

Domain: Tourism

## Tourism in October 2021

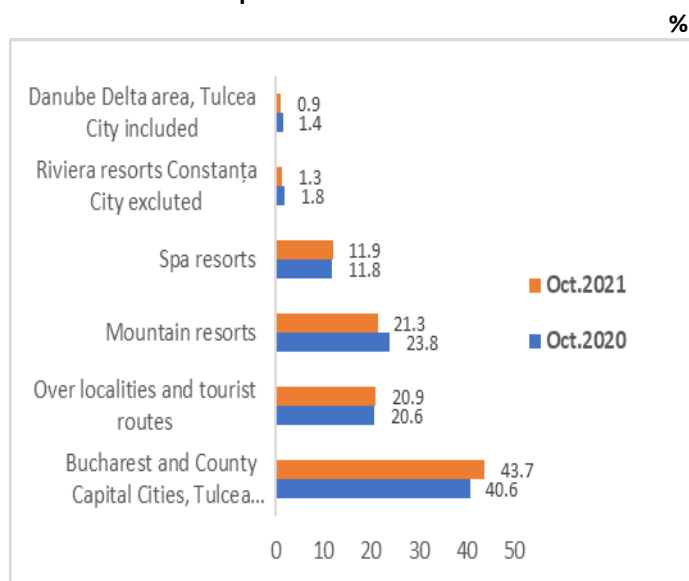
- Compared to the corresponding month of the previous year, the arrivals in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation increased by 31.4%, while the overnight stays increased by 28.2% in October 2021.
- Compared to October 2020, in October 2021 customs registered an increase in the arrivals of foreign visitors of 74.8% and an increase of 42.7% in the departures abroad of the Romanian visitors.

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

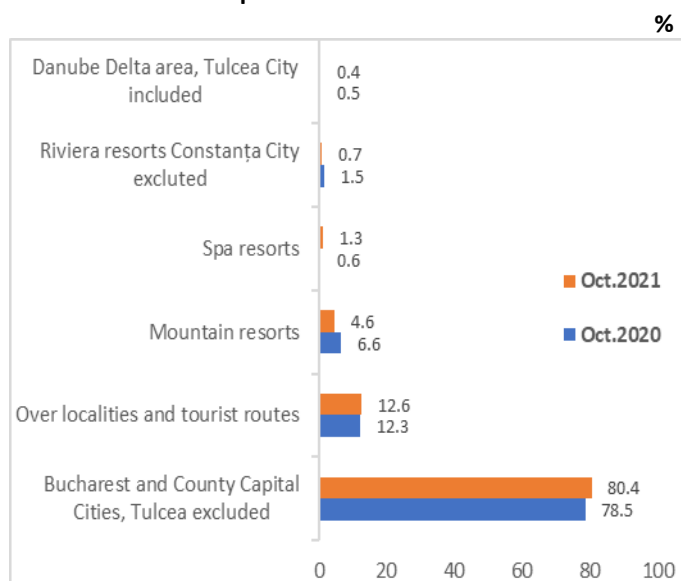
	Arrivals			Overnight stays		
	October 2020	October 2021	October 2021 compared to October 2020	October 2020	October 2021	October 2021 compared to October 2020
	-thou-	-thou-	-%-	-thou-	-thou-	-%
<b>Total</b>	<b>493.1</b>	<b>648.1</b>	<b>131.4</b>	<b>1063.9</b>	<b>1364.3</b>	<b>128.2</b>
Romanian tourists	468.4	549.1	117.2	1005.8	1146.2	114.0
Foreign tourists**)	24.7	99.0	400.8	58.1	218.1	375.4
of which:						
Europe	21.2	75.9	358.0	48.7	163.8	336.3
The European Union	15.8	58.7	371.5	35.7	123.8	346.8
Asia	1.1	8.1	736.4	2.4	22.3	929.2
North America	1.4	7.0	500.0	4.3	16.8	390.7
South America	*	0.6	-	*	1.3	-
Africa	*	0.6	-	1.1	1.7	154.5

\*) Data less than 0.5; \*\*) By country of residence; Table data can be found in .xlsx 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 October 2021 compared to October 2020**



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



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

In October 2021, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 648.1 thousands, increasing by 31.4% compared to October 2020.

In October 2021, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 84.7% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 15.3%.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (76.7% of the total of foreign tourists), and 77.3% of them came from European Union Member States.

In October 2021, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 1364.3 thousands, increasing by 28.2% compared to October 2020.

In October 2021, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 84.0% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 16.0%. As to the overnight stays of foreign citizens in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (75.1% of the total of foreign tourists), and 75.6% of them came from European Union Member States.

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

In October 2021, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 21.6% on total tourists' accommodation structures, increasing by 4.1 percentage points compared to October 2020.

In October 2021, higher net use indices of accommodation places were registered for hotels (27.4%), ship accommodation places (19.5%), tourist villas (16.1%), tourist boarding houses (14.6%), hostels (13.7%), motels (13.4%), agro-tourist boarding houses and bungalows (12.3% each) and tourist chalets (10.7%).

In October 2021, **the arrivals of foreign visitors in Romania**, according to *customs*, amounted to 613.4 thousands, 74.8% more compared to October 2020. Road and air transport means were mostly used in case of arrivals from abroad, accounting for 72.4%, respectively for 23.8% of total arrivals.

In October 2021, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad**, according to *customs*, amounted to 1015.9 thousands, by 42.7% more compared to October 2020. The Romanian visitors mostly used the means of road and air transport for their departures abroad, accounting for 58.9%, respectively for 40.5% of total departures.

