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Tourism

Tourism departures: May 2005

In May the number of tourist departures reached 112,559; an increase of 7,157 or 6.8 per cent over the same month last year. Tourist departures by air were estimated at 112,001, an increase of 8.5 per cent when compared to the same month last year. Tourist departures by sea were estimated at 558 and declined when compared to last year.

German tourists which accounted for 14.9 per cent of the market more than doubled when compared to last year. Other increases in tourist departures by air were recorded from the United Kingdom, Austria, France, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, USA, and a group of 'other' markets.

On the other hand, Italian tourists which accounted for 4.8 per cent of the total decreased by 3.0 per cent when compared to same month last year. Other drops in tourist departures included those from Belgium, Denmark, Sweden, Russia and Libya.

Purpose of visit

When compared to the same period last year, holiday tourists increased by 8.4 per cent and business tourists increased by 8.2 per cent.

Tourism Departures: January-May 2005

In the period under review, tourist departures approximated 369,632 an increase of 6,338 or 1.7 per cent over the same period last year. Of these, 366,574 were air departures which increased by 2.1 per cent. The German market which accounted for 13.4 per cent of all tourist departures, increased by 14.0 per cent. Other markets recording increases in tourist departures included those from Austria, Denmark, France, the Netherlands, Sweden and a group of 'other' markets.

On the other hand, tourists from the British market which accounted for 41.1 per cent decreased by 1.1 per cent. Other declining markets included those from Belgium, Italy, Norway, Switzerland, Russia, Libya and the U.S.A.

Accommodation

The number of nights spent by tourists departing by air was estimated at 3,434,710, an increase of 0.7 per cent over the same period last year. The number of nights spent in hotel accommodation establishments decreased by 0.9 per cent and accounted for 69.2 per cent of the total nights spent. Tourists opting for Gozo as their main accommodation reached 10,810 and increased by 4.8 per cent when compared to last year.

Tourism expenditure

Expenditure on package tours was estimated at Lm62.2 million, an increase of Lm 2.2 million or 3.6 per cent when compared to last year. Non-package tourists spent Lm14.5 million on airfares and Lm 9.0 million on accommodation thereby increasing total expenditure on non-package travel by approximately Lm 1.9 million or 8.9 per cent.

Other expenditure from both package and non-package tourists altogether increased by Lm 0.4 million to Lm 40,998,931 in January-May 2005 from Lm40,556,202 in January-May 2004. As a result, total expenditure increased by Lm4.5 million or 3.7 per cent. As a result, per capita expenditure increased to Lm172.8 from Lm170.1 ■

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Table 1. Distribution of tourist departures: May 2003 - 2005

Country of residence	Air					Sea	
	2003	2004	2004/2003 % +/-	2005	2005/2004 % +/-	2004	2005
Austria	4,541	3,143	-30.8	3,617	15.1	-	-
Belgium	3,087	4,115	33.3	3,021	-26.6	-	-
Denmark	2,712	2,840	4.7	2,378	-16.3	-	-
France	11,908	10,792	-9.4	12,118	12.3	-	-
Germany	11,000	10,695	-2.8	16,701	56.2	120	-
Italy	5,683	5,574	-1.9	5,407	-3.0	510	328
Netherlands	4,478	5,398	20.5	5,872	8.8	-	-
Sweden	1,600	3,109	94.3	2,293	-26.2	-	-
United Kingdom	40,103	38,795	-3.3	41,881	8.0	450	33
Norway	1,156	1,268	9.7	1,327	4.7	-	-
Switzerland	1,871	1,893	1.2	2,156	13.9	-	-
Russia	1,901	1,730	-9.0	794	-54.1	350	-
Libya	1,625	1,131	-30.4	829	-26.7	-	-
USA	1,467	2,018	37.6	2,095	3.8	-	131
Other	9,448	10,771	14.0	11,512	6.9	700	66
Total	102,580	103,272	0.7	112,001	8.5	2,130	558

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Table 2. Distribution of tourist departures: January - May 2003 - 2005

