

## The Economic Effects of Ecotourism

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I will be looking into the factors of ecotourism in Costa Rica and Norway and the differences and similarities in these two countries. I will also see how the economy was influenced and how it was affected. The main question that I want to know is how the two economies reacted to the boost of ecotourism. The reason for picking these two countries is the fact that they do have very different attributes about them but they are both global leaders in ecotourism. The goals for my research would be to find what makes these two countries that are different end up in the same place with ecotourism. Also looking at the economic effects on how ecotourism affects the market with supply and demand, opportunity costs and the effects on the overall economy in each country. The goal for this is to see if ecotourism is the new trend that countries should follow and if people should invest their time and money into this. For the research methods I am going off of some past research but also combining my own economic analysis on the perspective. I have not completed my findings yet, but I do know that the political system is a large factor that affected both countries as well as both of the countries original outlook on the value of nature as a whole. The Economic Effects of Ecotourism is a topic that will have a lot of factors coming into play but I plan to look specifically at the economy, the political background and the ethics.