Beijing expects large traffic influx

Beijing will see large influx of traffic from Friday, as the eight-day holiday for National Day and the Mid Autumn Festival is drawing to an end, said local traffic authorities.

According to the Beijing Traffic Management Bureau, on Friday afternoon, the highways into Beijing saw a peak of inbound traffic which will not ease until next week.

The long holiday is a good travel opportunity for Chinese people. The China National Tourism Administration (CNTA) said on the fifth day of the holiday that 93 million tourists traveled around the country.

In Beijing, many who chose to travel by car left the city at midnight or in the early morning. Between midnight and 6 a.m. on Sunday about 310,000 cars left Beijing, said Cheng Wei, a police officer with the Beijing Traffic Management Bureau.

Beijing will resume its traffic restrictions next Monday, when cars will be restricted according to the last number of their plate.