

This is the fifth publication of the Nevis Tourism Realities (NTR), this publication is produced every quarter by the Statistics Department. This publication is provided to inform persons of visitors arrival via air by way of (VWAI Airport) and sea into Nevis.

INTRODUCTION

This is the third quarter report for 2017. This demonstrates tourist arrivals who visit our shores by way of the Vance W Amory International Airport and Sea port on the island of Nevis.

This shows Inbound Tourism, Historical movement, Passenger movement, Yacht and Cruise and Length of stay for the 1st to 3rd quarter of 2017 in comparison to the same period in 2016.

INBOUND TOURISM

Every month, the immigration cards from the Vance W Amory International Airport are collected, for data analysis. These cards give data of arriving passengers travelling by air. Data is provided through this publication for the first, second and third quarter of 2017.

A total of 5,292 passengers arrived in Nevis by way of the VWAI airport between the period January - September 2017. There was a decline in visitors arrival by 569 in comparison with an identical period in 2016.

A total of 265 tourists arrived on our shores through the airport for the month of September, 562 was recorded for the period of August and 645 for July of 2017. The arrival in July of 2017 shows a decline of 174 when compared to July 2016. A review of the quarter that ended September 2017, demonstrated that there was a decline of 204 passengers when compared to the quarter which ended in June, and higher decline of 672 when compared for the quarter ended March 2017. Tourist arrival declines in comparison to 2016.

Table 1 - Tourist Arrivals by Air for 2016 and 2017- January to September

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
2017	695	665	784	692	459	525	645	562	265	5,292
2016	726	683	770	758	534	526	819	519	526	5,861

Tourist Arrivals for 2016 & 2017 (3rd quarter) at VWAI Airport



HISTORICAL MOVEMENT - September

The information below demonstrates the period September 2008 to September 2017. The figures around the years 2008 and 2017 (September) demonstrated that there was a decline of tourists totalling 527. The years 2009 to 2014 showed slight decline in tourist arrivals. Between 2015 and 2016 there was an expansion in tourist arrivals by 176 and a decline of 261 between 2016 and 2017

Table 2 - Arrivals by Air for the month of September

3rd Quarter (September)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Tourist	792	314	313	323	337	328	313	350	526	265

