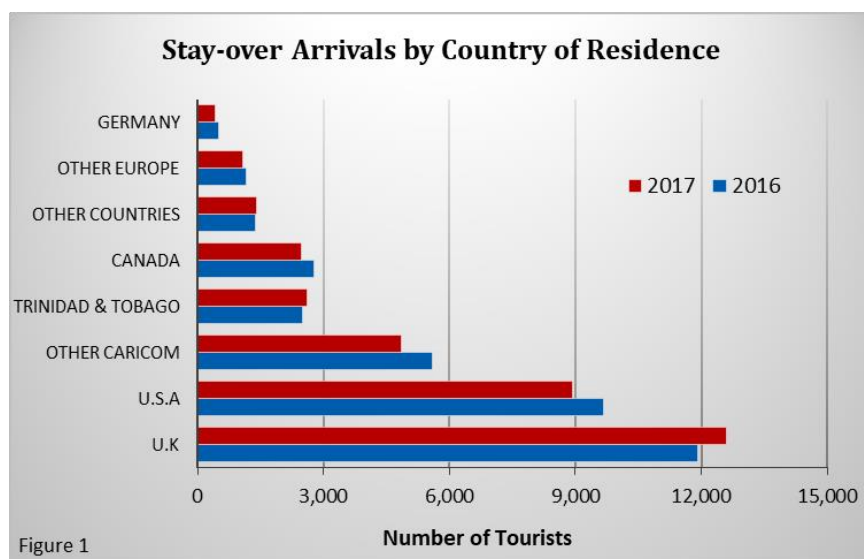


Stay-Over Visitors and Cruise Ship Passenger Arrivals

September 2017 saw a decline in visitor arrivals. Among stay-over visitors, arrivals decreased by **1,190** tourists (or **3.3%**) to **34,347** compared to **35,537** in the year 2016 (**Figure 1**). Total cruise arrivals decreased by **45.1%** over the review period to **9,235** passengers.



Germany stay-over visitors totalled 413 (↓19.8%)

Tourist arrivals from Other CARICOM decreased to 4,851 (↓13.1%)

A decrease was observed among stay-over arrivals from Canada (↓11%)

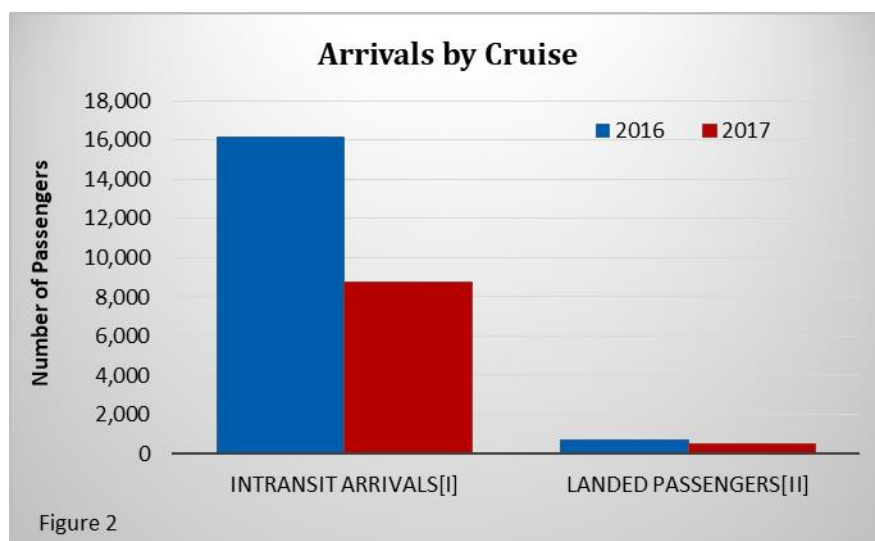
Tourists arriving from U.S.A numbered 8,938 (↓7.7%)

Cruise

Intransit cruise passengers decreased to 8,749 (↓45.8%)

