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# FOREIGN VESSELS ON CRUISE IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA January – May 2022

### Return of foreign vessels on cruise in the first five months compared to the same period in 2021

In the period from January to May 2022, there were 48 foreign vessels on cruise that arrived in Croatian seaports, which realised 135 journeys. There were 97 thousand passengers on board who stayed for 278 days in Croatia. In the same period in 2021, no entry of foreign vessels on cruise was recorded due to the epidemiological measures introduced in Croatia and the world in order to prevent the further spread of COVID-19.

Compared to the first five months of 2019, the number of journeys of foreign vessels on cruise decreased by 21.1%, the total number of sojourns by 28.0% and the number of passengers on board those vessels by 60.9%.

In the first five months of 2022, foreign vessels on cruise sailed under the flags of 11 countries. The largest number of journeys of foreign vessels on cruise was realised under the flag of Bahamas, 34 journeys, which was 25.2% of the total journeys realised in the first five months of 2022. They were followed by journeys under the flags of Malta (22 journeys) and Panama (17 journeys).

Out of the total of 135 journeys of foreign vessels on cruise, the majority was realised in the County of Dubrovnik-Neretva (45.2%) and the County of Split-Dalmatia (31.9%), which makes up the total of 77.1%. The remaining 22.9% of journeys were realised in the following counties: Zadar (15.5%), Šibenik-Knin (3.7%), Istria (3.0%) and Primorje-Gorski kotar (0.7%).

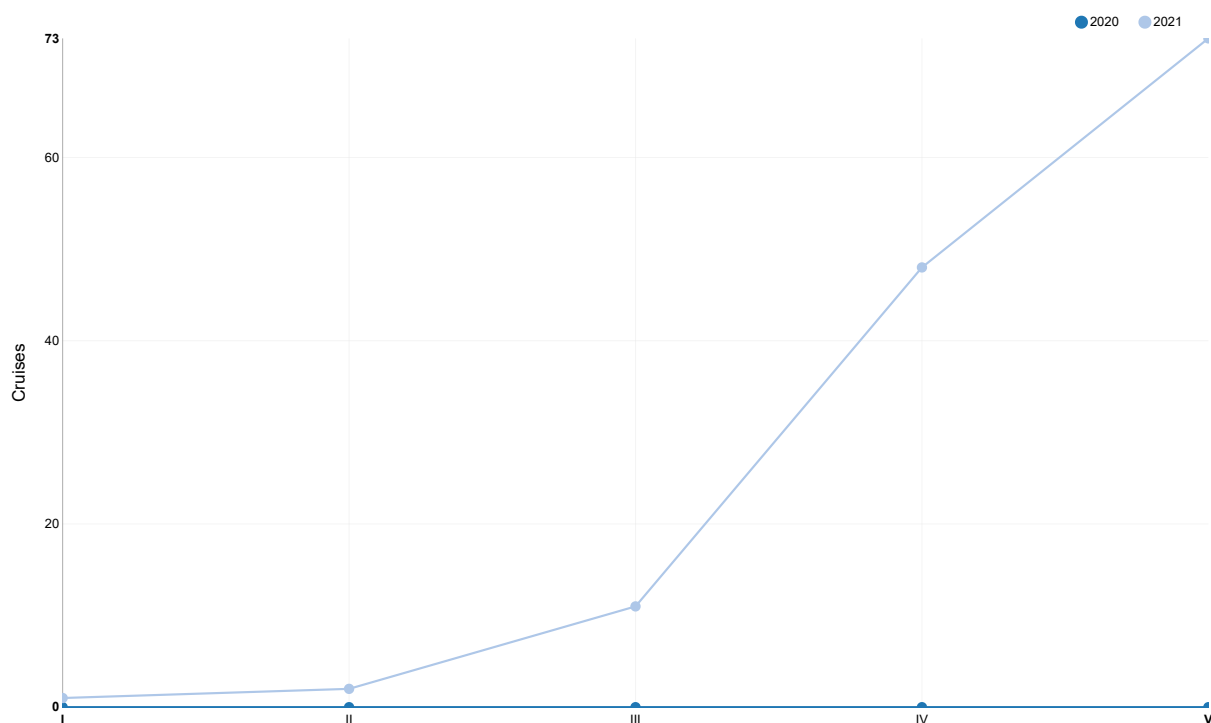
### The most visited seaport of Dubrovnik

The majority of visits of foreign vessels on cruise were realised in the seaport of Dubrovnik (90 visits), followed by the seaports of Split (68 visits), Zadar (35 visits), Korčula (17 visits), Šibenik (15 visits) and Hvar (14 visits).