Country of residence	Air					Sea	
	2003	2004	2004/2003 % +/-	2005	2005//2004 % +/-	2004	2005
Austria	11,321	8,913	-21.3	9,162	2.8	73	-
Belgium	6,537	8,347	27.7	8,314	-0.4	3	-
Denmark	6,176	6,601	6.9	8,319	26.0	1	-
France	28,881	28,100	-2.7	30,898	10.0	8	-
Germany	47,904	43,221	-9.8	49,267	14.0	152	20
Italy	23,512	27,420	16.6	24,812	-9.5	1,957	2,472
Netherlands	12,509	10,367	-17.1	10,972	5.8	5	-
Sweden	3,600	6,155	71.0	7,454	21.1	2	-
United Kingdom	158,115	152,363	-3.6	150,698	-1.1	534	100
Norway	3,306	4,857	46.9	4,262	-12.3	-	-
Switzerland	7,880	7,895	0.2	6,942	-12.1	15	-
Russia	4,442	4,000	-10.0	2,529	-36.8	350	-
Libya	7,445	5,190	-30.3	4,412	-15.0	1	-
USA	5,128	6,176	20.4	5,757	-6.8	231	131
Other	39,287	39,288	0.0	42,776	8.9	1,069	335
Total	366,043	358,893	-2.0	366,574	2.1	4,401	3,058

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Sea data for year 2004 consists of cards data from Jan-Mar

Table 3. Tourist air departures by country of residence and purpose of visit: May 2004

Country of residence	Holiday		Business (other)		Visiting friends / Family		Other		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Austria	2,021	2.3	235	2.5	-	-	887	20.3	3,143	3.0
Belgium	2,933	3.4	1,041	11.0	95	4.2	46	1.1	4,115	4.0
Denmark	2,793	3.2	47	0.5	-	-	-	-	2,840	2.8
France	9,759	11.2	704	7.5	142	6.3	187	4.3	10,792	10.5
Germany	9,047	10.4	756	8.0	46	2.0	846	19.4	10,695	10.4
Italy	3,541	4.1	1,702	18.1	95	4.2	236	5.4	5,574	5.4
Netherlands	5,022	5.8	282	3.0	47	2.1	47	1.1	5,398	5.2
Sweden	3,062	3.5	-	-	-	-	47	1.1	3,109	3.0
United Kingdom	35,877	41.1	1,320	14.0	1,175	52.1	423	9.7	38,795	37.6
Norway	1,268	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,268	1.2
Switzerland	1,657	1.9	47	0.5	-	-	189	4.3	1,893	1.8
Russia	1,591	1.8	93	1.0	-	-	46	1.1	1,730	1.7
Libya	378	0.4	517	5.5	-	-	236	5.4	1,131	1.1
USA	1,407	1.6	471	5.0	93	4.1	47	1.1	2,018	2.0
Other	6,866	7.9	2,214	23.5	563	25.0	1,128	25.8	10,771	10.4
Total	87,222	100.0	9,429	100.0	2,256	100.0	4,365	100.0	103,272	100.0

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Table 4. Tourist air departures by country of residence and purpose of visit: May 2005

Country of residence	Holiday		Business (other)		Visiting friends / Family		Other		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Austria	2,869	3.0	271	2.7	55	3.0	422	7.8	3,617	3.2
Belgium	2,800	3.0	221	2.2	-	-	-	-	3,021	2.7
Denmark	1,991	2.1	221	2.2	-	-	166	3.1	2,378	2.1
France	10,767	11.4	812	8.0	-	-	539	10.0	12,118	10.8
Germany	14,600	15.4	818	8.0	105	5.6	1,178	21.8	16,701	14.9
Italy	2,994	3.2	1,542	15.1	108	5.8	763	14.1	5,407	4.8
Netherlands	5,276	5.6	541	5.3	-	-	55	1.0	5,872	5.2
Sweden	2,020	2.1	218	2.1	-	-	55	1.0	2,293	2.0
United Kingdom	38,494	40.7	1,964	19.2	879	47.3	544	10.1	41,881	37.4
Norway	1,106	1.2	111	1.1	-	-	110	2.0	1,327	1.2
Switzerland	1,825	1.9	166	1.6	55	3.0	110	2.0	2,156	1.9
Russia	582	0.6	108	1.1	-	-	104	1.9	794	0.7
Libya	332	0.4	332	3.3	111	6.0	54	1.0	829	0.7
USA	1,292	1.4	474	4.6	218	11.7	111	2.1	2,095	1.9
Other	7,584	8.0	2,404	23.6	329	17.7	1,195	22.1	11,512	10.3
Total	94,532	100.0	10,203	100.0	1,860	100.0	5,406	100.0	112,001	100.0

