



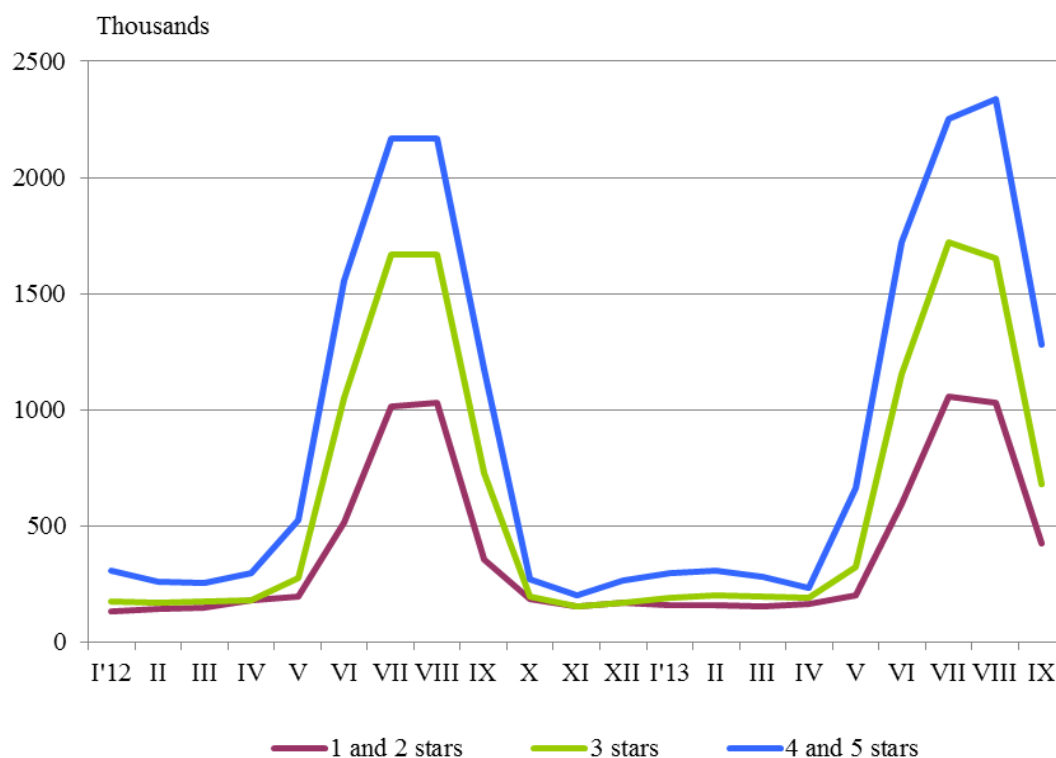
ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN SEPTEMBER 2013

In September 2013, 2 481 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 (Annex, Table 1). The total number of the rooms in them was 115.1 thousands and the bed-places were 248.4 thousands. In comparison with September 2012 the total number of accommodation establishments increased by 6.6% and the bed-places in them - by 3.4%.

The total number of the nights spent in all accommodation establishments registered in September 2013 was 2 386.8 thousands or by 5.8% more in comparison with the same month of the previous year, as the greatest increase was observed in 1 and 2 stars accommodation establishments - by 20.0%.

In September 2013, 63.3% of all nights spent by foreign citizens were realized in 4 and 5 stars hotels and 29.1% of all nights spent by Bulgarians. In 3 stars accommodation establishments were spent 29.8% of all nights by Bulgarian residents and 28.1% of all nights by foreigners, while in the rest of accommodation establishments (with 1 and 2 stars) they were 41.1 and 8.6% respectively.

