

## METHODOLOGY FOR SURVEY OF PERFORMING ARTS

Data for the performing arts are received as a result of conducting an annual statistical survey.

Subject of survey is the activity of theaters and other cultural institutions.

Units of observation are theaters, operas, operettas, circuses, musical and dance formations, companies and associations which have organized and held recitals and concerts (pop music, folk, symphonic, chamber, choral, brass bands mixed and others). Their work covers the following main characteristics: stages, seating capacity, performances, visitors, staging by nationality of the author including new stagings.

Definitions:

Cultural institutions, according to the REGULATIONS FOR THE ACQUISITION AND DEPRIVATION OF STATUS OF STATE CULTURAL INSTITUTION OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE, are with subject of activity: creation and presentation in front of an audience of music, dance and theatrical performances; storage of the elements of national identity - language, traditions and cultural heritage; encourage the spirit of tolerance and dialogue between different cultures.

In the number of theaters are included the dramatic, operatic and ballet theaters, operettas, puppet theaters, dramatic - puppet and opera-philharmonic society.

In the number of the stagings are accounted the staging of Bulgarian and foreign authors (American, English, German, Russian, French and other authors)

In the number of musical and dance formation are included the philharmonics, ensembles for folk songs and dances and the orchestras (strings, brass, etc.).

The performances and the concerts shown on the professional stages are accounted by the cultural institution itself.

Private companies and associations account organized and conducted of them their individual theatrical performances and concerts of unprofessional scenes (community centers, stadiums, cultural centers, etc.).

Territorial cover

Data on the number of theaters, stages, seating capacity and performances are presented on a national level and statistical regions