Table 5. Tourist air departures by country of residence and locality stayed: Jan - May 2004

Country of residence	Marsascala	Mellieha	St. Julians	St. Paul's Bay	Sliema	Valletta	Gozo	Other	No Primary Location	Total
Austria	249	518	1,878	2,704	1,689	440	244	1,096	95	8,913
Belgium	-	675	3,700	1,309	1,017	175	384	967	120	8,347
Denmark	-	5,474	360	203	358	47	-	159	-	6,601
France	658	1,607	5,588	7,270	5,306	1,310	627	5,528	206	28,100
Germany	893	4,817	8,263	9,830	8,931	818	2,222	6,999	448	43,221
Italy	219	329	14,843	2,603	4,319	1,225	337	3,380	165	27,420
Netherlands	88	847	3,650	1,994	2,184	74	140	1,115	275	10,367
Sweden	47	212	2,456	1,234	1,408	245	83	470	-	6,155
United Kingdom	3,061	13,667	15,087	72,400	24,292	3,479	4,522	14,589	1,266	152,363
Norway	46	244	1,410	1,377	986	76	237	442	39	4,857
Switzerland	333	297	1,964	1,134	1,798	424	363	1,494	88	7,895
Russia	186	46	1,021	1,432	530	236	-	464	85	4,000
Libya	-	-	1,605	230	2,270	-	81	931	73	5,190
USA	-	155	1,782	879	1,716	768	247	582	47	6,176
Other	427	1,978	12,282	7,258	8,551	1,540	826	6,139	287	39,288
Total	6,207	30,866	75,889	111,857	65,355	10,857	10,313	44,355	3,194	358,893

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Table 6. Tourist air departures by country of residence and locality stayed: Jan - May 2005

Country of residence	Marsascala	Mellieha	St. Julians	St. Paul's Bay	Sliema	Valletta	Gozo	Other	No Primary Location	Total
Austria	428	474	2,114	2,155	2,371	697	-	923	-	9,162
Belgium	455	317	2,493	1,847	1,923	528	50	650	51	8,314
Denmark	151	6,069	316	350	1,114	-	152	167	-	8,319
France	773	2,067	7,803	9,399	4,470	2,504	668	3,214	-	30,898
Germany	729	4,327	10,366	12,478	12,932	1,595	1,514	4,871	455	49,267
Italy	254	355	12,773	2,718	3,942	807	568	3,141	254	24,812
Netherlands	55	487	4,485	2,380	1,928	215	260	1,106	56	10,972
Sweden	100	415	3,161	1,896	1,461	101	-	320	-	7,454
United Kingdom	3,532	14,617	10,751	70,221	29,804	4,146	5,595	11,071	961	150,698
Norway	217	252	1,541	794	990	106	111	251	-	4,262
Switzerland	437	307	2,618	924	845	512	679	620	-	6,942
Russia	222	-	836	421	745	200	-	105	-	2,529
Libya	110	-	1,454	-	1,516	205	-	975	152	4,412
USA	51	163	2,176	836	1,143	579	312	387	110	5,757
Other	686	2,179	16,758	6,258	9,464	1,308	901	4,913	309	42,776
Total	8,200	32,029	79,645	112,677	74,648	13,503	10,810	32,714	2,348	366,574

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Table 7. Tourist air departures by country of residence, type of accommodation and number of nights spent: January-May 2004 ...

