



ACTIVITY OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS IN OCTOBER 2018

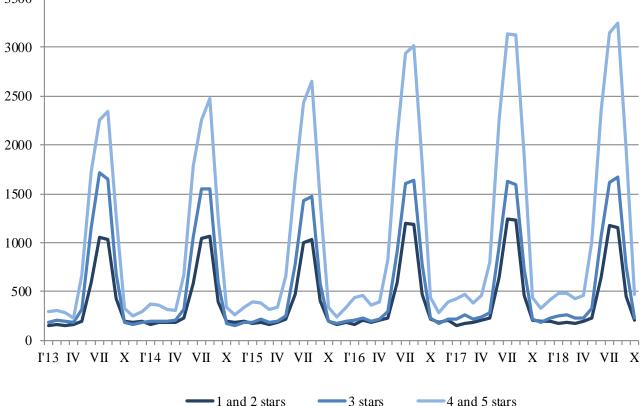
In October 2018, 2 011 accommodation establishments - hotels, motels, camping sites, mountain chalets and other establishments for short-term accommodation with more than 10 bed-places were functioned in the country (Annex, Table 1). The total number of the rooms in them was 72.4 thousand and the bed-places were 152.5 thousand. In comparison with October 2017, the total number of accommodation establishments (functioned during the period) increased by 2.7% and the bed-places in them decreased by 1.2%.

The total number of the nights spent in all accommodation establishments registered in October 2018 was 908.5 thousand, or by 5.1% more in comparison with the same month of the previous year, as the greatest increase (by 8.3%) was observed in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments.

In October 2018, 76.4% of all nights spent by foreign citizens and 34.5% of all nights spent by Bulgarians were realized in 4 and 5 stars hotels. In 3 stars accommodation establishments were spent 15.6% of all nights by foreigners and 32.1% of all nights by Bulgarian residents, while in the rest of accommodation establishments (with 1 and 2 stars) they were 8.0% and 33.4% respectively.

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

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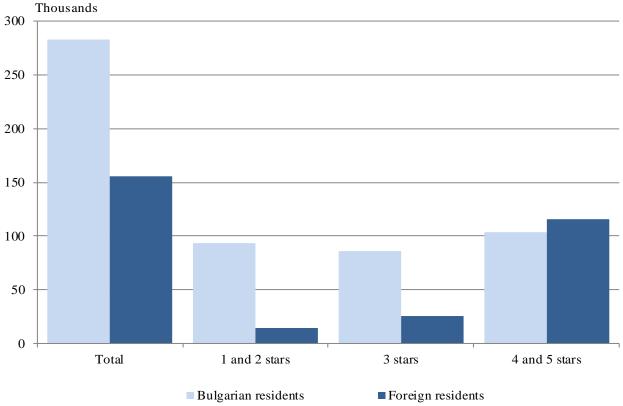






In October 2018, the number of arrivals in all accommodation establishments increased by 3.9% compared to the same month of 2017 and reached 438.8 thousand, as an increase was registered for Bulgarians by 4.0% and by 3.9% for foreigners. Bulgarians spent the nights in accommodation establishments in October 2018 were 283.2 thousand and spent 1.9 nights on the average. The arrivals of foreigners were 155.6 thousand, on average 2.4 nights, 74.2% of them spent nights in hotels with 4 and 5 stars.

Figure 2. Arrivals in accommodation establishments by categories in October 2018

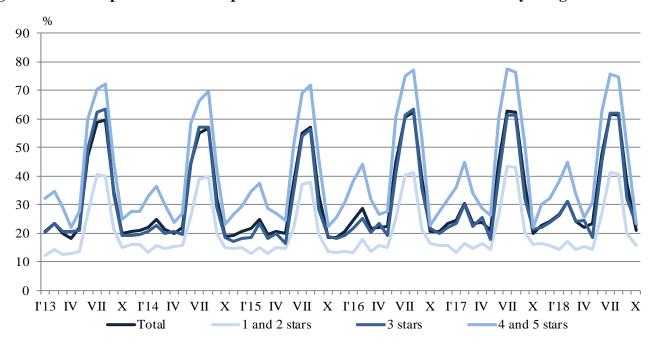


In October 2018, the total occupancy of the bed-places in accommodation establishments was 21.1%, as compared to October 2017 increased by 1.1 percentage points. The highest was occupancy of the bed-places in 4 and 5 stars accommodation establishments - 23.5%, followed by 3 stars accommodation establishments - 23.2%, and with 1 and 2 stars - 15.8%.



