## ALJEZUR, MONCHIQUE AND VILA DO BISPO

## Residents' Perception - Fact Sheet | High Season 2022









Education Primary School 23.3% High School 58.1% University 16.3% DK/DA 2.3%

Age AMA Group /// 18-24 years old **11.6%** 25-64 years old **62.8%** + 65 years **25.6%** 

## Current State of Tourism Development

37.2%	30.2%	18.6%	11.6%
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•Very Weak •Weak •Moderate •Strong •Very Strong •DK/DA

## Perception of Economic Impacts

#### **Positive** Economic Impacts\*



#### Global Impact 3.42

Tourism increases employment opportunities 4.05 Tourism contributes to the development of local economic activities 4.05

Tourism contributes to generate new services and businesses 3.95

### **Negative** Economic Impacts\*



### Global Impact 3.63

Tourism increases the cost of living 4.36 Tourism increases the price of houses and land 4.28

Goods/services are more expensive because of tourism (food, clothing, transport, etc.) 4.07

## Perception of Sociocultural Impacts

### Positive Sociocultural Impacts\*



## **Global Impact 3.07**

The residents of my municipality are hospitable and welcome tourists with courtesy 3.81 Tourism contributes to the recognition, prestige and image of my municipality 3.49 Tourism promotes cultural exchanges between residents and visitors 3.35

## Negative Sociocultural Impacts\*



#### Global Impact 2.65

Tourism increases drug and alcohol consumption 3.26

Tourism increases stress and disturbs calm 2.93 Increased numbers of tourists result in conflicts with residents 2.63

## SOME FACTS

Approximately 39.5% of respondents consider that the municipality registers very weak to weak tourism development.

Regarding residents' perception of economic impacts in Aljezur, Monchique and Vila do Bispo, the respondents neither agree nor disagree with either the positive (3.42) or negative impacts (3.63). They specifically agree with the increase of cost of living (4.36) and prices of houses and land (4.28). However, they also recognize that tourism increases employment opportunities (4.05) and that it contributes to the development of local economic activities (4.05).

Concerning the sociocultural impacts, the respondents are neutral with regards to the positive impacts (3.07) and disagree with the negative ones (2.65). They show moderate agreement that residents are hospitable and welcome tourists with courtesy (3.81).

the contrary, for the On perceived environmental impacts, the respondents are neutral with the negative impacts (3.08) and disagree with the positive ones (2.37). The negative indicator with the highest level of agreement is "Tourism increases pollution, noise, litter, etc." (3.44).

## Perception of Environmental Impacts



### Positive Environmental Impacts\*

#### Global Impact 2.37

Tourism improves signage system (for access to accommodation, monuments, etc.) 2.58

Tourism improves cleanliness of public spaces 2.58 Tourism has a positive influence on the environmental awareness of residents 2.51

## **Negative** Environmental Impacts\*

**Global Impact 3.08** 

Tourism increases pollution, noise, litter, etc. **3.44** Tourism occupies natural areas that residents have free use of (beaches, mountains, protected areas, etc.) 3.37 Tourism generates traffic, parking and

accident issues 3.35

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In terms of the respondents' perception of how tourists treat and respect residents, as well as how much they spend during their holidays, it is considered that respect is neutral (60.5%), with the second most responded option being "respectful" (18.6%). They feel they are treated normally (58.1%) while some consider that the treatment is pleasant (23.3%). Respondents consider that tourists spend an average amount (44.2%) and that the current number of tourists should be maintained (51.2%).

With regard to professional activity, around half of respondents, or someone in their household, work in the tourism sector and tourism forms the exclusive source of household income for over one third of respondents.



#### Respect

11.6% 9.3% 60.5% 18.6%

•Very Disrespectful •Disrespectful •Neutral •Respectful •Very Respectful •DK/DA

#### **Treatment**

11.6% 58.1% 23.3%

•Very Unpleasant •Unpleasant •Normal •Pleasant •Very Pleasant •DK/DA

#### **Expenditure**

9.3%	30.2%	44.2%	16.3%
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•Spend Very Little •Spend Little •Spend Average •Spend a Lot •Spend too Much •DK/DA

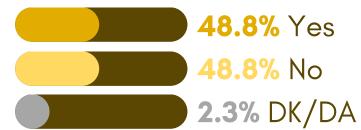
## Growth of Tourists in the Municipality



•Receive Less Tourists •Keep the Same Number of Tourists •Recieve More Tourists •DK/DA

## ourism Related Activity

Professional activity related to the tourism sector



Someone in the household works in the tourism sector

55.8% Yes 41.9% No 2.3% DK/DA Household income exclusively from tourism



Scale: 1- Strongly Disagree; 5-Strongly Agree | DK/DA-Do not know/Do not answer \*The indicators presented are the three with the highest average scores (top 3).

# Support to **Tourism**

Behaviour towards Tourism

Satisfaction with Tourism

## Behaviour, Satisfaction and Support

## **Global Impact 3.92**

I think my municipality should continue to be a tourist destination 4.14

I believe that, overall, the impacts of tourism in my area are positive 3.70

### Global Impact 3.60

I am willing to receive tourists with kindness and hospitality 4.16

I am willing to protect the natural and

environmental resources on which tourism depends 3.88

I am willing to accept some sacrifices in order to receive the benefits of tourism 3.88

I am willing to pay more fees to contribute to the development of tourism 2.48

### **Global Impact 3.05**

Personally, I benefit from the development of tourism in my municipality 3.33

Overall, I am satisfied with tourism in my

municipality 3.09

I am satisfied with the current level of tourism development in my municipality 3.00 I am satisfied with the way tourism is being

managed in my municipality 2.77



## Individual Happiness\*

#### Global Impact 3.42

In general, I consider myself to be a happy person 3.88 In general, I am satisfied with my quality of life 3.68

Overall, I am satisfied with my life 3.67

Respondents show moderate support for the tourist activity (3.92), namely by agreeing that the municipality should continue to be a tourist destination and by revealing some scepticism as to the positive impacts of tourism in the future. In parallel, they show a moderate willingness pro-tourism to assume behaviours (3.60).

The respondents reveal a certain neutrality with regard to the degree of satisfaction with tourism (3.05).

Finally, the respondents reveal, in general terms, an almost neutral position concerning individual happiness (3.42).

> Additional information may be found in the global report at <a href="https://monitur.ualg.pt/en/residents-global-report/">https://monitur.ualg.pt/en/residents-global-report/</a>













