

CRUISE ACTIVITY IN BARCELONA

Impact on the Catalan economy and socioeconomic profile of cruise passengers (2014)









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1. Introduction

BARCELONA IS THE LEADING CRUISE PORT IN EUROPE AND THE MEDITERRANEAN AND THE FOURTH CRUISE PORT WORLDWIDE

1.1 Context

Cruise activity is a dynamic element for tourism and for the economy of cities like Barcelona. With 2.5 million cruise passengers per year, Barcelona has become the leading cruise port in Europe and the Mediterranean and the fourth cruise port worldwide. Barcelona stands out for its role as a turnaround port (the site where all the operations for the start and end of the cruise take place).

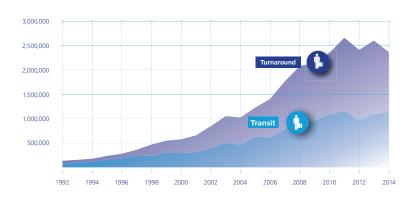
TYPE ACCORDING TO CRUISE OPERATIONS AT THE PORT OF BARCELONA (2014)



BARCELONA
RECEIVES ABOUT
800 STOPOVERS
PER YEAR AND ITS
CRUISE PASSENGERS
REPRESENT 31% OF
THE TOTAL FOR SPAIN

The cruise sector has expanded greatly in our city over the last 20 years. The 1992 Olympic Games placed Barcelona on the global tourist map, leading to the arrival of the first cruise ships in the city. However, the great boost to cruise activity in the city came in 2001.

PROGRESSION OF CRUISER TRAFFIC AT THE PORT OF BARCELONA (1992-2014)



1.2 Purpose of the study

The study, commissioned by the Port of Barcelona and Turisme de Barcelona, consists of two parts. The first, conducted by the University of Barcelona, sets out to analyse the impact of the cruise activity generated by the Port of Barcelona in the city and throughout Catalonia, using 2014 data. The report calculates the economic impact of the cruise sector through its contribution to Gross Domestic Product (GDP), employment, labour income and tax income. It also assesses the catalytic effects on the economy.

The second, conducted by the Instituto DYM, focuses on the study on cruise passenger profiles and analyses the demographic characteristics of cruise passengers, types of cruise and their relationship with the city in general. The study was drawn up on the basis of surveys made with cruise passengers in the Port of Barcelona itself.

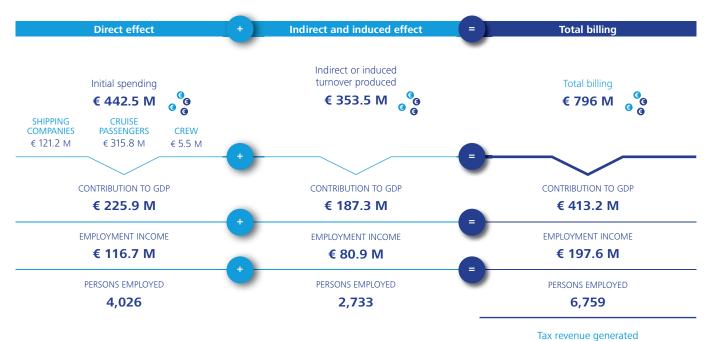
2. Economic impact of cruise activity at the Port of Barcelona

2.1 Overall results

The study by the University of Barcelona shows that cruise activity in Barcelona generates total turnover of € 796 million, contributes € 413.2 million a year to Catalonia's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and helps to maintain 6,759 jobs.

Direct expenditure arising from cruise activities amounts to \leqslant 442.5 million a year, split between three main spending agents: shipping companies (121.2 million), cruise passengers (315.8 million) and crews (5.5 million). This initial expenditure generates an indirect and induced turnover of \leqslant 353.5 million, which puts the total turnover of the cruise activity at \leqslant 796 million. It also generates income of \leqslant 152 million in State and regional taxes and tourist tax.