Country of residence	Hotels									
	5-star		4-star		3-star		2-star		Unclassified	
	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights
Austria	1,689	10,620	3,904	26,095	1,276	7,734	-	-	36	108
Belgium	3,532	19,181	3,583	26,095	239	1,630	-	-	-	-
Denmark	559	3,483	969	7,249	543	4,029	47	331	-	-
France	4,178	21,850	14,615	96,596	3,657	23,470	754	5,599	36	252
Germany	5,688	33,742	23,154	184,495	5,819	45,830	416	3,062	122	915
Italy	9,627	38,893	7,832	38,371	3,914	21,315	904	4,026	36	108
Netherlands	2,205	12,973	2,991	19,974	2,367	17,827	83	831	-	-
Sweden	2,236	12,108	1,826	12,599	743	4,916	416	2,989	-	-
United Kingdom	14,035	89,562	65,351	702,864	41,966	505,055	879	9,642	147	1,238
Norway	1,779	10,288	1,540	12,822	418	4,947	377	2,847	36	216
Switzerland	2,335	14,256	2,716	17,525	1,192	8,270	192	2,022	-	-
Russia	679	4,826	1,131	7,858	553	4,591	93	1,392	178	1,499
Libya	1,219	5,290	1,135	5,685	1,339	12,094	237	592	-	-
USA	2,531	14,926	1,637	12,534	542	3,431	77	730	-	-
Other	11,056	55,377	13,057	102,480	3,939	26,653	679	4,609	142	331
Total	63,348	347,375	145,441	1,273,242	68,507	691,792	5,154	38,672	733	4,667

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... Table 7. Tourist air departures by country of residence, type of accommodation and number of nights spent: January-May 2004

Country of residence	Own private residence		Apart-Hotel		Furnished premises		Other		Total	
	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights
Austria	-	-	187	1,311	160	1,251	1,661	12,884	8,913	60,003
Belgium	40	281	214	1,474	144	1,009	595	7,960	8,347	57,630
Denmark	-	-	265	1,853	126	961	4,092	37,106	6,601	55,012
France	189	1,283	734	5,307	526	5,176	3,411	35,277	28,100	194,810
Germany	406	4,778	1,215	11,174	1,420	17,809	4,981	63,135	43,221	364,940
Italy	521	3,037	518	4,314	549	9,347	3,519	28,914	27,420	148,325
Netherlands	46	278	1,198	14,641	539	4,833	938	9,241	10,367	80,598
Sweden	79	277	162	1,309	195	1,940	498	4,816	6,155	40,954
United Kingdom	4,367	58,885	7,409	75,616	5,663	81,861	12,546	125,754	152,363	1,650,477
Norway	114	593	396	6,115	-	-	197	1,651	4,857	39,479
Switzerland	160	989	331	2,787	47	331	922	19,473	7,895	65,653
Russia	86	1,203	257	8,279	143	3,426	880	18,630	4,000	51,704
Libya	116	654	155	1,003	340	20,910	649	10,968	5,190	57,196
USA	74	866	219	1,439	160	6,398	936	14,873	6,176	55,197
Other	684	21,502	1,731	29,689	1,514	63,640	6,486	186,165	39,288	490,446
Total	6,882	94,626	14,991	166,311	11,526	218,892	42,311	576,847	358,893	3,412,424

Table 8. Tourist air departures by country of residence, type of accommodation and number of nights spent: January - May 2005 ...

Country of residence	Hotels									
	5-star		4-star		3-star		2-star		Unclassified	
	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights
Austria	870	4,193	3,825	19,397	2,296	19,482	107	432	-	-
Belgium	2,881	16,234	3,476	23,972	664	4,694	366	2,357	-	-
Denmark	432	1,887	1,122	8,964	1,424	9,920	50	350	-	-
France	3,767	17,881	15,568	106,166	6,978	46,215	461	3,124	51	860
Germany	9,180	55,565	23,821	185,564	7,680	62,306	728	4,894	-	-
Italy	7,550	50,771	7,288	41,467	3,903	22,372	360	2,592	-	-
Netherlands	2,929	20,847	2,596	19,005	2,642	19,660	105	567	-	-
Sweden	1,187	5,679	2,525	20,037	2,362	18,402	156	1,800	-	-
United Kingdom	13,094	81,178	66,929	690,061	40,066	409,968	727	4,417	-	-
Norway	1,180	8,580	1,299	8,147	994	7,269	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	1,823	11,370	2,684	20,411	946	6,331	100	699	50	350
Russia	638	3,451	882	16,100	477	4,183	56	391	-	-
Libya	459	2,956	1,311	8,801	1,324	8,210	265	3,122	-	-
USA	2,763	20,135	1,150	8,084	414	2,527	108	597	-	-
Other	13,888	81,398	13,003	104,044	5,734	40,669	310	4,841	-	-
Total	62,641	382,125	147,479	1,280,220	77,904	682,208	3,899	30,183	101	1,210

