

Total inbound visitors for July were estimated at 290,041, an increase of 13.1 per cent when compared to the corresponding month in 2017.

Inbound Tourism: July 2018

A total of 257,773 inbound tourist trips were carried out for holiday purposes, while a further 12,835 were undertaken for business purposes. Inbound tourists from EU Member States went up by 12.1 per cent to 234,889 when compared to the corresponding month in 2017. Most inbound tourists were aged between 25 and 44 (36.8 per cent), followed by those within the 0-24 age bracket (28.7 per cent) (Table 1).

Total nights spent increased by 12.9 per cent when compared to July 2017, reaching almost 2.4 million nights. The largest share of guest nights (50.4 per cent) was spent in collective accommodation establishments (Table 3).

Total tourist expenditure was estimated at €279.9 million, an increase of 9.5 per cent over the corresponding month in 2017 (Table 4).

January-July 2018

Inbound tourist trips for the first seven months of 2018 reached 1,451,527, an increase of 16.9 per cent over the same period in 2017 (Table 6). Total nights spent by inbound tourists went up by 16.6 per cent, surpassing 10.0 million nights (Table 8).

Total tourism expenditure was estimated at €1.1 billion, 11.0 per cent higher than that recorded for 2017 (Table 9). Total expenditure per capita stood at €772, a decrease of 5.1 per cent when compared to 2017 (Table 11) ■

