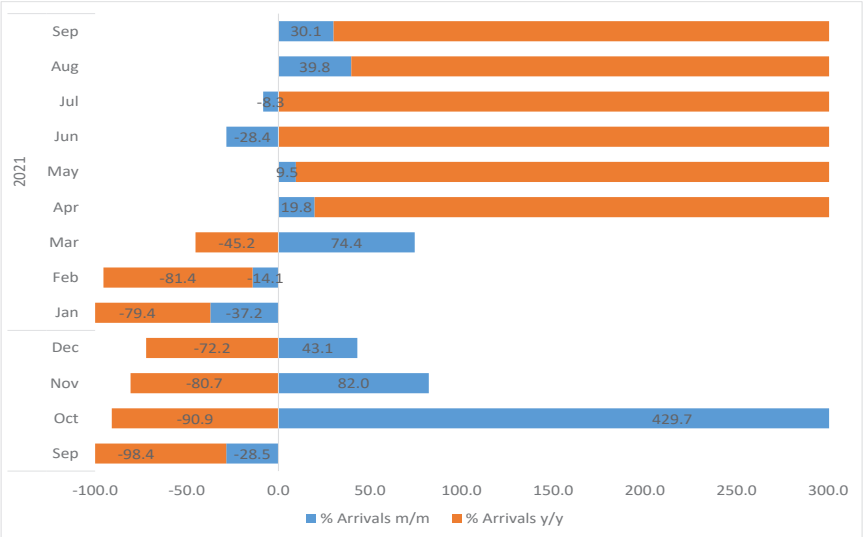
Namibia Statistics Agency

TRAVELLERS ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

SECTORAL REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2021

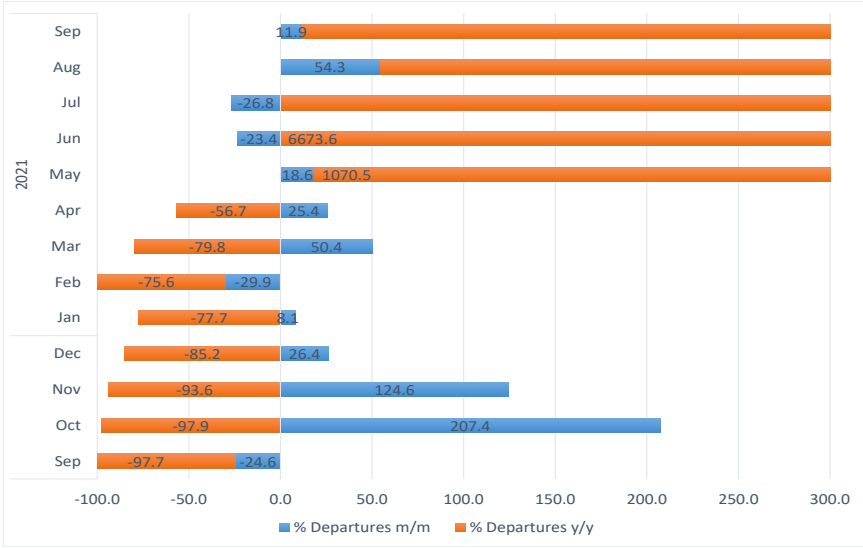
Chart 1: Regional & International Arrivals Index, Percentage Change



- The Index for **Regional and International Arrivals** recorded an increase of 30.1 percent on monthly basis in September 2021. This is a slowdown from a growth of 39.8 percent registered in August 2021. On annual basis, the number of passengers arriving in Namibia continued to increase significantly from 11 625 registered in August 2021 and 744 passengers recorded a year earlier to 15 119 passengers registered during the period under review.

- The year on year increase observed were mainly due to the relaxation of regulations to both regional and international visitors to enter the country. This proves as a key factor to boost Namibia's attractiveness as destination.

Chart 2: Regional & International Departures Index, Percentage Change



- The Index for **Regional and International Departures** registered a slow growth rate of 11.9 percent on monthly basis during the period under review, when compared to a growth rate of 54.3 percent recorded in August 2021.

- On yearly basis, it was observed that there was an increase in the number of passengers that departed in September 2021, reaching a level of 12 658 from 11 314 in August 2021 and 884 passengers recorded in the corresponding period of 2020**.**

- The increase recorded on month on month and on yearly basis in the departures were mainly attributed to the continued relaxation of regulations in travel restrictions by the Ministry of Health and Services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Note: Graphs have been limited for readability (Chart1 & Chart2)
Regional refers to SACU member states

Table 1: The indices of international arrivals and departures

Year	Month	Index for Arrivals (Regional & International)	Index for Departures (Regional & International)
2015	Jan	85.7	88.8
	Feb	81.6	81.6
	Mar	100.0	90.7
	Apr	93.8	102.5
	May	88.5	88.1
	Jun	89.8	79.8
	Jul	120.8	104.9
	Aug	127.1	131.7
	Sep	111.1	119.2
	Oct	108.3	110.8
	Nov	100.9	109.7
	Dec	92.4	92.3
2016	Jan	87.6	87.6
	Feb	75.7	74.8
	Mar	96.1	91.5
	Apr	95.3	102.5
	May	99.5	106.8
	Jun	92.2	78.8
	Jul	129.1	110.6
	Aug	129.6	141.6
	Sep	121.7	120.4
	Oct	143.7	142.1
	Nov	119.0	130.9
	Dec	105.7	105.7
2017	Jan	103.0	105.7
	Feb	99.6	93.3
	Mar	112.8	103.7
	Apr	134.6	132.6
	May	128.9	130.3
	Jun	108.4	102.5
	Jul	142.8	118.3
	Aug	139.7	155.2
	Sep	134.9	119.9
	Oct	151.4	143.4
	Nov	116.1	116.4
	Dec	126.1	112.6

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Year	Month	Index for Arrivals (Regional & International)	Index for Departures (Regional & International)
2018	Jan	106.2	110.5
	Feb	101.7	91.5
	Mar	126.1	113.8
	Apr	126.0	133.2
	May	128.0	131.9
	Jun	114.2	107.9
	Jul	153.5	136.8
	Aug	151.3	162.7
	Sep	149.2	134.5
	Oct	143.1	148.0
	Nov	118.7	137.4
	Dec	120.8	121.8
2019	Jan	102.5	110.1
	Feb	97.4	96.2
	Mar	125.2	120.7
	Apr	127.4	128.5
	May	118.8	123.0
	Jun	108.1	91.5
	Jul	134.2	110.4
	Aug	135.8	149.3
	Sep	132.3	121.8
	Oct	126.3	126.4
	Nov	108.1	122.1
	Dec	107.4	102.3
2020	Jan	91.1	101.0
	Feb	86.6	85.5
	Mar	51.3	60.1
	Apr	0.4	2.8
	May	0.9	0.6
	Jun	1.1	1.6
	Jul	2.1	3.5
	Aug	3.0	3.5
	Sep	2.2	2.6
	Oct	11.5	8.0
	Nov	20.9	18.1
	Dec	29.9	22.8
2021	Jan	18.7	24.7
	Feb	16.1	17.3
	Mar	28.1	26.0
	Apr	33.6	32.6
	May	36.8	38.7
	Jun	26.4	29.7
	Jul	24.2	21.7
	Aug	33.8	33.5
	Sep	44.0	37.5

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Methodology

Background: The information in this report looks at both citizen and non-citizen traveler's arrivals and departures.

Data sources: Namibia Airports Company

Base year: The volumes has been referenced to 2015 data as of November 2019

Conversion: 1 basis point = 0.01 percent

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