



Domain: Tourism

## Tourism in September 2021

- Compared to the corresponding month of the previous year, the arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation increased by 35.0%, while the overnight stays increased by 25.0% in September 2021.
- Compared to September 2020, in September 2021 customs registered an increase in the arrivals of foreign visitors of 89.2% and an increase of 50.4% in the departures abroad of the Romanian visitors.

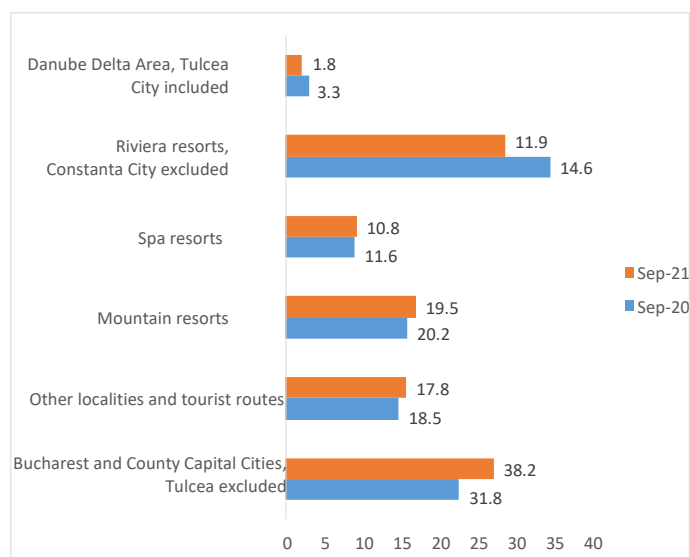
### 1. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation - September

	Arrivals			Overnight stays		
	September 2020	September 2021	September 2021 compared to September 2020	September 2020	September 2021	September 2021 compared to September 2020
	-thou-	-thou-	-%-	-thou-	-thou-	-%
<b>Total</b>	<b>794.5</b>	<b>1072.5</b>	<b>135.0</b>	<b>1912.0</b>	<b>2389.4</b>	<b>125.0</b>
Romanian tourists	761.7	931.6	122.3	1839.4	2095.5	113.9
Foreign tourists**) out of which:	32.8	140.9	429.6	72.6	293.9	404.8
Europe	28.3	109.1	385.5	61.8	223.2	361.2
The European Union	21.5	87.6	407.4	47.7	176.4	369.8
Asia	1.2	13.9	1158.3	2.7	33.6	1244.4
North America	1.9	9.0	473.7	5.2	21.0	403.8
South America	*	0.7	-	*	2.1	-
Africa	*	0.9	-	1.0	2.4	240.0

\*) Data less than 0.5; \*\*) By country of residence;

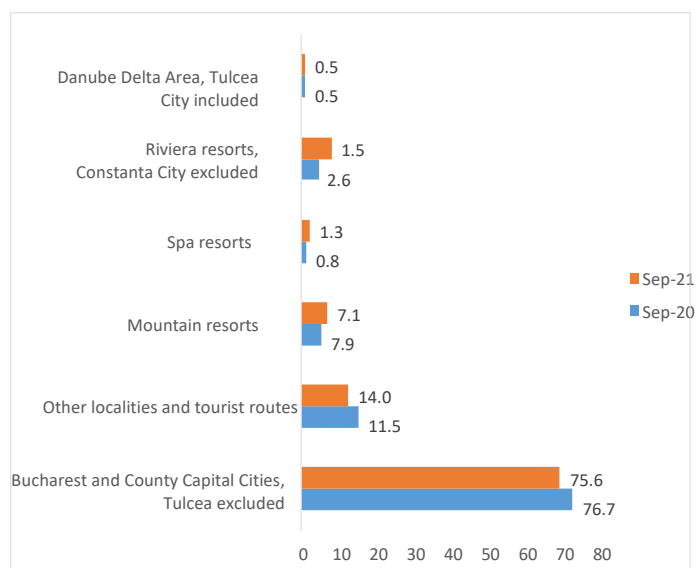
1. The distribution of Romanian tourists' arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception, by tourist areas, in September 2021 compared to September 2020

- % -



2. The distribution of foreign tourists' arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception, by tourist areas, in September 2021 compared to September 2020

- % -



[Graph data in .xls format attached to the press release on the homepage.](#)

In September 2021, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 1072.5 thousands, increasing by 35.0% compared to September 2020.

In September 2021, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 86.9% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 13.1%.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (77.4% of the total of foreign tourists), and 80.3% of them came from European Union Member States.

In September 2021, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 2389.4 thousands, increasing by 25.0% compared to September 2020.

In September 2021, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 87.7% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 12.3%. As to the overnight stays of foreign citizens in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (75.9% of the total of foreign tourists), and 79.0% of them came from European Union Member States.

In September 2021, **the average duration of stay** was 2.2 days for Romanian tourists and 2.1 days for the foreign tourists.

In September 2021, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 31.7% on total tourists' accommodation structures, increasing by 5.4 percentage points compared to September 2020.

In September 2021, higher net use indices of accommodation places were registered for hotels (39.1%), tourist villas (27.8%), ship accommodation places (26.4%), tourist boarding houses (21.7%), hostels (20.7%), agro-tourist boarding houses (19.3%), tourist chalets (18.9%), bungalows and motels (17.7% each).

In September 2021, **the arrivals of foreign visitors in Romania**, according to *customs*, amounted to 755.7 thousands, 89.2% more compared to September 2020. Road and air transport means were mostly used in case of arrivals from abroad, accounting for 73.3%, respectively for 22.4% of total arrivals.

