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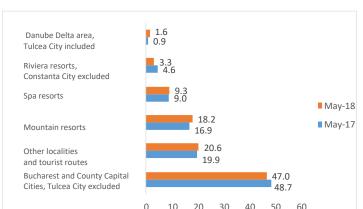
## The tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception in May 2018

- 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 4.3 %, respectively by 0.7% in May 2018.
- Compared to May 2017, in May 2018 customs registered a decrease in the arrivals of foreign visitors of 8.1 % and an increase of 3.8% in the departures abroad of the Romanian visitors.
- 1. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation May

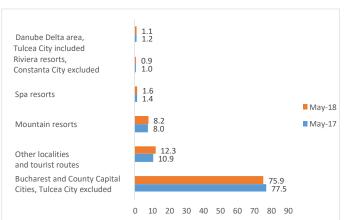
	Arrivals			Overnight stays			
	May 2017 thousands	May 2018 thousands	May 2018 compared to May 2017 -%-	May 2017 thousands	May 2018 thousands	May 2018 compared to May 2017 -%	
Total	979.7	1022.2	104.3	1911.9	1926.1	100.7	
Romanian tourists	715.4	735.0	102.7	1430.4	1405.4	98.3	
Foreign tourists*) out of which:	264.3	287.2	108.7	481.5	520.7	108.1	
- Europe	199.9	218.5	109.3	357.9	390.6	109.1	
- The European Union	173.3	191.0	110.2	310.1	340.9	109.9	
- Asia	35.5	35.9	101.1	72.3	69.8	96.5	
- North America	19.5	21.0	107.7	34.2	36.4	106.4	
- South America	2.3	2.4	104.3	4.2	4.4	104.8	
- Africa	1.8	1.9	105.6	3.9	5.2	133.3	

<sup>\*)</sup> 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 May 2018 compared to May 2017
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- 2. The distribution of foreign tourists' arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception, by tourist areas, in May 2018 compared to May 2017
- % -



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

In May 2018, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 1022.2 thousands, 4.3% more compared to May 2017.

In May 2018, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 71.9% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 28.1%, weights similar to those of May 2017.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (76.1% of the total of foreign tourists) and 87.4% of them came from European Union Member States.

In May 2018, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 1926.1 thousands, 0.7% more compared to May 2017.

In May 2018, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 73.0% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 27.0%. As to the overnight stays of foreign citizens in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (75.0% of the total of foreign tourists) and 87.3% of them came from European Union Member States.

In May 2018, the average duration of stay was 1.9 days for Romanian tourists and 1.8 days for the foreign tourists.

In May 2018, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 26.6% on total tourists' accommodation structures, increasing by 0.1 percentage points compared to May 2017.

In May 2018, hotels (33.7%), ship accommodation places (29.2%), hostels (21.8%), tourist villas (20.5%) and tourist boarding houses (18.7%) registered higher use indices of accommodation places.

In May 2018, the arrivals of foreign visitors in Romania, according to *customs*, amounted to 981.7 thousands, 8.1% less compared to May 2017. Most of the foreign visitors came from European countries (92.1%). 54.5% of the total arrivals of the foreign visitors to Romania were from European Union Member States, out of which the most arrivals were from Hungary (30.0%), Bulgaria (24.6%), Germany (9.2%), Italy (7.3%), Poland (4.7%), the United Kingdom (4.4%) and France (3.9%).

In May 2018, the departures of Romanian visitors abroad, according to *customs*, amounted 1661.3 thousands, by 3.8% more compared to May 2017. The Romanian visitors abroad mostly used the means of road transport, 66.9% of the total departures.

