



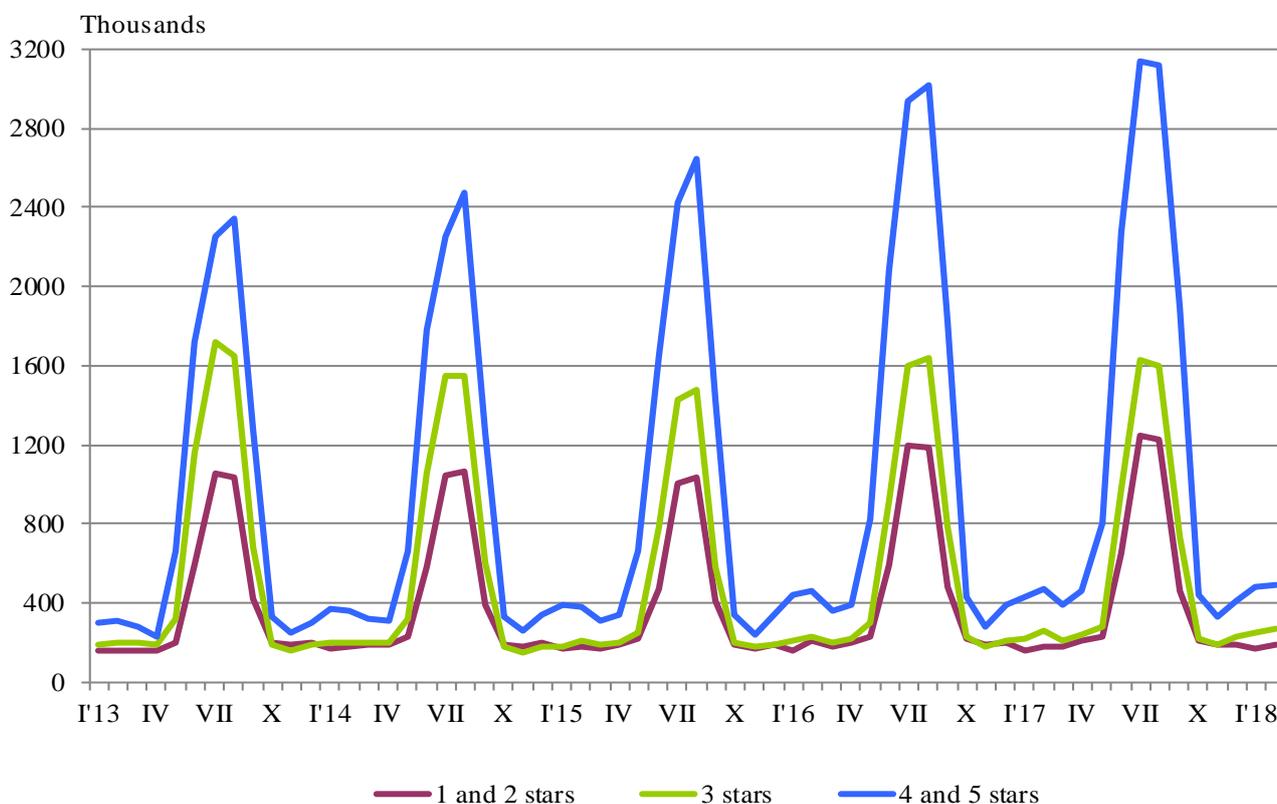
ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN FEBRUARY 2018

In February 2018, 1 883 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 54.9 thousand and the bed-places were 110.7 thousand. In comparison with February 2017, the total number of accommodation establishments (functioned during the period) increased by 2.8%, and the bed-places in them - by 0.8%.

The total number of the nights spent in all accommodation establishments registered in February 2018 was 939.4 thousand, or by 3.5% more in comparison with the same month of the previous year, as the greatest increase (by 3.9%) was observed in 1 and 2 stars accommodation establishments.

