



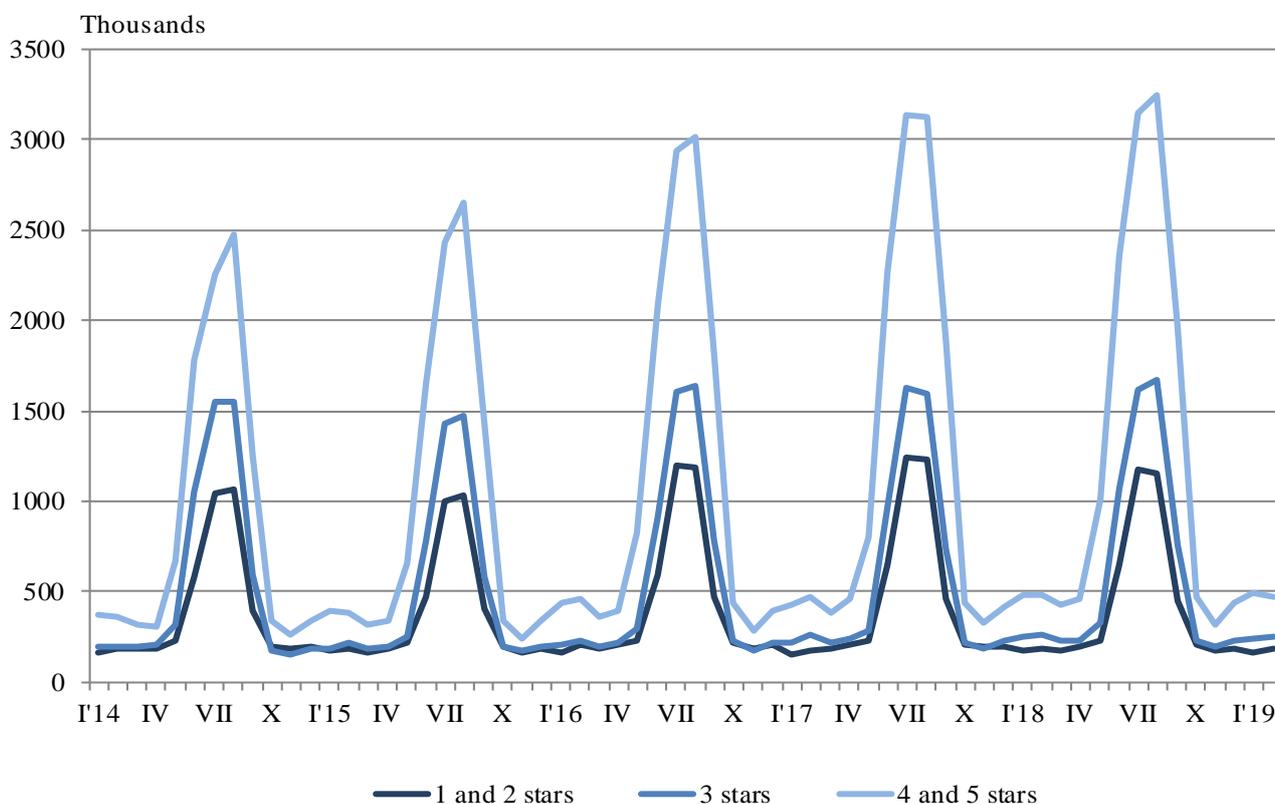
## ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN FEBRUARY 2019

In February 2019, 1 868 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 55.1 thousand and the bed-places were 111.3 thousand. In comparison with February 2018, the total number of accommodation establishments (functioned during the period) decreased by 0.8%, while the bed-places in them increased with 0.5%.

The total number of the nights spent in all accommodation establishments registered in February 2019 was 904.1 thousand, or by 3.8% less in comparison with the same month of the previous year, as the greatest decrease (by 5.4%) was observed in 3 stars accommodation establishments.

In February 2019, 73.3% 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 20.0% of all nights by foreigners and 33.9% of all nights by Bulgarian residents, while in the rest of accommodation establishments (with 1 and 2 stars) they were 6.7% and 30.2% respectively.

