World Tourism Barometer

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Key findings

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International tourist arrivals, January-September 2024

- International tourism reached 98% of 2019 levels in the first nine months of the year, following a strong Northern Hemisphere summer season.
- 1.1 billion tourists travelled internationally between January and September 2024, about 11% more than in the same period of 2023, though 2% less than in 2019.
- Results were driven by strong post-pandemic demand in Europe and other large markets around the world, and the recovery of Asia and the Pacific.
- Four years after the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, international tourism is expected to reach 2019 levels by the end of 2024, despite economic and geopolitical challenges.
- The Middle East remained the strongest-growing region this period, with arrivals climbing 29% above 2019 levels. Africa welcomed 6% more tourists than before the pandemic.
- Arrivals in Europe, the world's largest destination region, exceeded 2019 levels by 1%.
- The Americas recovered 97% of its pre-pandemic arrivals (-3% over 2019) and Asia and the Pacific 85% (-15% over 2019).



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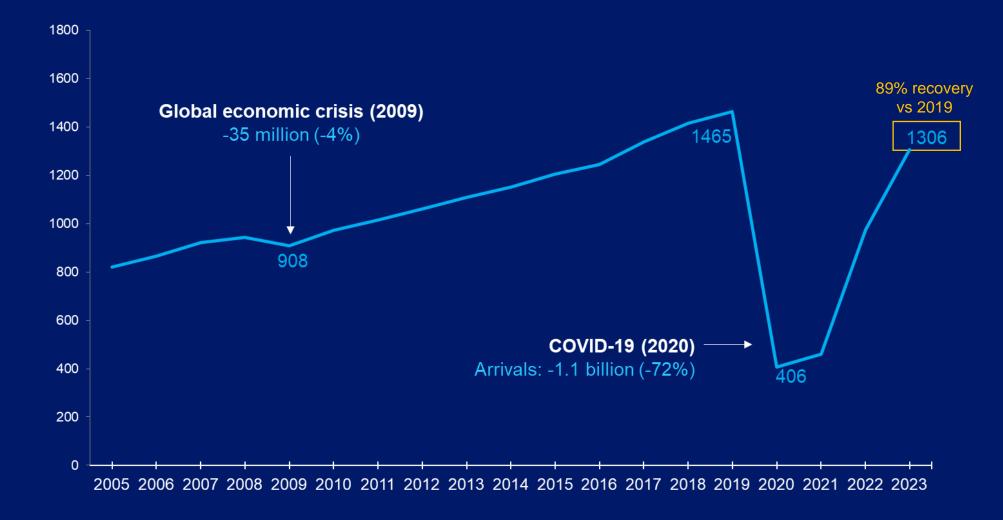




International tourist arrivals

Millions

Source: UN Tourism (Data as of November 2024)





Recovery of international tourist arrivals

Percentage of 2019 levels

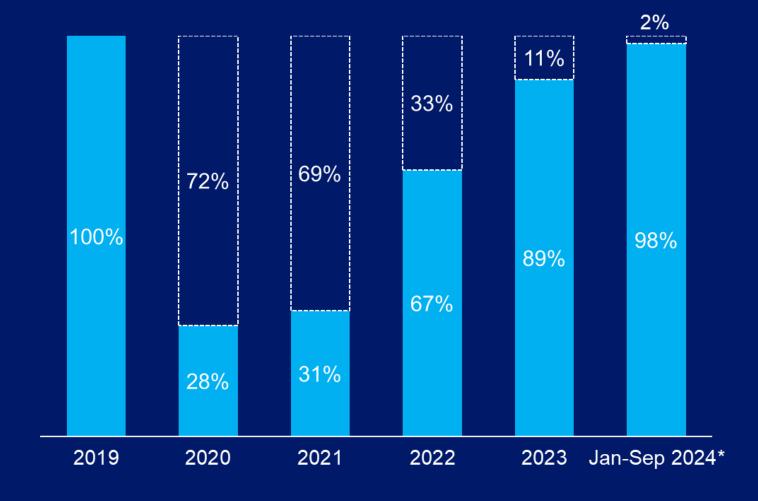
Percentage not recovered

Percentage recovered

Source: UN Tourism

(Data as of November 2024)

