

## Quality declaration – Travel agencies

0 General information on statistical product		
0.1	Name	Travel agencies
0.2	Subject area	Tourism
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0.4	Purpose and History	To provide users with updated information on the main indicators on tourism received from the travel agencies, on tourism services for use in the preparation of the balance of payments, as well as general tourism volumes.
0.5	Users and Application	The main users of statistical information are the state government and local self-government bodies, public, scientific-educational, financial organizations, business society, mass media, international organizations, etc.  Indicators collected from the travel agencies are applied for the purpose of strategy development in the mentioned field, solutions of strategic tasks, analysis of tourism, business environment analysis, reveal of social development trends and other purposes.
0.6	Information Sources	The main source of indicator compilation is the data collected from the quarterly statistical reports submitted by legal persons.
0.7	Legal Authority to Collect Data	The data are collected based on the Law on "Official Statistics" and "Five Year Statistical Program", as well as the Resolution No. 05-N of RA State Council on Statistics "On Approval of the Procedure for the collection of statistical data" dated 20 June 2016 and Resolution "On Approval of Annual Statistical

		Program”.
0.8	Response Burden (Primary information providers)	The response burden is not measured.
<b>1 Content</b>		
1.1	Description of content	Travel agencies include data on those who have left the country and expenditure on tourism reflected by the financial aggregated indicators.
1.2	Statistical concepts	<p>Travel agencies are organizations which function on the RA territory and provide tourism services to individuals or groups organizing their trips to foreign countries.</p> <p>The countries visited as well as the purpose of the visit are listed:</p> <p><b>on business</b> (to mount equipment, sign contracts, to participate in meetings, lectures, sport activities, congress, exhibitions, fairs , concerts, as well as on missions, such as diplomatic missions, military actions, with the exception of the cases when the person’s visit is related to his permanent work in that country.</p> <p><b>for treatment (health) purposes</b> (visit to resorts, rest houses and other health institutions for health improvement).</p> <p><b>for education purposes</b> (training or participation in special courses)</p> <p><b>for rest or entertainment</b> (rest, sightseeing, sport events, cultural events, shopping, etc.).</p> <p><b>other</b> (visiting relatives, religious events, etc.).</p>
<b>2 Time</b>		
2.1	Reference period	Quarterly
2.2	Date of publication	Data received from the travel agencies are published on the 60 <sup>th</sup> day following the reference period.
2.3	Punctuality	Data is published in accordance with the schedule of publications according to annual programs and no delay from the scheduled date has been reported.
2.4	Frequency	Quarterly

<b>3 Accuracy</b>		
3.1	Overall Accuracy	<p>There are no specific quantitative evaluations related to the overall accuracy.</p> <p>The observation is mainly based on exhaustive surveys of legal persons. The coverage of the economic entities in the survey and mandatory provision of statistical information by them is stipulated in the legal documents regulating the statistics sphere.</p> <p>The response rate is about 98%.</p>
3.2	Sources of Inaccuracy	<p>The data collection is carried out based on the list of travel agencies received from the RA Ministry of Economy; moreover the information is collected exhaustively on a quarterly basis.</p> <p>Data submitted later than the defined date is included in cumulative data submitted in the next publication.</p>
3.3	Measures on accuracy/ Measurability	<p>Accuracy checks of the data submitted by the organizations in the reference period of the current year are carried out by comparing them with the relevant data submitted for the same period of the previous year.</p>
<b>4 Comparability</b>		
4.1	Comparability over Time	Not available.
4.2	Comparability with Other Statistics	Not available.
4.3	Coherence between Provisional and Final Statistics	<p>Published data is qualified as final. Reports submitted by economic entities later than the defined date are included in the cumulative data of the next quarter.</p>
<b>5 Accessibility</b>		
5.1	Forms of Dissemination	<p><b>Publications</b></p> <p><b>Quarterly publications</b></p> <p>“Social-Economic Situation of the Republic of Armenia” monthly informational report (Armenian and Russian).</p>

		<p><b>Databases</b></p> <p><a href="http://armstatbank.am/pxweb/hy/ArmStatBank/?rxid=602c2fcf-531f-4ed9-b9ad-42a1c546a1b6">http://armstatbank.am/pxweb/hy/ArmStatBank/?rxid=602c2fcf-531f-4ed9-b9ad-42a1c546a1b6</a></p> <p><b>Website:</b></p> <p>Electronic versions of publications are available in Armenian (full), Russian, English at the following address: <a href="http://www.armstat.am/am/?nid=82">http://www.armstat.am/am/?nid=82</a></p>
5.2	Basic material: Storage and Usability	<p>The statistical reports collected from respondents are kept both in hard copy and electronic forms. Electronic resources include:</p> <p>For legal persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) a code of legal person</li> <li>b) registration number in the State Register</li> <li>c) full name of the legal person</li> <li>d) organizational-legal form</li> <li>e) location of the legal person (postal address), phone number, as well as fax, email on optional basis</li> <li>f) the first and last names of the hotel facility director</li> </ul>
5.3	Documentation	Information is available under the General Statistical Business-Process Model at <a href="https://www.armstat.am/en/?nid=672">https://www.armstat.am/en/?nid=672</a> .
5.4	Other information	More detailed information travel agencies is presented in the Resolution No. 78-N of RA State Council on Statistics dated 30 November, 2018, on approval of RA statistical report Form No. 1-Tourism (quarterly) "International and Domestic Tourism" and instructions for filling it in".
<b>6 Supplementary documentation</b>		
		No supplementary documentation is available.