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1. Introduction

Information on the number of visitors, their nationality and age distribution are among the important economic indicators. Tourism industry has contributed significantly to the Zanzibar's economy and it is therefore necessary that such information is made available on a timely manner. This release reports on arrivals of foreign visitors. Detailed information on the age and sex distribution; mode of travel; nationality and regional distribution; and purpose of travel of visitors are also provided. The information was captured using the Arrival Declaration cards on visitors who entered Zanzibar through both the airport and sea ports.

2. Definition and Concepts

- **Tourist:** refers to any person travelling to a place other than that of his/her usual environment for less than 12 months and whose main purpose of the trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited.(According to the United Nations World Tourism Organization -UNWTO)
- Visitor: refer to any person travelling to place other than that of his/her usual environment for less than twelve months and whose main purpose of trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited. Visitors are classified as tourists if they spend the night away from home.

This release categories visitor into four groups in term of mode of transport:

- (i) International flight comprising of visitors entered the country direct from abroad;
- (ii) Domestic flight comprising of visitors entered Zanzibar via Tanzania Mainland;
- (iii) Cruise ship comprising of visitors (excursionist) entered Zanzibar by cruise ship; and
- (iv) Sea ferries comprising of visitors entered Zanzibar by using local sea boats.

3. Key findings

About 23,458 visitors entered Zanzibar in June, 2017 which is an increase of 14 percent compared to corresponding month in June 2016 and 38 percent compared to previous month. Europeans remain as the largest source of visitors to Zanzibar tourism. About 55.3 percent of all visitors entered Zanzibar in June, 2017 were from Europe. In country wise, German (3,073) continue to dominate the Tourism market since previous month by accounting 13.1 percent of all visitors entered in June, followed by British (10.9 percent) and American (9.7 percent) while Japanese recorded the last (0.3 percent). Other performances are as shown in table 1.

The data from table 2 shows that 18,712 visitors entered Zanzibar through Airport, among them 13,320 visitors came by international flights and 5,392 by domestic flights. The remaining 4,746 visitors entered through seaport by ferry boat.

Generally, Zanzibar has received **170,581** visitors from January to June 2017 which is an increase of **18.6** percent compared to the corresponding months January - June, 2016. Almost two thirds (64.6 percent) of all visitors were from Europe. In country wise, Italy (**12.64** percent) is a leading market for the first six months to Zanzibar tourism market. About **142,194** visitors entered through airport which is equivalent to **83.4** percent while the remaining **28,387** visitors entered through seaport that accounting **16.6** percent (Table 3).

Information on the purpose of visit (Table 4) shows that, in June 2017, a majority of visitors **22,913** (**97.68** percent) were in Zanzibar for holidays compared with only **423** (1.8 percent) and **7** (**0.03** percent) of visitors who were in Zanzibar for 'visiting friend and relatives' and 'business and conference' respectively.

Table 5 shows that in June, 2017 there were **10,304** (**43.9** percent) males and **13,154** (**56.1** percent) female visitors. Comparing to the previous month males and females increased by **55.7** percent and **44.9** percent respectively.

The ages of the visitors were categorized into three broad groups: those younger than 15 years, 15 to 64 years, and 65 years and older. The overall results presented in Table 6 show that **1,070** (4.56 percent) visitors were aged less than 15 years; **21,190** (**90.3** percent) were aged 15 and 64 years and **1,198** (**5.**1 percent) were aged 65 years and older.

Table 7 shows that majority of the visitors (**25.7** percent) stayed in the country for seven days. Less than three percent (**2.2** percent) of visitors stayed for more than a month. The overall average intended length of stay for visitors in June, 2017 was about eight (**8**) nights.

The number of visitors from emerging markets in June 2016 increased by 61.5 percent compared with corresponding June, 2016 and 18 percent compared with previous month. Visitors from Poland have shown a notable increase compared with both corresponding and previous months. Visitors from Israel has increased almost seven times compared with corresponding month in 2016. Other performances are shown in Table 8.

The total of **532,487** bed-spaces was available in June 2017. Out of these bed-spaces, an estimate of **186,197** hotel-beds were sold during that month representing a bed occupancy rate of **35.0** percent.(Table 10).

