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Number of accommodated domestic guests decreased in the main tourist season

Tourism – the third quarter of 2022

**In the Q3 2022, the total number of arrivals in collective accommodation establishments increased by 11.1%, year-on-year (y-o-y), and the number of overnight stays of guests in collective accommodation establishments increased by 7.4%. More guests from abroad were accommodated, however, the number of domestic guests decreased, y-o-y. In comparison to the pre-COVID year 2019, the volume of the number of guests reached 97% in summer months.**

The **number of overnight stays of guests** in collective accommodation establishments reached **20.4 million nights** in total in the Q3 2022, which was by 7.4% more compared to the corresponding period of the previous year. The number of overnight stays of non-residents increased almost twofold; however, the number of overnight stays of residents (domestic guests) decreased by 10.5%, year-on-year.

*“In the reference period,* ***7.3 million guests in total arrived*** *in collective accommodation establishments, which was by 11% more compared to the previous year. The numbers of guests from abroad who accommodated in the summer season were higher than last year, however, demand of domestic tourists for accommodation decreased,”* Marie Boušková, Director of the Trade, Transport, Services, Tourism, and Environmental Statistics Department of the CZSO, stated.

The number of guests in hotels increased by 23.9%, year-on-year in the period from July to September (4.2 million guests in total). A lower number of persons accommodated in boarding houses compared to the previous year, it was a decrease by 6.2%. Operators of tourist camp-sites also reported a worse season than a year ago. The number of Czechs accommodated there dropped by 6.6%. As for **regional comparison**, the total number of the accommodated increased in six Regions of the Czech Republic, namely thanks to the clientele from abroad. In all Regions of Czechia, the number of domestic guests decreased, year-on-year.

*“Compared to the summer season in the pre-COVID year 2019, by 14% more Czechs accommodated this year. However, there is still a lack of guests from abroad; by a quarter fewer foreign guests accommodated than three years ago,”* Pavel Vančura, Head of the Tourism and Environmental Statistics Unit of the CZSO, said.

In the Q3 2022, the highest number of **foreign guests** (non-residents; by citizenship) came to accommodate in collective accommodation establishments from Germany. In the surveyed accommodation establishments, Germans still made over a fifth of guests from abroad (582 thousand arrivals). Compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 57.2%. The second most numerous group consisted of guests from Slovakia (264 thousand) with a year-on-year increase by 58.1%. Guests from Poland ranked third (248 thousand arrivals, a year-on-year increase by 73.1%). From non-European countries, inhabitants of the United States of America were represented the most in accommodation establishments (139 thousand of arrivals) and, as for the number of overnight stays, also tourists from Israel (195 thousand nights).

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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)

Chart 2 Number of guests in collective accommodation establishments