Inbound tourism: year-on-year percentage changes

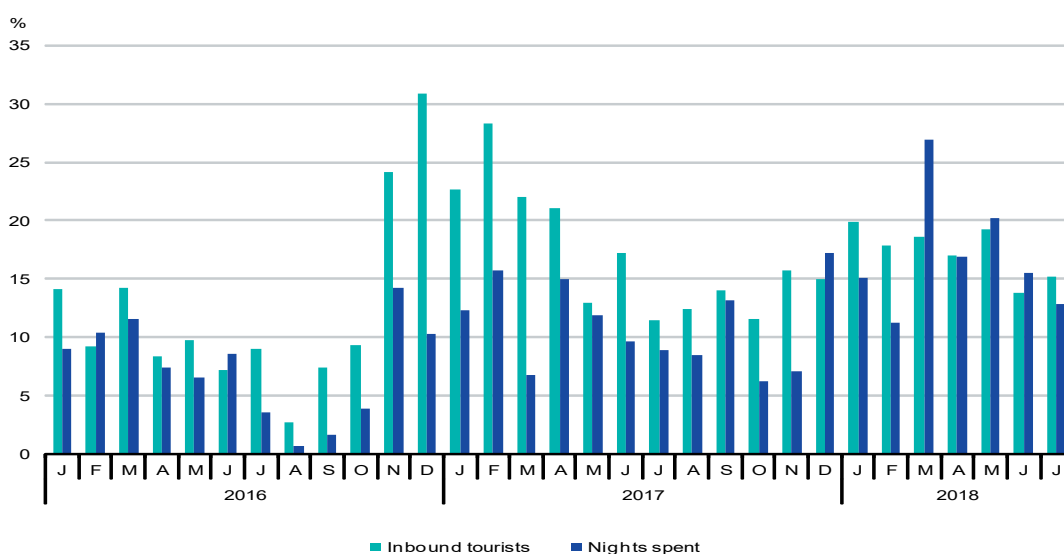


Table 1. Profile of inbound tourists by month of departure

Characteristics	July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Total inbound visitors	229,671	256,509	290,041	33,531	13.1
Overnight cruise passengers	4,332	5,443	858	-4,585	-84.2
Inbound tourists	225,339	251,066	289,183	38,116	15.2
Mode of travel					
Air	220,503	246,751	284,779	38,027	15.4
Sea	4,836	4,315	4,404	-	-
Sex					
Males	108,126	128,552	136,038	7,486	5.8
Females	117,213	122,514	153,145	30,631	25.0
Age group					
0-24	68,608	77,573	83,124	5,551	7.2
25-44	80,366	92,125	106,527	14,402	15.6
45-64	61,716	67,386	82,170	14,784	21.9
65 or more	14,649	13,982	17,362	3,380	24.2
Markets					
EU	187,018	209,445	234,889	25,444	12.1
<i>of which: Euro area</i>	98,630	117,081	134,808	17,727	15.1
Non-EU	38,322	41,621	54,293	12,673	30.4
Purpose of visit					
Holiday	196,768	217,438	257,773	40,335	18.6
Business and professional	9,163	9,942	12,835	2,894	29.1
Other (including educational, religious and health tourism)	19,408	23,687	18,575	-5,112	-21.6
Organisation of stay					
Package	85,216	82,010	103,445	21,436	26.1
Non-package	140,123	169,057	185,737	16,681	9.9
Frequency					
First-time tourists	162,702	187,347	217,927	30,580	16.3
Repeat tourists	62,637	63,719	71,255	7,536	11.8
once a year or less	47,163	48,620	56,475	7,855	16.2
more than once a year	15,475	15,099	14,780	-	-
Duration of visit					
1-3 nights	28,239	29,879	40,236	10,356	34.7
4-6 nights	45,269	57,865	70,630	12,765	22.1
7 nights or more	151,832	163,322	178,317	14,995	9.2
Average length of stay (nights)	8.6	8.4	8.2	-0.2	-

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 2. Inbound tourists by month of departure and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018		
Rented accommodation	197,088	217,708	252,669	34,961	16.1
Collective	143,494	151,272	170,000	18,728	12.4
Other rented	53,594	66,436	82,669	16,233	24.4
Non-rented accommodation	28,251	33,359	36,513	3,155	9.5
Total tourists	225,339	251,066	289,183	38,116	15.2

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 3. Total nights spent by inbound tourists by month of departure and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018		
Rented accommodation	1,625,994	1,757,112	2,034,569	277,457	15.8
Collective	1,045,860	1,107,192	1,195,676	88,484	8.0
Other rented	580,134	649,920	838,893	188,973	29.1
Non-rented accommodation	303,119	344,045	337,790	-6,255	-1.8
Total nights	1,929,113	2,101,157	2,372,359	271,202	12.9

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 4. Total expenditure by inbound tourists by month of departure and expenditure category

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Expenditure category	July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018		
Package	68,316	64,481	91,286	26,805	41.6
Non-package	71,151	87,134	91,588	4,453	5.1
Air/sea fares	33,267	38,833	43,168	4,335	11.2
Accommodation	37,884	48,301	48,419	118	0.2
Other expenditure	90,176	104,105	97,034	-7,071	-6.8
Total expenditure	229,643	255,720	279,908	24,188	9.5

Notes:

1. Expenditure estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand Euro.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 5. Inbound tourists, nights spent and total expenditure by month of departure and country of residence

Country of residence		July			Change	Percentage change
		2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Tourists	EU	187,018	209,445	234,889	25,444	12.1
	<i>of which:</i>					
	France	15,601	19,531	21,935	2,404	12.3
	Germany	11,152	14,956	19,080	4,124	27.6
	Italy	35,799	40,521	43,945	3,424	8.4
	United Kingdom	58,277	55,501	64,998	9,496	17.1
	Non-EU	38,322	41,621	54,293	12,673	30.4
	Total	225,339	251,066	289,183	38,116	15.2
Nights	EU	1,529,340	1,668,854	1,878,508	209,654	12.6
	<i>of which:</i>					
	France	157,665	193,509	253,236	59,727	30.9
	Germany	86,670	119,872	158,606	38,734	32.3
	Italy	258,087	300,526	317,601	17,075	5.7
	United Kingdom	485,782	446,910	481,622	34,712	7.8
	Non-EU	399,773	432,304	493,851	61,548	14.2
	Total	1,929,113	2,101,157	2,372,359	271,202	12.9
Expenditure (€000)	EU	176,020	196,034	208,374	12,340	6.3
	<i>of which:</i>					
	France	16,783	20,664	22,642	1,978	9.6
	Germany	10,550	13,612	21,205	7,593	55.8
	Italy	27,230	31,452	31,754	302	1.0
	United Kingdom	55,240	52,730	58,758	6,028	11.4
	Non-EU	53,624	59,686	71,534	11,847	19.8
	Total	229,643	255,720	279,908	24,188	9.5

