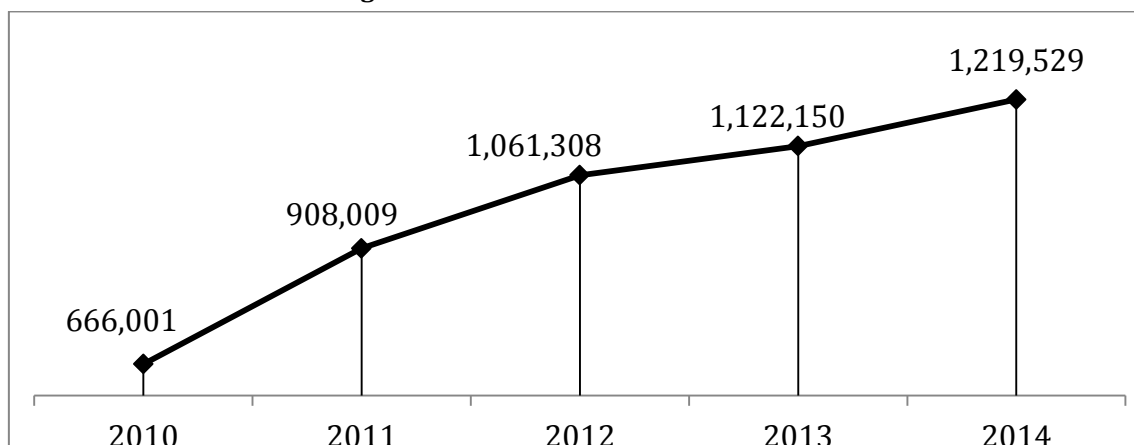


Table 9.1.2: Visitor Arrivals in Rwanda by Purpose of Visit and Mode of Transport

| Year | Holiday/Vacation | | Visiting Friends & Relatives (VFR) | | Business /Conference / Official | | Transit | | Other Purposes | | Total Tourist Arrivals | |
|--------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| | N | % | N | % | N | % | N | % | N | % | N | % |
| 2010 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 24,517 | 36 | 19,232 | 10 | 52,124 | 17 | 11,984 | 44 | 3,261 | 5 | 111,118 | 17 |
| Land | 43,159 | 64 | 182,040 | 90 | 255,015 | 83 | 15,508 | 56 | 59,161 | 95 | 554,883 | 83 |
| Total | 67,676 | 100 | 201,272 | 100 | 307,139 | 100 | 27,492 | 100 | 62,422 | 100 | 666,001 | 100 |
| 2011 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 32,193 | 39 | 23,499 | 8 | 59,681 | 15 | 15,739 | 47 | 2,458 | 2 | 133,570 | 15 |
| Land | 49,426 | 61 | 271,415 | 92 | 335,882 | 85 | 17,610 | 53 | 100,106 | 98 | 774,439 | 85 |
| Total | 81,619 | 100 | 294,914 | 100 | 395,563 | 100 | 33,349 | 100 | 102,564 | 100 | 908,009 | 100 |
| 2012 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 27,154 | 29 | 21,175 | 7 | 54,871 | 13 | 19,725 | 50 | 639 | 0 | 123,564 | 13 |
| Land | 68,116 | 71 | 284,369 | 93 | 359,757 | 87 | 19,827 | 50 | 205,675 | 100 | 937,744 | 87 |
| Total | 95,270 | 100 | 305,544 | 100 | 414,628 | 100 | 39,552 | 100 | 206,314 | 100 | 1,061,308 | 100 |
| 2013 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 37,117 | 36 | 22,212 | 7 | 51,482 | 12 | 20,734 | 45 | 1,686 | 1 | 133,231 | 12 |
| Land | 66,669 | 64 | 305,784 | 93 | 367,700 | 88 | 25,676 | 55 | 223,075 | 99 | 988,904 | 88 |
| Total | 103,786 | 100 | 327,996 | 100 | 419,182 | 100 | 46,410 | 100 | 224,761 | 100 | 1,122,135 | 100 |
| 2014 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air | 27,621 | 26 | 24,849 | 6 | 48,907 | 12 | 20,173 | 41 | 1,266 | 0 | 122,816 | 10 |
| Land | 77,592 | 74 | 373,262 | 94 | 346,437 | 88 | 28,757 | 59 | 270,665 | 100 | 1,096,713 | 90 |
| Total | 105,213 | 100 | 398,111 | 100 | 395,344 | 100 | 48,930 | 100 | 271,931 | 100 | 1,219,529 | 100 |

