

## **Russians Spending in Cyprus**

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ATHENS — Cyprus' revenue from tourism rose 3.1 percent in the first quarter, after more Russian tourists visited the island and increased their spending, the country's statistics service said.

Revenue increased to 133.1 million euros (\$195.3 million), from 129.2 million euros in the same period of 2010, the statistics service said on its web site Wednesday.

The number of Russian visitors over the quarter climbed about 48 percent, and they spent an average per person of 2,906 euros, up from 2,835.60 euros. Spending per visitor from Britain, Cyprus's biggest source of visitors, rose 7.9 percent to 1,912.70 euros. The number of British tourists fell more than 16 percent.

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