



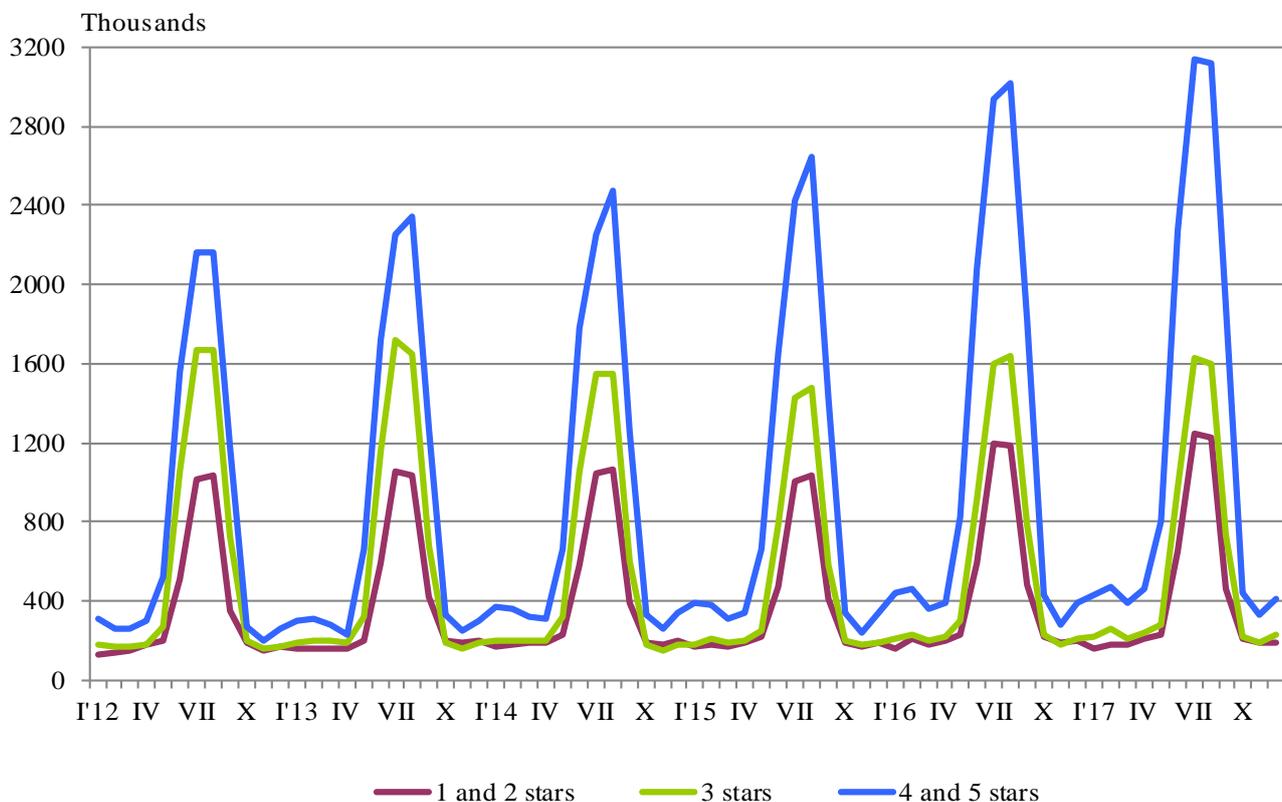
ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN DECEMBER 2017

In December 2017, 1 946 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 57.5 thousand and the bed-places were 116.6 thousand. In comparison with December 2016, the total number of accommodation establishments (functioned during the period) increased by 0.4%, and the bed-places in them decreased - by 0.1%.

The total number of the nights spent in all accommodation establishments registered in December 2017 was 833.3 thousand, or by 3.1% more in comparison with the same month of the previous year, as the greatest increase (by 6.8%) was observed in 3 stars accommodation establishments.

In December 2017, 71.3% of all nights spent by foreign citizens and 39.0% of all nights spent by Bulgarians were realized in 4 and 5 stars hotels. In 3 stars accommodation establishments were spent 20.9% of all nights by foreigners and 30.4% of all nights by Bulgarian residents, while in the rest of accommodation establishments (with 1 and 2 stars) they were 7.8% and 30.6% respectively.