## 2. Arrivals and overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation - in the period 1.01-31.10.2021 compared to the period 1.01-31.10.2020

	Arrivals			Overnight stays		
	Period 1.01- 31.10.2020	Period 1.01- 31.10.2021	Period 1.01- 31.10.2021 compared to period 1.01- 31.10.2020	Period 1.01- 31.10.2020	Period 1.01- 31.10.2021	Period 1.01- 31.10.2021 compared to period 1.01- 31.10.2020
	-thou-	-thou-	-%-	-thou-	-thou-	-%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5654.9</b>	<b>8158.4</b>	<b>144.3</b>	<b>13139.2</b>	<b>18487.2</b>	<b>140.7</b>
Romanian tourists	5236.8	7441.3	142.1	12227.6	16933.4	138.5
Foreign tourists*)	418.1	717.1	171.5	911.6	1553.8	170.4
<i>of which:</i>						
Europe	327.2	565.2	172.7	700.7	1200.0	171.3
<i>The European Union</i>	<i>243.3</i>	<i>437.6</i>	<i>179.9</i>	<i>515.0</i>	<i>916.8</i>	<i>178.0</i>
Asia	43.3	61.6	142.3	108.3	152.7	141.0
North America	22.8	44.7	196.1	51.2	101.7	198.6
South America	3.0	3.5	116.7	7.0	8.9	127.1
Africa	4.0	4.5	112.5	9.7	10.7	110.3

\*) By country of residence; Table data can be found in .xlsx format attached to the press release on the homepage.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, **the arrivals** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 8158.4 thousands, 44.3% more compared to the period 1.01-31.10.2020.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, the arrivals of the Romanian tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 91.2% of the total arrivals, while the foreign tourists were 8.8%.

As to the arrivals of the foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (78.8% of the total of foreign tourists) and 77.4% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, **the overnight stays** in the establishments of tourists' reception amounted to 18487.2 thousands, 40.7% more compared to the period 1.01-31.10.2020.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, the Romanian tourists' overnight stays in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation were 91.6% of the total overnight stays, while the foreign tourists' overnight stays were 8.4%. As to the overnight stays of foreign tourists in the establishments of tourists' reception, the highest weight had those coming from Europe (77.2% of the total of foreign tourists) and 76.4% of them came from European Union Member States.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, **the average duration of stay** was 2.3 days for Romanian tourists and 2.2 days for foreign tourists.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, **the net use index** of accommodation places was 27.8% on total tourists' accommodation structures, 2.8 percentage points more compared to the period 1.01-31.10.2020.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, hotels (33.6%), tourist villas (26.6%), bungalows (26.0%), ship accommodation places (24.3%), tourist houses (20.8%), campsites (20.6%), tourist stops and tourist boarding houses (19.0% each), hostels (18.7%), agro-tourist boarding houses (18.1%) and tourist chalets (16.3%) 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<sup>1)</sup> recorded in the period 1.01-31.10.2021 higher values in Constanța (1242.1 thousands persons), Brașov (858.8 thousands persons), Bucharest Municipality (765.3 thousands persons), Bihor (372.8 thousands persons), Prahova (361.5 thousands persons), Sibiu (356.8 thousands persons), Cluj (347.8 thousands persons), Suceava (341.1 thousands persons), Vâlcea (327.0 thousands persons), Mureș (311.7 thousands persons) and Iași (202.5 thousands persons), while the number of tourists' overnight stays recorded higher values in Constanța (4472.4 thousands), Brașov (1669.9 thousands), Bucharest Municipality (1390.7 thousands), Bihor (1035.1 thousands), Vâlcea (930.6 thousands), Prahova (751.2 thousands), Suceava (694.0 thousands), Mureș (638.6 thousands), Cluj (618.2 thousands), Sibiu (612.4 thousands), Caraș Severin (507.7 thousands), Covasna (413.6 thousands) and Timis (352.6 thousands).

By country<sup>1)</sup>, most of the foreign tourists accommodated in the establishments of tourists' reception with functions of tourists' accommodation came from Germany (93.5 thousands), Italy (60.7 thousands), France (46.5 thousands), Israel (41.4 thousands), Hungary (39.5 thousands), United States of America (38.9 thousands), Poland (38.6 thousands) and United Kingdom (26.4 thousands).

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, **the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania**, according to *customs*, amounted to 5744.7 thousands, 28.8% more compared to the period 1.01-31.10.2020. The road and air means of transport were mostly used for the arrivals of foreign visitors to Romania, accounting for 79.6% - road transportation, respectively for 16.3% - air transportation, of total arrivals.

In the period 1.01-31.10.2021, **the departures of Romanian visitors abroad**, according to *customs*, amounted to 9903.1 thousands, by 15.4% more compared to the period 1.01-31.10.2020.

Romanian visitors mostly used the road and air means of transport for their departures abroad, accounting for 67.1% - road transportation, respectively for 32.3% - air transportation, of the total departures.

<sup>1)</sup> [Additional information on data in the press release can be found in the .xlsx 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 October 2021, out of the total accommodation places, 475 units were closed in the survey moment, due to COVID-19, 3059 units were in major repairs at the time of the statistical research and 1637 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 October 2021 will be available on December 3, 2021) and the statistical publication "Monthly Statistical Bulletin" (date of issue December 27, 2021).

The next issue of the press release on tourism will be on Thursday, January 6, 2022.

The archive of the press releases: <http://www.insse.ro/cms/en/comunicate-de-presa-view>

**The Directorate of Communication**

e-mail: [birou presa@insse.ro](mailto:birou presa@insse.ro)

Tel: +4021 3181869