* 2024 data are provisional





Recovery of international tourist arrivals, by region Jan-Sep 2024

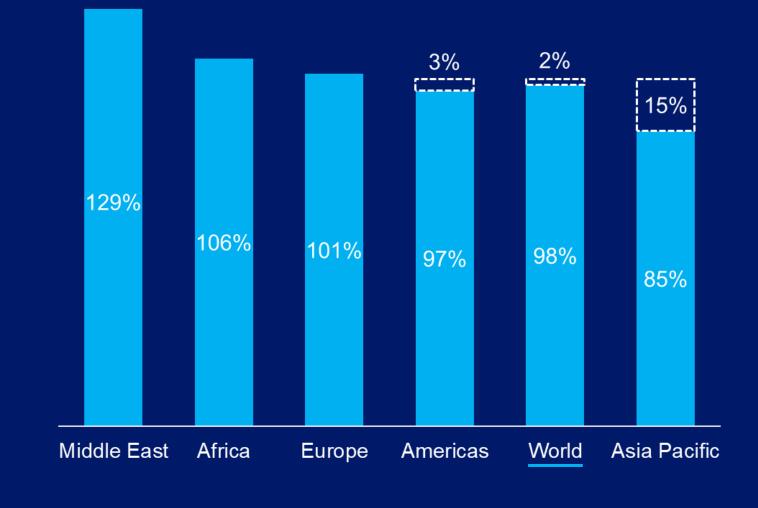
Percentage of 2019 levels

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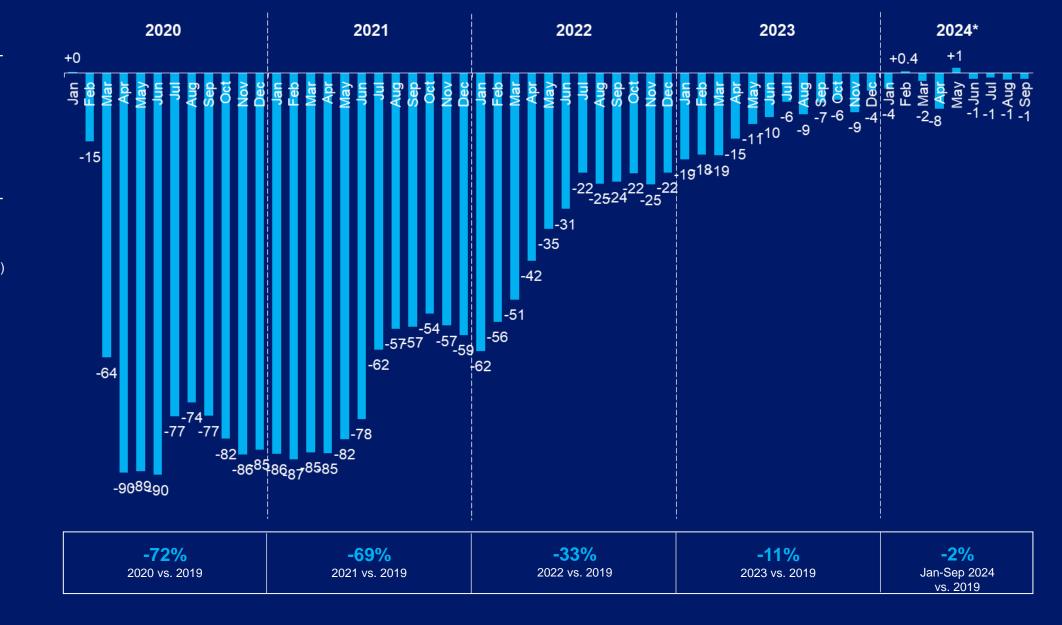




International tourist arrivals

% change from 2019

Source: UN Tourism (Data as of November 2024) * 2024 data are provisional.





