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ARRIVAL OF INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

Chart 1. According to Bank of Mexico, during January-February 2017 the number of international visitors arriving Mexico was 15.7 million, that is 217 thousand higher than January-February 2016, equivalent to an increase of 1.4% in comparison to the same period of the previous year.

| January-February | Million visitors | Change |
|------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 15.4 | • |
| 2017 | 15.7 | 1.4% |



ARRIVAL OF INTERNATIONAL TOURISTS

Chart 2. The arrival of international tourists in January-February 2017 was 5.8 million, reaching 229 thousand more than January-February 2016, increasing 4.1% in comparison to the same period of the previous year.

| January-February | Million passengers | Change |
|------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 5.6 | |
| 2017 | 5.8 | 4.1% |



Note: In the graphs the sum of the data does not coincide with the accumulated period due to the rounding of figures.



INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL RECEIPTS

Chart 3. Foreign currency income from the arrival of international visitors during January-February 2017 was 3,713 million dollars, equivalent to an increase of 355 million dollars (10.6%) in comparison to same period 2016.

| January-February | Million dollars | Change |
|------------------|--------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 3,358.4 | |
| 2017 | 3,713.3 | 10.6% |



Source: Bank of Mexico, Balance of payments http://www.datatur.sectur.gob.mx/SitePages/VisitantesInternacionales.aspx



INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS BALANCE

Chart 4. The balance by international visitors in January-February 2017 registered 2,134 million dollars, an increase of 14.9% in comparison to the same period in 2016.

| January-February | Million dollars | Change |
|------------------|--------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 1,857.1 | |
| 2010 | 2,134.0 | 14.9% |

Monthly Balance in the Balance of Oil, Minerometalurgy and International Travelers



Note: In the graphs the sum of the data does not coincide with the accumulated period due to the rounding of figures.

Source: Bank of Mexico, Balance of payments

http://www.datatur.sectur.gob.mx/SitePages/VisitantesInternacionales.aspx









AVERAGE EXPENDITURE OF LONG-STAY TOURISTS, AIR TRANSPORT

Chart 5. During January-February 2017, the average expenditure of long-stay tourists by air was 960 dollars, an increase of 33 dollars (3.6%) in comparison to January-February 2016.

| January-February | Dollars | Change |
|------------------|---------|--------|
| 2016 | 926.9 | |
| 2017 | 960.0 | 3.6% |













INTERNATIONAL VISITORS TO MEXICO ARRIVING BY AIR

Chart 6. In January-February 2017, the arrival of foreign air-coming visitors who reside in the United States represents 56.3% of all foreign arrivals by air. From Latin American and the Caribbean region the countries of residence with the highest number of foreign arrivals in México were Argentina and Colombia, with 3.2% and 2.0% of total visitors respectively.





Chart 7. The American residents who arrived to Mexico by air increased 10.1% in January-February 2017 compared to the same period of 2016, registering one million 721 thousands passengers, who arrived firstly through the Cancun Airport, followed by Los Cabos Airport.

| January-February | American passengers | Change |
|------------------|------------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 1,563,151 | |
| 2017 | 1,721,225 | 10.1% |



CANADIAN PASSENGERS PER AIRPORT

Chart 8. The Canadian residents who arrived Mexico by air was 6.0% higher during January-February 2017 in comparison to January-February 2016, exceeding 32.1 thousand passengers, who arrived firstly through the Cancun Airport, followed by Puerto Vallarta Airport.

| January-February | Canadian passengers | Change |
|------------------|------------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 537,237 | |
| 2017 | 569,304 | 6.0% |





Figure 1. In January-February 2017 the airports with the highest number of foreign passengers were: Cancun (1,355,633); Ciudad de Mexico (605,328); Puerto Vallarta (353,804); Los Cabos (285,512); Guadalajara (140,098) and Cozumel (43,719); which represents 91.0% of all foreign passengers.



Note: Figures refers to events because the same person may have entered the country in more than one occasion. From this date only the residence of international passengers is considered and the nationality of the passengers is not longer used.















