

# CARIBBEAN TOURISM ORGANIZATION LATEST MONTHLY STATISTICS



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## Overall Performance

- So far, international tourist arrivals for 2021 were reported by 20 destinations. For their reporting periods, all destinations recorded declines in tourist arrivals.
- For the period January to March, the 13 reporting destinations registered declines in international tourist trips with the best relative performances being recorded in the US Virgin Islands (-26.9%) and followed by Aruba and the Dominican Republic (-50.9% each), St. Maarten (-53.5%) and Antigua & Barbuda (-74.0%). The remaining eight destinations recorded declines ranging between -75.4% (Belize) and -98.6% (Trinidad & Tobago).
- For the period January to February, six destinations recorded decreases in tourist arrivals, the smallest of which was registered in Martinique (-54.9%). The contractions in arrivals in the other destinations reporting for this period varied from -72.9% in Guyana to -92.6% in St. Kitts & Nevis.
- Bermuda was the only destination reporting for January only, registering a -90.2% decline in stay-over arrivals for the month.

## By Month

- In January, 20 destinations reported international tourist visits. The lowest percentage decrease in tourist arrivals during this month was recorded in Martinique (-39.7%) followed by the US Virgin Islands (-40.3%) and St. Maarten (-60.3%). Other decreases logged during this month ranged between -63.2% in the Dominican Republic and -98.7% in Trinidad & Tobago.
- The 19 reporting destinations recorded declines in tourist arrivals in February. The US Virgin Islands (-33.4%) registered the best performance this month trailed by the Dominican Republic (-64.9%) and Aruba (-66.4%). Trinidad & Tobago (-99.1%) recorded the largest percentage decrease during the month followed by Grenada (-96.6%).
- Four destinations out of the 13 reporting arrival data for March registered growth, while declines were recorded in the remaining nine destinations. Aruba (14.3%), the US Virgins Islands (11.9%), St. Maarten (6.0%) and the Dominican Republic (3.6%) were the destinations recording increases, while decreases ranged from -35.5% in Belize to -97.4% in Montserrat.

## By Market

### United States

- International tourist arrivals from the United States decreased in the 18 reporting destinations.
- For the period January to March, the 12 reporting destinations recorded decreases in visitor trips from the United States led by Trinidad & Tobago (-99.0%) and followed by Cuba (-95.3%) and Montserrat (-94.0%). The Dominican Republic registered the smallest falloff (-31.1%) in arrivals from this market among the destinations this period.
- Declines in international arrivals from the United States were recorded in all five destinations reporting for the period January to February, with Guyana (-49.6%) registering the best relative outcome. This was followed by Jamaica (-73.1%), The Bahamas (-81.5%), Anguilla (-87.5%) and St. Kitts & Nevis (-91.0%).
- Arrivals from the United States decreased in Bermuda by -90.8%, the only destination reporting arrival data for January only.

### Canada

- Visitor trips to the region from Canada decreased in the 18 reporting destinations.
- Each of the 12 destinations reporting international arrivals from Canada for the period January to March recorded reduced visitation exceeding -90.0%. St. Maarten (-94.8%) recorded the best performance followed by Dominica (-95.4%) and Aruba (-95.6%).
- Each of the five destinations reporting international arrivals from Canada for the period January to February recorded a decline. These falloffs in arrivals ranged from -79.8% (Guyana) to -98.0% (The Bahamas).
- Bermuda, the lone destination reporting for January only, saw a decrease of -93.1% in visitor trips from Canada.

### Europe

- Overall, international tourist trips from Europe decreased in the 18 reporting destinations.
- Contractions in arrivals from the European market were recorded in the 12 destinations reporting for the period January to March. The declines recorded in these destinations ranged from -46.8% in St. Maarten to -97.7% in both Grenada and Trinidad & Tobago.
- For the period January to February, European arrivals to the region decreased in the five reporting destinations between -72.2% in Guyana to -98.9% in Jamaica.
- A decline in arrivals from Europe was recorded in Bermuda (-84.8%) during January only, the only destination reporting for this time.

