



THE GERMAN TRAVEL MARKET

Facts and figures 2021

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THE VOICE OF THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

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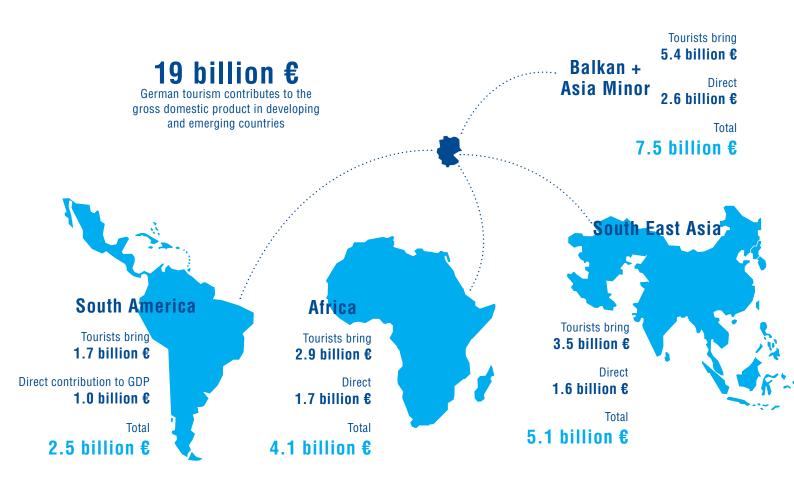
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Development in the German business travel market 2020

Contribution of German tourists to **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

in developing and emerging countries

For example: German tourists spend 1.7 billion euros in Central and South America/ Caribbean. This leads to a direct contribution to the GDP of one billion euros in this region. The indirect and induced effects contribute another 1.5 billion euros, so that tourism as a whole makes a contribution of 2.5 billion euros.



Corona causes

MAJOR PROBLEMS FOR THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY

Tourism economy suffers dramatically

In the years before the Corona pandemic, tourism had only one path: growth. Year after year, travel spending by Germans increased significantly - until most recently in 2019 to **69.5 billion euros**. Tourism was considered a growth sector of the German economy.

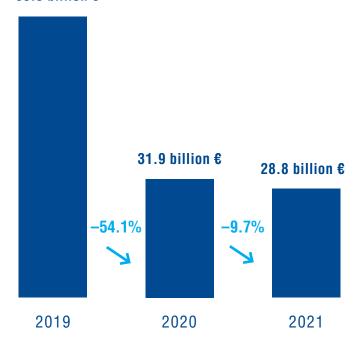
The turnaround came in the Corona year 2020 - travel expenditure fell by 54 per cent to **31.9 billion euros**. In 2021, travel spending fell further to 28.8 billion euros. The effects are massive: travel agencies, tour operators and many other companies in the industry are struggling to survive. Political support is needed to safeguard the almost **three million jobs** in the tourism industry.

The decline in tourism also has consequences in many travel countries, as Germans were among the largest net foreign exchange earners in international travel in the pre-Corona years.

In 2021, the share of travel expenditure fell to **1.8 per cent** (2019: 4.6 per cent) of the total private consumption of German citizens.

German travel spendings slump





The ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE

of the tourism industry at a glance



55.1 million

holiday trips (of which > 36% are packages and linked travel arrangements organised with the help of tour operators/travel agencies)



more than 50%

of the tour operator trips the Germans book via travel agency



2,300

tour operators in Germany



47.8 million

Passengers on holiday trips of 5 days or more (previous year: 44.6 million)



1.2

Frequency of travel
(Average number of holiday
trips per traveller)



67.8%

Travel intensity (percentage of population travelling)



2.9 million

Employees in the tourism industry in Germany (= 7% of all jobs)



310.3 million

Overnight stays by residents and non-residents in Germany in 2021 (+2.7%)



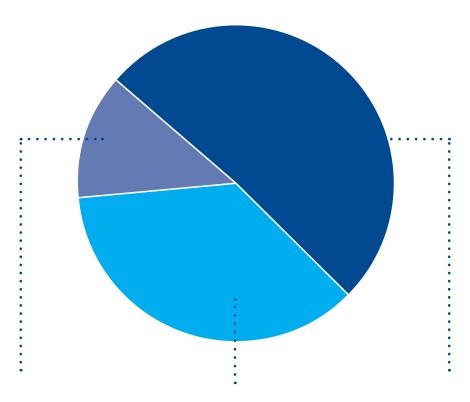
≈37%

of the journeys of German citizens are spent in Germany in 2021.