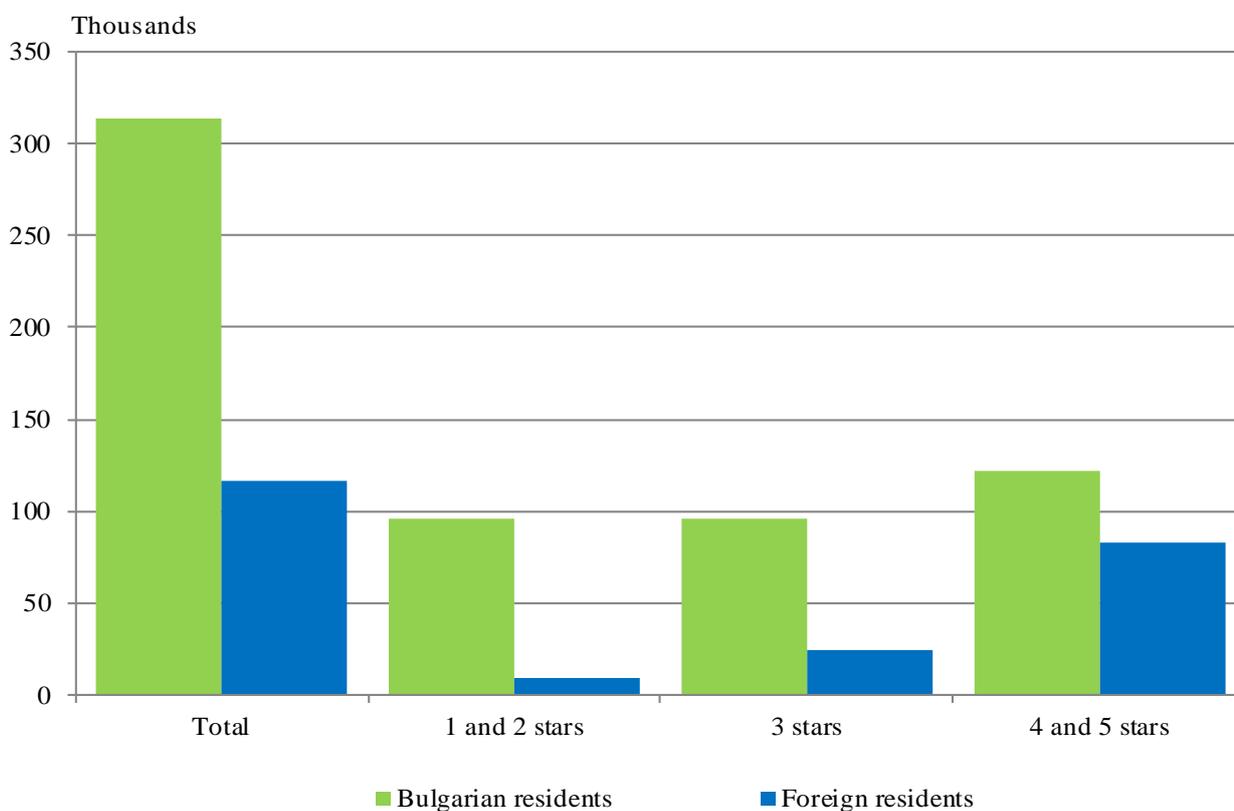
Figure 1. The nights spent in accommodation establishments by categories and months





In December 2017, the number of arrivals in all accommodation establishments increased by 2.7% compared to the same month of 2016 and reached 430.4 thousand, as an increase by 11.1% for foreigners and decrease by 0.1% for Bulgarians was registered. Bulgarians spent the nights in accommodation establishments in December 2017 were 313.7 thousand and spent 1.8 nights on the average. The arrivals of foreigners were 116.7 thousand, as 71.3% of them spent nights in hotels with 4 and 5 stars. On the average 2.3 nights were spent by foreigners.