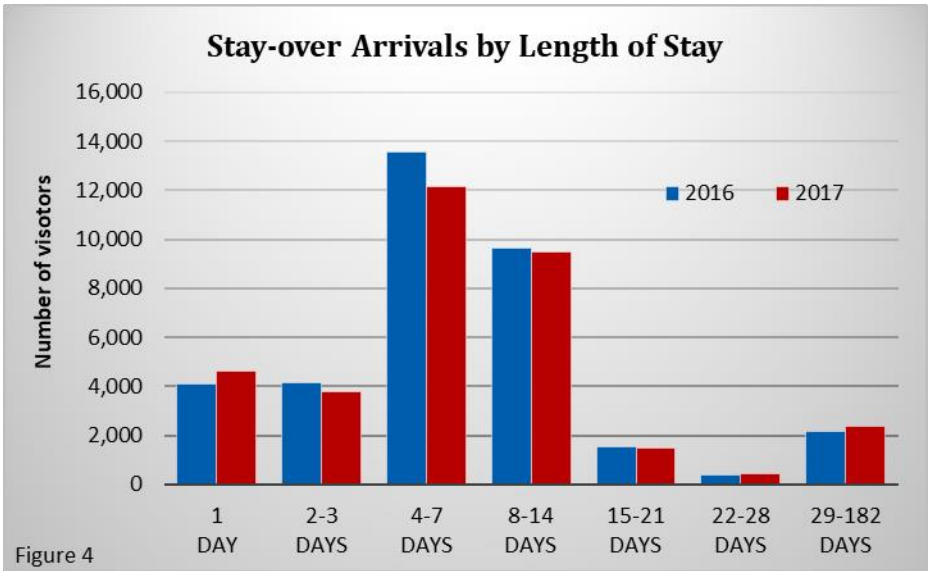
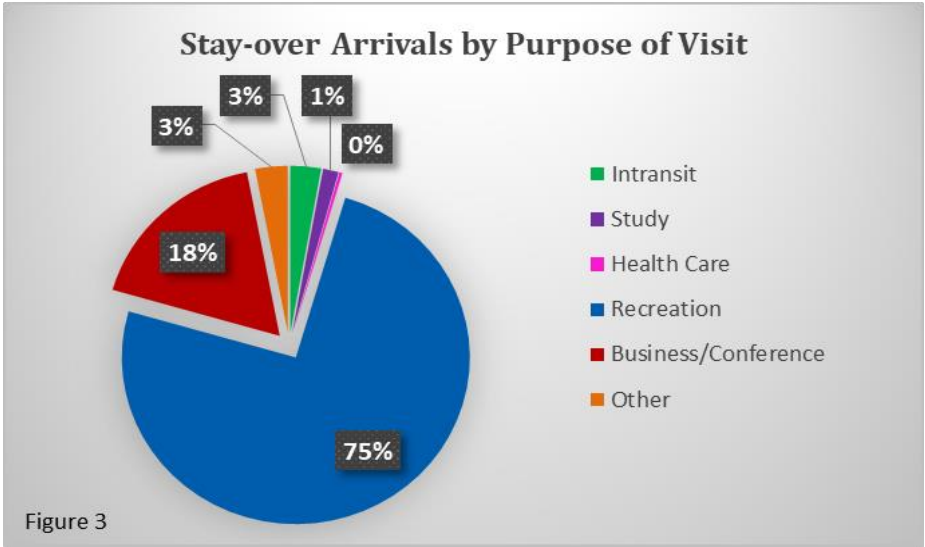
Landed passengers numbered 486 (↓30%)

The number of cruise calls decreased to 4 (↓33.3%)



Other Highlights:

Among the **34,347** stay-over arrivals recorded for this period, **25,716** (or 74.9%) visited for recreational purposes, predominantly for holiday (**22,529** tourists). This represents a decrease of **5.8%** among all recreational visitors. The average number of days spent in Barbados among stay-over visitor arrivals was approximately **11.42** days over the review period.



