

STATISTICAL TABLES REAL SECTOR FOURTH QUARTER 2020 Last updated March 9, 2021

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TABLE 1.2A: BUSINESS PERCEPTION RESULTS

Survey questionnaire responses

Business perception index

	Improvemen	nt			No change	÷			Worsening	ţ							
	2020 I	II	III	IV	2020 I	II	III	IV	2020 I	II	III	IV			Current	Short- term	Business perception index
	_								1			-					
A. Current economic conditions	10.0	10.4	9.3	13.9	39.7	16.5	19.4	17.1	50.3	73.1	71.3	69.0	2016		97.1	105.6	102.1
The economic conditions in Aruba	6.3	0.0	1.1	3.8	22.1	5.5	5.3	7.6	71.6	94.5	93.6	88.6	2017		103.2	103.9	103.5
The activities of your business	13.7	3.3	0.0	6.3	28.4	17.6	23.4	17.7	57.9	79.1	76.6	75.9	2018		101.2	100.3	100.8
The investments of your business	17.9	12.1	10.6	13.9	45.3	34.1	36.2	26.6	36.8	53.8	53.2	59.5	2019		99.4	100.2	99.8
The number of employees that work for your company	10.5	26.4	25.5	31.6	56.8	8.8	12.8	16.5	32.6	64.8	61.7	51.9	2020		92.3	104.5	96.8
Terms and conditions for obtaining finance	2.1	2.2	2.1	3.8	63.2	50.5	45.7	45.6	34.7	47.3	52.1	50.6					
													2018	I	102.4	98.8	101.0
B. Expected short-term economic conditions 1)	2.9	17.6	12.5	22.5	25.0	45.1	49.5	59.5	72.1	37.4	38.0	18.0		II	100.5	98.4	99.5
The economic conditions in Aruba	1.1	23.1	11.7	29.1	5.3	18.7	39.4	44.3	93.7	58.2	48.9	26.6		III	100.3	97.0	99.0
The activities of your business	5.3	27.5	16.0	27.8	16.8	44.0	51.1	58.2	77.9	28.6	33.0	13.9		IV	99.1	99.7	99.4
The investments of your business	3.2	13.2	13.8	21.5	30.5	58.2	48.9	60.8	66.3	28.6	37.2	17.7					
The number of employees that work for your company	2.1	6.6	8.5	11.4	47.4	59.3	58.5	74.7	50.5	34.1	33.0	13.9	2019	I	98.6	100.6	99.5
														II	99.4	98.4	98.9
														III	96.4	98.7	97.3
														IV	98.4	96.0	97.4
													2020	I	93.9	90.8	92.2
														II	92.5	96.4	94.0
														III	92.3	94.9	93.3
														IV	93.4	101.1	95.9

¹⁾ During the next 6 months.

Perceived developments of employment, profitability, sales, and average wage costs 1)

	Employment	t						Operatio	nal results				Sales				Average wa	ige costs		
					Profits				Losses				-							
	2020				2020				2020				2020				2020			
	I	П	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
1. no change	56.8	57.1	42.6	50.6	8.4	6.6	7.4	11.4	3.2	2.2	5.3	5.1	14.7	12.1	9.6	12.7	46.3	42.9	39.4	40.5
2. increase of less than 5.1 percent	4.2	5.5	7.4	8.9	5.3	3.3	3.2	3.8	1.1	3.3	4.3	5.1	14.7	3.3	5.3	6.3	26.3	13.2	11.7	13.9
increase between 5.1 and 10.1 percent	4.2	1.1	1.1	1.3	3.2	1.1	2.1	3.8	4.2	3.3	0.0	1.3	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.5	5.3	3.3	5.3	6.3
increase of more than 10.1 percent	2.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	4.2	2.2	2.1	3.8	5.3	13.2	13.8	13.9	6.3	2.2	1.1	0.0	7.4	2.2	5.3	2.5
decrease of less than 5 percent	15.8	11.0	17.0	15.2	9.5	6.6	8.5	6.3	6.3	4.4	3.2	1.3	11.6	11.0	10.6	7.6	7.4	11.0	10.6	12.7
decrease between 5.1 and 10.1 percent	5.3	7.7	16.0	12.7	11.6	3.3	6.4	5.1	0.0	2.2	2.1	1.3	16.8	6.6	10.6	7.6	0.0	7.7	12.8	7.6
decrease of more than 10.1 percent	11.6	16.5	14.9	10.1	31.6	40.7	31.9	30.4	6.3	7.7	9.6	7.6	33.7	62.6	60.6	63.3	7.4	19.8	14.9	16.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	73.7	63.7	61.7	64.6	26.3	36.3	38.3	35.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹⁾ In percentages of all respondents.

