

Stay-Over Visitors and Cruise Ship Passenger Arrivals

August 2016 saw positive growth in visitor arrivals. Among stay-over visitors, arrivals increased by **1,880** tourists (or **4.4%**) to **44,807** compared to **42,927** in the year 2015 (**Figure 1**). Total cruise arrivals decreased by **4.4%** over the review period to **20,653** passengers.

Stay-over Arrivals by Country of Residence

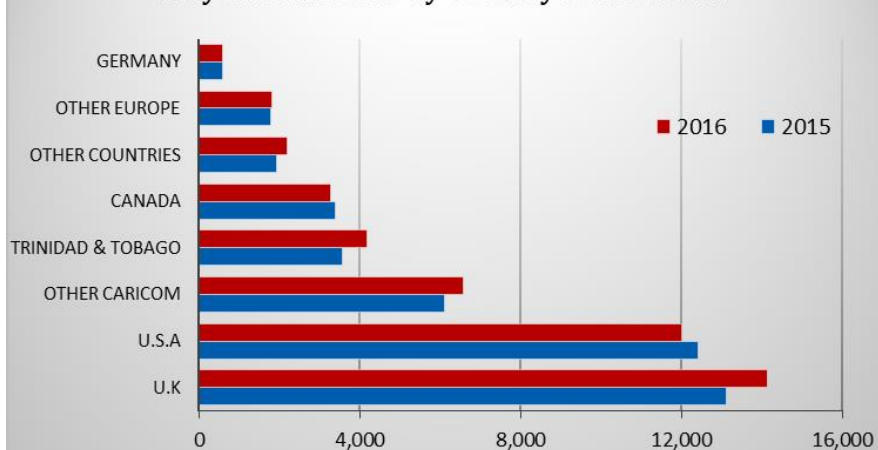


Figure 1

Arrivals by Cruise

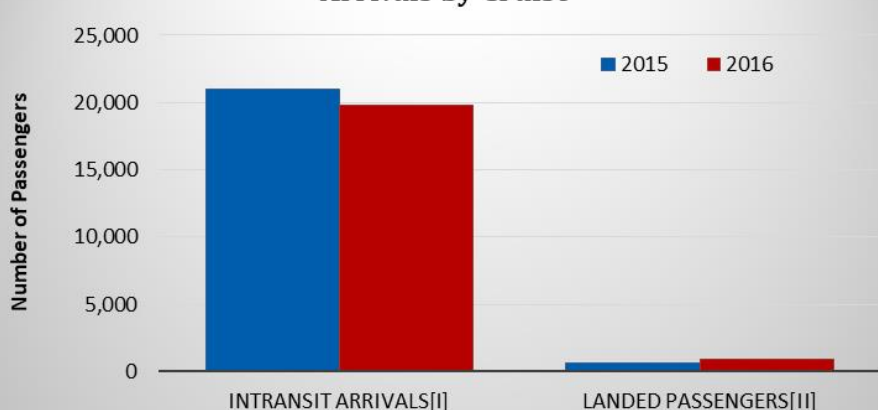


Figure 2

An increase was observed among stay-over arrivals from Trinidad & Tobago (**↑16.8%**)

Other countries stay-over visitors rose to 2,203 (**↑14.5%**)

Tourist arrivals from UK increased to 14,152 (**↑7.8%**)

Other CARICOM tourist arrivals totalled to 6,570 (**↑7.7%**)

