Monthly Bulletin

July 2013 in Review







CENTRAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS ARUBA

JULY 2013 IN REVIEW

Highlights July 2013 in Review

Consumer Prices:

- Year over year inflation down by 2.8 percent
- Period average inflation at -3.1 percent in July 2013
- Price of gasoline fell with Afl. 0.03 per liter in July 2013
- Average price of diesel down by Afl. 0.02 in July 2013
- WTI crude oil price reached \$104.67 per barrel
- Brent (Europe) crude oil price at \$107.93 per barrel

Utilities:

- Total average water distribution up by 9.0 percent
- Average electricity distribution down by 7.3 percent

Foreign Trade:

- Import of goods up by 3.3 percent in July 2013
- Value of export up by 14.1 percent in July 2013

Tourism:

- Total stayover visitors rose by 8.7 percent in July 2013
- U.S. visitors up by 8.9 percent in July 2013
- Visitors from Venezuela rose by 20.9 percent
- Cruise passengers up by 111.0 percent in July 2013

Airport and Passenger Traffic:

- Commercial landings up by 3.3 percent in July 2013
- Airport visitor arrivals up by 8.9 percent in July 2013

Monthly Economic Indicators

	% Ch	ange
July 2013	Last	Last
	Month	Year
Consumer prices		
Total index	-0.1	-2.8
Utilities		
Water consumption	10.2	9.0
Electricity distribution	3.0	-7.3
Foreign trade		
Import	5.5	3.3
Export	26.1	14.1
Export	20.1	
Government		
Total tax revenue	n.a.	n.a.
Tourism		
Total stayover visitors	13.9	8.7
USA	5.9	8.9
Canada	27.3	-4.8
Venezuela	25.6	20.9
Colombia	-36.4	1.2
Netherlands	28.4	-3.6
Cruise passenger arrivals	37.3	111.0
Airport & passenger traffic		
Commercial landings	3.3	3.3
Arrival visitors	14.1	8.9

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba







Table of Contents

Consumer Price Index	5
International aspects	6
Utilities	7
Water distribution	8
Electricity distribution	9
Foreign Trade	10
Tourism	11
Corresponding Tables	





1.1 Consumer Price Index



WOITH	2010	2011	2012	2013
Consumer price inde	x			
April	114.8	118.8	121.9	117.6
May	115.0	120.1	121.8	117.2
June	114.5	120.1	121.2	117.4
July	114.6	120.3	120.7	117.4
Consumer price inde	x monthly %-	change		
April	0.4	2.5	0.1	0.0
May	0.2	1.1	-0.1	-0.4
June	-0.4	0.0	-0.5	0.2
July	0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.1
Consumer price inde	x annual %-c	hange		
April	5.1	3.5	2.6	-3.5
May	4.7	4.4	1.4	-3.8
June	1.8	4.9	0.9	-3.1
July	-0.1	5.0	0.4	-2.8
Consumer price inde	x period aver	age		
April	0.6	0.8	5.4	-2.1
May	1.3	0.8	5.2	-2.5
June	1.7	1.1	4.8	-2.8
July	1.9	1.5	4.4	-3.1



Key points

In July 2013, the total consumer price index decreased by 0.1 percent compared to the previous month. With the exception of Recreation & culture (+1.0%), Health (+0.2%), Communications (+0.2%), Restaurants & hotels (+0.1%). Housina (+0.1%) and Miscellaneous goods & services (+0.1%), price decreases were recorded for the sectors Food & non-alcoholic beverages (-0.8%), Household operation (-0.8%), Clothing & footwear (-0.3%), Transport (-0.2%) and Alcoholic beverages & tobacco (-0.1%). At the end of July 2013, the twelve-month average rate of inflation was at -3.1 percent, down from 4.4 percent recorded at the end of July 2012.

On a yearly basis, consumer prices fell with 2.8 percent in July 2013. Major price decreases were recorded in the following sectors:

1. <u>Housing</u>; In July 2013, average prices in the Housing sector fell with 10.3 percent compared to July 2012, particularly as a result of decreases in the prices of Electricity, gas & other fuels (-15.3%) and Water supply & misc. services related to dwellings (-27.0%).

