

# BERLIN

## TRAVEL TRENDS REPORT

Travel Duration : February to April 2025



## Foreword

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Berlin's travel market is set for a vibrant season, with both leisure and business travelers fueling demand from February to April 2025. As Germany's dynamic capital, the city attracts international visitors, business executives, and cultural enthusiasts - each with unique rental needs.

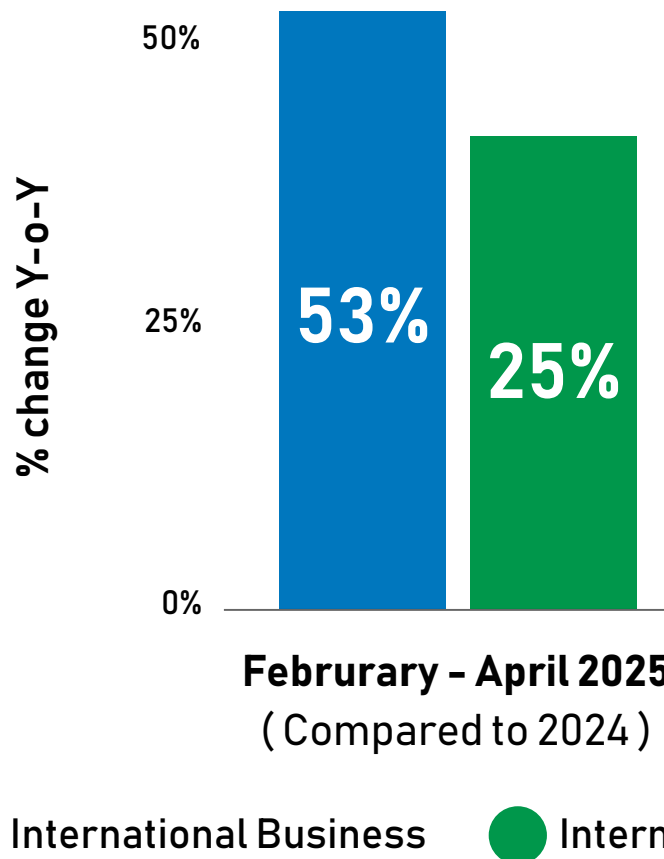
For car rental businesses, anticipating demand shifts, optimizing fleet availability, and refining pricing strategies will be key to capturing this opportunity. This report provides actionable insights into traveler behaviors, booking trends, and market dynamics to help operators align their offerings with Berlin's fast-paced market.



## Berlin's International Travel Boom

Berlin will see a 25% rise in international leisure travel and a 53% surge in business travel over the next three months. This growth highlights the city's appeal for tourism and a broad range of business activities, including corporate travel, industry <sup>10%</sup> conferences, and client visits. Car rental businesses can capitalize on this trend by optimizing their fleet for both executive and tourist-friendly vehicles, ensuring seamless travel experiences for visitors.