OCCUPANCY RATE



Chart 9. The percentage of hotel occupation in a group of 70 resorts during January-February 2017 reached 60.9%, one point higher in comparison to the same period of last year.



ARRIVAL OF TOURISTS TO HOTELS

Chart 10. In January-February 2017, the arrival of domestic tourists to hotel rooms was 8.2 million tourists (69.4%), the remaining arrivals (30.6%) were from foreign tourists.

Notes: Total occupancy is a weighted average of the 70 destinations monitored In the graphs the sum of the data does not coincide with the accumulated period due to the rounding of figures.











Chart 11. The number of passengers arriving by air increased 12.1% in January-February 2017 in comparison to the same period last year, reaching 10.5 million passengers, equivalent to an increase of one million 135 thousand passengers.

| January-February | Thousand passengers | Change |
|------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 9,399.7 | |
| | , , | 12.1% |
| 2017 | 10,534.5 | 12.1% |





| January-February | Thousand passengers | Change |
|------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 5,826 | |
| 2017 | 6,676.1 | 14.6% |





Chart 13. In January-February 2016, the number of passengers arriving by air on international flights increased 8.0% with 3.8 million passengers, exceeding the 285 thousand of passengers from January-February 2016.

| January-February | Thousand passengers | Change |
|------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 3,573.5 | |
| 2017 | 3,858.5 | 8.0% |









MARITIME TRANSPORTATION



Chart 14. During January-February 2017, the number of cruise passengers reached one million 439.8 thousand passengers, representing an increase of 219 thousand passengers (18.0%) compared to the same period 2016.

| January-February | Thousand passengers | Change |
|------------------|------------------------|--------|
| 2016 | 1,220.3 | |
| 2017 | 1,439.8 | 18.0% |



Chart 15. The number of cruise arrivals in January-February 2017 increased to 90, reaching 574, an increase of 18.6% in comparison to the same period last year.

| January-February | Arrivals | Change |
|------------------|----------|--------|
| 2016 | 484 | |
| 2017 | 574 | 18.6% |

Source: General Coordination of Ports and Merchant Navy, Ministry of Communications and Transportation (SCT) http://www.datatur.sectur.gob.mx/SitePages/Actividades%20En%20Crucero.aspx



Figure 2. In January-February 2017 the ports that received the highest number of passengers were the following: Cozumel, Majahual and Ensenada; representing 77.5% of total arrivals in the month.



January-February

| Ensenada | Cabo San Lucas | Puerto Vallarta | Majahual | Cozumel | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| arrivals passengers | arrivals passengers | arrivals passengers | arrivals passengers | arrivals passengers | | |
| 2016 42 105,613 | 2016 32 75,746 | 2016 27 66,440 | 2016 54 126,220 | 2016 238 696,095 | | |
| 2017 41 94,271 | 2017 ₄₃ 80,570 | 2017 31 71,038 | 2017 74 197,316 | 2017 279 824,835 | | |
| change -2.4% -10.7% | change 34.4% 6.4% | change 14.8% 6.9% | change 37.0% 56.3% | change 17.2% 18.5% | | |

















