

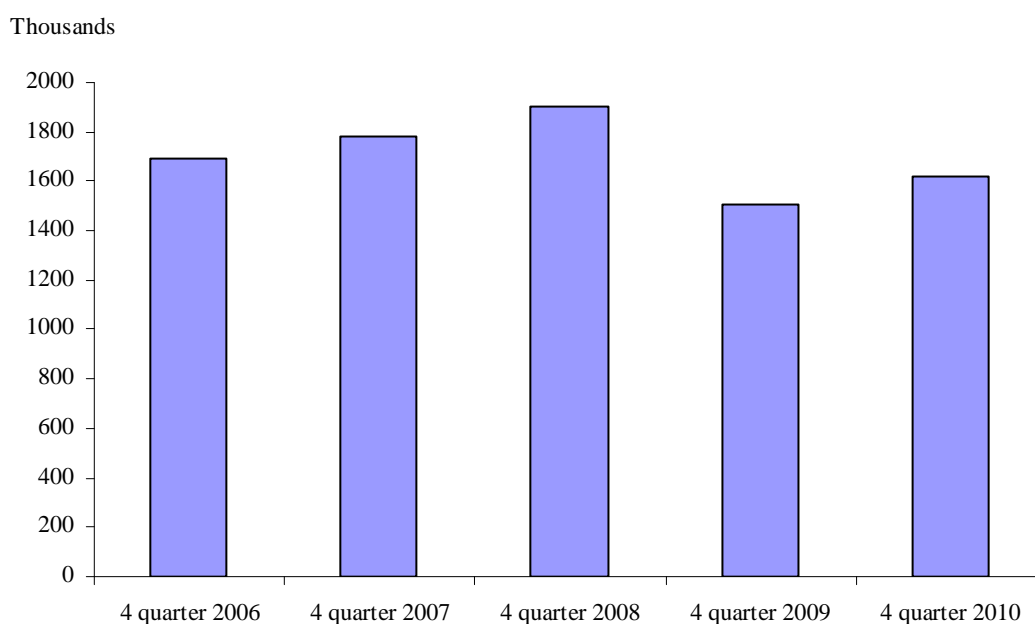


## ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2010

In the fourth quarter of 2010, 2 117 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 (Table 1). The number of rooms in them was 70.0, while the number of the bed-places - 151.9 thousand. In comparison with the same period of 2009 the total number of accommodation establishments increased by 3.1% and the rooms and the bed-places in them by 2.2% and by 0.4% respectively.

In the fourth quarter of 2010, the number of the nights spent in the accommodation establishments was 1 616.9 thousand and rose by 107.7 thousand (7.1%) compared to same period of 2009.

**Figure 1. Nights spent in accommodation establishments in fourth quarter during the 2006 - 2010 period**



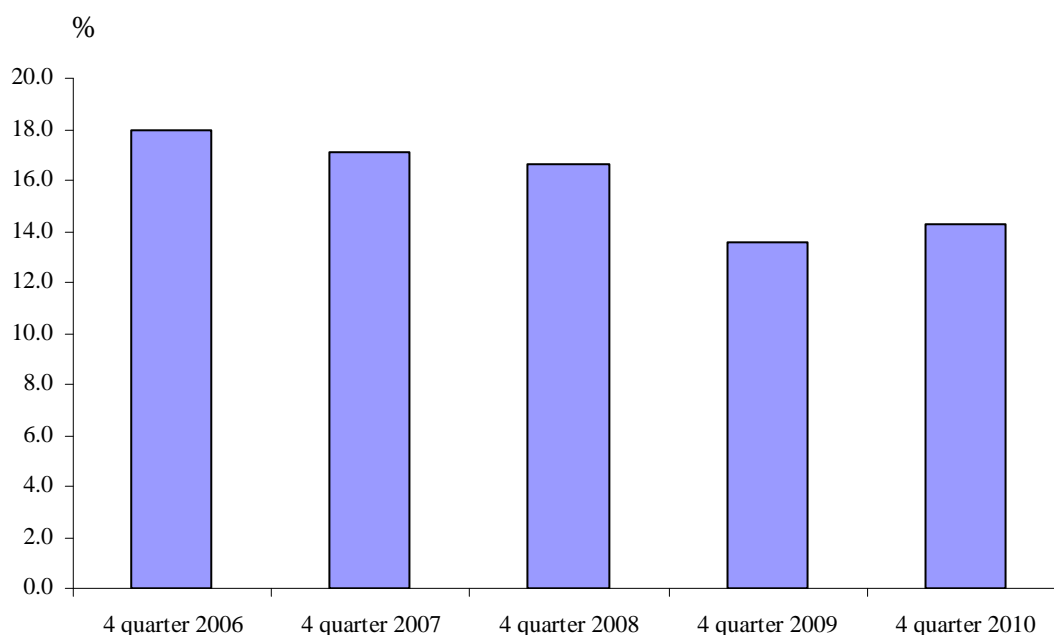
In the fourth quarter of 2010, the number of nights spent by Bulgarian citizens in accommodation establishments was 1 000.7 thousand and decreased by 2.3 thousand (0.2%) compared to the same quarter of 2009. At the same time the number of the nights spent by foreigners in accommodation establishments increased by 21.7%. More nights were spent by the residents of the following countries: Russian Fed. - by 135.7%, USA - by 119.0%, Canada - by 96.8%, FYROM - by 65.1%, Turkey - by 43.8%, Luxembourg - by 41.7%, Hungary - by 38.2%, Greece - by 34.4%, Rep. of Korea - by 33.6%, etc. A decrease in the nights spent in accommodation establishments by foreigners was observed from Lithuania - by 88.0%, Poland - by 46.7%, Iceland - by 42.8%, Latvia - by 35.2%, Ireland - by 25.8%, Estonia - by 25.4%, France - by 20.6%, People's Rep. of China - by 19.7%, Finland - by 19.7%, Spain - by 17.0%, Italy - by 16.8%, United Kingdom - by 13.4%, etc.



