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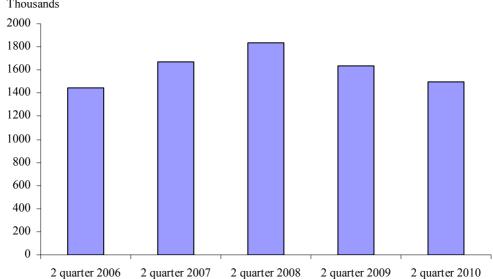
ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE PERIOD APRIL - JUNE 2010

In the second quarter of 2010, 3 138 accommodation establishments - hotels, motels, camping sites, mountain chalets and other establishments for short-term accommodation with more than 10 bed places were functioned in the country (Table 1). The number of rooms in them was 110.5, while the number of the bed-places - 253.1 thousand. In comparison with the same period of 2009 the total number of accommodation establishments has increased by 123 (4.1%) and these of the rooms and the bed-places by 155 (0.1%) and by 4098 (1.6%) respectively.

The total number of the nights spent in all accommodation establishments in the second quarter of 2010 fell by 51 thousand (1.3%) to 3 763.1 thousand compared to same period in 2009.

Figure 1. Nights spent in accommodation establishments in second quarter during the 2006 - 2010 period

Thousands
2000 ¬



In the second quarter of 2010, the number of nights spent by Bulgarian citizens in accommodation establishments decreased by 137.9 thousand (9.7%) to 1 279.6 thousand as compared to the second quarter of 2009.

At the same time the number of the nights spent by foreigners in accommodation establishments increased by 3.6% versus the second quarter of 2009. More nights were spent by the residents of the following countries: Serbia - by 66.2%, People's Rep. of China - by 50.6%, Ukraine - by 47.7%, Rep. of Korea - by 47.4%, Australia - by 44.9%, Romania - by 40.4%, Japan - by 37.6%, Russian Fed. - by 36.2%, Hungary - by 24.6%, etc. A decrease in the nights spent in accommodation establishments by foreigners was observed





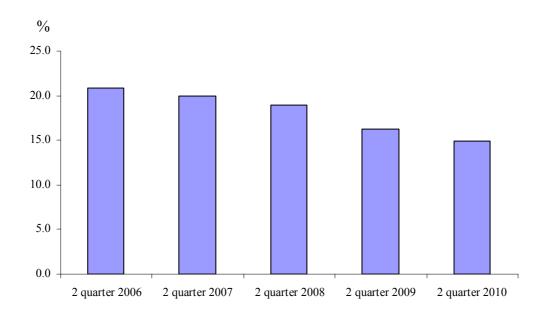
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from Brazil - by 75.4%, Malta - by 63.7%, Slovenia - by 55.0%, Lithuania - by 37.8%, Croatia - by 37.4%, Ireland - by 36.6%, Latvia - by 33.4%, Sweden - by 32.8%, Israel - by 18.3%, France - by 17.4%, Denmark - by 16.8%, Italy - by 13.6%, etc.

In the second quarter of 2010, the total number of arrivals in accommodation establishments decreased by 19.9 thousand (1.7%) to 1 136.2 thousand. The relative share of arrivals of Bulgarian citizens was 51.7% of all arrivals. The number of foreigner arrivals in accommodation establishments increased by 20.7 thousand (3.9%) compared to the same period of the previous year. The greatest share was the arrivals of residents from Germany (22.8%). Almost all foreigners (99.1%) prefer to spend the night in hotels, while only 0.9% of them have spent the night in the other accommodation establishments.

The total occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments in the second quarter of 2010 was 21.9% which was 0.4 percentage points above the registered in the same period of the previous year.

Figure 2. Total occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments in second quarter during the period 2006 - 2010



The total revenues from nights spent in the accommodation establishments were less by 7.1% in the second quarter of 2010 compared to the second quarter of 2009, reaching to 144.5 million levs, as the revenues from nights spent by foreigners decreased by 2.5% to 100.9 million levs.





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Methodological notes

In the statistical survey of **accommodation establishments** were included all categorized hotels, mountain chalets, camping sites, and other type of accommodation establishments with more than 10 bed-places in use during the reporting period. Up to 2006 accommodation establishments with more than 30 bed-places were observed.

Private flats, holiday settlements, bungalows and other establishments for short-time accommodation added since 2003 in indicator "other accommodation establishments". Private rooms and rest houses are added since 2006.





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 ${\bf Table~1}$ ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE PERIOD APRIL - JUNE 2010 1

Districts	Accommodation establishments - number	Bed- places – number	Available bed-nights ² - number	Nights spent - number		Arrivals in accommodation establishments - number		Revenues from nights spent - Levs (BGN)	
				Total	Of which: by foreigners	Total	Of which: foreigners	Total	Of which: by foreigners
Total	3138	253122	17168541	3763099	2483466	113623	549198	144489209	100856615
Blagoevgrad	152	13587	1190189	115867	31730	57107	15562	4917404	1509690
Burgas	864	80676	4167420	1302857	1085339	217207	156498	43615444	36562800
Varna	366	53262	3821314	999567	813935	226154	157708	38495607	32131174
Veliko									
Tarnovo	94	5170	470470	55740	11952	37057	8621	1900217	616386
Vidin	33	859	78169	12951	3798	8029	1482	492488	141827
Vratsa	29	1003	91273	12989	2899	6702	974	398531	102800
Gabrovo	89	3917	356079	37163	4673	21179	3066	990050	242752
Dobrich	93	23132	873982	241638	195695	47029	30573	4161315	3250010
Karddzhali	21	786	71526	11148	1754	7488	1163	433545	68731
Kyustendil	35	2097	190827	19041	1753	9829	1092	593581	134610
Lovech	63	3699	336609	39182	2451	24488	1456	1116631	107033
Montana	30	1299	105514	14709	1549	5375	704	444204	86067
Pazardzhik	87	5069	461246	74085	5915	32243	1983	2744583	325403
Pernik	23	3745	88720	6631	1754	2597	417	120364	35305
Pleven	13	1161	105651	20302	2882	13098	1401	647660	159427
Plovdiv	227	9168	813470	164399	40882	77622	19044	6290889	2387465
Razgrad	18	529	48139	5524	817	3991	313	194182	36975
Ruse	97	1853	168578	33518	7546	24544	4901	1389010	383961
Silistra	21	663	60333	9173	2275	6060	963	334914	101266
Sliven	91	2557	232647	19487	3583	10527	1266	751573	233586
Smolyan	362	12030	1006628	68781	4520	32153	2004	1999802	194570
Sofia	50	5606	498521	45248	13460	24155	6957	2170426	925165
Sofia Cap.	117	12899	1173701	309668	204877	181886	117309	25163530	19324584
Stara Zagora	36	3607	328237	80988	20684	25622	5178	2962991	1082369
Targovishte	21	672	61152	9115	1618	4826	614	234626	44394
Haskovo	47	1972	176722	31341	7318	16677	4349	1209336	433606
Shumen	33	1325	120535	11379	3843	8643	2750	376229	117209
Yambol	26	779	70889	10608	3964	3944	850	340077	117450

¹In use

²The data for the "Available Bed Capacity" item 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 of whether they are occupied or not.