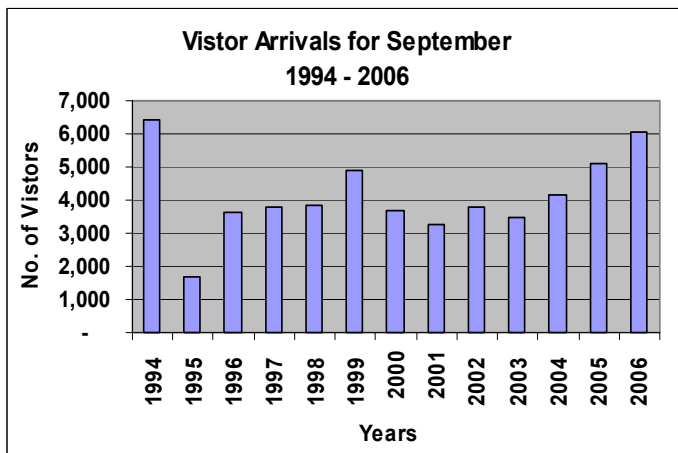




## Anguilla: Tourism Summary Report September 2006

### Overview

The month of September as it relates to tourists arrivals is usually considered a 'slow' month. However, visitor arrivals to Anguilla's during this month totaled 6,067 a 19% increase over September 2005 when 5,084 visitors came to the island. Total visitor arrivals for September 2006 was the largest recorded figure since 1994, when 6,398 visitor came to Anguilla.



Visitors come to the island mainly for either pleasure or business. In the month of September 2006, 5,344 of the visitors to the island came for the purpose of vacationing with the other 723 came for business related purposes.

The U.S.A continued to be the country of residence from which most of the visitors to Anguilla originated, followed by the Caribbean.

### Passenger Movements

#### Arrivals

Passenger movements – arrivals include Anguillians, as well as visitors, arriving at the Wallblake Airport, Blowing Point, and Sandy Ground ports. During the period under review 15,229 persons entered through the ports of Anguilla. The port of Blowing Point received 75% (11,386) of the total passenger arrivals. Passengers arrivals to Anguilla through the port of Wallblake Airport

numbered 3,023 (20%), while 820 (5%) used Sandy Ground as their port of entry.

#### Departures

Departures for the month September 2006 through the Wallblake Airport were 3,164 compared to the 1,059 in September 2005. The Blowing Point port recorded departures of 11,208 compared to 9,968 in the same month of 2005; while Sandy Ground port saw 811 passengers leaving.

#### Tourists (Stay-Over Visitors)

During September 2006, 36% of the total number of visitors to Anguilla were tourists. This category of visitors experienced an increase of 44% (2,196) over the corresponding September 2005 total of 1,525. This is the largest recorded September total over the last decade.

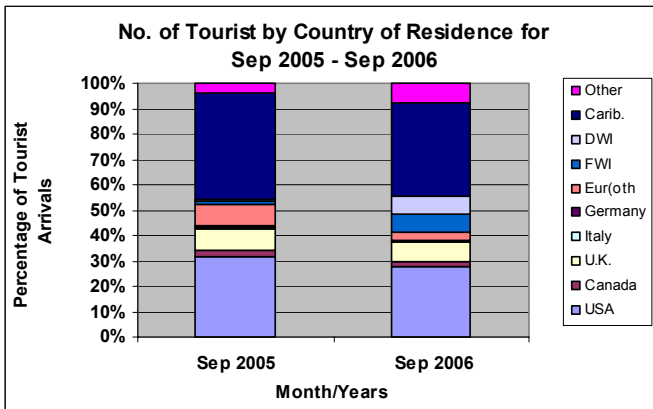
The Blowing Point port was the port of entry for 38% (840) of the tourists who visited Anguilla in the month under review as compared to the 840 tourist arrivals in September 2005. The Wallblake Airport and Sandy Ground registered 1,356 and 0 tourist arrivals respectively.

The average length of stay on Anguilla during the month of September 2006 increased by 12 hours to 8.0 days from 7.5 days in September 2005.

23% of the tourists to Anguilla spent between 4-7 days on the island, 44% spent between 1-3 days while 14% spent between 8-15 days. 19% 16 or more days on Anguilla.

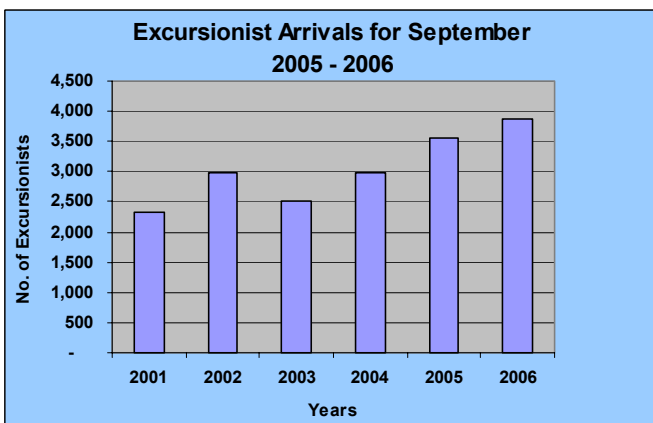


During this period, 805 (37%) of the tourists, originated from the Caribbean, with the United States of America being the second largest market with (605) 28% of the total tourist arrivals. Tourist arrivals from the Caribbean increased by 27% over the corresponding September 2005 period. Conversely, the F.W.I and D.W. I. both showed some outstanding increases of 481% and 1480% respectively, in tourist arrivals to Anguilla.



### Excursionists (Day Trippers)

Excursionists, by definition, are those types 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 September 2006 was 3,871, a 9% increase over the September 2005 total number of excursionists.



The data shows that over the past 6 years in September 2001 – 2006, that September 2006 recorded the highest total of excursionist's arrivals over the years under review, with 312 more excursionists over the second highest September total in 2005 when 3,559 excursionists came to Anguilla.

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Blowing Point continued to be the main port of entry for this type of visitor. In September 2006, 76% of the excursionists who came to Anguilla entered through this port. Sandy Ground and Wallblake Airport accounted for 820 and 92 of these day-trippers respectively.

Of the 10 categories in which the country of residence are grouped, the United States of America continued to be ranked as the main source market from which Anguilla's excursionists originate. During the period under review, 1,840 of this type of visitor was from the USA. The D.W.I was the second ranked source market where 850 of the 3,871 excursionists originated. Both Other Europe and the F.W.I individually, was the country of origin for over 400 excursionists.

There were increases in excursionist arrivals from five of the source markets and five declines. U.K was the source market, which experienced the largest increase of 63% in September 2006/2005. Conversely, the Other experienced the largest decline of 41% over its September 2005 contribution.

### Cruise Passengers

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