

Total guests and nights spent in collective accommodation establishments during June 2016 declined by 2.6 and 2.8 per cent respectively when compared to the corresponding month in 2015.

Collective Accommodation Establishments: June 2016

Cut-off date:
23 August 2016

In June, total guests in collective accommodation establishments numbered 152,434, while total nights spent amounted to 873,671. Collective accommodation categories registered decreases in total nights spent, with the exception of 4-star hotels and the 'other' category. The largest share of guest nights was reported in 4-star hotels, accounting for 429,343 nights, or 49.1 per cent of the total (Tables 1 and 2).

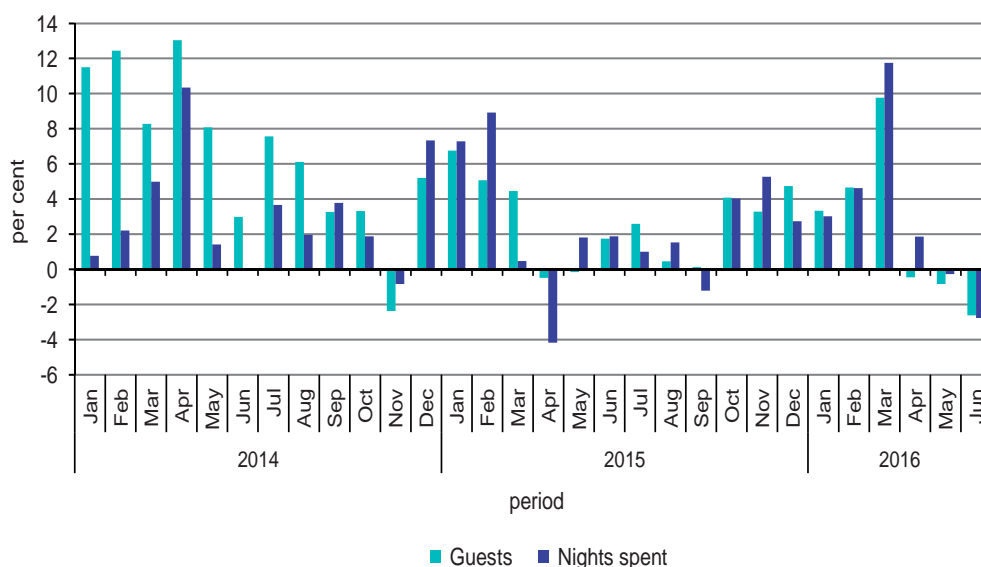
The average length of stay in collective accommodation establishments stood at 5.7 nights during the month under review, at par with June 2015. The net use of bed-places stood at 72.9 per cent, down by 1.9 percentage points when compared to the corresponding month last year (Table 3).

On a national level, there were 175 active collective accommodation establishments during June, with a net capacity of 17,980 bedrooms and 40,014 bed-places (Table 4).

January-June

Total guests during the first six months of 2016 amounted to 741,905, an increase of 1.6 per cent over the same period in 2015 (Table 1). Total nights spent went up by 2.2 per cent, reaching nearly 4.0 million (Table 2). The net use of bed-places declined by 0.2 percentage points to 58.6 per cent (Table 3) ■

Chart 1. Year-on-year percentage changes



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Table 1. Total guests (residents and non-residents) by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	May*	June		January-June	
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	MALTA				
Hotel	146,200	150,659	145,271	706,367	712,172
5 Star	36,308	36,163	37,466	174,265	178,488
4 Star	68,568	62,871	65,729	321,858	336,834
3 Star	36,984	46,519	37,473	191,506	175,591
2 Star	4,340	5,106	4,603	18,738	21,259
Other collective accommodation ¹	6,948	5,862	7,163	23,856	29,733
Total	153,148	156,521	152,434	730,224	741,905
	Malta				
Hotel	138,824	141,900	136,897	669,943	675,604
of which:					
5 Star	34,465	33,794	35,034	164,941	168,858
4 Star	65,220	59,675	62,653	305,291	320,130
3 Star	35,187	44,040	35,193	183,290	167,840
Other collective accommodation ¹	6,568	5,424	6,755	22,569	28,267
Total	145,392	147,324	143,652	692,513	703,871
	Gozo and Comino				
Hotel	7,376	8,759	8,374	36,424	36,568
of which:					
5 Star	1,843	2,369	2,432	9,324	9,630
4 Star	3,348	3,196	3,076	16,567	16,704
3 Star	1,797	2,479	2,280	8,216	7,751
Other collective accommodation ¹	380	438	407	1,287	1,466
Total	7,756	9,197	8,781	37,711	38,035