2. <u>Clothing</u> <u>&</u> <u>footwear</u>; Compared to July 2012, prices of Clothing & footwear decreased by 8.0 percent in July 2013, mainly as a result of decreases in the average prices of Clothing (-8.2%) and Footwear (-5.8%).

3. <u>Household operation</u>; Average prices in the Household operation sector fell with 1.4 percent in July 2013. Lower prices were recorded for Furniture, furnishings, carpets & other floor coverings (-6.6%), Household textiles (-9.9%), Household appliances (-3.6%) and Glassware, tableware & household utensils (-5.2%).

Related statistics in this bulletin

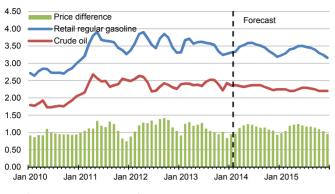
- 1.2 International aspects
- 2.1 Utilities
- Corresponding tables

- Consumer price index
- Economic profile
- Statistical yearbook

1.2 International aspects



U.S. Gasoline and Crude Oil Prices dollars per gallon



Crude oil price is composite refiner acquisition cost. Retail prices include state

Source: Short-Term Energy Outlook, October 2013

Month	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13		
Consumer price index m	onthly %-	change				
United States	-0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0		
Netherlands	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.8		
Curacao	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.8		
Aruba	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1		
Aluba	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1		
Gasoline, diesel and world crude oil prices United States						
Gasoline (\$/gal)	3.57	3.61	3.63	3.59		
Diesel (\$/gal)	3.93	3.87	3.85	3.87		
Crude oil (\$/barrel)						
WTI - Cushing, Okl	92.02	94.51	95.77	104.67		
Brent, Europe	102.25	102.56	102.92	107.93		

-0.6

-0.5

-0.1

-0.2

Export price monthly %-change

USA

Average Heavy Fuel Oil price in \$

Key points

The average WTI crude oil price reached \$104.67 per barrel in July 2013, which is \$8.90 per barrel higher then the previous month. The Brent (Europe) crude oil rose by \$5.01 per barrel, reaching \$107.93 per barrel in July 2013.

Month	Period	Tourists	%-Ch
Latest tourist arrivals	2013		
Anguilla	Jan-Aug	51,300	6.6
Antigua & Barbuda	Jan-Jul	149,464	-5.4
Aruba	Jan-Aug	641,358	5.9
Bahamas	Jan-Jun	730,988	-7.3
Belize	Jan-Aug	215,234	8.7
Barbados	Jan-Aug	352,895	-6.7
Cayman Islands	Jan-Jul	226,291	5.9
Cuba	Jan-Aug	1,994,392	-1.3
Curacao	Jan-Jul	250,601	5.3
Dominican Republic*	Jan-Aug	3,307,568	1.4
Jamaica	Jan-Jul	1,264,940	-1.3
Martinique	Jan-Jul	310,874	1.0
U.S. Virgin Islands	Jan-Aug	517,149	-5.5
St. Maarten	Jan-Jun	258,464	1.4
British Virgin Islands	Jan-Jul	252,410	4.0

Related statistics in this bulletin

- 1.1 Consumer price index
- 2.1 Utilities
- 5 Tourism
- Corresponding tables

Related statistics publications

- Consumer price index
- Economic profile

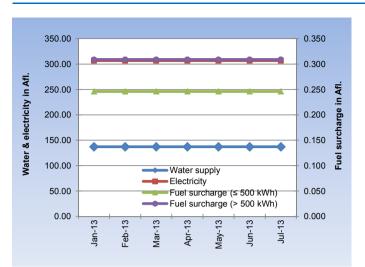
Source: Energy Information Administration, Bureau of labor statistics, Caribbean Tourism Organization

^{*} Non-Resident Air Arrivals

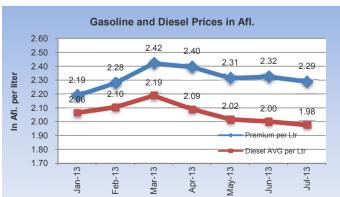
^{**} Non-Resident Hotel registrations only