In February 2018, 71.7% of all nights spent by foreign citizens and 35.9% of all nights spent by Bulgarians were realized in 4 and 5 stars hotels. In 3 stars accommodation establishments were spent 22.5% of all nights by foreigners and 33.1% of all nights by Bulgarian residents, while in the rest of accommodation establishments (with 1 and 2 stars) they were 5.8% and 31.0% respectively.

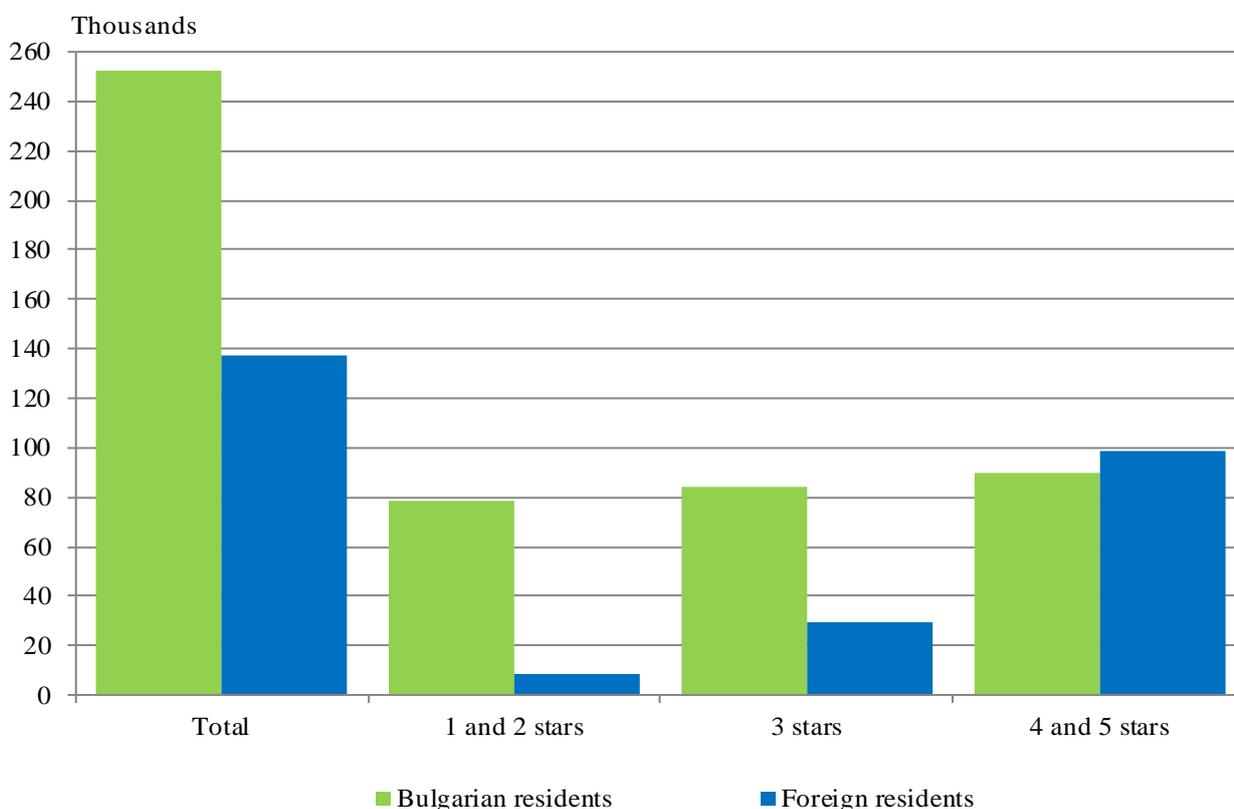
Figure 1. The nights spent in accommodation establishments by categories and months





In February 2018, the number of arrivals in all accommodation establishments increased by 2.1% compared to the same month of 2017 and reached 389.1 thousand, as an increase was registered for foreigners by 4.6% and for Bulgarians - by 0.7%. Bulgarians spent the nights in accommodation establishments in February 2018 were 252.2 thousand and spent 2.1 nights on the average. The arrivals of foreigners were 136.9 thousand, as 72.0% of them spent nights in hotels with 4 and 5 stars. On the average 3.1 nights were spent by foreigners.

