

Quality declaration - International and domestic tourism

0 General information on statistical product		
0.1	Name	International and domestic tourism
0.2	Subject area	Tourism
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0.4	Purpose and History	To provide users with updated information on the main indicators of international and domestic tourism, tourism services for use in the preparation of the balance of payments, as well as general tourism (domestic and international) volumes.
0.5	Users and Application	The main users of statistical information are the state government and local self-government bodies, public, scientific-educational, financial organizations, business society, mass media, international organizations, etc. Indicators of international and domestic tourism are applied in the field of tourism for the purposes of strategy development, solutions of strategic tasks, analysis of tourism, analysis of business environment, revealing social development trends and other purposes.
0.6	Information Sources	The main sources of indicator compilation are the data collected from the quarterly statistical reports submitted by legal persons to the Migration Agency of RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure till 2011, and since 2011 to RA Border Electronic Management Informational System of RA National Security Service till 2013, since September 2006 to August 2007 the Project of the NSSRA "Sample Survey of Arrived and Departed Persons" that

		have been implemented through cooperation of Armenian Tourism Development Agency (ATDA) and USAID-funded “Competitive Armenian Private Sector” (CAPS) and since 2013 the results of “Sample Survey of Arrived and Departed Persons”, implemented in 2013 through the cooperation of RA Ministry of Economy, Armenia's National Competitiveness Fund, donor organizations in Armenia as the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) and USAID Enterprise Development and Market Competitiveness (USAID EDMC) Project.
0.7	Legal Authority to Collect Data	The data are collected based on the Law on "Official Statistics" and “Five Year Statistical Program”, as well as the Resolution No. 05-N of RA State Council on Statistics “On Approval of the Procedure for the collection of statistical data” dated 20 June 2016 and Resolution “On Approval of Annual Statistical Program”.
0.8	Response Burden (Primary information providers)	The response burden is not measured.
1 Content		
1.1	Description of content	<p><u>International tourism</u> includes those tourists who leave their country (from the main country of residence) to another country (outbound tourism) or arrive from another country (inbound tourism).</p> <p><u>Domestic tourism</u> is related to the tourists, who are travelling within the territory of their own country (the main place of residence).</p>
1.2	Statistical concepts	<p>Tourist (traveler) – According to the methodology of UN World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), tourist (traveler) is considered any person, who travels from his main residence country to another place for having a rest, recovering, visiting relatives, business and religious purposes not less than 24 hours and not more than 1 year in a row.</p> <p>The key crucial criteria for the definition of the concept of international tourism statistics are considered the concept of the country of main residence. For the implementation of</p>

	<p>classification of international tourism by countries, the place of residence is used as the main criteria for visitor's country of origin and not the citizenship.</p> <p>According to the international tourism statistics, if a person has lived and worked in another country for more than 1 year that is not the country of his/her former permanent residence, then he/she becomes a resident of the given country and his/her further visit to the country of permanent residence is related to the international tourism.</p> <p>International tourism includes the following group of tourists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Tourists (overnight visitors). Visitors, who spend at least one night in the collective or individual accommodation facilities of the arrival country. • One-day visitors. <p>Visitors who do not spend night in the collective or individual accommodation facilities of the arrival country.</p> <p>Groups of arrivals or departures of international tourism doesn't include the following groups of visitors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . migrants travelling or arriving any country, including those under their custody, . persons, who are known as marginal workers (living in a state border, and working in other border countries) • workers of embassies and consulates, soldiers moving from their country to another or vice versa during their service obligations, . persons who travel (move) as a refugee, • transit passengers, who don't arrive in that country through formally passport control points. <p>Domestic tourism includes the following group of tourists.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Tourists (overnight visitors). Visitors who spend at least one night in the collective or individual accommodation facilities
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		<p>of the arrival country.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-day visitors. <p>Visitors who do not spend night in the collective or individual accommodation facilities of the arrival country.</p> <p>Groups of arrivals or departures of domestic tourism doesn't include the following groups of visitors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> .Inhabitants who travel to other area of RA to establish residence there, . persons who have went to another area to conduct working activity and the expenses are paid from that received remuneration for the work, • persons who regularly or frequently travel to other places in order to work or study, . persons who have no permanent place of residence, .military officers during training exercises.
2 Time		
2.1	Reference period	Quarterly
2.2	Date of publication	Data on recreational and business tourism is published on the 60 th day following the reference period.
2.3	Punctuality	Data is published in accordance with the schedule of publications according to annual programs and no delay from the scheduled date has been reported.
2.4	Frequency	Quarterly
3 Accuracy		
3.1	Overall Accuracy	<p>There are no specific quantitative evaluations related to the overall accuracy.</p> <p>The observation is mainly based on exhaustive surveys of legal persons. The coverage of the economic entities in the survey and mandatory provision of statistical information by them is</p>