Market structure in the

GERMAN TOURISM MARKET

2021



12%

Product portals and others

3.6 billion €

Websites on which only one product type is offered (e.g. hotel, flight, car rental portals) **37%**

Tour operators / travel agencies

10.7 billion €

Bookings of tour operator trips

51%

Service providers
Online + Offline

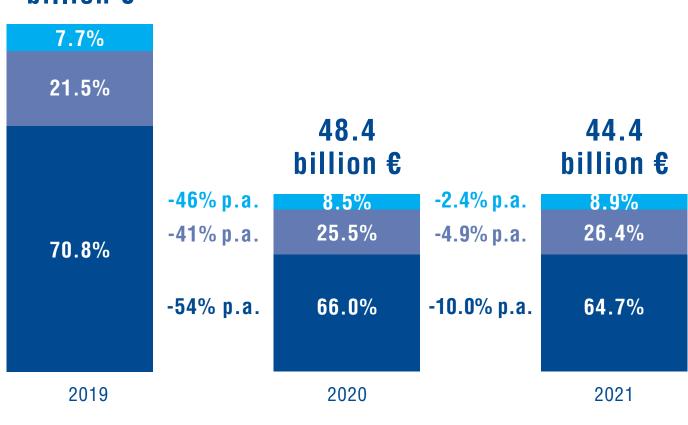
14.5 billion €

Airlines, train and car rental companies, hotels, long-distance bus companies, event organisers etc.

Distribution of total expenditure on private and holiday travel of German households with at least one overnight stay