Notes:

1. Expenditure estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand Euro.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 6. Profile of inbound tourists by period of departure

Characteristics	January-July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Total inbound visitors	1,064,754	1,261,552	1,466,957	205,404	16.3
Overnight cruise passengers	9,565	20,304	15,430	-4,874	-24.0
Inbound tourists	1,055,189	1,241,248	1,451,527	210,278	16.9
Mode of travel					
Air	1,028,687	1,215,911	1,425,884	209,972	17.3
Sea	26,502	25,337	25,643	-	-
Sex					
Males	531,575	642,160	715,513	73,353	11.4
Females	523,614	599,088	736,013	136,925	22.9
Age group					
0-24	202,179	239,642	274,389	34,747	14.5
25-44	362,198	467,684	534,798	67,113	14.4
45-64	340,137	388,514	462,536	74,021	19.1
65 or more	150,676	145,408	179,804	34,397	23.7
Markets					
EU	905,873	1,070,570	1,236,174	165,605	15.5
<i>of which: Euro area</i>	478,825	612,031	710,542	98,511	16.1
Non-EU	149,317	170,679	215,352	44,674	26.2
Purpose of visit					
Holiday	897,675	1,025,057	1,273,850	248,793	24.3
Business and professional	78,067	116,525	100,585	-15,940	-13.7
Other (including educational, religious and health tourism)	79,448	99,666	77,092	-22,574	-22.6
Organisation of stay					
Package	420,678	431,183	515,949	84,765	19.7
Non-package	634,511	810,065	935,578	125,513	15.5
Frequency					
First-time tourists	739,119	894,351	1,079,904	185,553	20.7
Repeat tourists	316,071	346,897	371,623	24,726	7.1
once a year or less	225,941	246,757	270,814	24,057	9.7
more than once a year	90,130	100,140	100,809	-	-
Duration of visit					
1-3 nights	202,112	276,132	310,024	33,892	12.3
4-6 nights	277,654	354,047	436,550	82,503	23.3
7 nights or more	575,423	611,069	704,952	93,883	15.4
Average length of stay (nights)	7.4	6.9	6.9	0.0	-

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 7. Inbound tourists by period of departure and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	January-July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Rented accommodation	932,391	1,097,681	1,272,880	175,199	16.0
Collective	745,874	849,122	953,672	104,550	12.3
Other rented	186,517	248,559	319,208	70,649	28.4
Non-rented accommodation	122,798	143,568	178,647	35,079	24.4
Total tourists	1,055,189	1,241,248	1,451,527	210,278	16.9

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 8. Total nights spent by inbound tourists by period of departure and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	January-July			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Rented accommodation	6,642,851	7,367,240	8,503,748	1,136,508	15.4
Collective	4,829,492	5,145,643	5,744,034	598,391	11.6
Other rented	1,813,359	2,221,597	2,759,714	538,117	24.2
Non-rented accommodation	1,131,914	1,259,113	1,555,876	296,763	23.6
Total nights	7,774,765	8,626,353	10,059,624	1,433,272	16.6

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 9. Inbound tourists, nights spent and total expenditure by period of departure and country of residence