Cruise

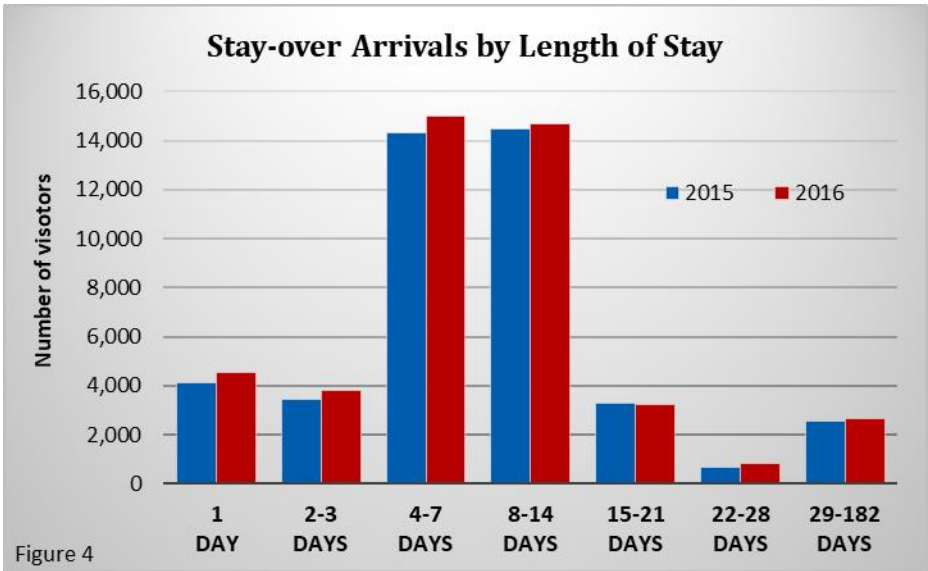
Landed passengers declined to 889 (**↓44.8%**)

Intransit cruise passengers numbered 19,764 (**↓5.9%**)

The number of cruise calls declined to 9 (**↓10.0%**)

Other Highlights:

Among the **44,807** stay-over arrivals recorded for this period, **36,077** (or 80%) visited for recreational purposes, predominantly for holiday (**31,465** tourists). This represents an increase of **0.9%** among all recreational visitors. The average number of days spent in Barbados among stay-over visitor arrivals was approximately **11.88** days over the review period.



Business/ Conference visits increased to 5,903 (↑57.7%)

Intransit visits decreased to 1,136 (↓54.6%)

Visits for the purpose of visiting friends rose to 3,080 (↑54%)

Sports visits totalled 269 (↑19.6%)

Study visit declined 709 (↓17.7%)

Other purpose of visits decreased to 855 (↑17.2%)

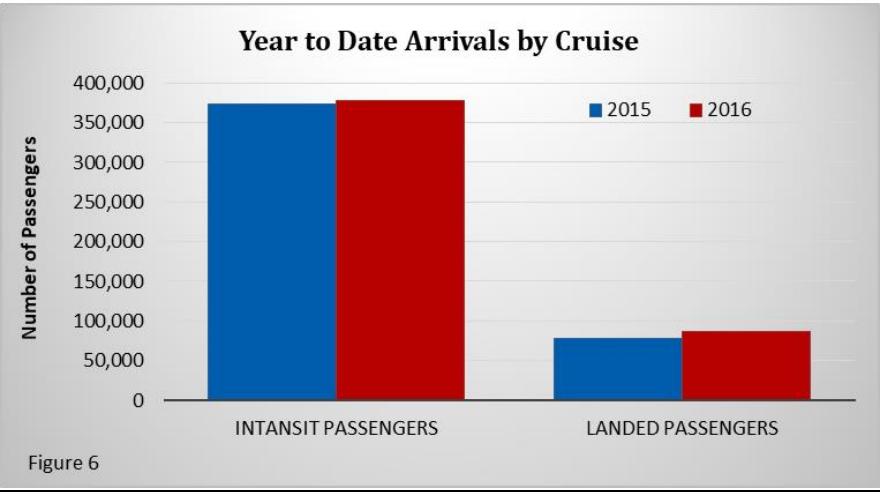
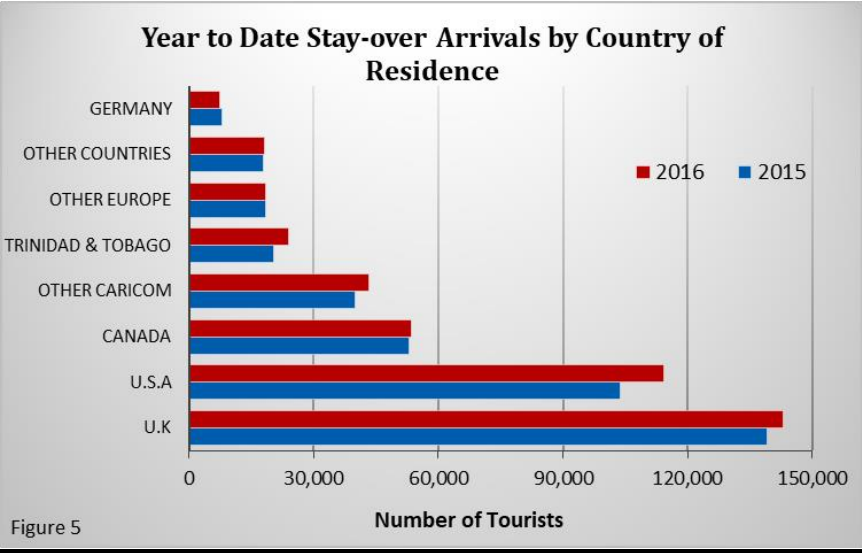
Length of stay