Other purposes of visit totalled 1,039 (↑66%)

Visits for sports decreased to 125 (↓41.3%)

Health care visits decreased to 100 (↓38.7%)

Visits for the purpose of visiting friends totalled 1,872 (↓12.8%)

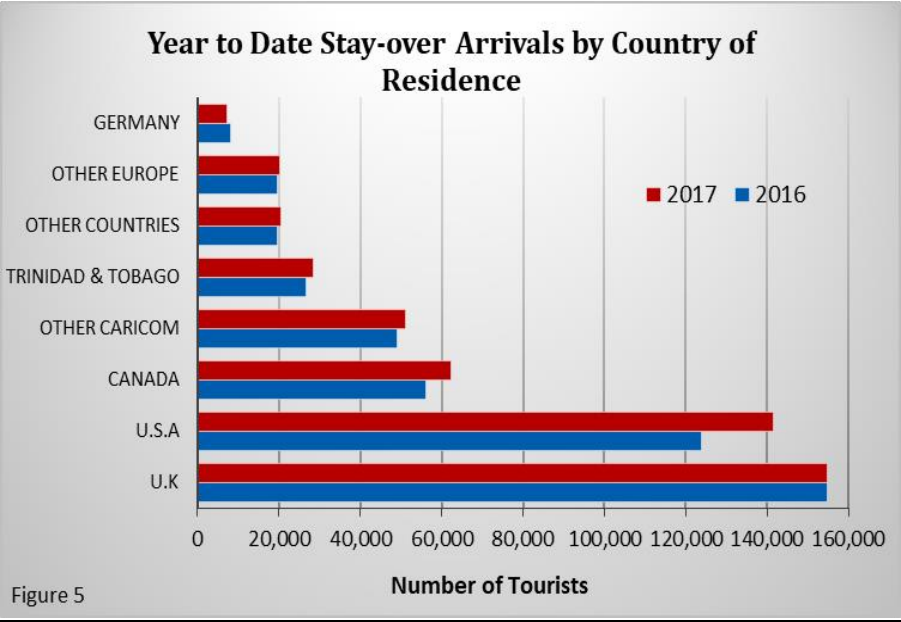
Length of stay

Visits of 1 day totalled 4,617 (↑12.2%)

Average length of stay was 11.42 days (↑4.4%)

YEAR TO DATE

January – September 2017 saw positive growth in visitor arrivals. Among stay-over visitors, arrivals increased by **28,273** tourists (or **6.2%**) to **485,943** compared to **457,670** in the year 2016 (**Figure 5**). Total cruise arrivals increased by **14.9%** over the review period to **553,015** passengers.



U.S.A stay-over visitors totalled 141,544 (↑14.3%)

An increase was observed among stay-over arrivals from Canada (↑10.7%)

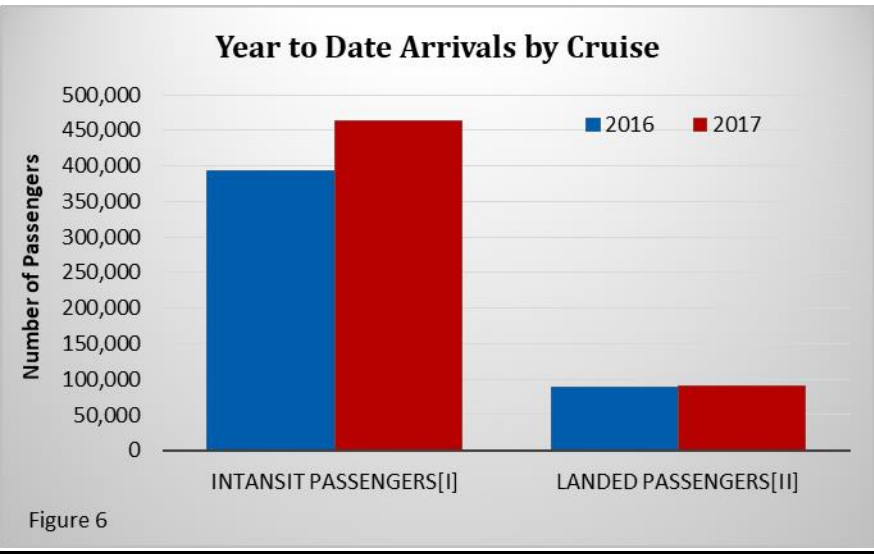
Tourist arrivals from Germany totalled 7,307 (↓8.8%)