In the fourth quarter of 2010, the total number of arrivals in accommodation establishments increased by 13.4 thousand (1.8%) and was 768.8 thousand. The relative share of arrivals of Bulgarian citizens was 70.5% of all arrivals. The number of foreigner arrivals in accommodation establishments increased by 5.1 thousand (2.3%) compared to the same period of the previous year. The greatest share has citizens from Greece (20.6%). Almost all foreigners (99.2%) prefer to spend the night in hotels and the rest 0.8% - in other accommodation establishments.

The total occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments in the fourth quarter of 2010 was 14.3% which was 0.7 percentage points above the registered in the same period of 2009.

**Figure 2. Total occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments in fourth quarter during the period 2006 - 2010**



The total revenues from nights spent in the accommodation establishments increased by 4.2% in the fourth quarter of 2010 compared to the fourth quarter of 2009, reaching to 76.3 million leva, the revenues from nights spent by foreigners increased by 5.6% - 36.9 million leva.



### Methodological notes

In the statistical survey of **accommodation establishments** were included all categorized hotels, mountain chalets, camping sites, and other type of accommodation establishments with more than 10 bed-places in use during the reporting period. Up to 2006 accommodation establishments with more than 30 bed-places were observed.

Private flats, holiday settlements, bungalows and other establishments for short-time accommodation added since 2003 in indicator “other accommodation establishments”. Private rooms and rest houses are added since 2006.



**Table 1**

**ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2010<sup>1</sup>**

Districts	Accommodation on establishment s - number	Bed-places - number	Available bed-nights <sup>2</sup> - number	Nights spent - number		Arrivals in accommodation establishments - number		Revenues from nights spent - levs (BGN)	
				Total	Of which: by foreigners	Total	Of which: foreigners	Total	Of which: by foreigners
<b>For the country</b>	<b>2117</b>	<b>151943</b>	<b>11286038</b>	<b>1616929</b>	<b>616262</b>	<b>768833</b>	<b>226984</b>	<b>76346021</b>	<b>36883985</b>
Blagoevgrad	183	15698	1426392	181020	89368	91114	38792	7769572	3981869
Burgas	98	23247	923190	125405	66586	37432	13477	5517852	3135100
Varna	158	26007	1601507	219134	134264	65724	20828	8367796	4869030
Veliko Tarnovo	92	5031	462760	44800	5225	28817	3263	1896362	306732
Vidin	33	855	78660	9181	2469	5989	979	377348	117629
Vratsa	29	998	88816	10017	1807	5143	582	397517	105284
Gabrovo	77	3752	331708	32029	1989	18682	1152	1018654	129842
Dobrich	39	7819	220154	25066	8888	10609	2678	642077	196676
Karddzhal	21	786	72312	10529	1940	6525	1069	312483	93127
Kyustendil	35	2086	191912	23091	2374	13314	1439	594722	178476
Lovech	61	3542	325833	38322	3277	23490	1208	1144610	108237
Montana	30	1284	118128	11715	674	5443	459	269103	41893
Pazardzhik	87	5066	466068	73973	4973	34377	1472	3539874	306464
Pernik	22	982	89758	6497	1644	2521	417	118682	35305
Pleven	13	1161	105792	17040	3020	10161	1080	646337	170978
Plovdiv	227	9156	842344	160859	36182	74632	12881	6400215	1725600
Razgrad	18	539	49588	6989	948	3695	516	230204	40778
Ruse	88	1761	161280	30150	7799	20697	4476	1445240	419564
Silistra	23	728	66976	10509	2158	5658	1063	375297	117967
Sliven	91	2676	246121	15850	1522	9388	843	598263	112007
Smolyan	365	12313	999205	83854	9541	39717	3224	3468010	637127
Sofia	52	5762	516324	63708	20664	32724	7616	1832364	595118
Sofia Cap.	114	12409	1140653	293549	184755	167087	97698	24511590	17997649
Stara Zagora	33	3570	328440	73177	13887	24106	3737	2865699	867419
Targovishte	22	717	65964	9615	1360	5649	702	251761	40910
Haskovo	47	1893	172997	24641	5570	15683	3712	1157522	397303
Shumen	33	1338	123052	9008	2014	6378	1099	347325	94262
Yambol	26	767	70104	7201	1364	4078	522	249542	61639

<sup>1</sup>In use.

<sup>2</sup>The data for the "Available Bed Capacity" item are obtained through accumulation of the number of bed-places for each of the days of the reference period, when they are put into utilization, irrespective of whether they are occupied or not.