

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Visitor Arrival Summary

The total tourist arrivals to Trinidad and Tobago was 442.6 thousand in 2004. Arrivals therefore continued the upward trend, which was started in 2002, as this performance was an increase of 8.2 percent over that of 2003. Improvements in arrivals levels were recorded in both the winter (12.8 percent) and summer (5.8 percent) seasons.

- ◆ A total of 159.5 thousand tourists originated from the United States in 2004, an increase of 14.8 percent over 2003. This is the major source of tourists (36.0 percent of the total) and its market share increased by 2.0 percentage points. The European countries represented 20.2 percent of the total and arrivals rose by 13.1 percent led by the strong performance in the United Kingdom. Caribbean residents marginally increased their visitation by 0.7 percent, with arrivals from the main Barbados and Guyana decreasing by 5.0 percent and 2.0 percent respectively. The outcomes in the Canadian and South American markets were positive.

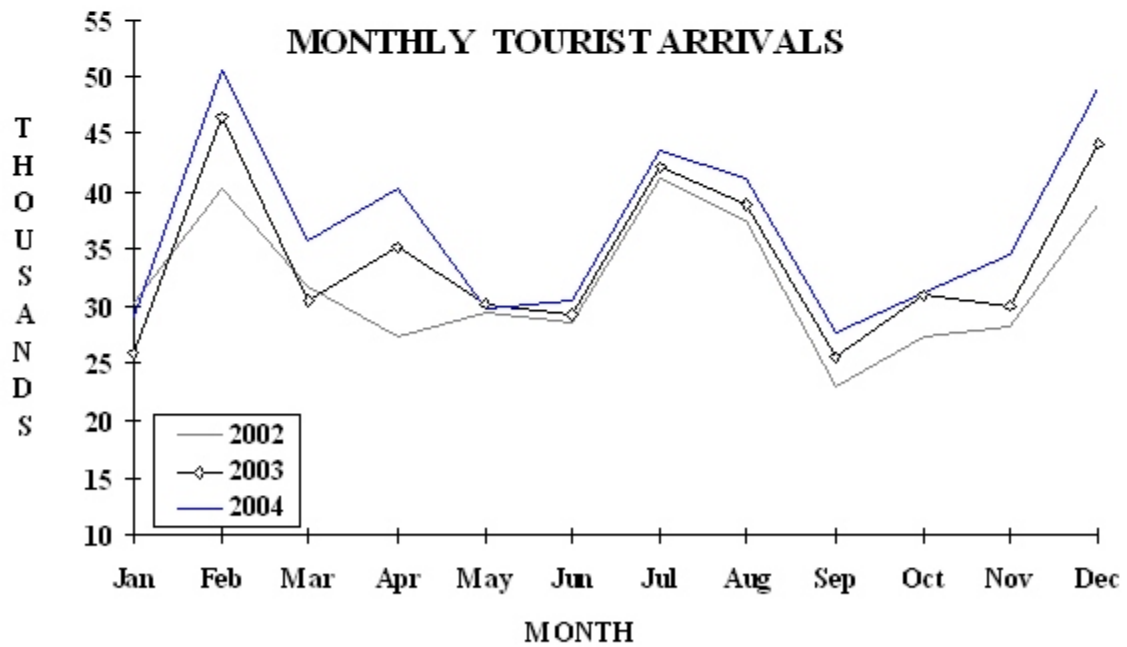
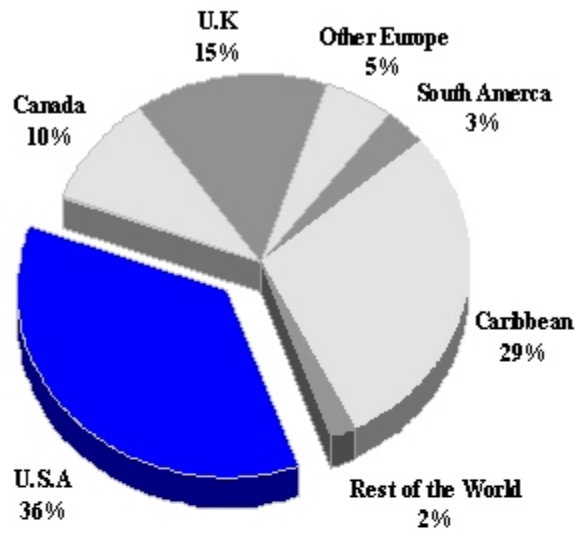
- ◆ In 2004, the number of cruise passengers declined by 2.3 percent to 54.3 thousand from 55.6 thousand in 2003. This decline in cruise ship arrivals was a result of the reduction of services into the southern Caribbean.

