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Cruise passengers: October 2006

In October 2006, total cruise passenger traffic in Malta went up by 12.4 per cent, mainly attributable to an increase in passengers in transit (same-day visitors).

October 2006

Total cruise passenger traffic in Malta rose by 6,602 persons in October 2006 compared to the same month last year, reflecting mainly passenger departures, including persons travelling in transit and those embarking from Malta.

In October 2006, there was a 15.3 per cent increase in passengers travelling in transit, with major increases attributable to passengers of Italian, British and German residency. Embarkations from Malta decreased by 651 persons when compared to the corresponding month a year ago.

Passenger landings decreased by 394 persons, in part reflecting the drop in embarkations.

January-October 2006

Cruise passenger traffic in Malta rose by 31.1 per cent during the first ten months of 2006.

Passenger departures increased by 30.0 per cent, mainly reflecting an increase in passengers in transit of 76,624 persons. For the most part this increase was reflected in passengers residing in Italy, Germany, the United States, the United Kingdom and Spain. Embarkations from Malta went up by 4,704 persons during the period.

Passenger landings increased by 74.3 per cent during the period under review. The increase in embarkations was partly reflected in higher landings by Maltese passengers, although landings by persons residing in the United Kingdom rose significantly as well.

The number of cruise liners calling in Malta decreased by three in October 2006, bringing the total for January-October period to 315, up by 29 over the same period last year ■

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Table 1. Cruise passengers: October 2004-2006 ...

	October			Absolute change	Percentage change
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005	2006/2005
TOTAL DEPARTURES	41,750	51,327	58,322	6,995	13.6
Embarked	3,140	1,451	800	-651	-44.9
Transit	38,610	49,876	57,522	7,646	15.3
Country of residence:					
EU	28,613	39,809	47,565	7,756	19.5
France	3,823	6,620	5,412	-1,208	-18.2
Germany	4,262	13,197	16,631	3,434	26.0
Italy	1,218	4,642	10,066	5,424	116.8
Malta	20	239	257	18	7.5
Spain	8,212	7,016	4,757	-2,259	-32.2
United Kingdom	7,900	4,450	7,968	3,518	79.1
Non-EU	13,137	11,518	10,757	-761	-6.6
Australia	305	299	436	137	45.8
Canada	1,586	1,259	1,143	-116	-9.2
Japan	9	44	260	216	-
United States	9,241	6,553	5,416	-1,137	-17.4
TOTAL LANDINGS	4,040	1,788	1,394	-394	-22.0
Country of residence:					
EU	3,683	791	943	152	19.2
France	0	53	11	-42	-
Germany	21	211	167	-44	-
Italy	2	6	28	22	-
Malta	18	290	492	202	69.7
Spain	6	7	0	-7	-
United Kingdom	3,551	74	186	112	-
Non-EU	357	997	451	-546	-54.8
Australia	6	47	26	-21	-
Canada	36	54	7	-47	-
Japan	0	0	0	0	-
United States	311	653	271	-382	-

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	October			Absolute change	Percentage change
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005	2006/2005
TOTAL TRAFFIC	45,790	53,114	59,716	6,602	12.4
Country of residence:					
EU	32,296	40,600	48,508	7,908	19.5
France	3,823	6,673	5,423	-1,250	-18.7
Germany	4,283	13,408	16,798	3,390	25.3
Italy	1,220	4,648	10,094	5,446	117.2
Malta	38	529	749	220	41.6
Spain	8,218	7,023	4,757	-2,266	-32.3
United Kingdom	11,451	4,524	8,154	3,630	80.2
Non-EU	13,494	12,514	11,208	-1,306	-10.4
Australia	311	346	462	116	33.5
Canada	1,622	1,313	1,150	-163	-12.4
Japan	9	44	260	216	-
United States	9,552	7,206	5,687	-1,519	-21.1
Sex:					
Men	21,580	25,502	29,090	3,588	14.1
Women	24,210	27,612	30,626	3,014	10.9
Age group:					
0-19	1,581	3,969	5,372	1,403	35.3
20-39	5,765	9,836	11,054	1,218	12.4
40-59	15,126	17,066	19,969	2,903	17.0
60-79	21,730	20,441	22,097	1,656	8.1
80+	1,588	1,802	1,224	-578	-32.1
CRUISE LINER CALLS	62	69	66	-3	-4.3

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Table 2. Cruise passengers: January-October 2004-2006 ...

