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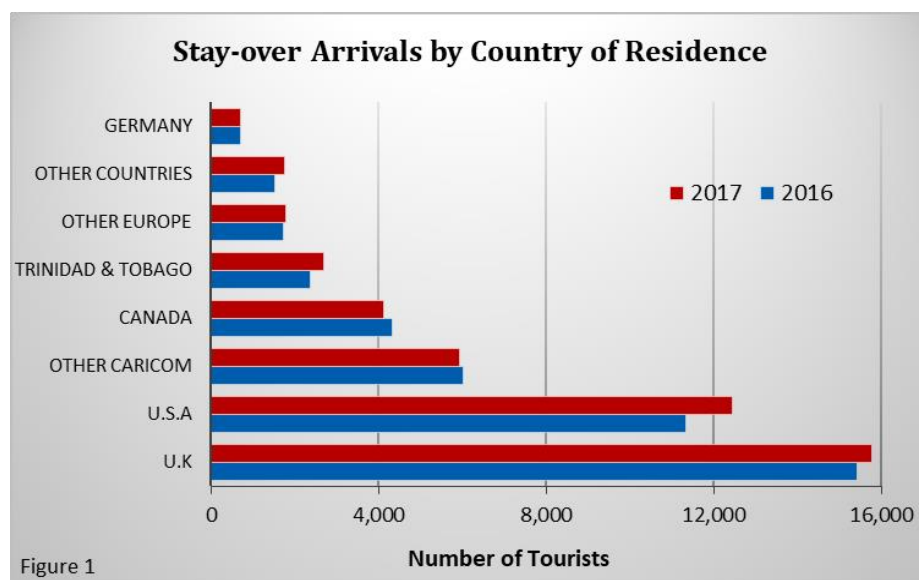
Tourist Arrivals

Monthly Statistical Bulletin

October 2017

Stay-Over Visitors and Cruise Ship Passenger Arrivals

October 2017 saw positive growth in visitor arrivals. Among stay-over visitors, arrivals increased by **1,789** tourists (or **4.1%**) to **45,187** compared to **43,398** in the year 2016 (**Figure 1**). Total cruise arrivals increased by **36.6%** over the review period to **21,269** passengers.



An increase was observed among stay-over arrivals from Trinidad & Tobago (**↑14.4%**)

Stay-over visitors from other countries totalled 1,741 (**↑13.5%**)

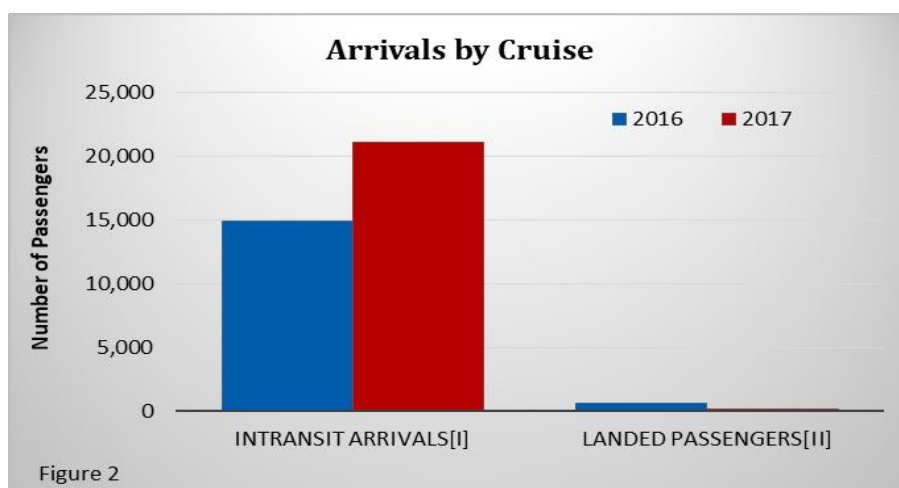
Tourist arrivals from U.S.A totalled 12,444 (**↑9.9%**)

Cruise

Landed passengers decreased significantly to 149 (**↓76.6%**)