98.1 **billion €**

Auxiliary expenditure in the destination



Travel services booked in the destination

Travel services booked before departure

TRAVEL AGENCY AND TOUR OPERATOR MARKET IN GERMANY

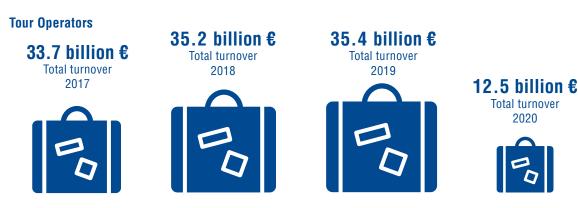




Development of the

TOUR OPERATOR AND TRAVEL AGENCY SALES

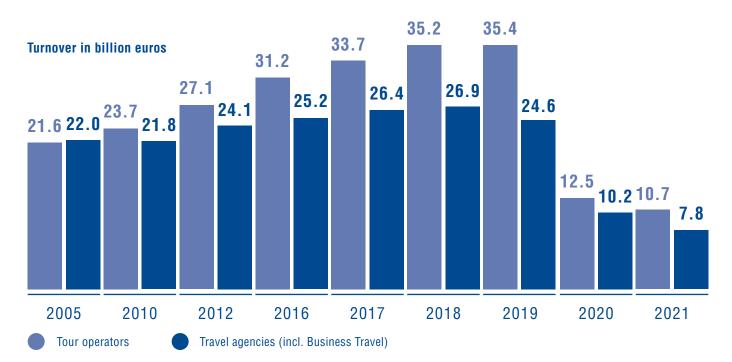
in Germany



10.7 billion € Total turnover Total turnover 2021

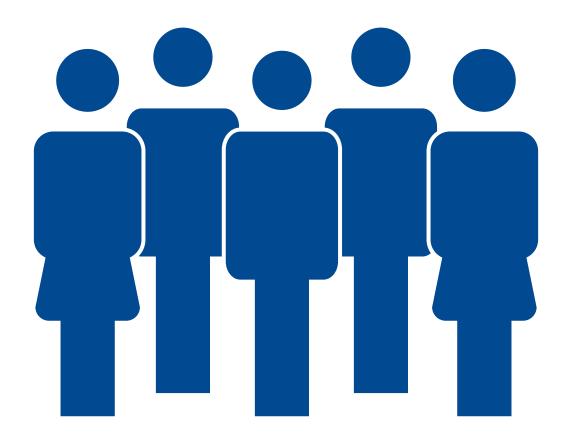






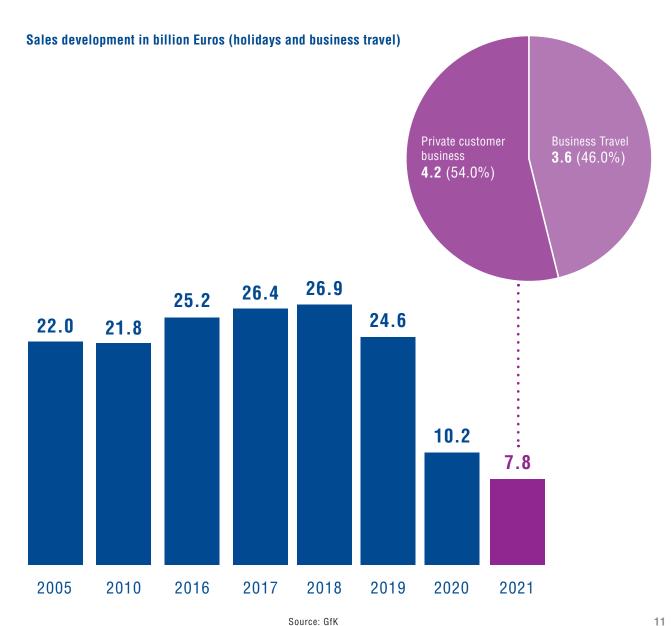
TRAVEL AGENCIES AND TOUR OPERATORS

In 2021, travel agencies and tour operators employed 65,760 persons (previous year: 65,919).



TRAVEL AGENCIES

make a difference



Source: GfK

Flight ticket sales of IATA-AIRLINES

via travel agencies in Germany

Air ticket sales in Germany processed via the Billing and Settlement Plan (BSP) accounting system of the international air transport association IATA.

In billion euros

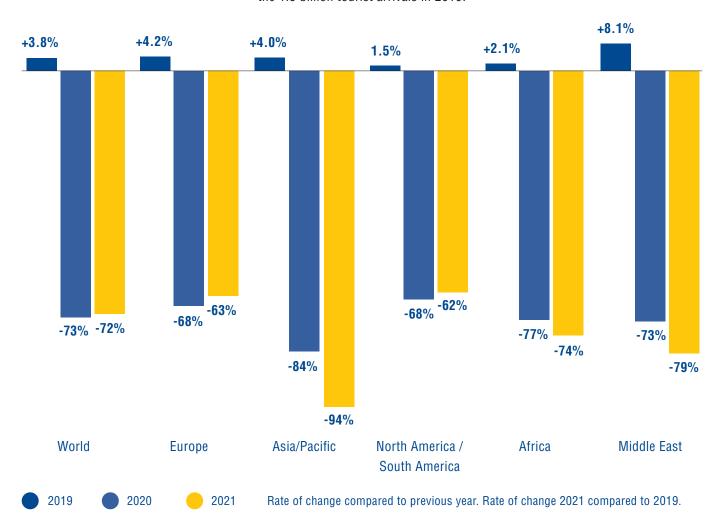






International TOURIST ARRIVALS

After the dramatic decline in global tourism arrivals in 2020, a slight increase of 4% to 415 million arrivals can be observed in 2021. However, even this figure is still far from the 1.5 billion tourist arrivals in 2019.

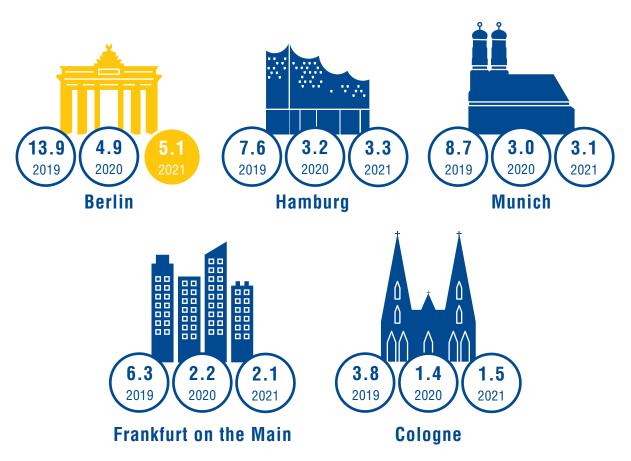


Source: UNWTO 14

CITY TRIPS in Germany 2021

The worldwide slump in tourism is also reflected in the number of visitors to city breaks.