Cruise

Intransit cruise passengers numbered 462,601 (↑17.6%)

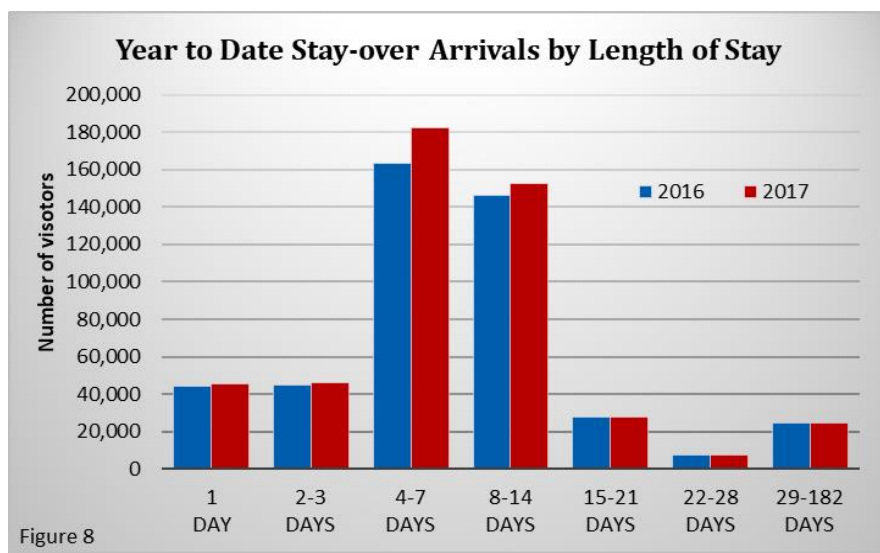
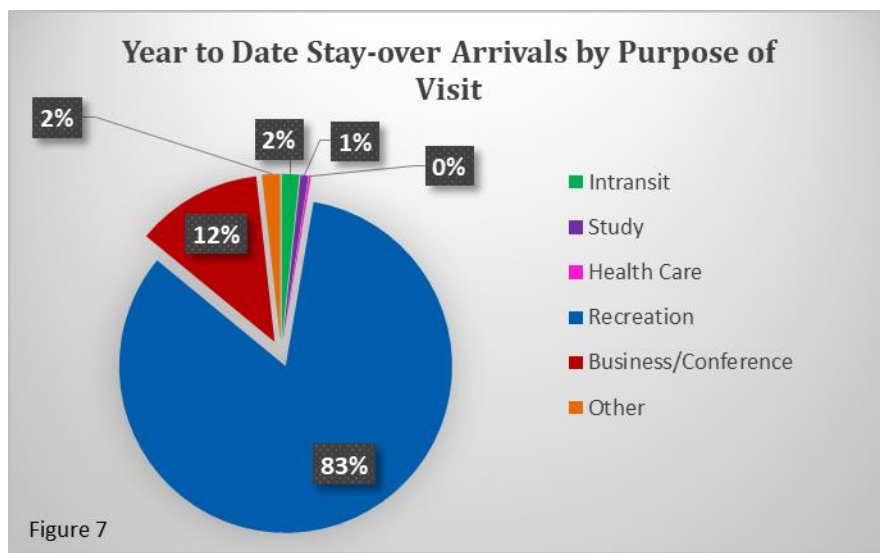
Landed passengers grew to 90,414 (↑2.8%)

The number of cruise calls totalled 327 (↑18.1%)



Other Highlights:

Among the **485,943** stay-over arrivals recorded for this period, **404,647** (or 83.2%) visited for recreational purposes, predominantly for holiday (**367,483** tourists). This represents an increase of **7.7%** among all recreational visitors. The average number of days spent in Barbados among stay-over visitor arrivals was approximately **10.27** days over the review period.