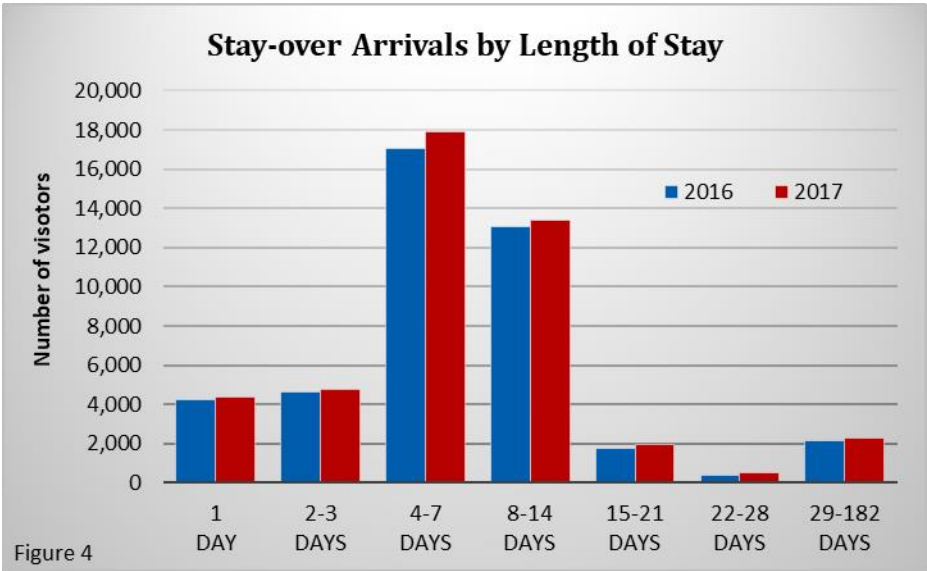
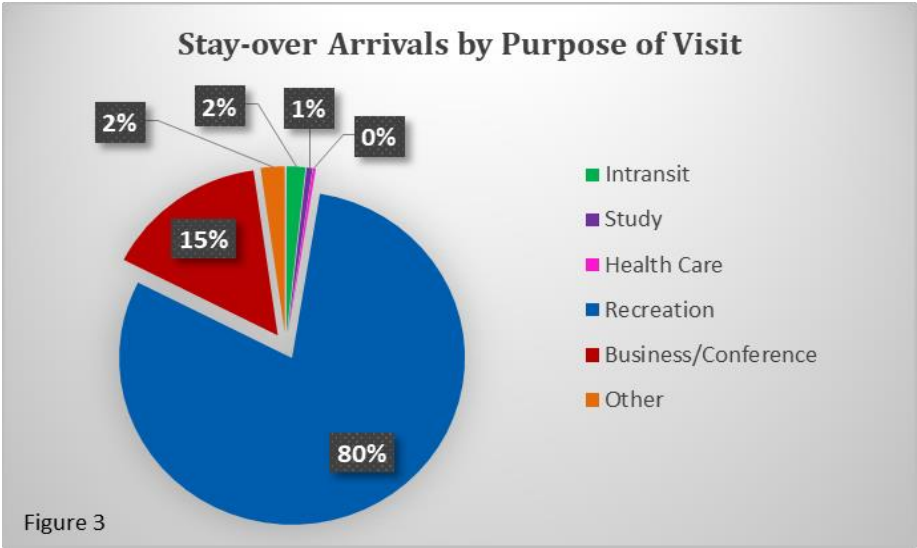
Intransit cruise passengers numbered 21,120 (**↑41.4%**)

The number of cruise calls increased to 12 (**↑100%**)



Other Highlights:

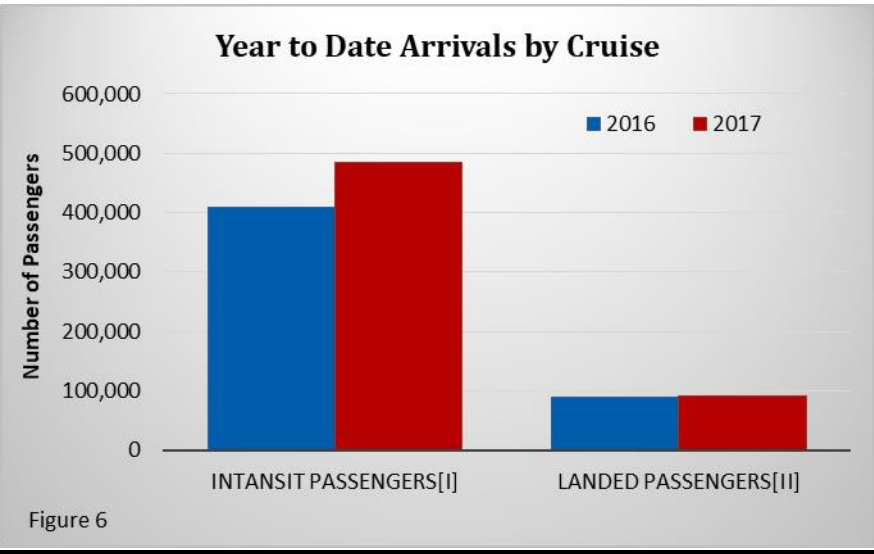
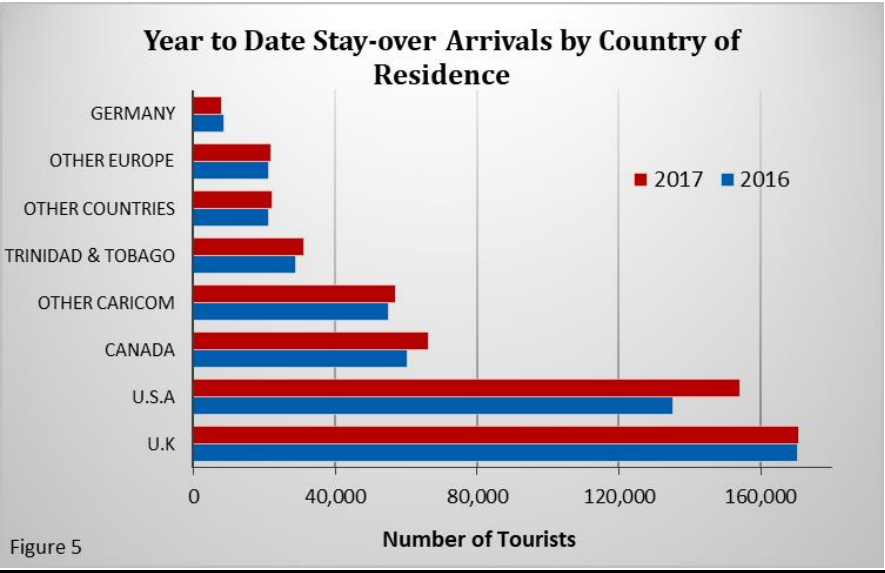
Among the **45,187** stay-over arrivals recorded for this period, **36,109** (or 79.9%) visited for recreational purposes, predominantly for holiday (**31,274** tourists). This represents an increase of **3.7%** among all recreational visitors. The average number of days spent in Barbados among stay-over visitor arrivals was approximately **10.32** days over the review period.



- Sports visits increased significantly to 581 (↑109.7%)
- Other purposes of visit increased to 1,015 (↑42.2%)
- Study visits increased to 249 (↑35.3%)
- Visits for the purpose of visiting friends totalled 2,466 (↑16.1%)
- Length of stay**
- Visits of 22-28 day, totalled 499 (↑19.7%)
- Average length of stay was 10.32 days (↓0.9%)

YEAR TO DATE

January – October 2017 saw positive growth in visitor arrivals. Among stay-over visitors, arrivals increased by **30,062** tourists (or **6%**) to **531,130** compared to **501,068** in the year 2016 (**Figure 5**). Total cruise arrivals increased by **15.5%** over the review period to **574,284** passengers.



U.S.A stay-over visitors

totalled 153,988 (↑13.9%)

An increase was observed among stay-over arrivals from Canada (↑9.6%)

Tourist arrivals from Germany totalled 8,022 (↓8%)