International tourist arrivals (world)

millions

2019

2020

2021

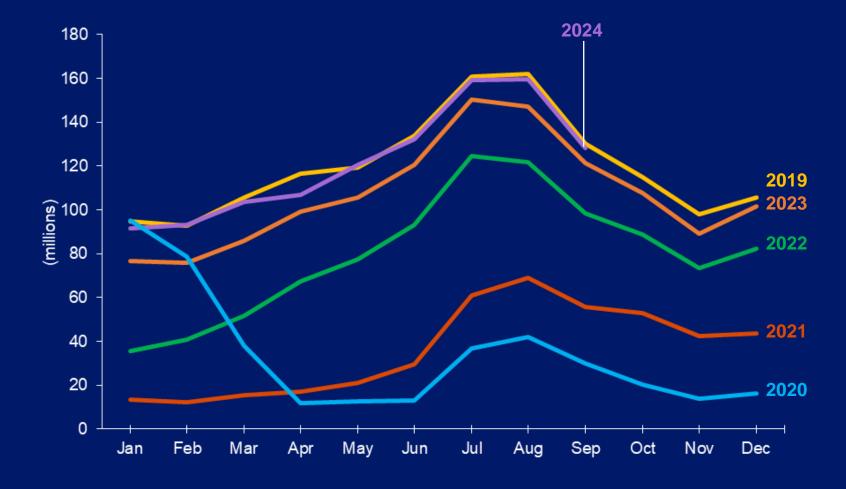
2022

2023

2024*

Source: UN Tourism (November 2024)

* Provisional data





International tourist arrivals by region

% change from 2019

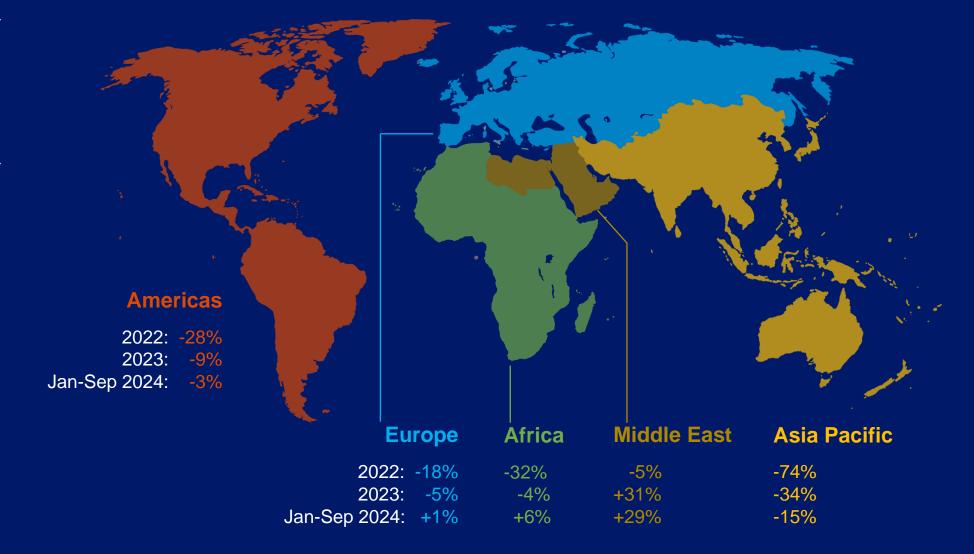
World

2022: -33%

2023: -11%

Jan-Sep 2024: -2%

Source: UN Tourism (Data as of November 2024)





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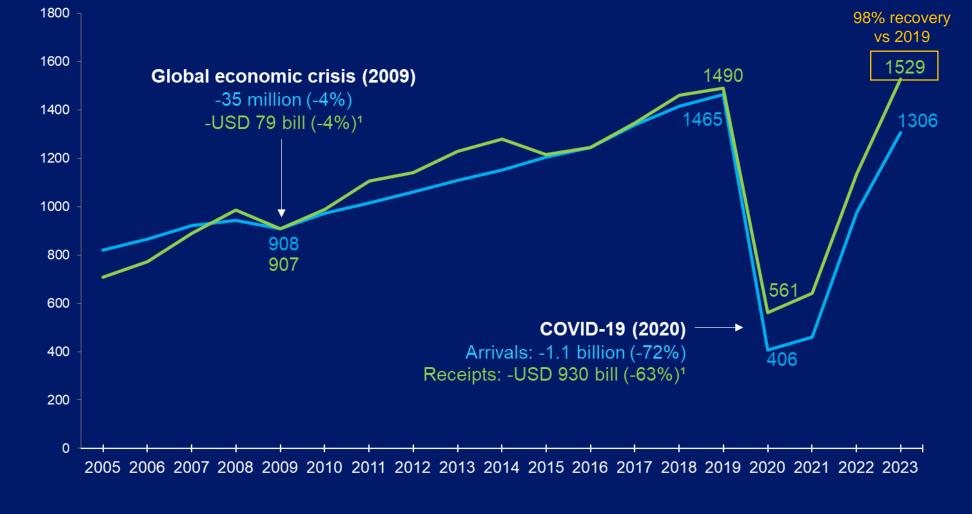
Arrivals (millions)

