



# Lima to become Latin America's "most visited city" for 2nd consecutive year

Peru's capital, Lima, will become the most visited city in Latin America in 2015, receiving almost 4.2 million tourists.

It represents almost double the amount of visitors to be received by the 2nd destination (Mexico City), according to Mastercard's 2014 Global Destination Cities Index.

The document estimates the number of tourists visiting the Peruvian capital will increase by 7.7% by the end of 2015, going from 3.9 million visitors in 2014 to 4.2 million in 2015.

The report also forecasted this multitude will spend about US\$1.471 billion.

## Ranking

Mexico city will be the 2nd most visited destination, with 2.82 mn tourists, followed by Sao Paulo with 2.44 mn visitors, Punta Cana visited by 2.42 mn people and Buenos Aires by other 2.18 mn.

The remaining cities making the top 10 ranking are San José, (1.51 mn visitors), Rio de Janeiro (1.27 mn visitors), Bogota (1.1 mn visitors), Montevideo (860,672 visitors) and Quito (695,976 visitors).

## Annual index

It should be noted the Global Destination Cities Index (GDCI) provides a ranking of the 132 most visited cities in the globe.

Also, it shows how people travel around the world and reveals the relevance the cities have as engines of the economic growth.

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