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Country of residence	Own private residence		Apart-Hotel		Furnished premises		Other		Total	
	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights	No. of tourists	No. of nights
Austria	101	704	150	1,003	152	964	1,661	13,215	9,162	59,390
Belgium	202	1,915	100	699	206	2,050	419	4,281	8,314	56,202
Denmark	50	499	212	1,870	558	5,721	4,471	37,594	8,319	66,805
France	156	1,141	974	7,339	366	7,227	2,577	32,828	30,898	222,781
Germany	939	18,790	1,751	14,525	998	9,447	4,170	61,972	49,267	413,063
Italy	323	2,957	523	3,464	1,317	19,989	3,548	40,788	24,812	184,400
Netherlands	157	2,057	968	8,049	688	5,556	887	8,628	10,972	84,369
Sweden	166	1,160	111	553	105	737	842	5,937	7,454	54,305
United Kingdom	6,217	73,988	7,080	74,145	4,852	70,790	11,733	122,862	150,698	1,527,409
Norway	56	2,120	101	706	50	350	582	9,154	4,262	36,326
Switzerland	216	4,440	-	-	356	3,599	767	13,879	6,942	61,079
Russia	105	1,908	56	391	55	193	260	13,358	2,529	39,975
Libya	161	1,113	50	4,544	50	9,189	792	8,242	4,412	46,177
USA	107	2,361	-	-	160	1,120	1,055	9,925	5,757	44,749
Other	1,294	42,404	1,160	13,135	1,463	42,743	5,924	208,446	42,776	537,680
Total	10,250	157,557	13,236	130,423	11,376	179,675	39,688	591,109	366,574	3,434,710

Table 9. Breakdown of expenditure by package and non-package tourists

January-May 2004					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	1,732,438	167,751	122,203	714,221	2,736,613
Belgium	1,506,327	221,386	189,360	697,992	2,615,065
Denmark	1,171,306	108,151	60,358	687,336	2,027,151
France	5,464,971	717,541	419,596	2,533,939	9,136,047
Germany	8,103,086	1,037,343	648,979	3,951,566	13,740,974
Italy	3,292,282	1,646,140	1,108,677	2,402,298	8,449,397
Netherlands	1,621,834	279,174	197,258	1,053,390	3,151,656
Sweden	1,015,221	218,233	119,378	661,186	2,014,018
United Kingdom	26,539,045	3,934,985	2,091,548	18,922,506	51,488,084
Norway	878,224	208,300	120,905	621,749	1,829,178
Switzerland	1,619,101	269,444	127,905	746,356	2,762,806
Russia	595,120	212,312	120,688	705,948	1,634,068
Libya	222,366	381,751	353,644	699,629	1,657,390
USA	1,282,140	630,315	359,360	874,066	3,145,881
Other	4,980,526	3,683,246	1,780,304	5,284,020	15,728,096
Total	60,023,987	13,716,072	7,820,163	40,556,202	122,116,424
January-May 2005					
Austria	1,648,969	307,206	178,369	713,054	2,847,598
Belgium	1,602,474	319,238	185,660	852,347	2,959,719
Denmark	1,561,071	152,275	57,062	987,871	2,758,279
France	6,455,289	800,920	522,204	2,822,271	10,600,684
Germany	9,425,165	1,481,614	973,699	4,781,857	16,662,335
Italy	3,123,742	1,399,670	935,490	2,309,044	7,767,946
Netherlands	1,725,221	377,511	210,361	1,200,656	3,513,749
Sweden	1,343,378	299,547	226,405	887,435	2,756,765
United Kingdom	26,189,899	4,121,647	2,779,859	18,667,937	51,759,342
Norway	933,136	64,427	43,110	594,194	1,634,867
Switzerland	1,167,391	339,871	229,969	771,653	2,508,884
Russia	427,188	96,511	60,746	287,301	871,746
Libya	96,801	345,940	321,574	500,066	1,264,381
USA	1,017,562	639,977	341,203	726,252	2,724,994
Other	5,489,550	3,733,472	1,917,303	4,896,993	16,037,318
Total	62,206,836	14,479,826	8,983,014	40,998,931	126,668,607

