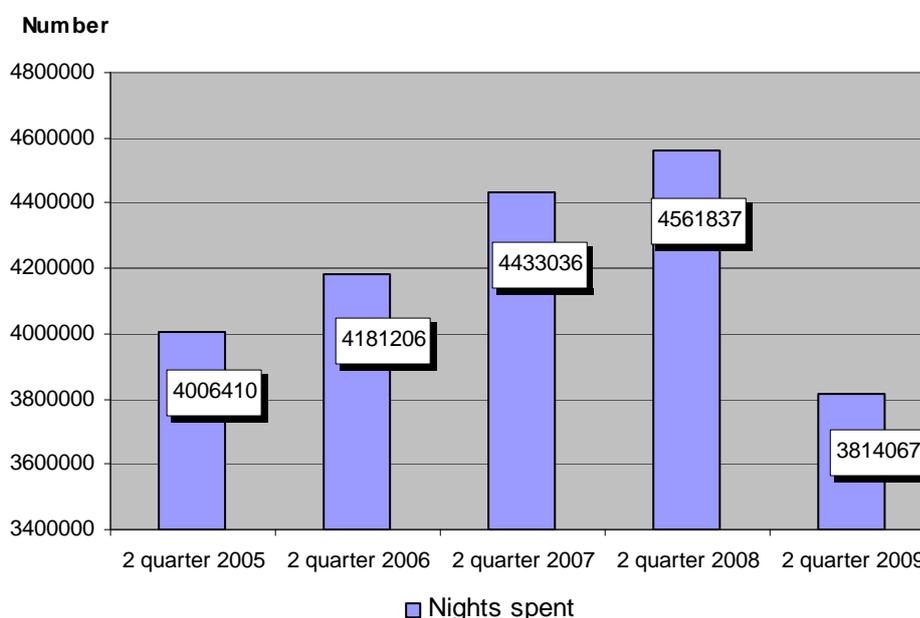




ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2009

In the second quarter of 2009 there were 3 015 accommodation establishments – hotels, motels, camping sites, mountain chalets and other establishments for short-term accommodation with more than 10 bed places (Annex 1, 2). The number of rooms in them was 110.4 thousand, while the number of the bed-places 249.0 thousand. The total number of the accommodation establishments increased by 382 (14.5%) as compared to the same period of 2008, while the greatest share of the total number had other establishments for short-term accommodation - 257 (25.0%), followed by hotels - 115 (7.8%).

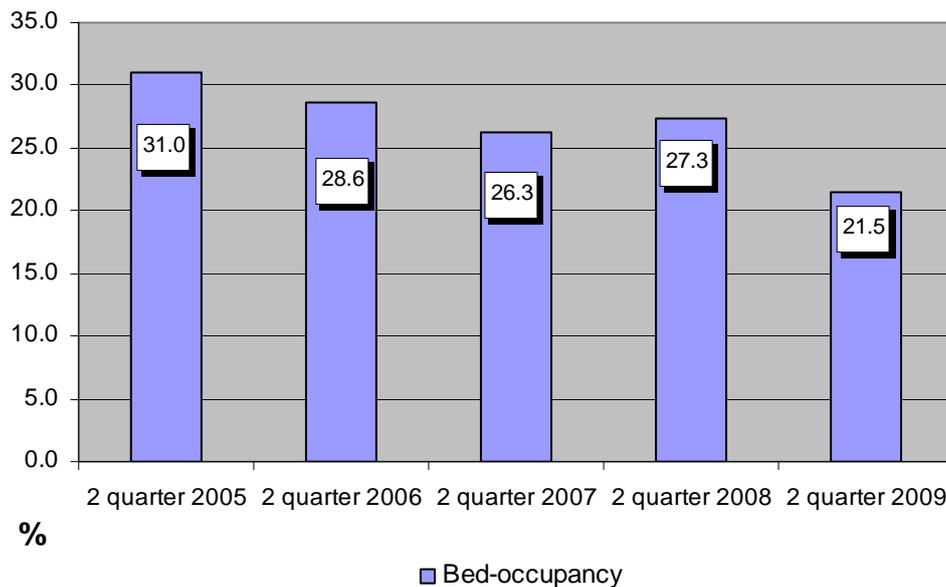
The total number of the nights spent in the second quarter of 2009 in all accommodation establishments fell by 747.8 thousand (16.4%) as compared to the same period of 2008 and reached to 3 814 thousand.



