ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS¹ IN AUGUST 2022

In August 2022, 3 624 accommodation establishments - hotels, motels, camping sites, mountain chalets and other establishments for short-term accommodation with more than 10 bed-places, functioned in the country (Annex, Table 1) with 144.3 thousand rooms and 331.7 thousand bed-places in them. In comparison with August 2021, the total number of accommodation establishments (functioned during the period) increased by 18.5% and the bed-places in them - by 15.4%.

The total number of nights spent in all accommodation establishments in August 2022 was 6 152.8 thousand, or by 14.8% more in comparison with the same month of the previous year. The nights spent by foreign citizens were 3 841.5 thousand and by Bulgarian residents - 2 311.3 thousand.

In August 2022, 76.4% of all nights spent by foreign citizens and 40.1% of all nights spent by Bulgarian residents were realized in 4 and 5 stars hotels. In 3 star accommodation establishments, were spent 16.6% of all nights by foreign citizens and 25.4% of all nights by Bulgarian residents, while in the rest of the accommodation establishments (with 1 and 2 stars), they were 7.0% and 34.5%, respectively.

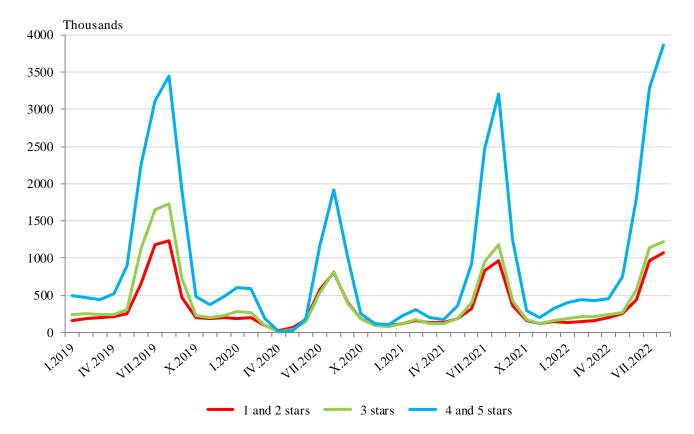


Figure 1. Nights spent in accommodation establishments by categories and months

¹ According to instructions from Eurostat the refugees from Ukraine are not included in the survey.

In August 2022, the number of arrivals in all accommodation establishments increased by 11.9% compared to the same month of 2021, and reached 1 483.2 thousand. Bulgarian residents spent nights in accommodation establishments in August 2022 were 695.2 thousand and spent 3.3 nights on average. The arrivals of foreigners were 788.0 thousand, and had 4.9 nights on average, as 74.0% of them spent nights in hotels with 4 and 5 stars.

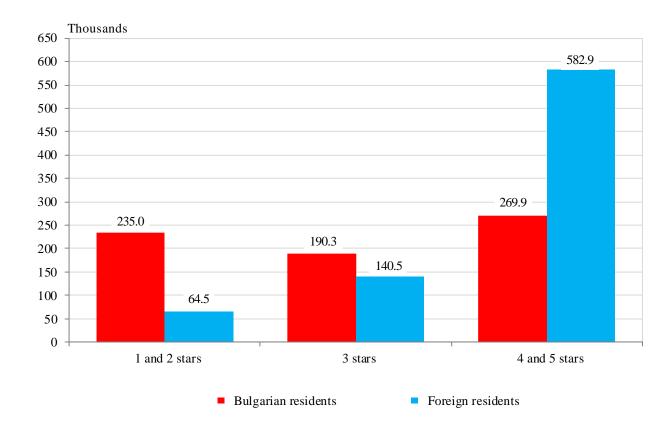


Figure 2. Arrivals in accommodation establishments by categories in August 2022

In August 2022, the total occupancy of the bed-places in accommodation establishments was 60.2% and decreased by 0.3 percentage points compared to August 2021. The highest occupancy of the bed-places was in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments - 78.0%, followed by 3 star accommodation establishments - 52.0%, and with 1 and 2 stars - 36.7%.

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

The total revenues from nights spent in August 2022 increased by 26.3% compared to August 2021 and reached 451.2 million BGN, as 318.0 million BGN were from foreign citizens and 133.2 million BGN - from Bulgarian residents.