2.1 Utilities





	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13
Utility prices in Afl.				
Electricity	306.75	306.75	306.75	306.75
Gasoline	2.40	2.31	2.32	2.29
Water	137.05		137.05	137.05
Diesel	2.09	2.02	2.00	1.98
Fuel surcharge (≤ 500kWh)	0.246	0.246	0.246	0.246
Fuel surcharge (> 500kWh)	0.309	0.309	0.309	0.309
Utility prices monthly %-	-change			
Electricity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Gasoline	-1.0	-3.4	0.4	-1.5
Water	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Diesel	-4.5	-3.5	-0.7	-1.2
Fuel surcharge (≤ 500kWh)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fuel surcharge (> 500kWh)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Utility prices annual %-c	hange			
Electricity	-15.6	-15.6	-15.6	-15.6
Gasoline	-5.1	-8.3	-1.2	2.4
Water	-29.9	-29.9	-29.9	-29.9
Diesel	-4.9	-7.2	-2.2	3.1
Fuel surcharge (≤ 500kWh)	-24.3	-24.3	-24.3	-24.3
Fuel surcharge (> 500kWh)	-19.7	-19.7	-19.7	-19.7



CPI USA: seasonally unadjusted

Key points

In July 2013, the price of gasoline decreased by Afl. 0.03 per liter compared to June 2013, reaching Afl. 2.29 per liter. The average price of diesel fell with Afl. 0.02 per liter, reaching Afl. 1.98 per liter in July 2013. The average prices per household of water and electricity remained unchanged when compared to the previous month.

Prices of utilities in Aruba during August 2013

	Price	Impact
	change	on CPI
Electricity ¹	0.0%	0.00
Gasoline (premium)	4.6%	0.30
Water ²	0.0%	0.00
Diesel	3.3%	0.01
Total impact		0.31
Source: Central Bureau of Statisti	cs Aruba	

Disregarding any other important fluctuations in prices over the month of August 2013, price movement of gasoline and diesel during the month of August 2013 affects the consumer price index of August 2013 by 0.31.

Related statistics in this bulletin

- 2.2 Water and electricity distribution
- Corresponding tables

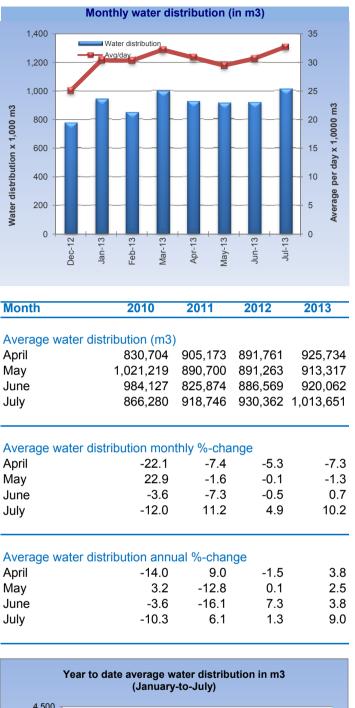
- Consumer price index
- Economic profile
- Statistical yearbook

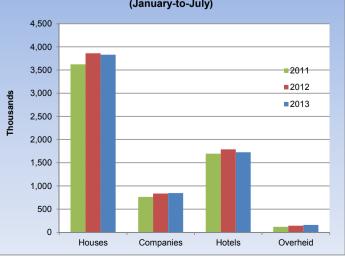
¹ Based on an average electricity consumption of 725.5 kWh per month.

² Based on an average per household



2.2 Water distribution





Key points

In July 2013, the average water distribution in Aruba (houses, companies, hotels, government) increased by 9.0 percent compared to July 2012. Water usage increases has been recorded for all sectors, particularly, Government (+98.7%), Companies (+16.4%), Hotels (+6.7%) and Houses (+5.0%).

In the January-to-July period of 2013, the average water distribution declined by 1.0 percent compared to the similar period of 2012.

Average water distribution (in m³)*

		· ·			
July 2013		% Change since			
		last	last	YTD	
		month	year	% change	
Houses	569,781	5.5	5.0	-0.9	
Companies	133,192	5.1	16.4	1.2	
Hotels	269,784	17.1	6.7	-3.4	
Government	40,894	78.5	98.7	10.7	
Total	1,013,651	10.2	9.0	-1.0	

Source: WEB Aruba N.V., Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

* Calculation of drink water distribution in Aruba (in m3) is based on an average water distribution per month, excluding the distribution to Valero and vessels.

