Hong Kong and Macau Market Research Report

April 2025

- Based on 10 trade partner interviews and our industry observations, the number of travel agencies in Macau offering European products has dropped by ~60% since the pandemic.
- As a result, a large proportion of Macau travelers now end up joining group tours organized by Hong Kong-based travel agencies. Some of these tours are pieced together through Macau agencies and then merged into Hong Kong groups, while others are directly purchased from Hong Kong-based agencies with physical storefronts in Macau.
- Therefore, in this study, you will find that **the Hong Kong and Macau markets are often analyzed collectively**, due to their overlap and similarities, only with exceptions where differences exist.

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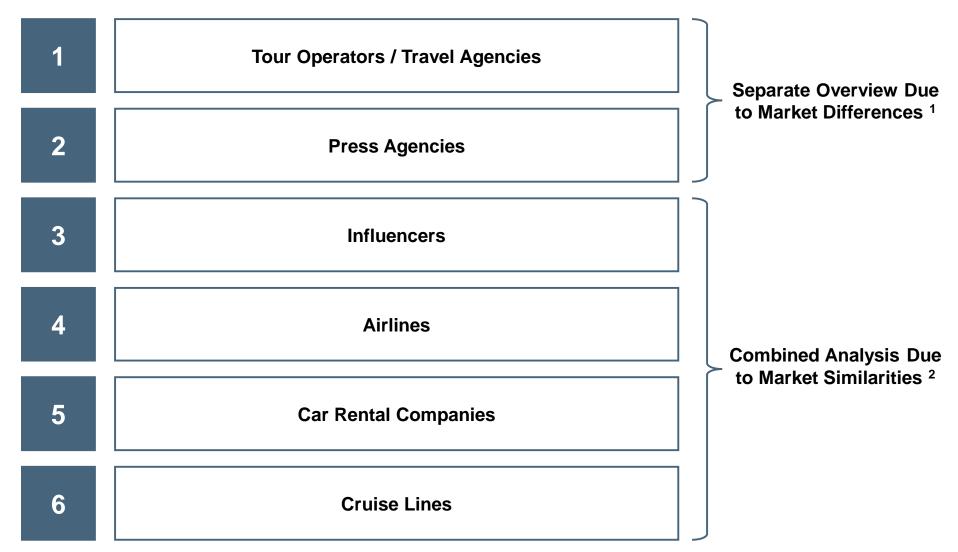
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This section outlines the key stakeholders in the Hong Kong and Macau markets, covering six key aspects



1. Though analyzed separately, some Hong Kong-based travel agencies and press agencies also influence the Macau market.

2. The Macau market is primarily covered by Hong Kong-based influencers and airlines, and it shares the same suppliers for car rentals and cruises with Hong Kong.

We list the leading travel agencies offering Spain-related products in the Hong Kong market post-pandemic (1/2)

1.TRAVEL AGENCIES

#	Travel Agency Name ¹	Logo	Establishment Year	Key Market	Position in Europe Business ³
1	Wing On Travel	永安旅遊 WING ON TRAVEL	1964	Hong Kong	Top-tier
2	Travel Circle International	了了, 勝景遊	1965	Hong Kong	Top-tier
3	Premium Holidays	中国 PREMIUM HOLIDAYS 尊賞假期	2012	Hong Kong	Top-tier
4	Jetour Holiday	Jetour 捷旋	1983	Hong Kong	Top-tier
5	EGL Tours	E 東瀛遊	1986	Hong Kong & Macau ²	Top-tier
6	Charming Holidays	影) 翠明假期 CHARMING HOLIDAYS	1987	Hong Kong	Top-tier
7	Goldjoy Holidays	Coldjoy Holidays 金脂假期	1989	Hong Kong	Top-tier
8	Miramar Travel	Miramar Travel 美麗華旅遊	2004	Hong Kong & Macau ²	Top-tier

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2. These three Hong Kong agencies also operate in Macau and hold a notable market presence there.

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1	永安旅遊 WING ON TRAVEL	 The company offers FIT, group tours, and flight & cruise bookings to over 400 destinations in more than 50 countries, with a user-friendly official APP. Its annual tourist volume exceeds one million. 	hotline@wingontravel.com (+852) 2928 8882
2	下に勝景遊	 The company offers premium outbound travel, individual travel products, ticketing, and cruises, covering long-haul destinations (America, Europe, Africa, Australia/New Zealand) and short-haul destinations (Japan, Korea, Southeast Asia, India, China). 	mgt@tcitravel.com (+852) 2956 6888
3	字 PREMIUM HOUDAYS 尊賞假期	 The company offers high-quality group tours, cruise holidays, business travel, and independent tours, covering various destinations and providing personalized experiences for high-end needs. 	general@premiumholidays.com (+852) 2115 9828
4	Jetour 捷旅	The company offers services including corporate meetings, incentive travel, overseas business conferences, exhibition management, and luxury tailor-made group tours.	info@jetour.com.hk (+852) 3180 9988
5	(Fglitours 東濾遊	• The company operates in Hong Kong and Macau, offering FIT packages, group tours, and cruises across Japan, Southeast Asia, Australia, Europe, Egypt, South Africa, and China.	ct.tour@egltours.com
6	黎明假期 CHARMING HOLIDAYS	 A wholly-owned subsidiary of Ming Pao Holdings Ltd., the company operates across North America with branches in major US and Canadian cities, offering diverse tours to Europe, South America, Australia, and Africa, supported by major airlines. 	charming@charming.mingpao.com (+852) 2542 0220
7	《》金胎假期	 The company offers group tours, FIT packages, MICE services, and tailor-made packages, and is recognized as a leader in long-haul and alternative destinations like Egypt, Africa, the Middle East, and South America. 	goldjoy@goldjoy.com (+852) 2804 1188
8	Miramar Travel 美麗華旅遊	 The company operates in Hong Kong and Macau and was awarded "Capital Best Travel Agency" for 11 years (2009-2019). It offers over 400 itineraries across 50 countries, including Europe, Japan, China, Southeast Asia, and South America. 	travel@miramartravel.hk

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#	Travel Agency Name ¹	Logo	Establishment Year	Key Market	Position in Europe Business ²
9	Morning Star Travel	全 星晨旅遊 MorningStar	1972	Hong Kong	Top-tier
10	Sunflower Travel Service	Sun <mark>itiower</mark> Rif ## bie 102	1974	Hong Kong	Secondary-tier
11	China International Travel Service (Hong Kong)	CITS 中国国旅	1981	Hong Kong	Secondary-tier
12	China Travel Service (Hong Kong)	★ 香港中国旅行社 CTS CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE (HONG KONG)	1985	Hong Kong	Secondary-tier
13	Big Line Holiday		2003	Hong Kong & Macau ²	Secondary-tier
14	GEG Travel Limited	GEG TRAVEL 至 活 旋 遊 玩得更歐洲。	2007	Hong Kong	Secondary-tier
15	Pro Tours Limited	PRO TOURS 優越旅遊	2023	Hong Kong	Secondary-tier

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9	皇 晨旅遊 MorningStar	 The company specializes in group tours, customized itineraries for individuals and companies, study tours, and culinary journeys, providing enriching travel experiences across Europe, Central Asia, Africa, Southeast Asia, and China. 	cs@morningstartravel.com.hk
10	Sui ^漢 flower 新ī 華 苏东)旌	 The company offers group tours, study tours, and conference/wedding tours, covering long-haul destinations (America, Europe, Australia/New Zealand) and short-haul destinations (Greater Bay, Southeast Asia). 	enquiry@hksunflower.com (+852) 2722 2870
11	CITS 中国国旅	 The Hong Kong subsidiary of the Chinese state-owned China International Travel Service Head Office, it offers global travel packages along with local tours, car rentals, and hotel bookings. 	(+852) 2853 3835
12	★ 香港中国旅行社 CTS CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE (HONG KONG)	 The company, Hong Kong's first Chinese-owned travel agency, specializes in inbound and outbound tours, business travel, exhibitions, tailored tours, travel document applications, and ticketing services. 	office@ctshk.com (+852) 2853 3888
13		 The company operates in Hong Kong and Macau, offering FIT packages, group tours, cruises, and flight bookings, specializing in short and long itineraries to China, Japan, Southeast Asia, and Europe. 	commercial@bigline.hk
14	6EG TRAVEL 至 活 旋 遊 玩 得 更 歐洲→	 GEG Travel Limited, a leading agency founded in 1988 and a subsidiary of GEG Europe Limited, offers comprehensive European land travel services and operates globally with nearly 300 staff across Europe, China, Hong Kong, and Canada. 	hk@gegeu.com (+852) 3106 3838
15	PRO TOURS 優越旅遊	• The company offers a wide range of international travel routes, including destinations in Asia, Europe, the Americas, Oceania, Africa, and the Antarctic.	info@protours.com.hk (+852) 2309 5666

