

FACTORS THAT INFLUENCING TOURISM IN SABAH

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Abstract

Malaysia's tourism has come of the most attractive holiday destinations in the

world. With its multi racial societies and geographical factors with a long coastal area

surrounding the country, Malaysia also has a lot to offer in terms of tourist's

attractions especially in Sabah that is the key contributors for its GDP and is expected

to expand in 2012 as the global economy improves related to the tourist arrivals. This

study shows the performance of the number of tourist arrivals with the crime rates,

unemployment, local currency, and CO2 emissions from transport that using annual

data from 1980 to 2010 with Unit Root Test models, OLS, and Granger Causality

Causes. Besides that, this research identifies on how does the independent variables

affect tourism in Sabah instead of tourist arrivals. The Unit Root Test results show the

significant relationship between the variables whether the OLS method shows there

are relationship between all the independent variables and dependent. The Granger

tests just to test even the dependent variable has been affect by independent variables

or have bilateral relationship among the variables. The results show how a significant

relationship between them.

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