

Overview

Anguilla's visitor arrivals for June 2006 totaled 12,780, a 32% increase over June 2005 when 9,700 visitors came to the island.

Generally, individuals come to Anguilla either for pleasure or business. Of the 12,780 recorded visitors, the majority, 12,347 (96%) came for pleasure while the remaining 433 (3%) came for business purposes.

During the month under review, the U.S.A continued to be the country of residence from which most of the visitors to Anguilla originated.



Passenger Movements

<u>Arrivals</u>

Passenger movements – arrivals include Anguillians, as well as visitors, arriving at the Wallblake Airport, Blowing Point, and Sandy Ground ports. For the period under review, passengers through the Wallblake Airport were 4,197 compared to 3,227 in June 2005. Arrivals through Blowing Point and Sandy Ground ports were 15,639 and 2,309 respectively. These figures when compared with June 2005 figures were 15,500 and 77 for the Blowing Point port and Sandy Ground port respectively.

<u>Departures</u>

Departures through Wallblake Airport were 4,250 for the month June 2006 compared to 2,246 in June 2005. Additionally, Blowing Point port recorded departures of 15,143 compared to 14,587 in the same month of 2005, while Sandy Ground port saw 2,356 departures as compared to 354 in during June 2005.

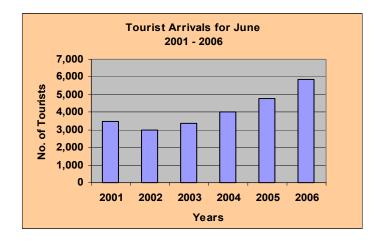
Tourists (Stay-Over Visitors)

During June 2006, tourists accounted for 46% of the total number of visitors to Anguilla. This category of visitors experienced an increase of 23% in June 2006 with a total of 5,845 over the corresponding level in 2005.

55%, (3,194) of the tourists who came to Anguilla in June 2006, entered through the port of Blowing Point port. The Wallblake Airport registered 2,640 tourist arrivals compared to 2,240 in June 2005. The number of tourists passing through Sandy Ground declined by 8 persons this month when compared to the 19 arrivals registered in June 2005.

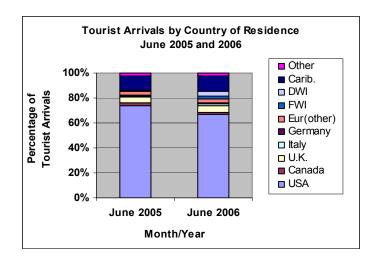
The length of stay for tourists on Anguilla during this month was 7.5 days, the same as that for the corresponding period of June 2005.

48% of the tourists visiting the island stayed, for between 4-7 days, while 22% of tourist stayed for between 1-3 days.



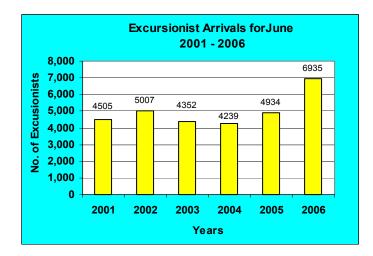
During this period, 3,921 (67%) of the tourists, originated from the United States of America, with the Caribbean being the second largest market with 12% of the total tourist arrivals. This

category of arrivals from the USA grew by 11% over the period June 2006/2005.



Excursionists (Day Trippers)

Excursionists, by definition, are those type of visitors who visit a country but spend less than 24 hours in that country. The total number of excursionists to Anguilla's shores in June 2006 was 6,935, 41% above the June 2005 total number of excursionists.



The data shows that over the past 6 years in June, 2001 – 2006, that 2006 recorded the highest total of the years under review, with 1,940 more excursionists over the 6-year average.

Blowing Point continues to be the main port of entry for this type of visitor. In June 2006, 4,547 excursionists entered through this port. Sandy Ground and Wallblake accounted for 2,280 and 108 of these day-trippers respectively.

The United States of America continues to be the main source market from which Anguilla's excursionists originate. During the period under review, 62% of this type of visitor were from the USA. Europe Other¹ was the second largest source market with 10%.

There were increases in excursionist arrivals from some market such as the U.S.A (75%), U.K (21%), Italy (68%), and Germany (157%) among others, over their corresponding June 2005 total. On the contrary, there were declines in the number of day-trippers from Canada (40%), F.W.I. (20%), D.W.I. (8%), and the Caribbean (22%)

Cruise Passengers

There were no cruise ship arrivals during the month of June 2006.