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1	China Travel Service (Macau)	★ 澳門中 図 旅行社股份有限公司 MACAN CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE (MACAO) LTD	1961	Macau	Secondary-tier
2	New Sintra Tours	SINTRA TOURS NEW SINTRA TOURS, LTD. 新新麗華旅行社有限公司	1986	Macau	Secondary-tier
3	Multinational Tourism Group Company	ASF 澳大利亞國券交局所上市公司 萬國旅遊集團 Multinational Travel Group	1990	Macau	Secondary-tier
4	China International Travel Service (Macau)	CITS 中国国旅	1995	Macau	Secondary-tier
5	Energy Travel Agency	テモナカルビテチ土 MACAI	2005	Macau	Secondary-tier
6	Macau MTP Travel Agency	测定 澳門葡京旅行社	2013	Macau	Secondary-tier

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1	★ 澳門中 ② 旅行社股份有限公司 MCAN CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE (MACAO) LTD.	 Founded in 1961, it was initially a branch of China Travel Service (Hong Kong), and is now a subsidiary of the Nanguang Group, Macau's only central enterprise, offering services in hotel management, transportation, catering, and document services. 	cts@cts.com.mo (+853) 2870 0888
2	SINTRA TOURS NEW SINTRA TOURS, LTD. 新新麗華旅行社有限公司	• The company offers group tours, ticket booking, and local dining experiences, with itineraries covering Europe, North America, Southeast Asia, East Asia, and Australia.	(+853) 2871 5432
3	ASF 港大利亞理勞交易所上市公司 萬國旅遊集團 Multinational Travel Group	• As an IATA member and the first Macau travel agency to obtain ISO9001:2000 certification, it has organized over six million trips and offers group tours, ticketing, hotel bookings, car rentals, and custom itineraries globally and locally.	myt701912@qq.com (+853) 2833 6263
4	GITS 中国国旅	The Macau subsidiary of China International Travel Service Head Office, it offers global travel packages, local tours, local car rentals, and hotel bookings.	(+853) 6886 9768
5	元 た から た す た の た に う た た た の た の た	 A professional travel services provider in Macau, offering ferry tickets, chartered vehicles, group tours, ticket booking, local dining, and coach services. 	jaty119@qq.com (+853) 2875 0303
6	测定 澳門葡京旅行社	 The company, with a branch in Zhuhai since 2014, operates in both Macau and Mainland China, offering group tours, MICE services, and Macau car rentals and ticketing. 	macau_mtp@hotmail.com (+853) 2883 5427

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#	Media Name ¹	Туре	Category	Market Position
1	U Travel	Online	Travel	Tier One
2	Yahoo Hong Kong	Online	Online Portal	Tier One
3	HK Economic Times	Traditional/Online	Mainstream Media	Tier One
4	Sing Tao Daily	Traditional/Online	Mainstream Media	Tier One
5	Wen Wei Po	Traditional/Online	Mainstream Media	Tier One
6	am730	Traditional/Online	Mainstream Media	Tier One
7	Ming Pao Weekly	Traditional/Online	Lifestyle	Tier One

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#	Media Name ¹	Brief Profile	Contact Information
1	U Travel	 A website that offers travel information, guides, discounts, videos, and community engagement for travelers. 	info@ulifestyle.com.hk
2	Yahoo Hong Kong	 An online portal offering a diverse selection of news and content, including news, finance, sports, entertainment, etc. 	https://yahooblog.yadvertising.co m.hk/en/
3	HK Economic Times	 A Hong Kong media group offering newspapers, magazines, digital platforms, real-time stock trading information, software, and talent matching services. Its flagship, Hong Kong Economic Times and hket.com, provides financial, real estate, and economic data analysis. 	mktg1@hket.com
4	Sing Tao Daily	 One of Hong Kong's oldest and most influential Chinese-language newspapers, known for its comprehensive and timely news coverage across a wide range of topics, including current affairs, finance, entertainment, and sports. 	info@singtao.com info@stheadline.com
5	Wen Wei Po	 Hong Kong Wen Wei Po, founded on September 9, 1948, originally a historic newspaper in Shanghai, is now part of the Ta Kung Wen Wei Media Group in Hong Kong and serves as an official newspaper of the Central People's Government Liaison Office in Hong Kong. 	editor@wenweipo.com (+755) 2542 1005
6	am730	 am730, Hong Kong's third major free newspaper, targets young people and the white- collar class with a daily print run of about 260,000 copies, offering news, finance, and lifestyle content in a light, visually appealing design. 	marketing@am730.com.hk (+852) 3408 3880
7	Ming Pao Weekly	 A renowned Hong Kong leisure weekly focusing on celebrities and fashion, offering engaging content on lifestyle, arts, and society. 	business@omghk.com (+852) 3605 3778

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We list the influential tourism-related press agencies in the Hong Kong market (2/2)

2. PRESS AGENCIES

#	Media Name ¹	Туре	Category	Market Position
8	CAPITAL	Traditional/Online	Economic & Finance	Tier One
9	JET	Traditional	Lifestyle	Tier Two
10	JETSETTER HK	Traditional/Online	Lifestyle	Tier Two
11	TTG	Traditional/Online	Travel B2B	Tier Two
12	LifeStyle Journal	Traditional/Online	Lifestyle	Tier Two

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2. PRESS AGENCIES

#	Media Name ¹	Brief Profile	Contact Information
8	CAPITAL	 The flagship publication of South China Media, South China Business, is the most influential monthly business magazine in Greater China, featuring success stories of listed companies, financial analysis, property investment, and market news. 	capital-sales@capital-hk.com (+852) 2963 0837
9	JET	• A high - taste modern lifestyle and culture monthly magazine that provides readers with modern urban leisure life information. It offers updates on fashion, travel, sports, and more.	jet_ad@fromthecabin.com (+852) 3844 6915
10	JETSETTER HK	• A multi-medium luxury travel lifestyle platform that includes a quarterly print magazine, a comprehensive website, and an informative bi-weekly newsletter.	info@artemiscomms.com (+852) 2964 9997
11	TTG	 A leading travel trade media in greater China, covering market trends, industry developments, and offers valuable insights for tourism professionals in the region. 	traveltradesales@ttgasia.com
12	LifeStyle Journal	 A Hong Kong - based fashion and culture magazine covering diverse topics like fashion, art, culture, gourmet food, and travel. 	digital-sales@hkej.com sales@hkej.com

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2. PRES	2. PRESS AGENCIES					
#	Media Name ¹	Туре	Category	Market Position		
1	Macau Lifestyle	Online	Travel	Tier One		
2	The Trip Addict	Online	Travel	Tier Two		
3	SODA Magazine	Online	Travel	Tier Two		

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#	Media Name ¹	Brief Profile	Contact Information		
1	Macau Lifestyle	 A digital media platform offering unique and engaging content on events, dining, culture, travel, style, city guides, and people profiles, strategically targeting both tourists and local communities to highlight the best of what Macau has to offer. 	https://sodamagazine.co.uk/cont act		
2	The Trip Addict	 A travel media platform offering diverse content like travel guides, cultural insights, and adventure stories to inspire and inform travelers. 	salielei@thetripaddict.com (+853) 2892 2589 / (+853) 6637 7881		
3	SODA Magazine	 Macau's first free monthly lifestyle magazine, covering local entertainment, consumer trends, culture, fashion, food, and community hotspots. 	https://macaulifestyle.com/contac t-us/		

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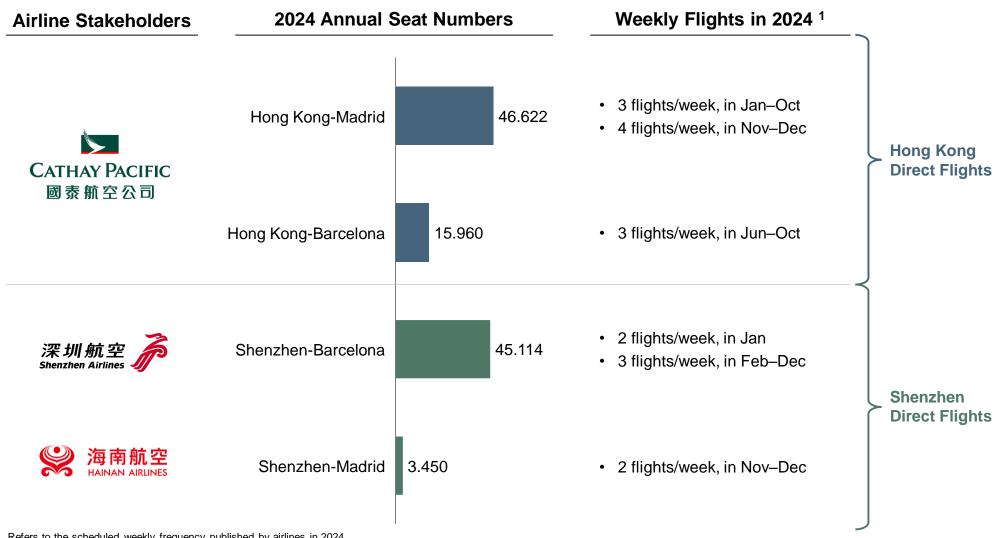
3. INFL	UENCERS					
	ID		Follower n Base Spain-related Content		Content Impressions	Contact Information
CAT GOOD WEST	@eatgoodwesteatbadwest	Instagram Facebook	> 100k	 Food in Madrid and Barcelona in May 2024 – Jun 2024 	> 100k	eatgoodwesteatbadwest@g mail.com
	@indulgenteats	Instagram	> 368k	 Food in Costa del Sol in Jun 2024 	> 23k	No public contact info; contactable only via in- platform messages
	@goldfishbrain	YouTube Facebook Instagram	> 1,260k	 Food in Madrid, interaction with locals, Madrid one-day itinerary in Dec 2023 – Jan 2024 	> 1,710k	nerdyboy@nerdyboy.com.tw
	@Snowblue 雪蓝	YouTube Instagram	> 47k	 Food, hotels, famous attractions in Madrid, Barcelona, Toledo and Segovia in Sep 2023 – Feb 2024 	> 272k	No public contact info; contactable only via in- platform messages