In September 2021, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad**, according to *customs*, amounted to 1346.3 thousands, by 50.4% more compared to September 2020. The Romanian visitors mostly used the means of road and air transport for their departures abroad, accounting for 56.1%, respectively for 43.4% of total departures.

**2. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation - in the period 1.01-30.09.2021 compared to the period 1.01-30.09.2020**

	Arrivals			Overnight stays		
	Period 1.01-30.09.2020	Period 1.01-30.09.2021	Period 1.01-30.09.2021 compared to period 1.01-30.09.2020	Period 1.01-30.09.2020	Period 1.01-30.09.2021	Period 1.01-30.09.2021 compared to period 1.01-30.09.2020
	-thou-	-thou-	-%-	-thou-	-thou-	-%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5161.8</b>	<b>7510.3</b>	<b>145.5</b>	<b>12075.4</b>	<b>17122.9</b>	<b>141.8</b>
Romanian tourists	4768.4	6892.2	144.5	11221.9	15787.3	140.7
Foreign tourists*) out of which:	393.4	618.1	157.1	853.5	1335.6	156.5
Europe	306.1	489.3	159.8	652.0	1036.2	158.9
The European Union	227.5	378.9	166.5	479.4	793.0	165.4
Asia	42.1	53.5	127.1	105.9	130.4	123.1
North America	21.4	37.6	175.7	46.9	84.9	181.0
South America	3.0	2.9	96.7	6.7	7.6	113.4
Africa	3.7	3.8	102.7	8.6	8.9	103.5

[\\*\) By country of residence;](#)

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 7510.3 thousands, 45.5% more compared to the period 1.01-30.09.2020.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 91.8% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 8.2%.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (79.2% of the total of foreign tourists) and 77.4% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 17122.9 thousands, 41.8% more compared to the period 1.01-30.09.2020.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 92.2% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 7.8%. As to the overnight stays of foreign tourists in the

establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (77.6% of the total of foreign tourists) and 76.5% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, **the average duration of stay** was 2.3 days for Romanian tourists and 2.2 days for foreign tourists.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 28.5% on total tourists' accommodation structures, 2.6 percentage points more compared to the period 1.01-30.09.2020.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, hotels (34.3%), tourist villas (27.6%), bungalows (26.5%), ship accommodation places (24.5%), tourist houses (21.7%), campsites (20.9%), tourist stops (19.8%), tourist boarding houses (19.5%), hostels (19.3%) and agro-tourist boarding houses (18.7%) 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<sup>1)</sup> recorded in the period 1.01-30.09.2021 higher values in Constanța (1226.0 thousands), Brașov (784.6 thousands), Bucharest Municipality (673.2 thousands), Bihor (343.7 thousands), Prahova (330.1 thousands), Sibiu (327.9 thousands), Suceava (313.9 thousands), Cluj (313.0 thousands), Vâlcea (302.7 thousands), and Mureș (282.4 thousands), while the number of tourists' overnight stays<sup>\*)</sup> recorded higher values in Constanța (4422.4 thousands), Brașov (1532.9 thousands), Bucharest Municipality (1203.7 thousands), Bihor (945.6 thousands), Vâlcea (852.8 thousands), Prahova (688.7 thousands), Suceava (636.8 thousands), Mureș (578.9 thousands), Sibiu (565.6 thousands), Cluj (556.4 thousands), Caraș Severin (460.7 thousands), Covasna (367.9 thousands) and Timis (307.1 thousands).

By country, most of the foreign tourists accommodated in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation<sup>1)</sup> came from Germany (82.3 thousands), Italy (50.4 thousands), France (39.8 thousands), Poland (35.6 thousands), Israel (35.5 thousands), Hungary (35.4 thousands), United States of America (32.9 thousands) and Republic of Moldova (22.0 thousands).

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, **the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania**, according to *customs*, amounted to 5131.3 thousands, 24.9% more compared to the period 1.01-30.09.2020. The road and air means of transport were mostly used for the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania, accounting for 80.5% - road transportation, respectively for 15.4% - air transportation, of total arrivals.

In the period 1.01-30.09.2021, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad**, according to *customs*, amounted to 8887.2 thousands, by 12.9% more compared to the period 1.01-30.09.2020.

Romanian visitors mostly used the road and air means of transport for their departures abroad, accounting for 68.0% - road transportation, respectively for 31.4% - air transportation, of the total departures.

<sup>1)</sup> [Additional information on data in the press release can be found in the .xls file attached to the press release on the homepage](#)

### Methodological notes

**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.

The nomenclature of the accommodation structures was established starting from the list of authorized accommodation structures, downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Economy, Entrepreneurship and Tourism-Department for Tourism, on December 16, 2020.

The list included 12211 structures with over 10 bed places, of which 9206 accommodation structures and 3005 apartments and rooms for rent.

In September 2021, out of the total accommodation places, 475 units were closed in the survey moment, due to COVID-19, 2286 units were in major repairs at the time of the statistical research and 1672 did not complete the questionnaire for other reasons.

**IMPORTANT! In order to ensure the comparability of the data series and the coherence with the previous press releases, in the press release, only the data from the collective tourist accommodation structures with over 10 bed places are presented.**

For additional information, kindly see the on line TEMPO database of INS (data for September 2021 will be available on November 2, 2021) and the statistical publication "Monthly Statistical Bulletin" (date of issue November 26, 2021).

The next issue of the press release on tourism will be on Friday, December 3, 2021.

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