* Revised

¹ Comprises guesthouses, hostels and tourist villages

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 2. Total nights spent by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	May*	June		January-June	
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	MALTA				
Hotel	778,411	854,850	827,658	3,696,122	3,753,947
5 Star	148,906	165,407	157,442	695,841	691,932
4 Star	400,856	408,370	429,343	1,884,170	1,985,885
3 Star	207,084	253,687	214,176	1,005,118	953,647
2 Star	21,566	27,386	26,697	110,994	122,482
Other collective accommodation ¹	47,453	43,589	46,013	196,232	225,876
Total	825,864	898,439	873,671	3,892,354	3,979,823
	Malta				
Hotel	750,552	818,925	795,459	3,576,450	3,635,821
of which:					
5 Star	141,679	156,222	149,093	664,356	660,916
4 Star	388,223	393,343	415,082	1,826,457	1,928,864
3 Star	200,102	244,187	206,326	981,119	930,144
Other collective accommodation ¹	46,310	42,144	44,784	192,600	221,638
Total	796,863	861,069	840,243	3,769,050	3,857,459
	Gozo and Comino				
Hotel	27,859	35,925	32,199	119,672	118,126
of which:					
5 Star	7,227	9,185	8,349	31,485	31,016
4 Star	12,633	15,027	14,261	57,713	57,021
3 Star	6,982	9,500	7,850	23,999	23,504
Other collective accommodation ¹	1,143	1,445	1,229	3,632	4,238
Total	29,002	37,370	33,428	123,304	122,364

* Revised

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Table 3. Net use of bed-places by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	May*	June		January-June		
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
	MALTA					
Hotel	69.9	76.9	74.8	60.5	59.9	
5 Star	73.5	84.9	80.2	65.0	61.6	
4 Star	74.7	81.2	82.0	65.6	66.1	
3 Star	62.4	69.5	63.8	52.2	51.0	
2 Star	49.2	56.0	53.0	45.9	46.7	
Other collective accommodation ¹	50.6	49.2	49.7	38.4	42.4	
Total	68.4	74.8	72.9	58.8	58.6	
Type of accommodation	Malta					
	Hotel	71.1	77.4	75.7	61.1	60.9
	<i>of which:</i>					
5 Star	75.2	86.1	81.6	66.0	63.0	
4 Star	75.4	81.5	82.5	66.4	67.0	
3 Star	63.4	69.8	64.5	52.3	51.3	
Other collective accommodation ¹	52.4	50.2	51.2	39.7	43.8	
Total	69.6	75.4	73.9	59.5	59.5	
Type of accommodation	Gozo and Comino					
	Hotel	47.7	66.9	57.3	45.6	40.7
	<i>of which:</i>					
5 Star	51.1	68.5	60.8	48.8	41.6	
4 Star	59.2	72.8	69.1	46.3	45.5	
3 Star	44.2	62.1	49.7	47.7	41.5	
Other collective accommodation ¹	21.0	30.7	24.0	14.4	15.6	
Total	45.4	63.9	54.5	42.9	38.6	

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Table 4. Establishments with net number of bedrooms and bed-places by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	June						
	Establishments		Bedrooms		Bed-places		
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
	MALTA						
Hotel	129	129	17,308	16,880	37,599	36,922	
5 Star	15	14	3,451	3,338	6,496	6,546	
4 Star	44	44	7,760	7,881	17,301	17,460	
3 Star	53	53	5,377	4,938	12,172	11,237	
2 Star	17	18	720	723	1,630	1,679	
Other collective accommodation ¹	43	46	1,215	1,100	2,956	3,092	
Total	172	175	18,523	17,980	40,555	40,014	
Type of accommodation	Malta						
	Hotel	116	115	16,464	16,037	35,808	35,048
	<i>of which:</i>						
5 Star	13	12	3,236	3,123	6,049	6,088	
4 Star	40	40	7,438	7,559	16,613	16,772	
3 Star	48	48	5,129	4,690	11,662	10,711	
Other collective accommodation ¹	36	39	1,146	1,023	2,799	2,921	
Total	152	154	17,610	17,060	38,607	37,969	
Type of accommodation	Gozo and Comino						
	Hotel	13	14	844	843	1,791	1,874
	<i>of which:</i>						
5 Star	2	2	215	215	447	458	
4 Star	4	4	322	322	688	688	
3 Star	5	5	248	248	510	526	
Other collective accommodation ¹	7	7	69	77	157	171	
Total	20	21	913	920	1,948	2,045	