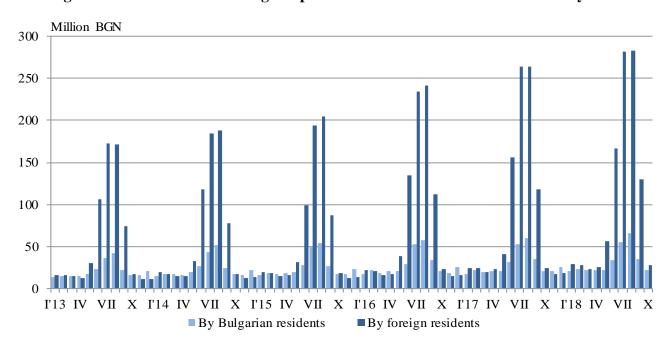


Figure 3. The occupation of the bed-places in accommodation establishments by categories and months



The total revenues from nights spent in October 2018 reached 49.9 million BGN or by 11.5% more compared to October 2017. An increase in revenues was registered from both foreigners - by 12.9% and Bulgarians - by 9.8%.

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 bedplaces 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.





Table 1

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Annex

Activity of accommodation establishments in October 2018¹

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
Total	2011	152523	4310350	908454	380425	438763	155552	49971	27541
Blagoevgrad	183	12932	374883	73184	24971	38015	10510	3325	1309
Burgas	121	24802	651704	82596	55863	26620	13415	4281	3086
Varna	189	30814	728525	113880	70106	39591	18082	6368	4157
Veliko									
Tarnovo	114	4790	148390	29371	7164	18879	5402	1194	377
Vidin	25	814	24334	5284	1142	3349	652	201	45
Vratsa	26	889	27092	7161	1130	3273	410	217	48
Gabrovo	61	3273	95922	18753	1965	10432	880	586	96
Dobrich	65	9437	285544	35360	19416	12945	5089	1981	1069
Kardzhali	33	1067	33077	6906	1216	4243	722	250	65
Kyustendil	73	2815	86225	13008	1877	8058	1173	449	86
Lovech	72	3727	109954	19294	778	10285	396	758	47
Montana	25	1241	38391	6113	429	2961	186	180	21
Pazardzhik	52	4321	130123	45849	5391	19325	1398	2073	306
Pernik	12	483	14973	2819	579	1726	309	99	34
Pleven	24	1251	34550	6921	1352	4229	692	287	102
Plovdiv	190	9416	290760	89604	25746	44733	11395	4280	1405
Razgrad	14	630	19530	4023	1002	2638	537	164	54
Ruse	46	1952	58793	16774	4698	10102	2411	786	260
Silistra	12	504	15396	2479	473	1760	342	115	21
Sliven	55	1904	59024	8562	1859	4739	679	361	128
Smolyan	239	8670	268248	28924	1865	15111	851	907	75
Sofia	84	6838	203822	40108	6431	21261	2811	1623	290
Sofia (stolitsa)	125	12261	379824	188149	133223	107011	71853	17046	13772
Stara Zagora	51	3580	104938	34089	4797	11742	1861	1322	363
Targovishte	15	570	17656	3367	673	2058	332	162	37
Haskovo	31	1403	43391	13314	4262	6132	1915	491	200
Shumen	53	1423	43733	8453	1309	5978	1017	323	61
Yambol	21	716	21548	4109	708	1567	232	142	27

¹ In use.