

The Caribbean: Side Effects of Popularity

Tourism represents the biggest industry in the world. The consistent growth of tourism receipts over the decades since international travel became accessible to the general public, has convinced many developing nations that they can profit from tourism. Caribbean countries, such as Jamaica and Barbados, have had a history of tourism development, and the region as a whole has seen much growth in the sector. Even with the global recession of the 1970s and early 1980s, tourist arrivals to the Caribbean rose 52.2% from 1978–1988.

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