TABLE 1.2B: BUSINESS PERCEPTION SURVEY (INDICES BY SELECTIVE SECTORS)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2018				2019				2020			
				•	I	П	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	Ш	IV
1. Index current economic condition	103.2	101.2	99.4	92.3	102.4	100.5	100.3	99.1	98.6	99.4	96.4	98.4	93.9	92.5	92.3	93.
a. Manufacturing (excl. manufacture of refined petroleum products)	96.7	90.0	90.0	95.7	96.7	95.0	90.0	90.0	110.0	96.7	90.0	90.0	102.7	90.0	98.0	92.
b. Electricity, gas and water supply, manufacture of refined petroleum products	110.0	100.0	110.0	91.8	95.0	90.0	95.7	100.0	105.0	90.0	96.7	106.0	90.0	90.0	93.5	94.
c. Construction	100.0	93.3	96.7	92.5	96.7	101.1	97.5	93.3	91.8	91.7	96.7	100.0	93.8	95.0	92.1	92.
d. Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and household goods	98.0	106.0	95.0	91.2	103.3	100.9	102.0	103.3	94.0	96.7	92.9	94.4	92.6	92.0	91.6	92.
e. Hotels and restaurants	102.0	103.3	95.0	91.7	102.0	110.0	103.3	100.0	101.7	101.3	93.3	96.7	92.5	91.4	92.4	93.
f. Transport, storage and communication	107.8	110.0	90.0	91.1	108.0	107.1	107.1	95.7	94.4	95.0	98.9	93.3	93.6	93.3	92.5	93.
g. Financial intermediation	110.0	94.0	102.0	99.1	110.0	100.0	98.9	110.0	100.0	103.3	100.0	106.0	94.1	93.5	93.8	93.
h. Real estate and other business activities	110.0	100.0	100.0	90.9	101.4	90.0	103.3	100.0	95.3	97.7	95.9	98.3	94.3	94.5	90.0	94.0
i. Health, other community and personal service activities	102.0	105.7	106.0	92.5	105.0	104.0	101.4	100.8	110.0	108.5	102.5	94.4	92.2	91.9	91.1	91.
2. Index short-term future economic condition	103.9	100.3	100.2	104.5	98.8	98.4	97.0	99.7	100.6	98.4	98.7	96.0	90.8	96.4	94.9	101.
a. Manufacturing (excl. manufacture of refined petroleum products)	90.0	90.0	96.7	90.0	90.0	90.0	90.0	90.0	90.0	90.0	96.7	90.0	92.2	90.0	90.0	90.
b. Electricity, gas and water supply, manufacture of refined petroleum products	110.0	90.0	106.0	110.0	100.0	94.0	90.0	90.0	110.0	100.0	100.0	110.0	90.0	98.6	94.3	95.0
c. Construction	90.0	90.0	98.6	108.0	90.0	94.0	90.0	90.0	94.0	90.0	98.0	92.9	90.6	93.1	102.0	110.
d. Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and household goods	98.0	102.0	90.0	103.6	90.0	102.0	93.3	103.3	101.4	93.3	96.7	92.2	90.0	95.5	91.4	102.
e. Hotels and restaurants	107.5	90.0	90.0	110.0	100.0	103.3	96.7	90.0	97.7	99.1	90.0	90.0	90.6	97.2	94.3	101.4
f. Transport, storage and communication	107.1	110.0	90.0	100.0	107.1	100.0	92.9	103.3	95.7	90.0	106.0	95.0	90.0	93.8	99.1	102.9
g. Financial intermediation	106.7	96.7	105.6	110.0	100.0	96.7	98.9	100.0	105.6	106.0	100.0	107.5	92.1	95.5	95.9	99.
h. Real estate and other business activities	107.5	110.0	105.6	106.5	110.0	110.0	110.0	105.0	102.0	100.0	101.7	103.3	90.3	96.7	90.0	95.
i. Health, other community and personal service activities	102.0	105.7	106.0	92.5	105.0	104.0	101.4	100.8	110.0	108.5	102.5	94.4	90.0	98.6	91.9	103.
3. Business Perception Index	103.5	100.8	99.8	96.8	101.0	99.5	99.0	99.4	99.5	98.9	97.3	97.4	90.8	94.0	93.3	95.9
a. Manufacturing (excl. manufacture of refined petroleum products)	94.0	90.0	93.3	95.0	94.0	92.5	90.0	90.0	100.0	94.0	92.9	90.0	92.2	90.0	95.0	92.
b. Electricity, gas and water supply, manufacture of refined petroleum products	110.0	90.0	108.0	98.9	97.5	92.0	95.0	90.0	106.0	90.0	99.9	100.7	90.0	93.3	93.9	94.
c. Construction	96.7	92.2	97.4	98.5	94.0	98.6	96.0	92.0	92.5	90.9	97.1	97.8	90.6	94.9	96.5	96.
d. Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and household goods	98.0	104.0	92.5	96.1	100.0	101.4	98.8	103.3	97.1	95.3	94.6	93.3	90.0	93.3	91.5	95.
e. Hotels and restaurants	105.4	100.0	92.9	99.2	101.4	106.7	101.1	96.7	99.6	100.4	92.0	94.0	90.6	93.6	93.1	96.
f. Transport, storage and communication	107.5	110.0	90.0	93.7	107.6	103.3	100.0	99.2	95.0	92.7	101.4	94.0	90.0	93.5	94.6	96.
g. Financial intermediation	108.2	96.2	105.3	101.8	100.8	98.2	98.9	103.3	103.3	104.7	100.0	104.3	92.1	94.3	94.6	96.
h. Real estate and other business activities	108.2	105.0	102.6	97.5	105.4	98.6	106.0	102.5	98.7	98.8	98.3	100.5	90.3	95.4	90.0	94.
i. Health, other community and personal service activities	102.7	105.8	103.0	96.7	100.9	101.0	101.4	102.0	110.0	108.2	102.7	92.5	90.0	94.5	92.4	95.