Receipts (USD billions)

Source: UN Tourism (Data as of November 2024)

¹ Change in local currencies

at constant prices.





International tourist arrivals and receipts

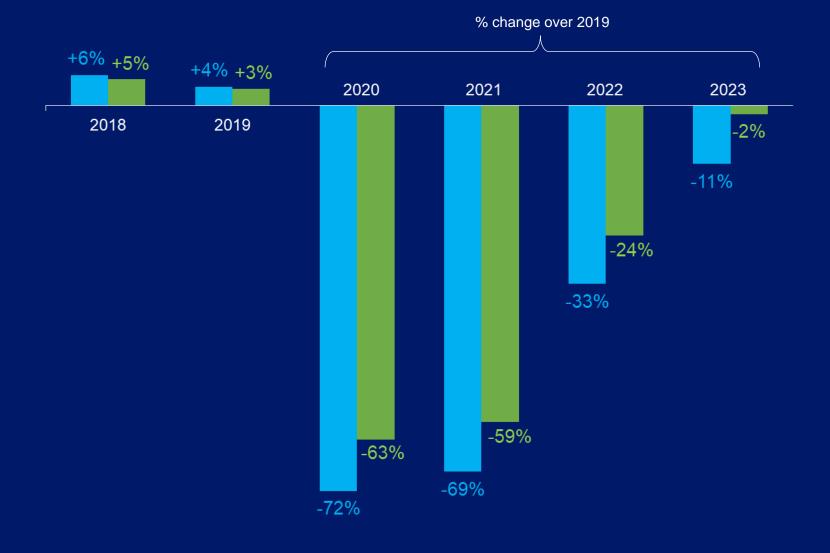
Annual % change

Arrivals

Receipts (real terms)¹

Source: UN Tourism (Data as of November 2024)

¹ In local currencies at constant prices.





International tourism

Key indicators

Tourism direct GDP (USD trill)

Export revenues from tourism (USD trill)

International tourist arrivals (USD bill)

Source: UN Tourism (November 2024)

Note: Revenues include international tourism receipts and passenger transport fares.

* Tourism direct GDP for 2023 is provisional.





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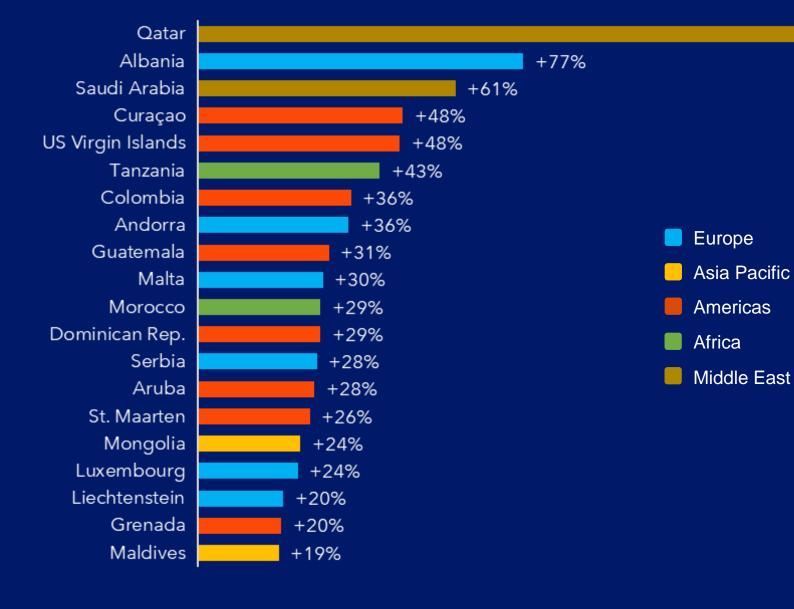


Best-performing destinations Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourist arrivals % change over 2019

Source: UN Tourism (November 2024)

^{*} Based on destinations with available data for months up to August or September 2024.