		June 2016		м	ay 2017			June 2017		% Change,	% Change,
Nationality	Number	% share	Rank	Number	% share	Rank	Number	% share	Rank	June 2017 to May 2017	June 2017 to June 2016
EUROPE											
Scandinavian	447	2.85	9	447	2.8	9	1,137	4.8	5	70	15
British	1,603	10.21	3	1,603	10.2	3	2,567	10.9	2	53	41
German	1,672	10.65	1	1,672	10.7	1	3,073	13.1	1	43	-6
Italian	194	1.24	18	194	1.2	18	634	2.7	12	99	43
French	711	4.53	6	711	4.5	6	885	3.8	7	25	27
Dutch	444	2.83	10	444	2.8	10	701	3.0	8	42	14
Belgium	287	1.83	14	287	1.8	14	260	1.1	17	-13	20
Russian	259	1.65	15	259	1.7	15	206	0.9	21	-19	-27
Turkish	132	0.84	21	132	0.8	21	225	1.0	20	74	80
Polish	207	1.32	16	207	1.3	16	483	2.1	14	90	58
Ukrainian	168	1.07	20	168	1.1	20	232	1.0	18	18	-36
Czech Republic	171	1.09	19	171	1.1	19	227	1.0	19	50	101
Spanish	399	2.54	11	399	2.5	11	649	2.8	11	43	10
Other European	907	5.78		907	5.8		1,683	7.2		48	4
Subtotal	7,601	48.43		7,601	48.4		12,962	55.3		47	13
SIA											
Japanese	62	0.40	22	62	0.4	22	66	0.3	23	3	-44
Chinese	366	2.33	12	366	2.3	12	449	1.9	15	18	-3
Indian	675	4.30	8	675	4.3	8	669	2.9	10	-1	17
Israeli	817	5.21	5	817	5.2	5	901	3.8	6	18	94
Other Asian	948	6.04		948	6.0		1,160	4.9		31	68
Subtotal	2,868	18.27		2,868	18.3		3,245	13.8		16	41
FRICA											
Kenyan	700	4.46	7	700	4.5	7	700	3.0	9	0	24
South African	1,655	10.54	2	1,655	10.5	2	1,976	8.4	4	13	-20
Other African	847	5.40		847	5.4		841	3.6		-1	19
Subtotal	3,202	20.40		3,202	20.4		3,517	15.0		8	-6
MERICA											
American	1,278	8.14	4	1,278	8.1	4	2,286	9.7	3	49	12
Canadian	315	2.01	13	315	2.0	13	503	2.1	13	43	14
Other American	156	0.99		156	1.0		354	1.5		87	55
Subtotal	1,749	11.14		1,749	11.1		3,143	13.4		51	16
DCEANIA											
Australian	199	1.27	17	199	1.3	17	427	1.8	16	95	78
New Zealand	48	0.31	23	48	0.3	23	121	0.5	22	74	22
Subtotal	247	1.57		247	1.6		548	2.3		89	62
Not stated	29	0.18		29	0.2		43	0.2		35	8
TOTAL	15,696	100.00		15,696	100.0		23,458	100.0		38	14

Table1: International Visitors by Nationality, June 2017

Nationality		Airport		Seaport			
Nationality	International Flight	Domestic Flight	Total	Cruise Ship	Sea ferries	Total	
UROPE							
Scandinavian	465	383	848	-	289	289	
British	1626	541	2,167	-	400	400	
German	2062	697	2,759	-	314	314	
Italian	433	83	516	-	118	118	
French	447	259	706	-	179	179	
Dutch	376	191	567	-	134	134	
Belgium	100	98	198	-	62	62	
Russian	103	40	143	-	63	63	
Turkish	113	52	165	-	60	60	
Polish	376	51	427	-	56	56	
Ukrainian	203	14	217	-	15	15	
Czech Republic	146	21	167	-	60	60	
Spanish	297	306	603	-	46	46	
Other Europeans	1059	380	1,439	-	244	244	
Subtotal	7,806	3,116	10,922	-	2,040	2,040	
ASIA							
Japanese	20	12	32	-	34	34	
Chinese	127	157	284	-	165	165	
Indian	254	134	388	-	281	281	
Israeli	846	31	877	-	24	24	
Other Asians	685	155	840	-	320	320	
Subtotal	1,932	489	2,421		824	824	
AFRICA							
Kenyan	474	15	489	-	211	211	
South African	1662	144	1,806	-	170	170	
Other Africans	399	95	494	-	347	347	
Subtotal	2,535	254	2,789	-	728	728	
AMERICA							
American	630	965	1,595	-	691	691	
Canadian	166	190	356	-	147	147	
Other Americans	119	141	260	-	94	94	
Subtotal	915	1,296	2,211	-	932	932	
OCEANIA							
Australian	100	173	273	-	154	154	
New Zealand	13	62	75	-	46	46	
Subtotal	113	235	348	-	200	200	
Not stated	19	2	21	-	22	22	
TOTAL	13,320	5,392	18,712		4,746	4,746	