The following are influencers generated significant impact in Hong Kong and Macau with Spain-related content in recent years (2/2)

3. INFLUENCERS						
	ID	Key Platform	Follower Base	Spain-related Content	Content Impressions	Contact Information
R	@JoeyfulJoey	YouTube	> 139k	Culture, cuisine experience and interaction with locals in Jul 2023	> 46.5k	joeyful.joey.co@gmail.com
	@audrey_life	YouTube	> 14k	Food in Barcelona in May 2023	> 15k	No public contact info; contactable only via in- platform messages
DISH TRAVEL	@Dishtravel	YouTube Facebook Instagram	> 24k	 Food in Spain, day trip in Bubión, Capileira, and Granada in Jun 2021 – Sep 2022 	> 7.5k	i@dishim.com
	@JoanneCheuk	Facebook Instagram	> 4k	 Food, arts and traditional architectures in Madrid in Jan 2023 – April 2025 	> 2.2k	info@joannecheuk.com
	@ Chanchanchannel	Facebook	>3.4k	Spanish food in Sep 2024	>1k	cccwww@gmail.com

We identify carriers for GBA-Spain routes as key stakeholders, as many travelers also fly from Shenzhen





1. Refers to the scheduled weekly frequency published by airlines in 2024. Source: OAG Aviation Database

We also list airlines offering major one-stop flights connecting Spain with the Hong Kong and Macau markets

4. AIRLINES					
Carrier ¹	Departure ²	Stopover ³	³ Arrival ³		
😪 Lufthansa	Hong Kong	Frankfurt	Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Malaga, Palma, Bilbao		
KLM Royal Dutch Airlines	Hong Kong	Amsterdam	Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Malaga, Palma, Bilbao		
SWISS	Hong Kong	Zurich	Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Malaga, Palma, Bilbao		
AIRFRANCE	Hong Kong	Paris	Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Malaga, Bilbao		
URKISH AIRLINES	Hong Kong	Istanbul	Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Malaga, Bilbao		
	Hong Kong	Doha	Madrid, Barcelona, Malaga		
Emirates	Hong Kong	Dubai	Madrid, Barcelona		

1. We can only access airline-scheduled flights for April-June 2025, not 2024.

2. Based on interviews and product audits, Macau travelers depart via Hong Kong.

3. We only list the major stopovers and routes to Spain for Hong Kong and Macau travelers in April-June 2025, as there are too many routes to include them all.

Consumers in Hong Kong and Macau purchase car rental services through online travel platforms, primarily from European suppliers

5. CAR RENTAL COMPANIES							
#	# Key Car Rental Platforms ¹		Key Car Rental Suppliers ¹	#	Key Car Rental Suppliers ¹		
1	🎨 klook	1	SIXT	9	Click Rent your car!		
		2	Hertz	10	centauro 🔫		
2	Expedia	3	AVIS [®]	11	Record 9º MOBILITY		
		4	Alamo	12	октobility///		
3	P 租租车 zuzuche.com	5	Budget	13	Europcar		
		6	keddy by Europear	14	dollar.		
4	Rentalcars.com	7		15			
		8	CAR RENTAL	16			

1. The numbering does not reflect market performance.

Based on our interviews and research, consumers frequently compare information and prices across platforms and suppliers, making public market influence rankings difficult to obtain.

Hong Kong and Macau travelers mainly consume European cruise products from the following cruise lines

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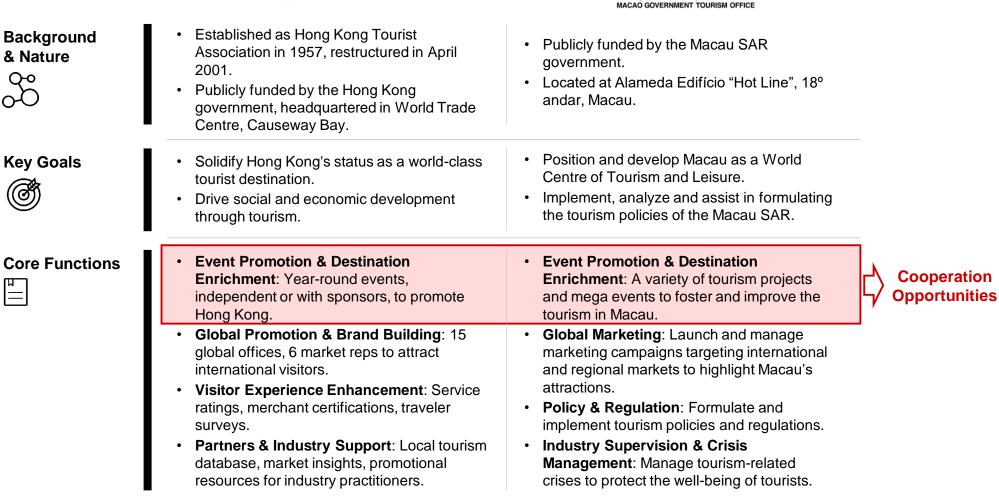
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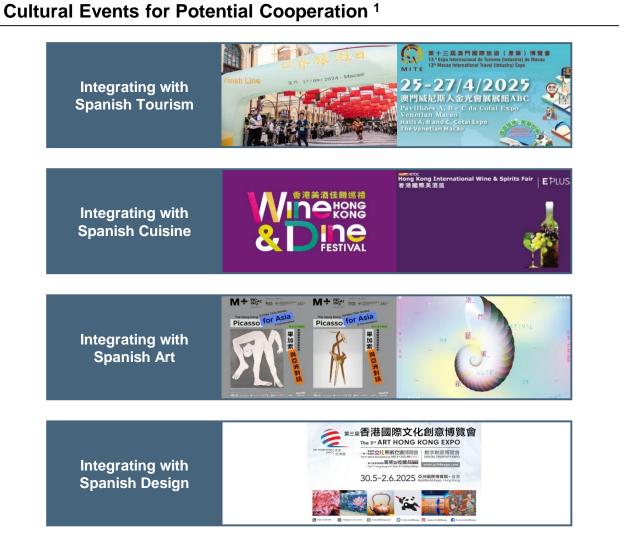
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We suggest that TURESPAÑA cooperate with local tourism boards by participating in cultural events



Cooperation Strategy Highlights

We recommend that **TURESPAÑA leverage existing annual cultural events** in the Hong Kong and Macau markets to showcase Spain's offerings and boost visibility.

- Higher Cost-effectiveness: Compared to organizing standalone events, tapping into established local events is more budget-friendly. Multiple Spanish brands have already participated in such events in the past, suggesting available resources to build upon.
- Stronger Partnership Potential: If TURESPAÑA contributes to enhancing the appeal of these local events, it could also foster greater willingness for collaboration from local tourism authorities in Hong Kong and Macau.

1. Some posters are examples from 2024, while the events are held annually.

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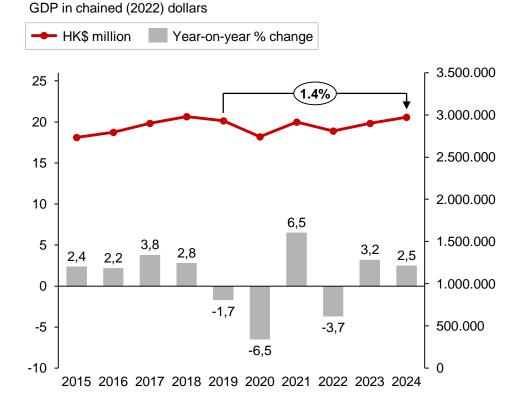
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Viewed through the lens of GDP, Hong Kong's economic growth has noticeably slowed, which echoes the takeaways from our interviews

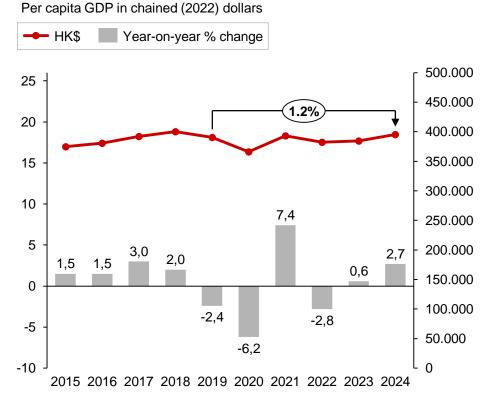
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GDP and Annual Growth Rate



Measured by GDP in chained (2022) dollars, Hong Kong's economy grew steadily before 2019 but fluctuated afterward, with just a 1.4% increase in 2024 compared to 2019.

