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Departing tourists: July 2006

Inbound tourists declined by 2.9 per cent in July 2006 compared to July 2005, leading to a drop of 2.5 per cent for the first seven months of the year. In the latter period, there were no significant changes in tourist expenditure.

July 2006

Departures of inbound tourists in July 2006 are estimated at 131,806, implying a drop of 2.9 per cent compared to the same month of last year. This was underpinned by fewer tourists mainly from the United Kingdom, France and Germany contrasted by increases from Russia, Italy and Denmark. The decrease in tourists during the month reflected primarily a drop in holiday makers.

January-July 2006

Departures of inbound tourists during the first seven months of 2006 are estimated at 603,534, a drop of 2.5 per cent over the comparable period of last year. In line with developments during the month of July, this decrease mainly reflected fewer tourists from the United Kingdom, France and Germany. Tourists from Italy, Russia and the Netherlands are estimated to have increased during the period.

The ongoing frontier survey of tourists departing by air indicates a 1.2 per cent decrease in total nights spent during the first seven months of 2006. Total tourist expenditure during the period under review is estimated at Lm221.3 million, a level which was almost unchanged from last year ■

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Table 1. Distribution of tourist departures: July 2004-2006

Country of residence	Air				Sea	
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005	2005	2006
	Amount			Absolute change	Amount	
Austria	2,111	3,301	2,703	-598	71	-
Belgium	4,523	3,952	4,173	221	-	76
Denmark	3,218	2,936	4,281	1,345	-	-
France	8,982	12,419	9,316	-3,103	-	76
Germany	13,015	12,308	10,212	-2,096	-	-
Italy	10,818	10,807	12,798	1,991	570	1,745
Netherlands	4,403	4,289	4,520	231	36	152
Sweden	3,890	3,613	2,851	-762	-	-
United Kingdom	43,004	47,319	41,462	-5,857	107	76
Norway	3,730	4,048	3,915	-133	36	-
Switzerland	2,597	2,032	2,656	624	-	-
Russia	4,217	3,005	5,062	2,057	-	-
Libya	1,393	1,017	920	-97	-	-
USA	2,483	2,386	2,591	205	214	-
Other	21,818	21,143	22,145	1,002	142	76
Total	130,202	134,575	129,605	-4,970	1,176	2,201

Table 2. Distribution of tourist departures: January-July 2004-2006

Country of residence	Air				Sea	
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005	2005	2006
	Amount			Absolute change	Amount	
Austria	13,903	15,209	14,721	-488	151	177
Belgium	16,374	14,911	16,183	1,272	-	76
Denmark	11,759	13,296	13,711	415	-	-
France	47,897	49,527	44,559	-4,968	40	76
Germany	68,370	72,879	68,218	-4,661	20	119
Italy	44,510	41,673	49,492	7,819	3,520	4,474
Netherlands	19,513	18,663	20,025	1,362	36	269
Sweden	12,726	13,816	10,821	-2,995	-	-
United Kingdom	242,387	250,190	235,611	-14,579	207	136
Norway	9,513	9,302	9,650	348	36	-
Switzerland	12,870	10,905	11,275	370	-	-
Russia	10,128	8,817	10,349	1,532	-	-
Libya	7,314	6,587	5,309	-1,278	-	-
USA	9,539	10,007	9,955	-52	1,262	477
Other	74,809	77,544	77,213	-331	716	638
Total	601,612	613,326	597,092	-16,234	5,988	6,442

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Table 3. Tourist air departures by country of residence and purpose of visit: July 2005

Country of residence	Holiday		Business		Visiting friends / Family		Other		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Austria	2,663	2.5	106	1.8	-	-	532	2.9	3,301	2.5
Belgium	3,364	3.2	213	3.7	107	-	268	1.5	3,952	2.9
Denmark	2,616	2.4	54	0.9	-	-	266	1.4	2,936	2.2
France	8,536	8.0	373	6.5	107	2.9	3,403	18.5	12,419	9.2
Germany	9,881	9.3	476	8.3	159	4.3	1,792	9.8	12,308	9.1
Italy	5,905	5.5	1,169	20.4	214	5.8	3,519	19.2	10,807	8.0
Netherlands	3,917	3.7	213	3.7	107	2.9	52	-	4,289	3.2
Sweden	2,445	2.3	54	0.9	107	2.9	1,007	5.5	3,613	2.7
United Kingdom	43,811	41.0	1,218	21.2	1,756	47.8	534	2.9	47,319	35.2
Norway	3,363	3.1	54	0.9	54	1.5	577	-	4,048	3.0
Switzerland	1,391	1.3	54	0.9	-	-	587	3.2	2,032	1.5
Russia	1,843	1.7	52	0.9	-	-	1,110	6.0	3,005	2.2
Libya	428	0.4	375	6.5	-	-	214	1.2	1,017	0.8
USA	1,536	1.4	52	0.9	369	10.0	429	2.3	2,386	1.8
Other	15,089	14.1	1,279	22.3	694	18.9	4,081	22.2	21,143	15.7
Total	106,788	100.0	5,742	100.0	3,674	100.0	18,371	96.6	134,575	100.0