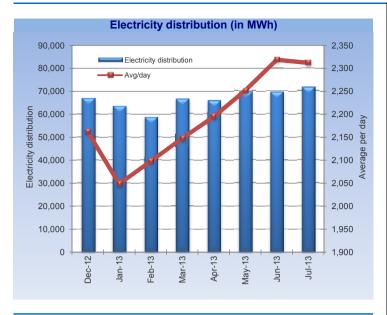
Related statistics in this bulletin

- 2.3 Electricity distribution
- Corresponding tables

- Economic profile
- Statistical yearbook



2.3 Electricity distribution

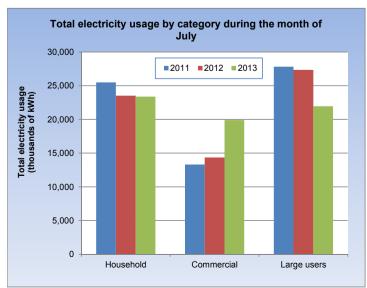


Month	2010	2011	2012	2013
Average electricity	y distribution (MWh	1)		
April	69,741	64,463	64,812	65,850
May	73,399	71,077	71,265	69,799
June	73,140	71,641	66,234	69,560
Julv	74.979	72.734	77.300	71.671

Average electricity distribution monthly %-change

-18	0.0	74	-1.1
5.2	10.3	10.0	6.0
-0.4	0.8	-7.1	-0.3
2.5	1.5	16.7	3.0
	-0.4	5.2 10.3 -0.4 0.8	5.2 10.3 10.0 -0.4 0.8 -7.1

Average electricity distribut	tion annual	%-change	e	
April	6.9	-7.6	0.5	1.6
Мау	6.5	-3.2	0.3	-2.1
June	6.1	-2.0	-7.5	5.0
July	5.3	-3.0	6.3	-7.3



Key points

In July 2013, electricity in MWh supplied to Elmar fell with 7.3 percent compared to July 2012, in contrast to an increase of 6.3 percent recorded during the similar period one year earlier.

Electricity Consumption (MWh)

	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13
Household	23,674	24,669	23,374
Usage per connection	597.0	620.9	587.3
Commercial	18,801	18,540	19,903
Large users	21,409	20,984	21,951
Streetlights	348	349	349
Signage	109	104	105
Churches, schools, etc.	1,156	1,178	970
Total	65,497	65,824	66,651

Electricity Generation (MWh)

Year	Valero	Windpark
2011	2,260	76,526
2012	1,725	89,072
2013	2,165	98,283

January-to-July period

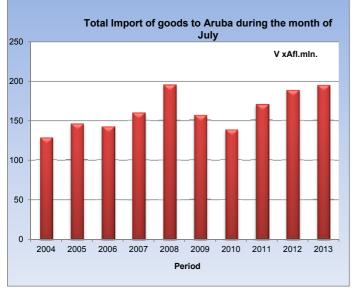
Related statistics in this bulletin

- 2.2 Water distribution
- Corresponding tables

- Economic profile
- Statistical yearbook

3 Foreign trade





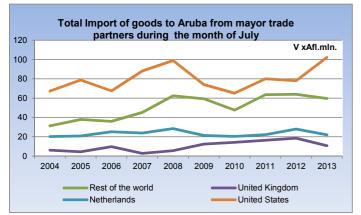
	Vx1,000	Monthly	Yearly	YTD
July 2013	Afl.	% Ch	% Ch	% Ch

Total import of goods to Aruba by commodity group

1. Agriculture products	58,574	-19.3	-11.2	9.1
2. Mineral chemical and				
related products	39,331	17.9	6.3	-6.0
3. Textiles, pearls and				
precious stones	15,572	1.2	8.9	10.4
4. Metal products, machinery				
and equipment	39,929	15.4	-2.3	-3.8
5. Other transportable goods	41,312	44.3	36.0	18.0
Total Import	194,718	5.5	3.3	4.4