Cruise

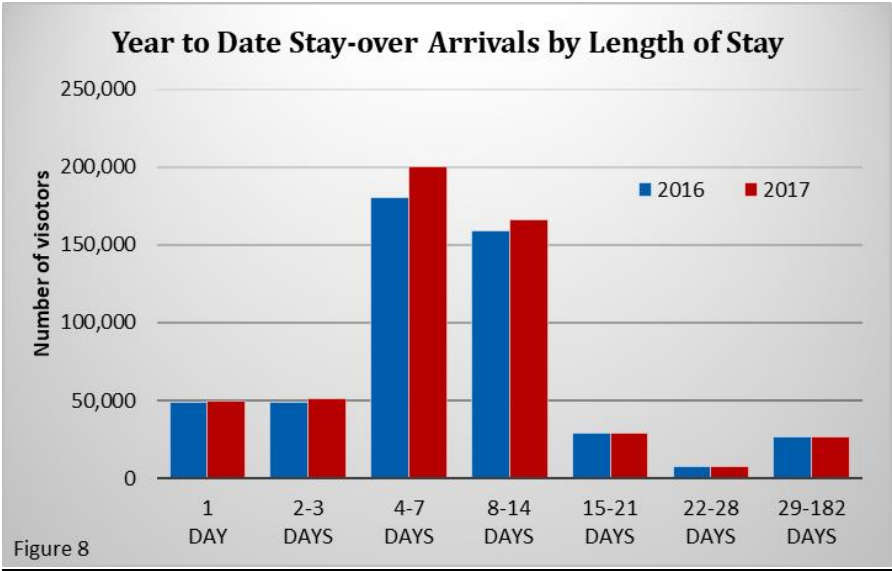
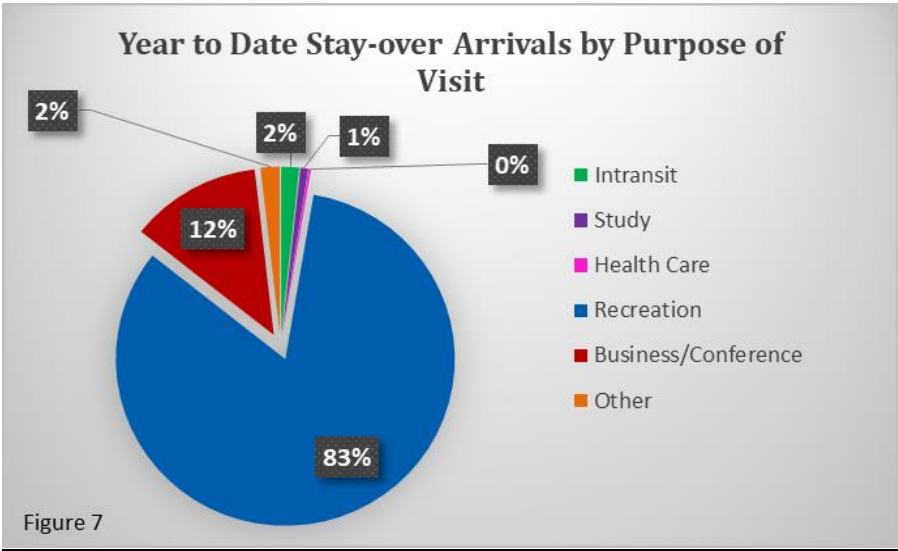
Landed passengers grew to 90,563 (↑2.3%)

Intransit cruise passengers numbered 483,721(↑18.4%)

The number of cruise calls totalled 339 (↑18.9%)

Other Highlights:

Among the **531,130** stay-over arrivals recorded for this period, **440,756** (or 83%) visited for recreational purposes, predominantly for holiday (**398,757** tourists). This represents an increase of **7.4%** among all recreational visitors. The average number of days spent in Barbados among stay-over visitor arrivals was approximately **10.51** days over the review period.



Other purposes of visit increased to 9,637 (↑34.8%)

Health care visits totalled 1,152 (↓8.7%)

Visits for the purpose of holiday increased to 398,757 (↑8%)

Recreation visits totalled 440,756 (↑7.4%)

Length of stay

Visits for 4-7 days totalled 200,349 (↑11.2%)

Average length of stay was 10.51 days (↓2.6%)

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

Country Of Residence	October		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
U.S.A	11,318	12,444	1,126	9.9
Canada	4,329	4,125	-204	-4.7
U.K	15,424	15,755	331	2.1
Germany	709	715	6	0.8
Other Europe	1,721	1,788	67	3.9
Trinidad & Tobago	2,352	2,690	338	14.4
Other CARICOM	6,011	5,929	-82	-1.4
Other Countries	1,534	1,741	207	13.5
TOTAL	43,398	45,187	1,789	4.1

Table 2
Cruise Ship Arrivals; 2016 and 2017

Details	October		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Total Cruise Arrivals	15,572	21,269	5,697	36.6
Intransit Arrivals^[i]	14,936	21,120	6,184	41.4
Landed Passengers^[ii]	636	149	-487	-76.6
No. of Cruise Calls	6	12	6	100.0

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

Purpose of Visit	October		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Intransit	758	796	38	5.0
Study	184	249	65	35.3
Health Care	122	123	1	0.8
Recreation	34,835	36,109	1,274	3.7
<i>Holiday</i>	30,823	31,274	451	1.5
<i>Visiting Friends etc.</i>	2,124	2,466	342	16.1
<i>Honeymoon/Get Married</i>	688	693	5	0.7
<i>Sports</i>	277	581	304	109.7
<i>Other Recreation</i>	923	1,095	172	18.6
Business/Conference	6,785	6,895	110	1.6
Other	714	1,015	301	42.2
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Total	43,398	45,187	1,789	4.1

