

# State of the Cruise Industry

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### **Cruise Overview**





### **Inchcape Profile**

Fact: World's largest Cruise Port Agent

**Annual Cruise Calls: 12,000** 

Ports Covered: 850 with Partners

Own Offices: 247

Cruise Lines Handled: All somewhere

**Destinations Consulting: 20+** 



#### **2023 Cruise Industry**

Market: Total Global Cruise passengers - 31.5+ million

Cruise Lines: 51 Ocean Cruise Lines

Cruise Ships: 491 Ships

**Employment:** 227 million active jobs (Source: CLIA)

Output: \$150 + Billion USD total output worldwide (Source: CLIA)

Wages: \$57 Billion salaries generated (Source: CLIA))



Source: CLIA data; % of cruise passengers traveling to major destinations (2022)

### **COVID-19 Pandemic 2020-2022**



The global COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent pause in commercial cruise ship operations had a devastating impact on the cruise community between March 2020 and 2022.

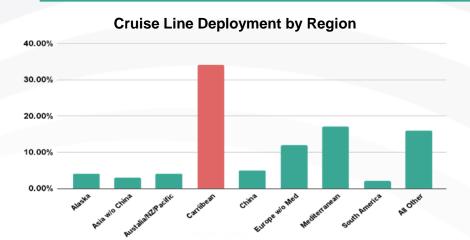
- →Industry Loss: \$77 Billion in global economic activity Source: CLIA
- → Impact: 518,000 Jobs affected; industry calculation of 30 Passengers = 1 job Source: CLIA
- →Income loss: \$23 Billion USD in wages

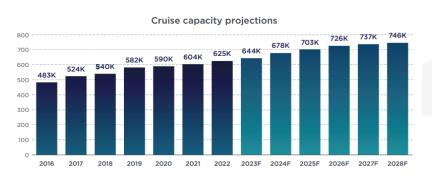
TODAY: 85% of travelers who have cruised will cruise again (6% higher than pre-pandemic)



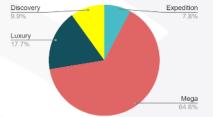
### **Deployment & New Builds**



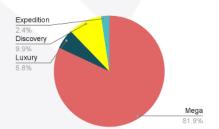




# Sector Market Share by Vessels



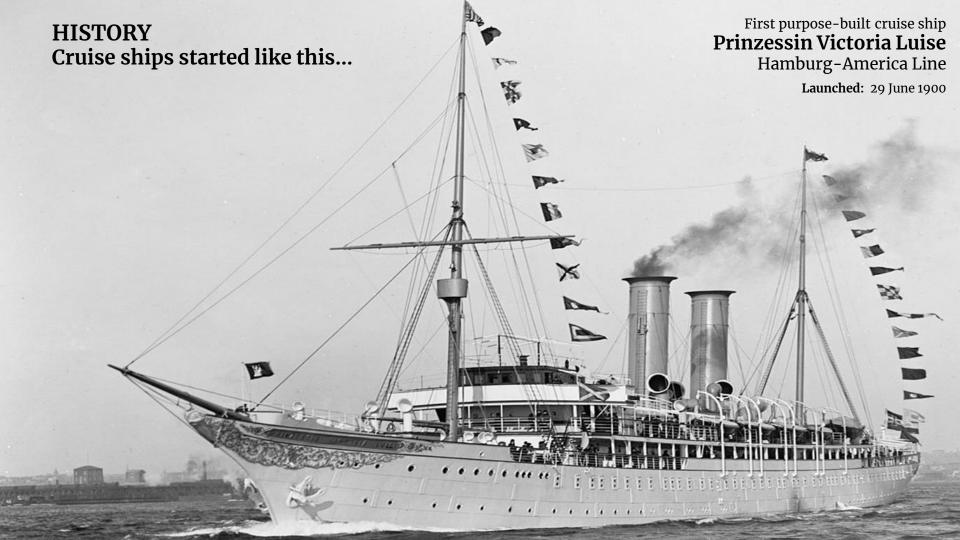
# Sector Market Share Pax / year



#### **2023 Cruise Sector Overview**

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Segment	Ships	Cabins	LB Capacity	Pax / year	Crew	Cost to build Billions
Mega	215	279,580	525,447	26,797,818	211,341	\$97.6
Luxury	96	19,788	37,259	1,900,204	21,287	\$11.5
Discovery	76	37,650	63,232	3,224,808	25,584	\$7.7
Expedition	104	7,764	15,296	780,099	4,983	\$1.2
<b>Grand Total</b>	491	344,782	641,234	32,702,929	263,195	\$118 Billion