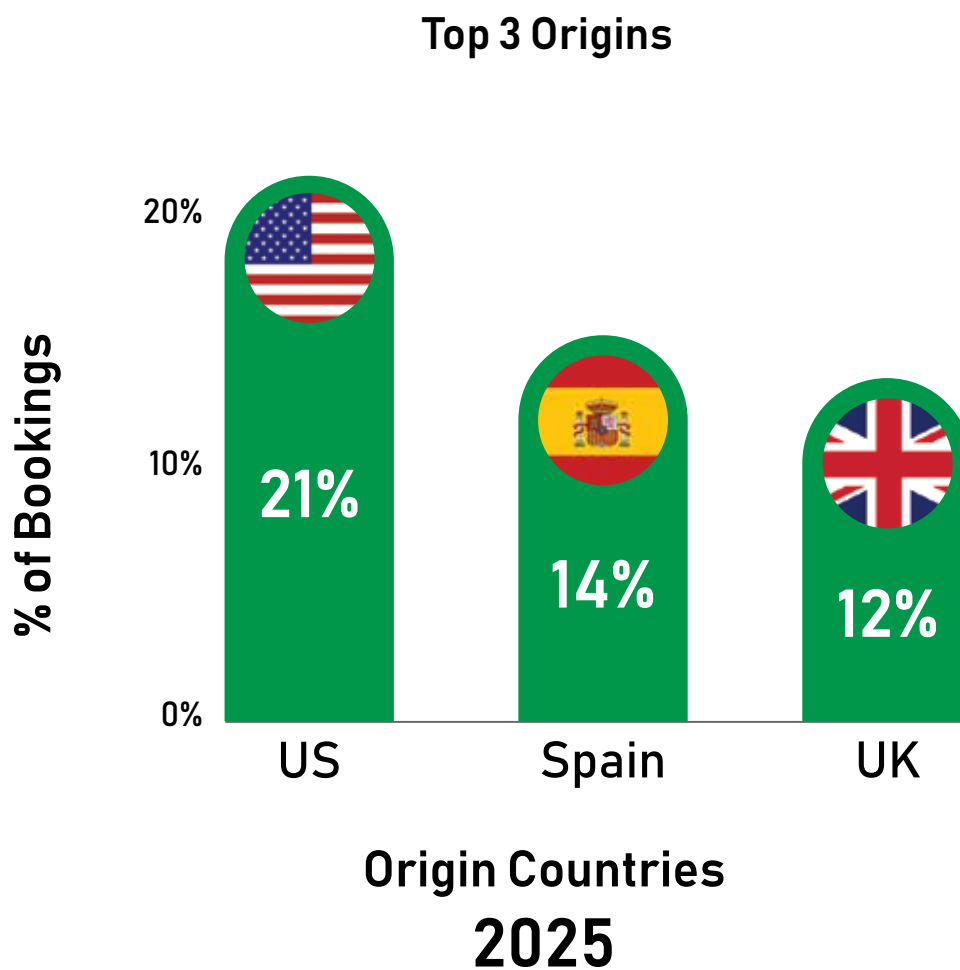
### Current Year Comparison to Previous Year Bookings



Source: Adara, a RateGain Company

## US Leads Berlin Arrivals

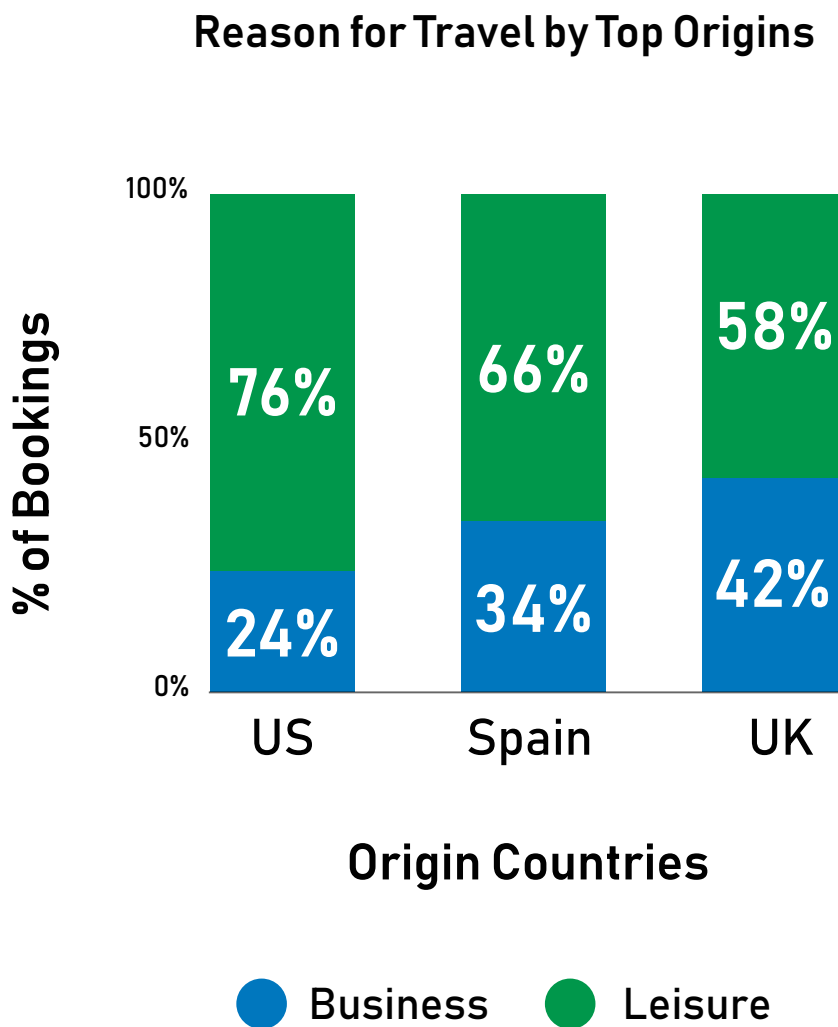
Berlin's top inbound markets will be the U.S. (21%), Spain (14%), and the U.K. (12%), highlighting strong demand from both transatlantic and European travelers. To capture this market, car rental businesses should offer seamless bookings, multilingual support, and a diverse fleet catering to long-haul and regional visitors.