Visits of 22-28days totalled 825 (↑24.2%)

Average length of stay was 11.88 days (↓4.8%)

YEAR TO DATE

January – August 2016 saw positive growth in visitor arrivals. Among stay-over visitors, arrivals increased by **21,547** tourists (or **5.4%**) to **422,133** compared to **400,586** in the year 2015 (**Figure 5**). Total cruise arrivals increased by **3.0%** over the review period to **464,620** passengers.



Trinidad & Tobago

Trinidad & Tobago stay-over visitors increased to 24,109 (↑18.9%)

Tourist arrivals from U.S.A rose to 114,140 (↑10.0%)

An increased was observed among stay-over arrivals from Other CARICOM 43,392 (↑8.7%)

Stay-over arrivals from Germany decreased to 7,498 (↓5.9%)

Cruise

Landed passengers numbered 87,233 (↑12.2%)

Intransit Cruised passengers grew to 377,397 (↑1.1%)

The number of cruise calls totalled 271 (↑9.3%)

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Other Highlights:

Among the **422,133** stay-over arrivals recorded for this period, **348,282** (or 83%) visited for recreational purposes, predominantly for holiday (**314,541** tourists). This represents an increase of **5.5%** among all recreational visitors. The average number of days spent in Barbados among stay-over visitor arrivals was approximately **10.8** days over the review period.

Year to Date Stay-over Arrivals by Purpose of Visit

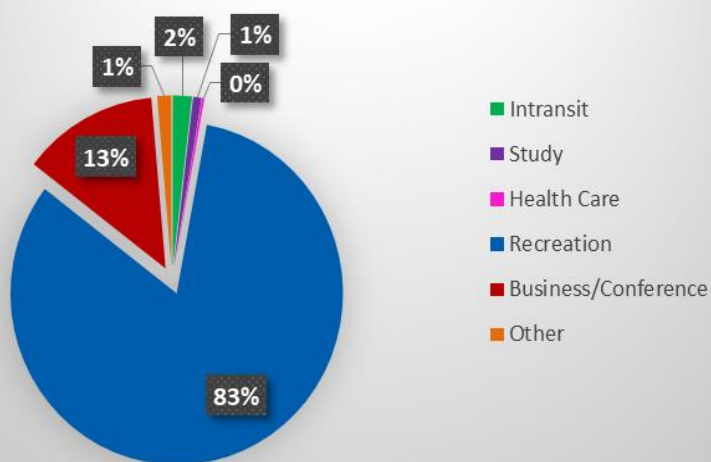


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Year to Date Stay-over Arrivals by Length of Stay

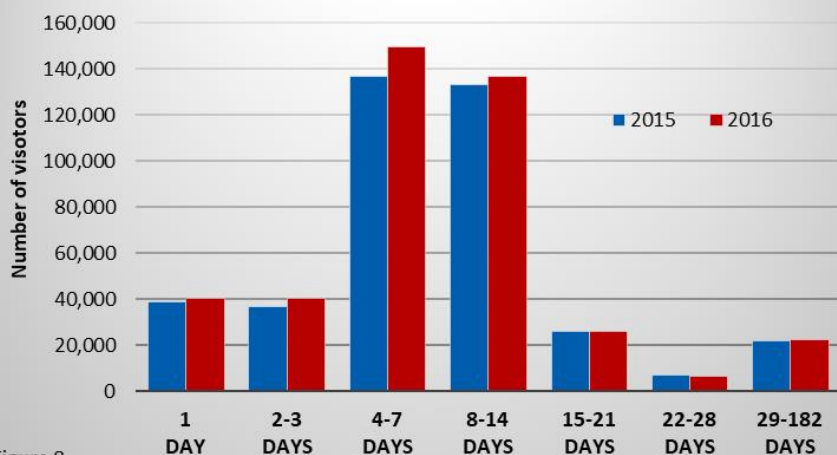


Figure 8

Intransit visits decreased to 7,834 (↓64.8)