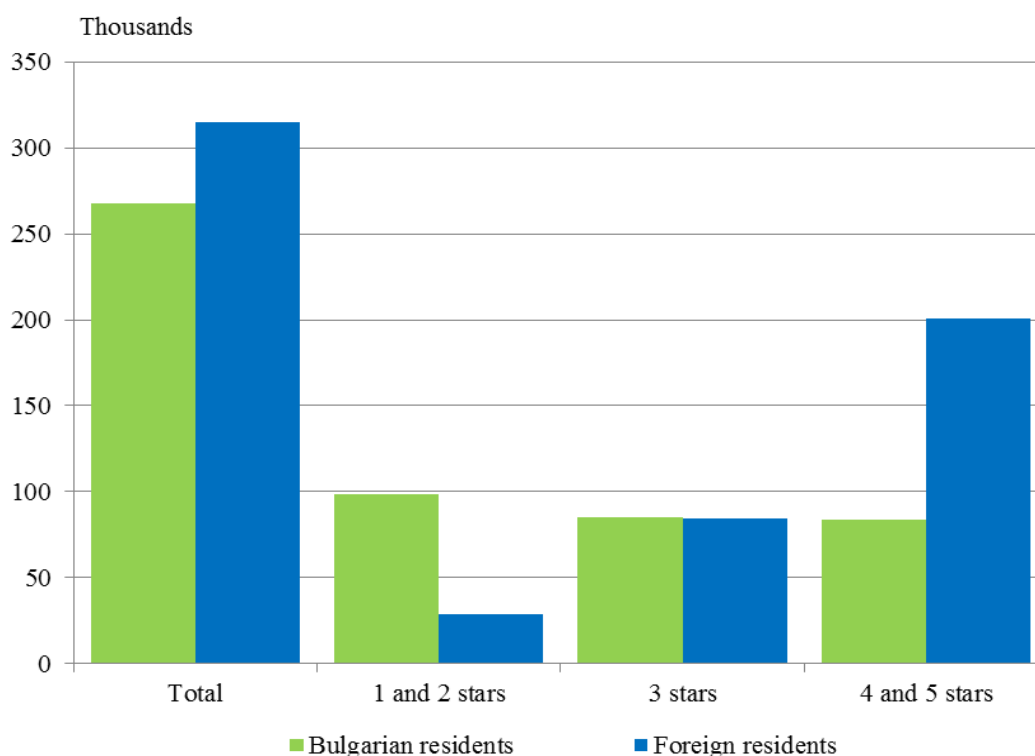
Figure 1. The nights spent in accommodation establishments by categories and by months





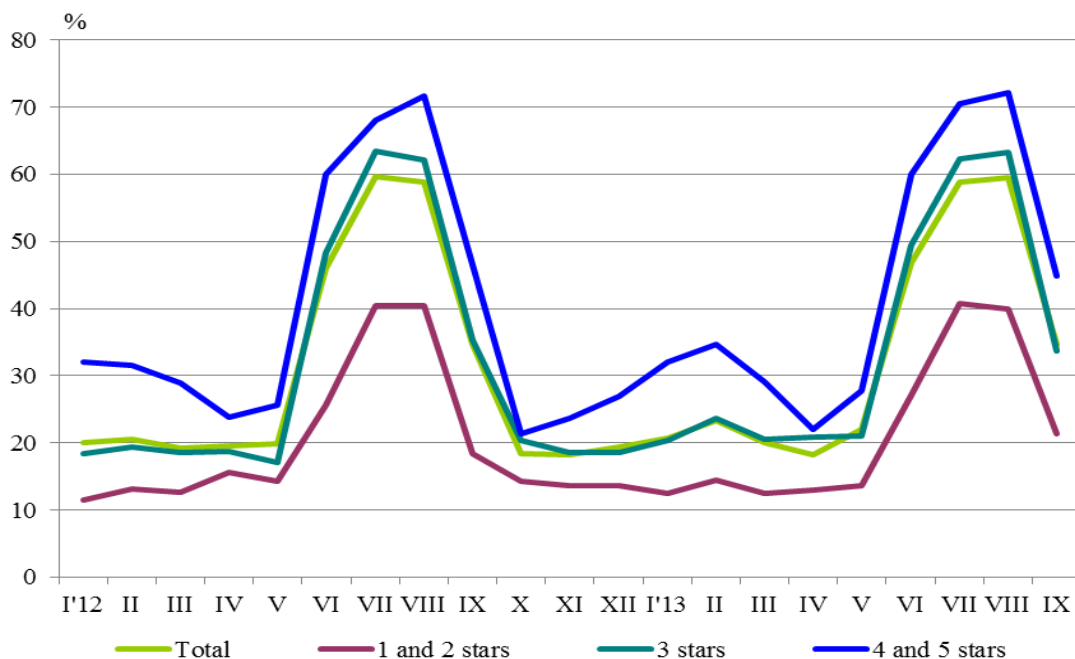
In September 2013, the arrivals in all accommodation establishments increased by 2.4% compared to the same month of 2012 and reached 582.0 thousands. Bulgarian guests were 45.9% of all arrivals as the majority part (68.7%) of them spent the nights in 1, 2 or 3 stars accommodation and spent 2.6 nights on the average. The arrivals of foreigners were 314.7 thousands as 63.9% of them spent nights in hotels with 4 and 5 stars. On the average 5.4 nights were spent by foreigners.