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## Leisure Takes Lead, Business Follow

Leisure travel will dominate inbound demand, with 76% of U.S. travelers, 66% of Spanish visitors, and 58% of U.K. travelers visiting Berlin for tourism. Business travel remains strong, particularly from the U.K. (42%) and Spain (34%), presenting opportunities for both leisure-focused and corporate-friendly car rental solutions.

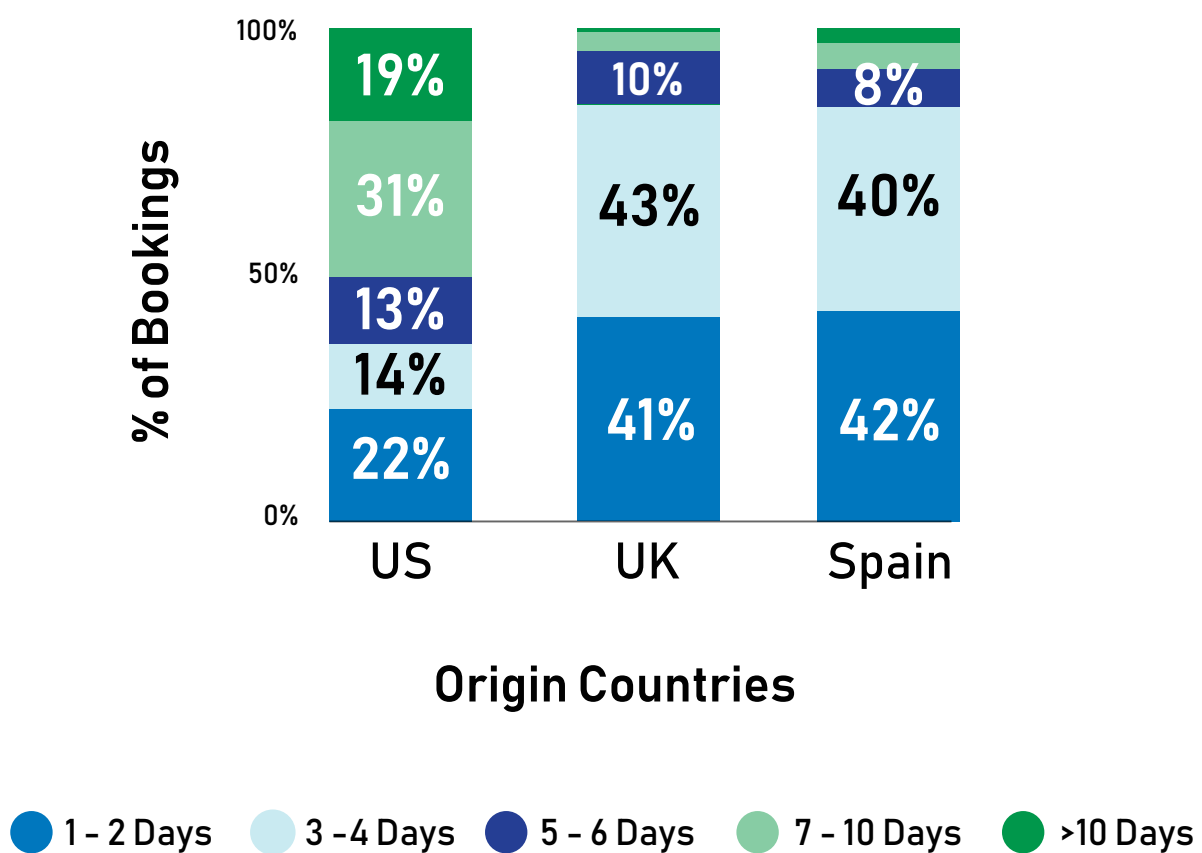


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# Extended Stays for US Travelers