Business/ Conference of visit increased to 55,762 (↑50.4%)

Visits for the purpose of visiting friends rose to 19,391 (↑26.4%)

Sports visits declined to 4,897 (↓22.4%)

Other purposes of visit declined to 5,809 (↓10.5%)

Length of stay

Visits of 2-3 days totalled 40,458 (↑9.8%)

Average length of stay was 10.82 days (↓2.8%)

Table 1
Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence; 2015 and 2016

Country Of Residence	August		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
U.K	13,128	14,152	1,024	7.8
U.S.A	12,422	11,993	-429	-3.5
Other CARICOM	6,098	6,570	472	7.7
Trinidad & Tobago	3,580	4,183	603	16.8
Canada	3,399	3,284	-115	-3.4
Other Countries	1,924	2,203	279	14.5
Other Europe	1,789	1,831	42	2.3
Germany	587	591	4	0.7
TOTAL	42,927	44,807	1,880	4.4

Table 2
Cruise Ship Arrivals; 2015 and 2016

Details	August		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
Total Cruise Arrivals	21,614	20,653	-961	-4.4
Intransit Arrivals ^[i]	21,000	19,764	-1,236	-5.9
Landed Passengers ^[ii]	614	889	275	44.8
No. of Cruise Calls	10	9	-1	-10.0

Table 3
Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Purpose of Visit; 2015 and 2016

Purpose of Visit	August		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
Intransit	2,502	1,136	-1,366	-54.6
Study	862	709	-153	-17.7
Health Care	110	127	17	15.5
Recreation	34,678	36,077	1,399	4.0
<i>Holiday</i>	31,174	31,465	291	0.9
<i>Visiting Friends etc.</i>	2,000	3,080	1,080	54.0
<i>Honeymoon/Get Married</i>	688	643	-45	-6.5
<i>Sports</i>	225	269	44	19.6
<i>Other Recreation</i>	591	620	29	4.9
Business/Conference	3,743	5,903	2,160	57.7
Other	1,032	855	-177	-17.2
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Total	42,927	44,807	1,880	4.4

Table 4
Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Intended Length of Stay; 2015 and 2016

Length of Stay	August		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
1 Day	4,146	4,570	424	10.2
2-3 Days	3,433	3,811	378	11.0
4-7 Days	14,332	15,024	692	4.8
8-14 Days	14,474	14,678	204	1.4
15-21 Days	3,296	3,221	-75	-2.3
22-28 Days	664	825	161	24.2
29-182 Days	2,582	2,678	96	3.7
Total	42,927	44,807	1,880	4.4
Average	12.48	11.88	-1	-4.8

Table 5**Year to date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence; 2015 and 2016**

Country Of Residence	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
U.K	139,035	142,962	3,927	2.8
U.S.A	103,809	114,140	10,331	10.0
Canada	53,073	53,405	332	0.6
Other CARICOM	39,931	43,392	3,461	8.7
Trinidad & Tobago	20,272	24,109	3,837	18.9
Other Europe	18,453	18,349	-104	-0.6
Other Countries	18,041	18,278	237	1.3
Germany	7,972	7,498	-474	-5.9
TOTAL	400,586	422,133	21,547	5.4

Table 6**Year to date Cruise Ship Arrivals; 2015 and 2016**

Details	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
Total Cruise Arrivals	450,950	464,620	13,670	3.0
Intansit Passengers ^[i]	373,211	377,387	4,176	1.1
Landed Passengers ^[ii]	77,739	87,233	9,494	12.2
No. of Cruise Calls	248	271	23	9.3