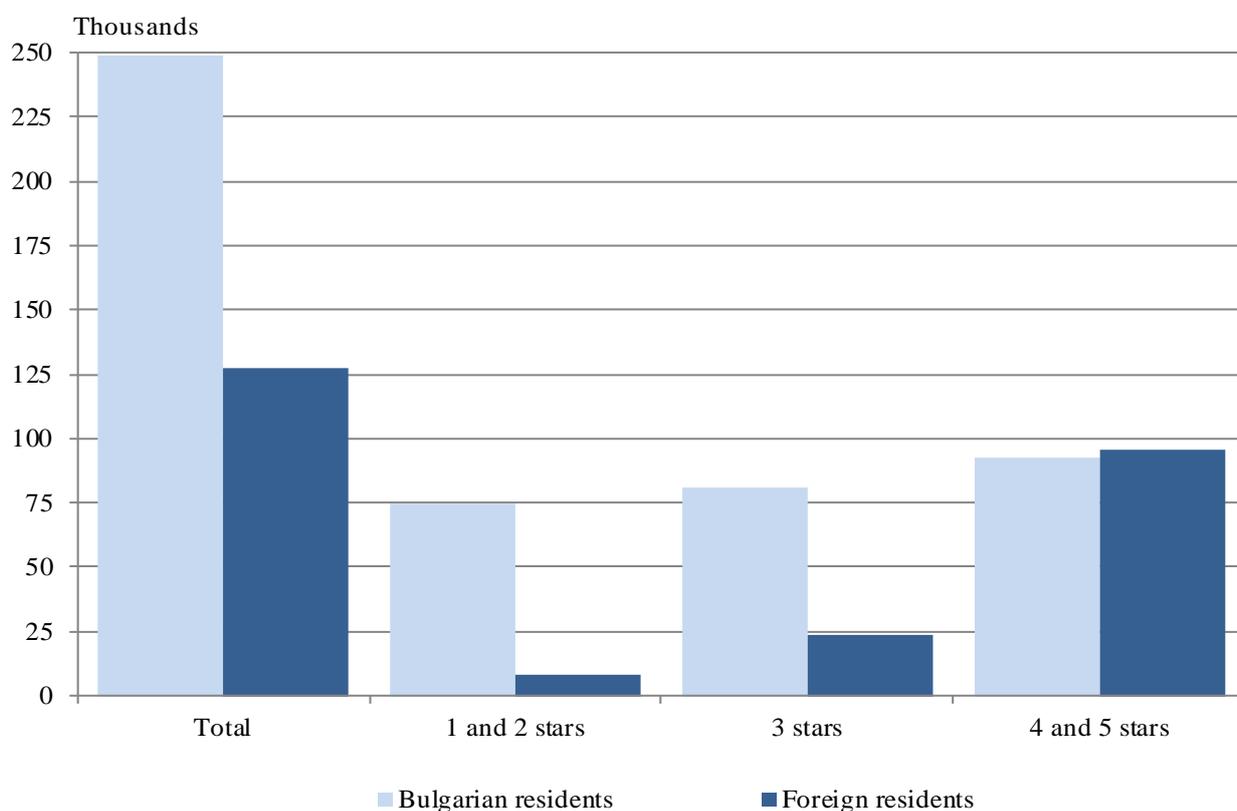
**Figure 1. The nights spent in accommodation establishments by categories and months**





In February 2019, the number of arrivals in all accommodation establishments decreased by 3.4% compared to the same month of 2018 and reached 376.0 thousand, as a decrease was registered for both foreigners and Bulgarians by 6.8% and by 1.5% respectively. Bulgarians spent the nights in accommodation establishments in February 2019 were 248.5 thousand and spent 2.1 nights on the average. The arrivals of foreigners were 127.5 thousand, and had on average 3.1 nights, as 74.7% of them spent nights in hotels with 4 and 5 stars.