Table 10. Per capita expenditure by package and non-package tourists

January-May 2004					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total *
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	229.6	122.7	97.3	80.1	153.5
Belgium	230.9	121.4	111.3	83.6	156.6
Denmark	198.2	156.5	98.1	104.1	153.5
France	240.3	133.9	85.8	90.2	162.6
Germany	227.4	136.6	91.4	91.4	159.0
Italy	214.9	136.1	99.4	87.6	154.1
Netherlands	193.2	141.5	107.0	101.6	152.0
Sweden	216.9	148.0	88.0	107.4	163.6
United Kingdom	225.8	113.0	79.7	124.2	169.0
Norway	242.7	168.1	115.5	128.0	188.3
Switzerland	262.8	155.4	90.2	94.5	175.0
Russia	247.2	133.3	86.8	176.5	204.3
Libya	239.9	89.5	85.3	134.8	159.7
USA	439.8	193.2	122.2	141.5	254.6
Other	253.9	187.2	98.0	134.5	200.2
Total	230.9	138.6	91.7	113.0	170.1
January-May 2005					
Austria	230.5	153.1	96.1	77.8	155.4
Belgium	270.6	133.4	86.8	102.5	178.0
Denmark	212.9	154.4	60.9	118.8	165.8
France	256.0	141.1	102.4	91.3	171.5
Germany	239.2	150.3	109.4	97.1	169.1
Italy	223.9	128.9	92.4	93.1	156.5
Netherlands	217.5	124.2	87.6	109.4	160.1
Sweden	241.7	158.2	139.2	119.1	184.9
United Kingdom	235.2	104.8	98.4	123.9	171.7
Norway	253.4	111.1	90.9	139.4	191.8
Switzerland	251.3	148.0	113.5	111.1	180.7
Russia	252.5	115.3	83.0	113.6	172.3
Libya	191.3	88.6	93.6	113.3	143.3
USA	376.5	209.5	120.0	126.1	236.6
Other	246.8	181.8	103.3	114.5	187.5
Total	239.9	135.0	100.5	111.8	172.8

* Weighted average

Table 11. Breakdown of expenditure by package and non-package tourists

May 2004					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	646,483	33,300	29,943	233,304	943,030
Belgium	841,131	58,687	57,079	343,388	1,300,285
Denmark	521,292	27,628	18,824	292,914	860,658
France	2,313,287	203,679	132,062	937,910	3,586,938
Germany	2,197,929	184,318	136,405	1,080,311	3,598,963
Italy	695,944	302,564	166,719	460,456	1,625,683
Netherlands	880,753	107,061	71,884	549,500	1,609,198
Sweden	546,961	62,568	40,427	372,039	1,021,995
United Kingdom	6,544,554	1,107,300	507,732	4,962,162	13,121,748
Norway	217,076	35,551	35,172	200,744	488,543
Switzerland	418,737	43,903	16,648	194,348	673,636
Russia	365,563	26,938	8,072	256,353	656,926
Libya	9,980	116,528	112,242	163,122	401,872
USA	630,026	205,153	182,241	358,707	1,376,127
Other	1,741,338	789,774	412,075	1,500,356	4,443,543
Total	18,571,054	3,304,952	1,927,525	11,905,614	35,709,145
May 2005					
Austria	579,146	156,873	74,011	290,038	1,100,068
Belgium	573,749	142,176	83,540	277,985	1,077,450
Denmark	509,531	28,703	20,206	286,295	844,735
France	2,641,624	311,683	211,012	1,187,476	4,351,795
Germany	3,025,060	508,232	385,916	1,635,798	5,555,006
Italy	659,393	379,764	195,392	463,276	1,697,825
Netherlands	972,795	171,651	77,674	663,348	1,885,468
Sweden	359,729	82,475	51,118	259,634	752,956
United Kingdom	6,273,826	1,382,140	932,826	5,373,902	13,962,694
Norway	305,193	7,686	10,307	156,698	479,884
Switzerland	369,170	124,981	88,749	248,783	831,683
Russia	184,457	22,190	16,502	74,976	298,125
Libya	-	75,467	97,360	73,718	246,545
USA	289,079	315,066	195,856	240,129	1,040,130
Other	1,660,310	945,007	555,884	1,448,423	4,609,624
Total	18,403,062	4,654,094	2,996,353	12,680,479	38,733,988