Source: RDB & Directorate General of Immigration and Emigration

Table 9.1.3: Visitor Arrivals in Rwanda by Purpose of Visit and country of origin

| Region/Year | Purpose of Visit | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| | Holiday / Vacation | | Visiting Friends & Relatives (VFR) | | Business/Conference/ Official | | Transit | | Other Purposes | | Total Tourist Arrivals | |
| | N | % | N | % | N | % | N | % | N | % | N | % |
| 2010 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Africa | 29,526 | 44 | 183,148 | 91 | 272,617 | 89 | 8,405 | 31 | 53,235 | 85 | 546,931 | 82 |
| America | 12,293 | 18 | 6,180 | 3 | 9,709 | 3 | 3,542 | 13 | 1,465 | 2 | 33,189 | 5 |
| East Asia/Pacific | 3,068 | 5 | 1,127 | 1 | 4,199 | 1 | 1,620 | 6 | 714 | 1 | 10,728 | 2 |
| Europe | 18,524 | 27 | 8,532 | 4 | 14,179 | 5 | 9,366 | 34 | 3,651 | 6 | 54,252 | 8 |
| Middle East | 353 | 1 | 464 | 0 | 996 | 0 | 914 | 3 | 193 | 0 | 2,920 | 0 |
| South Asia | 3912 | 6 | 1,821 | 1 | 5,439 | 2 | 3,645 | 13 | 3,164 | 5 | 17,981 | 3 |
| Total | 67,676 | 100 | 201,272 | 100 | 307,139 | 100 | 27,492 | 100 | 62,422 | 100 | 666,001 | 100 |
| 2011 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Africa | 36,114 | 44 | 273,034 | 93 | 355,624 | 90 | 11,912 | 36 | 97,157 | 95 | 773,841 | 85 |
| America | 15,052 | 18 | 6,864 | 2 | 10,499 | 3 | 4,411 | 13 | 1,088 | 1 | 37,914 | 4 |
| East Asia/Pacific | 4,196 | 5 | 1,504 | 1 | 4,658 | 1 | 2,309 | 7 | 201 | 0 | 12,868 | 1 |
| Europe | 22,669 | 28 | 11,518 | 4 | 18,670 | 5 | 10,862 | 33 | 3,242 | 3 | 66,961 | 7 |
| Middle East | 312 | 0 | 331 | 0 | 870 | 0 | 624 | 2 | 176 | 0 | 2,313 | 0 |
| South Asia | 3,185 | 4 | 1,605 | 1 | 5,114 | 1 | 3,174 | 10 | 696 | 1 | 13,774 | 2 |
| UN | 91 | 0 | 58 | 0 | 128 | 0 | 57 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 338 | 0 |
| Total | 81,528 | 100 | 294,856 | 100 | 395,435 | 100 | 33,292 | 100 | 102,560 | 100 | 908,009 | 100 |
| 2012 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Africa | 51,967 | 54 | 287,376 | 94 | 377,804 | 91 | 19,873 | 50 | 198,590 | 96 | 935,610 | 87 |
| America | 13,606 | 14 | 5,085 | 2 | 8,082 | 2 | 4,671 | 12 | 1,355 | 1 | 32,799 | 3 |
| East Asia/Pacific | 4,325 | 5 | 1,281 | 0 | 4,031 | 1 | 1,699 | 4 | 348 | 0 | 11,684 | 1 |
| Europe | 22,750 | 24 | 9,704 | 3 | 16,046 | 4 | 9,222 | 23 | 4,413 | 2 | 62,135 | 6 |
| Middle East | 317 | 0 | 366 | 0 | 662 | 0 | 340 | 1 | 132 | 0 | 1,817 | 0 |
| South Asia | 2,349 | 2 | 1,536 | 1 | 7,048 | 2 | 3,430 | 9 | 1,453 | 1 | 15,816 | 2 |
| UN | 226 | 0 | 196 | 0 | 956 | 0 | 317 | 1 | 23 | 0 | 1,718 | 0 |
| Total | 95,540 | 100 | 305,544 | 100 | 414,629 | 100 | 39,552 | 100 | 206,314 | 100 | 1,061,579 | 100 |
| 2013 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Africa | 58,809 | 57 | 309,410 | 94 | 383,808 | 92 | 20,851 | 45 | 215,156 | 96 | 988,034 | 88 |
| America | 15,960 | 15 | 6,208 | 2 | 8,237 | 2 | 4,941 | 11 | 1,355 | 1 | 36,701 | 3 |
| East Asia/Pacific | 5,180 | 5 | 1,316 | 0 | 5,249 | 1 | 2,597 | 6 | 481 | 0 | 14,823 | 1 |