# **Perspective**





- → The law of Scalability
- → The Fun Ships
- → Las Vegas at Sea
- → Rise of Mega Ships
- → Sector Orientation



### **Cruise Sectors**



#### **MEGA**



#### **LUXURY**



#### **DISCOVERY**



Ship Size	500-2500 PAX, smaller/older	
LOA/Draft	54-268 m / 3-7.8 m	
Focus	Destination is king	
USP's	Traditional value cruising	
Markets	Mature guests	
Examples	Fred Olsen, Celestyal, Marella	

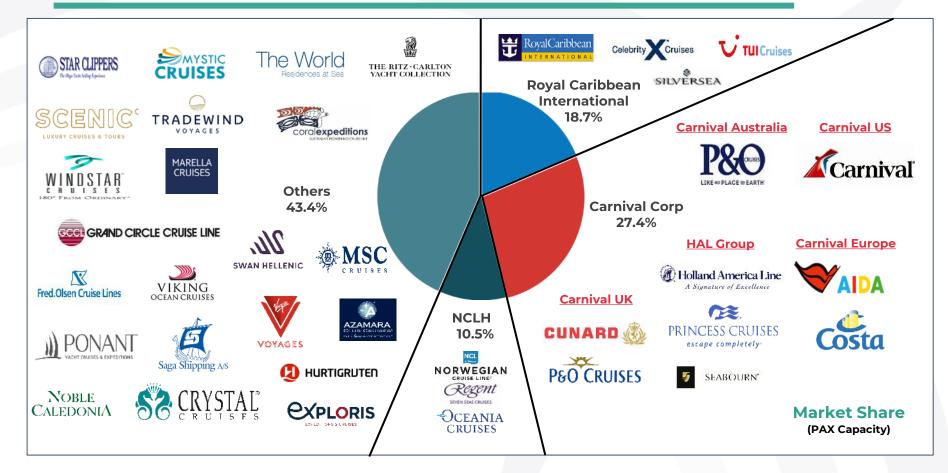
#### **EXPEDITION**



Ship Size	300 PAX or less, cozy			
LOA/Draft	27-160 m / 3-7.5 m			
Focus	Access to remote locations			
USP's	Adventure, Nature, Science			
Markets	Adventure seekers			
Examples	Hurtigruten, Lindblad, Quark			

### **Cruise Line Market Share**





### **Cruise Sustainability**



### Compelling Facts...

- → Cruise ships account for **less than 1%** of the total global ocean-going commercial fleet of vessels.
- → CLIA represents 95% of global PAX capacity provides a unified voice for the Industry.
- → The Cruise Industry is committed to **Net Zero Carbon cruising by 2050**.
- → By 2028; **72% of global CLIA fleet** capable to connect to shoreside electricity (74% global PAX capacity).
- → EGCS technology (installed on ships) will remove 98% Sulphur & well over 50% Particulate matter.
- → In the last 10 years Cruise Lines invested significantly in vessels powered by Liquified Natural Gas (**LNG**).
- → 32 Pilot Programs are currently underway testing sustainable fuels (Methanol, Hydrogen & Battery).
- → Currently, 30% of ships (representing 40% of capacity), is **plug-in ready**; 30% will be be retrofitted.









### **Cruise Tourism Trends**



- → 85%+ of passengers feel Cruising is ideal for sampling destinations they aim to return to.
- → 50% of Cruisers fully expect to return to the destinations they like for a land based vacation.
- → Cruisers are not exclusively Cruisers; they are frequent vacationers.
- → Cruisers take 3 trips each year, with 25% of their total holidays being a cruise.
- → Cruise passenger volume is reached 106% of 2019 levels in 2023 (31.5 million passengers).
- → The Cruise Industry is Cruise tourism is rebounding faster than international tourism arrivals.



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**Conscious Travel** Sustainability and Ethics



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Off Peak Adventures
Thinking outside box



Working Nomads
Remote worker mentality



Women Rule Critical to pax spending



Going Solo New trend