Country of residence	January-July			Change	Percentage change	
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017		
Tourists	Australia	16,498	18,236	22,702	4,466	24.5
	Austria	14,882	17,217	23,304	6,087	35.4
	Belgium	20,987	45,502	40,845	-4,657	-10.2
	France	79,998	96,321	121,285	24,964	25.9
	Germany	81,113	100,095	130,067	29,972	29.9
	Hungary	11,536	13,853	14,844	-	-
	Ireland	19,178	20,186	24,117	3,931	19.5
	Italy	165,058	202,018	218,722	16,704	8.3
	Netherlands	27,482	35,622	33,308	-2,314	-6.5
	Poland	37,773	48,276	54,422	6,146	12.7
	Scandinavia*	69,922	73,195	74,648	-	-
	Spain	28,537	42,323	50,390	8,066	19.1
	Switzerland	19,292	23,421	25,323	1,902	8.1
	United Kingdom	302,410	305,316	356,909	51,593	16.9
	USA	14,901	19,956	26,472	6,517	32.7
	Other	145,622	179,710	234,169	54,458	30.3
Total	1,055,189	1,241,248	1,451,527	210,278	16.9	
Nights	Australia	184,477	200,221	239,346	39,125	19.5
	Austria	103,918	110,583	141,466	30,882	27.9
	Belgium	134,847	260,724	249,451	-11,273	-4.3
	France	589,626	695,113	900,548	205,435	29.6
	Germany	614,645	705,211	941,039	235,827	33.4
	Hungary	88,698	83,047	85,307	-	-
	Ireland	137,024	142,752	170,457	27,706	19.4
	Italy	968,586	1,140,561	1,276,684	136,123	11.9
	Netherlands	196,617	243,070	235,009	-8,062	-3.3
	Poland	262,794	313,578	344,886	31,308	10.0
	Scandinavia*	501,752	527,185	537,465	-	-
	Spain	194,258	258,127	316,416	58,290	22.6
	Switzerland	137,491	161,022	175,222	14,200	8.8
	United Kingdom	2,362,559	2,275,214	2,494,991	219,777	9.7
	USA	101,835	126,934	154,935	28,001	22.1
	Other	1,195,636	1,383,011	1,796,403	413,392	29.9
Total	7,774,765	8,626,353	10,059,624	1,433,272	16.6	
Expenditure (€000)	Australia	24,525	26,521	33,864	7,343	27.7
	Austria	12,815	15,917	18,309	2,392	15.0
	Belgium	19,102	33,652	29,885	-3,766	-11.2
	France	66,508	80,229	92,968	12,739	15.9
	Germany	69,289	81,953	105,780	23,827	29.1
	Hungary	8,092	9,538	8,722	-	-
	Ireland	16,973	17,566	20,324	2,757	15.7
	Italy	95,811	115,684	120,696	5,013	4.3
	Netherlands	22,057	28,421	25,759	-2,662	-9.4
	Poland	26,176	33,300	32,356	-945	-2.8
	Scandinavia*	65,185	70,577	67,406	-	-
	Spain	22,894	29,918	31,810	1,892	6.3
	Switzerland	21,861	25,764	25,421	-343	-1.3
	United Kingdom	249,300	241,915	272,059	30,144	12.5
	USA	16,733	21,978	30,260	8,282	37.7
	Other	148,716	176,525	205,184	28,659	16.2
Total	886,038	1,009,459	1,120,804	111,345	11.0	

* Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

Notes:

1. Expenditure estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand Euro.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 10. Total expenditure of inbound tourists by expenditure category, period of departure and country of residence

