# Response statistics for 'SME panel questionnaire on tourism sector'

Current search:

## **Query definition**

All data requested

## Result pages

▶ There are 2749 responses matching your criteria of a total of 2749 records in the current set of data.

## **ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS**

General information about your business

nich country is your business locat		Number of Requested % of total		
	requested records	records (2749)	number records (2749)	
Italy	491	(17.9%)	(17.9%)	
France	401	(14.6%)	(14.6%)	
Spain	313	(11.4%)	(11.4%)	
Germany	205	(7.5%)	(7.5%)	
Hungary	192	(7%)	(7%)	
Romania	181	(6.6%)	(6.6%)	
Czech Republic	175	(6.4%)	(6.4%)	
Poland	160	(5.8%)	(5.8%)	
Belgium	129	(4.7%)	(4.7%)	
Portugal	67	(2.4%)	(2.4%)	
Sweden	64	(2.3%)	(2.3%)	
Lithuania	62	(2.3%)	(2.3%)	
Bulgaria	58	(2.1%)	(2.1%)	
<mark>→</mark> Other	39	(1.4%)	(1.4%)	
Cyprus	34	(1.2%)	(1.2%)	
Slovakia	32	(1.2%)	(1.2%)	
Slovenia	31	(1.1%)	(1.1%)	
United Kingdom	27	(1%)	(1%)	
Finland	26	(0.9%)	(0.9%)	
Austria	22	(0.8%)	(0.8%)	
Estonia	10	(0.4%)	(0.4%)	
Ireland	9	(0.3%)	(0.3%)	
Greece	8	(0.3%)	(0.3%)	
Denmark	6	(0.2%)	(0.2%)	
Malta	5	(0.2%)	(0.2%)	
Latvia	1	(0%)	(0%)	
Luxembourg	1	(0%)	(0%)	
Netherlands	0	(0%)	(0%)	

In which area is your business situated? -single ch	noice reply- (compulse	ory)	
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
urban area	2040	(74.2%)	(74.2%)
non-urban area	709	(25.8%)	(25.8%)

In which sector is your business operating? -single cho	oice reply- (comp	ulsory)	
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Accomodation	1166	(42.4%)	(42.4%)
Gastronomy	615	(22.4%)	(22.4%)
Travel agencies & tour operators	551	(20%)	(20%)
Transport	417	(15.2%)	(15.2%)

Please provide more details about your activity -single choice reply- (compulsory)					
	Number of requested records	Requested records (1166)	% of total number records (2749)		
Hotel + Restaurant	566	(48.5%)	(20.6%)		
Hotels	279	(23.9%)	(10.1%)		
Other commercial accomodation (guest houses, campsites, etc)	230	(19.7%)	(8.4%)		
Others	91	(7.8%)	(3.3%)		

Please provide more details about your activity -single choice reply- (compulsory)					
	Number of requested records	Requested records (615)	% of total number records (2749)		
Restaurants	424	(68.9%)	(15.4%)		
Cafè/Bars	99	(16.1%)	(3.6%)		
Catering	49	(8%)	(1.8%)		
Others	43	(7%)	(1.6%)		

Please provide more details about your activity -single choice reply- (compulsory)					
	Number of requested records	Requested records (417)	% of total number records (2749)		
Coaches	189	(45.3%)	(6.9%)		
Taxi and car rental services	149	(35.7%)	(5.4%)		
<b>G</b> Others	67	(16.1%)	(2.4%)		
Low cost & charter airlines	12	(2.9%)	(0.4%)		

Is your business opened all year round or seasonally only? -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
all year	2540	(92.4%)	(92.4%)
seasonally	209	(7.6%)	(7.6%)

For how long have you been operating your business? -single choice reply- (compulsory)					
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)		
more than 10 years	1570	(57.1%)	(57.1%)		
4-10 years	852	(31%)	(31%)		
less than 3 years	327	(11.9%)	(11.9%)		

How many employees do you have? -single choice r	eply- (compulsory)		
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
less than 10	1428	(51.9%)	(51.9%)
from 10 to 49	955	(34.7%)	(34.7%)
from 50 to 249	366	(13.3%)	(13.3%)

# QUESTIONS ABOUT DEMAND/CONSUMPTION TRENDS AND CHANGES

Question 1 In 2008, did you register, in general, increased or decreto the previous year? -single choice reply- (compulsory)	eased demar	nd for your ser	vices compared
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Increased demand	1024	(37.2%)	(37.2%)
Decreased demand	1013	(36.8%)	(36.8%)
Equal	712	(25.9%)	(25.9%)

## Question 2 From which countries/country group have you specifically registered increased or decreased demand?

Resident country (domestic) -single choice	reply- (compulsory)		
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Increased	1157	(42.1%)	(42.1%)
Decreased	927	(33.7%)	(33.7%)
Don't know	665	(24.2%)	(24.2%)

EU15 countries (Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Ireland, Luxemburg, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, the Netherlands and United Kingdom) -single choice reply-(compulsory)