GDP per Capita and Growth Rate

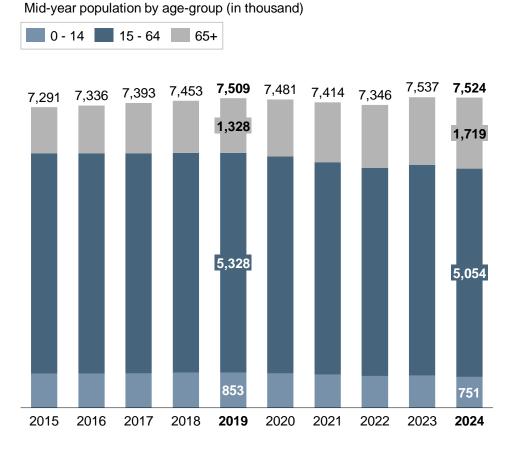


A similar trend is seen in per capita GDP in chained 2022 dollars — economic growth has stagnated since 2019 and 2024 levels remain below those of 2018.

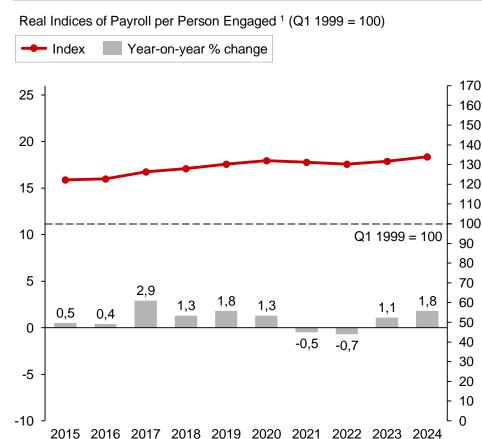
The following charts illustrate Hong Kong's population structure and average salary levels

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Population and Population Structure



Average Income Index



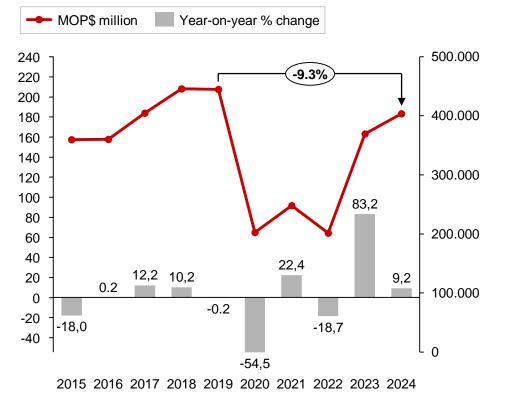
1. The indices listed in this table all refer to Q1 of each year. Source: The Census and Statistics Department of Hong Kong

Macau's economy has declined significantly due to the pandemic, with GDP levels of 2024 still below the 2019 levels

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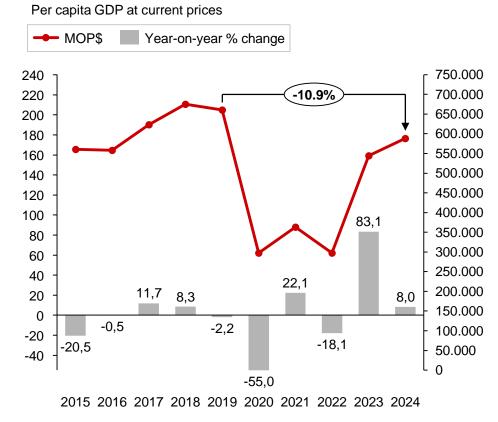
GDP and Annual Growth Rate

GDP at current prices



Macau's GDP experienced a sharp decline after 2019 due to the pandemic. Although it has shown recovery since 2023, as of 2024, the GDP remains 9.3% lower than it was in 2019.

GDP per Capita and Growth Rate

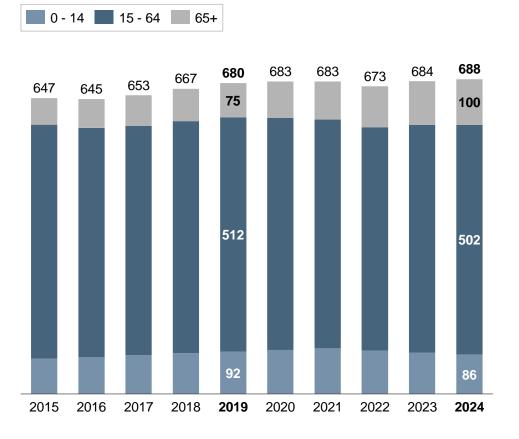


A similar trend is seen in per capita GDP — after 2019, the index dropped sharply. Despite a rapid recovery in 2023, the level in 2024 remains below that of 2019.

Macau's population is much smaller than Hong Kong's, and its per capita gross income has yet to recover from the pandemic

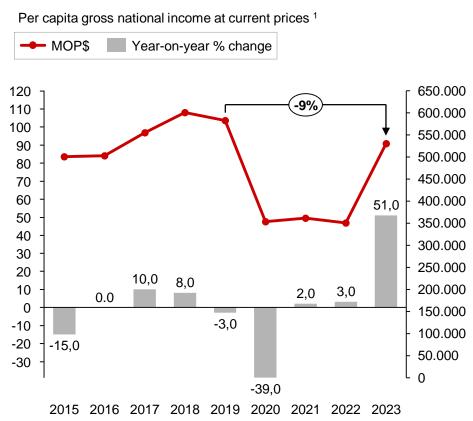
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Population and Population Structure



End-year population by age-group (in thousand)

Average Income



Due to the pandemic, per capita income dropped significantly, especially between 2020 and 2022, reaching only 60% of pre-pandemic levels. While recovery started in 2023, it still hasn't reached 2019 levels, standing at 91%.

1. The latest data on the official website is updated to 2023. Source: Statistics and Census Service of Macau SAR

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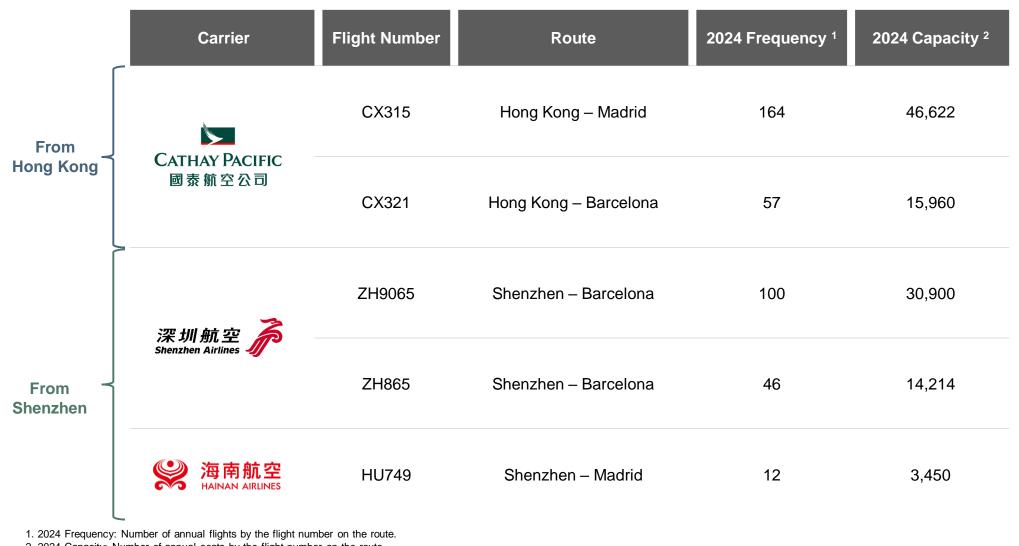
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We list all direct flights connecting Spain with the Hong Kong and Macau markets in 2024



2. 2024 Capacity: Number of annual seats by the flight number on the route. Source: OAG Aviation Database AGENDA

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- This section analyzes the unique characteristics of travelers in the Hong Kong and Macau markets, covering aspects such as free independent vs. group inclusive travel market share, traveler profiles and companions, information sources, booking platforms, traveler interests, and trip budgets. These characteristics have notably evolved in the post-pandemic era, and we will examine how consumer behavior has shifted across each of these dimensions.
- Based on discussions with 10 travel trade experts from Hong Kong and Macau, travelers from both markets exhibit largely similar behaviors. As noted earlier, the two markets are closely intertwined, with Macau consumers frequently purchasing travel products through Hong Kong-based agencies.
- Therefore, the analysis in this section addresses the two markets collectively.