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Table 5. Total guests (residents and non-residents) by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
	MALTA		
Hotel	284,400	437,863	427,773
5 Star	71,249	105,550	107,239
4 Star	139,429	188,909	197,405
3 Star	65,730	130,586	109,862
2 Star	7,992	12,818	13,267
Other collective accommodation ¹	9,476	16,183	20,257
Total	293,876	454,045	448,030
Malta			
Hotel	269,973	413,357	405,631
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	67,886	98,766	100,972
4 Star	131,992	179,201	188,138
3 Star	63,142	124,351	104,698
Other collective accommodation ¹	9,105	15,173	19,162
Total	279,078	428,529	424,793
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	14,427	24,506	22,142
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	3,363	6,784	6,267
4 Star	7,437	9,708	9,267
3 Star	2,587	6,235	5,164
Other collective accommodation ¹	371	1,010	1,095
Total	14,798	25,516	23,237

* Revised

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Table 6. Non-resident guests by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
	MALTA		
Hotel	241,891	404,261	398,434
5 Star	57,714	92,501	94,810
4 Star	116,234	175,472	186,591
3 Star	60,528	125,487	105,667
2 Star	7,415	10,801	11,366
Other collective accommodation ¹	8,797	15,626	19,555
Total	250,689	419,886	417,989
Malta			
Hotel	236,681	390,618	385,836
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	56,602	88,512	91,559
4 Star	113,506	169,507	180,744
3 Star	59,667	122,109	102,801
Other collective accommodation ¹	8,558	14,810	18,682
Total	245,239	405,427	404,518
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	5,210	13,643	12,598
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	1,112	3,989	3,251
4 Star	2,728	5,965	5,847
3 Star	861	3,378	2,866
Other collective accommodation ¹	239	816	873
Total	5,449	14,459	13,471

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Table 7. Resident guests by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
MALTA			
Hotel	42,508	33,602	29,339
5 Star	13,535	13,049	12,429
4 Star	23,195	13,436	10,814
3 Star	5,202	5,100	4,195
2 Star	577	2,017	1,901
Other collective accommodation ¹	679	557	702
Total	43,187	34,159	30,040
Malta			
Hotel	33,292	22,739	19,795
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	11,284	10,254	9,413
4 Star	18,486	9,693	7,394
3 Star	3,475	2,243	1,897
Other collective accommodation ¹	547	363	479
Total	33,838	23,102	20,275
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	9,216	10,863	9,543
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	2,251	2,795	3,016
4 Star	4,709	3,743	3,420
3 Star	1,727	2,857	2,297
Other collective accommodation ¹	132	194	222
Total	9,348	11,057	9,766

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Table 8. Total nights spent by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
Hotel	1,453,746	2,330,663	2,300,201
5 Star	261,615	457,846	430,317
4 Star	791,650	1,128,964	1,194,236
3 Star	348,504	675,680	605,143
2 Star	51,977	68,173	70,505
Other collective accommodation ¹	89,071	119,874	136,805
Total	1,542,816	2,450,537	2,437,006
Malta			
Hotel	1,414,487	2,244,231	2,221,334
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	251,891	434,159	409,025
4 Star	770,490	1,091,071	1,158,375
3 Star	342,842	655,767	587,302
Other collective accommodation ¹	88,136	116,857	133,502
Total	1,502,623	2,361,088	2,354,836
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	39,259	86,432	78,867
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	9,724	23,687	21,292
4 Star	21,160	37,893	35,861
3 Star	5,662	19,913	17,842
Other collective accommodation ¹	935	3,017	3,303
Total	40,194	89,449	82,170

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Table 9. Non-resident nights spent by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
MALTA			
Hotel	1,363,624	2,247,788	2,231,961
5 Star	233,884	424,237	401,144
4 Star	742,964	1,096,139	1,169,320
3 Star	336,344	663,580	594,118
2 Star	50,431	63,832	67,378
Other collective accommodation ¹	87,918	118,742	135,558
Total	1,451,542	2,366,530	2,367,519
Malta			
Hotel	1,341,160	2,183,614	2,171,987
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	228,434	406,336	385,999
4 Star	730,004	1,065,545	1,139,699
3 Star	333,538	649,178	581,008
Other collective accommodation ¹	87,232	116,086	132,681
Total	1,428,392	2,299,700	2,304,667
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	22,464	64,174	59,974
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	5,450	17,901	15,145
4 Star	12,960	30,594	29,621
3 Star	2,806	14,402	13,110
Other collective accommodation ¹	686	2,656	2,877
Total	23,150	66,830	62,852