(Compulsory)	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)	
Don't know	1142	(41.5%)	(41.5%)	
Decreased	815	(29.6%)	(29.6%)	
Increased	792	(28.8%)	(28.8%)	

New EU Member States (Bulgaria, Cyp Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	1925	(70%)	(70%)
Increased	427	(15.5%)	(15.5%)
Decreased	397	(14.4%)	(14.4%)

North America (USA, Canada) -single choice repl	y- (compulsory)		
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	2009	(73.1%)	(73.1%)
Decreased	510	(18.6%)	(18.6%)
Increased	230	(8.4%)	(8.4%)

Latin America -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	2302	(83.7%)	(83.7%)
Decreased	330	(12%)	(12%)
Increased	117	(4.3%)	(4.3%)

Russia -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	2155	(78.4%)	(78.4%)
Decreased	299	(10.9%)	(10.9%)
Increased	295	(10.7%)	(10.7%)

Japan -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	2313	(84.1%)	(84.1%)
Decreased	317	(11.5%)	(11.5%)
Increased	119	(4.3%)	(4.3%)

China -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	2346	(85.3%)	(85.3%)
Decreased	262	(9.5%)	(9.5%)
Increased	141	(5.1%)	(5.1%)

India -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Don't know	2412	(87.7%)	(87.7%)
Decreased	236	(8.6%)	(8.6%)
Increased	101	(3.7%)	(3.7%)

**Question 3** How would you rate the criteria below in their importance for the consumption decision of your guests/clients?

Quality of service -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Very important	2016	(73.3%)	(73.3%)
Important	658	(23.9%)	(23.9%)
Less important	75	(2.7%)	(2.7%)

Price -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Very important	1611	(58.6%)	(58.6%)
Important	1038	(37.8%)	(37.8%)
Less important	100	(3.6%)	(3.6%)

Value for money -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Very important	1615	(58.7%)	(58.7%)
Important	904	(32.9%)	(32.9%)
Less important	230	(8.4%)	(8.4%)

Environmental considerations -single choice reply- (compulsory)						
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)			
Less important	1213	(44.1%)	(44.1%)			
Important	1149	(41.8%)	(41.8%)			
Very important	387	(14.1%)	(14.1%)			

Social considerations -single choice reply- (compulsory)			
	Number of requested	 % of total number	

	records	(2749)	records (2749)
Less important	1450	(52.7%)	(52.7%)
Important	1006	(36.6%)	(36.6%)
Very important	293	(10.7%)	(10.7%)

Safety/security issues -single choice reply- (co	mpulsory)		
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Important	1172	(42.6%)	(42.6%)
Less important	808	(29.4%)	(29.4%)
Very important	769	(28%)	(28%)

#### Question 4

Have you noticed among your guests/clients any changes in their consumption patterns in the last six months? -single choice reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Yes	2108	(76.7%)	(76.7%)
No	641	(23.3%)	(23.3%)

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#### Question 4a

If yes: of which nature? (max 2 choices) -multiple choices reply- (optional)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2108)	% of total number records (2749)
Clients became more price conscious	1401	(66.5%)	(51%)
Clients were spending less money	1355	(64.3%)	(49.3%)
Clients became more quality conscious	465	(22.1%)	(16.9%)
Clients were spending more money	108	(5.1%)	(3.9%)
Others	96	(4.6%)	(3.5%)
Clients became less quality conscious	56	(2.7%)	(2%)
Clients became less price conscious	55	(2.6%)	(2%)

#### Question 5

In 2008, did your guests/clients spend more or less money compared to 2007 (full year)? -single choice reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Less	1078	(39.2%)	(39.2%)
Same	797	(29%)	(29%)
More	673	(24.5%)	(24.5%)
Don't know	201	(7.3%)	(7.3%)

## **QUESTIONS ABOUT IMPACTS ON BUSINESSES**

#### Question 6

What are the most important challenges your business is facing? (max 3 choices) -multiple choices reply- (compulsory)

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Taxation	1338	(48.7%)	(48.7%)
Administrative and regulatory burden	1291	(47%)	(47%)
Increased competition	1290	(46.9%)	(46.9%)
Access to finance	835	(30.4%)	(30.4%)
Lack of skills	463	(16.8%)	(16.8%)
Access to international markets	414	(15.1%)	(15.1%)
Environmental challenges	216	(7.9%)	(7.9%)
Others	216	(7.9%)	(7.9%)
Access to information and know-how	158	(5.7%)	(5.7%)

## Question 7

Does your business face any impacts due to the current economic situation? -single choice reply-

(compulsory)	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Yes	1924	(70%)	(70%)
- Possibly	519	(18.9%)	(18.9%)
No	306	(11.1%)	(11.1%)