Table 2: International Visitors by Nationality through entry points, June 2017

	Januar	y-June 2016				January-June 2017	,		% Change, Jan-
Nationality	Number	% share	Rank	Number (Airport)	Number (Seaport)	Total Number	% Share	Rank	June 2016 to Jan- June 2017
EUROPE									
Scandinavian	9,744	6.77	3	7,189	2,386	9,575	5.61	6	-1.73
British	9,530	6.62	4	11,031	2,280	13,311	7.80	3	39.67
German	16,781	11.67	2	14,177	2,311	16,488	9.67	2	-1.75
Italian	19,463	13.53	1	20,958	601	21,559	12.64	1	10.77
French	7,487	5.20	7	7,334	1,076	8,410	4.93	8	12.33
Dutch	5,114	3.56	8	4,746	880	5,626	3.30	10	10.01
Belgium	1,884	1.31	19	2,230	319	2,549	1.49	18	35.30
Russian	2,216	1.54	18	2,169	369	2,538	1.49	19	14.53
Turkish	929	0.65	21	909	286	1,195	0.70	21	28.63
Polish	3,220	2.24	12	6,302	535	6,837	4.01	9	112.33
Ukrainian	3,523	2.45	11	3,026	179	3,205	1.88	13	-9.03
Czech Republic	2,241	1.56	17	3,100	230	3,330	1.95	12	48.59
Spanish	2,353	1.64	16	2,202	357	2,559	1.50	17	8.75
Other European	10,184	7.08		11,270	1,749	13,019	7.63		27.84
Subtotal	94,669	65.81		96,643	13,558	110,201	64.60		16.41
ASIA									
Japanese	639	0.44	22	369	267	636	0.37	22	-0.47
Chinese	2,694	1.87	14	1,612	1,262	2,874	1.68	16	6.68
Indian	2,525	1.76	15	1,527	1,467	2,994	1.76	14	18.57
Israeli	4,865	3.38	9	10,206	135	10,341	6.06	5	112.56
Other Asian	5,320	3.70		4,622	1,683	6,305	3.70		18.52
Subtotal	16,043	11.15		18,336	4,814	23,150	13.57		44.30
AFRICA									
Kenyan	4,222	2.93	10	3,335	1,309	4,644	2.72	11	10.00
South African	9,400	6.53	5	9,624	843	10,467	6.14	4	11.35
Other African	4,431	3.08		3,136	2,313	5,449	3.19		22.97
Subtotal	18,053	12.55		16,095	4,465	20,560	12.05		13.89
AMERICA									
American	8,675	6.03	6	6,169	2,928	9,097	5.33	7	4.86
Canadian	2,864	1.99	13	2,043	928	2,971	1.74	15	3.74
Other American	1,182	0.82		1,339	555	1,894	1.11		60.24
Subtotal	12,721	8.84		9,551	4,411	13,962	8.18		9.76
OCEANIA									
Australian	1,661	1.15	20	1,144	844	1,988	1.17	20	19.69
New Zealand	363	0.25	23	196	170	366	0.21	23	0.83
Subtotal	2,024	1.41		1,340	1,014	2,354	1.38		16.30
Not stated	341	0.24		229	125	354	0.21		3.81
TOTAL	143,851	100.00		142,194	28,387	170,581	100.00		18.58

Table 3: International Visitors by Nationality through entry points, January-June 2017