| Region/Year | Purpose of Visit | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------------------|------------|
| | Holiday / Vacation | | Visiting Friends & Relatives (VFR) | | Business/Conference/ Official | | Transit | | Other Purposes | | Total Tourist Arrivals | |
| Europe | 21,428 | 21 | 9,147 | 3 | 13,599 | 3 | 12,247 | 26 | 4,959 | 2 | 61,380 | 5 |
| Middle East | 381 | 0 | 448 | 0 | 766 | 0 | 1,491 | 3 | 98 | 0 | 3,184 | 0 |
| South Asia | 1,927 | 2 | 1,417 | 0 | 7,239 | 2 | 4,109 | 9 | 2,699 | 1 | 17,405 | 2 |
| UN | 101 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 284 | 0 | 174 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 623 | 0 |
| Total | 103,786 | 100 | 327,996 | 100 | 419,182 | 100 | 46,410 | 100 | 224,761 | 100 | 1,122,635 | 100 |
| 2014 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Africa | 65,747 | | 377,583 | | 364,690 | | 19,184 | | 263027 | | 1,090,231 | 87 |
| America | 13,792 | | 6,210 | | 6,817 | | 6,348 | | 1,869 | | 35,036 | 4 |
| East Asia/Pacific | 4,131 | | 1,500 | | 4,076 | | 2,063 | | 137 | | 11,907 | 1 |
| Europe | 19,285 | | 10,538 | | 12,377 | | 15,028 | | 4,632 | | 61,860 | 6 |
| Middle East | 427 | | 587 | | 711 | | 1,112 | | 93 | | 2,930 | 0 |
| South Asia | 1,782 | | 1,635 | | 6,479 | | 5,032 | | 2,173 | | 17,101 | 2 |
| UN | 49 | | 58 | | 194 | | 163 | | | | 464 | 0 |
| Total | 105,213 | | 398,111 | | 395,344 | | 48,930 | | 271,931 | | 1,219,529 | 100 |

Source: RDB & Directorate General of Immigration and Emigration

Table 9.2.1: Parks Visits from 2008-2012

| Year | Volcanoes National Park | | Akagera National Park | | Nyungwe National Park | | Total |
|------|-------------------------|----|-----------------------|----|-----------------------|----|--------|
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | |
| 2008 | 19,783 | 46 | 18,490 | 43 | 4,810 | 11 | 43,083 |
| 2009 | 18,865 | 49 | 14,890 | 39 | 4,695 | 12 | 38,450 |
| 2010 | 23,372 | 52 | 16,180 | 36 | 5,755 | 13 | 45,307 |
| 2011 | 26,821 | 47 | 22,457 | 39 | 8,274 | 14 | 58,153 |
| 2012 | 28,483 | 47 | 25,200 | 41 | 7,621 | 12 | 61,304 |
| 2013 | 25,199 | 41 | 29,687 | 48 | 6,902 | 11 | 61,788 |
| 2014 | 27,885 | 41 | 30,846 | 45 | 9,140 | 14 | 67,871 |