Guest arrivals, in million visitors



The GERMAN HOLIDAY DESTINATIONS

worldwide

Number of holiday trips of five days or more 2021

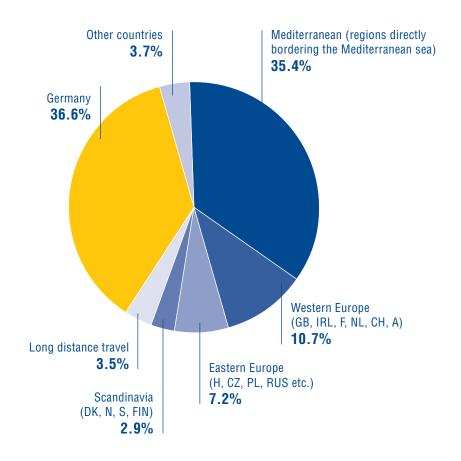


55.1 million

long holiday trips of the Germans

63.4% thereof abroad

36.6% thereof Germany

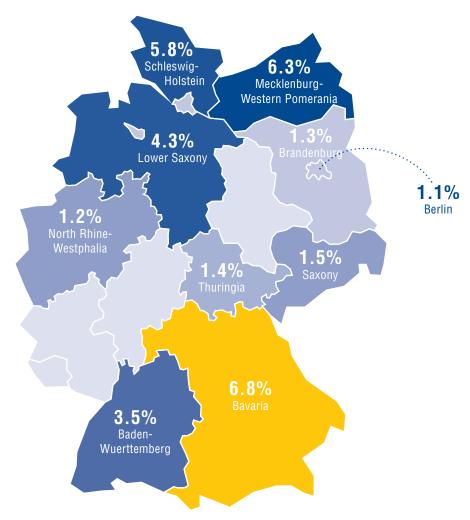


Source: Reiseanalyse 2022

The 10 most popular DOMESTIC DESTINATIONS

within Germany

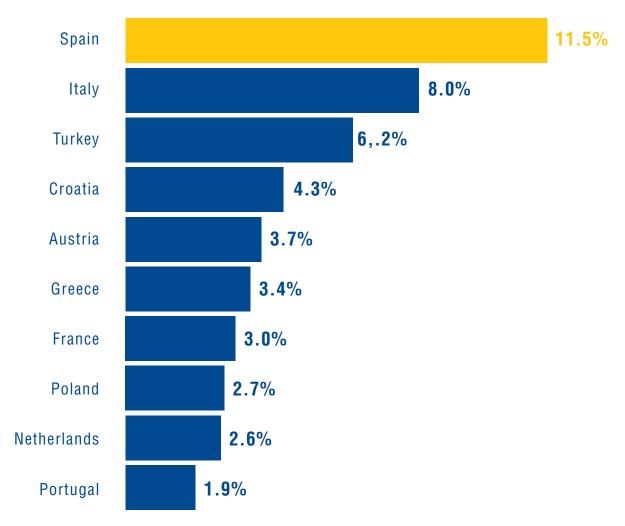
Share of all holiday trips of five days or more 2021