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

Length of Stay	October		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
1 Day	4,255	4,353	98	2.3
2-3 Days	4,635	4,760	125	2.7
4-7 Days	17,075	17,928	853	5.0
8-14 Days	13,099	13,407	308	2.4
15-21 Days	1,770	1,957	187	10.6
22-28 Days	417	499	82	19.7
29-182 Days	2,147	2,283	136	6.3
Total	43,398	45,187	1,789	4.1
Average	10.41	10.32	-0.09	-0.9

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	135,138	153,988	18,850	13.9
Canada	60,520	66,331	5,811	9.6
U.K	170,306	170,596	290	0.2
Germany	8,722	8,022	-700	-8.0
Other Europe	21,236	22,060	824	3.9
Trinidad & Tobago	28,970	31,074	2,104	7.3
Other CARICOM	54,988	56,949	1,961	3.6
Other Countries	21,188	22,110	922	4.4
TOTAL	501,068	531,130	30,062	6.0

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

Details	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Total Cruise Arrivals	497,020	574,284	77,264	15.5
Intansit Passengers^[i]	408,457	483,721	75,264	18.4
Landed Passengers^[ii]	88,563	90,563	2,000	2.3
No. of Cruise Calls	285	339	54	18.9

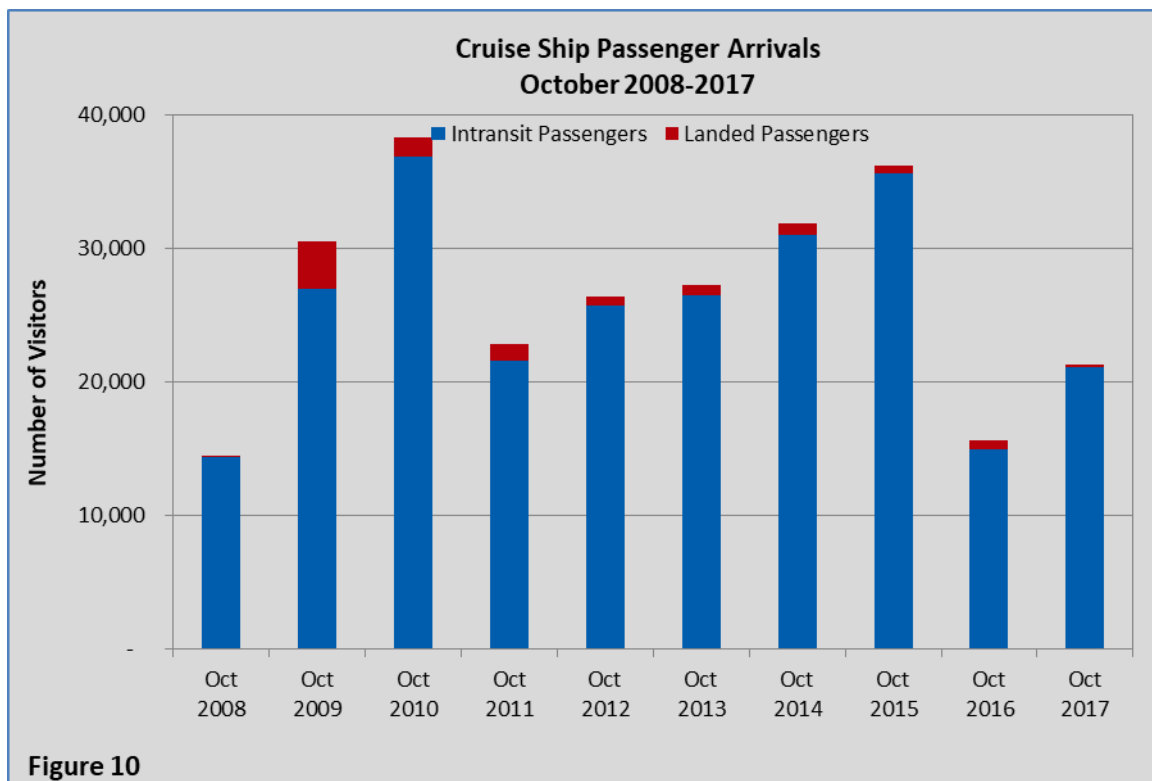
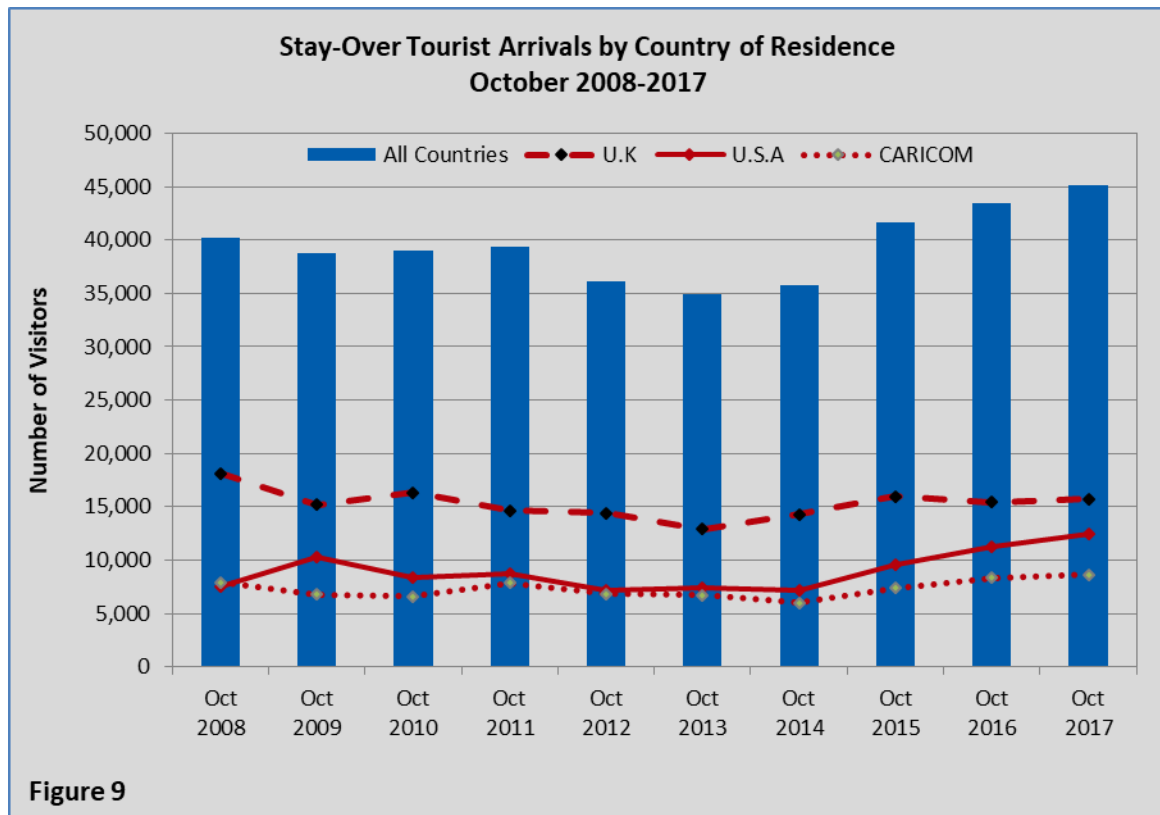
Table 7
Year to Date Stay-Over Tourist Arrivals by Purpose of Visit; 2016 and 2017

Purpose of Visit	Year-To-Date		Actual Change	% Change
	2016	2017		
Intransit	9,514	9,099	-415	-4.4
Study	4,179	3,977	-202	-4.8
Health Care	1262	1152	-110	-8.7
Recreation	410,428	440,756	30,328	7.4
<i>Holiday</i>	369,057	398,757	29,700	8.0
<i>Visiting Friends etc.</i>	23,662	24,130	468	2.0
<i>Honeymoon/Get Married</i>	5,461	5,543	82	1.5
<i>Sports</i>	5,387	5,733	346	6.4
<i>Other Recreation</i>	6,861	6,593	-268	-3.9
Business/Conference	68,536	66,509	-2,027	-3.0
Other	7,149	9,637	2488	34.8
Total	501,068	531,130	30,062	6.0

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	48,744	49,578	834	1.7
2-3 Days	49,228	51,159	1,931	3.9
4-7 Days	180,103	200,349	20,246	11.2
8-14 Days	159,297	165,942	6,645	4.2
15-21 Days	29,305	29,441	136	0.5
22-28 Days	7,633	7,879	246	3.2
29-182 Days	26,758	26,782	24	0.1
Total	501,068	531,130	30,062	6.0
Average	10.79	10.51	-0.28	-2.6

Annual Time Series



Year to Date Time Series

