



## The impact of sport events on tourism: the case of Marcialonga, Val di Fiemme and Val di Fassa

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- Online Survey
  - Languages: italian and english

- Population
  - Marcialonga skiing participants 2010-2013
  - participants living in the Trentino-Alto Adige region excluded

28,432 participants  $\rightarrow$  total population: 10,972 interviewees





#### November – December 2013

Info
Newsletter
from
Marcialonga

25° November
Official
Invitation

3° December
1° reminder

12° December2° reminder

22° December
End of the
online survey





- Population 10,972 (100%)
- Questionnaires collected 3,402 (response rate 31%)
- Sample 2,761 (completion rate 25%)
- → fully completed questionnaires

NB: Response rate in empirical surveys 10% - 20%





#### Population and sample distribution for demographic characteristics

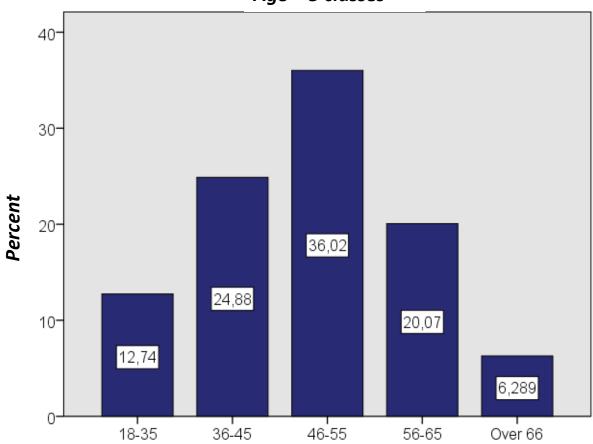
		Population	Sample
		%	%
Gend	er		
	Men	82.8	86.6
	Women	17.2	13.4
Geog	raphic area		
	Italy	15.8	30.4
	Close European countries	5.3	3.0
	Scandinavian countries	70.7	58.0
	Other European countries	5.8	5.3
	Other Continents and Russia	2.4	3.2
Class	es of age		
	18-35	12.7	10.5
	36-45	24.9	23.4
	46-55	36.0	36.5
	56-65	20.1	22.7
	66 or more	6.3	6.9





#### Distribution of participants by: AGE CLASSES









#### Distribution of participants by: GEOGRAPHIC AREA

Geographic Area		Percent (%)
	Italy	16.0
	Close European countries	4.2
	Scandinavian countires	70.7
	Other European countries	6.6
	Other Continents and Russia	2.5





#### Distribution of participants by: FREQUENCY OF PARTICIPATION

#### **Number of times of participation**

# N. of times of participation (%) 1-5 80,9 6-10 12,9 11-20 4,3 > 20 1,8

# Number of times of participation between 2010 and 2013

N. of times of participation		Percent (%)
	1	45.3
	2	24.6
	3	14.6
	4	15.6





#### Distribution of participants by: ACCOMMODATION

Type of accommodation		Percent (%)
	Hotel, Garnì, Gasthaus, Agriturismo, Bed & Breakfast	87.8
	Private home/apartment	2.4
	Rented home/apartment	6.4
	Home/apartment of friends or relatives	1.3
	Camping	1.4
	Other	.8





#### Distribution of participants by: FURTHER SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS

- Level of education: high
- Level of income: medium/high
- Travelling with:
  - Friends 56%
  - o Family 23%
  - Sport club fellows 23%
  - Professional skiers 4%
  - Other 7%
- 70% of groups composed of 2 to 10 people.





# How many extra people do each Marcialonga participant take with him to Val di Fiemme and Fassa?

Ratio: 0,32 fellows for each participant



6,500 participants



6,500 x 0.32 (average over 4 years)

2,080 extra people





# How many nights spends each participant with his fellows in the two valleys?

Ratio: 3,94 nights on average for each group

8,580 arrivals

8,580 x 3.94 (average over 4 years)

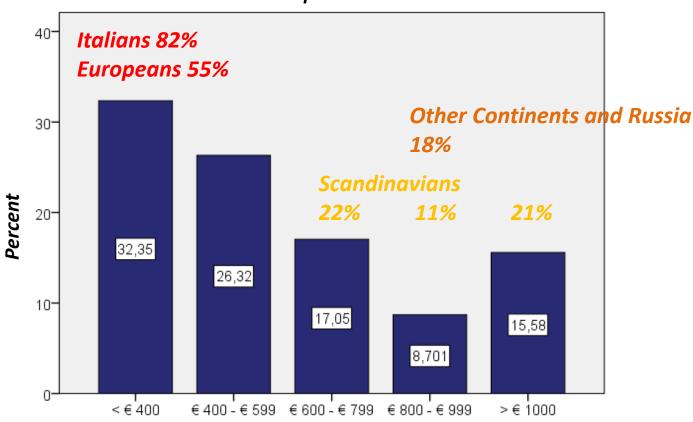
**33,805.2** nights of stay





# How much do each participant and fellow spend on average, during the whole period of stay?

#### Total expenditures







How many participants do come back to Val di Fiemme and Val di Fassa for touristic reasons on other occasions other than their participation to Marcialonga?

30%

Italians Europeans



70%

**Scandinavians** 

20% 1 or 2 visits
4,22 nights of stay
groups of 5 people
women more frequently than men

**Total returns: 10,593.5 nights** 





When do participants come back to Val di Fiemme and Val di Fassa for touristic reasons on other occasions other than their participation to Marcialonga?



Spring 4.4%



Summer 57%



Autumn 6.7%



Winter 32%



## **IMPLICATIONS**



Month of January – Winter seasons 2009-2010 / 2012-2013

- 49 thousand arrivals
- 300 thousand nights of stay (average 6.1 nights)

# How much does the Marcialonga affect January tourism in the two valleys?

APT (Tourism Board) Survey results

Week of Marcialonga Week of Marcialonga

16% arrivals 17.5% arrivals

12% nights of stay 11.3% nights of stay



## **CONCLUSIONS**



January

- Arrivals 17.5%
- Nights of stay 8.8%

- Arrivals 11.3%
- Nights of stay 6%

Winter season

Indirect impact

- 30% of participants
- Itanlias VS Scandinavians

33,805.2 + 10,593.5

44,398.7

Total annual nights of stay



#### **NOTES**



#### The following events are <u>not</u> considered in this research:

- 1. Marcialonga Cycling
- 2. Marcialonga Running
- 3. Media coverage and promotial impact of the event