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# The demand on accommodation went up

## Tourism – 2nd quarter 2017

**Q2 2017, the number of guests in collective accommodation establishments increased by 14.1% year-on-year and the number of overnight stays by 12.6%. Occupancy has been continuously growing four years in row.**

**The number of overnight stays** in collective accommodation establishments totaled **13.1 million** **nights** in Q2 2017; this was by 12.6% up than in the same period of the previous year. The number of nights of non-residents went up by 15.6% and domestic guests spent year-on-year by 9.3% more nights in accommodation establishments too. From the total number of nights 69% was reached in hotels, 9% in pensions and kemps, holiday dwellings or hostels for tourists achieved 22% of nights. From **regional point of view**, the highest number of overnights in absolute values was recorded in Prague, where 9 out of 10 nights fell upon non-residents. Domestic clients spent the highest number of nights in south Moravia and south Bohemia.

A total of **5.2 million guests** arrived in collective accommodation establishments during the surveyed period; this was y-o-y increase by 14.1%. Both domestic and foreign guests went up (by 12.4% and by 15.6% respectively). Occupancy of hotels increased by 14.2% y-o-y (3.8 million guests), in pension there were more tourists by 19.0% and camps welcomed at the beginning of summer season more guests compared to previous year by 21.2%. From the **regional point of view**, the increase was shown in all regions of the Czech Republic. The highest increase was in Karlovarsky region (by 23.0%), especially thanks to higher interest in accommodation from abroad by 29.0%. From the point of view of residents the most famous regions were south Moravia region, the Capital city of Prague and south Bohemia region.

The highest number of **foreign guests** (by nationality) came as usual from Germany. Germans accounted for one fifth of foreign guests at surveyed establishments (543 thousand arrivals). Compared to the same period of previous year their number went up by 12.6%. The second largest group of foreign guests was visitors from Slovakia (182 thousand) in Q2 with y-o-y increase by 10.3%. The third place was taken by the United States of America (169 thousand arrivals, y-o-y decrease by 8.8%). A better-than-average interest in accommodation in the surveyed establishments showed guests from China (+52.9%) and from Russia (+56.7%). From important incoming countries there was a slight decrease only for the Great Britain by 0.6%. It is worth noticing that higher interest in Czechia was shown by tourism from Spain by 25.8%, Thai-wan by 25.3% or from India by 47.7%.

**Spa accommodation establishments** visited 233 thousand guests in surveyed period; this was by 19.4% more than the same period of last year. The number of nights went also up by 8.3% due to foreign clients. The number of spa guest from abroad went up by 35.4% and the number of their overnight stays by 21.7%. An interest of domestic guests for accommodation in spa resorts increased in slower pace. There were more domestic guests by 8.8% and they spent by 1.5% more nights compared to the same period of previous year.

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Notes

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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, numbers, indices)

Table 4 Overnight stays (regions, numbers, indices)

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

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

Graph 2 Number of guests in collective accommodation establishments