Table 4. Tourist air departures by country of residence and purpose of visit: July 2006

Country of residence	Holiday		Business		Visiting friends / Family		Other		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Austria	1,732	1.7	204	3.2	51	1.3	716	3.9	2,703	2.1
Belgium	3,868	3.8	-	-	102	2.6	203	1.1	4,173	3.2
Denmark	3,822	3.8	102	1.6	51	1.3	306	1.6	4,281	3.3
France	6,216	6.2	458	7.2	-	-	2,642	14.2	9,316	7.2
Germany	8,025	8.0	255	4.0	-	-	1,932	10.4	10,212	7.9
Italy	6,780	6.7	1,379	21.8	153	4.0	4,486	24.2	12,798	9.9
Netherlands	4,061	4.0	153	2.4	51	1.3	255	1.4	4,520	3.5
Sweden	1,934	1.9	102	1.6	-	-	815	4.4	2,851	2.2
United Kingdom	37,843	37.5	1,273	20.1	1,733	44.8	613	3.3	41,462	32.0
Norway	3,406	3.4	102	1.6	-	-	407	2.2	3,915	3.0
Switzerland	2,299	2.3	-	-	-	-	357	1.9	2,656	2.0
Russia	2,835	2.8	51	0.8	51	1.3	2,125	11.4	5,062	3.9
Libya	460	0.5	255	4.0	153	4.0	52	0.3	920	0.7
USA	1,678	1.7	203	3.2	558	14.4	152	0.8	2,591	2.0
Other	15,881	15.7	1,783	28.2	968	25.0	3,513	18.9	22,145	17.1
Total	100,840	100.0	6,320	100.0	3,871	100.0	18,574	100.0	129,605	100.0

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Table 5. Tourist air departures by country of residence and locality stayed: January-July 2005

Country of residence	Marsascala	Mellieha	St. Julians	St. Paul's Bay	Sliema	Valletta	Gozo	Other	No Primary Location	Total
Austria	747	1,061	3,628	2,960	4,224	752	319	1,463	55	15,209
Belgium	669	1,176	3,736	3,194	3,881	582	157	1,465	51	14,911
Denmark	754	8,773	854	512	1,439	108	316	540	-	13,296
France	1,263	2,983	10,820	15,051	8,324	2,719	936	7,270	161	49,527
Germany	1,482	5,247	14,036	18,426	15,468	5,316	2,852	8,796	1,256	72,879
Italy	520	571	19,386	7,363	6,851	968	1,060	4,700	254	41,673
Netherlands	164	1,189	6,205	5,385	2,907	215	690	1,800	108	18,663
Sweden	153	468	5,597	3,780	2,433	260	215	910	-	13,816
United Kingdom	5,001	22,500	24,350	117,265	40,723	5,335	13,658	20,179	1,179	250,190
Norway	270	573	3,106	2,771	1,688	106	377	411	-	9,302
Switzerland	654	631	3,710	1,359	1,813	512	1,168	1,058	-	10,905
Russia	749	1,528	1,650	1,504	2,340	305	215	526	-	8,817
Libya	164	268	1,944	109	2,554	205	54	1,139	150	6,587
USA	158	217	3,039	1,326	1,900	798	795	1,559	215	10,007
Other	1,914	4,871	26,618	14,150	14,795	2,393	2,129	10,203	471	77,544
Total	14,662	52,056	128,679	195,155	111,340	20,574	24,941	62,019	3,900	613,326

Table 6. Tourist air departures by country of residence and locality stayed: January-July 2006