Source: RDB

Figure 9.2: Total Parks Visits in 2014

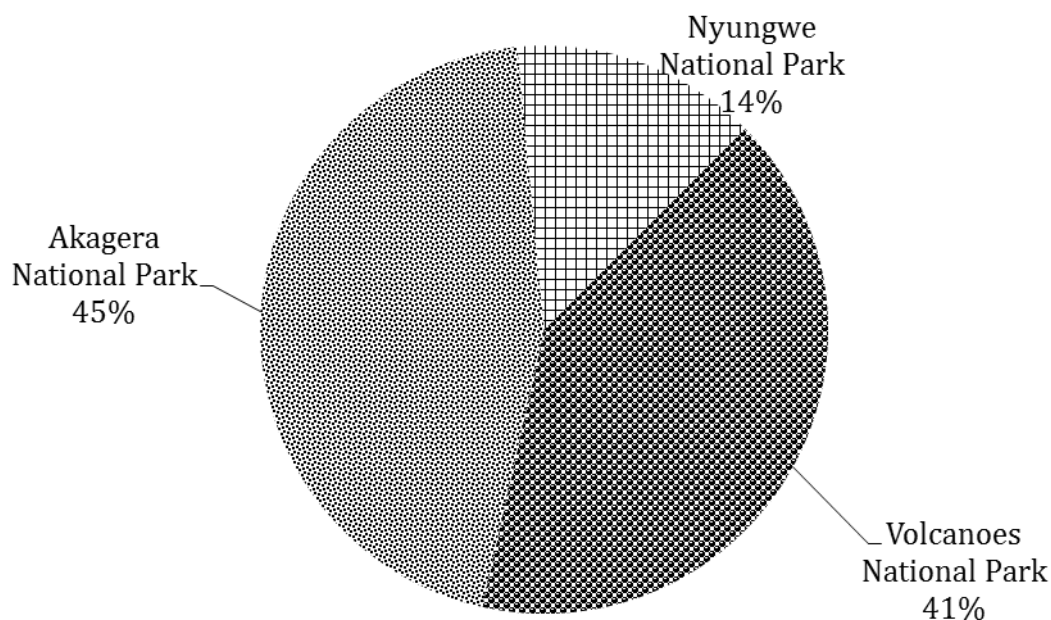


Table 9.2.2: Number of visitors in different National park by nationality

| Year | Rwandan Residents | | Foreign Residents | | Foreign Visits | | Totals |
|------|-------------------|----|-------------------|----|----------------|----|--------|
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | |
| 2008 | 9,790 | 23 | 3,142 | 7 | 30,151 | 70 | 43,083 |
| 2009 | 7,861 | 20 | 3,555 | 9 | 27,034 | 70 | 38,450 |
| 2010 | 10,263 | 23 | 4,253 | 9 | 30,791 | 68 | 45,307 |
| 2011 | 13,172 | 23 | 5,770 | 10 | 39,211 | 67 | 58,153 |
| 2012 | 14,291 | 23 | 5,988 | 10 | 41,025 | 67 | 61,304 |
| 2013 | 16,646 | 27 | 6,737 | 11 | 38,405 | 62 | 61,788 |
| 2014 | 18,223 | 27 | 6,440 | 9 | 43,208 | 64 | 67,871 |