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Country of residence	Package expenditure	Non-package expenditure		Other expenditure	Total
		Air/sea fares	Accommodation		
January-July 2018					
Australia	5,422	11,012	5,066	12,364	33,864
Austria	7,329	2,424	2,779	5,777	18,309
Belgium	9,922	3,665	5,684	10,614	29,885
France	33,300	12,851	17,107	29,710	92,968
Germany	45,144	12,412	16,208	32,016	105,780
Hungary	1,695 ^u	1,715	1,835	3,478	8,722
Ireland	3,870	3,463	4,624	8,367	20,324
Italy	27,922	16,655	24,904	51,216	120,696
Netherlands	8,091	3,286	4,194	10,188	25,759
Poland	6,303	4,985	7,934	13,133	32,356
Scandinavia*	21,847	10,858	11,074	23,627	67,406
Spain	6,793	4,815	7,193	13,008	31,810
Switzerland	7,780	3,835	4,761	9,045	25,421
United Kingdom	100,215	32,274	39,821	99,749	272,059
USA	4,382	11,229	6,185	8,463	30,260
Other	45,411	44,878	38,596	76,299	205,184
Total	335,425	180,357	197,967	407,055	1,120,804
January-July 2017					
Australia	1,814 ^u	9,118	4,171	11,418	26,521
Austria	5,271	2,229	2,904	5,513	15,917
Belgium	9,335	5,137	7,564	11,616	33,652
France	26,843	10,508	14,494	28,384	80,229
Germany	31,396	9,525	13,014	28,017	81,953
Hungary	987 ^u	1,879	2,297	4,376	9,538
Ireland	3,247	2,825	3,891	7,604	17,566
Italy	26,870	14,949	22,782	51,083	115,684
Netherlands	8,042	4,025	4,782	11,571	28,421
Poland	7,129	4,749	6,899	14,524	33,300
Scandinavia*	21,054	10,244	11,688	27,590	70,577
Spain	6,097	4,402	6,170	13,249	29,918
Switzerland	6,983	4,189	4,765	9,828	25,764
United Kingdom	77,683	30,163	37,294	96,775	241,915
USA	2,768 ^u	6,942	4,974	7,293	21,978
Other	32,258	37,283	33,725	73,259	176,525
Total	267,775	158,167	181,414	402,103	1,009,459
January-July 2016					
Australia	1,559 ^u	8,753	3,919	10,295	24,525
Austria	5,679	1,366	1,465	4,305	12,815
Belgium	8,239	2,283	2,551	6,030	19,102
France	26,331	7,589	10,723	21,866	66,508
Germany	30,922	7,309	9,442	21,617	69,289
Hungary	1,514 ^u	1,204	1,555	3,819	8,092
Ireland	3,966	2,471	3,158	7,378	16,973
Italy	24,156	11,808	18,392	41,455	95,811
Netherlands	7,649	2,548	3,008	8,853	22,057
Poland	5,070	3,855	5,539	11,712	26,176
Scandinavia*	22,944	8,098	9,641	24,503	65,185
Spain	6,355	2,899	4,256	9,384	22,894
Switzerland	6,935	2,964	3,643	8,319	21,861
United Kingdom	87,164	32,425	34,248	95,462	249,300
USA	1,356 ^u	5,454	3,811	6,112	16,733
Other	31,706	29,533	25,394	62,083	148,716
Total	271,544	130,558	140,745	343,191	886,038

^u Under represented - between 20 and 49 sample observations.

* Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

Notes:

1. Expenditure estimates are rounded to the nearest thousand Euro.
2. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Table 11. Per capita expenditure of inbound tourists by expenditure category, period of departure and country of residence