TABLE 1.3: PARTIAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY INDEX 1) 2000 = 100

	Share in GDP	2009	2010	2011	2012	2010				2011				2012			
Period average	(in percent)					I	П	III	IV	I	П	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Total Index	68.7	-4.8	-0.9	6.1	-0.9	-4.7	-1.5	0.6	2.0	8.0	7.9	6.7	2.0	-2.6	-2.3	-0.7	1.9
a. Utilities	3.4	-0.7	-3.8	4.9	-5.6	-0.8	-3.7	-3.3	-7.5	4.8	2.2	6.0	6.6	-1.2	-6.6	-7.1	-7.4
b. Construction	6.2	-17.5	-18.2	41.4	-5.3	-51.5	-23.0	-2.2	25.7	70.0	35.8	35.2	32.5	-14.2	1.8	-8.8	-0.1
c. Trade	13.7	-19.6	0.1	9.8	-6.1	-3.4	1.3	7.3	-2.6	10.3	21.8	9.7	1.7	-7.0	-10.8	-8.4	0.0
d. Hotels & restaurants	11.1	-1.3	2.7	2.8	5.0	5.7	0.4	0.8	3.4	1.0	6.0	5.8	-1.1	4.0	3.0	5.9	7.2
e. Transport, storage & communication	8.5	0.7	2.3	5.5	0.4	-1.2	2.1	1.5	6.8	9.9	8.7	6.3	-2.2	-0.7	-1.9	1.3	2.9
f. Housing	12.5	2.6	1.8	1.4	3.1	1.7	2.6	1.7	1.5	1.3	0.4	2.0	1.9	2.9	3.4	3.1	2.9
g. Public adm. & education	13.2	0.4	-2.3	-2.0	-5.7	1.9	-2.2	-5.0	-3.6	2.0	0.7	-2.8	-8.0	-11.2	-9.1	-1.2	0.1

¹⁾ Percentage changes compared to the corresponding period a year earlier.

TABLE 1.4: TOURISM

		Total visitor	Total visitors	Visitors by	origin						Diversification Index 1)	Average nights	Average hotel	Cruise tourism	I
		nights		North America	Of which U.S.A.	Latin America	Of which Venezuela	Europe	Of which Nether- lands	Other	- ,	stayed	occupancy rate	Number of passengers	Ship calls
Period		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14
2017		7,966,583	1,070,548	743,017	695,851	202,776	5 96,653	90,871	37,246	33,884	0.44	7.4		792,384	35
2018		8,069,965	1,082,003	792,995	742,107	164,070	50,582	89,745	40,231	35,193	0.48	7.5		815,161	33
2019		8,247,848	1,118,944	890,503	838,288	106,679	14,958	93,304	42,946	28,458	0.57	7.4		832,001	3
2020		2,895,628	368,322	314,939	295,307	16,817	7 1,218	28,201	15,974	8,365	0.65	7.9		255,384	9
2018	I	2,142,065	274,955	214,355	194,294	33,418	3 7,277	19,517	9,640	7,665	0.51	7.8		308,838	1
	II	1,869,480	265,422	199,316	190,616	37,318	3 10,247	19,212	9,633	9,576	0.52	7.0		128,407	
	III	1,984,586	268,937	184,008	176,370	,		26,714	9,884	9,358	0.44	7.4		131,016	
	IV	2,073,834	272,689	195,316	180,827	44,477	15,717	24,302	11,074	8,594	0.45	7.6		246,900	1
2019	I	2,249,443	294,183	237,622	217,942	28,435	6,212	21,796	11,478	6,330	0.56	7.6		292,922	1
	II	1,956,342	281,466	226,240	217,401	27,048	3 2,316	21,200	10,253	6,978	0.60	7.0		142,190	
	III	1,985,634	273,192			,		,	10,004	6,618		7.3		120,413	
	IV	2,056,429	270,103	215,343	199,829	23,033	3,066	23,195	11,211	8,532	0.56	7.6		276,476	1
020	I	1,723,741	228,752	193,148	175,177	14,615	5 1,144	16,605	9,012	4,384	0.60	7.5		255,384	
	II	0	C	0	0	C) (0	0	0	0.00	0.0		0	
	III	376,842	45,038	39,051	38,808	117			2,597	1,558	0.75	8.4		0	
	IV	795,045	94,532	82,740	81,322	2,085	5 38	7,284	4,365	2,423	0.74	8.4		0	

¹⁾ The Diversification Index measures the concentration within the tourist market, and thus demonstrates the degree of diversification by tourist origin countries. The higher the index, the higher the level of concentration, meaning less diversification. For further reference on the methodology (which is an application of a Herfindahl-Hirschman index) see the Quarterly Bulletin (2011-I) of the CBA.