Nationality	Returning Resident	Prospective Resident	Seeking Employment	Temporary Employment	Visiting Friends and Relatives	Holidays	Business and Conference	In Transit	Others	Total
EUROPE										
Scandinavian	1	0	-	0	15	1,114	1	5	1	1,137
British	2	0	1	0	20	2,538	0	0	6	2,567
German	0	1	-	0	49	3,003	2	0	18	3,073
Italian	0	0	-	0	9	622	0	0	3	634
French	0	0	1	0	25	854	0	0	5	885
Dutch	0	0	-	0	7	692	0	0	2	701
Belgium	0	1	-	0	8	250	0	0	1	260
Russian	0	0	1	0	6	199	0	0	-	206
Turkish	0	0	-	0	6	219	0	0	-	225
Polish	0	0	-	0	4	475	0	0	4	483
Ukrainian	0	0	-	0	4	226	0	0	2	232
Czech Republic	0	0	-	0	1	226	0	0	-	227
Spanish	0	0	-	0	38	608	0	0	3	649
Other Europeans	0	1	-	0	29	1,651	0	0	2	1,683
Subtotal	3	3	3	-	221	12,677	3	5	47	12,962
ASIA									-	
Japanese	0	0	-	0	1	64	0	0	1	66
Chinese	0	0	-	0	26	413	0	0	10	449
Indian	0	1	-	0	12	655	0	0	1	669
Israeli	0	0	-	0	5	896	0	0	-	901
Other Asians	0	0	-	0	38	1,114	0	0	8	1,160
Subtotal	-	1	-	-	82	3,142	-	-	20	3,245
AFRICA									-	
Kenyan	0	0	-	0	4	694	1	0	1	700
South African	0	1	2	0	16	1,953	0	0	4	1,976
Other Africans	0	0	-	0	14	823	3	0	1	841
Subtotal	-	1	2	-	34	3,470	4	-	6	3,517
AMERICA		-						-	-	
American	1	2	-	0	57	2,217	0	0	9	2,286
Canadian	0	0	-	0	11	490	0	1	1	503
Other Americans	0	0	-	0	9	341	0	0	4	354
Subtotal	1	2	•	•	77	3,048	-	1	14	3,143
OCEANIA	0	^		^	0	400	^	0	-	407
Australian	0	0	-	0	6	420	0	0	1	427
New Zealand	0	0	-	0	3	117	0	0	1	121
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	9	537	-	-	2	548
Not stated	0	0	•	0	0	39	0	0	4	43
Total	4	7	5	-	423	22,913	7	6	93	23,458
Total Percent	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	97.7	0.0	0.0	0.4	100.0

Table 4: International Visitors by Nationality and Purpose of Visit, June 2017

Nationality	Male	Female	Total
EUROPE			
Scandinavian	442	695	1,137
British	997	1570	2,567
German	1361	1712	3,073
Italian	271	363	634
French	408	477	885
Dutch	276	425	701
Belgium	119	141	260
Russian	94	112	206
Turkish	117	108	225
Polish	217	266	483
Ukrainian	72	160	232
Czech Republic	91	136	227
Spanish	304	345	649
Other European Country	718	965	1,683
Subtotal	5,487	7,475	12,962
ASIA			
Japanese	33	33	66
Chinese	264	185	449
Indian	397	272	669
Israeli	392	509	901
Other Asian	633	527	1,160
Subtotal	1,719	1,526	3,245
AFRICA			
Kenyan	358	342	700
South African	790	1186	1,976
Other African	429	412	841
Subtotal	1,577	1,940	3,517
AMERICA			
American	892	1394	2,286
Canadian	201	302	503
Other American	168	186	354
Subtotal	1,261	1,882	3,143
OCEANIA			
Australian	186	241	427
New Zealand	55	66	121
Subtotal	241	307	548
Not stated	19	24	43
TOTAL JUNE, 2017	10,304	13,154	23,458
TOTAL MAY, 2017	6,619	9,077	15,696
TOTAL % JUNE	43.9	56.1	100.00
% CHANGE, MAY TO JUNE 2017	55.7	44.9	49.5

Nationality	<15 yrs	15 -64 yrs	65+ yrs	Tota
EUROPE				
Scandinavian	125	957	55	1,13
British	91	2,326	150	2,56
German	81	2,861	131	3,07
Italian	43	565	26	63
French	29	798	58	88
Dutch	23	648	30	70
Belgium	13	224	23	26
Russian	10	191	5	20
Turkish	17	202	6	22
Polish	42	437	4	48
Ukrainian	14	218	-	23
Czech Republic	11	208	8	22
Spanish	24	599	26	64
Other European	48	1,580	55	1,68
Subtotal	571	11,814	577	12,96
ASIA				
Japanese	-	57	9	6
Chinese	9	414	26	44
Indian	61	576	32	66
Israeli	30	799	72	90
Other Asian	93	1,011	56	1,16
Subtotal	193	2,857	195	3,24
AFRICA				
Kenyan	26	653	21	7(
South African	57	1,826	93	1,97
Other African	35	782	24	84
Subtotal	118	3,261	138	3,51
AMERICA				
American	135	1,994	157	2,28
Canadian	16	441	46	50
Other American	18	323	13	35
Subtotal	169	2,758	216	3,14
OCEANIA				
Australian	18	370	39	42
New Zealand	-	91	30	12
Subtotal	18	461	69	54
Not stated	1	39	3	4
TOTAL	1,070	21,190	1,198	23,45
TOTAL PERCENT	4.56	90.33	5.11	100.0