	January-October			Absolute change	Percentage change
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005	2006/2005
TOTAL DEPARTURES	228,498	270,774	352,102	81,328	30.0
Embarked	19,888	6,280	10,984	4,704	74.9
Transit	208,610	264,494	341,118	76,624	29.0
Country of residence:					
EU	171,836	221,573	288,039	66,466	30.0
France	19,322	21,244	25,610	4,366	20.6
Germany	12,734	48,903	62,221	13,318	27.2
Italy	26,539	64,495	86,412	21,917	34.0
Malta	3,351	3,862	7,240	3,378	87.5
Spain	52,007	53,007	60,400	7,393	13.9
United Kingdom	42,456	15,576	26,714	11,138	71.5
Non-EU	56,662	49,201	64,063	14,862	30.2
Australia	1,449	1,878	2,332	454	24.2
Canada	6,939	5,658	5,823	165	2.9
Japan	786	325	1,263	938	–
United States	33,068	24,812	36,117	11,305	45.6
TOTAL LANDINGS	20,480	6,821	11,887	5,066	74.3
Country of residence:					
EU	19,528	5,392	10,225	4,833	89.6
France	11	67	43	-24	–
Germany	422	334	237	-97	–
Italy	24	92	404	312	–
Malta	3,517	3,866	7,820	3,954	102.3
Spain	8	9	14	5	–
United Kingdom	15,206	133	1,457	1,324	–
Non-EU	952	1,429	1,662	233	16.3
Australia	73	106	188	82	–
Canada	62	75	47	-28	–
Japan	2	0	10	10	–
United States	602	981	846	-135	–

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persons

	January-October			Absolute change	Percentage change
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005	2006/2005
TOTAL TRAFFIC	248,978	277,594	363,988	86,394	31.1
Country of residence:					
EU	191,364	226,965	298,264	71,299	31.4
France	19,333	21,311	25,653	4,342	20.4
Germany	13,156	49,237	62,458	13,221	26.9
Italy	26,563	64,587	86,816	22,229	34.4
Malta	6,868	7,728	15,060	7,332	94.9
Spain	52,015	53,016	60,414	7,398	14.0
United Kingdom	57,662	15,709	28,171	12,462	79.3
Non-EU	57,614	50,629	65,724	15,095	29.8
Australia	1,522	1,984	2,520	536	27.0
Canada	7,001	5,733	5,870	137	2.4
Japan	788	325	1,273	948	–
United States	33,670	25,793	36,963	11,170	43.3
Sex:					
Men	118,203	135,557	180,831	45,274	33.4
Women	130,775	142,037	183,157	41,120	29.0
Age group:					
0-19	25,231	35,645	53,531	17,886	50.2
20-39	47,228	69,462	83,112	13,650	19.7
40-59	91,340	93,843	125,872	32,029	34.1
60-79	78,883	72,723	94,737	22,014	30.3
80+	6,296	5,921	6,736	815	13.8
CRUISE LINER CALLS	280	286	315	29	10.1

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Methodological Notes

1. The data in this release are compiled on the basis of administrative records held by the Malta Maritime Authority.
2. Data should be considered as final and are not normally subject to further revisions.

Definitions:

- Landed passengers cover all cruise passengers who arrive in Malta on a cruise ship and leave Malta by other means of transport or stay in Malta.
- Embarked passengers cover all cruise passengers who are either Maltese and leave Malta on a cruise ship, or alternatively, are foreigners who come to Malta by other means of transport and leave Malta on a cruise ship.
- Transit passengers cover all cruise passengers who arrive in Malta on a cruise ship and leave Malta by the same cruise ship.
- Same-day visitors cover visitors who do not spend at least one night in a collective or private accommodation in the place/country visited.
- Overnight visitors (Tourists) cover visitors who spend at least one night in a collective or private accommodation in the place/country visited.