Country of residence	Marsascala	Mellieha	St. Julians	St. Paul's Bay	Sliema	Valletta	Gozo	Other	No Primary Location	Total
Austria	434	2,129	4,251	1,511	3,838	143	461	1,907	47	14,721
Belgium	238	1,479	4,660	4,470	2,831	555	431	1,519	-	16,183
Denmark	283	8,688	1,375	1,930	699	97	49	539	51	13,711
France	898	6,082	7,956	11,564	8,143	1,959	1,320	6,432	205	44,559
Germany	1,671	10,302	13,868	14,807	12,173	1,745	3,849	9,803	-	68,218
Italy	863	1,051	22,677	8,238	7,994	1,456	1,484	5,630	99	49,492
Netherlands	308	1,404	6,429	5,639	3,361	305	1,679	900	-	20,025
Sweden	101	327	2,495	4,678	2,032	100	190	898	-	10,821
United Kingdom	3,238	24,135	32,928	100,215	31,982	4,301	10,645	27,260	907	235,611
Norway	145	840	3,032	2,346	1,990	198	401	698	-	9,650
Switzerland	244	948	4,144	1,769	1,473	483	759	1,455	-	11,275
Russia	1,636	617	3,174	1,363	2,221	97	-	1,143	98	10,349
Libya	49	247	1,741	206	1,584	141	-	1,341	-	5,309
USA	199	422	3,712	486	1,605	932	1,181	1,418	-	9,955
Other	2,054	4,645	23,024	14,210	16,640	3,476	2,922	10,045	197	77,213
Total	12,361	63,316	135,466	173,432	98,566	15,988	25,371	70,988	1,604	597,092

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Table 7. Tourist air departures by country of residence, type of accommodation and number of nights spent: January-July 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	1,458	7,401	6,091	35,670	3,419	29,875	218	984	-	-
Belgium	4,284	24,903	7,060	53,921	1,467	10,530	420	3,106	-	-
Denmark	757	3,882	1,550	13,199	2,713	20,951	160	1,177	-	-
France	5,182	30,158	22,653	158,061	10,530	74,894	676	4,469	907	6,642
Germany	11,624	70,719	33,806	269,818	12,919	106,507	948	6,433	52	734
Italy	12,846	79,188	12,070	80,669	6,748	47,712	577	4,478	-	-
Netherlands	4,001	28,982	5,556	42,074	4,640	36,377	269	1,610	-	-
Sweden	2,214	12,311	5,058	43,828	3,059	25,809	210	2,549	-	-
United Kingdom	23,822	159,924	100,670	997,533	63,304	607,721	1,050	8,083	106	741
Norway	1,771	14,444	2,214	16,390	2,704	31,867	166	1,545	-	-
Switzerland	2,530	15,277	4,266	31,374	1,377	9,350	153	1,448	50	350
Russia	743	4,342	4,339	46,502	1,234	12,679	161	2,854	-	-
Libya	1,111	6,212	1,745	10,555	1,703	11,749	319	3,229	-	-
USA	3,682	26,255	1,743	12,689	1,169	17,311	162	868	-	-
Other	19,665	120,564	24,777	200,469	12,459	110,659	743	8,133	-	-
Total	95,690	604,562	233,598	2,012,752	129,445	1,153,991	6,232	50,966	1,115	8,467
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	487	3,132	698	4,506	258	2,072	2,580	22,008	15,209	105,648
Belgium	202	1,915	100	699	313	3,869	1,065	10,634	14,911	109,577
Denmark	50	499	212	1,870	882	8,367	6,972	66,467	13,296	116,412
France	211	1,914	1,082	8,153	690	10,894	7,596	95,957	49,527	391,142
Germany	1,049	19,949	2,447	20,416	1,797	20,206	8,237	110,249	72,879	625,031
Italy	540	5,013	898	6,139	1,963	27,741	6,031	68,223	41,673	319,163
Netherlands	264	3,181	1,715	14,727	1,008	8,972	1,210	12,165	18,663	148,088
Sweden	166	1,160	163	1,287	818	6,473	2,128	27,953	13,816	121,370
United Kingdom	11,505	134,145	13,092	130,140	14,365	163,564	22,276	225,832	250,190	2,427,683
Norway	56	2,120	315	3,489	853	7,038	1,223	15,553	9,302	92,446
Switzerland	271	5,212	107	696	463	5,472	1,688	34,059	10,905	103,238
Russia	105	1,908	530	9,257	273	1,612	1,432	27,075	8,817	106,229
Libya	378	2,844	50	4,544	50	9,189	1,231	16,490	6,587	64,812
USA	266	5,703	273	1,692	484	4,042	2,228	24,758	10,007	93,318
Other	1,881	47,497	2,667	25,403	3,449	74,339	11,903	325,375	77,544	912,439
Total	17,431	236,192	24,349	233,018	27,666	353,850	77,800	1,082,798	613,326	5,736,596