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Country of residence	Package expenditure	Non-package expenditure		Other expenditure	Total expenditure per capita
		Air/sea fares	Accommodation		
January-July 2018					
Australia	1,430	582	348	545	1,492
Austria	689	191	246	248	786
Belgium	678	140	249	260	732
France	696	174	260	245	767
Germany	694	190	286	246	813
Hungary	456 ^u	154	237	234	588
Ireland	523	207	329	347	843
Italy	482	103	199	234	552
Netherlands	582	169	248	306	773
Poland	442	124	221	241	595
Scandinavia*	693	251	298	317	903
Spain	507	129	221	258	631
Switzerland	771	249	362	357	1,004
United Kingdom	633	162	268	279	762
USA	1,029	501	318	320	1,143
Other	766	256	268	326	876
Total expenditure per capita	650	192	259	280	772
January-July 2017					
Australia	1,038 ^u	553	353	626	1,454
Austria	668	239	348	320	924
Belgium	707	159	269	255	740
France	683	184	285	295	833
Germany	654	183	301	280	819
Hungary	413 ^u	164	246	316	689
Ireland	577	194	340	377	870
Italy	468	103	200	253	573
Netherlands	567	188	275	325	798
Poland	505	139	220	301	690
Scandinavia*	711	235	324	377	964
Spain	520	144	231	313	707
Switzerland	821	281	368	420	1,100
United Kingdom	605	170	303	317	792
USA	1,251 ^u	391	338	365	1,101
Other	688	281	311	408	982
Total expenditure per capita	621	195	280	324	813
January-July 2016					
Australia	793 ^u	602	365	624	1,487
Austria	645	225	299	289	861
Belgium	781	219	297	287	910
France	700	179	290	273	831
Germany	694	200	304	267	854
Hungary	488 ^u	143	227	331	701
Ireland	567	203	311	385	885
Italy	497	101	203	251	580
Netherlands	617	169	248	322	803
Poland	508	139	222	310	693
Scandinavia*	657	231	324	350	932
Spain	627	158	283	329	802
Switzerland	915	253	345	431	1,133
United Kingdom	638	196	300	316	824
USA	933 ^u	406	346	410	1,123
Other	700	294	314	426	1,021
Total expenditure per capita	645	206	282	325	840

^u Under represented - between 20 and 49 sample observations.

* Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

Table 12. Profile of overnight cruise passengers by month of departure

Characteristics	July		
	2016	2017	2018
Total overnight cruise passengers	4,332	5,443	858
Sex:			
Males	2,030	2,499	396
Females	2,302	2,944	462
Age group:			
0-19	544	698	75
20-39	727	690	75
40-59	1,513	1,946	253
60-79	1,375	1,934	394
80 or more	173	175	61
Markets:			
EU	1,647	3,503	370
<i>of which</i> : Euro area	740	685	318
Non-EU	2,685	1,940	488

Table 13. Profile of overnight cruise passengers by period of departure

Characteristics	January-July		
	2016	2017	2018
Total overnight cruise passengers	9,565	20,304	15,430
Sex:			
Males	4,508	9,439	7,052
Females	5,057	10,865	8,378
Age group:			
0-19	769	1,168	578
20-39	1,125	1,735	991
40-59	2,732	5,385	3,691
60-79	4,372	10,601	9,238
80 or more	567	1,415	932
Markets:			
EU	4,971	12,287	7,909
<i>of which</i> : Euro area	3,613	5,474	3,253
Non-EU	4,594	8,017	7,521