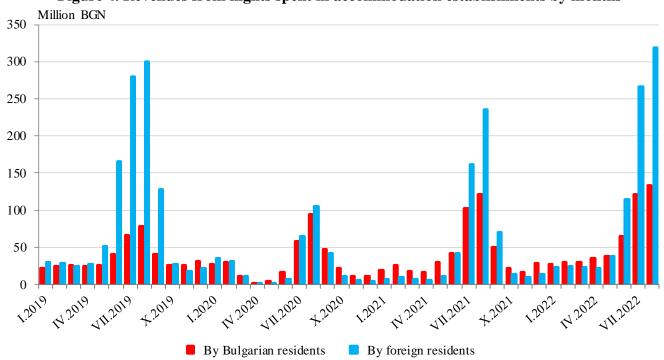


Figure 4. Revenues from nights spent in accommodation establishments by months



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 are included in the observation.

The indicator **other accommodation establishments** includes holiday settlements, hostels, guest 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.

The **revenues from nights spent** in accommodation establishments include the sums paid by the guests, without the extra services.

Activity of accommodation establishments in August 2022¹

Annex

Table 1

| Districts | Establish- ments - 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 foreign citizens | Total | Of which: Foreign citizens | Total | Of which: By foreign citizens |
| Total | 3624 | 331734 | 10218722 | 6152781 | 3841491 | 1483212 | 787982 | 451243 | 318040 |
| Blagoevgrad | 178 | 13050 | 401716 | 139325 | 25412 | 54680 | 9791 | 9297 | 1835 |
| Burgas | 1001 | 138574 | 4256214 | 3216353 | 2154558 | 616613 | 374388 | 233538 | 173068 |
| Varna | 390 | 61091 | 1892743 | 1337683 | 1070932 | 289455 | 217406 | 112664 | 95956 |
| Veliko | | | | | | | | | |
| Tarnovo | 141 | 4775 | 147912 | 39943 | 10471 | 21497 | 6996 | 2088 | 719 |
| Vidin | 35 | 1060 | 34700 | 9087 | 1497 | 5282 | 1156 | 432 | 79 |
| Vratsa | 36 | 1243 | 38080 | 10460 | 1514 | 4959 | 726 | 359 | 72 |
| Gabrovo | 71 | 3361 | 101776 | 29089 | 1836 | 12147 | 779 | 1139 | 95 |
| Dobrich | 183 | 28963 | 895277 | 491605 | 349768 | 107649 | 71744 | 38190 | 28224 |
| Kardzhali | 76 | 2327 | 70807 | 19898 | 1603 | 11476 | 951 | 1179 | 78 |
| Kyustendil | 102 | 3792 | 117382 | 26857 | 2709 | 13677 | 1395 | 1481 | 195 |
| Lovech | 95 | 3946 | 121087 | 44834 | 2825 | 18682 | 1427 | 2540 | 128 |
| Montana | 39 | 1419 | 43466 | 12333 | 821 | 4367 | 259 | 470 | 43 |
| Pazardzhik | 90 | 6961 | 209717 | 127426 | 7622 | 40783 | 1905 | 8285 | 624 |
| Pernik | 13 | 556 | 17236 | 3876 | 658 | 2033 | 506 | 166 | 37 |
| Pleven | 24 | 1275 | 39525 | 9942 | 3472 | 5475 | 1508 | 486 | 182 |
| Plovdiv | 256 | 12008 | 367769 | 133058 | 26597 | 57474 | 12178 | 7467 | 1788 |
| Razgrad | 15 | 566 | 17546 | 5647 | 1356 | 2681 | 633 | 265 | 76 |
| Ruse | 62 | 2326 | 72106 | 19449 | 6760 | 12300 | 4639 | 1024 | 418 |
| Silistra | 23 | 742 | 22932 | 5041 | 795 | 2900 | 555 | 237 | 51 |
| Sliven | 47 | 1514 | 46934 | 10332 | 1944 | 5963 | 684 | 568 | 137 |
| Smolyan | 271 | 10725 | 332024 | 104435 | 5133 | 35206 | 1913 | 5135 | 308 |
| Sofia | 92 | 6431 | 198601 | 65341 | 8181 | 21517 | 2871 | 3123 | 529 |
| Sofia | | | | | | | | | |
| (stolitsa) | 151 | 14786 | 458366 | 204423 | 141256 | 100595 | 66030 | 16269 | 12415 |
| Stara Zagora | 65 | 4906 | 150702 | 52766 | 5781 | 18065 | 2587 | 2940 | 388 |
| Targovishte | 14 | 525 | 16261 | 3455 | 819 | 1797 | 276 | 233 | 64 |
| Haskovo | 64 | 2555 | 78176 | 19205 | 5349 | 9418 | 3543 | 1119 | 426 |
| Shumen | 70 | 1553 | 48143 | 6917 | 1189 | 4250 | 738 | 347 | 71 |
| Yambol | 20 | 704 | 21524 | 4001 | 633 | 2271 | 398 | 202 | 34 |

¹ In use.