Source: Aruba Tourism Authority; CBS; Aruba Hotel and Tourism Association; Cruise Tourism Authority.

TABLE 1.5: GROWTH IN STAY-OVER TOURISM

		Total visitor nights	Total visitors	North America	Of which U.S.A.	Latin America	Of which Venezuela	Europe	Of which Nether- lands	Other
Period		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
				Qua	rterly perce	ntage change	es 1)			
2018	I	5.0					-60.5			
	II	0.3								
	III	-0.7								
	III	0.4	-0.1	4.5	4.3	-15.6	-38.7	2.2	13.5	-11.0
2019	I	5.0	7.0	10.9	12.2	-14.9	-14.6	11.7	19.1	-17.4
	II	4.6	6.0	13.5	14.1	-27.5	-77.4	10.3	6.4	-27.
	III	0.1	1.6	14.8	15.2	-42.4	-80.6	1.5	1.2	-29.
	IV	-0.8	-0.9	10.3	10.5	-48.2	-80.5	-4.6	1.2	-0.
2020	I	-23.4	-22.2	-18.7	-19.6	-48.6	-81.6	-23.8	-21.5	-30.
	II	-100.0	-100.0	-100.0	-100.0	-100.0			-100.0	-100.
	III	-81.0	-83.5	-81.5			-98.9			-76.
	IV	-61.3	-65.0	-61.6	-59.3	-90.9	-98.8	-68.6	-61.1	-71.0
				Сит	ulative perce	entage chang	ges 2)			
2018	I	5.0	4.3	9.8	9.6	-21.1	-60.5	6.1	5.6	1.
	II	2.8	2.6	8.0	7.9	-19.6	-53.4	-2.7	7.8	7.
	III	1.6	1.5	7.5	7.4	-20.3				
	IV	1.3	1.1	6.7	6.6	-19.1	-47.7	-1.2	8.0	3.
2019	I	5.0	7.0	10.9	12.2	-14.9	-14.6	11.7	19.1	-17.
	II	4.8	6.5	12.1	13.1	-21.6	-51.3	11.0	12.8	-22.
	III	3.3	4.9	13.0	13.8	-30.1	-65.9	7.1	8.8	-25.
	IV	2.2	3.4	12.3	13.0	-35.0	-70.4	4.0	6.7	-19.
2020	I	-23.4	-22.2	-18.7	-19.6	-48.6	-81.6	-23.8	-21.5	-30.
	II	-59.0	-60.3	-58.4	-59.8	-73.7	-86.6	-61.4	-58.5	
	III	-66.1								
	IV	-64.9	-67.1	-64.6	-64.8	-84.2	-91.9	-69.8	-62.8	-70.

¹⁾ As compared to a year earlier.

²⁾ From the beginning of the year to the end of the indicated period as compared to the corresponding period of a year earlier.

TABLE 1.6: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES (June 2019 = 100)

	Total index	Food & non-alcoholic beverages	Alcoholic beverages & tobacco products	Clothing & footwear	Housing	Household operation	Health	Transport	Communi- cation	Recreation & culture	Education	Restaurants & hotels	Miscellaneous goods & services
Weights	10,000	1,088	3 78	277	7 2,522	929	22	3 1,25	7 850	1,013	3 98	3 442	2 1,223
End of period	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7	(8)) (9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
2017	92.5	83.5	5 77.8	92.1	95.1	100.7	87.	9 89.7	7 88.0) 96.8	3 95.4	1 90.4	1 94.0
2018	96.7												
2019	100.1												
2020	97.1	96.7	99.9	93.4	98.0	96.7	97.	8 90.9	99.8	3 97.2	2 100.2	2 102.4	1 98.4
2018 I	94.7												
II	95.4												
III	95.8												
IV	96.7	92.9	84.3	98.0	97.0	99.6	98.	2 95.5	5 97.8	3 99.2	97.9	95.5	96.0
2019 I	98.0	97.4	95.2	98.2	98.7	102.1	99.	1 96.4	4 99.2	93.7	99.1	97.3	98.5
II	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.	0 100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
III	99.4	99.8	3 100.2	99.8	3 100.1	98.5	101.	4 98.7	7 99.7	7 97. 6	5 100.0	101.2	2 99.5
IV	100.1	99.2	99.8	98.2	2 100.4	99.8	100.	0 100.8	99.0	5 100.5	100.0	103.9	99.3
2020 I	98.7	98.5	5 100.6	101.0	97.2	99.0	100.	3 96.9	99.2	2 100.5	5 100.2	2 102.7	7 99.0
II	97.1	97.7	100.6	97.3	97.7	92.8	98.	8 89.0	99.8	3 101.0	100.2	2 103.2	99.0
III	97.1	97.4	100.6	94.0	98.5	94.0	99.	2 92.4	4 99.5	95.9	100.2	2 101.8	98.9
IV	97.1	96.7	99.9	93.4	98.0	96.7	97.	8 90.9	99.8	97.2	2 100.2	2 102.4	98.4