ECONOMIC IMPACT OF CRUISE ACTIVITY AT THE PORT OF BARCELONA: OVERALL RESULTS



CRUISE ACTIVITY AT THE PORT

OF BARCELONA CONTRIBUTES

€ 413.2 MILLION TO CATALONIA'S GDP

AND PROVIDES 6,759 JOBS

STATE AND REGIONAL TAXES

€ 150.8 M

TOURISM TAX

€ 844,643

2.2 Impact on the city of Barcelona

WHAT STAYS IN BARCELONA?



75% OF THE TOTAL EFFECT OF CRUISE ACTIVITY STAYS IN THE CITY OF BARCELONA

2.3 Key figures

ECONOMIC IMPACT PER DAY



ECONOMIC IMPACT PER CRUISE SHIP

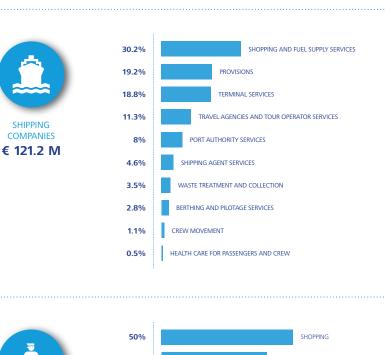


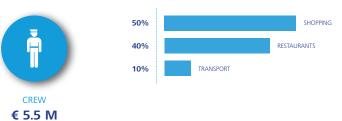
CRUISES REPRESENT A DAILY BILLING IN CATALONIA OF € 2.2 MILLION

2.4 Distribution of initial spending from cruise activity (by spending agent)



CRUISE PASSENGERS,
SHIPPING COMPANIES
AND CREWS ARE
THE MAIN SPENDING
AGENTS OF CRUISE
ACTIVITY





2.5 Multiplier effects

The multiplier effects arising from cruise activity almost double the economic impact attributed to the three main spending agents. € 80 are generated in additional indirect and induced turnover for every € 100 of direct expenditure; every € 100 of GDP generated directly creates an additional € 83 of GDP; there are 68 more jobs created for every 100 direct employees.

MULTIPLIER EFFECTS OF CRUISE ACTIVITY AT THE PORT OF BARCELONA







CRUISES DO NOT ONLY BENEFIT THE TOURISM SECTOR

The cruise sector does not benefit only typical tourist activities, but also generates significant positive effects for other sectors. This can be seen in the distribution of jobs and billing activity caused by cruise activity.

CROSS-CUTTING EFFECTS OF CRUISE ACTIVITY: JOB CREATION AND BILLING BY SECTOR

OF THE JOBS CREATED, 2,764 ARE IN OTHER **SECTORS SUCH AS** LOGISTICS, FOOD OR **CHEMICALS**







€ 796 M

Effects on tourism sectors

Accommodation services | Catering services | Retail | Passenger land transport | Travel agencies and tour operators



3,995 iobs in tourism sector

59% of total jobs



billing in tourism

42.6% of total turnover

Effects on other sectors (non-tourism)

Storage and transport-related activities | Manufacture of food products | Metalworking industry | Waste management and sanitation services | Medical services | Other sectors





57.4% of total turnover

CRUISE ACTIVITY
IS CRUCIAL FOR
CREATING AND
MAINTAINING
INTERNATIONAL AIR
ROUTES

80% OF EMBARKING PASSENGERS USE THE AIRPORT

2.6 Catalyst effects

DYNAMISING EFFECT FOR BARCELONA-EL PRAT AIRPORT

The cruise traffic has increased Barcelona Airport's intercontinental connections. The importance of Barcelona as a home port and the fact that 80% of embarking passengers arrive by plane has been crucial for the establishment and maintenance of international routes. Air Canada, American Airlines and Delta Air Lines are some of the cruise market-oriented companies that have consolidated their presence in Barcelona Airport.