Table 6: International Visitors by Nationality and Categorized Age, June 2017

lateral ed berryt	Nu	mber of Arriva	l .	Percentage	Total Nights			
Intended Length of Stay	Male	Female	Total	Share	Male	Female	Total	
1	194	109	303	1.3	194	109	303	
2	355	312	667	2.8	710	624	1,334	
3	736	830	1,566	6.7	2,208	2,490	4,698	
4	814	1,057	1,871	8.0	3,256	4,228	7,484	
5	938	1,135	2,073	8.8	4,690	5,675	10,365	
6	984	2,270	3,254	13.9	5,904	13,620	19,524	
7	2,851	3,188	6,039	25.7	19,957	22,316	42,273	
8	683	1,037	1,720	7.3	5,464	8,296	13,760	
9	285	382	667	2.8	2,565	3,438	6,003	
10	573	722	1,295	5.5	5,730	7,220	12,950	
11	184	191	375	1.6	2,024	2,101	4,125	
12	232	304	536	2.3	2,784	3,648	6,432	
13	112	160	272	1.2	1,456	2,080	3,536	
14	477	553	1,030	4.4	6,678	7,742	14,420	
15	183	195	378	1.6	2,745	2,925	5,670	
16	83	91	174	0.7	1,328	1,456	2,784	
17	18	31	49	0.2	306	527	833	
18	22	34	56	0.2	396	612	1,008	
19	14	17	31	0.1	266	323	589	
20	50	46	96	0.4	1,000	920	1,920	
21	61	60	121	0.5	1,281	1,260	2,541	
22	8	11	19	0.1	176	242	418	
23	9	8	17	0.1	207	184	391	
24	10	7	17	0.1	240	168	408	
25	6	8	14	0.1	150	200	350	
26	8	7	15	0.1	208	182	390	
27	8	11	19	0.1	216	297	513	
28	13	17	30	0.1	364	476	840	
29	4	1	5	0	116	29	145	
30	124	120	244	1	3,720	3,600	7,320	
31+	265	240	505	2.2	8,215	7,440	15,655	
Total	10,304	13,154	23,458	100	84,554	104,428	188,982	
		Average i	ntended Le	ngth of Stay ¹ _	8.2	7.9	8.1	

Table 7: Intended Length of Stay and Sex of International Visitors in Zanzibar,

June 2017

 $^{^{1}}$ The average length of stay is determined by diving the number of visitor nights by the number of international visitors

Nationality	June 2016	May 2017	June 2017	% Change, June 2016 to June 2017	% Change, May 2017 to June 2017
Russian	281	259	206	-26.7	-20.5
Polish	125	207	483	286.4	133.3
Ukrainian	360	168	232	-35.6	38.1
Chinese	463	366	449	-3.0	22.7
Indian	482	675	669	38.8	-0.9
Israeli	109	817	901	726.6	10.3
Total	1,820	2,492	2,940	61.5	18.0

Table 8: Visitors Arrival from Emerging Markets, June 2017

Source: Zanzibar Commission for Tourism & Department of Immigration Zanzibar

Table 9: Summary of Visitors by Mode of Travel through entry point, June 2017

Category	Airport	Seaport	Total
International flight/ Cruise Ship	13,320	-	13,320
Domestic flights/ Sea ferries	5,392	4,746	10,138
Total	18,712	4,746	23,458

Length of Stay	Number of visitors	Percentage Share	Total Nights
1	297	1.3	297
2	653	2.8	1,306
3	1,474	6.4	4,422
4	1,813	7.9	7,252
5	2,030	8.8	10,150
6	3,207	13.9	19,242
7	5,956	25.9	41,692
8	1,710	7.4	13,680
9	659	2.9	5,931
10	1,277	5.5	12,770
11	367	1.6	4,037
12	532	2.3	6,384
13	271	1.2	3,523
14	1,022	4.4	14,308
15	372	1.6	5,580
16	174	0.8	2,784
17	49	0.2	833
18	56	0.2	1,008
19	31	0.1	589
20	96	0.4	1,920
21	120	0.5	2,520
22	19	0.1	418
23	16	0.1	368
24	17	0.1	408
25	13	0.1	325
26	15	0.1	390
27	15	0.1	405
28	29	0.1	812
29	5	0.0	145
30	242	1.1	7,260
31	498	2.2	15,438
Total	23,035	100.0	186,197
Nun	nber of beds available in	June	532,487
	Bed Occupancy Rate		35.0

Table 10: International Visitors nights and Estimated Bed Occupancy Rate inZanzibar, June 2017

Source: Zanzibar Commission for Tourism & Department of Immigration Zanzibar

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