

Some Sample Reports on Turbines and Tourism

The *Crystal Coast* is **heavily** dependent on tourism dollars and employment.

The [NC Department of Commerce](#)* lists the 2012 figures for Carteret County:

\$282 million in Tourism related revenue

2930+ jobs in Tourism related businesses

\$29.45 million in State and local tax revenues from travel to Carteret

County. This represents a \$431 tax saving to each county resident.

[Not sure whether this is included in the \$282M, so will exclude it.]

Almost all independent studies conclude that there will be Tourism business lost when industrial wind energy is introduced into a tourism area. Most play it down by saying that these losses are not “significant.” The most detailed study to date, funded by the [Scottish Government](#) (who are wind proponents) concluded that the annual losses would be from 2% to 6%. A decrease of 4% in the Crystal Coast tourism business would amount to:

\$11.25± million in Tourism related revenue lost annually

120± Tourism jobs lost annually

It seems that most people would consider those losses to be significant. And this is just one economic burden added to the county — but this just by itself would result in the proposed *Mill Pond* wind project being a NET LOSS.

[Here](#) is a collection of **170±** articles & reports on the effects on Tourism from industrial wind energy being in the area. Below is a sample of these studies:

- 1 - [“Wind Turbines and Rural Tourism”](#) (Scottish Government)
- 2 - [“The Effect of Wind Power Installations on Coastal Tourism”](#)
- 3 - [“Tourism Effect of Industrial Wind Turbines in Prince Edward County”](#)
- 4 - [“Do wind farms affect tourism?”](#) (Quebec Government)
- 5 - [“Investigation in the Potential Impact of Wind Farms on Tourism in Wales”](#) (Wales Government)
- 6 - [“The Dorenell Wind Farm: Tourism Impacts & Implications”](#)
- 7 - Survey: [66% think turbines make Scotland a less appealing place to visit](#)

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