The 10 most popular FOREIGN DESTINATIONS

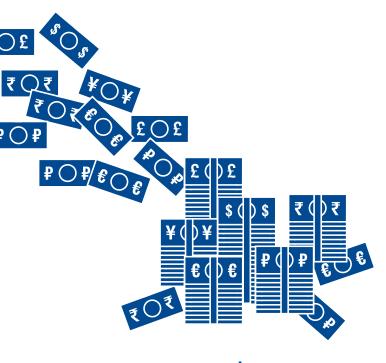
for Germans

Share of all holiday trips of five days or more 2021

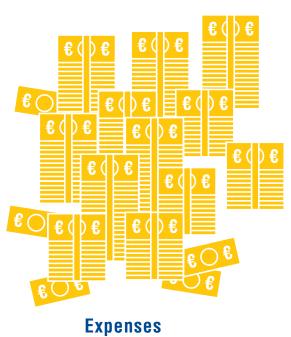


TRAVEL INCOME AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

of Germans

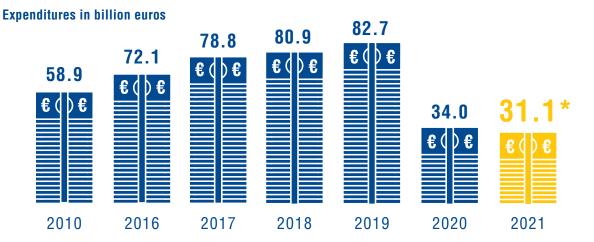


Income
15.8 billion €



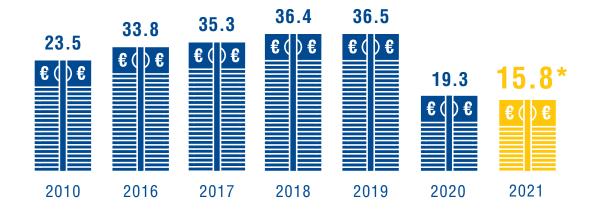
31.1 billion €

Expenditures by Germans on their trips abroad



Germany's income from international travel

Income in billion euros



The AVERAGE DURATION

of main holiday trips

Ø length of stay in days (main holiday trips)



12.2 days

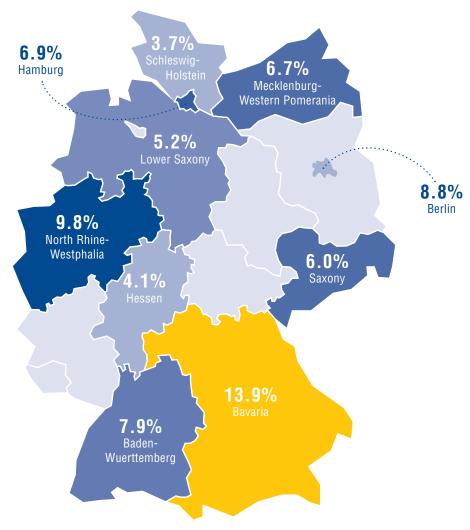
was the average duration of travel in 2021.



The 10 most popular SHORT TRIP DESTINATIONS

of Germans in Germany

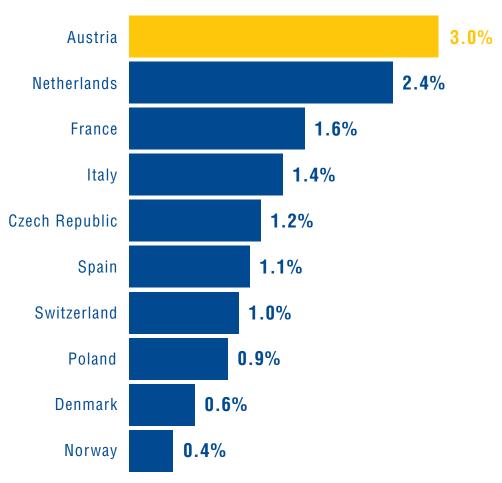
Share of all short breaks, travel duration two to four days in 2021



The 10 most popular SHORT TRIP DESTINATIONS

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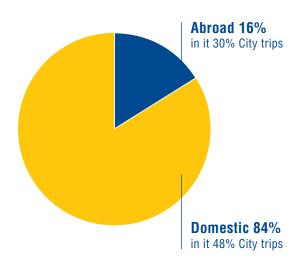
Share of all short breaks, travel duration two to four days in 2021



SHORT BREAKS IN GERMANY AND ABROAD

by Germans

Travel duration two to four days in 2021





Day trips made by Germans 2021

Number of one-day private trips in thousands (from 50 km distance)



The most popular

for Germans

Domestic destinations: Share of all short breaks, travel duration two to four days in 2021













6.9% Hamburg

3.2% München

2.5% Dresden

2.1% Köln

1.5% Bremen

Foreign destinations: Share of all short breaks, travel duration two to four days in 2021