Question 7a			
If yes: of which nature? (max 2 choices) -multiple	e choices reply- (co	mpulsory)	
	Number of requested records	Requested records (1924)	% of total number records (2749)
Increased overall costs	1121	(58.3%)	(40.8%)
Additional financial burden	390	(20.3%)	(14.2%)
Reduced access to finance	376	(19.5%)	(13.7%)
Higher labour costs	368	(19.1%)	(13.4%)
Increased purchase costs	367	(19.1%)	(13.4%)
Others	331	(17.2%)	(12%)
Higher production costs	211	(11%)	(7.7%)

Question 7b

If possibly: of which nature? (max 2 choices) -multiple choices reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (519)	% of total number records (2749)
Increased overall costs	262	(50.5%)	(9.5%)
Higher labour costs	107	(20.6%)	(3.9%)
Increased purchase costs	102	(19.7%)	(3.7%)
Others	98	(18.9%)	(3.6%)
Reduced access to finance	88	(17%)	(3.2%)
Additional financial burden	86	(16.6%)	(3.1%)
Higher production costs	50	(9.6%)	(1.8%)

### Question 8

Have you already undertaken major actions in order to be able to address impacts of the current economic situation? -single choice reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Yes	1981	(72.1%)	(72.1%)
No	768	(27.9%)	(27.9%)



Question 8a

If ves: of which nature? (max 2 choices) -multiple choices reply- (compulsory)

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	Number of requested records	Requested records (1981)	% of total number records (2749)
Cut costs	1191	(60.1%)	(43.3%)
Reduce labour force	694	(35%)	(25.2%)
Postpone investments	661	(33.4%)	(24%)
Others	267	(13.5%)	(9.7%)
Increase prices of services provided	220	(11.1%)	(8%)

Take loans	170	(8.6%)	(6.2%)
Reduce services	141	(7.1%)	(5.1%)

#### Question 9

Which additional support action to be taken at European level would you consider most important? (max 2 choices) -multiple choices reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Measures to strengthen demand	1326	(48.2%)	(48.2%)
Measures to encourage investments and innovation	1105	(40.2%)	(40.2%)
Measures to overcome seasonality in demand	814	(29.6%)	(29.6%)
Promotion of best-practices	485	(17.6%)	(17.6%)
Producing and sharing knowledge between businesses	402	(14.6%)	(14.6%)
Others	223	(8.1%)	(8.1%)
Don't know	114	(4.1%)	(4.1%)

# **QUESTIONS ON FUTURE OUTLOOK (2009)**

#### Question 10

Do you expect any impacts of the current economic situation on your business in the near future? -single choice reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
I expect rather negative impacts	1257	(45.7%)	(45.7%)
I expect substantial negative impacts	764	(27.8%)	(27.8%)
Don't know	305	(11.1%)	(11.1%)
I expect rather positive impacts	242	(8.8%)	(8.8%)
I expect no impacts at all	181	(6.6%)	(6.6%)

### Question 10a

In case of negative impacts, what kind of impacts do you expect? (max 2 choices) -multiple choices reply- (compulsory)

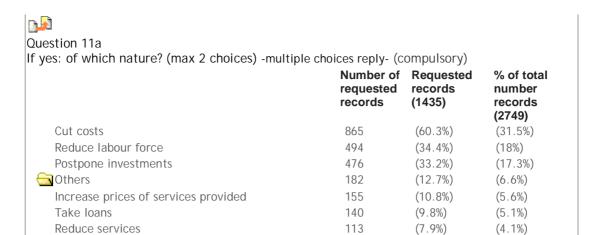
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Decrease in demand (number of guests)	1917	(69.7%)	(69.7%)
Guests will spend less	1502	(54.6%)	(54.6%)
Don't know	440	(16%)	(16%)
Financial services will be harder to obtain	252	(9.2%)	(9.2%)
Inflation of prices	210	(7.6%)	(7.6%)
Grants and loans will become more expensive	166	(6%)	(6%)

#### Question 11

In the near future (in 2009), will you have to undertake major actions in order to be able to address impacts of the current economic situation? -single choice reply- (compulsory)

	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Yes	1435	(52.2%)	(52.2%)
Possibly	750	(27.3%)	(27.3%)
No	295	(10.7%)	(10.7%)
Don't know	269	(9.8%)	(9.8%)

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Question 11b			
If possibly: of which nature? (max 2 choices) -m		•	y) % of total number records (2749)
Cut costs	421	(56.1%)	(15.3%)
Postpone investments	263	(35.1%)	(9.6%)
Reduce labour force	211	(28.1%)	(7.7%)
Increase prices of services provided	121	(16.1%)	(4.4%)
Others     ■     Others     Others     ■     Others     Others	71	(9.5%)	(2.6%)
Take loans	53	(7.1%)	(1.9%)
Reduce services	47	(6.3%)	(1.7%)

Question 12 What is your business outlook for 2009?	-single choice reply- (comp	oulsory)	
	Number of requested records	Requested records (2749)	% of total number records (2749)
Negative	1073	(39%)	(39%)
Positive	879	(32%)	(32%)
Don't know	554	(20.2%)	(20.2%)
Very negative	188	(6.8%)	(6.8%)
Very positive	55	(2%)	(2%)