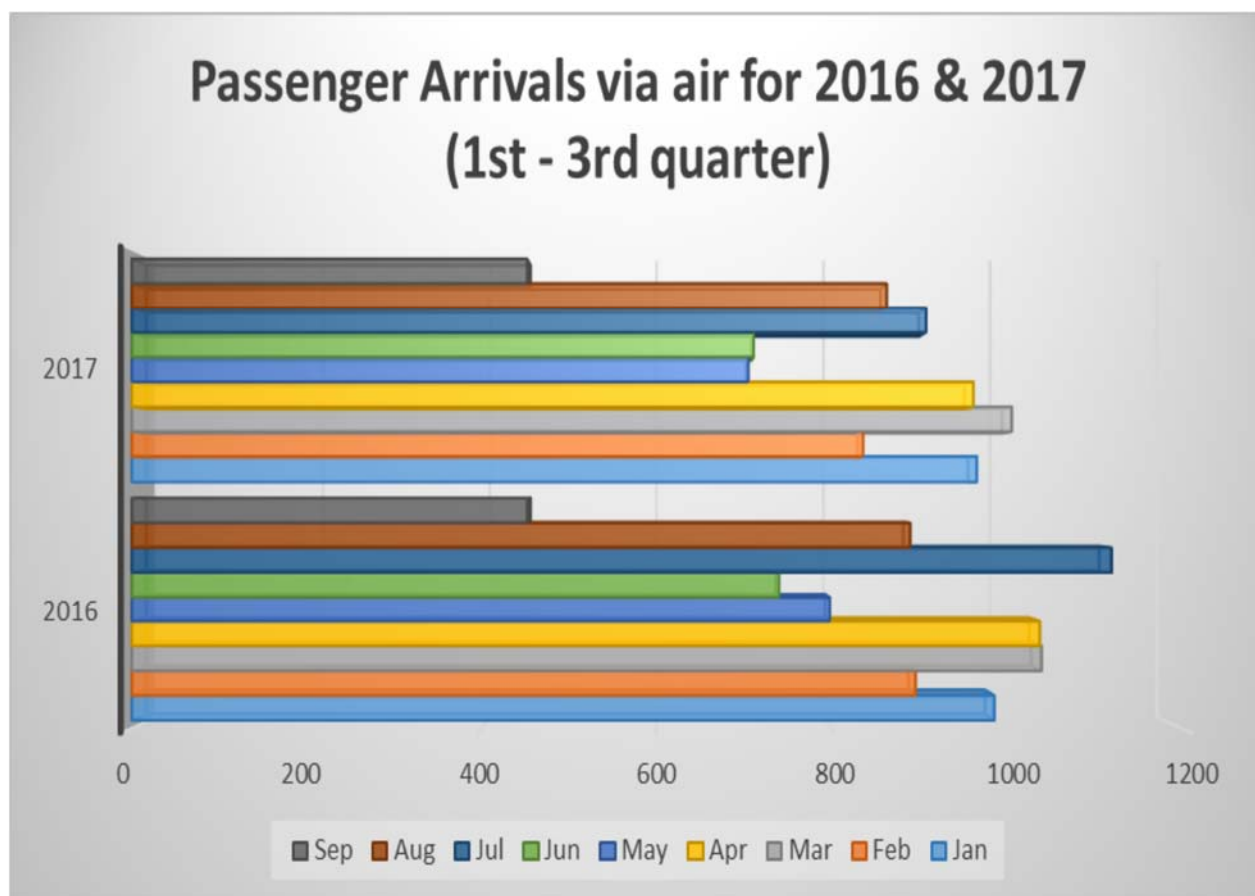


PASSENGER MOVEMENT

The table below illustrates total passenger arrival (tourist and non-tourist) at VWAI for the period January to September 2016/17. The information reflects a decrease for September 2017 of 994 when compared to 2016. The quarter ending September 2016 collected a total of 8,403, whereas, when compared to the same period in 2016, showed a decline of 994. In any case, the information shows a total of 2,905 passenger arrival compared to 2,223 for September 2017. This demonstrated a total decline of 682 passenger arrival for the third quarter (July to September) of 2016 compared to 2017 while total passenger arrival between January to September shows an overall decline of 994 when both years are compared.

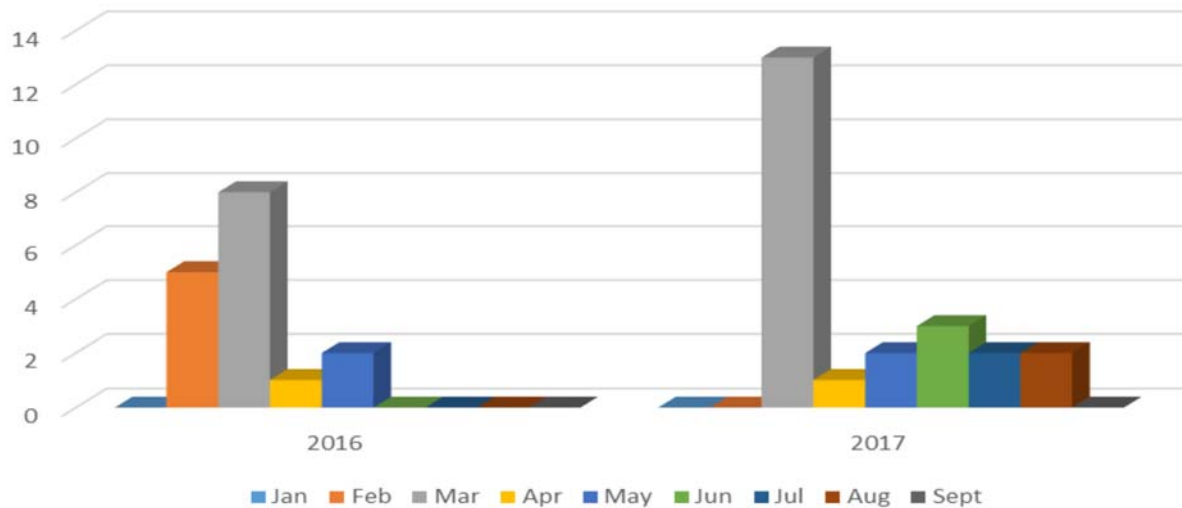
Table 3 - Total Passenger movement by Air for 2016 and 2017 - January—September (1st to 3rd quarter)

