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Number of guests rebounded

Tourism – the second quarter of 2021

**In the Q2 2021, the total number of guests accommodated in collective accommodation establishments increased by 51.3%, year-on-year (y-o-y), and the number of overnight stays of guests in collective accommodation establishments increased by 56.1%, y-o-y. The number of guests thus reached black numbers after having been decreasing for five quarters. However, when compared to the period before the coronavirus pandemic, it still does not reach even a third of the volume of visits from the year 2019.**

**The number of overnight stays of guests** in collective accommodation establishments reached **4.2 million nights** in total in the Q2 2021, which was by 56.1% more compared to the corresponding period of the previous year. The number of overnight stays of guests from abroad increased by 108.5%, y-o-y; guests from the Czech Republic (CR) spent in accommodation establishments in the CR by 50.3% more nights compared to the previous year. From the total number of overnight stays, 53% were spent in hotels, 17% in boarding houses, and 8% in tourist campsites.

In total, **1.6 million guests** **arrived** to collective accommodation establishments during the surveyed period, which was an increase by 51.3%, y-o-y. The number of both (guests from the Czech Republic and from abroad) increased (by 47.4% and 79.1%, respectively). The number of guests in hotels increased by 64.1%, y-o-y (906 thousand guests), boarding houses accommodated by 52.4% more persons, and tourist campsites welcomed in the beginning of the summer season by 30.3% more guests than in the previous year. In terms of **regional comparison**, the number of guests increased in all Regions of the Czech Republic. The highest year-on-year increment of guests in total was reported by the *Hl. m. Praha* Region (Prague; by 90.0%) and by the *Karlovarský* Region (by 72.0%).

The highest number offoreign guests (**non-residents**; by citizenship) came from Germany. In the surveyed accommodation establishments, Germans made a fourth of guests from abroad (57 thousand of arrivals). Compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 14.5%. The second most numerous group of visitors came from Slovakia in the Q2 2021 (53 thousand); it was 75.6% up, y-o-y. Guests from Poland ranked third (20 thousand arrivals; 147.3% up, y-o-y). However, numbers of guests from abroad are still low, they do not reach even a tenth of the number of arrivals from the period before the coronavirus pandemic in 2019.

**Spa accommodation establishments** also reached black numbers in the Q2 2021. They were visited by 93 thousand guests in total, i.e. by 68.7% more compared to the corresponding period of the previous year. The number of overnight stays also increased; it was by 54.1% higher. The number of arrivals as well as the number of nights spent in Czech and Moravian spas was higher as for both residents and non-residents, year-on-year. However, the number of guests from the CR considerably outnumbered those from abroad. Nine out of ten of accommodated guests in spa accommodation establishments were Czechs and their average stay lasted for 10 nights.

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Annexes:

Table 1 Guests (accommodation establishment category, numbers, indices)

Table 2 Overnight stays (accommodation establishment category, numbers, indices)

Table 3 Guests (Regions of the CR, numbers, indices)

Table 4 Overnight stays (Regions of the CR, numbers, indices)

Table 5 Guests, overnight stays (non-residents by country, numbers, indices)

Chart 1 Number of guests in collective accommodation establishments (y-o-y change in %)

Chart 2 Number of guests in collective accommodation establishments