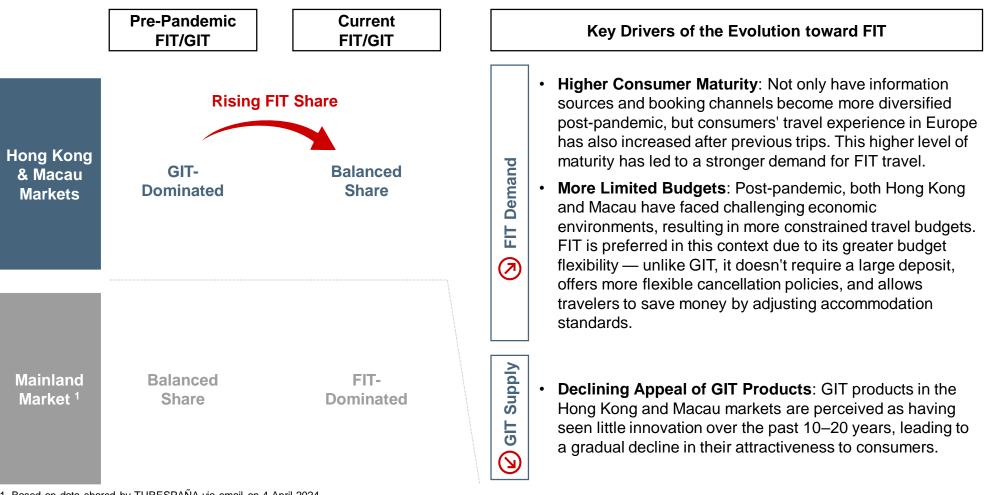
This section analyzes the unique characteristics and post-pandemic evolution of travelers in the region, based on trade partner interviews



Trade interviews highlight the unique balance of FIT and GIT in Hong Kong and Macau, with a post-pandemic shift toward FIT

1. FIT/GIT SHARE

Hong Kong & Macau show a balanced FIT / GIT split, unlike the FIT-dominated Mainland market



Hong Kong & Macau's post-pandemic shift toward FIT

travel can be attributed to three reasons

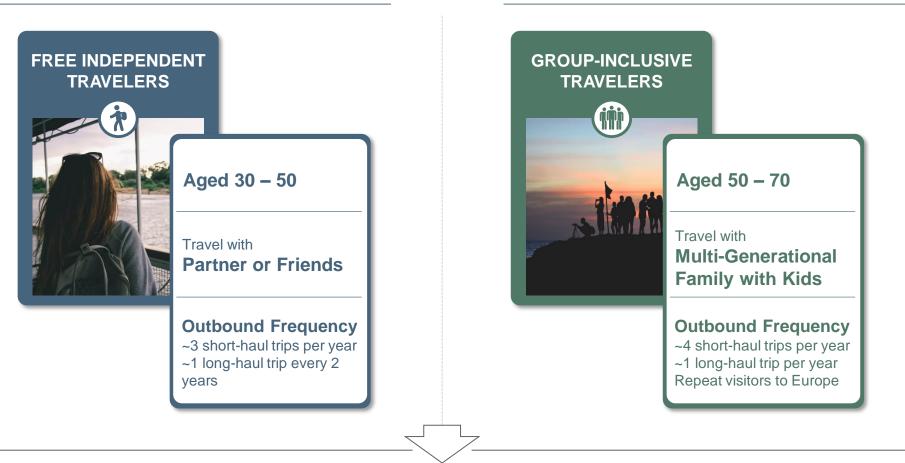
1. Based on data shared by TURESPAÑA via email on 4 April 2024.

Free independent and group travelers in the Hong Kong and Macau markets exhibit distinct profiles

GIT Traveler Profiles & Companions

2. TRAVELER PROFILES & COMPANIONS

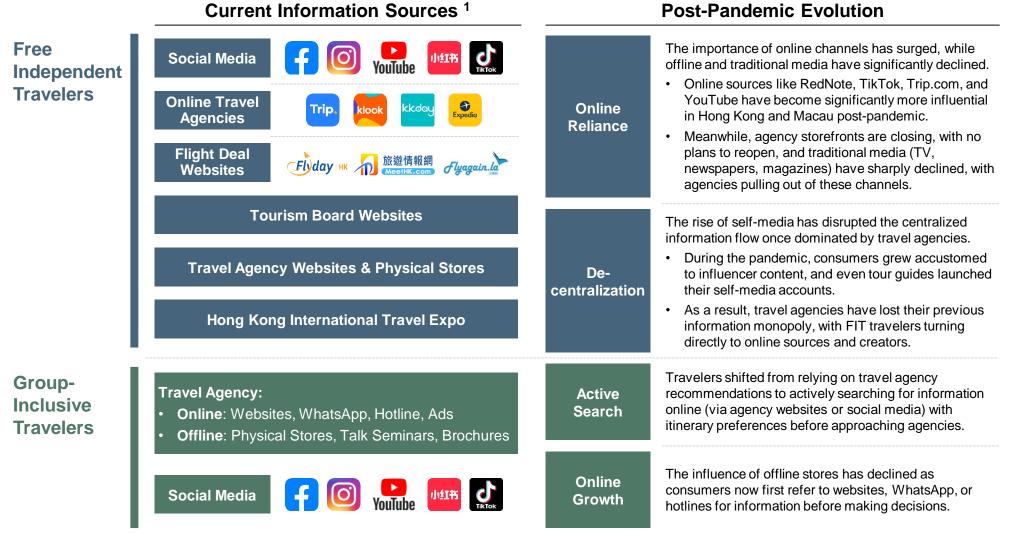
FIT Traveler Profiles & Companions



Post-pandemic changes are mainly seen in the decline of younger travelers aged 20–30, driven by limited budgets and time off amid a weaker economic environment.

Post-pandemic, FIT travelers use more diverse sources, while GIT travelers still rely on travel agencies—but in more proactive ways

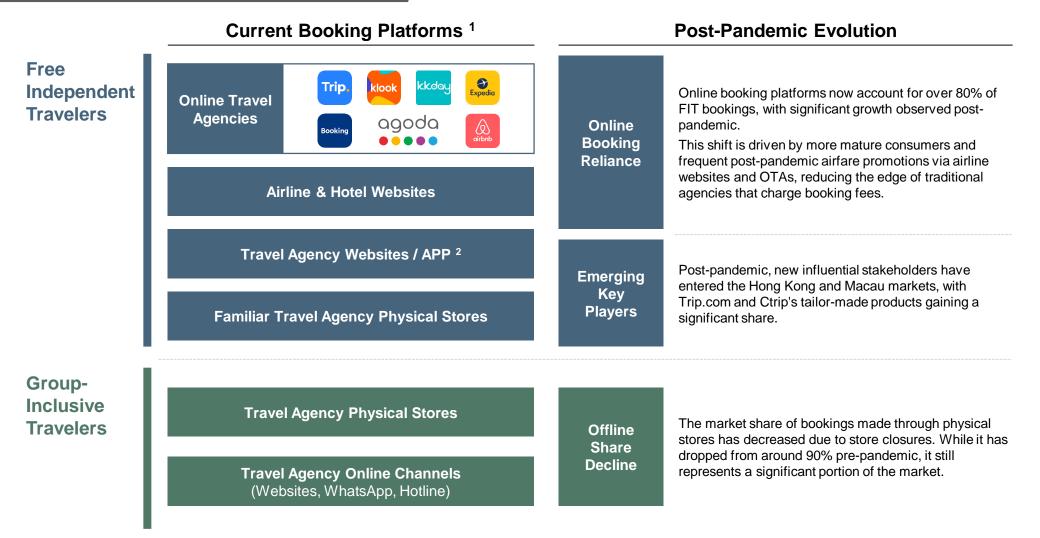
3. INFORMATION SOURCES



1. For both FIT and GIT, the information sources are ranked in descending order of influence from top to bottom.

FIT has shown a shift towards multiple online booking platforms, while GIT bookings are primarily made through travel agencies

4. BOOKING PLATFORMS



1. For both FIT and GIT, the booking platforms are ranked in descending order of influence from top to bottom. 2. The commonly used APP is Wing On Travel's APP.

Post-pandemic, local travelers seek higher quality, unique experiences, deeper immersion, and greater safety

5. TRAVELER INTERESTS

Higher Expectations for Quality & Value

Demand for Unique & Nonstandardized Experiences

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" Post-pandemic, with rising travel costs to Europe and a slow local economic recovery, customers **seek the best possible trip quality within a limited budget**—simultaneously demanding high-end quality across food, accommodation, transport, and shopping."

Mr. Chan from Big Line Holiday

"Before COVID, clients mainly cared whether the itinerary matched the price—for example, a 40,000 RMB trip should feel luxurious. Now, they still expect that, but also want unique, non-standardized experiences—like niche Michelin dining or castle stays—to feel it's worth the cost."

Ms. Yiu from Kuoni Tumlare

Preference for Culturally Immersive Travel

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" Travelers are placing greater importance on indepth cultural experiences. While they've always appreciated Spanish culture and architecture, more now **prefer immersive museum visits to truly understand the local heritage**, rather than just viewing buildings from the outside."