TABLE 1.7A: PERCENTAGE PRICE CHANGES

(June 2019 = 100)

			Perce	entage Cha	nge
End of period	All groups index	Over previous month	Over 3 months earlier	Over a year earlier	Last 12 months over previous 12 months
2017	92.5				-1.0
2018	96.7				3.6
2019	100.1	0.6			3.9
2020	97.1	0.1	-0.1	-3.1	-1.3
2018 I	94.7	0.9	2.3	3.2	-0.3
II	95.4	0.5	0.7	3.8	0.7
III	95.8	-0.2	0.4	4.7	2.3
IV	96.7	0.7	0.9	4.5	3.6
2019 I	98.0	1.4	1.4	3.5	3.9
II	100.0	0.8	2.0	4.8	4.3
III	99.4	-0.5	-0.6	3.8	4.0
IV	100.1	0.6	0.7	3.6	3.9
2020 I	98.7	-0.2	-1.5	0.7	3.6
II	97.1	-0.5	-1.6	-2.9	2.0
III	97.1	-0.3	0.0	-2.3	0.4
IV	97.1	0.1	-0.1	-3.1	-1.3

TABLE 1.7B: PERCENTAGE PRICE CHANGES (Percentage change)

	2018	2019	2020	2018				2019				2020			
			-	I	II	III	IV	I	П	III	IV	I	П	III	IV
					(Period av	erage)									
Total index	3.6	4.3	2.6	2.1	3.2	4.9	4.3	3.4	4.6	3.9	3.9	5.6	2.8	1.1	0.9
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	7.1	10.5	10.0	4.0	5.6	9.1	9.9	11.5	12.6	10.6	7.7	15.1	12.0	7.8	5.3
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	5.8	18.6	22.4	3.0	4.5	7.7	7.9	14.9	20.9	19.8	18.5	26.4	24.2	20.3	18.9
Clothing and footwear	1.6	4.3	0.0	-1.5	1.1	0.7	6.1	5.2	5.2	5.3	1.6	4.0	3.0	-1.3	-5.4
Housing	0.6	3.0	1.4	0.8	0.7	0.0	0.9	1.7	2.7	4.1	3.6	1.5	1.2	1.6	1.3
Household operation	2.8	-1.1	-4.0	1.0	3.9	5.1	1.5	0.5	0.3	-4.0	-1.1	0.1	-3.8	-6.8	-5.5
Health	8.3	4.9	4.4	3.6	6.2	11.6	11.9	9.3	7.2	2.1	1.7	11.1	6.7	1.2	-0.7
Transport	8.9	3.1	-2.9	5.8	9.0	12.0	8.8	3.2	4.1	2.2	2.7	7.3	-6.8	-6.1	-5.4
Communications	4.7	8.2	8.3	2.4	4.9	4.6	6.9	10.3	9.0	8.1	5.5	10.9	8.4	8.1	5.9
Recreation and culture	3.3	0.7	1.7	2.3	0.6	8.3	2.3	-5.7	1.7	1.3	5.5	1.8	4.3	-1.2	2.1
Education	3.5	2.3	3.0	5.6	4.0	2.0	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.6	2.2	3.9	2.9	2.8	2.4
Restaurants and hotels	4.5	6.5	9.6	3.1	3.7	5.4	5.7	6.2	6.8	6.2	6.7	12.4	11.8	7.5	6.9
Miscellaneous goods and services	1.6	3.4	3.3	0.5	1.3	2.2	2.3	2.8	3.8	3.7	3.2	4.8	3.5	2.7	2.3
Total index (excl. energy-related components) Total index (excl. energy & food-related	2.8	3.6	0.0	1.9	2.9	4.6	4.0	3.1	4.4	3.6	3.6	2.8	-1.0	-1.8	-2.0
components)	2.1	2.7	0.1	1.6	2.4	3.8	3.1	2.1	3.3	2.6	2.9	2.5	-0.9	-1.5	-1.8
				(12-month o	verage)									
Aruba	3.6	3.9	-1.3	-0.3	0.7	2.3	3.6	3.9	4.3	4.0	3.9	3.6	2.0	0.4	-1.3
Aruba (excl. energy-related components)	2.8	3.6	0.0	0.6	1.0	1.9	2.8	3.1	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.5	2.4	1.2	0.0
Aruba (excl. energy & food-related components)	2.1	2.7	0.1	0.5	0.8	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.0	1.1	0.1
United States	2.4	1.8	1.2	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.2
Curacao	2.6	2.8	2.3	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.3
The Netherlands	1.7	2.6	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.7	2.0	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.7	1.3
Real exchange rate index (1995=100) 1)	101.2	103.3	100.7	100.0	100.1	100.7	101.2	101.6	102.3	102.8	103.3	103.3	102.7	101.7	100.7

¹⁾ Relative to the U.S.A. Based on CPI 12-month averages.