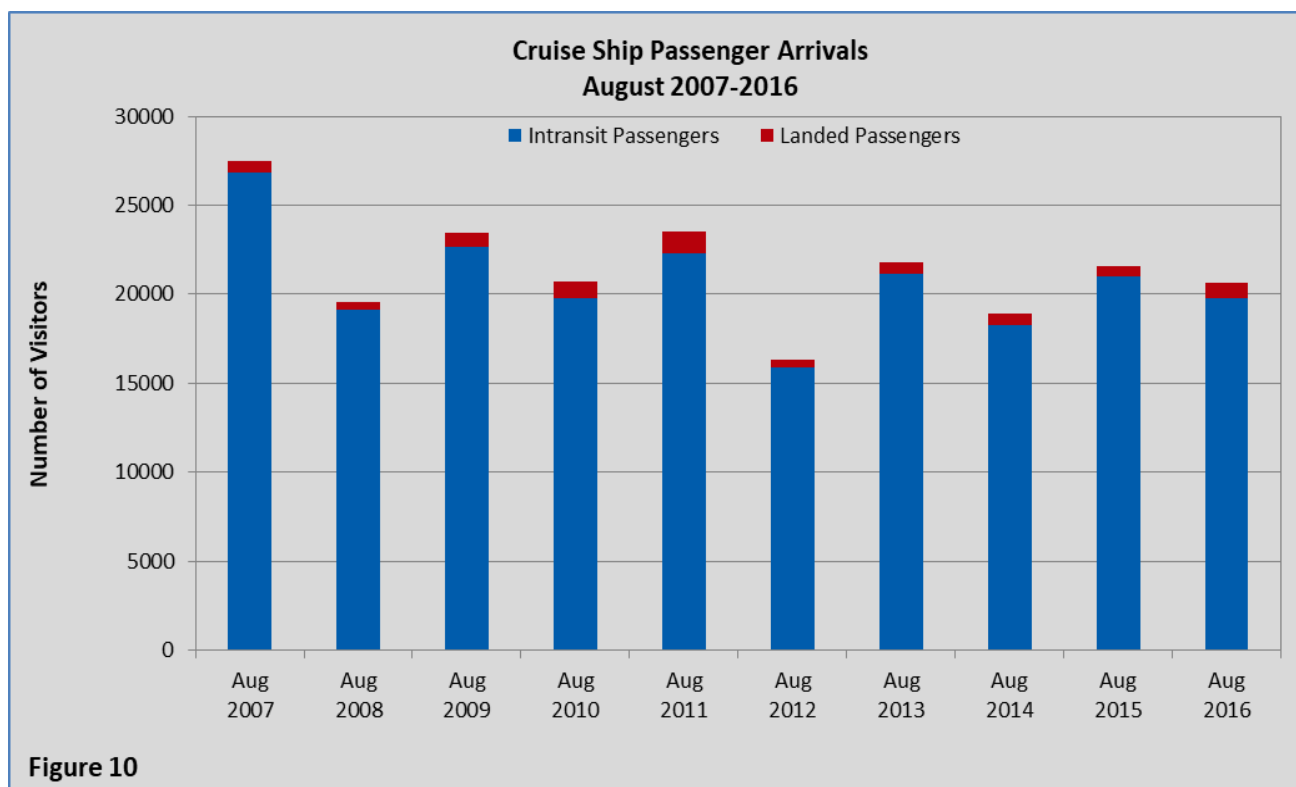
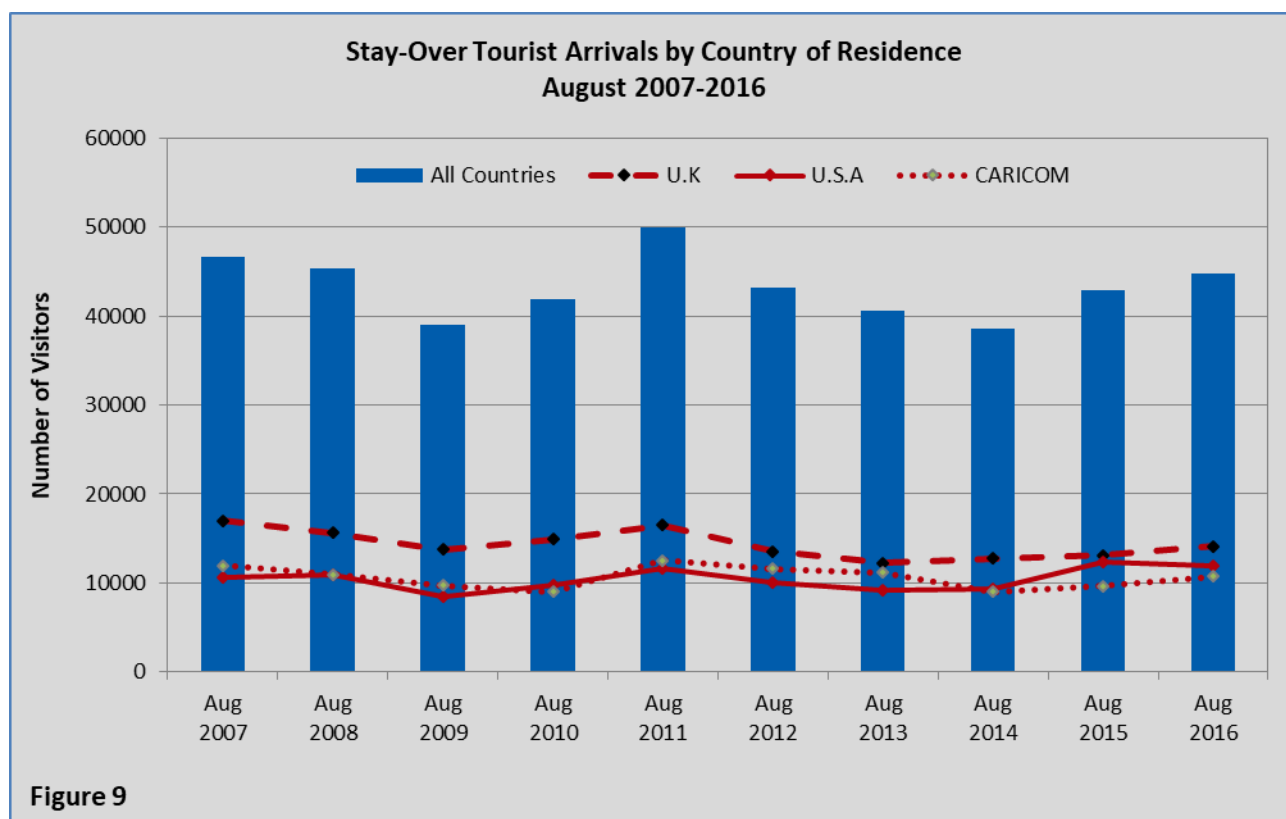
Table 7
Year to Date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Purpose of Visit; 2015 and 2016