+141%

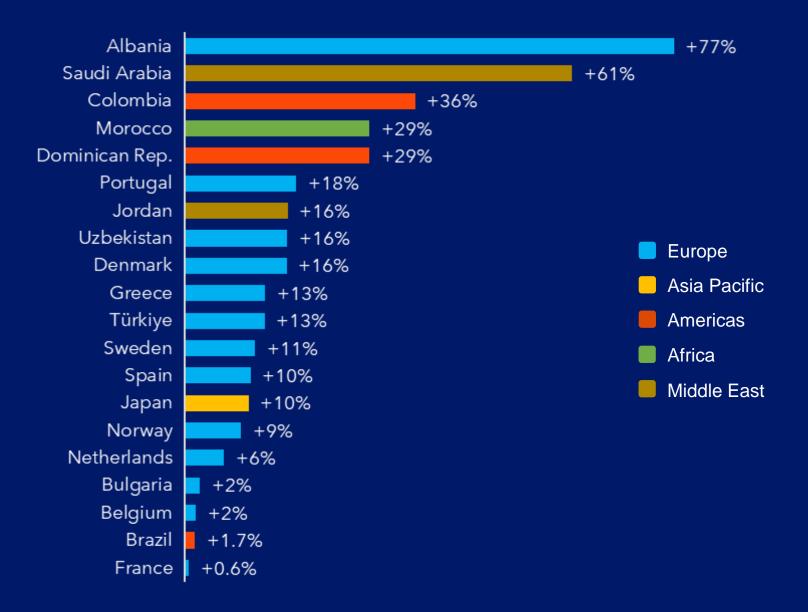
Large* best-performing destinations, Jan-Sep 2024

International tourist arrivals % change over 2019

Source: UN Tourism (November 2024)

* Based on destinations recording 5 million arrivals or more in 2019 or 2013 and reporting monthly data up to August or September 2024.





Best-performing destinations in Europe, Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourist arrivals % change over 2019

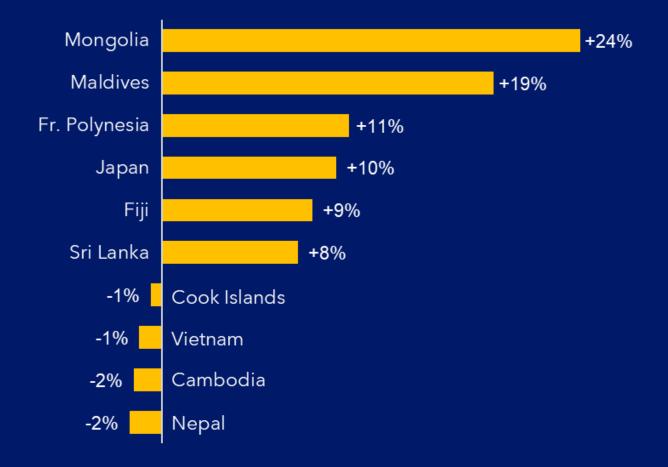




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Best-performing destinations in Asia Pacific, Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourist arrivals % change over 2019

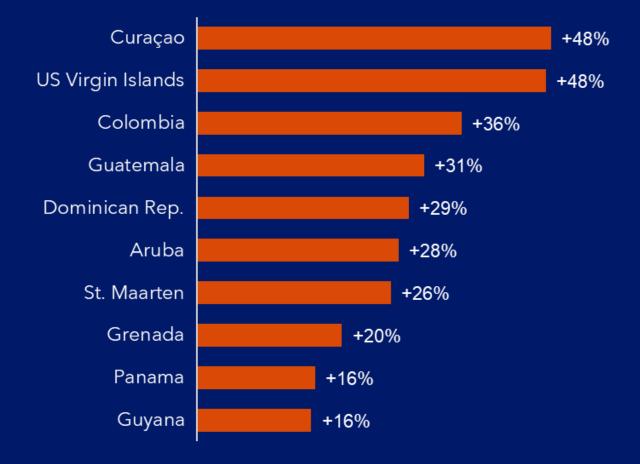




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Best-performing destinations in the Americas, Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourist arrivals % change over 2019