Source: RDB

Figure 9.3: Visits of National Parks by nationality in 2014

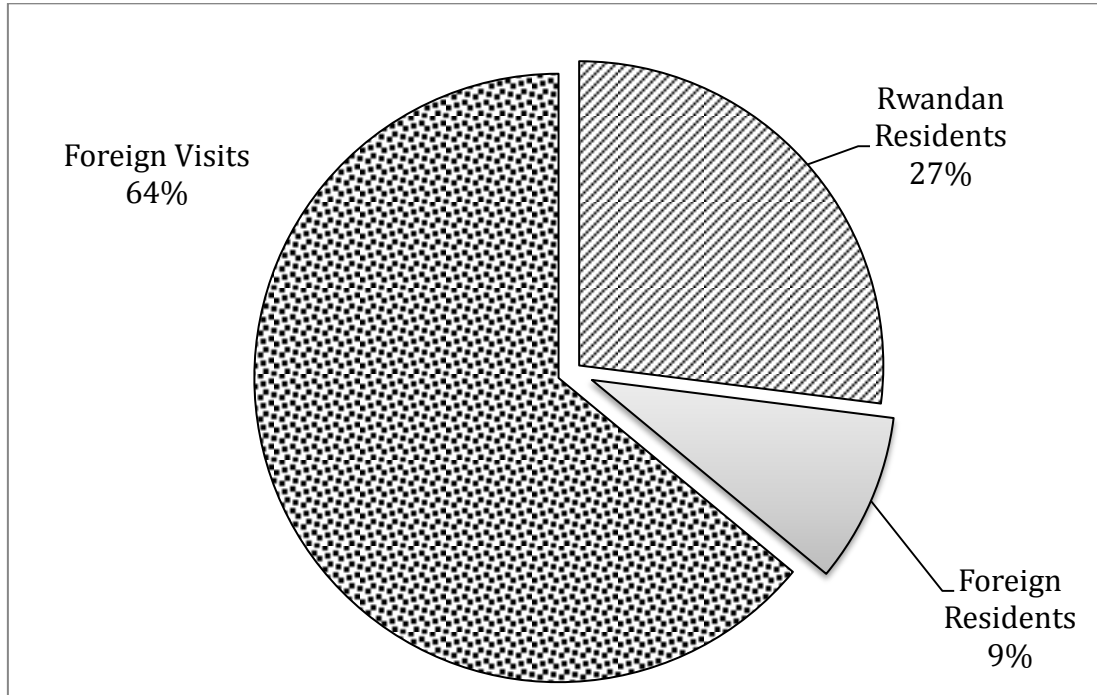


Table 9.2.3: Number of Accommodation facilities and rooms per districts

| DISTRICT | Categories | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bugesera | Number of Hotels | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| | Number of Rooms | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 83 | 83 |
| Burera | Number of Hotels | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | Number of Rooms | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Gasabo | Number of Hotels | 28 | 32 | 81 | 83 | 104 | 105 |
| | Number of Rooms | 670 | 746 | 1695 | 1734 | 2409 | 2430 |
| Gicumbi | Number of Hotels | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| | Number of Rooms | 74 | 74 | 74 | 74 | 106 | 106 |
| Huye | Number of Hotels | 16 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 21 | 21 |
| | Number of Rooms | 379 | 450 | 450 | 450 | 520 | 520 |
| Karongi | Number of Hotels | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| | Number of Rooms | 198 | 198 | 198 | 238 | 238 | 238 |
| Kayonza | Number of Hotels | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| | Number of Rooms | 60 | 73 | 73 | 87 | 87 | 87 |
| Kicukiro | Number of Hotels | 9 | 11 | 41 | 42 | 48 | 48 |
| | Number of Rooms | 176 | 220 | 447 | 477 | 477 | 477 |
| Kirehe | Number of Hotels | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| | Number of Rooms | 9 | 9 | 9 | 27 | 47 | 47 |
| Muhanga | Number of Hotels | 17 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 19 |
| | Number of Rooms | 291 | 308 | 308 | 308 | 316 | 316 |
| Musanze | Number of Hotels | 17 | 22 | 48 | 51 | 51 | 50 |
| | Number of Rooms | 362 | 535 | 760 | 821 | 821 | 761 |
| Ngoma | Number of Hotels | | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| | Number of Rooms | | 73 | 73 | 73 | 167 | 167 |
| Nyagatare | Number of Hotels | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| | Number of Rooms | 100 | 100 | 100 | 125 | 125 | 125 |
| Nyamagabe | Number of Hotels | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| | Number of Rooms | 87 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 130 | 130 |
| Nyamasheke | Number of Hotels | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| | Number of Rooms | | 24 | 24 | 24 | 36 | 36 |
| Nyanza | Number of Hotels | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| | Number of Rooms | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 79 | 79 |
| Nyarugenge | Number of Hotels | 35 | 40 | 44 | 47 | 64 | 64 |
| | Number of Rooms | 855 | 1016 | 1076 | 1149 | 1281 | 1281 |
| Rubavu | Number of Hotels | 25 | 28 | 59 | 59 | 62 | 62 |
| | Number of Rooms | 316 | 410 | 735 | 735 | 765 | 765 |
| Ruhango | Number of Hotels | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| | Number of Rooms | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Rusizi | Number of Hotels | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| | Number of Rooms | 196 | 196 | 196 | 196 | 240 | 240 |
| Rwamagana | Number of Hotels | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| | Number of Rooms | 63 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 90 |
| Rwanda (Total) | Total Number of Hotels | 188 | 220 | 360 | 375 | 431 | 436 |
| | Total Number of Rooms | 3,958 | 4,714 | 6,500 | 6,800 | 7,968 | 8,003 |