Source: CBA, CBS Aruba, CBS Netherlands, CBS Netherlands Antilles, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

TABLE 1.8: CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2018				2019				2020			
					I	П	III	IV	I	П	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Number of construction permits granted	831	796	969	663	184	169	165	278	266	245	273	185	171	134	166	192
a. Houses 1)	454	443	551	309	95	88	99	161	164	149	161	77	85	63	78	83
b. Apartments	58	56	71	61	15	8	13	20	16	19	17	19	16	9	20	16
c. Office buildings	17	6	17	6	2	1	1	2	3	2	9	3	2	0	1	3
d. Stores and shopping malls 2)	8	17	14	10	5	5	2	5	7	1	4	2	1	3	2	4
e. Others	294	274	316	277	67	67	50	90	76	74	82	84	67	59	65	86
2. Total value of construction permits (x Afl. million)	576.2	463.3	857.0	679.8	95.8	66.1	80.6	220.7	104.8	82.0	111.7	558.5	129.1	193.1	251.4	106.1
a. Houses 1)	116.8	139.6	151.6	103.5	26.7	32.3	25.5	55.1	44.2	43.5	40.9	22.9	25.9	21.2	29.9	26.5
b. Apartments	89.9	55.1	51.8	52.3	25.1	3.4	6.7	19.8	12.8	10.4	13.3	15.3	9.1	16.6	14.6	12.1
c. Office buildings	39.1	2.8	35.6	14.1	1.5	0.1	0.3	0.9	13.8	6.5	14.1	1.3	7.7	0.0	0.7	5.7
d. Stores and shopping malls 2)	24.0	69.5	30.0	19.8	9.9	9.1	1.5	49.0	7.7	0.4	19.2	2.7	2.8	4.1	2.5	10.4
e. Others	306.4	196.3	588.0	490.2	32.6	21.2	46.6	95.8	26.4	21.1	24.2	516.3	83.8	151.2	203.8	51.4
3. Total cement imported (x 1,000 Kg)	58,473	63,099	49,557	32,877	26,649	12,804	13,223	10,423	14,001	12,291	12,377	10,888	9,477	6,828	7,956	8,616
4. Number of electrical installations approved	1,909	1,823	2,047		317	482	479	545	394	445	559	649	197	189	295	
a. Houses 1)	428	439	524		69	77	145	148	72	100	147	205	61	44	82	
b. Apartments	471	496	460		92	137	117	150	110	81	116	153	30	50	87	
c. Enterprises	149	93	73		14	40	26	13	15	31	13	14	8	12	11	
d. Others	861	795	990		142	228	191	234	197	233	283	277	98	83	115	

Source: Department of Public Works; Department of Technical Inspection; CBS.

Excluding additions to and remodelling of existing houses.
 Excluding additions to and remodelling of existing stores and shopping malls.

TABLE 1.9: UTILITIES

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2018				2019				2020			
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
1. Water																
a. Quantity (x 1,000 m3) 1)	12,096	12,124	12,582	11,055	3,010	3,153	3,164	2,796	3,191	3,182	3,244	2,965	2,969	2,681	2,771	2,63
b. Value (in Afl. mln.)	107.0	107.1	111.7	95.7	26.5	28.1	28.2	24.2	28.4	28.3	29.0	26.1	25.8	23.4	24.0	22.:
c. Connected premises	46,522	47,633	48,618	194,533	46,806	47,267	47,400	47,633	47,902	48,152	48,431	48,618	48,710	48,700	48,524	48,599
2. Electricity																
a. Quantity (x 1,000 KWH)	804,723	775,884	808,675	742,761	178,925	193,235	206,749	196,974	178,938	198,609	217,277	213,850	190,123	164,154	199,660	188,823
b. Value (in Afl. mln)	386.1	376.3	383.3	327.5	87.5	93.9	99.9	95.0	88.1	88.1	104.8	102.3	84.3	71.8	87.6	83.
c. Connections	49,138	50,089	51,104	205,489	49,671	49,734	45,958	50,089	50,271	50,431	50,664	51,104	51,196	51,469	51,292	51,532
d. Number of users	45,430	46,270	47,305	190,306	45,541	45,731	49,759	46,270	46,457	46,621	47,005	47,305	47,318	47,411	47,626	47,95
3. Gas																
a. Quantity (x 1,000 pounds)	24,790	24,463	23,748	18,980	6,278	6,081	6,016	6,087	6,066	5,923	5,772	5,986	5,758	3,761	4,409	5,052
b. Value (in Afl. mln)	27.0	31.1	25.9	17.2	8.1	7.8	7.4	7.8	7.2	6.5	6.1	6.1	5.7	3.0	4.0	4.0
c. Households	7,241	7,037	7,166	7,826	1,803	1,786	1,686	1,762	1,755	1,804	1,710	1,896	1,969	2,041	1,794	2,022
d. Commercial users	17,549	17,426	16,583	11,154	4,475	4,295	4,331	4,325	4,311	4,119	4,062	4,091	3,789	1,720	2,615	3,030
4. Utilities index 2)	151.7	145.6	156.4	137.7	137.4	146.1	153.7	145.6	138.6	148.9	160.2	156.4	142.0	122.4	144.5	137.