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Table 8. Tourist air departures by country of residence, type of accommodation and number of nights spent: January-July 2006

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	2,109	13,080	5,907	37,817	1,757	14,663	290	1,449	-	-
Belgium	4,812	33,394	8,565	70,123	1,004	6,792	145	874	-	-
Denmark	1,161	8,689	2,404	20,717	2,756	20,899	-	-	-	-
France	6,530	31,806	19,440	140,199	8,602	76,404	1,371	12,074	-	-
Germany	10,893	71,556	33,442	274,057	8,184	80,966	1,331	11,429	-	-
Italy	14,269	56,309	15,170	99,627	8,785	67,414	1,054	9,605	51	715
Netherlands	3,263	17,675	8,613	62,928	3,725	30,999	487	4,882	-	-
Sweden	1,191	6,196	4,662	39,499	2,036	23,493	253	1,380	-	-
United Kingdom	29,429	209,051	96,660	983,012	46,768	489,769	1,219	9,415	-	-
Norway	2,633	13,305	2,998	29,386	1,925	21,373	252	1,426	-	-
Switzerland	3,439	26,507	3,475	26,976	1,043	9,183	790	6,733	-	-
Russia	1,857	13,786	3,235	41,168	2,534	28,940	198	2,967	152	2,124
Libya	539	2,136	1,956	15,076	818	5,643	440	4,669	-	-
USA	4,449	27,203	1,903	16,474	556	2,957	198	5,057	-	-
Other	17,879	110,306	24,270	195,973	12,996	110,841	1,721	15,391	-	-
Total	104,453	640,999	232,700	2,053,032	103,489	990,336	9,749	87,351	-	-
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	103	1,031	388	2,114	459	8,797	3,708	30,585	14,721	109,536
Belgium	104	520	162	1,229	299	2,911	1,092	20,280	16,183	136,123
Denmark	141	988	490	4,143	246	4,341	6,513	61,691	13,711	121,468
France	429	6,427	1,859	17,114	1,213	19,054	5,115	63,365	44,559	366,443
Germany	1,016	9,342	2,265	19,566	3,496	65,546	7,591	93,183	68,218	625,645
Italy	590	9,917	936	8,142	1,197	19,149	7,440	67,735	49,492	338,613
Netherlands	151	4,320	1,123	9,331	1,340	15,051	1,323	10,622	20,025	155,808
Sweden	193	1,558	491	4,130	687	6,894	1,308	24,253	10,821	107,403
United Kingdom	11,325	132,013	11,750	125,916	13,855	154,551	24,605	258,585	235,611	2,362,312
Norway	195	13,458	593	8,157	354	3,733	700	8,428	9,650	99,266
Switzerland	339	2,510	201	2,117	655	8,250	1,333	18,755	11,275	101,031
Russia	110	621	224	1,820	206	20,335	1,833	63,488	10,349	175,249
Libya	97	538	51	358	701	6,554	707	11,333	5,309	46,307
USA	303	5,597	49	684	414	7,786	2,083	27,334	9,955	93,092
Other	1,543	26,077	2,224	31,770	4,334	99,625	12,246	239,152	77,213	829,135
Total	16,639	214,917	22,806	236,591	29,456	442,577	77,597	998,789	597,092	5,667,431