| RESULTS OF TOURISM ACTIVITY | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| | | | | v-December) | | Change % | January-I | ebruary | Change % |
| Subject | Unit of measurement | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 16/15 | 2016 | 2017 | 16/15 |
| International travelers balance (Banco de México) | | | | | | | | | |
| Inbound traveler expenditures | Million dollars | 13,949.0 | 16,208.4 | 17,733.7 | 19,570.8 | 10.4% | 3,358.4 | 3,713.3 | 10.6% |
| Outbound traveler expenditures | Million dollars | 9,122.4 | 9,605.8 | 10,098.1 | 10,226.9 | 1.3% | 1,501.3 | 1,579.3 | 5.2% |
| International travelers balance | Million dollars | 4,826.6 | 6,602.6 | 7,635.6 | 9,343.9 | 22.4% | 1,857.1 | 2,134.0 | 14.9% |
| International travelers to Mexico (Banco de México) | | | | | | | | | |
| | | nber of travele | <u> </u> | | | | | | |
| International visitors | Thousand | 78,100.2 | 81,042.1 | 87,128.6 | 94,621.0 | 8.6% | 15,473.0 | 15,689.6 | 1.4% |
| International tourists | Thousand | 24,150.5 | 29,345.6 | 32,093.3 | 34,960.8 | 8.9% | 5,587.6 | 5,817.1 | 4.1% |
| Long-stay tourists | Thousand | 14,561.9 | 15,999.9 | 18,307.2 | 20,424.3 | 11.6% | 3,371.3 | 3,604.0 | 6.9% |
| Border tourists | Thousand | 9,588.6 | 13,345.7 | 13,786.1 | 14,536.6 | 5.4% | 2,216.3 | 2,213.1 | -0.1% |
| Same-day travelers | Thousand | 53,949.7 | 51,696.5 | 55,035.3 | 59,660.2 | 8.4% | 9,885.4 | 9,872.5 | -0.1% |
| In border area travelers | Thousand | 49,394.2 | 45,911.2 | 48,920.5 | 52,965.6 | 8.3% | 8,566.0 | 8,386.7 | -2.1% |
| In cruises travelers | Thousand | 4,555.4 | 5,785.2 | 6,114.8 | 6,694.6 | 9.5% | 1,319.4 | 1,485.8 | 12.6% |
| | Inbound tra | velers expend | liture (Millior | dollars) | | | | | |
| International visitors | Million dollars | 13,949.0 | 16,208.4 | 17,733.7 | 19,570.8 | 10.4% | 3,358.4 | 3,713.3 | 10.6% |
| International tourists | Million dollars | 11,853.8 | 14,320.0 | 15,825.7 | 17,621.9 | 11.4% | 3,030.9 | 3,367.8 | 11.1% |
| Long-stay tourists | Million dollars | 11,311.5 | 13,579.9 | 15,035.0 | 16,852.6 | 12.1% | 2,912.4 | 3,244.9 | 11.4% |
| Border tourists | Million dollars | 542.2 | 740.1 | 790.7 | 769.3 | -2.7% | 118.5 | 122.9 | 3.7% |
| Same-day travelers | Million dollars | 2,095.2 | 1,888.4 | 1,908.0 | 1,948.9 | 2.1% | 327.5 | 345.5 | 5.5% |
| In border area travelers | Million dollars | 1,737.1 | 1,469.6 | 1,508.9 | 1,548.1 | 2.6% | 247.9 | 256.4 | 3.4% |
| In cruises travelers | Million dollars | 358.1 | 418.8 | 399.2 | 400.8 | 0.4% | 79.6 | 89.1 | 12.0% |
| | | erage expendi | ture (dollars) | | | | | | |
| International visitors | Dollars | 178.6 | 200.0 | 203.5 | 206.8 | 1.6% | 217.0 | 236.7 | 9.0% |
| International tourists | Dollars | 490.8 | 488.0 | 493.1 | 504.0 | 2.2% | 542.4 | 578.9 | 6.7% |