¹⁾ Sale of water, excluding to Coastal Aruba N.V., Valero Aruba Refining Co. N.V. and vessels. 2) For annual data, base: 1996 = 100

For quarterly data, base: average 1996 = 100

Source: WEB Aruba N.V.; N.V. ELMAR; Arugas N.V.

TABLE 1.10: MERCHANDISE FOREIGN TRADE BY COUNTRY

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2018				2019				2020				
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	П	III	IV	
1. Export of goods (f.o.b.)	84.8	75.1	81.2	61.4	21.1	16.6	20.3	17.1	18.0	27.6	20.8	14.8	15.4	10.4	19.1	16.5	
a. United States	33.5	36.1	43.4	35.2	12.5	6.4	8.2	8.9	10.5	14.6	11.2	7.0	8.7	4.4	12.0	10.0	
b. Colombia	0.3	0.6	2.2	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.:	
c. The Netherlands	10.7	15.1	11.3	9.6	2.7	4.4	5.9	2.1	2.5	3.7	3.1	1.9	3.1	2.0	3.0	1.4	
d. The Netherlands Antilles	1.0	1.7	1.9	0.8	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.	
e. Venezuela	2.4	0.9	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
f. Other countries	36.8	20.7	22.2	15.1	5.2	4.8	5.3	5.3	3.8	8.5	4.7	5.2	3.2	3.8	3.6	4.5	
2. Import of goods (c.i.f.)	2,057.1	2,201.7	2,277.1	1,625.9	531.7	533.6	553.9	582.5	517.4	529.8	564.8	665.2	497.9	302.7	409.5	415.9	
a. United States	1,185.8	1,275.8	1,249.3	879.1	312.1	302.8	311.5	349.3	293.1	304.5	309.0	342.8	289.9	159.9	208.8	220.4	
b. The Netherlands	276.8	283.6	303.5	258.5	72.5	69.4	76.4	65.4	72.3	74.1	80.3	76.9	78.2	45.8	65.9	68.0	
c. The Netherlands Antilles	10.0	8.4	4.1	2.0	1.6	0.9	3.2	2.7	1.2	0.8	0.7	1.5	0.7	0.2	0.6	0.:	
d. Venezuela	33.3	12.7	3.4	1.2	1.7	1.4	4.2	5.4	1.3	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.2	
e. Panama	56.4	58.1	65.3	59.2	13.9	12.3	15.2	16.7	15.3	15.0	14.2	20.8	14.3	11.1	14.2	19.	
f. Brazil	37.9	45.8	43.8	37.3	11.5	10.6	13.7	10.0	7.6	12.7	14.1	9.5	8.5	8.6	9.8	10.3	
g. Colombia	42.0	46.5	53.8	46.3	9.8	12.1	12.4	12.2	12.7	12.7	13.9	14.5	11.1	10.3	12.2	12.	
h. Japan	23.3	23.7	21.0	9.3	6.3	7.4	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.7	5.3	4.0	2.0	1.7	1.0	
i. Other countries	391.7	447.0	532.9	333.0	102.3	116.6	112.3	115.8	109.1	104.3	126.1	193.4	90.7	64.7	95.8	81.3	
3. Trade balance	-1,972.3	-2,126.6	-2,195.9	-1,564.6	-510.6	-517.0	-533.6	-565.4	-499.4	-502.2	-543.9	-650.4	-482.5	-292.3	-390.4	-399.	

TABLE 1.11: MERCHANDISE FOREIGN TRADE BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2018				2019				2020			
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
1. Export of goods (f.o.b.)	84.8	75.1	81.2	61.4	21.1	16.6	20.3	17.1	18.0	27.6	20.8	14.8	15.4	10.4	19.1	16.
a. Live animals and other animal products	1.8	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.
b. Transport equipment	1.5	2.7	5.1	2.3	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.8	3.9	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.
c. Art objects and collectors' items	5.0	10.6	8.5	6.3	2.1	3.2	3.6	1.7	1.4	2.7	2.9	1.6	0.8	2.0	2.7	0.
d. Machinery and electro technical equipment	4.5	6.5	9.0	5.5	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.1	0.5	4.0	2.7	1.8	1.3	1.9	0.7	1.
e. Other goods	72.0	54.7	58.2	46.9	16.6	10.7	14.2	13.3	12.2	20.3	14.6	11.1	12.8	6.0	15.0	13.
2. Import of goods (c.i.f.)	2,057.1	2,201.7	2,277.1	1,625.9	531.7	533.6	553.9	582.5	517.4	529.8	564.8	665.2	497.9	302.7	409.5	415.
a. Live animals and other animal products	191.7	188.9	193.6	134.7	47.9	46.2	50.0	44.8	47.6	49.6	47.2	49.3	45.2	24.9	29.3	35.
b. Food products	265.6	279.6	284.0	224.9	66.9	69.9	70.2	72.5	68.4	71.9	67.0	76.6	66.7	43.3	53.9	61.
c. Chemical products	195.6	202.2	198.7	187.9	46.9	52.7	52.6	49.9	47.8	51.7	49.5	49.7	50.7	41.4	47.0	48.
d. Base metals and derivative works	88.5	81.0	94.4	69.5	18.2	20.8	21.0	21.0	19.8	24.2	24.8	25.7	21.9	11.8	17.9	17.
e. Machinery and electro technical equipment	296.4	324.9	385.0	282.9	82.4	80.1	82.2	80.2	81.0	73.3	82.9	147.9	74.0	56.9	83.5	68.
f. Transport equipment	148.5	156.2	149.8	71.8	41.5	41.6	32.6	40.4	32.3	40.7	40.1	36.7	27.1	11.9	15.5	17.
g. Other goods	870.9	969.0	971.7	654.4	227.7	222.2	245.4	273.7	220.5	218.5	253.3	279.4	212.3	112.5	162.3	167.
3. Trade balance	-1,972.3	-2,126.6	-2,195.9	-1,564.6	-510.6	-517.0	-533.6	-565.4	-499.4	-502.2	-543.9	-650.4	-482.5	-292.3	-390.4	-399.

