

# Bahrain

## Key indicators

Population (millions), 2005.....	0.7
Surface area (1,000 square kilometers) .....	0.7
Gross domestic product (US\$ billions), 2005 .....	13.5
Gross domestic product (PPP, US\$) per capita, 2005 .....	21,565
Real GDP growth (percent), 2005.....	6.9

Source: World Bank, *World Development Indicators Online Database* (December 2006); IMF, *World Economic Outlook Online Database* (April and September 2006 editions); national sources

## Travel & Tourism indicators

### T&T industry, 2006 estimates

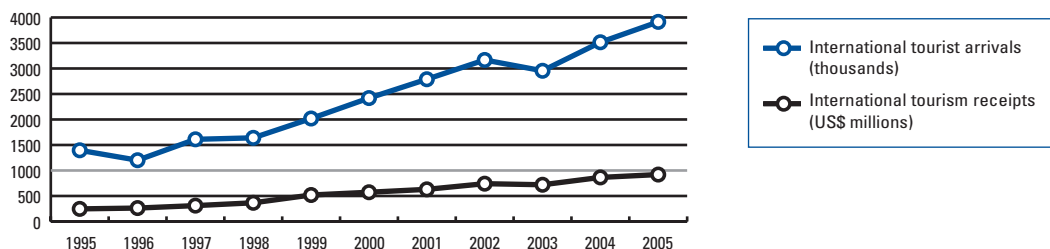
		Percent of total	2007–2016 annual growth (% forecast)
GDP (US\$ millions) .....	1,137	8.3	5.8
Employment (1,000 jobs).....	38	11.0	3.8

### T&T economy, 2006 estimates

GDP (US\$ millions) .....	2,851	20.9	4.9
Employment (1,000 jobs).....	84	24.4	3.2

Source: World Travel & Tourism Council, *TSA Research 2006*

International tourist arrivals (1,000), 2005 .....	3,914
International tourism receipts (US\$ millions), 2005 .....	920



Source: United Nations World Tourism Organization

## Travel & Tourism Competitiveness Index

	Rank (out of 124)	Score (1–7 scale)
<b>2007 Index</b> .....	<b>47</b>	<b>4.4</b>
<b>T&amp;T regulatory framework</b> .....	<b>61</b>	<b>4.2</b>
Policy rules and regulations.....	62	4.7
Environmental regulation.....	77	3.7
Safety and security.....	61	4.5
Health and hygiene.....	61	4.8
Prioritization of T&T strategies.....	81	3.5
<b>T&amp;T business environment and infrastructure</b> .....	<b>34</b>	<b>4.2</b>
Air transport infrastructure .....	27	4.0
Ground transport infrastructure .....	39	4.2
Tourism infrastructure .....	31	4.2
ICT infrastructure .....	52	3.0
Price competitiveness in T&T industry .....	3	5.8
<b>T&amp;T human, cultural, and natural resources</b> .....	<b>54</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Human resources.....	79	4.9
Education and training.....	60	4.8
Availability of qualified labor .....	115	3.5
Workforce wellness .....	44	6.6
National tourism perception.....	36	5.4
Natural and cultural resources.....	66	4.3

Note: For descriptions of variables and detailed sources, please refer to "How to Read the Country/Economy Profiles."

## T&T national competitiveness balance sheet

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES		Rank/124	COMPETITIVE DISADVANTAGES		Rank/124
<b>Policy rules and regulations</b>					
1.03	Rules governing foreign direct investment .....	32	1.04	Visa requirements .....	85
<b>Health and hygiene</b>					
4.03	Access to improved sanitation .....	1	1.01	Foreign ownership restrictions.....	68
4.01	Gov't efforts to reduce health risks from pandemics .....	40	1.05	Openness of bilateral Air Service Agreements .....	56
<b>Prioritization of Travel &amp; Tourism</b>					
5.02	T&T government expenditure .....	44	1.02	Property rights.....	47
<b>Air transport infrastructure</b>					
6.03	Departures per 1,000 population.....	9	<b>Environmental regulation</b>		
6.06	International air transport network .....	28	2.03	Government prioritization of sustainable T&T .....	86
6.01	Quality of air transport infrastructure .....	37	2.02	Clarity and stability of environmental regulations .....	71
<b>Ground transport infrastructure</b>					
7.03	Port infrastructure .....	26	2.01	Stringency of environmental regulation .....	69
7.01	Road infrastructure .....	29	<b>Safety and security</b>		
7.04	Domestic transport network .....	38	3.01	Business costs of terrorism .....	99
<b>Tourism infrastructure</b>					
8.01	Hotel rooms.....	18	3.02	Reliability of police services .....	54
8.02	Presence of major car rental companies.....	35	3.03	Business costs of crime and violence.....	47
<b>ICT infrastructure</b>					
9.03	Telephone lines.....	46	<b>Health and hygiene</b>		
<b>Price competitiveness in the T&amp;T industry</b>					
10.03	Extent and effect of taxation.....	1	4.02	Physician density.....	77
10.01	Ticket taxes and airport charges.....	5	<b>Prioritization of Travel &amp; Tourism</b>		
10.04	Fuel price level .....	7	5.03	Effectiveness of marketing and branding .....	107
<b>Human resources</b>					
11.01	Primary education enrollment .....	1	5.04	T&T fair attendance.....	70
11.09	Malaria incidence.....	1	5.01	Government prioritization of the T&T industry.....	60
11.02	Secondary education enrollment.....	26	<b>Air transport infrastructure</b>		
11.11	Life expectancy .....	45	6.04	Airport density .....	70
<b>National tourism perception</b>					
12.01	Tourism openness .....	11	6.05	Number of operating airlines.....	59
<b>Natural and cultural resources</b>					
13.05	Risk of malaria and yellow fever .....	1	6.02	Available seat kilometers.....	55
<b>Ground transport infrastructure</b>					
<b>Tourism infrastructure</b>					
<b>ICT infrastructure</b>					
<b>Price competitiveness in the T&amp;T industry</b>					
<b>Human resources</b>					
<b>National tourism perception</b>					
<b>Natural and cultural resources</b>					