Source: RDB

Figure 9.4: Accommodation facilities in Rwanda

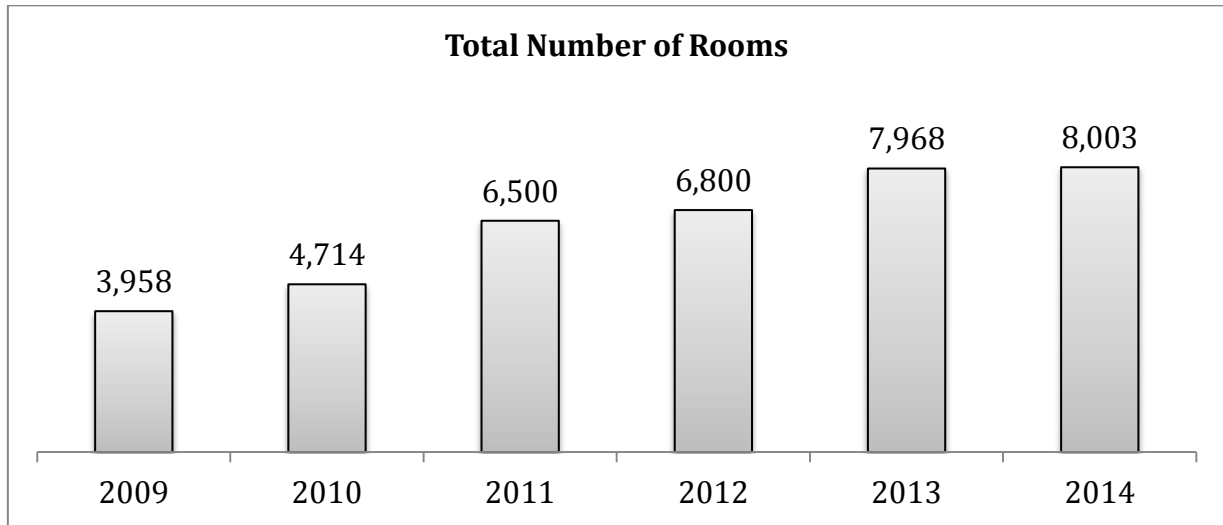


Table 9.2.4: Number of Gorillas

| | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Number of Gorillas Families | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 18 |
| New born | 23 | 19 | 28 | 13 | 18 | 24 |
| Total number of gorillas | 265 | 277 | 287 | 281 | 292 | 305 |

Source: RDB

Figure 9.5: Number of Gorillas