Trip durations vary significantly by market, with U.S. travelers favoring longer stays—31% staying 7 to 10 days and 19% extending beyond 10 days. In contrast, Spanish (42%) and U.K. (41%) travelers prefer shorter visits of 1 to 2 days, with most opting for 3 to 4-day stays. Car rental businesses can leverage this insight by offering long-term rental discounts for U.S. visitors and flexible short-term options for European travelers.

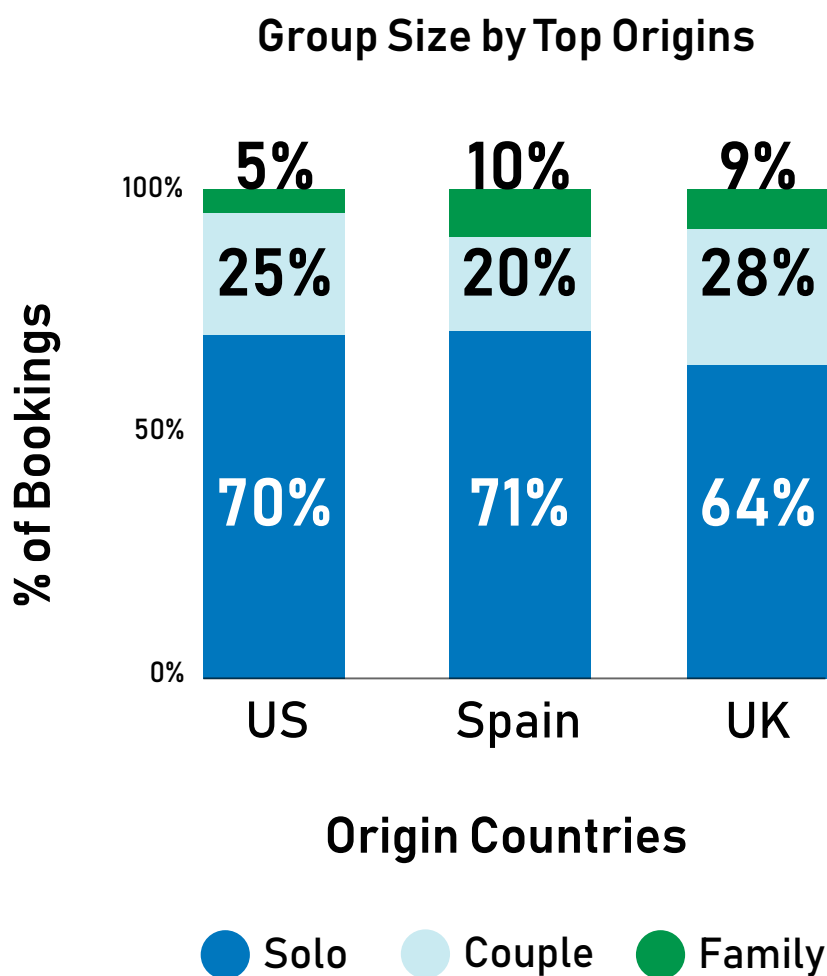
**Trip Duration Category by Top Origins**



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## Solo Travelers Dominate Market