## 1 FOREIGN VESSELS ON CRUISE

	I – V 2021	I – V 2022
Foreign vessels on cruise	-	48
Cruises	-	135
Sojourns	-	278
Passengers on board	-	96 832

### G-1 FOREIGN VESSELS ON CRUISE IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA, BY MONTHS, 2021 AND 2022



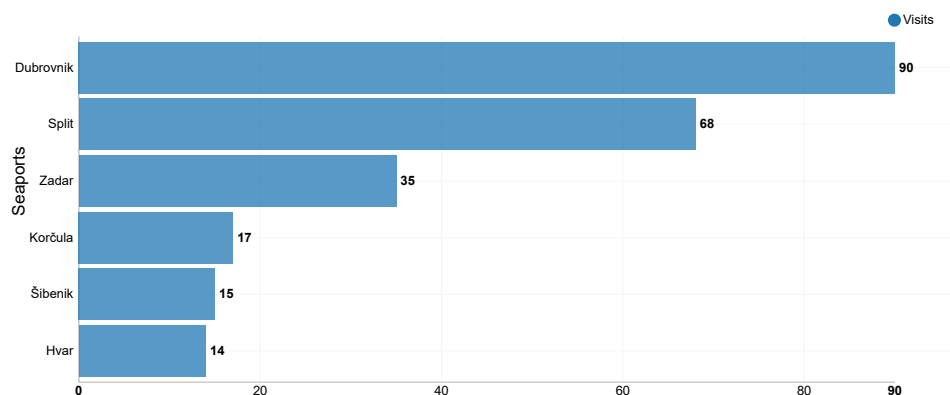
### 2 FOREIGN VESSELS ON CRUISE, SOJOURNS AND PASSENGERS, BY FLAG OF VESSEL, JANUARY – MAY 2022

Flag of vessel	Cruises		Sojourns		Passengers on board	
	V	I – V	V	I – V	V	I – V
Total	73	135	151	278	56 389	96 832
Bahamas	18	34	40	76	13 093	20 793
Belgium	4	8	18	35	559	1 007
Bermuda	2	5	3	7	4 003	10 068
France	2	2	6	6	333	333
Italy	8	14	8	14	9 863	17 264
Malta	15	22	47	74	13 098	14 221
Marshall Islands	6	14	7	18	3 013	6 644
Netherlands	2	2	2	2	1 823	1 823
Norway	5	15	8	26	3 735	9 935
Panama	9	17	9	17	5 509	13 384
United Kingdom	2	2	3	3	1 360	1 360

### 3 FOREIGN VESSELS ON CRUISE, SOJOURNS AND PASSENGERS, BY MONTHS, 2019, 2020, 2021 AND 2022

	Cruises				Sojourns				Passengers on board			
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total	171	15	-	135	386	47	-	278	247 570	3 737	-	95 407
I	5	5	-	1	12	12	-	1	2 702	2 809	-	485
II	11	7	-	2	49	29	-	3	1 243	745	-	1 257
III	18	3	-	11	71	6	-	25	19 518	183	-	4 098
IV	49	-	-	48	97	-	-	98	82 924	-	-	34 603
V	88	-	-	73	157	-	-	151	141 183	-	-	54 964

## G-2 THE MOST VISITED SEAPORTS IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA, JANUARY – MAY 2022



## NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

### The purpose of the statistical survey

The statistical survey is aimed at monitoring the entries of foreign vessels on cruise in the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia, the number of passengers aboard and the days in which a ship stays in the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia. The results of this survey provide indicators used in the analysis of tourism in the Republic of Croatia.

### Legal basis

The survey is carried out on the basis of the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20).

### Sources and methods of data collection

The data source for the statistical survey on cruises of foreign vessels in the Republic of Croatia is the Croatian Integrated Maritime Information System (CIMIS). The Croatian Bureau of Statistics takes over a part of the database from the Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure, after which it performs further processing.

Among other data, ships submit information on the ship, journey and passengers to this system through authorised maritime agents and shippers. The accuracy and completeness of the data in the official proceedings of registration is verified by the harbour master's offices.

### Coverage and comparability

Observation unit for this survey is a foreign vessel on a tourist cruise that enters the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia.

In the tables 1., 2. and 3., the data on foreign vessels on cruise include only **seaports of the first entry** of the foreign vessel on cruise into the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia.

In the Graph G-2., the data on visits of foreign vessels on cruise include **all seaports** visited by those vessels during their stay in the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia. Visits in seaports are presented by statistical seaports consisting of one or more ports, normally controlled by harbour master's branch offices able to record ship and cargo movements.

### Definitions

**Foreign vessel on cruise** means a passenger ship intended rather to provide passengers with a pleasure of a journey and facilities for entertainment aboard (luxurious atmosphere, adventures, education, culture, entertainment, sports activities, wellness or recreation) than the transport of persons from one seaport to another. It is equipped for a multi-day stay of passengers aboard and must provide food, drinks and accommodation services. On its journey, a foreign vessel on cruise stops in seaports of several interesting destinations.

**A journey** is an entry of a foreign vessel on cruise into the first seaport of the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia.

**Visit** is an entry of a foreign vessel on cruise into every seaport of the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia.

**Passengers on board** are any persons who arrived by ship irrespective of age, providing that he/she is not a crew member.

**Sojourns** represent a total number of days a ship spends in the internal sea waters of the Republic of Croatia.

**Flag of vessel** represents the country in which a ship is registered, that is, entered into the ship registry and is bound by its laws.

**Statistical seaport** consists of one or more ports, normally controlled by harbour master's branch offices able to record ship and cargo movements.

### Abbreviations

COVID-19      COrona Vlrus Disease-19  
NN              Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia

### Symbols

-                no occurrence

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