Total export of goods from Aruba by commodity group

1. Agriculture products	19,283	23.1	-7.0	0.8
2. Mineral chemical and				
related products	1,285	53.2	306.8	121.4
3. Textiles, pearls and				
precious stones	1,436	-67.8	1.8	50.7
4. Metal products, machinery				
and equipment	1,676	-17.4	11.7	-1.8
5. Other transportable goods	6,751	498.0	148.9	49.1
Total Export	30,431	26.1	14.1	10.2



Key points

In July 2013, the total import of merchandise to Aruba increased by 3.3 percent compared to July 2012. With the exception of Agriculture products (-11.2%) and Metal products, machinery & equipment (-2.3%), import increases were recorded for Other transportable goods (+36.0%), Textiles, pearls & precious stones (+8.9%) and Mineral, chemical & related products (+6.3%).

In the January-to-July period of 2013, the total import of goods to Aruba expanded by 4.4 percent compared to the similar period of 2012.

Compared to July 2012, the total exports of goods from Aruba increased by 14.1 percent in July 2013. With the exception of Agriculture products (-7.0%), export increases have been recorded for all commodity groups, particularly, Mineral, chemical & related products (+306.8%), Other transportable goods (+148.9%), Metal products, machinery & equipment (+11.7%) and Textiles, pearls & precious stones (+1.8%).

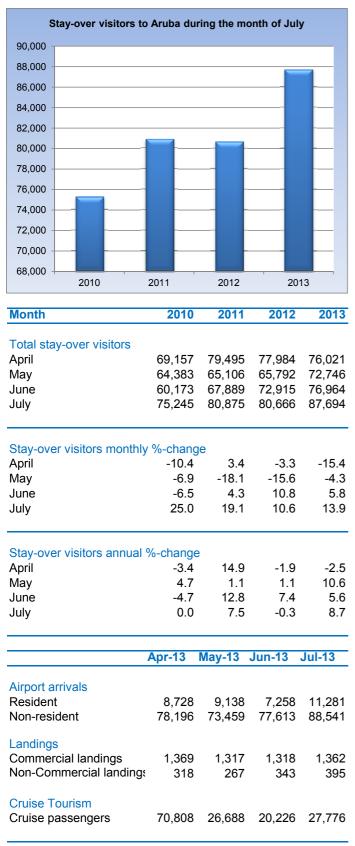
In the January-to-July period of 2013, total export of goods from Aruba rose by 10.2 percent compared to the similar period of 2012.

Related statistics in this bulletin

Corresponding tables

- Foreign Trade Statistics
- Economic profile
- Statistical yearbook

4 Tourism





July 2013		% Change since			
		last	last	YTD	
		month	year	% change	
Total stay over visitors	87,694	13.9	8.7	6.0	
USA	52,262	5.9	8.9	4.1	
Canada	2,534	27.3	-4.8	-1.1	
Venezuela	13,061	25.6	20.9	20.7	
Colombia	1,583	-36.4	1.2	10.0	
Brazil	2,591	64.1	9.8	3.3	
Argentina	1,643	37.6	12.2	26.2	
Netherlands	3,763	28.4	-3.6	-5.5	
Curacao	2,897	60.7	19.4	-3.4	
Other	7.360	40.7	-1.7	9.5	

Source: Aruba Tourism Authority

Key points

In July 2013, the total number of stay-over visitors to Aruba increased by 8.7 percent compared to July 2012. Increases were recorded for visitors from the US (+8.9%), Venezuela (+20.9%) and Curacao (+19.4%).

Year to date

In the January-to-July period of 2013, the total number of visitors to Aruba rose by 6.0 percent compared to the similar period of 2012. In addition, the number of cruise passengers is running 17.1 percent above the level recorded during the similar period of 2012.

The share of the US market fell from 63.2 percent in July 2012 to 62.1 percent in July 2013. The Venezuelan market, the second largest market, recorded a market share of 13.5 percent in July 2013, up from 11.8 percent recorded in July 2012.