Mr. Yueng from Pro Tours Limited

Increased Focus on Personal Safety

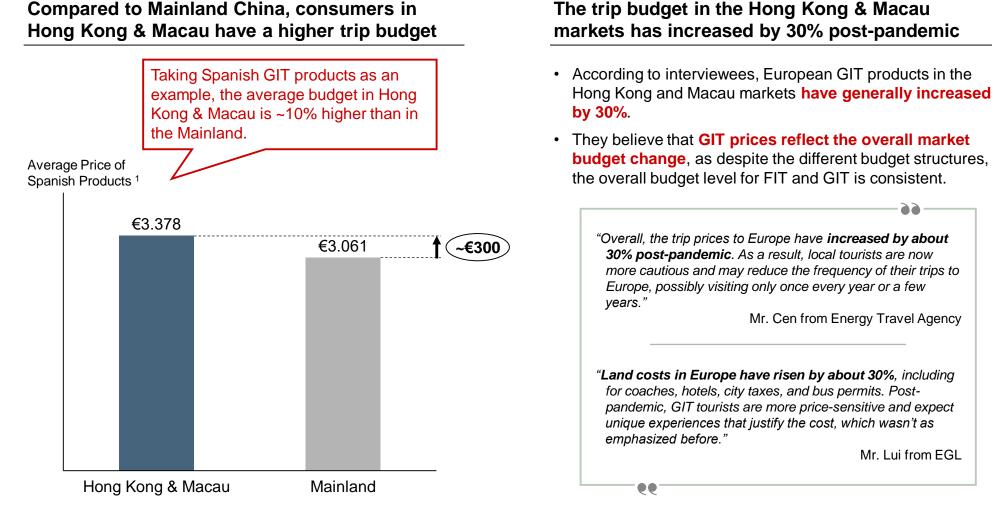


"Travelers, especially older ones, are more concerned about travel safety after the pandemic. Even if they've been to Europe before, they tend to choose group tours post-pandemic for added peace of mind."

Mr. Cen from Energy Travel Agency

Consumers in Hong Kong and Macau have a higher trip budget than the mainland, which has further increased by 30% post-pandemic

6. TRIP BUDGETS



1. For the average price of Spanish GIT products in the Hong Kong and Macau markets, we analyzed 36 products from key players. Please refer to product details in Section 3. For the average price of Spanish GIT products in the Mainland China market, we refer to the average price of the Top 20 products on Ctrip, Fliggy, Tongcheng, and Tuniu (data collected in April 2024). We used the exchange rate on April 11: 1 EUR = 8.13 RMB; 1 EUR = 8.74 HKD.

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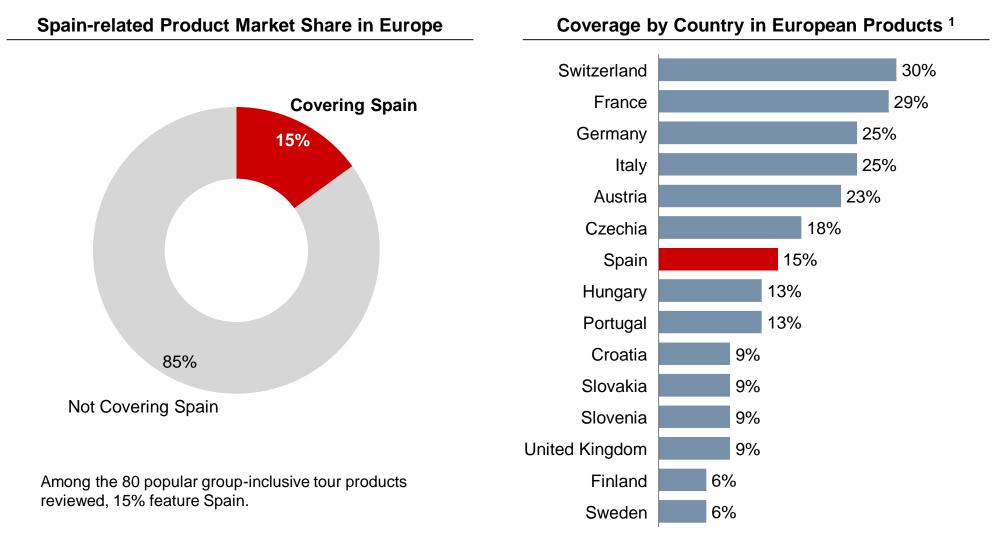
3.3 Cruise Ship Product Audit

3.4 Destination Perception of Spain

We collected 80 European GIT products from local travel agencies to analyze Spain's market share, with the following disclaimer

Methodology Limitation	The findings are based solely on desk research, without B2B interviews. As a result, we were only able to access European products that are publicly available on official websites.
Audit Period	Travel agency products are subject to change over time; this audit reflects the offerings available during the study period from May 5th to May 9th.
Package Type	Only full-package group tours are included in the analysis, covering flights, accommodations, and attractions. Optional itinerary items are not included.
Selection Criteria	Our selection criteria involved searching for "European GIT" on the official websites of travel agencies and collecting a total of 80 top popular European products based on the default recommended ranking on those websites.
Product Coverage	Only products from agencies with a dedicated 'European Products' category were reviewed. Those dividing Europe into multiple regions without unified classification and consistent comparability (e.g., Bigline Holiday, Premium Holidays, Goldjoy Holiday, EGL) were excluded.
Research Independence	Due to different keyword criteria, this section is independent from the next. The next section focuses on products filtered by the keyword "Spain GIT," which may not be among the top 80 most popular European products on travel agencies' websites, and thus are not necessarily covered in this section.

Spain is covered by 15% of the studied European products, competing with Switzerland, France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Czechia



1. Market Share per Country = (Number of Products Covering the Country / 80) × 100%. Please note that **each product may cover more than one country**. Countries with the same market share are listed alphabetically. For instance, Germany and Italy both have a 25% market share — meaning each is covered by 20 of the 80 products.

Back-Up: Coverage statistics of 80 leading Hong Kong and Macau group-inclusive European products by country (1/2)

European Destination	Number of Products Covering the Country	Market Share per Country ¹
Switzerland	24	30%
France	23	29%
Germany	20	25%
Italy	20	25%
Austria	18	23%
Czech	14	18%
Spain	12	15%
Hungary	10	13%
Portugal	10	13%
Croatia	7	9%
Slovakia	7	9%
Slovenia	7	9%
United Kingdom	7	9%
Finland	5	6%
Sweden	5	6%

1. Market Share per Country = (Number of Products Covering the Country / 80) × 100%. Please note that each product may cover more than one country.

Back-Up: Coverage statistics of 80 leading Hong Kong and Macau group-inclusive European products by country (2/2)

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European Destination	Number of Products Covering the Country	Market Share per Country ¹
Denmark	4	5%
Netherlands	4	5%
Norway	4	5%
Belgium	3	4%
Estonia	3	4%
Vatican	3	4%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2	3%
Greece	2	3%
Latvia	2	3%
Liechtenstein	2	3%
Lithuania	2	3%
Montenegro	2	3%
Serbia	2	3%
Andorra	1	1%
Luxembourg	1	1%
Malta	1	1%
Monaco	1	1%

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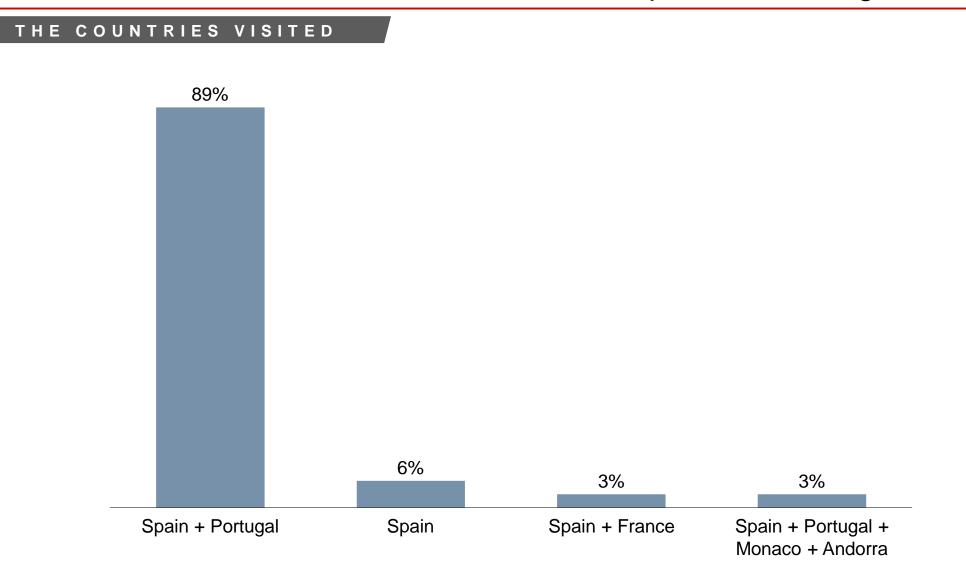
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We present findings for the product audit of 36 popular Spain-related GIT itineraries sold in the region, with the following disclaimers