## Cruise Arrivals

- Cruise visits to the Caribbean contracted in the 15 reporting destinations, so far, this year.
- No cruise ship has sailed the Caribbean to date. Consequently, for all reporting destinations and period, the decline in cruise arrivals is -100.0%.

**Table 1: Tourist (Stop-over) Arrivals in 2021**

Destination	Period	Tourist Arrivals	% Change		
			Overall	Winter#	Summer#
Anguilla	Jan-Feb	2,100	-88.9	-88.9	-
Antigua & Barbuda	Jan-Mar	21,675	-74.0	-74.0	-
Aruba	Jan-Mar	112,317	-50.9	-50.9	-
Bahamas	Jan-Feb	47,353	-84.3	-84.3	-
Belize	Jan-Mar	30,290	-75.4	-75.4	-
Bermuda	Jan only	819	-90.2	-90.2	-
Cuba	Jan-Mar	106,165	-89.2	-89.2	-
Curacao	Jan-Mar	24,050	-77.8	-77.8	-
Dominica <sup>P</sup>	Jan-Mar	1,973	-89.3	-89.3	-
Dominican Republic *	Jan-Mar	683,590	-50.9	-50.9	-
Grenada	Jan-Mar	2,168	-94.2	-94.2	-
Guyana	Jan-Feb	13,599	-72.9	-72.9	-
Jamaica	Jan-Feb	87,629	-81.1	-81.1	-
Martinique	Jan-Feb	57,832	-54.9	-54.9	-
Montserrat	Jan-Mar	196	-95.2	-95.2	-
St. Kitts & Nevis <sup>^ P</sup>	Jan-Feb	1,605	-92.6	-92.6	-
Saint Lucia	Jan-Mar	19,231	-79.0	-79.0	-
St. Maarten *	Jan-Mar	34,624	-53.5	-53.5	-
Trinidad & Tobago ***	Jan-Mar	1,293	-98.6	-98.6	-
U S Virgin Islands	Jan-Mar	128,072	-26.9	-26.9	-

\* Non-Resident Air Arrivals    \*\* Non-Resident Hotel registrations only    \*\*\* Air Arrivals by Nationality  
<sup>P</sup> Preliminary figures    # Winter - Jan to Apr; Summer - May to Dec    ^ Excludes data from Vance M. Amory Int'l Airport in Nevis.

N.B: Figures are subject to revision by reporting countries.

**SOURCE** - Data supplied by member countries and available as at April 30, 2021

**Table 2a: Tourist Arrivals by Month – 2021**

Destination	January		February		March		April		May		June	
	Tourists	% ch	Tourists	% ch	Tourists	% ch	Tourists	% ch	Tourists	% ch	Tourists	% ch
Anguilla	986	-89.2	1,114	-88.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antigua & Barbuda	7,769	-76.8	5,635	-83.1	8,271	-49.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aruba	31,368	-65.4	31,982	-66.4	48,967	14.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	20,585	-85.7	26,768	-83.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belize <sup>P</sup>	6,908	-85.8	7,938	-84.4	15,444	-35.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bermuda	819	-90.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	22,391	-94.3	35,611	-91.1	48,163	-74.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Curacao	5,790	-87.3	8,144	-81.6	10,116	-45.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominica <sup>P</sup>	702	-87.9	640	-93.0	631	-81.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic *	205,311	-63.2	198,485	-64.9	279,794	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grenada	759	-94.8	533	-96.6	876	-87.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	7,087	-70.7	6,512	-75.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jamaica	43,831	-80.7	43,798	-81.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martinique	37,202	-39.7	20,630	-68.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montserrat <sup>P</sup>	79	-89.6	49	-93.6	68	-97.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts & Nevis <sup>^P</sup>	958	-89.7	647	-94.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saint Lucia	6,357	-81.1	4,870	-87.7	8,004	-55.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Maarten *	12,488	-60.3	9,436	-69.5	12,700	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trinidad & Tobago ***	397	-98.7	423	-99.1	473	-96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
U S Virgin Islands	43,361	-40.3	44,426	-33.4	40,285	11.9	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<sup>P</sup> Preliminary figures    ^ Excludes data from Vance M. Amory Int'l Airport in Nevis.

