

## Prague more popular than Los Angeles

Golden City is among Top 20 most visited cities in the world, according to new MasterCard Global Destination Cities Index

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC, June 5, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- According to the MasterCard Global Destination Cities Index, released today, the Czech capital city of Prague will remain on the Top 20 list of the most visited cities in the world this year, occupying the 19th position, as it did in 2014. The index also indicated that Prague will retain its position as the ninth-most visited city in Europe. London, Bangkok and Paris have been the world's most visited cities in terms of international visitor arrivals and spending.

According to MasterCard, the number of international overnight visitors in Prague will increase to about 5.5 million from 5.2 million in 2014. Their average expenses are expected to fall from \$650 (16,000 CZK) in 2014 to \$603 this year.

Foreigners are due to spend a total of some 82 billion CZK (US \$3.28 trillion) in Prague this year, the firm said.

World's most visited cities in 2015:

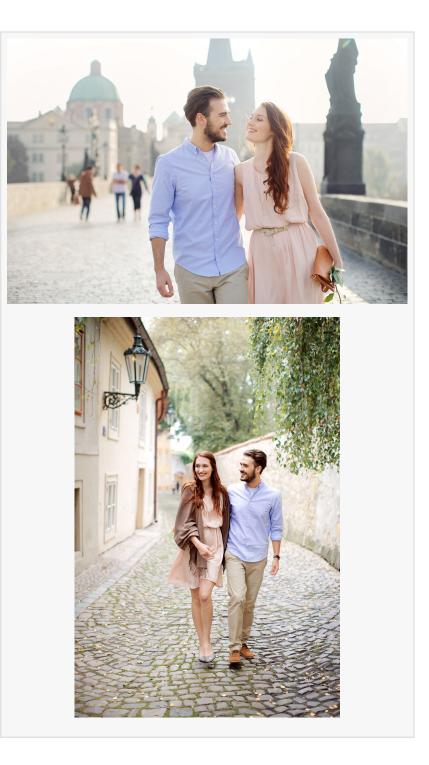


Ranking 2015 (2014) City Estimated no. of nternational visitor arrivals and overnight visitors in 2015 (in millions)

- 1 (1) London 18.815
- 2 (2) Bangkok 18.243
- 3 (3) Paris 16.059
- 4 (4) Dubai 14.256
- 5 (7) Istanbul 12.555
- 6 (5) New York City 12.268
- 7 (6) Singapore 11.875
- 8 (8) Kuala Lumpur 11.122

9 (9) Seoul 10.347 10 (10) Hong Kong 8.658 11 (11) Tokyo 8.075 12 (12) Barcelona 7.634 13 (13) Amsterdam 7.439 14 (14) Rome 7.407 15 (15) Milan 7.171 16 (16) Taipei 6.547 17 (17) Shanghai 5.847 18 (18) Vienna 5.814 19 (19) Prague 5.468 20 (20) Los Angeles 5.199

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