Methodological Notes

1. This release focuses on Inbound Tourism, which comprises of activities of non-resident visitors travelling to Malta (i.e. outside their usual environment), and staying for not more than 12 consecutive months for leisure, business or other (corresponding) purposes.
2. Inbound tourism trips are collected from an ongoing frontier national survey known as Tourstat. Tourist air departures are collected through a continuous survey carried out at the departure lounge of the Malta International Airport (MIA). A two-stage sampling design is used to collect air passengers. In the first stage, alternate days and nights are selected. In the second stage, within each shift, a sample of passengers is selected systematically. Every crossing passenger is counted and respondents are selected using a pre-defined interval of 1:20 for air.
3. Tourstat measures the number of tourist trips carried out during a particular reference month. These differ from the number of tourists in that the same person can make more than one trip during the same period.
4. Tourist sea departures are collected through a regular survey, conducted during three separate months every year at the Valletta Cruise Port. A quota sample is used to conduct sea passenger departures in which survey interviewers are guided to select people according to fixed quotas. Survey data is supplemented by administrative data provided by ferry operators.
5. Absolute and percentage changes between one survey estimate and another based on less than 1,500 tourists should be treated with caution and are represented in this news release by means of the dash symbol (-).
6. The monthly passenger departures data published by the MIA cannot be equated to the number of inbound tourists because the former is inclusive of departing Maltese and transit passengers.
7. Data on cruise passengers who spent at least one night berthed on board their cruiseship in Malta is compiled on the basis of administrative records held by Transport Malta.
8. Arrivals and nights spent in time-share accommodation are being categorised in 'Private Accommodation' instead of 'Collective Accommodation' as per Eurostat recommendation. In this regard, there may be minor differences in these statistics and statistics published in tourism supply due to the fact that hotels report time-share accommodation under 'Collective Accommodation'.
9. 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/metadata/reports.aspx?id=37>).
10. **Definitions:**
 - **Usual Environment:** The geographical area, though not necessarily a contiguous one, within which an individual conducts his regular life routines and shall be determined on the basis of the following criteria: the crossing of administrative borders or the distance from the place of usual residence, the duration of visit, the frequency of visit, the purpose of visit.
 - **Traveller:** A person who moves between different geographic locations, for any purpose and any duration.
 - **Visitor:** The three fundamental criteria used to distinguish visitors from travellers are:
 - a. **The trip should be to a place other than that of the usual environment**, which would exclude short-distance local transport and commuting, i.e. more or less regular trips between the place of work/study and the place of residence;
 - b. **The stay in the place visited should not last more than twelve consecutive months**, beyond which the visitor would become a resident of that place (from the statistical standpoint);
 - c. **The main purpose of the visit should be other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited**, which would exclude migratory movements for work purposes.
 - **Tourist:** A visitor who stays at least one night in a collective or private accommodation in the place/country visited.
 - **Inbound tourism:** Comprises the activities of non-resident visitors travelling to MALTA (i.e. outside their usual environment), and staying for not more than 12 consecutive months for personal, business or other purposes.
 - **Total nights spent:** Nights which a guest actually spends or is registered to spend in a collective accommodation establishment or in a private accommodation.
 - **Average length of stay:** The number of nights spent divided by the number of trips during a specified reference period.
 - **Rented accommodation:** consists of the following two sub-categories:
 - a. **Collective accommodation:** comprises hotels, guesthouses, hostels, tourist villages, holiday complex, Bed & Breakfast and campsites.
 - b. **Other rented accommodation:** comprises holiday furnished premises (farmhouses, flats and villas), host families, marinas, paid-convents, rented yachts and student dormitories.
 - **Non-rented accommodation:** comprises own private residence (owned dwellings, owned caravans and yachts), staying with friends or relatives (even if charged - includes also friends' private apartments) and other private accommodation (oil rig, free-convents, timeshare, dockyards (Palumbo), ship (used for work)).
 - **Total expenditure:** refers to the amount that is going to be paid for the acquisition of consumption goods and services, as well as valuables during tourism trips. It includes expenditures by visitors themselves, as well as expenses that are paid for or reimbursed by others. Maltese residents are asked to budget the expenditures which they are about to incur when travelling abroad. The total expenditure is broken down by the following expenditure items:

- a. **Package expenditure:** refers to the whole amount of money spent in transport, accommodation and others services such as rental of a car, activities or outings during the trip.
- b. **Non-Package expenditure:** is the amount of money spent in transport and accommodation reported separately.
- c. **Other expenditure:** is the amount spent on shopping, souvenirs, tickets for concerts or a sport event, entrance to a museum or zoo, day excursions during a tourism trip. It also includes durables and valuable goods, that is, the amount spent on cars, computers paintings, jewellery and works of art.

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

Sources and Methods: https://nso.gov.mt/en/nso/Sources_and_Methods/Unit_C3/Tourism_Statistics/Pages/TOURSTAT-Survey.aspx

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

Metadata: <http://nso.gov.mt/metadata/reports.aspx?id=37>

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

12. Any quotations from this news release are to be cited and/or referenced.

13. A detailed news release calendar is available on https://nso.gov.mt/en/News_Releases/Release_Calendar/Pages/News-Release-Calendar.aspx