The Rooms’ Occupancy Index increased recording 122.8 basis points in May 2016 compared to 116.2 basis points recorded in April 2016. This translates into an increase of 5.7 percent m/m and a decline of 0.2 percent y/y.

The Beds’ Occupancy Index increased recording 110.7 basis points during May 2016 compared to 102.3 basis points recorded in April 2016. These are increases of 8.2 percent m/m and 4.3 percent y/y respectively.

The regional and international arrivals index stood at 99.5 basis points in May 2016 compared to 93.8 basis points in April 2016. This represents an increase of 6.1 percent m/m and a decline of 1.4 percent y/y.

The regional and international departures index recorded 108.1 basis points in May 2016 from 100.2 basis points recorded in the preceding month. These represents increases of 7.9 percent m/m and 7.1 percent y/y respectively.
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Methodology

Background: The room and bed occupancy indices and the arrivals and departures indices serves as a proxy to tourism sector, a priority sector under NDP4.

Data sources: Namibia Airports Company and Hospitality Association of Namibia.

Base year: 2010