Other purposes of visit increased to 8,622 (↑34%)

Health care visits decreased to 1,029 (↓9.7%)

Visits for the purpose of holiday rose to 367,483 (↑8.6%)

Recreation visits totalled 404,647 (↑7.7%)

Other recreation visits decreased to 5,498 (↓7.4%)

Length of stay

Visits of 4-7 days totalled 182,421 (↑11.9%)

Average length of stay was 10.27 days (↓5.2%)

Table 1
Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence; 2016 and 2017

Country Of Residence	September		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
U.S.A	9,680	8,938	-742	-7.7
Canada	2,786	2,479	-307	-11.0
U.K	11,920	12,594	674	5.7
Germany	515	413	-102	-19.8
Other Europe	1,166	1,079	-87	-7.5
Trinidad & Tobago	2,509	2,600	91	3.6
Other CARICOM	5,585	4,851	-734	-13.1
Other Countries	1,376	1,393	17	1.2
TOTAL	35,537	34,347	-1,190	-3.3

Table 2
Cruise Ship Arrivals; 2016 and 2017

Details	September		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Total Cruise Arrivals	16,828	9,235	-7,593	-45.1
Intransit Arrivals ^[i]	16,134	8,749	-7,385	-45.8
Landed Passengers ^[ii]	694	486	-208	-30.0
No. of Cruise Calls	6	4	-2	-33.3

Table 3
Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Purpose of Visit; 2016 and 2017

Purpose of Visit	September		Actual Change	% Change
	2016 ^(R)	2017 ^(P)		
Intransit	922	977	55	6.0
Study	526	499	-27	-5.1
Health Care	163	100	-63	-38.7
Recreation	27,311	25,716	-1,595	-5.8
<i>Holiday</i>	23,693	22,529	-1,164	-4.9
<i>Visiting Friends etc.</i>	2,147	1,872	-275	-12.8
<i>Honeymoon/Get Married</i>	585	554	-31	-5.3
<i>Sports</i>	213	125	-88	-41.3
<i>Other Recreation</i>	673	636	-37	-5.5
Business/Conference	5,989	6,016	27	0.5
Other	626	1,039	413	66.0
Total	35,537	34,347	-1,190	-3.3

Table 4
Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Intended Length of Stay; 2016 and 2017

Length of Stay	September		Actual Change	% Change
	2016 ^(R)	2017 ^(P)		
1 Day	4,115	4,617	502	12.2
2-3 Days	4,135	3,769	-366	-8.9
4-7 Days	13,568	12,166	-1,402	-10.3
8-14 Days	9,649	9,503	-146	-1.5
15-21 Days	1,514	1,493	-21	-1.4
22-28 Days	402	411	9	2.2
29-182 Days	2,154	2,388	234	10.9
Total	35,537	34,347	-1,190	-3.3
Average	10.94	11.42	0.48	4.4

Table 5
Year to date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence; 2016 and 2017

Country Of Residence	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
U.S.A	123,820	141,544	17,724	14.3
Canada	56,191	62,206	6,015	10.7
U.K	154,882	154,841	-41	0.0
Germany	8,013	7,307	-706	-8.8
Other Europe	19,515	20,272	757	3.9
Trinidad & Tobago	26,618	28,384	1,766	6.6
Other CARICOM	48,977	51,020	2,043	4.2
Other Countries	19,654	20,369	715	3.6
TOTAL	457,670	485,943	28,273	6.2

Table 6
Year to date Cruise Ship Arrivals; 2016 and 2017

Details	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Total Cruise Arrivals	481,448	553,015	71,567	14.9
Intansit Passengers^[i]	393,521	462,601	69,080	17.6
Landed Passengers^[ii]	87,927	90,414	2,487	2.8
No. of Cruise Calls	277	327	50	18.1