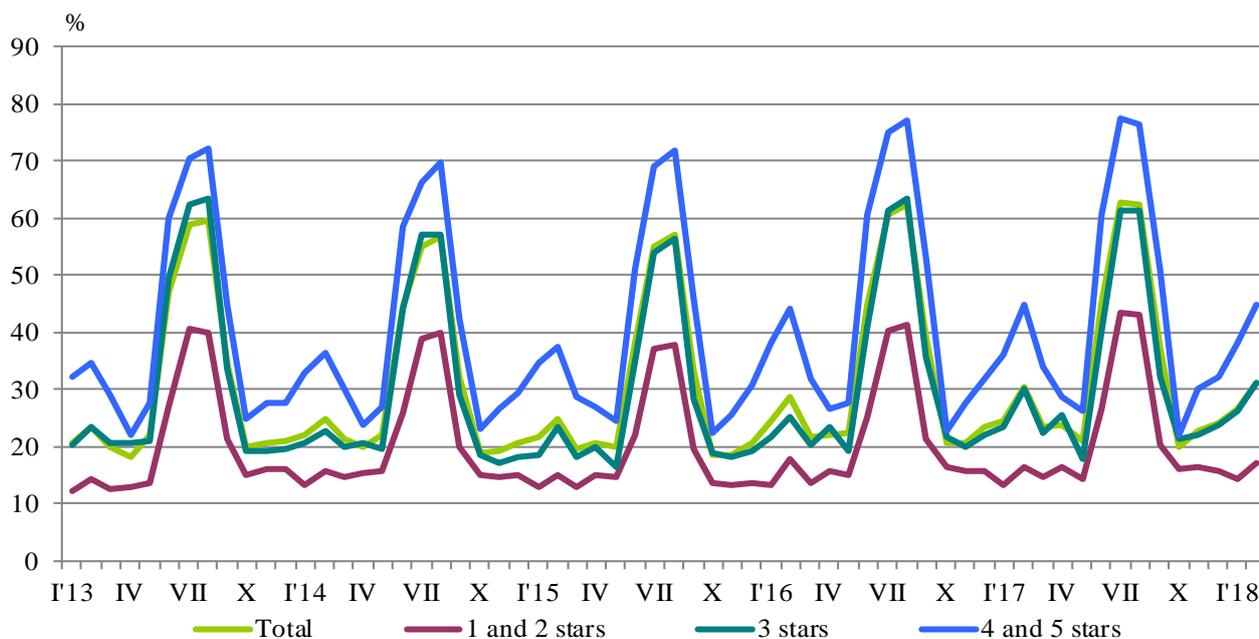
Figure 2. Arrivals in accommodation establishments by categories in February 2018



In February 2018, the total occupancy of the bed-places in accommodation establishments was 31.1%, as compared to February 2017 increased by 0.7 percentage points. The highest was occupancy of the bed-places in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments - 44.8%, followed by 3 stars accommodation establishments - 31.2%, and with 1 and 2 stars - 17.3%.