In 2014 cruises generated revenue of \leqslant 21.8 million directly at Barcelona Airport, contributing \leqslant 9.5 million directly to GDP at and generating 80 direct jobs. This direct effect causes multiplier effects throughout the economy, which translate into \leqslant 39.1 million of total billing, a total GDP contribution of \leqslant 18 million and 198 jobs in Catalonia.¹

IMPACT OF CRUISE ACTIVITY AT BARCELONA AIRPORT



• EFFECTS ON LAND TRANSPORT

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The cruise business also has important effects on the land transport of passengers, since it represents a stable and continuous demand throughout the year for all branches of the sector (taxi, bus, car hire, etc.) and makes it possible to sustain the activity and jobs of small companies in the sector.

IMPACT OF CRUISE ACTIVITY ON PASSENGER LAND TRANSPORT



 $^{^{1}}$ DOES NOT INCLUDE ECONOMIC ACTIVITY RELATED TO EXTERNAL COMPANIES LINKED TO AIRPORT SERVICES (AIRLINES, SHOPS, PARKING, CAR RENTAL, ETC.).

• GENERATION OF NEW INVESTMENTS

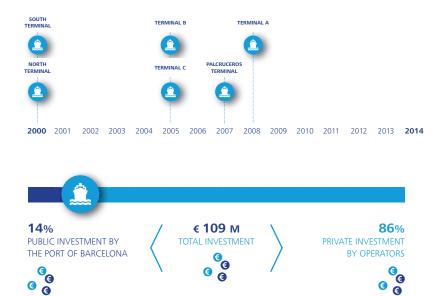
Between 2000 and 2014 the Port of Barcelona directly invested \leqslant 109 million in infrastructure for cruise ships. 86% of this investment is private. The Port has six cruise terminals, with a seventh coming on stream in 2018, which represents an investment of \leqslant 30 million.

The importance of Barcelona as a turnaround port has led several shipping companies and other businesses in the sector to locate their head offices in the city.

The stability and good prospects for cruise activity at the Port of Barcelona generate and consolidate new businesses and attract new investments.

THE ROLE OF BARCELONA AS A TURNAROUND PORT ENCOURAGES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONNECTIONS AND ATTRACTS INVESTMENTS

CRUISE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS IN THE PORT OF BARCELONA (2000-2014)



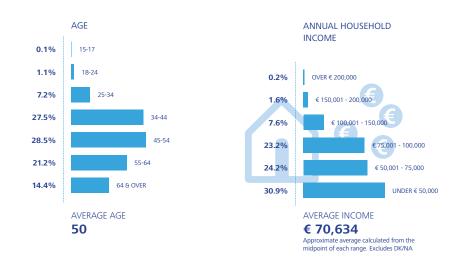
THE STABILITY AND GOOD PROSPECTS FOR CRUISE ACTIVITY GENERATE AND CONSOLIDATE NEW BUSINESS

3. Socioeconomic profile of cruise passengers

3.1 Socio-demographic characteristics of cruise passengers

Data from the Instituto DYM study show that cruise passengers arriving in Barcelona usually travel with their partner and their average age is 50. This type of visitor has a high purchasing power.



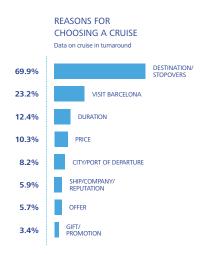


3.2 Cruise passengers and cruises

One of the main reasons for choosing a cruise is the itinerary or destinations that it includes. Most cruise passengers embarking in Barcelona arrive in the city by plane (80.2%). There are several types of cruise, depending on price and service: standard, premium or luxury.







AVERAGE COST OF THE TOURISM/CRUISE PACKAGE



3.3 Cruise passengers and their relationship with the city

In 2014 the Port of Barcelona recorded 2,364,292 cruise passenger movements. Those who visit the city without an overnight stay spend an average of 4.3 hours in Barcelona and represent 57.5% of passenger movements (1,360,271 people). Passengers in turnaround (who start and end their itinerary in Barcelona) who stay the night in the city remain an average of 2.6 nights and account for 24% of cruise passenger movements (565,400 people). The remaining 18.6% corresponds to passengers that embark and/or disembark directly without an overnight stay and do not visit the city (438,621 people).

