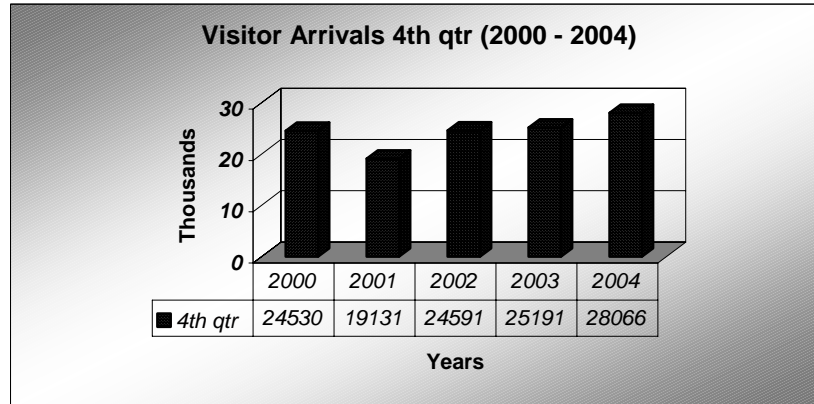




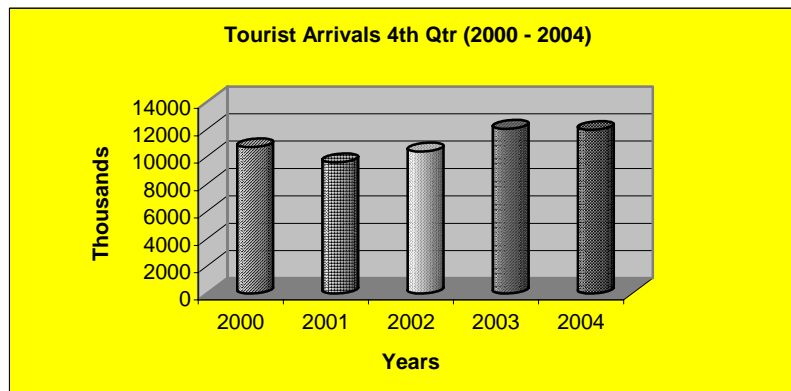
Anguilla: Tourism Summary Data 4th Quarter: October - December 2004

Anguilla's tourism sector still continues to show signs of strengthening as data on visitor arrivals for the 4th quarter 2004 shows an increase of 11 percent over last year's 4th quarter, with the first, second and third quarters showing increases as well of 14 percent, 10 percent and 6 percent respectively. Total visitor arrivals were 28,066 for this period compared to 25,191 in 2003. November and December recorded increases of 19 percent and 14 percent respectively while arrivals during October declined by 6 percent.



Tourists (Stay-Over Visitors)

During this 4th quarter, arrivals in this type of visitor, was under par relative to the first three quarters. During this quarter tourist arrivals declined 1 percent from December 2003. The month of October had the largest decline of 13 percent followed by November with 3 percent over the corresponding periods of 2003. December recorded a 14 percent increase in tourist arrivals and it was the largest monthly total in tourist arrivals to the island over the last decade. 6,049 tourists visited during this month representing an increase of 14 percent over December last year. 11,953 tourists visited during the 4th quarter this year compared to 12,026 tourists, for the same period in 2003.



Arrivals through the port of Blowing Point were 9,855, up 83 percent from the same period last year. With the partial closure of the Wallblake airport for most of the fourth quarter to the larger passenger aircraft, arrivals through this port fell by 77 percent from the 4th quarter of 2003.

72 percent of tourists during this period stayed for approximately 4-15 days while 16 percent of those visiting the island stayed for 1 - 3 days and 11 percent stayed for 16 or more days. On average for this quarter the length of stay was 8.7 days compared to 8.2 days during the fourth quarter of 2003.

All the markets except the Caribbean, Italy, Germany and Other European markets showed increases for this quarter over last year's 4th quarter. Arrivals from the Canadian market were up 40 percent over last year and arrivals from the U.S.A. grew by 3 percent.

Excursionists (Day-Trippers)

This type of visitor contributed most to the increase of visitor arrivals for the period October to December. Day-tripper numbers grew by 22 percent for the quarter, with the month of November recording the largest increase of 45 percent followed by December with 24 percent over the corresponding period of 2003. The month of October was the only period when excursionist arrivals fell during the quarter.

As is expected, Blowing Point had the largest number in arrivals for this type of visitor. 14,185 excursionists passed through this port. 11 percent entered through Sandy Ground and 1 percent of overall excursionists entered via the airport.

The U.S.A. was the country from where most excursionists originated, but the United Kingdom recorded the largest percentage increase in excursionist arrivals of 82 percent for this period compared to 2003. Arrivals from Canada and Germany were up 15 percent, and 59 percent respectively over 2003.

Cruise Passengers

During the period October to December 2004, 4 mid sized cruise vessels made calls to Anguilla. There was an overall passenger total of 819 with each vessel carrying on average a total of 205 passengers. This compares to the 26 vessels that made ports of calls to Anguilla during the same period last year with an overall passenger total of 1,772.

This report along with other Tourism Data, are available at the Government of Anguilla's website: <http://gov.ai/statistics/tourism.htm>