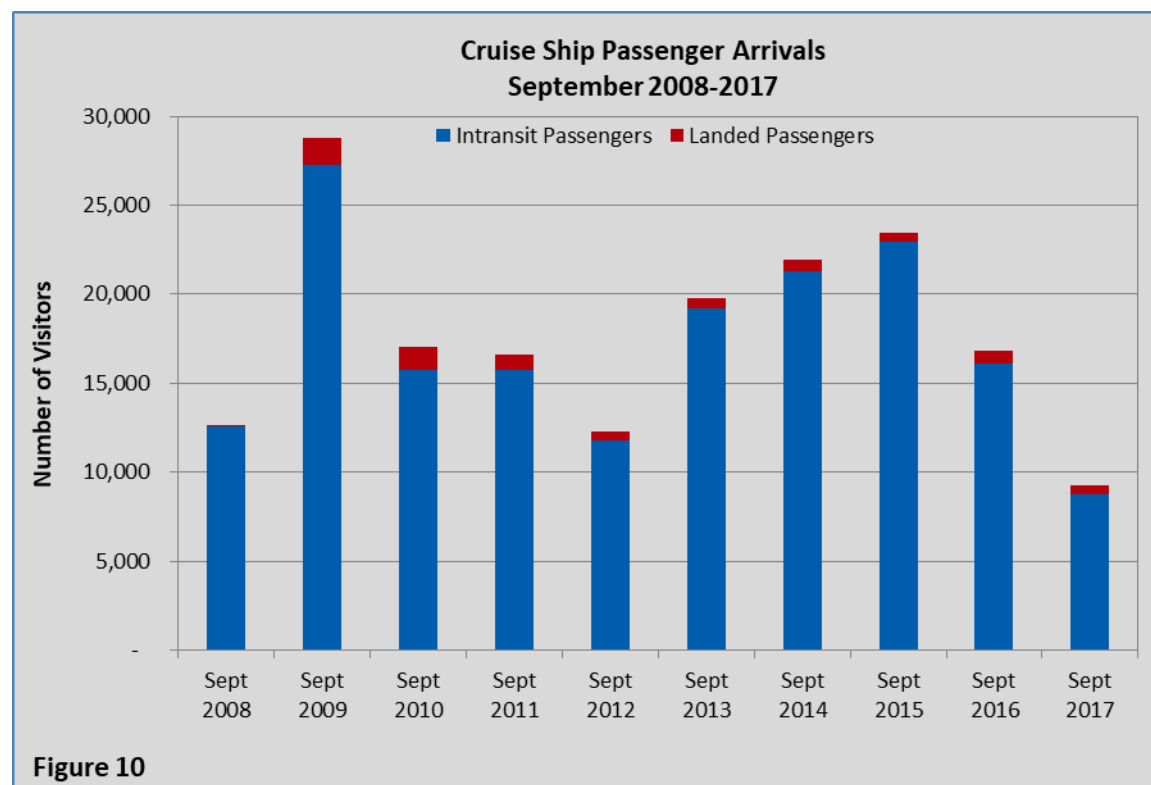
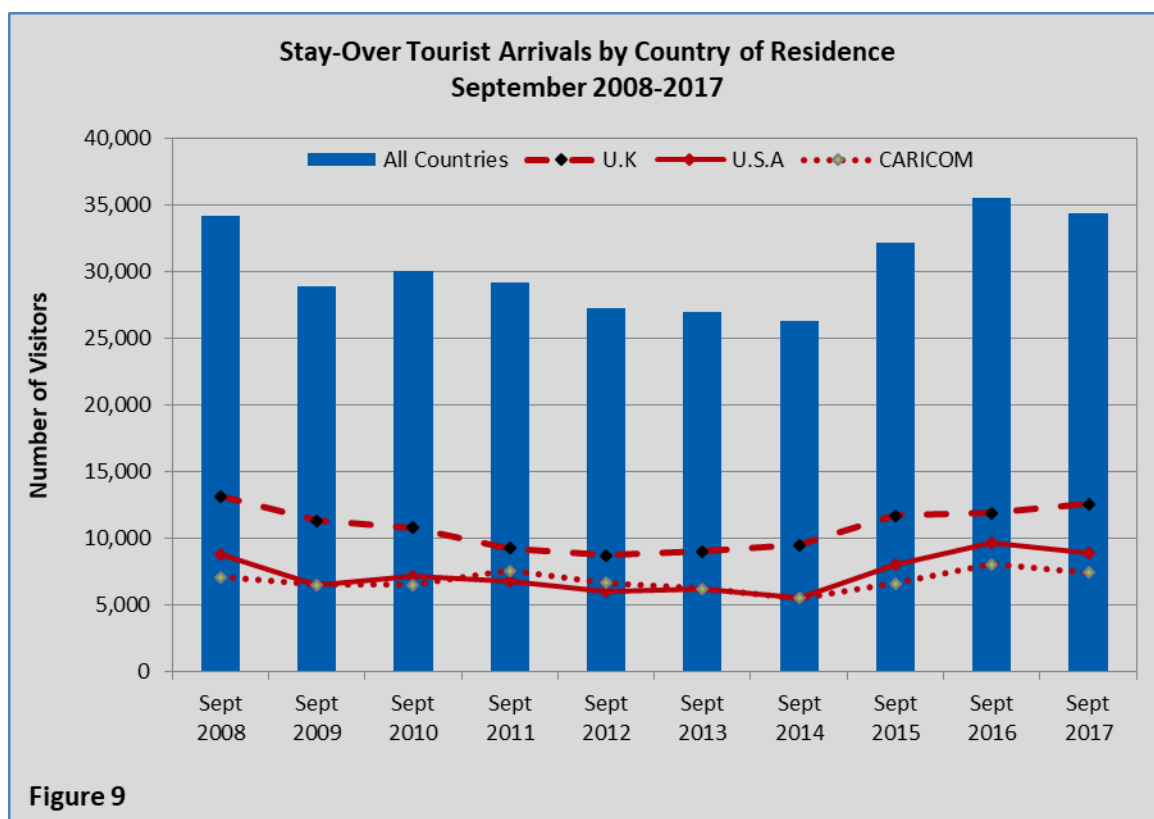
Table 7
Year to Date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Purpose of Visit; 2016 and 2017