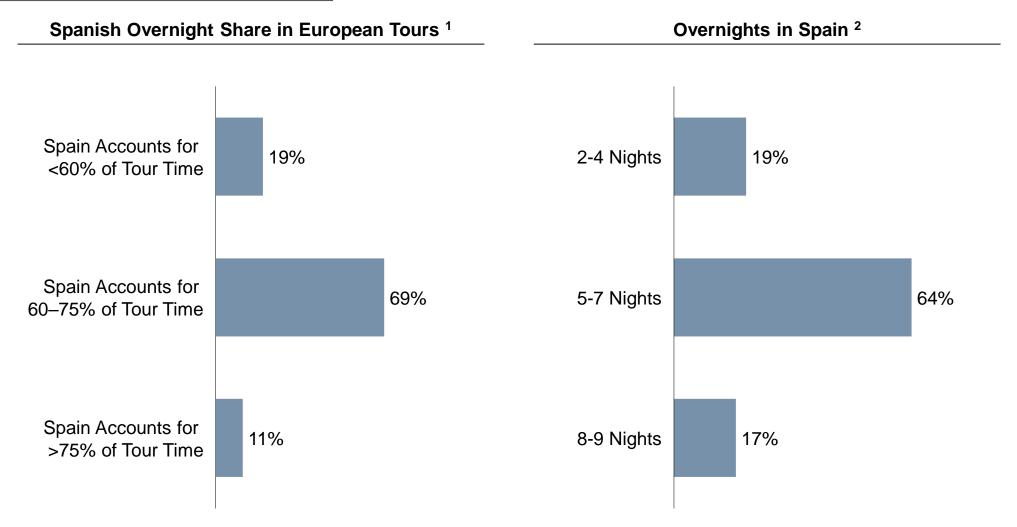
Audit Period	Travel agency products may evolve over time; our audit reflects the state of offerings during the study period from March 25 to April 9.	
Product Coverage	The 36 itineraries are not evenly distributed across key travel agency stakeholders, as some agencies offer customized or non-public products.	
Departure Origin	The analysis includes only itineraries departing from Hong Kong and Macau, and excludes those departing from Mainland cities (e.g., Shenzhen and Guangzhou).	
Package Type	Only full-package tours are included in the analysis, covering flights, accommodations, and sightseeing (note: some sightseeing may only include exterior viewing and not entrance fees). Optional itinerary items are not included.	
Pricing Basis	The listed product price refers to the lowest available price at the time of research (including promotional offers), based on one adult and inclusive of taxes, insurance, stamp duties, and other surcharges.	
Country Dispute	Gibraltar is not counted in the "countries visited" tally due to ongoing sovereignty disputes.	

Among the 36 popular Spain-related itineraries in the Hong Kong and Macau markets, about 89% visit both Spain and Portugal



On average, the popular itineraries spend 6 nights in Spain, with Spanish overnights accounting for 67% of the entire European tour

OVERNIGHTS IN SPAIN

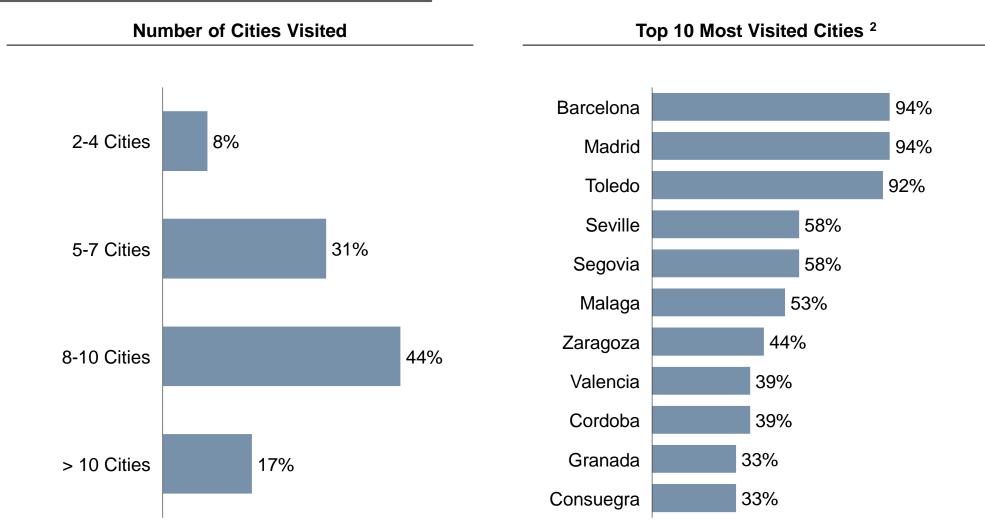


1. Spanish Overnight Share within the European Tour = Spain Overnight / Entire European Tour Overnight * 100%

2. Overnights in Spain excludes time spent in other countries. All durations are estimated based on itinerary analysis, excluding flight time and reviewing the daily schedules in detail.

Itineraries typically cover 8 to 10 Spanish cities, with Barcelona, Madrid, and Toledo being the most frequently visited

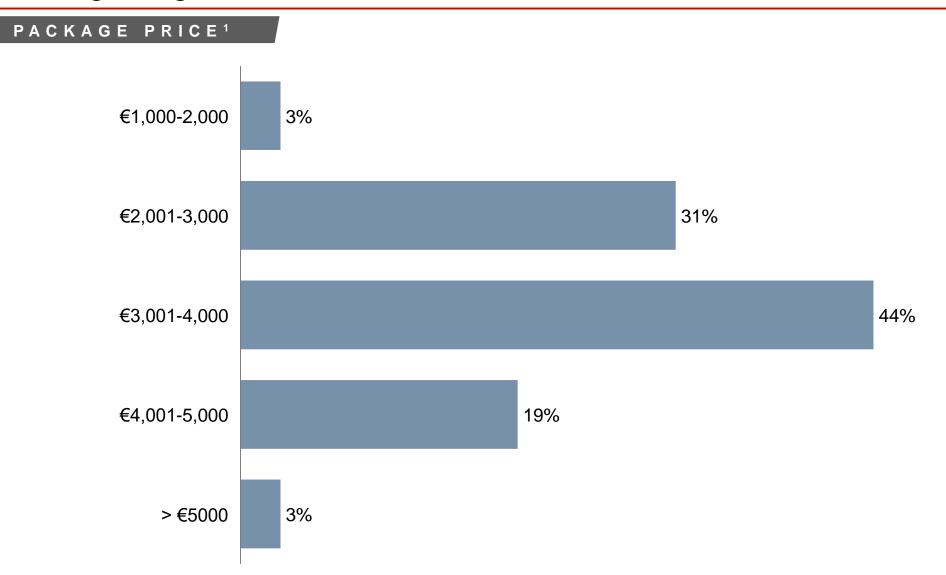
NUMBER OF CITIES VISITED¹



1. Excluding optional cities or those visited at extra cost.

2. Since Granada and Consuegra appeared with equal frequency across the 36 popular itineraries, we included a total of 11 most-visited cities.

The average price of the popular Spain-related itineraries in the Hong Kong and Macau markets is €3,378



1. According to the State Administration of Foreign Exchange, the currency exchange rate is: 1 EUR = 8.74 HKD on April 11th, 2025.

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We present our findings from the product audit of 14 leading cruise products related to Spain, with the following disclaimers

Methodology Limitation	The findings came from desk research only, without B2B interviews, so only questions about stopover Spanish cities and duration are addressable, while internal operation questions—such as whether travel agencies or cruise companies organize stopover tours—are beyond the scope.
Audit Period	Travel agency products are subject to change over time; this audit reflects the offerings available during the study period from May 5th to May 8th.
Product Type	This section focuses only on all-inclusive group tour products involving cruise itineraries, which include air tickets, accommodation, attractions, and cruises. Pure cruise ticket products, sold by travel agencies as general sales agencies (GSAs), are excluded.
Product Coverage	Only cruise tour products publicly available on official websites were reviewed. During the study period, such offerings were found only on the sites of Jetour, Wing On Travel, and Miramar Travel. This section includes all their qualifying products: 4 from Jetour, 5 from Wing On Travel, and 5 from Miramar Travel.
Stopover Only	This section audited only the Spanish cities visited as cruise stopovers and the duration of each stop. Land-based itineraries and cities prior to embarkation or after disembarkation are all not included.

