

This publication is seventh of the Nevis Tourism Realities (NTR), which is produced every quarter by the Statistics Department. It is provided to inform its readers of the number of visitors arrival via air using the VWAI Airport and the seaport via Charlestown harbour into Nevis.

INTRODUCTION

The first quarterly report for 2018, provides detailed statistics for the period ending March 2018 on the tourism sector performance. It indicates visitors arrivals via air and sea ports. By the end of March 2018, figures showed a 34.5% decreased when compared to the same period for 2017 via air arrivals. Meanwhile, the figures for visitors arrivals via sea, shows an increased of 119% of cruise calls, and 15% of yacht calls by the end of March 2018 when compared to the same period of 2017.

AIR VISITORS ARRIVALS

Every month information from the disembarkation/embarkation cards collected from the Vance W. Amory International Airport, are used in analysing the data provided for this report.

Figures indicate a total of 1,362 of visitors arrival via air between January to March 2018. This shows a decrease of 782 or 34.5% in visitors arrivals when compared to the same period in 2017.

Travelling via VWAI Airport for March 2018, a total of 464 tourists arrived in Nevis; while 407 tourists were recorded for February 2018 and 491 for January 2018. The figures for January 2018 showed a declined of 204 when compared to January 2017.

Table 1 - Tourist Arrivals for 2018 and 2017 - January to March

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
2018	491	407	464	1,362
2017	695	665	784	2,144

Tourist Arrivals for 2017 & 2018 (1st Quarter) at VWAI Airport

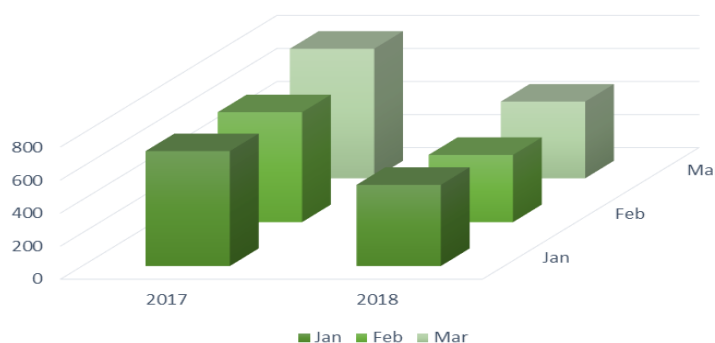


Table 2 - Visitors Arrivals during tourism season for period 2010/11 to 2016/17

Tourism Season - Visitors Arrivals							
Year 2010/2011 to 2016/2017							
Months	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017
January	824	763	1,020	802	657	726	695
February	729	715	568	713	1,067	683	665
March	861	820	787	757	616	770	784
Total	2,414	2,298	2,375	2,272	2,340	2,179	2,144