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**Table 3: Tourist Arrivals by Main Market – 2021**

Destination	Period	United States		Canada		Europe		Other	
		Tourists	% ch.	Tourists	% ch.	Tourists	% ch.	Tourists	% ch.
Anguilla	Jan-Feb	1,658	-87.5	83	-91.8	149	-93.8	210	-90.3
Antigua & Barbuda	Jan-Mar	16,047	-54.0	337	-97.7	3,543	-86.4	1,748	-77.2
Aruba	Jan-Mar	97,369	-44.4	796	-95.6	6,359	-61.7	7,793	-59.0
Bahamas	Jan-Feb	43,381	-81.5	700	-98.0	1,121	-94.2	2,151	-81.9
Belize <sup>P</sup>	Jan-Mar	24,103	-69.1	480	-96.6	769	-95.0	4,938	-68.6
Bermuda	Jan only	525	-90.8	78	-93.1	164	-84.8	52	-88.3
Cuba	Jan-Mar	2,379	-95.3	6,582	-98.4	60,828	-71.9	36,376	-88.3
Curacao	Jan-Mar	3,897	-81.3	187	-98.1	16,272	-70.2	3,694	-83.9
Dominica	Jan-Mar	604	-82.8	38	-95.4	210	-95.6	1,121	-87.9
Dominican Republic *	Jan-Mar	218,914	-31.1	6,214	-98.1	94,643	-71.9	363,819	-13.0
Grenada	Jan-Mar	1,421	-91.7	110	-97.4	219	-97.7	418	-93.4
Guyana	Jan-Feb	8,475	-49.6	786	-79.8	657	-72.2	3,681	-86.4
Jamaica	Jan-Feb	80,313	-73.1	3,473	-96.2	540	-98.9	3,303	-85.0
Montserrat	Jan-Mar	68	-94.0	6	-97.7	63	-96.0	59	-94.8
St. Kitts & Nevis <sup>^P</sup>	Jan-Feb	1,261	-91.0	79	-96.0	50	-97.8	215	-93.8
Saint Lucia	Jan-Mar	17,574	-57.3	213	-98.5	1,004	-95.6	440	-96.5
St. Maarten *	Jan-Mar	20,231	-46.3	451	-94.8	11,505	-46.8	2,437	-62.2
Trinidad & Tobago ***	Jan-Mar	446	-99.0	97	-99.3	329	-97.7	421	-97.9

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<sup>1</sup> Some European countries are included in Other      <sup>P</sup> Preliminary figures      <sup>^</sup> Excludes data from Vance M. Amory Int'l Airport in Nevis.

N.B U.S.V.I reported figures in this table are Hotel Registrations whereas their reported Stay Over totals are Air Arrivals.

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**Table 4: Cruise Visits - 2021 & 2020**

<b>Destination</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>% Ch.</b>
Aruba	Jan-Mar	0	255,377	-100.0
Bahamas	Jan only	0	555,280	-100.0
Belize	Jan-Mar	0	343,094	-100.0
Bermuda	Jan only	0	1,863	-100.0
Cozumel (Mexico)	Jan-Mar	0	1,131,459	-100.0
Curacao	Jan-Mar	0	256,024	-100.0
Dominica	Jan-Mar	0	117,971	-100.0
Dominican Republic	Jan only	0	133,830	-100.0
Grenada	Jan-Mar	0	162,511	-100.0
Jamaica	Jan-Feb	0	383,144	-100.0
Martinique	Jan-Feb	0	145,912	-100.0
Saint Lucia	Jan-Mar	0	297,879	-100.0
St. Maarten	Jan-Mar	0	435,523	-100.0
Trinidad & Tobago	Jan-Feb	0	38725	-100.0
U S Virgin Islands	Jan-Mar	0	440,390	-100.0

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