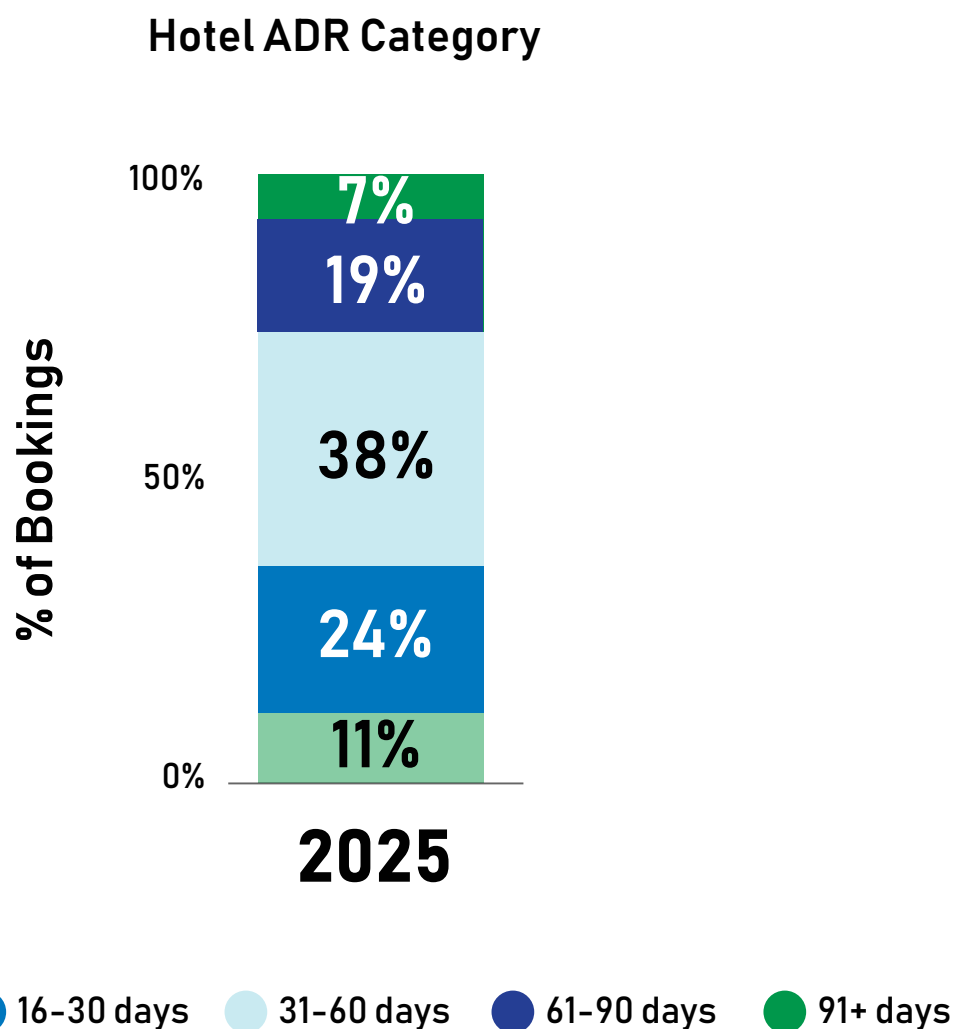
Solo travelers will make up the majority of visitors to Berlin, with 70% from the U.S., 71% from Spain, and 64% from the U.K. Couples represent a significant share, especially among U.K. travelers (28%), while family travel remains a smaller segment. Car rental businesses can prioritize compact and fuel-efficient cars for solo travelers, while offering comfortable options for couples and family-friendly vehicles to cater to group travel needs.



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## Early Bookings Gain Momentum