Figure 2. Arrivals in accommodation establishments by categories in September 2013



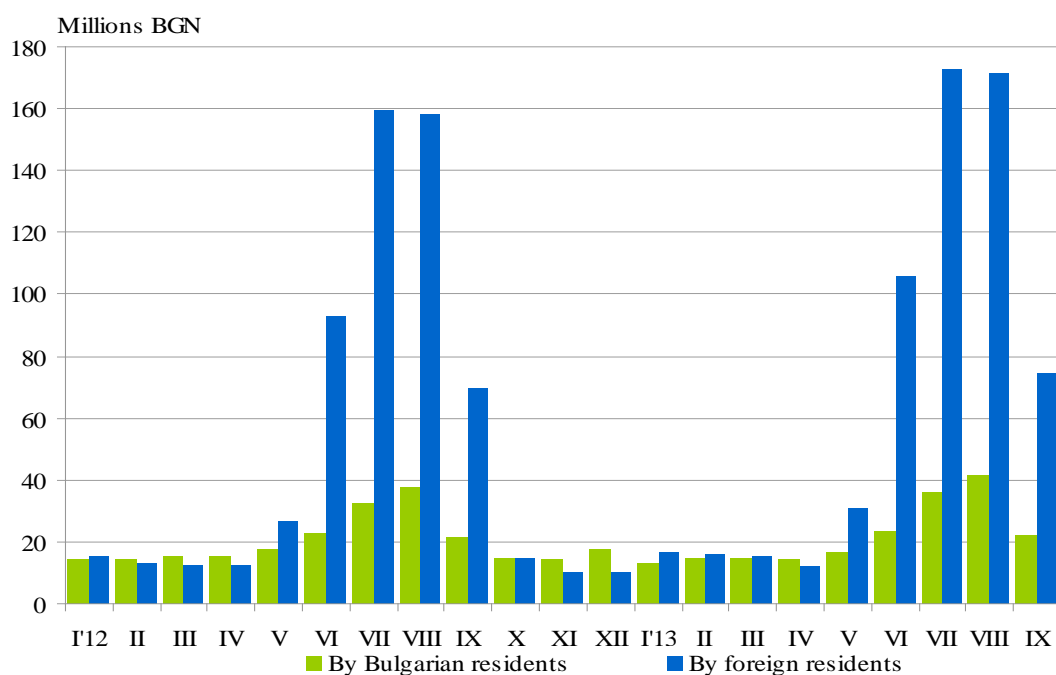
In September 2013, the total occupancy of the bed-places in accommodation establishments was 34.7% and the highest was it in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments - 44.9%, followed by these with 3 stars - 33.7%, and these with 1 and 2 stars - 21.3%. In comparison with the same month of the previous year an increase in the occupancy of the bed-places was registered in 1 and 2 stars accommodations - by 2.9 percentage points, while in 4 and 5 stars hotels and in these with 3 stars the occupancy decreased by 1.7 and 1.6 percentage points respectively.