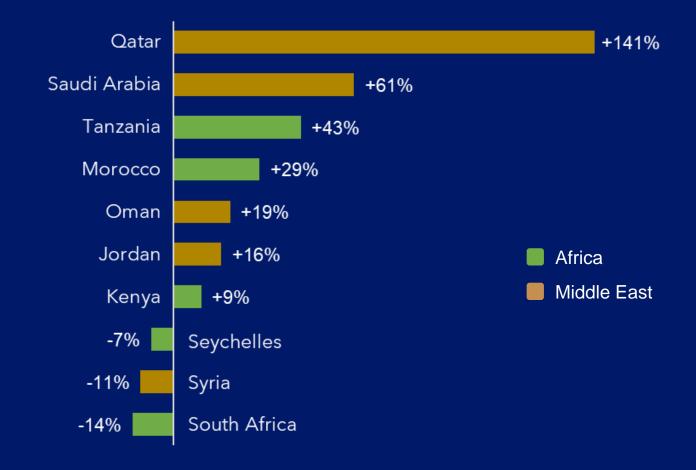




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Best-performing destinations in Africa & Middle East Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourist arrivals % change over 2019



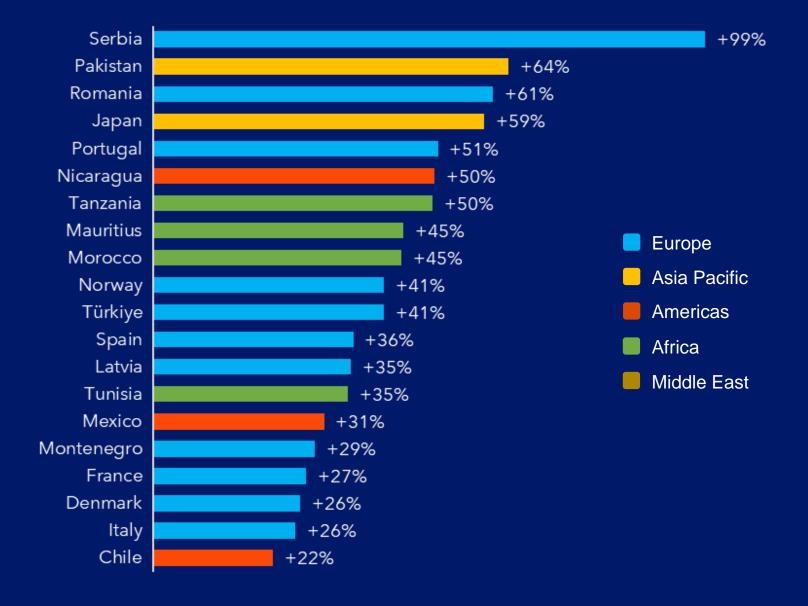


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Best-performing destinations in terms of receipts, Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourism receipts % change over 2019¹