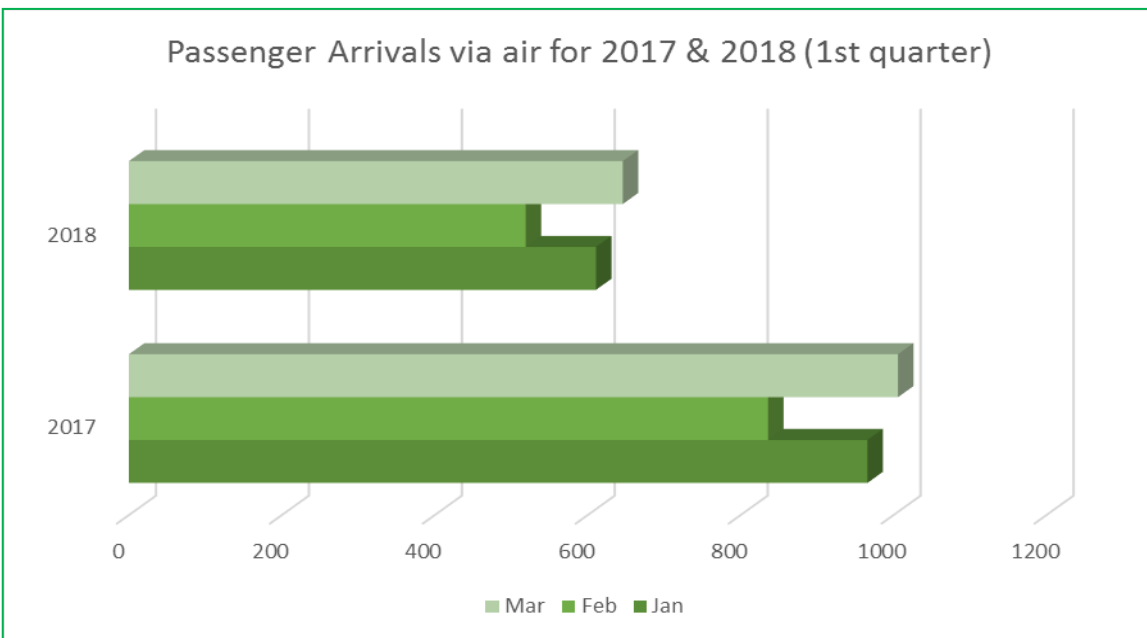


PASSENGER MOVEMENT

The table below displays the total passengers arrivals (tourist and non-tourist) via VWAI Airport for the period January to March 2018 and 2017. The information reflects a decreased for the 1st quarter of 2018 of 1,032 in comparison to the same period of 2017. The quarter ending in March 2017 tallied a total of 2,808 while the quarter ending in March 2018, tallied a total of 1,776. Nevertheless, the data shows an increased of 127 passengers by the end of March 2018, when compared to February 2018, and 170 for the same period in 2017.

Table 3 - Total Passengers movement by Air for 2017 & 2018 1st quarter

Passenger Movement	January	February	March	Total
2018	611	519	646	1,776
2017	966	836	1006	2,808



HISTORICAL MOVEMENTS - March

Emphasis is placed on the month of March as a means of providing additional data for the month which ends each quarter. This information is displayed as a historical collection for a-10 year period, March 2009 to March 2018.

The numbers display shows that there was a decline of tourist arrivals of 179 between the years 2009 and 2017. For the period 2009 to 2014, clearly identified that the numbers varied over those years in tourist arrivals. A significant decrease is evident 320 when comparing the month for 2017 and 2018.

Table 4 - Arrivals by Air for the month of March for the period 2009 - 2018

1st Quarter (March)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Tourist Arrivals	963	632	861	820	787	757	616	770	784	464



CRUISE AND YACHT

The first quarter for this release shows that the Cruise and Yacht industry is constantly increasing. The below table shows an increased in cruise calls, cruise passengers and cruise crew for the 1st quarter of 2018 when compared to the same period of 2017. The first quarter of 2018 recorded that there were 46 calls, an increase of 25 cruise calls when compared to the same period in 2017 with 21 cruise calls being recorded.

There was a huge increase in cruise passengers in the same period of 2018 of 1,160 when compared to 2017. The table also shows that there was an increased in cruise crew by 44% or 2,254, in the 1st quarter of 2018, when compared to the same quarter of 2017 with 2,900.

For yacht calls and yacht passengers, the data revealed a decreased in arrivals for the period under review. The quarter noted 207 yacht calls, a decreased of some 13% for arrivals when compared to 2017 same period with 238 calls.

Table 5 - Cruise calls, passengers and crew for 2018 and 2017- January to March (1st quarter)

Year	Cruise Calls 1 st quarter	Cruise Passengers 1 st quarter	Cruise Crew 1st quarter
2018	46	5119	5154
2017	21	3959	2900

Table 6 - Yacht calls for 2017 and 2018 - January to March (1st quarter)

Yacht Calls	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
2018	67	60	80	207
2017	60	93	85	238

Table 7 - Yacht calls and Yacht Passengers arrivals for 1st quarter - 2017 and 2018

Year	Yacht Calls	Yacht Passengers
	1 st quarter	1 st quarter
2018	238	1224
2017	207	1266

Table 8 - Yacht and Cruise data for the 1st quarter of 2018

Period	Yacht Calls	Yacht Passengers	Yacht Crew	Yacht Passenger	Cruise Calls	Cruise Passenger
				Total		
January	67	134	223	357	16	1,635
February	60	182	289	471	17	2,227
March	80	143	295	438	13	1,257
First Quarter	207	459	807	1266	46	5,119



Table 9 - Yacht Passengers during tourism season for period 2010/11 to 2016/17

Tourism Season - Yacht Passengers, 2010/11 to 2016/17							
Year							
Months	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017
January	19	133	160	29	53	103	97
February	102	96	73	95	84	161	93
March	134	116	161	106	147	46	90
Total	255	345	394	230	284	310	280

Table 10 - Cruise Passengers during tourism season for period 2010/11 to 2016/17

Tourism Season - Cruise Passengers, 2010/11 to 2016/17							
Year							
Months	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017
January	666	193	1,312	801	2,255	1,417	1,262
February	1,121	919	228	1,009	1,228	2,326	949
March	2,233	1,504	954	755	1,230	1,049	1,748
Total	4,020	2,616	2,494	2,565	4,713	4,792	3,959

LENGTH OF STAY

Table 11 - Length of Stay for visitors arrivals by air for the 1st quarter of 2017

Month	1 - 3 days	4 - 7 days	8 - 14 days	15+ days	Not Stated
January	170	214	117	189	0
February	137	333	105	88	0
March	151	400	127	93	3

Table 12 - Length of Stay for visitors arrivals by air for the 1st quarter of 2018

Month	1 - 3 days	4 - 7 days	8 - 14 days	15+ days	Not Stated
January	76	193	82	140	0
February	69	191	78	66	0
March	97	221	85	59	0