Purpose of Visit	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Intransit	8,756	8,303	-453	-5.2
Study	3,995	3,728	-267	-6.7
Health Care	1140	1029	-111	-9.7
Recreation	375,593	404,647	29,054	7.7
<i>Holiday</i>	338,234	367,483	29,249	8.6
<i>Visiting Friends etc.</i>	21,538	21,664	126	0.6
<i>Honeymoon/Get Married</i>	4,773	4,850	77	1.6
<i>Sports</i>	5,110	5,152	42	0.8
<i>Other Recreation</i>	5,938	5,498	-440	-7.4
Business/Conference	61,751	59,614	-2,137	-3.5
Other	6,435	8,622	2187	34.0
Total	457,670	485,943	28,273	6.2

Table 8
Year to Date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Intended Length of Stay; 2016 and 2017

Intended Length of Stay	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
1 Day	44,489	45,225	736	1.7
2-3 Days	44,593	46,399	1,806	4.0
4-7 Days	163,028	182,421	19,393	11.9
8-14 Days	146,198	152,535	6,337	4.3
15-21 Days	27,535	27,484	-51	-0.2
22-28 Days	7,216	7,380	164	2.3
29-182 Days	24,611	24,499	-112	-0.5
Total	457,670	485,943	28,273	6.2
Average	10.83	10.27	-0.56	-5.2

Annual Time Series



Year to Date Time Series