Nights spent in the accommodation establishments in the second quarter during the period 2005 - 2009

In the second quarter of 2009 the number of nights spent by Bulgarian citizens in accommodation establishments decreased by 108.7 thousand (7.1%) compared to the corresponding quarter of 2008 and reached 1 417.6 thousand. The number of the nights spent by foreigners in accommodation establishments has decreased by 21.1% in the second quarter of 2009 as compared to the same quarter of the previous year. An increase in nights spent by the residents of the following countries were reported: Republic of Korea - by 166.0%, People's Republic of China - by 30.7%, Slovenia - by 22.2%, Romania - by 13.5%, Lithuania - by 12.7%, Spain - by 12.4%, Czech Republic - by 11.8%, etc. A decrease in the nights spent by foreigners in accommodation establishments was observed for the citizens from Brazil - by 88.7%, Malta - by 84.3%, Iceland - by 82.4%, Australia - by 68.4%, South Africa - by 58.7%, Belgium - by 50.5%, Estonia - by 50.4%, Ireland - by 47.8%, Canada - by 47.2%, Latvia - by 46.9%, Austria - by 46.8%, Slovak Republic - by 41.6%, Denmark - by 41.2%, etc.

The total number of arrivals in accommodation establishments decreased by 168.9 thousand (12.7%) in the second quarter of 2009 and reached to 1 156 thousand, of which Bulgarian residents were 54.3%. The number of arrivals of foreigners in the accommodation establishments decreased by 84.6 thousand (13.8%) compared to the same period of the previous year. The greatest share of the total number of the arrivals had citizens from Germany (17.5%). Almost all foreigners (99.3%), prefer to spend the night in hotels, while only 0.7% of them spent the night in the other accommodation establishments (camping sites, mountain chalets and other establishments for short-time accommodation). In the second quarter of 2009 the total occupation of the bed-places in the accommodation establishments was 21.5% which as 5.8 points below the registered in the same period of the previous year.



Total occupation of the bed-places in the accommodation establishments in the second quarter during the period 2005 - 2009

The total revenue from nights spent in the accommodation establishments were less by 11.0% in second quarter of 2009 compared to the same quarter of the 2008 and reached 155.6 million levs, as the revenue from nights spent by foreigners decreased by 14.9% to 103.4 million levs.

Methodological notes

In the statistical survey of **accommodation establishments** are 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.

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

ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2009

Districts	Accommodation establishments	Bed-places	Available bed-nights ²	Nights spent		Arrivals in accommodation establishments		Revenues from nights spent-levs	
				Total	Of which: by foreigners	Total	Of which: foreigners	Total	Of which: by foreigners
For the country	3015	249024	17752317	3814067	2396487	1156172	528519	155557526	103431260
Blagoevgrad	175	13868	1232573	136650	29915	64582	15796	5483646	1970947
Burgas	870	85649	4971263	1234827	990944	209775	145938	41218116	32616445
Varna	403	53448	3835696	1002542	796118	231013	159300	40686731	33279633
Veliko Tamovo	83	4654	423514	56933	9600	33141	6964	2211673	584306
Vidin	38	730	66414	15361	5786	9143	1201	565856	244059
Vratsa	27	957	87087	15217	3094	7443	972	499442	150177
Gabrovo	64	3481	315828	50579	9139	25323	3288	1589412	310033
Dobrich	92	20003	920499	260215	213076	47848	31951	8945401	6888700
Karddzhal	22	799	72709	13227	1950	8344	1109	466312	77515
Kyustendil	32	2170	197440	23163	1734	12182	983	624633	107826
Lovech	65	3688	335608	42537	2622	27432	1482	1572281	162096
Montana	26	1355	123285	16106	1837	6426	926	382365	79321
Pazardzhik	79	5109	425789	83118	4926	33069	1975	3411477	266758
Pernik	20	932	83812	9772	3861	3177	476	233451	133444
Pleven	13	1131	102921	19418	3312	13136	1391	781998	174498
Plovdiv	207	8618	756157	158165	39207	76623	20022	5856950	2145021
Razgrad	16	506	45905	7544	1013	4616	441	265891	50158
Ruse	50	1858	168758	37514	8126	26826	4894	1584653	444231
Silistra	20	633	57603	8921	1932	6012	925	469120	133498
Sliven	79	2196	198108	24708	4691	13361	1363	988471	345907
Smolyan	322	10817	949471	76174	6323	34789	2398	2226933	275139
Sofia	34	4903	424818	42925	9630	19536	3401	1126155	189261
Sofia Cap.	121	13068	1189080	314767	196128	175464	106723	28066761	20456309
Stara Zagora	40	3972	360906	91944	24364	32222	6844	3587851	1223310
Targovishte	19	613	55783	9390	2359	5419	587	277266	72056
Haskovo	33	1680	152850	26516	7486	14429	3702	1149745	439308
Shumen	35	1419	128825	13623	2836	9529	1952	496286	118765
Yambol	30	767	69615	22211	14478	5312	1515	788650	492539

¹In use.

²The 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.

ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS BY QUARTERS IN 2009

Indicator s	1 st quarter	2 nd quarter
Accommodation establishments - number	1975	3015
Bed-places - number	118646	249024
Available bed capacity ² - number	10015301	17752317
Nights spent - total - number	1632397	3814067
- Of which: by foreigners - number	650293	2396487
Arrivals in accommodation establishments - total - number	712826	1156172
- of which: for eigners - number	203724	528519
Revenues from nights spent - total - levs	78811336	155557526
- of which: by foreigners - levs	37449654	103431260

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