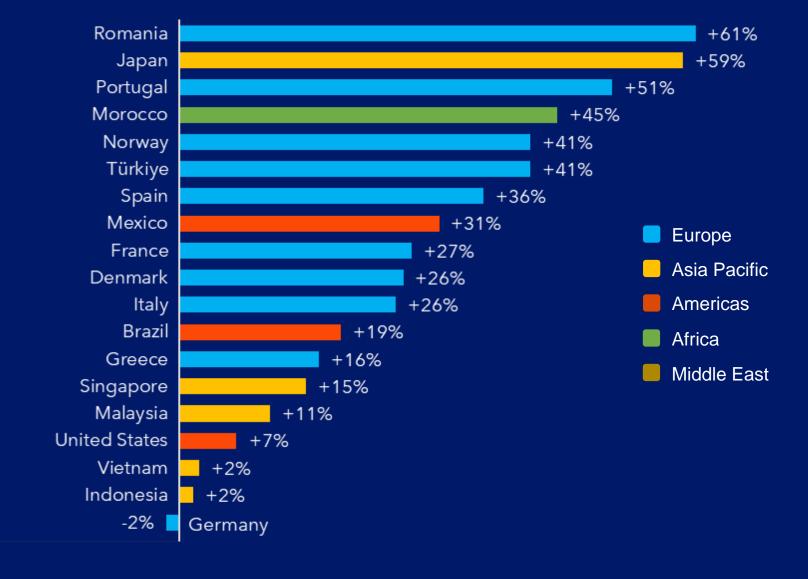


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Large* best-performing destinations in terms of receipts, Jan-Sep 2024

International tourism receipts % change over 2019¹





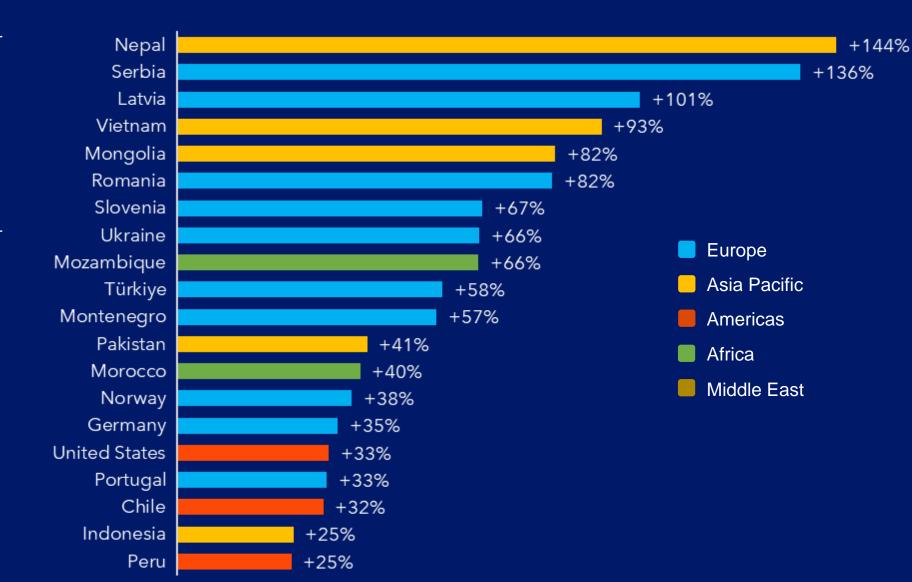
^{*} Based on destinations earning USD 5 billion or more in receipts in 2019 or 2023 and reporting monthly data up to August or September 2024.

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Best-performing markets by outbound spending Jan-Sep 2024*

International tourism expenditure % change over 2019¹





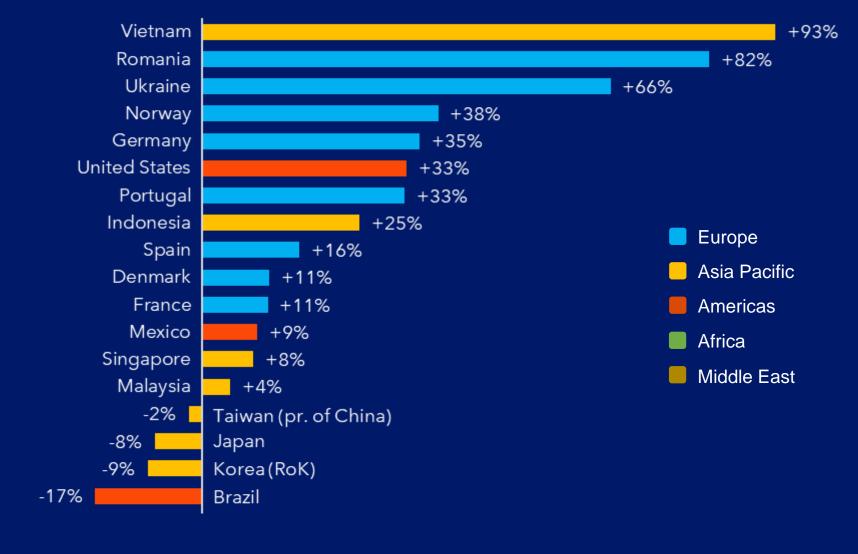
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Large* best-performing markets by spending Jan-Sep 2024

International tourism expenditure % change over 2019¹

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^{*} Based on markets spending USD 5 billion or more in outbound travel in 2019 or 2023 and reporting monthly data up to August or September 2024.