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

July 2005					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	722,712	64,768	56,311	376,874	1,220,665
Belgium	1,056,079	87,511	63,589	429,045	1,636,224
Denmark	578,153	118,181	74,067	365,202	1,135,603
France	2,906,378	528,492	327,496	1,154,805	4,917,171
Germany	2,477,893	497,486	325,132	1,362,092	4,662,603
Italy	2,178,810	554,384	423,864	1,068,428	4,225,486
Netherlands	697,305	196,311	159,358	550,003	1,602,977
Sweden	1,017,657	161,600	118,058	512,111	1,809,426
United Kingdom	7,516,839	1,889,235	1,100,824	6,660,575	17,167,473
Norway	1,253,525	110,251	45,979	693,217	2,102,972
Switzerland	575,099	38,240	23,851	209,617	846,807
Russia	918,074	94,487	106,430	420,126	1,539,117
Libya	-	90,976	58,698	200,556	350,230
USA	166,417	398,078	134,723	346,430	1,045,648
Other	4,066,975	1,649,970	637,039	3,050,712	9,404,696
Total	26,131,916	6,479,970	3,655,419	17,399,793	53,667,098
July 2006					
Austria	747,009	62,755	44,260	257,554	1,111,578
Belgium	1,221,971	66,047	46,079	423,533	1,757,630
Denmark	1,179,210	65,958	25,422	640,897	1,911,487
France	2,582,594	212,482	205,092	1,019,707	4,019,875
Germany	2,462,940	282,005	322,093	1,369,035	4,436,073
Italy	3,054,906	547,210	526,509	1,385,022	5,513,647
Netherlands	1,093,659	95,568	122,642	562,667	1,874,536
Sweden	1,065,700	56,320	30,917	353,588	1,506,525
United Kingdom	7,008,048	1,586,512	1,083,259	6,197,847	15,875,666
Norway	1,271,550	36,100	22,009	705,724	2,035,383
Switzerland	623,671	150,641	126,048	415,488	1,315,848
Russia	1,799,814	127,278	158,921	737,226	2,823,239
Libya	24,898	49,939	55,346	209,570	339,753
USA	291,207	324,304	169,835	337,426	1,122,772
Other	4,910,208	1,444,833	795,920	3,032,719	10,183,680
Total	29,337,385	5,107,952	3,734,352	17,648,003	55,827,692

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

July 2005					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total *
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	277.0	93.6	81.4	114.2	369.8
Belgium	329.6	117.0	85.0	108.6	414.0
Denmark	264.0	158.4	99.3	124.4	386.8
France	342.9	134.1	96.1	93.0	400.1
Germany	305.6	118.4	79.4	110.7	379.5
Italy	382.7	108.4	88.4	98.9	393.6
Netherlands	280.6	108.8	97.0	128.2	377.4
Sweden	435.8	126.3	96.4	141.7	502.2
United Kingdom	255.4	105.6	77.7	140.8	368.9
Norway	373.2	160.0	66.7	171.2	519.5
Switzerland	336.1	119.1	74.3	103.2	416.7
Russia	395.7	137.9	202.3	139.8	522.9
Libya	-	89.5	68.6	197.2	355.2
USA	283.5	221.4	82.1	145.2	443.8
Other	302.6	214.1	92.2	144.3	448.3
Total	304.0	133.3	86.1	129.3	402.7
July 2006					
Austria	332.9	136.7	124.0	95.3	415.9
Belgium	338.3	117.5	112.9	101.5	425.3
Denmark	308.5	143.7	55.4	149.7	446.5
France	333.8	134.6	149.0	109.5	434.8
Germany	312.8	120.7	147.5	134.1	436.6
Italy	374.7	117.8	124.3	108.2	434.8
Netherlands	287.2	134.2	185.3	124.5	416.8
Sweden	427.0	158.6	101.7	124.0	530.2
United Kingdom	262.1	107.8	102.2	149.5	393.1
Norway	347.4	141.6	107.9	180.3	521.3
Switzerland	369.9	155.3	137.2	156.4	498.1
Russia	439.1	132.2	165.0	145.6	557.7
Libya	244.1	61.1	72.3	227.8	373.4
USA	272.9	212.8	119.4	130.2	438.0
Other	325.8	204.2	127.1	136.9	464.5
Total	318.3	136.4	120.0	136.2	436.6

* A weighted average of the 'package' and 'non-package' expenditure categories based on the respective number of tourists in each category plus the simple average of the 'other' expenditure category.