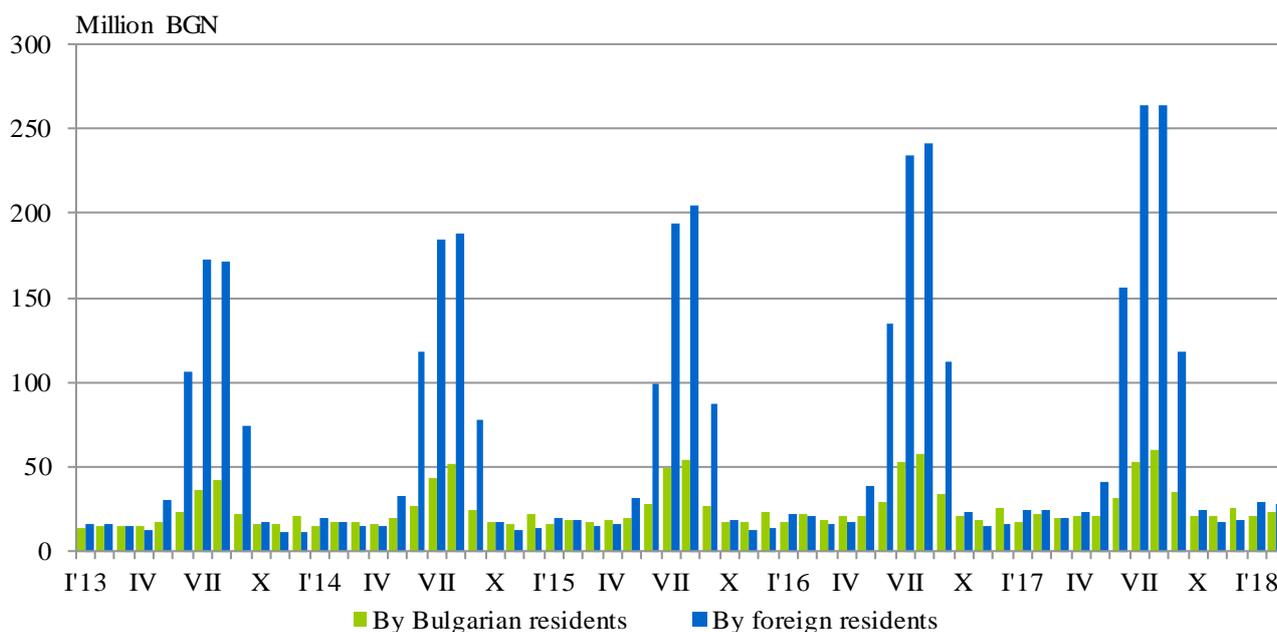


Figure 3. The occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments by categories and months



The total revenues from nights spent in February 2018 reached 50.2 million BGN or by 9.6% more compared to February 2017. An increase in revenues was registered from both foreigners - by 13.5% and Bulgarians - by 5.1%.

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 February 2018¹

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	1883	110690	3016690	939410	417534	389090	136891	50225	27543
Blagoevgrad	216	16243	436664	221777	156084	66554	40266	11340	8544
Burgas	70	5071	126570	23722	5811	11874	2066	1087	342
Varna	127	11632	325456	41516	12967	20409	4414	2040	796
Veliko Tarnovo	100	4221	116648	18142	2169	10873	1375	701	117
Vidin	24	785	20175	2443	491	1837	294	95	23
Vratsa	22	830	22770	5759	636	2560	248	158	21
Gabrovo	56	3105	80049	12860	1203	6340	390	449	62
Dobrich	35	2716	76048	9228	1903	4335	674	407	65
Kardzhali	28	940	25139	5179	1040	3274	527	180	55
Kyustendil	64	2647	74116	12984	..	7555	582	495	..
Lovech	69	3710	93819	17432	408	9891	235	624	22
Montana	22	1062	29736	2402	210	1654	103	98	11
Pazardzhik	47	3911	108009	50137	4238	21791	1010	2478	203
Pernik	11	440	12320	2212	..	905	199	67	..
Pleven	22	1229	31021	5579	1240	3232	551	232	85
Plovdiv	179	9081	251240	71357	15115	38671	7746	3341	892
Razgrad	13	594	16632	2801	841	1786	455	123	46
Ruse	46	1952	53296	10054	3291	5546	1262	481	175
Silistra	11	487	13636	1221	300	843	181	48	14
Sliven	51	1749	48190	5253	602	3141	322	199	38
Smolyan	287	11462	318305	121725	32566	36772	7079	5464	1803
Sofia	99	8021	220069	126080	77660	35824	15766	6819	4626
Sofia (stolitsa)	120	11487	321636	128724	88149	74060	47572	11580	9035
Stara Zagora	47	3424	90972	20680	2769	8698	969	905	188
Targovishte	16	594	16520	2334	680	1452	244	113	39
Haskovo	28	1230	31920	9724	3814	4876	1718	389	181
Shumen	52	1379	38612	5040	615	3011	357	195	36
Yambol	21	688	17122	3045	875	1326	286	117	35

¹ In use.

“..” Confidential data.