TYPE OF CRUISE PASSENGERS DEPENDING ON THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY



TOTAL MOVEMENTS OF CRUISE PASSENGERS

2,364,292

CRUISE
PASSENGERS
PROVIDE
HIGH-SPENDING
TOURISM IN THE
CITY

BARCELONA'S
CONSOLIDATION
AS A TURNAROUND
PORT HELPS TO
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IN THE CITY AND

SPEND MORE

HIGH-SPENDING TOURISM: DAILY LEVEL OF EXPENDITURE OF CRUISE PASSENGERS IN THE CITY

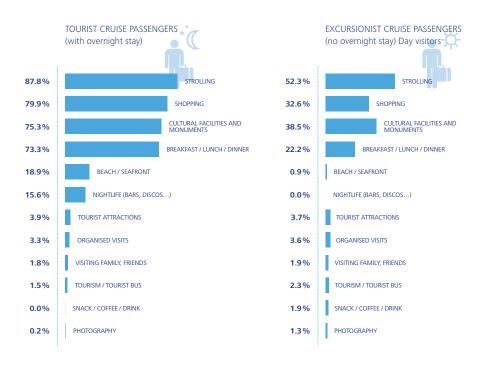


COMPARISON: CRUISE PASSENGERS AND CITY HOLIDAY TOURISTS All costs include accommodation



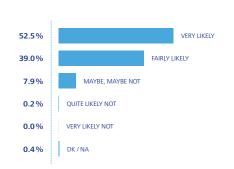
Cruise passengers arriving in Barcelona want to get to know the city, go shopping, visit cultural sites and enjoy the food. The most visited sites are the Ramblas, the Gothic Quarter, Eixample and the seafront. Cruise passengers are good prescribers of Barcelona: more than 90% want to return and 99.7% recommend the city to friends and acquaintances.

ACTIVITIES BY CRUISE PASSENGERS IN BARCELONA



INTEND TO RETURN TO BARCELONA ON HOLIDAY IN THE COMING YEARS

ASSESSMENT ASPECTS OF BARCELONA (SCALE FROM 1 TO 10)





CRUISE PASSENGERS
ARE GOOD
PRESCRIBERS OF
THE CITY: 99.7%
RECOMMEND
BARCELONA AS A
TOURIST DESTINATION

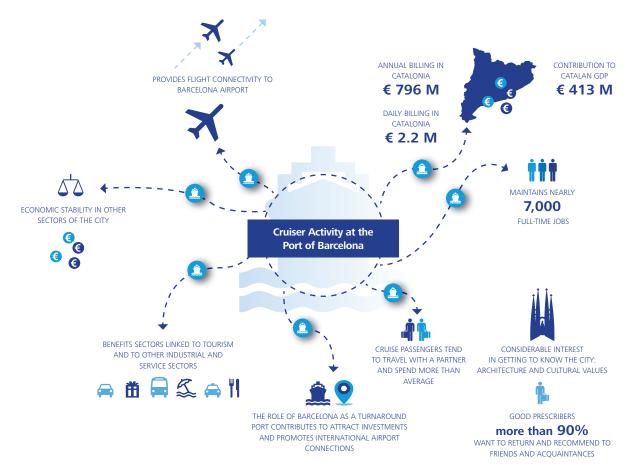
89% OF CRUISE
PASSENGERS'
EXPECTATIONS OF
THE CITY WERE MET



4. Main conclusions

Cruiser activity at the Port of Barcelona:

- Generates annual turnover of € 796 million in Catalonia (2.2 million each day).
- Contributes € 413 million to Catalonia's GDP.
- Generates € 152 million in tax revenue.
- Maintains nearly 7,000 full-time jobs.
- · Provides flight connectivity to Barcelona airport.
- Generates economic stability and encourages new businesses in other sectors of the city.
- Benefits sectors linked to tourism and to other industrial and service sectors.
- Cruise-goers usually travel with a partner, are very interested in getting to know the city and are good prescribers (more than 90% want to return and recommend the city to friends and acquaintances).
- Cruise-goers that spend the night in Barcelona spend more money in the city than other holiday tourists and value the culture and architecture offered by the city.
- Barcelona's consolidation as a turnaround port increases the quantitative impact (higher spending by the various agents) and qualitative effects (investment attraction and catalyst effects).



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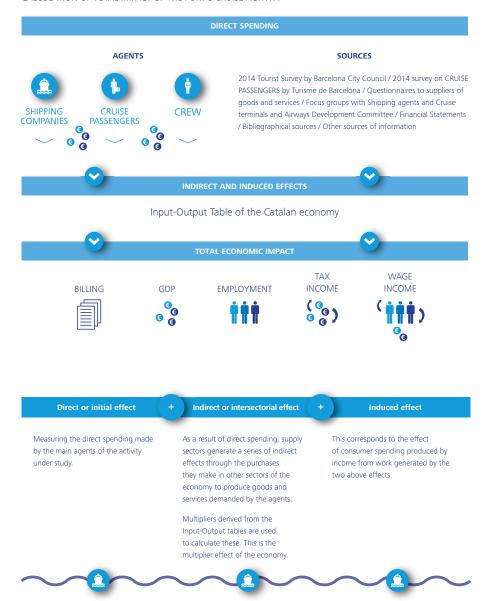
5. Methodology of the study on the impact of cruise activity

The study, prepared by the AQR-Lab Labotatory of Applied Economy (University of Barcelona), calculated the total economic impact generated by cruise activity of the Port of Barcelona from its direct, indirect and induced effects.

The calculation was based upon the quantification of spending generated by each of the main groups involved in cruise activity, compiled from information provided by shipping companies and their suppliers, cruise passengers, Barcelona airport and the various associations related to passenger transport.

Specific multipliers from the input-output tables of the Catalan economy, produced by Idescat, were used to translate this spending in terms of impact on GDP, employment and tax income.

CALCULATION OF TOTAL IMPACT OF THE PORT'S CRUISE ACTIVITY



6. Methodology of the study on the profile of cruise passengers

Study on the profile of cruise passengers analyses the demographic characteristics of cruise passengers, type of cruise and, generally speaking, their relationship with the city. The study was drawn up on the basis of surveys made on cruise passengers in the Port of Barcelona itself. Produced by the Instituto DYM and commissioned by Turisme de Barcelona.

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Individuals of 15 or older, beginning or ending a cruise, or stopping over, at the Port of Barcelona

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

Cruise Terminals of the Port of Barcelona (A, B, C, North, South) and Palacruceros (D)

SAMPLE

3,130 people

ASSOCIATED SAMPLING ERROR

+/- 1.79%

TYPE OF SAMPLE

Stratified according to type of cruise passengers depending on the type of stopover (embarking, disembarking and transit) and cruise category (standard, premium and luxury)

TYPE OF INTERVIEW

Computer-assisted personal interview, CAPI system

COMPLETION OF FIELD WORK

March - December 2014

DATA PROCESSING

The results are weighted and applied to the universe of cruise passengers at the Port of Barcelona in 2014 according to:

- Type of cruise passenger, according to type of stopover: embarking (615,377 cruise passengers, 26%), disembarking (607,110 cruise passengers, 25.7%) and in transit (1,141,805 cruise passengers, 48.3%)

- Category of the cruise, using 2014 cruise forecast provided by Turisme de Barcelona: standard (1,993,088, 84.3%), premium (291,501, 12.3%) and luxury (79,703, 3.4%)

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