* Revised

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Table 10. Resident nights spent by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
MALTA			
Hotel	90,122	82,875	68,240
5 Star	27,731	33,609	29,173
4 Star	48,685	32,824	24,916
3 Star	12,159	12,101	11,025
2 Star	1,546	4,341	3,126
Other collective accommodation ¹	1,152	1,132	1,247
Total	91,274	84,007	69,488
Malta			
Hotel	73,327	60,617	49,348
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	23,457	27,823	23,026
4 Star	40,485	25,525	18,676
3 Star	9,304	6,590	6,293
Other collective accommodation ¹	903	771	821
Total	74,231	61,388	50,169
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	16,795	22,258	18,893
<i>of which:</i>			
5 Star	4,274	5,786	6,147
4 Star	8,200	7,299	6,240
3 Star	2,856	5,511	4,732
Other collective accommodation ¹	249	361	426
Total	17,044	22,619	19,318

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Table 11. Net use of bed-places by period, region and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	Q1/2016*	April-June (Q2)	
		2015	2016
MALTA			
Hotel	48.3	71.1	70.7
5 Star	48.3	77.5	73.9
4 Star	54.8	75.5	76.5
3 Star	38.8	63.7	62.2
2 Star	41.4	52.0	51.5
Other collective accommodation ¹	34.6	45.4	49.6
Total	47.2	69.2	69.1
Malta			
Hotel	49.1	71.7	71.8
of which:			
5 Star	49.6	78.9	75.6
4 Star	55.8	76.1	77.3
3 Star	38.9	63.9	62.9
Other collective accommodation ¹	35.8	46.6	51.4
Total	48.1	69.9	70.3
Gozo and Comino			
Hotel	30.5	57.5	48.9
of which:			
5 Star	29.5	58.2	51.2
4 Star	33.8	60.5	57.3
3 Star	31.2	56.6	46.4
Other collective accommodation ¹	8.3	22.3	20.8
Total	28.7	54.5	46.4

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Methodological Notes

1. The objective of the Survey on Collective Accommodation Establishments is to estimate the utilisation rate of bed-places of all active collective accommodation establishments in Malta and Gozo. The variables collected from the survey include:
 - Number of residents;
 - Number of non-residents;
 - Nights spent by residents;
 - Nights spent by non-residents;
 - Number of room nights sold to foreign residents;
 - Number of room nights sold to Maltese residents;
 - Number of bedrooms;
 - Number of bed-places;
 - Number of days the establishment was closed during the month under review.

The collection of the above variables and the calculation of occupancy levels are in line with Regulation (EU) No. 692/2011.

2. The survey is distributed monthly to all collective accommodation establishments, namely hotels, guesthouses, hostels and tourist villages.
3. Response Rate:

June 2015	91.8%
May 2016	89.3%
June 2016	91.7%

4. In this release figures for May 2016 should be considered as a second estimate while those relating to June 2016 are a first estimate, therefore subject to revision in the ensuing release.
5. The Malta Tourism Authority (MTA) licensing department reclassified all collective accommodation establishments registered as apart-hotels to hotels (refer to Legal Notice 351 of 2012).
6. Prior to comparing and interpreting differences between demand-side (based on Tourstat) and supply-side (based on Accomstat) tourism statistics, users are strongly advised to consult concept 8.3 of the NSO's metadata file (<http://nso.gov.mt/metadadata/reports.aspx?id=35>).

7. **Definitions:**

- **Bedroom:** a unit formed by one room or group of rooms constituting an indivisible rental whole in an accommodation establishment or dwelling.
- **Bed-place:** in an establishment, this is determined by the number of persons who can stay overnight in the establishment, not taking into account any extra beds that may be provided to clients on request.
- **Residents:** Maltese/Gozitan residents who check into/out of a collective accommodation establishment. A person is considered to be a Maltese/Gozitan resident if:
 - (a) S/he has lived for most of the past 12 months in Malta/Gozo;
 - (b) S/he has lived in Malta/Gozo for less than 12 months but intends to return within a year to settle here.
- **Non-residents:** foreigners who do not necessarily follow the definition of a tourist and check into/out of a collective accommodation establishment.
- **Total guests:** the number of residents and non-residents altogether.
- **Total nights spent:** nights which a guest actually spends or is registered to spend in a collective accommodation establishment.
- **Net use of bed-places:** the net occupancy rate calculated for all active accommodation establishments, net of seasonal closures and other temporary closures. The occupancy of bed-places is calculated by dividing the total nights during the reference period by the number of bed-places and the number of days when the bed-places are actually available for use during the reference period. The result is then multiplied by 100 to express the occupancy rate as a percentage.
- **Average length of stay:** this is calculated as follows:
$$\frac{\text{total number of nights}}{\text{total number of guests}}$$

8. More information relating to this news release may be accessed at:

Statistical Concepts: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadadata/concepts.aspx>

Metadata: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadadata/reports.aspx?id=35>

Statistical Database: <http://nso.gov.mt/statdb/start>