TABLE 1.12: OIL REFINING

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2018				2019	2020			
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I
1. Export of refined oil (x Afl. million)*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Import of crude oil (x Afl. million)*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Quantity of oil refined (x 1,000 barrels)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Number of employees (at end of period) 1)	70	135	143	77	18	146	143	143	83	81	79	77	0

¹⁾ Excluding persons employed with contractors.

Source: Aruba's oil refining company.

General note to the tables of the statistical annex

Figures in the statistical annex are quoted in millions of Aruban florin (Afl.), unless otherwise stated. The sum of separate items may differ in the final digit from the total shown, due to rounding.

Data are subject to revision if additional information becomes available.

The following symbols and conventions are used throughout the statistical annex:

blank: not available

0.0: nil

(d): discontinuity in the series; this sign will be accompanied by an explanatory note in the back section of the report.

Explanatory notes to the tables of the statistical annex

Table 1.1 Gross domestic product and its components

Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and its components are calculated on the basis of the United Nations publication "A System of National Accounts, 1993". The Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS) has published GDP figures for 1995 up to and including 2006.

Exports and imports of goods and services exclude crude oil and refined oil products. An estimation of the net value added of the oil sector is included in the data on exports.

The various GDP components are deflated individually and a weighted average of these individual deflators is used to derive an overall deflator, which in turn is used to calculate the real GDP.

Population data refer to the average of this variable at the beginning and at the end of each respective year.

Table 1.6 Consumer price indices

As of January 2017, the consumer price index (CPI), produced by the CBS, is based on the household expenditure survey conducted by the CBS during the months of May to June of 2016.

The expenditures are classified by categories according to the International Classification of Individual Consumption according to Purpose (COICOP) system for consumer expenditures and prices, which provides a suitable classification for CPI purposes.

In order to calculate consistent annual rates of change with the new classification, the CPI has to be calculated retrospectively for 2 years. Therefore, June of 2019 has been chosen as the new base period for the CPI. Subsequently, the CPI figures for 2017, 2018 and 2019 have been revised accordingly.

To convert the indexes prior to June 2019 to the new base period, these indexes should be multiplied by the ratio of the new and old index. For instance, the indexes in column 1 "Total index" prior to June 2019 should be multiplied by the ratio 0.7911 i.e.,

$$\frac{\text{June 2019 (New index)}}{\text{June 2019 (Old Index)}} = \frac{100.0}{126.4} = 0.7907$$

Table 1.9 Utilities

The table Utilities reflect the consumption of water, electricity and gas. The consumption of water is excluding sales to Aruba's Oil Refining Company and vessels. Each category is presented on the basis of its standard unit of measure. The utilities index is calculated as a weighted average of the indexed consumption of water, electricity and gas. The weights used here are dynamic and fluctuate according to the relative significance (during a period) of the value of each consumption category in the aggregated value. Annual data are based on the year 1996 (=100), while quarterly data are based on an average of that year, since the quarterly data reflect only the consumption during a quarter, while the annual data is cumulative.

Table 1.10 and Table 1.11 Merchandise foreign trade, respectively by country and by product category

The data for these tables (by country and by product category) are collected through customs administration using the automated Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System. In this system, about 8,500 documents related to export and import are registered on a monthly basis. The CBS processes this data using the International General Trade System. Certain types of goods are excluded from the data, e.g., monetary gold, securities, bank notes, coins in circulation, and postal items. Furthermore, goods consigned by a government to its armed forces and diplomatic representatives abroad (including embassies, consulates, the Cabinet of the Netherlands-Antillean and Aruban Affairs (VNO), the Cabinet of the Governor of Aruba representing the Queen of

the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and the Marine Corps) are also excluded from the trade statistics. These exclusions are in accordance with the recommendations of the United Nations. Mineral fuels are also excluded.

The country from which goods are imported is the country of consignment or provenance from which goods are dispatched to Aruba without any commercial transactions in intermediate countries. The country of export is the country of destination known at the time of dispatchment as the final country to which goods are delivered.