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Cruise passengers: November 2007

In November, cruise passenger traffic in Malta accounted for 57,366 persons, an increase of 47.9 per cent over the same month in 2006.

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Total cruise passenger traffic amounted to 57,366, an increase of 18,587 passengers over the same month in 2006. Embarkations from and landings in Malta in this month stood at 183 and 248 persons respectively.

January-November 2007

During the first eleven months of 2007, total cruise passenger traffic amounted to 483,257, an increase of 20.0 per cent over the same period last year. Same-day visitors from EU countries accounted for 83.9 per cent of total traffic, the main markets being Italy, Spain, and Germany. The American market remained substantial, representing almost half of the non-EU incoming passengers. The growth that characterised this period was underpinned by increases in the Spanish and Italian markets

On a gender basis, male passengers exceeded female ones by 1.4 per cent. The largest proportion of passengers - 34.4 per cent - comprised persons aged between 40 and 59 years, followed by those in the 60-79 age bracket who accounted for 25.7 per cent of the total.

Average number of passengers per cruise liner

Chart 1
Average number of passengers per vessel



In November, cruise liner calls increased by 13 when compared to the same month in 2006, bringing the total for the first eleven months of the year to 366 compared to 350 in the same period of 2006. Chart 1 shows that the average number of passengers per vessel is on the increase ■

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Table 1. Cruise passengers: Monthly 2005-2007

				persons	
	November			Absolute change	Percentage change
	2005	2006	2007	2007/2006	2007/2006
Total traffic	34,076	38,779	57,366	18,587	47.9
Embarked	208	110	183	73	66.4
Transit	33,625	38,502	56,935	18,433	47.9
Landed	243	167	248	81	48.5
Country of residence:					
EU	28,638	34,273	49,015	14,742	43.0
France	4,719	7,619	7,504	-115	-1.5
Germany	11,467	8,949	17,584	8,635	96.5
Italy	5,275	8,346	9,816	1,470	17.6
Malta	322	45	315	270	600.0
Spain	3,050	2,852	4,380	1,528	53.6
United Kingdom	2,026	4,560	5,470	910	20.0
Non-EU	5,438	4,506	8,351	3,845	85.3
Australia	101	88	398	310	352.3
Canada	209	373	708	335	89.8
Japan	113	148	164	16	10.8
United States	2,548	2,815	3,864	1,049	37.3
Sex:					
Men	16,196	18,189	28,546	10,357	56.9
Women	17,880	20,590	28,820	8,230	40.0
Age group:					
0-19	1,757	2,933	5,136	2,203	75.1
20-39	5,994	6,795	11,850	5,055	74.4
40-59	11,807	13,276	18,800	5,524	41.6
60-79	13,575	14,899	20,326	5,427	36.4
80+	943	876	1,254	378	43.2
Cruise liner calls	35	35	48	13	37.1

Table 2. Cruise passengers: Cumulative 2005-2007

	January-November			persons	
				Absolute change	Percentage change
	2005	2006	2007	2007/2006	2007/2006
Total traffic:	311,670	402,767	483,257	80,490	20.0
Embarked	6,488	11,094	8,780	-2,314	-20.9
Transit	298,118	379,619	465,539	85,920	22.6
Landed	7,064	12,054	8,938	-3,116	-25.9
Country of residence:					
EU	255,602	332,537	405,456	72,919	21.9
France	26,030	33,272	32,915	-357	-1.1
Germany	60,704	71,407	82,918	11,511	16.1
Italy	69,862	95,162	116,012	20,850	21.9
Malta	8,050	15,105	11,099	-4,006	-26.5
Spain	56,066	63,266	97,529	34,263	54.2
United Kingdom	17,735	32,731	37,334	4,603	14.1
Non-EU	56,068	70,230	77,801	7,571	10.8
Australia	2,085	2,608	2,243	-365	-14.0
Canada	5,942	6,243	6,770	527	8.4
Japan	438	1,421	2,595	1,174	82.6
United States	28,341	39,778	38,823	-955	-2.4
Sex:					
Men	151,753	199,020	243,340	44,320	22.3
Women	159,917	203,747	239,917	36,170	17.8
Age group:					
0-19	37,402	56,464	74,215	17,751	31.4
20-39	75,456	89,907	109,836	19,929	22.2
40-59	105,650	139,148	166,002	26,854	19.3
60-79	86,298	109,636	123,962	14,326	13.1
80+	6,864	7,612	9,242	1,630	21.4
Cruise liner calls	321	350	366	16	4.6

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:

- Cruise passenger traffic comprises embarkations from Malta, transit passengers and passengers landing in Malta.
- Embarkations comprise all cruise passengers who are either Maltese who leave Malta on a cruise ship, or alternatively, foreigners who come to Malta by other means of transport and leave on a cruise ship.
- Transit passengers comprise all cruise passengers who arrive in and leave Malta on the same cruise ship.
- Landings comprise all cruise passengers who arrive in Malta on a cruise ship and leave by other means of transport, or alternatively, stay in Malta.
- Same-day visitors comprise visitors to Malta who do not spend at least one night in collective or private accommodation.
- Overnight visitors (tourists) comprise visitors to Malta who spend at least one night in collective or private accommodation.