Related statistics in this bulletin

Corresponding tables

- Tourist profile
- Economic profile
- Statistical yearbook



CORRESPONDING TABLES

Consumer Price Index					YTD ¹	YTD	Monthly	Yearly
(Dec 2006=100)	Jun '12	Jul '12	Jun '13	Jul '13	2012	2013	% change	% change
Sector					in 🤅	6		
Food & non-alcoholic beverages	141.3	141.4	141.8	140.7	-0.2	-0.7	-0.8	-0.5
Alcoholic beverages & tobacco	126.8	127.5	138.8	138.7	2.4	8.5	-0.1	8.8
Clothing & footwear	104.4	104.0	96.0	95.7	-4.5	-2.9	-0.3	-8.0
Housing	145.6	145.6	130.4	130.6	0.0	0.4	0.1	-10.3
Household operation	100.9	100.1	99.4	98.7	-3.1	-1.0	-0.8	-1.4
Health	93.1	93.7	93.7	93.8	2.7	-0.6	0.2	0.1
Transport	118.6	116.2	120.2	119.9	0.3	1.9	-0.2	3.2
Communications	86.6	86.6	86.8	87.0	-0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5
Recreation & culture	112.2	111.8	113.6	114.8	-3.0	1.7	1.0	2.7
Education	116.5	116.6	116.6	116.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants & hotels	124.1	124.3	125.8	126.0	3.2	1.1	0.1	1.3
Miscellaneous goods & services	99.7	99.6	100.5	100.6	-0.5	0.3	0.1	1.0
Total Index	121.2	120.7	117.4	117.4	-0.5	0.4	-0.1	-2.8
Fuel Surcharge per kWh in Afl. (≤ 500 kWh)	0.32	0.32	0.25	0.25	0.0	0.0	0.0	-24.3
Fuel Surcharge per kWh in Afl. (> 500 kWh)	0.38	0.38	0.31	0.31	0.0	0.0	0.0	-19.7
Electricity (in Afl.) ²	363.27	363.27	306.75	306.75	0.0	0.0	0.0	-15.6
Aruba Gasoline (in Afl. per Itr)	2.35	2.24	2.32	2.29	2.1	4.0	-1.5	2.4
Water (in Afl.) ³	195.47	195.47	137.05	137.05	0.0	0.0	0.0	-29.9
Aruba Diesel (in Afl. per ltr)	2.05	1.92	2.00	1.98	-8.8	-4.8	-1.2	3.1
US Gasoline (in \$ per ltr)	0.93	0.91	0.96	0.95	5.3	8.5	-1.0	4.4
US Diesel (in \$ per ltr)	0.99	0.98	1.02	1.02	-3.6	-2.4	0.4	3.9
Crude Oil (in \$ per barrel) ⁴								
WTI - Cushing, Oklahoma	82.30	87.90	95.77	104.67	-10.8	19.1	9.3	19.1
Brent, Europe	95.16	102.62	102.92	107.93	-4.9	-1.4	4.9	5.2
Utilities					YTD ¹	YTD	Monthly	Yearly
otintios	Jun '12	Jul '12	Jun '13	Jul '13	2012	2013	% change	
Electricity supplied to Elmar								
for distribution (in MWh)								
Total average	66,234	77,300	69,560	71,671	464,815	465,709	3.0	-7.3
Water consumption (in m3)								
Houses	527,015	542,568	540,024	569,781	3,862,827	3,828,816	5.5	5.0
Companies	112,387	114,443	126,712	133,192	836,735	847,112	5.1	16.4
Hotels	227,505	252,770	230,416	269,784	1,788,374	1,727,657	17.1	6.7
Government	19,662	20,581	22,909	40,894	143,067	158,352	78.5	98.7

¹⁾ YTD (Year to date) refers to the period of January 1st of the current year to the month under review.

886,569

930,362

920,062 1,013,651

6,631,003

6,561,938

10.2

9.0

 $^{\rm 2)}\,$ Based on an average use of 725.5 kWh

Total average

- ³⁾ Based on an average per household
- ⁴⁾ Unweighted average of daily closing spot prices
- Sources: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba, WEB Aruba N.V.