## 2. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation – during 1.01 – 31.05

		Arrivals		Overnight stays		
	Period 1.01-31.05 2017 thousands	Period 1.01-31.05 2018 thousands	Per. 1.01- 31.05.2018 compared to per. 1.01- 31.05.2017 -%-	Period 1.01-31.05 2017 thousands	Period 1.01-31.05 2018 thousands	Per. 1.01- 31.05.2018 compared to per. 1.01- 31.05.2017 -%-
Total	3848.7	4056.0	105.4	7385.5	7660.3	103.7
Romanian tourists	2934.4	3075.3	104.8	5647.5	5814.1	102.9
Foreign tourists*) out of which:	914.3	980.7	107.3	1738.0	1846.2	106.2
- Europe	692.6	732.6	105.8	1307.2	1366.0	104.5
- The European Union	585.2	620.9	106.1	1089.5	1143.1	104.9
- Asia	130.2	139.1	106.8	266.9	282.3	105.8
- North America	57.8	62.5	108.1	100.6	108.4	107.8
- South America	7.6	8.3	109.2	13.6	15.5	114.0
- Africa	7.6	7.8	102.6	16.4	16.4	100.0

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In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 4056.0 thousands, 5.4% more compared to the period 1.01-31.05.2017.

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, 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 the period 1.01-31.05.2017.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (74.7% of the total of foreign tourists) and 84.8% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 7660.3 thousands, 3.7% more compared to the period 1.01-31.05.2017.

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 75.9% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 24.1%. As to the overnight stays of foreign visitors in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (73.9% of the total of foreign tourists) and 83.7% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, **the average duration of stay** was 1.9 for both Romanian and foreign tourists.

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 24.0% on total tourists' accommodation structures, 0.7 percentage points more compared to the period 1.01-31.05.2017.

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, hotels (30.5%), ship accommodation places (24.4%) hostels (18.6%), tourist villas (17.9%) and tourist boarding houses (17.3%) registered higher use indices of accommodation places.

By county, the number of tourists' arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation\*) recorded in the period 1.01 – 31.05.2018 higher values in Bucharest Municipality (797.0 thousands), Braşov (483.4 thousands), Cluj (230.3 thousands) and Prahova (205.3 thousands), while the number of tourists' overnight stays\*) recorded higher values in Bucharest Municipality (1294.7 thousands), Braşov (950.4 thousands), Prahova (430.8 thousands) and Cluj (416.1 thousands).

Most of the foreign visitors accommodated in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation\*\*, came from Germany (109.1 thousands), Israel (94.3 thousands), Italy (91.6 thousands), France (60.4 thousands) and Hungary (58.8 thousands).

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, **the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania**, according to *customs*, amounted to 4410.8 thousands, 2.8% more compared to the period 1.01-31.05.2017. Most of the foreign visitors came from European countries (90.9%). 53.9% 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 (25.9%), Hungary (24.9%), Italy (9.7%), Germany (8.1%), France and Poland (4.7% each), followed by the United Kingdom (4.4%).

In the period 1.01-31.05.2018, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad,** according to *customs*, amounted to 7680.9 thousands, by 3.7% more compared to the period 1.01-31.05.2017. The Romanian visitors abroad mostly used the means of road transport, 67.4% 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:**

#### Methodological Note

The arrival of a tourist in an establishment of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation is registered when a person signs in the register of the respective establishment for one night or several nights' accommodation. In each establishment of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation, regardless of the number of overnight stays, the continuous stay of a tourist counts as one arrival.

**The overnight stay** means the 24-hours interval, starting with the admission hour of the respective establishment, for which a person signs in the register of the establishment and benefits of accommodation according to the price paid, even if the actual stay lasts less than the mentioned interval.

The net use index of accommodation places represents the relationship between the capacity of tourist accommodation in operation and its actual use by tourists within a determined period. We do the calculation by dividing the total number of overnight stays completed with the tourist accommodation capacity in operation, in the respective period.

For additional information, kindly see the statistical publication "Monthly Statistical Bulletin" (date of issue July 24, 2018) and the on line TEMPO database of INS (data for May 2018 will be available on July 3, 2018).

The next issue of the press release on tourism will be on Friday, August 3, 2018.

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