

REFLECTING THE REVISION IN TOURISM STATISTICS IN BALANCE OF PAYMENTS STATISTICS

Taking into account the changes in the methodology of the tourism statistics by European Statistics Office and World Tourism Organization, Turkstat announced on February 14, 2013 that its tourism statistics methodology was revised.

In this context, in accordance with the international standards, expenditures on international transportation of visitors carried by resident carriers, marina services' income and mobile phone roaming income of resident service providers have all been included in tourism revenues. For tourism expenditure, again complying with international definitions, expenditures on international transportation of residents carried by foreign carriers and mobile phone roaming income of nonresident service providers are included in tourism expenditures.

In accordance with the announcement made on February 20, 2013;

Consistent with International Monetary Fund (IMF) Balance of Payments Manual 5th Edition, since the items

- Current Account / Services / Transportation / Other Transportation and
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already covers "international transportation fees" and "GSM roaming fees", only other revisions has been reflected in "Current Account / Travel" item covering the period between 2003 – 2012.