Table 12. Per capita expenditure by package and non-package tourists

May 2004					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total *
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	233.6	88.6	79.6	74.2	150.0
Belgium	233.9	112.9	120.9	83.4	158.0
Denmark	196.6	146.2	99.6	103.1	151.5
France	246.6	144.4	100.1	86.9	166.2
Germany	243.1	111.5	93.2	101.0	168.3
Italy	204.7	139.1	86.0	82.6	145.8
Netherlands	193.3	127.0	96.0	101.8	149.0
Sweden	211.2	120.6	77.9	119.7	164.4
United Kingdom	229.4	107.8	65.0	127.9	169.1
Norway	210.3	150.6	149.0	158.3	192.6
Switzerland	260.2	154.6	88.1	102.7	177.9
Russia	244.2	115.6	43.4	148.2	189.9
Libya	212.3	107.5	103.5	144.2	177.7
USA	709.5	181.7	175.9	177.8	341.0
Other	284.8	169.6	92.2	139.3	206.3
Total	239.0	129.2	87.4	115.3	172.9
May 2005					
Austria	224.1	151.9	71.6	80.2	152.1
Belgium	299.1	128.9	75.7	92.0	178.3
Denmark	236.3	129.9	91.4	120.4	177.7
France	262.7	151.1	125.0	98.0	179.6
Germany	241.6	121.6	104.5	97.9	166.3
Italy	268.8	128.6	75.9	85.7	157.0
Netherlands	217.6	122.3	79.9	113.0	160.5
Sweden	220.7	124.2	92.4	113.2	164.1
United Kingdom	223.8	99.8	96.5	128.3	166.7
Norway	262.9	46.3	62.1	118.1	180.8
Switzerland	256.7	173.8	160.5	115.4	192.8
Russia	318.6	103.2	76.8	94.4	187.7
Libya	-	91.0	125.8	88.9	148.7
USA	337.7	254.1	157.9	114.6	248.2
Other	271.7	174.9	115.9	125.8	200.2
Total	242.2	129.2	102.4	113.2	172.9

* Weighted average

Methodological Notes

1. Tourist air departures are collected through a continuous survey carried out at the departure lounge of Malta International Airport. A two-stage sample design is used for this survey. At the first stage alternate days are selected. Then within each shift a sample of passengers is selected systematically. Personal interviews are carried out. Monthly response rates of around 90 per cent are achieved.
2. Tourist sea departures are collected through a regular survey that is carried out at the seaport. Ferry sailings on every alternate day are selected. Departing passengers are interviewed personally. On average a response rate of 93 per cent is recorded for this survey.
3. The variables collected in these surveys include the following:

Nationality	Number of nights stayed
Country of residence	Locality in Malta stayed longest
Flight/Sailing	Organisation of trip
Final destination	Form of transport used
Purpose of visit	Expenditure (package/non-package/other)
Frequency of visit	Age
Gender	
4. The expenditure data contained in this release should not be equated to national tourism earnings. Such expenditure includes elements that are earned by enterprises outside the Maltese economic territory.
5. The surveys carried out at the airport and the seaport are grossed up using the monthly passenger departures data in respect of each port after removing the number of transit passengers from the data sets. The monthly passenger departures data published by the Malta International Airport cannot be equated to tourism statistics because the former is inclusive of departing Maltese and transit passengers. As a result, the monthly tourism statistics published by the NSO are always lower than the combined passenger departures data available from the airport and seaport.
6. Definitions

Usual Environment consists of the direct vicinity of his/her home and place of work and other places frequently visited

Visitors comprise tourists and same-day visitors. Visitors are distinguished from other travelers according to the following criteria:

- The trip should be to a place other than that of the usual environment.
- The stay in the place visited should not last more than 12 consecutive months.
- The main purpose of visit should be other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited.

International tourist satisfies the criteria mentioned earlier regarding visitors. Additionally, international tourists must stay at least one night in a collective or private accommodation in the country visited.

International same-day visitor is an international visitor who does not spend at least one night in collective or private accommodation.

7. The data in this release are not normally subject revision.
8. Further methodological notes are available at www.nso.gov.mt/publications/Tourstat/Tourstat2003.pdf