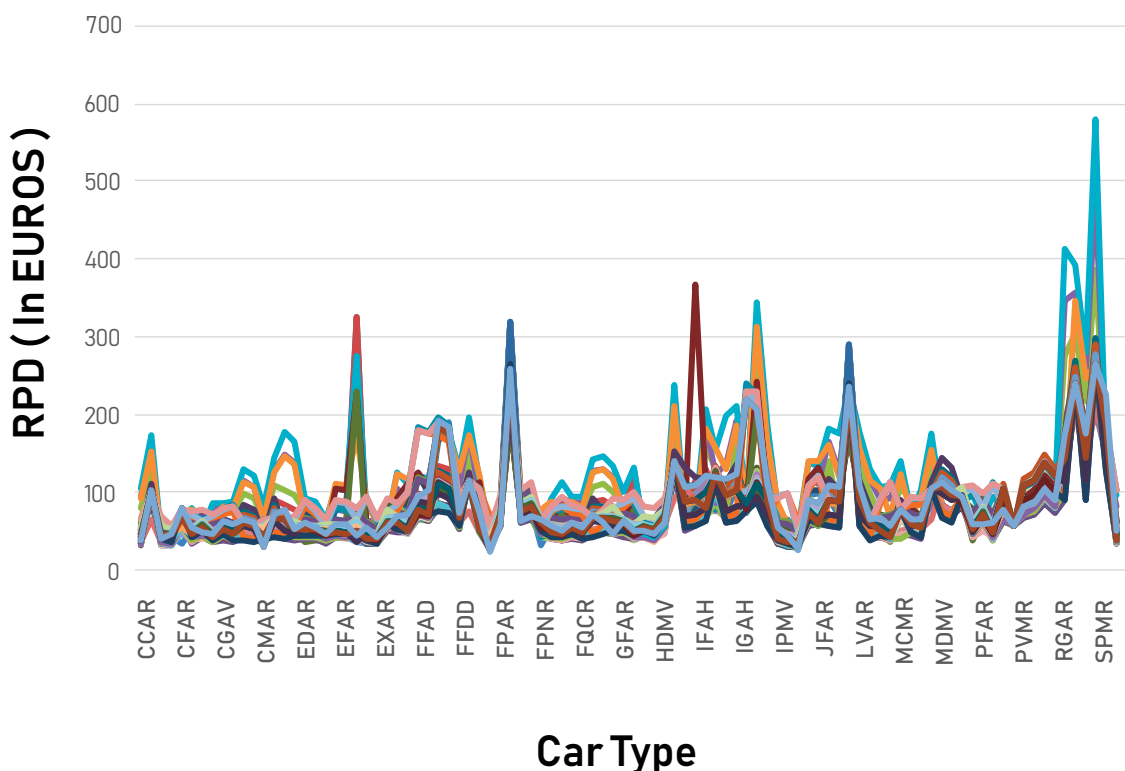
Most travelers will book their rentals well in advance, with a strong preference for early reservations. To maximize bookings, car rental businesses should offer incentives for early commitments while maintaining flexible pricing for last-minute demand. Balancing availability across different booking windows will be key to capturing all traveler segments.



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# Luxury & SUVs in Demand

Car rental pricing trends in Berlin show heightened demand for luxury vehicles (CFAR, IFAR, LFAR) and SUVs, with RPD peaks occurring around February 14–18 and March 15–20, driven by seasonal travel surges. Budget-friendly categories like ECAR and CCAR maintain steady, affordable pricing, attracting cost-conscious renters throughout the period. The luxury segment continues to show high volatility, presenting strong opportunities for dynamic pricing adjustments. SUVs remain a popular choice, supported by their practicality and competitive positioning. Aligning fleet availability and pricing strategies with these demand fluctuations can help businesses maximize revenue and capture key booking windows.



# Key Takeaways for Car Rentals

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- 01 Maximize High-Value Markets**

Capture strong demand from US, Spain, and UK travelers with localized promotions, multilingual support, and a fleet tailored to diverse traveler needs.
- 02 Leisure Travelers Drive Bookings**

With tourism leading inbound demand, focus on affordability, convenience, and frictionless rental experiences to attract more bookings.
- 03 Adapt to Trip Lengths**

Offer long-term rental deals for US visitors while ensuring flexible, short-term options for European travelers who prefer shorter stays.
- 04 Prioritize Solo and Business Renters**

Stock compact, fuel-efficient cars for solo travelers while maintaining premium vehicle options to serve executive and corporate clients.
- 05 Capitalize on Early Bookings**

Leverage early-bird incentives while keeping last-minute pricing flexible to maximize revenue from both advance planners and spontaneous renters.
- 06 Align Pricing with Demand Peaks**

Luxury and SUV rentals will experience seasonal spikes - adjust fleet availability and pricing dynamically to capture peak demand and maximize profits.

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