| Long-stay tourists | Dollars | 776.8 | 848.8 | 821.3 | 825.1 | 0.5% | 863.9 | 900.4 | 4.2% |
| Border tourists | Dollars | 56.5 | 55.5 | 57.4 | 52.9 | -7.7% | 53.5 | 55.5 | 3.9% |
| Same-day travelers | Dollars | 38.8 | 36.5 | 34.7 | 32.7 | -5.8% | 33.1 | 35.0 | 5.6% |
| In border area travelers | Dollars | 35.2 | 32.0 | 30.8 | 29.2 | -5.2% | 28.9 | 30.6 | 5.6% |
| In cruises travelers | Dollars | 78.6 | 72.4 | 65.3 | 59.9 | -8.3% | 60.3 | 60.0 | -0.6% |
| | Arrival of passengers | | and internati | onal flights (A | ASA) | | | | |
| Total Passengers arriving by air | Thousands | 46,122.1 | 49,955.8 | 56,367.6 | 62,838.2 | 11.5% | 9,399.7 | 10,534.5 | 12.1% |
| International flights | Thousands | 15,703.3 | 17,125.6 | 19,279.3 | 20,971.7 | 8.8% | 3,573.5 | 3,858.5 | 8.0% |
| Domestic flights | Thousands | 30,418.8 | 32,830.2 | 37,088.3 | 41,866.6 | 12.9% | 5,826.1 | 6,676.1 | 14.6% |
| | oreign visitors by air and c | | | | | | - / | | |
| United States of America | Thousands | 6,630.3 | 7,348.5 | 8,604.6 | 9,643.9 | 12.1% | 1,563.2 | 1,721.2 | 10.1% |
| Canada | Thousands | 1,574.3 | 1,646.2 | 1,707.8 | 1,734.6 | 1.6% | 537.2 | 569.3 | 6.0% |
| United Kingdom | Thousands | 391.8 | 432.3 | 477.3 | 513.8 | 7.6% | 61.6 | 60.9 | -1.2% |
| Argentina | Thousands | 233.4 | 218.4 | 309.6 | 375.2 | 21.2% | 74.0 | 97.6 | 31.9% |
| Colombia | Thousands | 230.1 | 292.4 | 363.2 | 390.2 | 7.5% | 49.1 | 60.4 | 23.0% |
| | Movements cru | | | | | | | | |
| Passenger in cruices | Thousands | 4,348.9 | 5,563.1 | 5,929.2 | 6,417.4 | 8.2% | 1,220.3 | 1,439.8 | 18.0% |
| Cruise's arrivals | Number | 1,622.0 | 2,091.0 | 2,180.0 | 2,262.0 | 3.8% | 484.0 | 574.0 | 18.6% |
| | | lotel business | * (SECTUR) | | | | | | |
| Percentaje of hotel accupation | Percentage | 55.6 | 57.1 | 59.6 | 60.3 | 0.70 | 59.9 | 60.9 | 1.0 |
| Arrival of tourists to hotel rooms | Thousands | 62,394.0 | 65,000.0 | 69,827.3 | 74,316.0 | 6.4% | 11,206.3 | 11,876.9 | 6.0% |
| | Number of to | | | | | | | | |
| Tourism employment | Thousands | 3,628.2 | 3,641.0 | 3,803.4 | 3,951.9 | 3.9% | NA | NA | NA |
| Quarterly Indicator of Tourism Activity*** (index 2008 | =100, seasonally adjusted | series) INEGI. | | Third Quarte | er | | | | |
| Tourism GDP | Annual percentages | 0.7 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 4.3 | NA | NA | NA |
| Goods | Annual percentages | -4.1 | -6.1 | 3.2 | 7.4 | 7.4 | NA | NA | NA |
| Services | Annual percentages | 2.2 | 3.6 | 5.4 | 3.6 | 3.6 | NA | NA | NA |
| Internal tourism consumption | Annual percentages | 1.4 | 0.8 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.1 | NA | NA | NA |
| | Annual percentages | 0.8 | -1.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | NA | NA | NA |
| Domestic tourism consumption | | 0.0 | | | | | | | |