		<p>stipulated in the legal documents regulating the statistics sphere.</p> <p>The response rate is about 98%.</p>
3.2	Sources of Inaccuracy	<p>The information is collected from list of legal persons dealing with the relevant activity (about 230) of business register updated database; moreover, the information is collected exhaustively on the quarterly basis.</p> <p>Data submitted later than the defined date is included in cumulative data submitted in the next publication.</p>
3.3	Measures on accuracy/ Measurability	<p>Accuracy checks of the data submitted by the organizations in the reference period of the current year are carried out by comparing them with the relevant data submitted for the same period of the previous year.</p>
4 Comparability		
4.1	Comparability over Time	<p>Before 1998, the indicator has been represented in accordance with the structure of All Union Classification of Branches of National Economy (AUCOBONE). In 1998-2001 years the International Standard Industry Classification (ISIC) rev.3 has been implemented (UN). Since 2002, the indicator has been submitted in accordance with the Armenian Classification of Types of Economic Activity (developed by Eurostat on the basis of Types of Economic Activity Classification (NACE). Since 2010, NACE rev. 2 is applied.</p>
4.2	Comparability with Other Statistics	<p>There is no comparability with other statistics.</p>
4.3	Coherence between Provisional and Final Statistics	<p>Published data is qualified as final. Reports submitted by economic entities later than the defined date are included in the cumulative data of the next quarter.</p>
5 Accessibility		
5.1	Forms of Dissemination	<p>Publications</p> <p>Quarterly publications</p> <p>“Social-Economic Situation of the Republic of Armenia”</p>

		<p>monthly informational report (Armenian and Russian).</p> <p>Databases:</p> <p>http://armstatbank.am/pxweb/hy/ArmStatBank/?rxid=602c2fcf-531f-4ed9-b9ad-42a1c546a1b6</p> <p>Website:</p> <p>Electronic versions of publications are available in Armenian (full), Russian, English at the following address: http://www.armstat.am/am/?nid=82</p>
5.2	Basic material: Storage and Usability	<p>The statistical reports collected from respondents are kept both in paper and electronic forms. Electronic resources include:</p> <p>For legal persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) a code of legal person b) tax registration number of taxpayer c) state registration number in the State Register d) full name of the legal person e) legal type of the organization f) location of the legal person (postal address), phone number, as well as fax, email on optional basis g) data on individual entrepreneur operating the hotel h) the full name (type) of the hotel in accordance with "Tourism and Tourist Activity" h) the first and last names of the hotel director
5.3	Documentation	<p>Information is available under the General Statistical Business-Process Model at https://www.armstat.am/en/?nid=672.</p>
5.4	Other information	<p>More detailed information on calculation of the main indicators on recreational and business tourism is provided in the Resolution No. 78-N, dated 30 November, 2018, on approval of RA statistical report Form No. 1-Tourism (quarterly) "International and Internal Tourism" and instructions for filling it in".</p>
6 Supplementary documentation		
		No supplementary documentation is available.