0.6% Paris



0.5% **Amsterdam**



0.3% Oslo



0.3% Prag

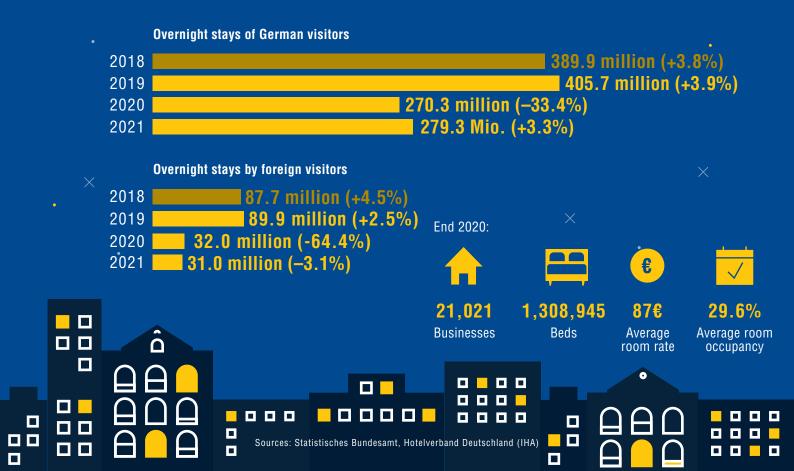


0.3% Barcelona

OVERNIGHT STAYS

in Germany

Tourism in Germany recovered only slightly in 2021 from the dramatic declines in 2020. The total number of overnight stays in Germany rose by 2.7% to 310.3 million. However, this was exclusively due to visitors from Germany, whose overnight stays increased by 3.3% to 279.3 million, while the number of overnight stays by foreign visitors fell by 3.1% to 31.0 million.

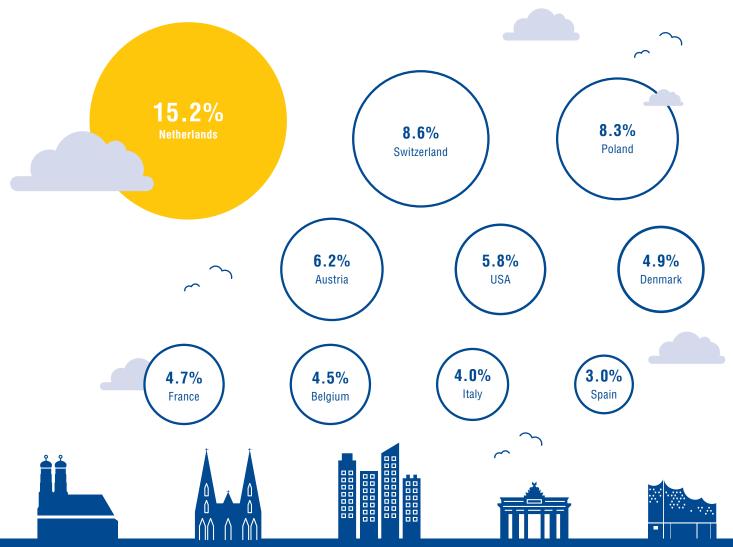


The most important

SOURCE MARKETS

for Germany

Share of all overnight stays from abroad 2021





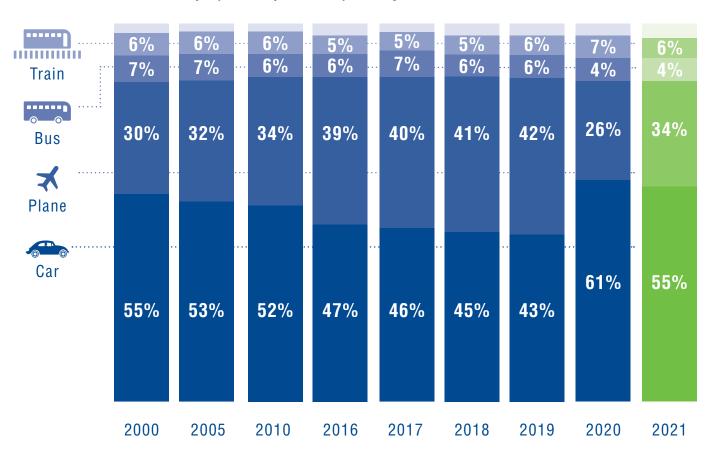
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The most popular MEANS OF TRANSPORT

