ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS

1. Purpose of the survey

The main purpose of the survey is to provide various information about the activity of the accommodation establishments in Bulgaria. The methodology used in statistical surveys on tourism is in compliance with the Regulation 692/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning European statistics on tourism and Commission implementing Regulation 1051/2011 implementing Regulation 692/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning European statistics on tourism, as regards the structure of the quality reports and the transmission of the data.

Till the end of 2011 the Council Directive 95/57 EC on data collection in the field of tourism was in use.

2. Object and coverage of the survey

The object of the survey are all accommodation establishments with 10 and more bed-places - hotels, camping sites and other accommodation establishments (holiday settlements, mountain chalets, private flats, rest houses, bungalows and other short-time accommodation) in use during the reference period.

In the observation of accommodation establishments are collected various data by types of accommodation establishments, nights spent, arrivals in accommodation establishments, revenues from nights spent and others.

The data for the item ‘Available Bed Capacity’ are obtained through accumulation of the number of bed-places for each of the days of the reference period, when they are put into utilization, irrespective if they are occupied or not.

In the revenues from nights spent in accommodation establishments are included the sums paid by the guests, without the extra services.

3. Periodicity

Since January 2012 the statistical survey on accommodation establishments is carried out monthly. Till the end of 2011 the survey was carried out quarterly.

4. Data sources

The main source of information on accommodation establishments are the monthly form, which all owners of categorized accommodation establishments in the country required to produce in NSI. Reporting all categorized accommodation establishments in use with 10 and more bed-places in the public and private sector.

5. Publicity and transparency

• Access to the methodology

All publications of the NSI with data from the survey on accommodation establishments contains short methodological notes to the basic concepts.
• Press release

The press releases with the results from the survey are presented on the Internet site monthly. Till the end of 2011 the press releases were presented quarterly.

• Publications

The results of statistical survey on accommodation establishments are published in the publications Statistical Reference Book and Statistical Yearbook of the NSI.

• Electronic access

Current tables with key results of the survey are published on the Internet website of NSI monthly. Till the end of 2011 the tables with key results were presented quarterly.