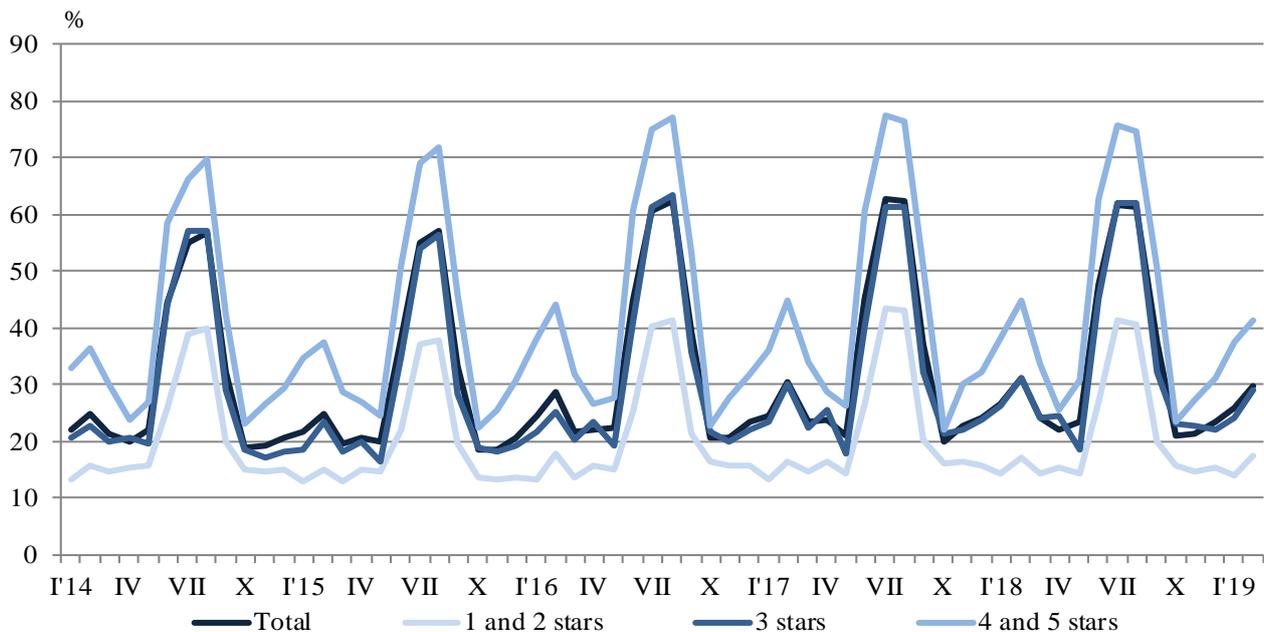
**Figure 2. Arrivals in accommodation establishments by categories in February 2019**



In February 2019, the total occupancy of the bed-places in accommodation establishments was 29.8%, as decreased by 1.3 percentage points compared to February 2018. The highest was occupancy of the bed-places in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments - 41.5%, followed by 3 stars accommodation establishments - 29.2%, and with 1 and 2 stars - 17.4%.