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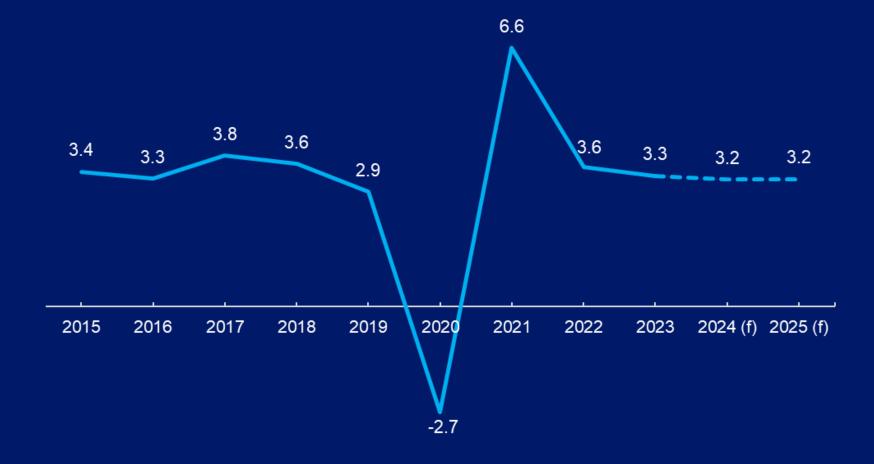




World GDP (constant prices)

% change

(f): Forecast Source: World Economic Outlook, October 2024 (IMF)

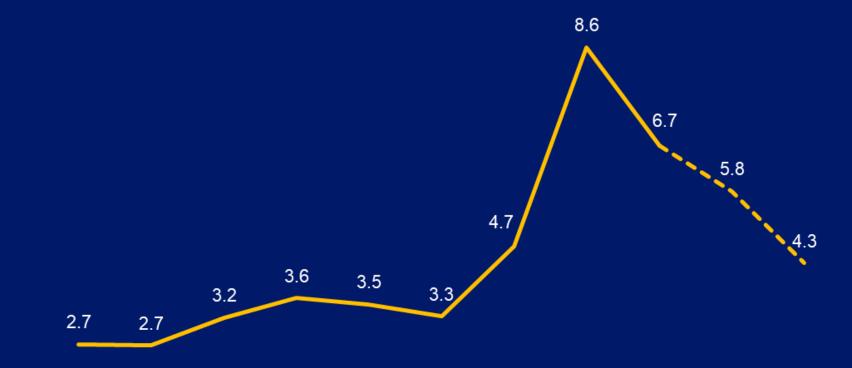




World Inflation (Average consumer prices)

% change

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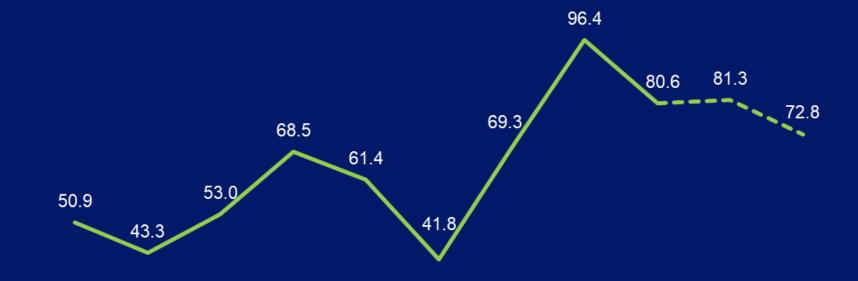
Crude oil price* (petroleum)

USD per barrel

(f): forecast

* Simple average of three spot prices: Dated Brent, West Texas Intermediate and the Dubai Fateh.

Source: World Economic Outlook, October 2024 (IMF)







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