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

January-July 2005					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	2,875,453	430,310	259,472	1,339,720	4,904,955
Belgium	3,210,399	482,483	337,244	1,541,677	5,571,803
Denmark	2,490,203	314,565	166,812	1,612,623	4,584,203
France	10,548,747	1,463,350	992,622	4,561,533	17,566,252
Germany	14,156,394	2,216,224	1,557,053	7,280,387	25,210,058
Italy	5,774,658	2,362,913	1,777,752	3,970,280	13,885,603
Netherlands	3,186,701	626,162	421,935	2,186,313	6,421,111
Sweden	2,754,997	566,074	472,300	1,717,888	5,511,259
United Kingdom	41,780,315	8,133,130	5,400,644	32,311,832	87,625,921
Norway	2,353,329	211,068	117,148	1,418,913	4,100,458
Switzerland	2,351,533	416,501	270,016	1,311,060	4,349,110
Russia	1,984,244	240,664	207,333	1,046,066	3,478,307
Libya	236,327	520,945	465,743	863,460	2,086,475
USA	1,324,988	1,270,383	624,727	1,315,434	4,535,532
Other	11,563,840	6,545,617	3,278,048	9,940,970	31,328,475
Total	106,592,128	25,800,389	16,348,849	72,418,156	221,159,522
January-July 2006					
Austria	2,956,038	446,276	377,743	1,362,439	5,142,496
Belgium	3,580,340	333,627	303,679	1,461,293	5,678,939
Denmark	3,303,335	207,535	98,033	1,657,978	5,266,881
France	9,330,448	1,340,183	1,047,143	4,385,360	16,103,134
Germany	13,632,004	1,796,242	1,574,971	7,250,450	24,253,667
Italy	7,137,687	2,572,373	2,162,626	4,589,749	16,462,435
Netherlands	3,984,651	503,007	414,836	2,222,874	7,125,368
Sweden	2,546,414	371,059	222,696	1,337,314	4,477,483
United Kingdom	39,483,078	7,841,942	4,555,930	31,140,228	83,021,178
Norway	2,524,198	294,392	179,061	1,521,271	4,518,922
Switzerland	2,521,359	488,067	504,956	1,502,778	5,017,160
Russia	2,999,408	423,452	352,000	2,092,710	5,867,570
Libya	308,050	362,634	336,368	1,042,492	2,049,544
USA	1,330,065	1,087,452	563,619	1,321,567	4,302,703
Other	13,186,721	5,426,175	3,100,830	10,259,490	31,973,216
Total	108,823,796	23,494,416	15,794,491	73,147,993	221,260,696

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

January-July 2005					
Country of residence	Package Expenditure	Non-package		Other expenditure	Total *
		Airfares	Accommodation		
(Lm)					
Austria	240.4	132.4	95.6	88.1	325.8
Belgium	287.6	128.8	98.0	103.4	375.7
Denmark	222.8	148.4	80.6	121.3	345.1
France	272.6	135.2	103.9	92.1	357.4
Germany	249.3	137.7	104.8	99.9	347.7
Italy	264.3	119.2	96.4	95.3	336.4
Netherlands	238.1	118.6	94.1	117.1	348.1
Sweden	288.7	132.5	122.9	124.3	402.7
United Kingdom	240.6	106.2	95.3	129.1	357.8
Norway	307.7	127.5	75.7	152.5	441.6
Switzerland	293.5	143.9	105.1	120.2	402.0
Russia	289.3	122.9	122.4	118.6	398.2
Libya	249.6	92.4	95.1	131.1	327.5
USA	345.1	206.0	114.2	131.5	461.1
Other	266.0	192.1	105.7	128.2	408.2
Total	254.4	132.7	100.2	118.1	365.7
January-July 2006					
Austria	262.9	128.4	115.4	92.6	350.9
Belgium	270.6	113.0	114.9	90.3	353.1
Denmark	268.2	149.1	76.0	120.9	384.7
France	270.1	133.8	118.8	98.4	364.6
Germany	253.2	124.9	120.5	106.3	357.9
Italy	269.7	111.7	103.0	92.7	336.9
Netherlands	244.4	135.1	117.8	111.0	357.0
Sweden	317.7	132.2	88.6	123.6	416.1
United Kingdom	248.3	102.4	84.8	132.2	360.6
Norway	326.9	152.8	109.3	157.7	471.5
Switzerland	322.0	141.7	162.6	133.3	449.8
Russia	393.4	155.5	131.6	202.2	567.6
Libya	214.2	93.7	94.1	196.4	391.3
USA	361.0	173.4	100.7	132.7	439.0
Other	287.7	172.9	110.8	132.9	419.0
Total	266.0	125.0	102.3	122.5	376.3

* A weighted average of the 'package' and 'non-package' expenditure categories based on the respective number of tourists in each category plus the simple average of the 'other' expenditure category.

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.