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FOREIGN VESSELS ON CRUISE IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

January – May 2008

In the period from January to May 2008, foreign vessels realised 180 cruises in the Republic of Croatia. During these cruises, the total of 198 593 passengers stayed for 418 days in the Republic of Croatia. They sojourned 2.3 day on the average. Most of the cruises were realised in the County of Dubrovnik-Neretva.

As compared to the same period of 2007, the number of cruises increased by 50% and the number of passengers entering the Republic of Croatia in this manner by 83.2%. The total number of passengers' sojourns in Croatia was by 109% higher than in the same period last year.

1. CRUISES OF FOREIGN VESSELS

	I.-V. 2007.	I.-V. 2008.	Indices I.-V. 2008. / I.-V. 2007.
Cruises	120	180	150,0
Sojourns	200	418	209,0
Passengers	108 380	198 593	183,2

2. NUMBER OF CRUISES OF FOREIGN VESSELS, NUMBER OF SOJOURNS AND NUMBER OF PASSENGERS, BY FLAG OF VESSEL, JANUARY — MAY 2008[1)]

Country of flag	Cruises		Sojourns		Passengers	
	V.	I. – V.	V.	I. – V.	V.	I. – V.
Total	105	180	200	418	129 017	198 593
Bahamas	18	29	19	32	20 481	34 358
Belgium	4	11	13	44	1 391	3 424
Bermudas	8	10	10	12	11 144	14 865
Finland	-	3	-	3	-	820
France	3	3	5	5	251	251
Greece	3	3	5	5	1 993	1 993
Italy	15	24	15	25	33 128	44 840
Japan	1	1	1	1	695	695
Malta	14	35	37	155	9 646	17 576
Marshall Islands	3	5	3	5	2 066	3 427
Netherlands	4	5	4	5	7 703	9 010
Norway	-	2	-	2	-	462
Germany	-	2	-	2	-	765
Panama	11	20	11	20	29 439	52 742
Portugal	9	11	46	51	2 018	2 591
Saint Vincent and Grenadines	6	9	24	43	259	399
United Kingdom	6	7	7	8	8 803	10 375

1) The analysis covers seaports of the first entry of a foreign vessel into the territorial waters of the Republic of Croatia.

3. NUMBER OF CRUISES OF FOREIGN VESSELS, NUMBER OF SOJOURNS AND NUMBER OF PASSENGERS, BY MONTHS, JANUARY – MAY 2008[1)]

Month	Cruises		Sojourns		Passengers	
	2007.	2008.	2007.	2008.	2007.	2008.
Total	120	180	200	418	108 380	198 593
I.	-	-	-	-	-	-
II.	1	3	1	33	177	152
III.	5	14	5	46	7 181	12 737
IV.	40	58	63	139	35 690	56 687
V.	74	105	131	200	65 332	129 017

1) The analysis covers seaports of the first entrance of a foreign vessel into the territorial waters of the Republic of Croatia.

4. VISITED SEAPORTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA, JANUARY – MAY 2008[1)]

Seaport	Visits	Seaport	Visits
Dubrovnik	152	Rijeka	6
Hvar	21	Split	50
Korčula	37	Stari Grad	11
Mali Lošinj	2	Supetar	4
Otok Mljet	5	Šibenik	9
Ploče	9	Trogir	4
Pomena	10	Vis	3
Pula	15	Zadar	21

1) Including all seaports visited by foreign vessels on a cruise during their sojourn in the Republic of Croatia and not only the seaports of the first entrance.

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

The data source is the regular survey Cruises of Foreign Vessels in the Republic of Croatia (TU-19 form), carried out on a monthly basis.

Data collection is done by using the reporting method. Reporting units are port authorities engaged in the management, construction and usage of seaports open for public traffic. The establishment and operation of port authorities is defined by the Seaport Act (NN, No. 108/95). The report is filled in by the port authority that is in charge of a port recorded to be a vessel's first entrance into the Croatian territorial waters.

Observation unit for this survey is a foreign vessel on a tourist cruise that enters the Croatian territorial waters.

A cruise is a tourist journey that lasts for several days according to a specified itinerary (elaborated plan of a journey) for cruises.

Abbreviations

NN Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia

Symbols

- no occurrence