TOURISM HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2004

VISITOR ARRIVALS			
Tourist Arrivals →	442,555	Cruise Passengers	54,254
↳ <i>Summer</i>	64.9%	↳ <i>Summer</i>	47.4%
↳ <i>Winter</i>	35.1%	↳ <i>Winter</i>	52.6%
VISITOR PROFILE			
Tourist Arrivals by Purpose of Visit		Tourist Arrivals by Place of Stay	
↳ <i>Holiday</i>	67.6%	↳ <i>Hotels</i>	25.8%
↳ <i>Business</i>	19.6%	↳ <i>Apartment/Guest Houses</i>	6.6%
↳ <i>Other</i>	12.8%	↳ <i>Private</i>	66.2%
		↳ <i>Other</i>	1.4%
TOURISM AND OTHER RELATED ECONOMIC STATISTICS			
Total Expenditure (<i>US\$ millions</i>)	\$260.3	GDP at Factor Cost (<i>US\$ millions</i>)	\$11,463.8
Tourism Budget (<i>US\$ thousands</i>) ^{IV}	\$4,117	Consumer Price Index (% <i>ch. 2004/'03</i>)	3.7%
ACCOMMODATION STATISTICS		SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATISTICS	
Rooms ^I	5,379	Land Area (<i>square Kilometres</i>)	5,128
Room Occupancy Rates	60.0%	Population (<i>thousand mid year 2004</i>)	1,290.6

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**TOURIST ARRIVALS BY MAIN MARKETS
2004**



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TOURIST ARRIVALS BY COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE

Country of Residence	2000	2001	2002	2003	% Share	
					2004	2004
United States	132578	118962	133566	138935	159456	36.0
Canada	47382	43291	41506	43036	43565	9.8
United Kingdom	55048	48570	51688	57566	66089	14.9
Other Europe	27613	40432	19445	21670	23489	5.3
South America	13886	14487	14277	14079	14511	3.3
Guyana	23686	20062	22299	22783	22328	5.0
Barbados	31126	27878	33989	37320	35442	8.0
Other Caribbean	58877	57210	60427	66084	69297	15.7
Rest of World	8363	12209	7017	7596	8378	1.9
TOTAL	398559	383101	384214	409069	442555	100.0

* Includes missing data for South America and the remaining Europe and Caribbean.

MONTHLY TOURIST ARRIVALS

Month	2000	2001	2002	2003	% Change	
					2004	2004/03
January	24511	23945	30335	25809	29049	12.6
February	43317	47547	40193	46408	50478	8.8
March	42353	29644	31785	30500	35757	17.2
April	33862	31133	27919	35186	40256	14.4
May	25411	28923	29427	30151	29653	-1.7
June	28921	28033	28662	29286	30534	4.3
July	39218	35430	41061	42112	43518	3.3
August	38096	44646	37489	38841	41167	6.0
September	24268	27826	22832	25557	27635	8.1
October	26752	25398	27443	31023	31081	0.2
November	28664	25967	28224	30053	34440	14.6
December	43186	34609	38844	44143	48987	11.0
TOTAL	398559	383101	384214	409069	442555	8.2

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CRUISE PASSENGER ARRIVALS

Month	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	% Change 2004/03
January	15593	20808	11898	8954	9027	0.8
February	19712	15832	12988	8354	7255	-13.2
March	20354	15972	10636	7895	8551	8.3
April	12728	7090	5419	8274	3729	-54.9
May	154	157	125	69	85	23.2
June	91	428	34	84	0	-
July	120	443	2757	95	0	-
August	2677	575	59	69	0	-
September	0	136	0	0	804	-
October	4983	1834	1862	2031	1066	-47.5
November	12023	9799	5511	6150	9159	48.9
December	15626	9198	8758	13557	14578	7.5
TOTAL	104061	82272	60047	55532	54254	-2.3

Number of Calls	146	136	96	88	86
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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION BY AREA (Rooms)

Area	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Trinidad	2207	2362	2528	2528	n.a
Tobago	2325	2488	2662	3415	n.a
TOTAL	4532	4850	5190	5943	n.a

By Type of Accommodation (Trinidad & Tobago)

Type of Accommodation	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Hotels	2672	* 3395	n.a	3061	n.a
Condos	471	n.a	n.a	671	n.a
Guest Houses	945	1455	n.a	1647	n.a
Other	444	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a
TOTAL	4532	4850	4387	5379	n.a

Sources: Tourism Development Authority; Central Statistical Office