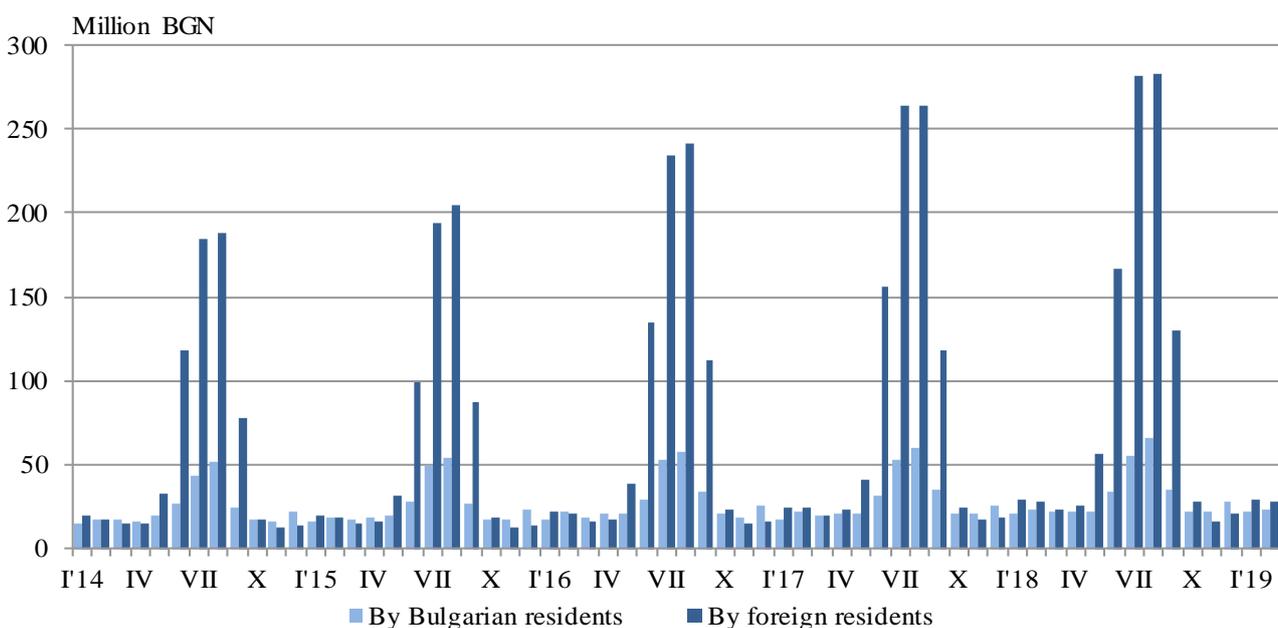


**Figure 3. The occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments by categories and months**



The total revenues from nights spent in February 2019 reached 51.4 million BGN or by 2.4% more compared to February 2018. An increase in revenues from both Bulgarians by 4.7% and foreigners by 0.5% was registered.

**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 2019<sup>1</sup>

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
<b>Total</b>	<b>1868</b>	<b>111298</b>	<b>3038385</b>	<b>904114</b>	<b>390805</b>	<b>376045</b>	<b>127524</b>	<b>51417</b>	<b>27673</b>
Blagoevgrad	217	16930	458928	198378	137387	64222	37105	11464	8472
Burgas	69	4319	110518	19769	5436	9846	1732	1110	412
Varna	141	11950	319706	42029	14631	19903	4823	2066	856
Veliko Tarnovo	101	4336	121128	18846	2163	10890	1190	751	112
Vidin	25	816	21995	2838	391	1692	206	115	17
Vratsa	24	828	22707	5519	560	2151	192	155	22
Gabrovo	54	2934	78297	12042	780	6190	344	395	52
Dobrich	39	2937	80453	11120	2243	5106	875	508	95
Kardzhali	26	854	23912	3404	826	2132	494	142	41
Kyustendil	67	2665	74620	12754	..	7582	..	410	..
Lovech	63	3339	87377	17800	2299	7516	494	640	99
Montana	21	1072	30016	3442	492	2040	149	128	23
Pazardzhik	51	4128	112176	48506	2244	22076	671	2521	150
Pernik	10	424	11872	1632	..	1135	..	53	..
Pleven	22	1179	33012	5400	1395	2948	703	249	106
Plovdiv	193	9350	256064	68237	12709	37114	5841	3601	859
Razgrad	13	548	15344	2798	638	1341	276	115	35
Ruse	50	2000	53106	11023	3945	6711	1958	519	215
Silistra	13	572	16016	1586	208	1081	130	65	10
Sliven	46	1693	46110	4756	673	3052	334	202	41
Smolyan	238	11054	308896	122316	31492	37171	6558	6103	1891
Sofia	96	7620	208123	120233	76369	32837	15228	6784	4911
Sofia (stolitsa)	121	12129	339584	125213	80614	71263	43862	11131	8517
Stara Zagora	48	3497	93509	20519	3537	8367	860	1143	235
Targovishte	15	585	16380	3663	1443	1714	259	183	74
Haskovo	31	1423	39844	11282	5410	5037	1962	522	298
Shumen	54	1416	39592	6264	1190	3251	280	227	42
Yambol	20	700	19100	2745	533	1677	296	115	31

<sup>1</sup> In use.

“..” Confidential data.