CORRESPONDING TABLES

Foreign Trade in Merchandise					YTD ¹	YTD	Monthly	Yearly
(*1,000 Afl.)	Jun '12	Jul '12	Jun '13	Jul '13	2012	2013	% change	% change
Importe of goode by commedity group								
Imports of goods by commodity group	E7 061	65 022	70 610	E0 E74	411 602	440.004	10.2	11.0
Agriculture products Mineral chemical and related products	57,961	65,932	72,613	58,574	411,693	449,024	-19.3 17.9	
•	35,120	36,990	33,363	39,331 15,572	265,070	249,119	17.9	6.3
Textiles, pearls and precious stones	12,767	14,303	15,391	15,572	115,478	127,528	1.2	
Metal products, machinery and equipment	34,926	40,857	34,614	39,929	283,360	272,473		
Other transportable goods Total Import	29,586 170,360	30,371 188,453	28,636 184,617	41,312 194,718	182,728 1,258,329	215,647 1,313,790	44.3 5.5	
-								
Exports of goods by commodity group	44.004	00 704	45.000	40.000	440 774	400 774	00.4	7.0
Agriculture products	14,994	20,734	15,669	19,283	119,771	120,774	23.1	-7.0
Mineral chemical and related products	976	316	839	1,285	4,230	9,365	53.2	
Textiles, pearls and precious stones	1,932	1,411	4,461	1,436	11,530	17,376	-67.8	
Metal products, machinery and equipment	1,130	1,501	2,029	1,676	14,867	14,594	-17.4	
Other transportable goods	1,670	2,712	1,129	6,751	9,308	13,878	498.0	
Total Export	20,702	26,674	24,127	30,431	159,706	175,987	26.1	14.1
Tourism					YTD ¹	YTD	Monthly	Yearly
	Jun '12	Jul '12	Jun '13	Jul '13	2012	2013	% change	% change
Total stay over visitors	72,915	80,666	76,964	87,694	522,007	553,069	13.9	8.7
USA	45,350	47,994	49,344	52,262	329,982	343,432	5.9	
Canada	1,969	2,663	1,991	2,534	27,946	27,649	27.3	
Venezuela	9,004	10,800	10,401	13,061	61,845	74,639	25.6	
Colombia	2,316	1,565	2,490	1,583	9,464	10,409	-36.4	
Brazil	1,484	2,360	1,579	2,591	11,899	12,297	64.1	9.8
Argentina	944	1,465	1,194	1,643	7,642	9,645	37.6	
Netherlands	2,959	3,903	2,930	3,763	23,572	22,275	28.4	
Curacao	2,252	2,426	1,803	2,897	12,828	12,392	60.7	
Bonaire	343	575	355	627	2,443	2,578	76.6	
Other	6,294	6,915	4,877	6,733	34,386	37,753	38.1	-2.6
Airport Traffia								
Airport Traffic Total landings	1,507	1,756	1,661	1,757	11,748	12,141	5.8	0.1
Commercial landings	1,153	1,318	1,318	1,362	8,790	9,326	3.3	
Non-commercial landings	354	438	343	395	2,958	2,815	15.2	
Passanger Troffie								
Passenger Traffic Total arrivals	20 004	02 479	84,871	00 000	500 504	617 106	47.6	7.0
	80,901	92,478		99,822	588,521	617,186	17.6	
Arrival locals	6,942 73,959	11,206 81,272	7,258 77,613	11,281	54,932	56,525 560,661	55.4	
Arrival visitors	73,959	81,272	11,013	88,541	533,589	500,00 I	14.1	8.9
Cruise tourism					YTD ¹	YTD	Monthly	Yearly
	Jun '12	Jul '12	Jun '13	Jul '13	2012	2013	% change	% change
Cruise passengers	8,406	13,162	20,226	27,776	373,363	437,157	37.3	111.0
Cruise calls	3	6	12	15	182	228	25.0	
Crew members	2,804	4,729	8,232	10,399	147,525	175,861	26.3	
	2,004	7,129	0,202	10,555	171,525	175,001	20.3	119.9

¹⁾ YTD (Year to date) refers to the period of January 1st of the current year to the month under review. This period is compared to the same period of the previous year. ²⁾ AZV and AOV/AWW are not included.

Sources: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba, Customs Aruba, I.A.S.A., Aruba Tourism Authority.