Figure 3. The occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments by categories and by months



The total revenues from nights spent in September 2013 reached 96.9 million BGN or by 6.2% more compared to September 2012. An increase was registered both in the revenues from foreigners - by 7.5%, and from the Bulgarians - by 2.0%.

Figure 4. The revenues from nights spent in accommodation establishments by months





Methodological notes

Since 2012 the statistical survey on **accommodation establishments** has been carried out monthly in compliance with the Regulation 692/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning European statistics on tourism and the regulation 1051/2011 of the Commission 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.

All categorized hotels, camping sites and other types of accommodation establishments with more than 10 bed-places in use during the reporting period were included in the observation.

The indicator **other accommodation establishments** includes the holiday settlements, hostels, guests houses, bungalows, rest houses, mountain chalets, private rooms and flats and other establishments for short accommodation.

Available Bed Capacity is the maximum number of bed-places on offer for each day of the reference month.

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



Annex

Table 1

Activity of accommodation establishments in September 2013¹

Districts	Accommodation establishments - Number	Bed-places - Number	Available bed-nights ² - Number	Night spent - Number		Arrivals in accommodation establishments - Number		Revenues from nights spent - Thousands BGN	
				Total	of which: By Foreigners	Total	of which: Foreigners	Total	of which: By Foreigners
Total	2481	248442	6868630	2386817	1710653	582017	314716	96917	74760
Blagoevgrad	174	12278	340990	75905	21013	33739	9192	2707	879
Burgas	457	88868	2399149	1033271	877936	160571	120864	42812	37829
Varna	298	53458	1527130	593086	501649	107601	77759	25452	21993
Veliko Tarnovo	112	5109	153270	28009	7941	17845	6057	1047	410
Vidin	36	943	28848	5860	1020	3160	747	187	40
Vratsa	29	1038	31140	6840	888	3150	331	174	31
Gabrovo	56	2811	79070	13590	1993	6733	1180	420	96
Dobrich	110	21742	470146	201019	148324	37541	22190	4588	3452
Kardzhali	31	956	28680	5439	1079	4101	707	176	36
Kyustendil	55	2710	81300	16146	2647	7719	978	516	173
Lovech	75	3692	105110	20284	2081	10794	952	673	59
Montana	25	1160	34800	6647	648	2776	307	171	31
Pazardzhik	57	4045	116209	34872	4687	13212	1224	1557	301
Pernik	15	837	25110	2198	156	1478	68	43	4
Pleven	20	1020	30600	7138	964	4325	566	268	53
Plovdiv	161	8939	262866	79376	26381	33899	10447	2834	1141
Razgrad	16	608	18240	2471	672	1650	368	97	26
Ruse	44	1681	50430	14132	4074	8417	2513	593	219
Silistra	20	627	18870	2901	917	2048	512	111	35
Sliven	81	2524	75720	9911	1412	4256	717	295	89
Smolyan	236	8760	262710	26388	2300	13195	1215	818	94
Sofia	70	5219	153866	21134	2774	8443	1242	544	79
Sofia (stolitsa)	125	11550	339716	126434	88357	72367	49305	9039	7178
Stara Zagora	56	3607	107646	29950	4852	10636	2411	1039	291
Targovishte	21	878	26340	4439	570	1852	247	127	26
Haskovo	38	1366	40980	9632	3308	5105	1681	302	108
Shumen	43	1325	39750	6378	851	4035	576	206	35
Yambol	20	691	19944	3367	1159	1369	360	121	52

¹ In use in corresponding period.

² Maximum number of the bed-places on offer for each day of the reference month.