Purpose of Visit	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
Intransit	22,259	7,834	-14,425	-64.8
Study	3,507	3,469	-38	-1.1
Health Care	1,019	977	-42	-4.1
Recreation	330,228	348,282	18,054	5.5
<i>Holiday</i>	299,277	314,541	15,264	5.1
<i>Visiting Friends etc.</i>	15,335	19,391	4,056	26.4
<i>Honeymoon/Get Married</i>	4,473	4,188	-285	-6.4
<i>Sports</i>	6,311	4,897	-1414	-22.4
<i>Other Recreation</i>	4,832	5,265	433	9.0
Business/Conference	37,080	55,762	18,682	50.4
Other	6,493	5,809	-684	-10.5
Total	400,586	422,133	21,547	5.4

Table 8
Year to Date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Intended Length of Stay; 2015 and 2016

Intended Length of Stay	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2015	2016		
1 Day	38,850	40,374	1,524	3.9
2-3 Days	36,832	40,458	3,626	9.8
4-7 Days	136,806	149,460	12,654	9.2
8-14 Days	133,356	136,549	3,193	2.4
15-21 Days	26,046	26,021	-25	-0.1
22-28 Days	6,919	6,814	-105	-1.5
29-182 Days	21,777	22,457	680	3.1
Total	400,586	422,133	21,547	5.4
Average	11.13	10.82	-0.31	-2.8

Annual Time Series



Year to Date Time Series