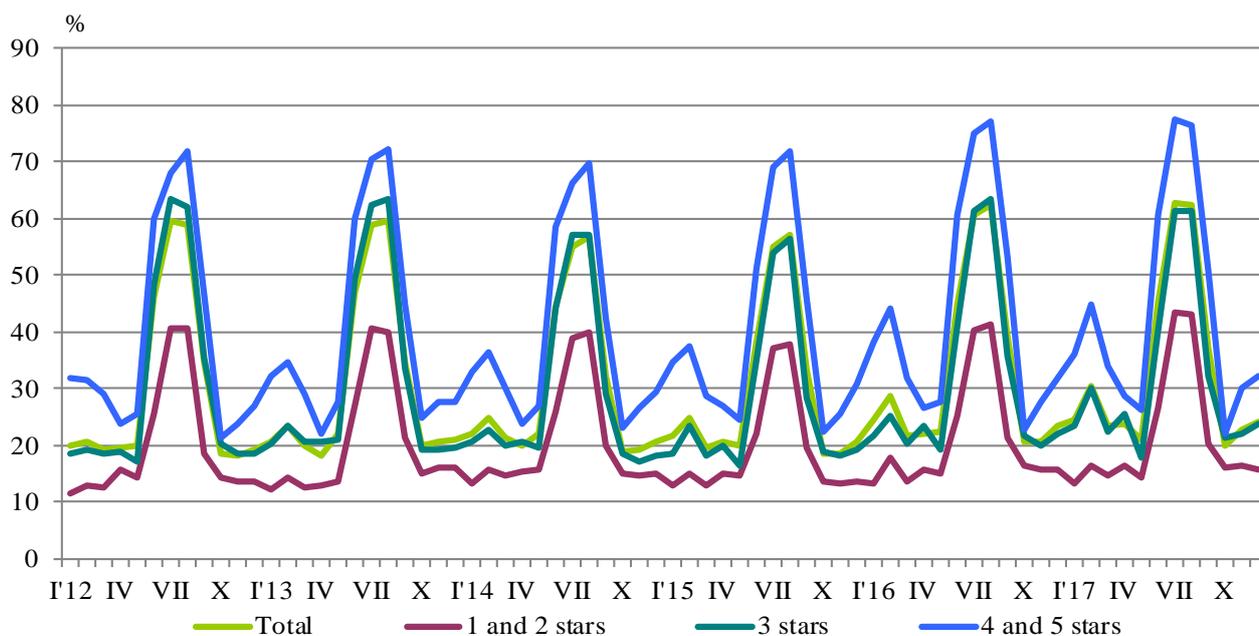
Figure 2. Arrivals in accommodation establishments by categories in December 2017



In December 2017, the total occupancy of the bed-places in accommodation establishments was 24.1%, as compared to December 2016 increased by 0.8 percentage points. The highest was occupancy of the bed-places in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments - 32.3%, followed by 3 stars accommodation establishments - 23.9%, and with 1 and 2 stars - 15.7%.