A report from the Hotel Occupancy monitored weekly in 70 centers. Changes in percentage points in the case of hotel occupancy.
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 A Quarterly figures, excluding induced employment.
 For annual percentage change data for the last quarter of the current year compared to the last quarter of the previous year. For 2016 figures third quarter.

NA Not apply

Sources: Bank of Mexico. ASA e INEGI, UPM, SCT, SECTUR.

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| Macroeconomic Perspective on Key Indicators of Mexico | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|------------------|------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| | Gross Dom | Inflation | | | | | | |
| Entity | Constant prices | (percent change) | (%dec/dec) | | | | | |
| | 2017 | 2018 | 20172 | 018 | | | | |
| International Monetary Fund | 1.70 | 2.00 | 3.16 | 3.14 | | | | |
| OCDE | 2.27 | 2.37 | 3.45 | 3.61 | | | | |
| Bank of Mexico Survey | 1.49 | 2.12 | 5.56 | 3.88 | | | | |
| Ministry of the Treasury and Public Credit | 1.3 a 2.3 | 2.0 a 3.04 | .90 | 3.00 | | | | |

Source: IMF, World Economic Outlook Database (october 2016); OECD, Economic Outlook (2016/10); Bank of México, Expectations Survey Economic Specialist Private Sector (03/04/17); Ministry of finance and public credit, Pre-General Criteria for Economic Policy 2018 (April, 2017)









Mexico's key economic indicators

| Entries | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | January-17 | February-17 |
|---|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| | General Economic | Activity and Ser | vices Identified | with Tourism | | | | |
| Gross Domestic Product | | | | | | | | |
| . Millions of current pesos | 14,550,014 | 15,626,907 | 16,118,031 | 17,258,964 | 18,241,982 | 19,522,652 | | |
| . Constant prices annual variations in % | 4.0 | 4.0 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.3 | | |
| Tertiary activities | | | | | | | | |
| - Air Transportation (481) | | | | | | | | |
| . Millions of current pesos | 24,368 | 27,720 | 27,063 | 34,708 | 39,827 | 50,112 | | |
| . Constant prices annual variations in % | -0.3 | 7.3 | 8.1 | 9.4 | 7.7 | 16.5 | | |
| - Temporary Lodging Services (721) | | | | | | | | |
| . Millions of current pesos | 137,648 | 151,099 | 163,718 | 179,525 | 200,137 | 219,572 | | |
| . Constant prices annual variations in % | 2.4 | 8.2 | 5.6 | 6.0 | 5.6 | 3.8 | | |
| Food and Beverages Preparation Services (722) | | | | | | | | |
| . Millions of current pesos | 160,238 | 172,438 | 177,145 | 185,939 | 208,668 | 225,523 | | |
| . Constant prices annual variations in % | 0.8 | 3.0 | -1.7 | -0.3 | 6.1 | 3.8 | | |
| | Quart | | | | | | | |
| Tourism GDP | | | | | | | | |
| . Annual variations in % | 2.9 | 4.6 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 3.6 | 2.4 | | |
| Internal tourism consumption | | | | | | | | |
| . Annual variations in % | 1.8 | 2.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 4.5 | 6.0 | | |
| Domestic tourism consumption | | | | | | | | |
| . Annual variations in % | 2.9 | 2.3 | 1.0 | -0.8 | 1.1 | 3.1 | | |
| Inbound tourism consumption | | | | | | | | |
| . Annual variations in % | -6.2 | 7.8 | 0.5 | 14.7 | 28.8 | 24.1 | | |
| | | Tourism Emp | loyment | | | | | |
| People Employed in the Tourism Sector (SECTUR)* | 3409804.1 | 3536686.1 | 3628194.7 | 3640970.3 | 3803441.7 | 3951886.8 | | |
| | Total | number of IMSS | -Insure Workers | ; | | | | |
| Employees insured by IMSS (average of the period) | 15,153,643 | 15,856,137 | 16,409,302 | 16,990,724 | 17,724,222 | 18,401,344 | 18,699,916 | 18,853,971 |
| .Permanent | 13,101,612 | 13,637,937 | 14,123,077 | 14,570,291 | 15,170,986 | 15,785,784 | 16,046,797 | 16,141,919 |
| .Non-permanent (urban and field) | 2,052,031 | 2,218,200 | 2,286,225 | 2,420,433 | 2,553,236 | 2,615,560 | 2,653,119 | 2,712,052 |
| Unemployment National Rate ** (closing of the period) | | | | | | | | |
| . Total Percentage of PEA | 4.51 | 4.40 | 4.89 | 4.16 | 4.34 | 3.66 | 3.57 | |
| | P | rices and Exchar | nge Rate*** | | | | | |
| National Price Index (closing of the period) | | | | | | | | |
| Consumer (percent variation) | 3.8% | 3.6% | 4.0% | 4.1% | 2.1% | 3.4% | 4.7% | 4.9% |
| . Air transport (percent variation) | 7.6% | -7.7% | 0.2% | 16.7% | 3.2% | 9.8% | -7.8% | -1.89 |
| . Hotel (percent variation) | 6.4% | 1.1% | 3.1% | 4.8% | 4.2% | 7.8% | 8.2% | 7.7% |
| . Package Tourist Services (percent variation) | 5.7% | 1.6% | 4.9% | 5.1% | 7.6% | 6.4% | 4.5% | 8.0% |
| . Restaurants (percent variation) | 4.4% | 4.2% | 3.6% | 6.0% | 4.9% | 5.5% | 5.9% | 6.4% |
| Exchange Rate (peso / dollar) | | | | | | | | |
| . Average of the period | 12.423 | 13.169 | 12.772 | 13.292 | 15.848 | 18.664 | 21.373 | 20.381 |
| Bu | isiness Cycle Indicators | and Consumer | Confidence (moi | ntly difference* | | | | |
| . Coincident Indicator | 6.0% | -6.4% | -3.1% | 2.9% | -2.5% | 4.1% | 4.9% | NE |
| . Forward Indicator | 2.7% | 9.4% | 0.6% | -8.6% | -8.5% | -18.8% | -16.0% | -13.5% |
| .Confidence Consumer Index | 11.3% | 7.2% | -26.6% | 5.7% | 6.6% | -10.6% | -7.7% | -7.1% |

