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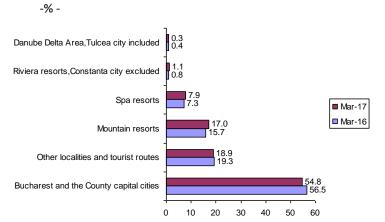
The Tourists' Overnight Stays in the Establishments of Tourists' Reception Increased by 8.6% in March 2017

- Compared to the corresponding month of the previous year, both the arrivals and the overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation increased by 11.8 % and by 8.6 %, respectively, in March 2017.
- Compared to March 2016, in March 2017, customs registered increases both in the arrivals of foreign visitors by 21.4 % and in the departures abroad of the Romanian visitors of 22.5 %.
- 1. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation March

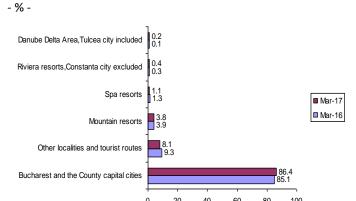
	Arrivals			Overnight stays			
	March 2016 thousands	March 2017 thousands	March 2017 compared to March 2016 -%-	March 2016 thousands	March 2017 thousands	March 2017 compared to March 2016 -%	
Total	645.8	722.3	111.8	1236.5	1342.8	108.6	
Romanian tourists	485.3	547.4	112.8	924.1	1010.7	109.4	
Foreign tourists*) out of which:	160.5	174.9	109.0	312.4	332.1	106.3	
- Europe	121.0	132.3	109.3	233.3	251.4	107.8	
- The European Union	103.6	111.0	107.1	197.0	210.1	106.6	
- Asia	22.0	25.2	114.5	44.4	50.2	113.1	
- North America	10.2	11.0	107.8	17.4	18.9	108.6	
- South America	1.1	1.4	127.3	2.3	2.5	108.7	
- Africa	1.3	1.6	123.1	6.0	2.9	48.3	

^{*)} By the country of residence; Table data in xls format attached to the press release on the homepage

1. The distribution of Romanian tourists' arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception, by tourist areas, in March 2017 compared to March 2016



2. The distribution of foreign tourists' arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception, by tourist areas, in March 2017 compared to March 2016



Graph data in xls format attached to the press release on the homepage.

In March 2017, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted 722.3 thousand, 11.8% more compared to March 2016.

In March 2017, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 75.8% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 24.2%, weights similar to those of March 2016.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (75.6% of the total of foreign tourists) and 83.9% of them came from European Union Member States.

In March 2017, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted 1342.8 thousand, 8.6% more compared to March 2016.

In March 2017, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 75.3% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 24.7%. As to the overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (75.7% of the total of foreign tourists) and 83.6% of them came from European Union Member States.

In March 2017, the average time of stay was 1.8 days for the Romanian tourists and 1.9 days for the foreign tourists.

In March 2017, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 21.3% on total tourists' accommodation, 0.2 pp more compared to March 2016.

In March 2017, hotels (27.8%), hostels (16.5%), tourist boarding houses (14.9%), tourist villas (14.3%), motels (12.9%) and agro-touristic boarding houses (9.4%) registered higher indices of accommodation places.

In March 2017, the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania, according to *customs*, amounted 852.0 thousand, 21.4% more compared to March 2016. Most of the foreign visitors came from European countries (90.6%). 56.4% of the total arrivals of the foreign visitors to Romania were from European Union Member States, out of which the most arrivals were from Bulgaria (27.5%), Hungary (21.4%), Italy (11.2%), Germany (8.0%), United Kingdom (4.9%) and Poland (4.7%).

In March 2017, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad,** according to *customs*, amounted 1370.2 thousand, 22.5% more compared to March 2016. The Romanian visitors abroad mostly used the means of road transport, 67.8% of the total departures.

2. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation – period 1.01-31.03

·	Period 1.01-31.03 2016 thousands	Period 1.01-31.03 2017 thousands	Per.1.01- 31.03.2017 compared to per.1.01- 31.03. 2016 -%-	Overnight Stays Period 1.01-31.03 2016 thousands Overnight Stays Per.1.01- 31.03.2017 compared to per.1.01- 31.03.2016 -%-		
Total	1857.8	2060.3	110.9	3629.4	3885.8	107.1
Romanian tourists	1443.6	1614.3	111.8	2793.3	3027.8	108.4
Foreign tourists*) out of which:	414.2	446.0	107.7	836.1	858.0	102.6
- Europe	314.9	340.0	108.0	622.4	657.1	105.6
- The European Union	260.0	279.9	107.7	492.3	528.3	107.3
- Asia	56.2	63.0	112.1	113.8	125.5	110.3
- North America	24.7	26.5	107.3	42.7	45.4	106.3
- South America	3.0	3.6	120.0	6.3	6.3	100.0
- Africa	3.8	3.9	102.6	28.6	7.9	27.6

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In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted 2060.3 thousand, 10.9% more compared to the period 1.01-31.03.2016.

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 78.4% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 21.6%, weights similar to those of the period 1.01-31.03.2016.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (76.2% of the total of foreign tourists) and 82.3% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted 3885.8 thousand, 7.1% more compared to the period 1.01-31.03.2016.

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 77.9% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 22.1%. As to the overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (76.6% of the total of foreign tourists) and 80.4% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, **the average time of stay** was 1.9 days for both the Romanian and the foreign tourists.

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 21.4 on total tourists' accommodation, 0.2 pp more compared to the period 1.01-31.03.2016.

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, hotels (27.2%), tourist villas (17.1%), tourist boarding houses (15.8%) and hostels (15.5%) registered higher indices of accommodation places.

Most of the foreign visitors accommodated in the establishments of tourists' reception *) came from Germany (49.2 thousand), Italy (48.2 thousand), Israel (44.2 thousand), United Kingdom (29.5 thousand) and France (29.4 thousand).

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, **the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania**, according to *customs*, amounted 2191.0 thousand, 22.1% more compared to the period 1.01-31.03.2016. Most of the foreign visitors came from European countries (91.1%). 54.9% of the total arrivals of the foreign visitors to Romania were from European Union Member States, out of which the most arrivals were from Bulgaria (28.0%), Hungary (21.6%), Italy (10.8%), Germany (7.6%), France (4.8%), Poland and the United Kingdom (4.7% each).

In the period 1.01-31.03.2017, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad,** according to *customs*, amounted 4084.6 thousand, 25.1% more compared to the period 1.01-31.03.2016. The Romanian visitors abroad mostly used the means of road transport, 68.4% of the total departures.

*) Additional information on data in the press release can be found in the .xls file attached to the press release on the homepage

Additional Information:

For the accurate interpretation of indicators, kindly see the Methodological Note attached to the press release on the homepage.

For additional information, kindly see the statistical publication "Monthly Statistical Bulletin" (date of issue May 26, 2017) and the on line TEMPO database of INS (data for March 2017 will be available on May 3, 2017).

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