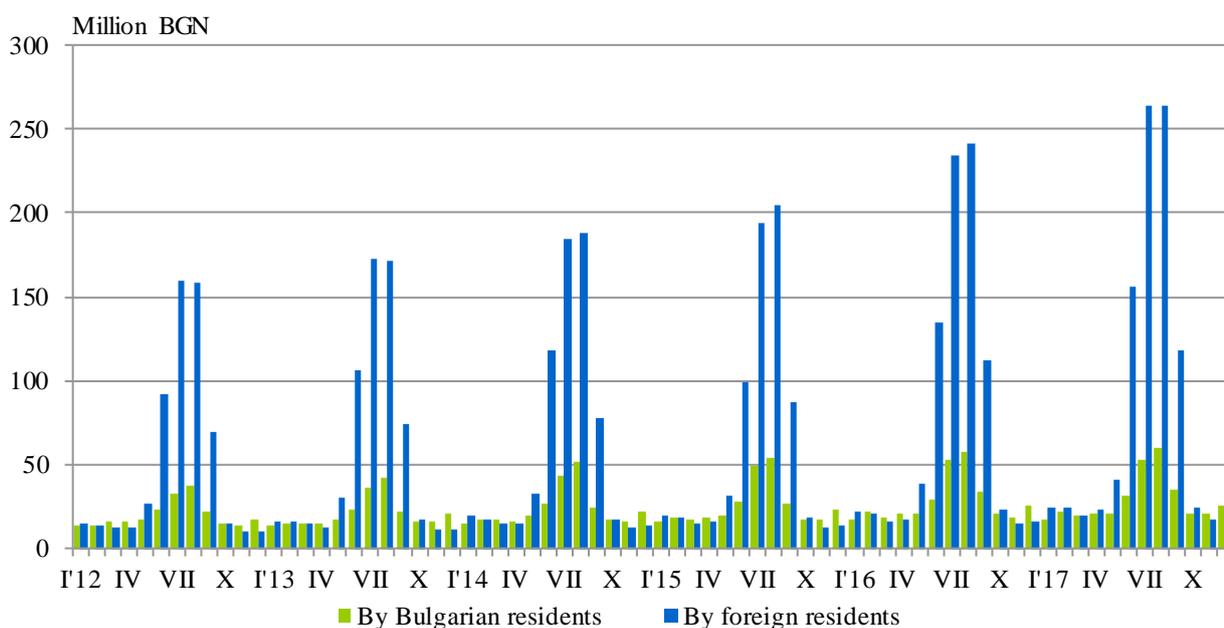


Figure 3. The occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments by categories and months



The total revenues from nights spent in December 2017 reached 44.3 million BGN or by 6.6% more compared to December 2016. An increase in revenues was registered from both foreigners - by 11.9% and Bulgarians - by 3.2%.

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** include 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 December 2017¹

Districts	Establishments - in numbers	Bed-places - in numbers	Available bed-nights - in numbers	Nights spent - in numbers		Arrivals in accommodation establishments - in numbers		Revenues from nights spent - Thousand BGN	
				Total	Of which: By foreigners	Total	Of which: Foreigners	Total	Of which: By foreigners
Total	1946	116586	3459206	833282	268129	430357	116656	44288	18196
Blagoevgrad	231	16461	486035	154061	78933	67491	28745	7940	4472
Burgas	71	5904	163991	26227	5179	13399	2042	1324	346
Varna	143	14115	418905	55249	20479	28552	7931	2981	1283
Veliko Tarnovo	104	4598	142102	24180	3571	14686	1943	1061	203
Vidin	27	820	23324	3109	749	2073	281	115	34
Vratsa	24	857	26025	5985	943	3311	301	161	34
Gabrovo	59	3112	90794	15549	1283	8283	421	613	85
Dobrich	42	4082	124278	10975	3272	6599	1659	710	213
Kardzhali	30	1049	29994	5302	1070	3568	577	198	48
Kyustendil	68	2786	86311	13380	1022	8186	577	484	52
Lovech	74	3995	118054	22551	509	14002	251	931	28
Montana	23	1104	34064	4100	216	2595	123	141	11
Pazardzhik	54	4372	132514	49412	2855	21204	917	2755	200
Pernik	11	467	14477	2312	288	1080	121	70	16
Pleven	23	1215	33612	5575	994	3257	472	245	67
Plovdiv	173	8711	269666	71150	12324	40441	6137	3428	695
Razgrad	13	594	18414	2427	290	1764	184	92	14
Ruse	38	1660	48720	9360	2723	5719	1241	578	210
Silistra	11	487	15027	1690	303	1130	129	67	13
Sliven	54	1806	55193	6172	649	3903	330	246	41
Smolyan	273	11276	304306	78313	10114	32668	2944	3472	560
Sofia	103	8033	242410	73136	18214	35470	5507	3961	1293
Sofia (stolitsa)	122	11585	359037	148322	95440	87806	50501	10801	7888
Stara Zagora	49	3388	99154	23132	2047	10181	851	986	127
Targovishte	17	612	18448	3369	531	2265	253	153	32
Haskovo	30	1291	39919	9890	2718	6018	1683	428	133
Shumen	58	1490	43601	5372	597	3411	307	210	37
Yambol	21	716	20831	2982	816	1295	228	137	61

¹ In use.