Passenger Movement	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
2017	966	836	1006	962	705	711	908	863	452	7,409
2016	986	896	1040	1038	798	740	1120	890	895	8,403



LENGTH OF STAY

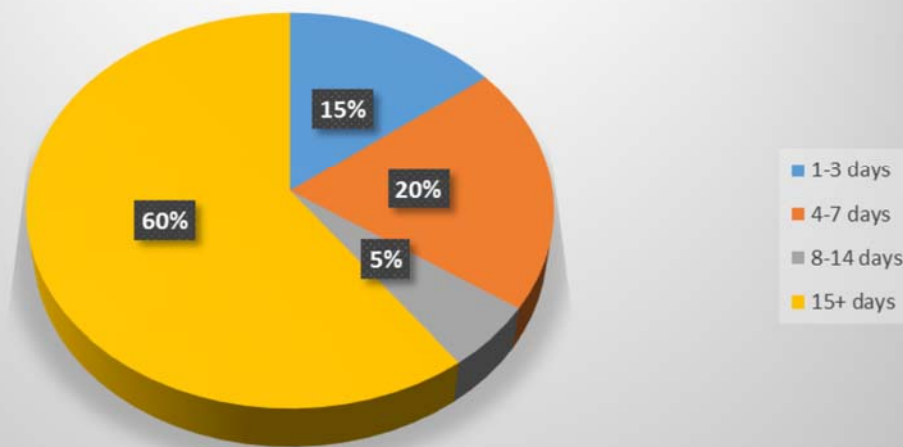
Same Day Excursionists (1st - 3rd quarter 2016 & 2017)



The period stated, September 2017 shows the suggested length of stay which amounts to 7 days of visitors to Nevis. The group that had the most tourists, spent a total of 15+ days which amounted to 158 (60%) tourists; 53 (20%) preferred to stay 4-7 days; 38 (15%) 1-3 days and 14 (5%) 8-14 days.

This demonstrates that tourists who visited the island via the Vance W Amory International airport showed a decrease of 263 in arrivals for September 2017 when compared with September 2016.

Length of Stay for Visitor Arrivals by Air
September 2017



CRUISE AND YACHT

CRUISE: The Table below shows cruise calls, passengers and crew for the 1st to 3rd quarter of 2017 and furthermore for the 1st to 3rd quarter of 2016. The first quarter of 2017 recorded that there were 21 calls whereas, for the 2nd and 3rd quarter there were no calls recorded. The 1st quarter of 2016 recorded 26 cruise calls and 2 cruise calls for the 2nd quarter. Unfortunately, there were no calls for the 3rd quarter

Regrettably, there was a huge decline between the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarter of 2016 and 2017. This demonstrated that there were 4792 cruise passengers in the 1st quarter of 2016 and there was a decline of 4641 passengers resulting in 151 total passengers for the 2nd quarter of 2016. There were no arriving cruise passengers for the 3rd quarter in 2016 and 2017.

The 1st quarter of 2017 demonstrated that the cruise crew totalled 2900 compared to 2016 which was 2429.

Although for the 2nd and 3rd quarter there were no cruise crew recorded.

Table 3 - Cruise calls and passengers for 2017 and 2016 - January to September (3rd quarter)

Year	Cruise Calls			Cruise Passengers			Cruise Crew		
	1 st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	1 st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter
2017	21	0	0	3959	0	0	2900	0	0
2016	26	2	0	4792	151	0	2429	102	0

Yacht: The stated period of 2016 and 2017 (1st to 3rd quarter) demonstrated a decrease of 18 calls. The greatest number of calls that were recorded within the period of 2016 and 2017 of the 1st to 3rd quarter amassed a total of 136 which arose from February 2016. (See table 4 below)

Table 4 - Yacht calls for 2016 and 2017(1st to 3rd quarter)

Yacht Calls	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
2017	60	93	85	83	38	23	45	13	5	445
2016	104	136	63	80	40	18	13	9	0	463

Table 5 - Yacht calls and passengers arrivals 1st to 3rd quarter - 2016 and 2017

Year	Yacht Calls			Yacht Passengers		
	1 st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	1 st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter
2017	238	144	63	1224	522	272
2016	303	138	22	1457	358	90