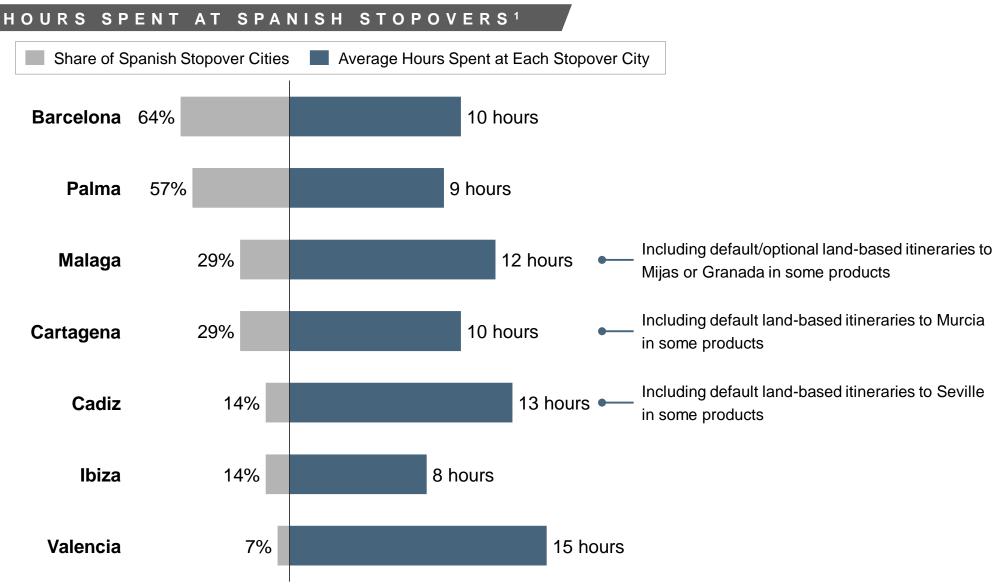
Below are the Spanish cities visited by the 14 cruise tour products, with an average of 2 Spanish stopovers per itinerary

SPANISH STOPOVER CITIES¹



1. Malaga & Cartagena and Cadiz & Ibiza have the same coverage frequency, and the rankings between them are in no particular order. Share of the Stopover = Number of Products Covering the City / 14 * 100%

The number of hours spent at each Spanish stopover is summarized below



1. We calculated stopover hours based on the time difference between the cruise's arrival and departure at each stopover.

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Spain's brand association in Hong Kong and Macau is reflected in the word cloud, aligned with local travelers' purposes

BRAND ASSOCIATION & TRAVEL PURPOSES

Spain's Brand Association Word Cloud¹

Beaches Landmarks Gaudí Maria Stadium Stadium

We adopted an indirect research approach to explore Spain's perception in the Hong Kong and Macau markets, drawing on trade partner insights into key consumer travel motivations and must-have experiences in the itineraries.

Travelers' Travel Purposes to Spain

Cultural exploration and food discovery are the main travel purposes for Hong Kong and Macau travelers to Spain, aligning with their perception of the destination.

"Most travelers visit Spain for its cultural experiences. They're drawn to history — shown by rising interest in museum visits — as well as art that transcends language through visual impact. Football is another growing pull, with more visitors eager to tour stadiums or watch live matches. Overall, cultural expectations are becoming more diverse and immersive."

Mr. Yueng from Pro Tours Limited

"Food has always been a key travel purpose for local travelers, who often explore global cuisines and bring those experiences back home. Compared with other European countries, Spain better fulfills this desire."

Mr. Cen from Energy Travel Agency

1. Word size in the cloud corresponds to the frequency of mentions across the interviews.

Consumers perceive Spain as a high-end European destination, yet more budget-friendly than other European countries

PRICE PERCEPTION

As a European destination, Spain is viewed as high-end, with a higher budget and time commitment

"The silver-haired generation might visit Europe once a year, while young people travel to Asia 3-4 times annually **but need to save for two years for a European trip**. On average, a family trip to Europe (Nordic countries and Switzerland are even higher) costs at least 100,000 RMB (1,200 euros). Given the current economic situation, consumers are becoming more cautious with spending."

Ms. Yiu from Kuoni Tumlare

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"Post-pandemic, the economic recovery has been slower than expected, leading consumers to be more cautious about costs. Many now reduce trips to long-haul destinations like Europe, potentially traveling once every year or a few years. It's not just about spending power — with a 16-hour flight to Spain and 2-3 days for a round flight, long vacations aren't common in the local culture, and the economic situation has made this even more pronounced."

Mr. Yueng from Pro Tours Limited

Spain is seen as more budget-friendly, balancing experiences & cost-effectiveness

> " Spain is generally more affordable than other European countries, while still offering a well-rounded experience that balances dining, accommodation, transportation, and shopping — all without compromising on quality."

> > Mr. Chan from Big Line Holiday

"From a value-for-money perspective, Spain is now one of our company's top three most popular destinations, alongside Switzerland and Italy. Spain stands out by offering a rich experience at a more accessible price point, making it especially attractive to cost-conscious travelers."

Ms. Yiu from Kuoni Tumlare

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The main challenges for local travel agencies in promoting Spain are limited consumer awareness and travel trade resources

CHALLENGES & OBSTACLES

Limited local consumer awareness makes it challenging to promote outbound travel to Spain

Consumers perceive Spain as lacking destination awareness and persuasiveness, possibly due to insufficient consumer-facing promotions. Additionally, the increasing competition from other destinations, especially the mainland, has diverted many potential customers."

Ms. Leng from Multinational Tourism Group

"Local consumers are highly trend-driven, so a promotional topic is crucial for Spain, but the market lacks such awareness-driving moments."

Ms. Law from Corporate Travel Management

Travel agencies' lack of access to Spain-related travel trade resources hinders product innovation

"A lack of local resource knowledge has resulted in stagnant products for over a decade, which has led to diminishing appeal among consumers. We need updated information on new attractions, optional day tours, and authorized DMC contacts to design new products."

Mr. Yueng from Pro Tours

"One of the obstacles in our work is the lack of available materials on Spain, such as images, text, and videos to share with consumers."

Mr. Wong from Top Holidays - P&E International

Accordingly, travel agencies recommend that TURESPAÑA enhance consumer-facing awareness boosting investment in both markets

SUPPORTS NEEDED

Collaborating with airlines on promotional campaigns or events related to route addition

"Partnering with airlines on consumer-facing promotional campaigns, especially for flight discounts, as consumers in our market are very sensitive to ticket deals. It's a direct way to boost consumer interest."

Mr. Cen from Energy Travel Agency

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" If a flight route is resumed or launched, hosting a celebration event with the airline involving consumers is a great approach."

Ms. Law from Corporate Travel Management

Promoting with appealing themes, such as niche regions, football, and shopping

"Promoting under the theme of Niche Regions, like highlighting lesser-known areas rather than always focusing on the southern region. Instead, promote the western and northern regions to attract consumers with something new."

Ms. Chu from Miramar Travel

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"Promoting themes like Football and Shopping in B2C campaigns, as these are areas especially favored by local consumers and are advantages Spain can leverage."

Mr. Wu from Gray Line Tours

Meanwhile, travel agencies need support in resource sharing & training, DMC contact database, and product innovation boosting

SUPPORTS NEEDED







Resource Sharing & Training

- Travel agencies need updated destination resource sharing through online seminars, training, or workshops, especially new offerings and niche regions like the western and northern areas.
- Suggestion from
- Mr. Chan Big Line Holiday
- Mr. Lui EGL Tours
- Mr. Yueng Pro Tours
- Ms. Yiu Kuoni Tumlare
- Ms. Law Corporate Travel Management

DMC Contact Database

- Travel agencies need a certified DMC contact database from TURESPAÑA, where they can directly reach out to DMC resources that have been officially recognized for service quality.
- Suggestion from
- Mr. Wu Gray Line Tours
- Mr. Chan Big Line Holiday
- Ms. Law Corporate Travel Management

Product Innovation Boosting

- Agencies also seek ways to boost new product creation, such as roadshows with supplier negotiations, sales incentives for new products, or FAM trips for firsthand experience and inspiration.
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1	Hong Kong Leisure	Mr. Chan	Big Line Holiday Ltd.
2	Hong Kong Leisure	Mr. Yueng	Pro Tours Ltd.
3	Hong Kong Leisure	Mr. Lui	EGL Tours
4	Hong Kong Leisure	Ms. Chu	Miramar Travel Ltd.
5	Hong Kong Leisure	Ms. Yiu	Kuoni Tumlare
6	Hong Kong MICE	Ms. Law	Corporate Travel Management
7	Macau Leisure	Ms. Leng	Multinational Tourism Group Co., Ltd.
8	Macau Leisure	Mr. Cen	Energy Travel Agency Ltd.
9	Macau Leisure	Mr. Wu	Gray Line Tours
10	Macau MICE	Mr. Wong	Top Holidays - P & E International Travel

Research Lens	Our interviewees were all travel agents focused primarily on GIT (group tours), so their insights on FIT (individual travelers) may be less accurate. Many questions were explored indirectly from a trade partner's perspective (as aligned in our contract) rather than directly from a consumer's viewpoint.
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Interviewee Profile	As both Hong Kong and Macau agencies have scaled back their European business post-pandemic, some interviewees were from companies with extensive past experience in Europe but are no longer active in this segment.
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Europe-Spain Applicability	According to our interviews, the characteristics and behavioral shifts of travelers going to Europe broadly apply to those going to Spain as well, so we did not analyze Spain-specific patterns separately in this aspect.
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