N.D. Not available.

* For 2016 figures for the third quarter.

** For 2016 figures for the fourth quarter. The Tourist Employment dataset is smoothed by averaging the last four quarters of it. The objective is to eliminate irregular fluctuations in the short and medium term. *** Percentage of all the economically active population. Data at the end of the period for annual and monthly figures and average period for quarterly information. **** Por prices of the consumer: at the end of the year are annual variations and same month previos year is for monthly data variation. ***** Point monthly difference (closing of the period). Sources: SECTUR. INEGI. STYPS. Bank of Mexico



International environment

At the beginning of the year signs have been observed that point to a recovery in world economic activity. In line with the expectations of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) published in January, it is estimated that the world economy will grow by 3.4% a year during 2017, up from the estimated 3.1% by 2016.

The US economy Increase its pace of growth, driven by fiscal stimulus. For its part, the euro area is expected to expand moderately. In the rest of the advanced economies, in particular Japan, there is the expectation of a higher-than-expected performance.

The information available for 2017 shows that US economic activity will continue to show a favorable growth rate. In February 2017 the labor market continued to recover: job creation registered a monthly increase of 235,000 jobs, while the average hourly wage of workers increased at an annual rate of 0.2% and the unemployment rate resulted in 4.7%, 0.1% below the previous month.

At the beginning of 2017, recent data from the Euro Area show that the transmission of monetary policy measures has continued to favor domestic demand and thus economic recovery. For its part, the unemployment rate remained unchanged. At the beginning of the year, inflation continued its upward trend and during February registered growth of 2.0%, due to an increase in the price of food and energy. Finally, a recovery in the growth of emerging economies is expected in the face of the gradual normalization of the macroeconomic tensions that many of them face.

National

Uncertainty about the direction in the policies of the new US administration, particularly in the area of international trade, has represented a downside risk for the Mexican economy. The private sector outlook on Mexico's growth in 2017 has been adjusted down 0.7 pp on average since the US election, while the IMF decreased its projection by 0.6 pp in its publication of the World Economic Outlook of January 2017, to 1.7%.

In this context, an updated macroeconomic framework estimated for 2017 that estimates a growth range of 1.3 to 2.3 percent for this year, which takes into account the expected potential effects of the prevailing uncertainty, as well as the better performance. Expected from the variables observed to date.