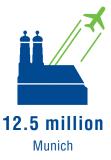
for holiday trips

German holiday trips of 5 days or more, percentage share



The 5 biggest AIRPORTS in Germany

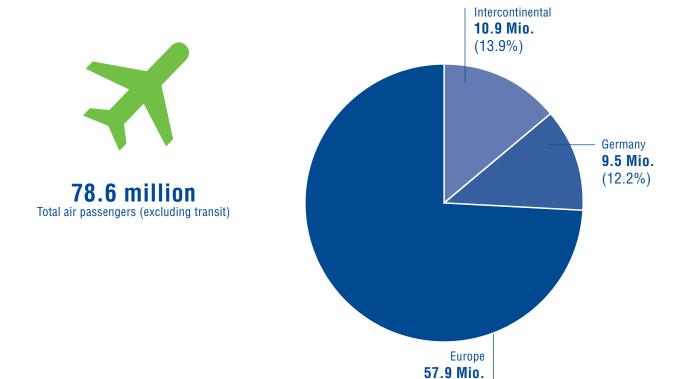




PASSENGER VOLUME

in aviation

Air traffic recovered only slowly in 2021. A total of **78.6 million** passengers took off and landed at German airports (2020: 63.0 million). This is an increase of **23.0%** compared to 2020, but still a decline of **68.6%** compared to the pre-Corona year 2019.



(73.9%)

CRUISES

Passengers on rivers and oceans



The CRUISE MARKET

Germany

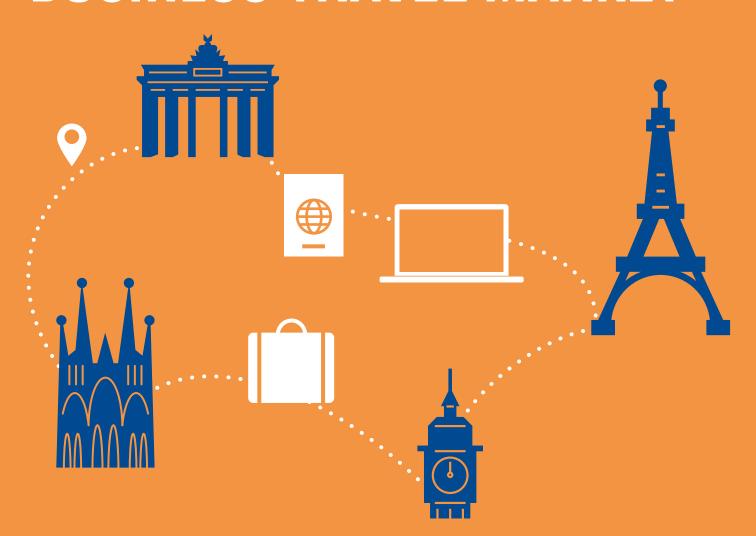
Ocean Cruises	2018	• 2019	2020	2021	
Number of passengers	2,602,900	2,943,400	1,097,900	736,600	
Expenses in advance, in million euros	4,786.6	5,121.0	2,078.8	907.9	
Expenses in advance, per person/trip	1,839 €	1,740 €	1,893 €	1,233 €	X
Ø Travel time	10.4 nights	10.9 nights	10.6 nights	8.8 nights	
River Cruises ×	2018	2019	2020	2021	
Number of passengers	685,200	727,400	307,400	209,400	
Expenses in advance, in million euros	815.0	853.2	300.0	241.2 ×	
Expenses in advance, per person/trip	1,189 €	1,173 €	976 €	1,151.9 €	
Ø Travel time	8.1 nights	8.3 niahts	7.4 nights	7.4 nights	







BUSINESS TRAVEL MARKET



Development in the German BUSINESS TRAVEL MARKET

2020

	2018	2019	2020
Number	189.6 million	195.4 million	32.7 million
Average costs	310 €	312 €	323 €
Costs per person / day	162 €	162 €	161 €
Total overnight stays Business Travel	72.5 million	74.3 million	17.4 million
Thereof companies with 10-500 employees	41.3 billion €	42.3 billion €	8 billion €
Thereof companies with >500 employees	12.2 billion €	13 billion €	2.1 billion €
Total costs	53.5 billion €	55.3 billion €	10.1 billion €



In 2020, there were a total of 32.7 million business trips from Germany.

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As the central association, the DRV represents the travel industry in Germany and is primarily committed to the interests of tour operators and travel agents. Behind the DRV is a significant economic force: its members generate the majority of sales in the tour operator and travel agent market. Several thousand member companies, including numerous tourism service providers, make the DRV a strong community that bundles the diverse interests – in line with the motto "The voice of the travel industry."



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