

Total inbound visitors for August were estimated at 317,490, an increase of 10.2 per cent when compared to the corresponding month in 2017.

Inbound Tourism: August 2018

A total of 290,734 inbound tourist trips were carried out for holiday purposes, while a further 8,980 were undertaken for business purposes. Inbound tourists from EU Member States went up by 8.6 per cent to 266,492 when compared to the corresponding month in 2017. Most inbound tourists were aged between 25 and 44 (44.0 per cent), followed by those within the 0-24 age bracket (28.2 per cent) (Table 1).

Total nights spent went up by 5.7 per cent when compared to August 2017, surpassing 2.7 million nights. The largest share of guest nights (46.9 per cent) was spent in collective accommodation establishments (Table 3).

Total tourist expenditure was estimated at €320.6 million, an increase of 7.2 per cent over the corresponding month in 2017 (Table 4).

January-August 2018

Inbound tourist trips for the first eight months of 2018 reached 1,765,402, an increase of 15.7 per cent over the same period in 2017 (Table 6). Total nights spent by inbound tourists went up by 14.1 per cent, reaching nearly 12.8 million nights (Table 8).

Total tourism expenditure was estimated at €1.4 billion, 10.2 per cent higher than that recorded for 2017 (Table 9). Total expenditure per capita stood at €817, a decrease of 4.8 per cent when compared to 2017 (Table 11) ■

Chart1. Inbound tourism: year-on-year percentage changes
(excluding overnight cruise passengers)

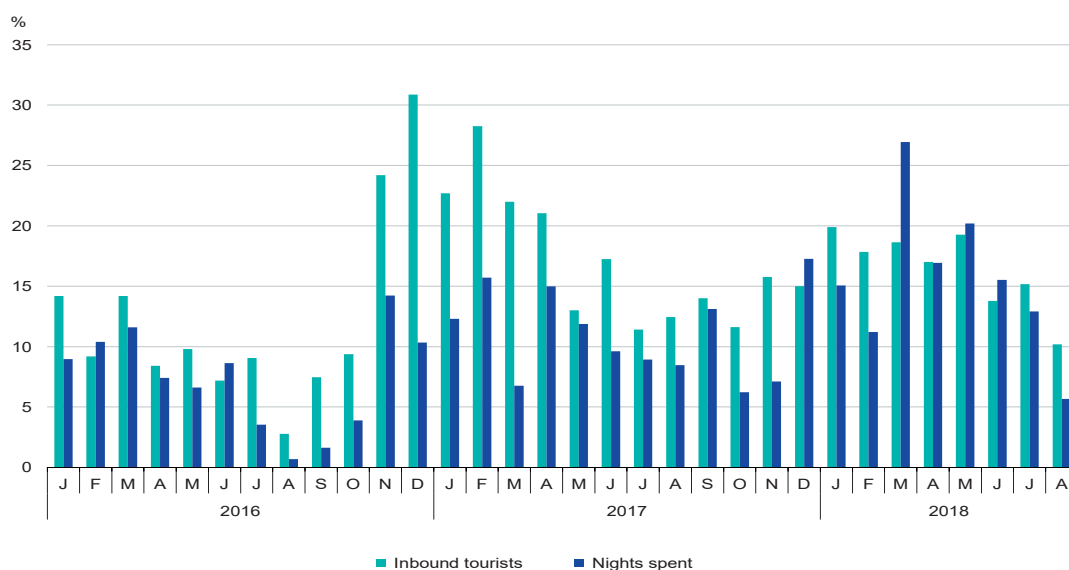


Table 1. Profile of inbound tourists by month of departure

Characteristics	August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Total inbound visitors	256,782	288,033	317,490	29,458	10.2
Overnight cruise passengers	3,452	3,189	3,615	-	-
Inbound tourists	253,330	284,844	313,875	29,032	10.2
Mode of travel					
Air	247,492	279,059	308,507	29,449	10.6
Sea	5,838	5,785	5,368	-	-
Sex					
Males	126,765	143,812	159,696	15,885	11.0
Females	126,565	141,032	154,179	13,147	9.3
Age group					
0-24	82,486	89,433	88,560	-	-
25-44	97,030	116,554	138,002	21,448	18.4
45-64	62,926	68,099	73,478	5,380	7.9
65 or more	10,888	10,759	13,836	3,077	28.6
Markets					
EU	220,149	245,390	266,492	21,103	8.6
<i>of which:</i> Euro area	125,435	150,035	161,057	11,022	7.3
Non-EU	33,180	39,454	47,383	7,929	20.1
Purpose of visit					
Holiday	228,428	259,392	290,734	31,342	12.1
Business and professional	7,295	7,839	8,980	-	-
Other (including educational, religious and health tourism)	17,607	17,613	14,162	-3,451	-19.6
Organisation of stay					
Package	94,736	89,332	102,119	12,787	14.3
Non-package	158,594	195,511	211,756	16,245	8.3
Frequency					
First-time tourists	188,617	220,639	243,017	22,377	10.1
Repeat tourists	64,713	64,204	70,859	6,654	10.4
once a year or less	50,902	49,512	56,827	7,315	14.8
more than once a year	13,811	14,692	14,032	-	-
Duration of visit					
1-3 nights	18,769	24,094	29,121	5,027	20.9
4-6 nights	52,211	62,282	70,308	8,026	12.9
7 nights or more	182,350	198,467	214,446	15,979	8.1
Average length of stay (nights)	9.4	9.0	8.7	-0.3	-

Notes:

1. Totals may not add up due to rounding.
2. Changes denoted by the dash symbol (-) should be treated with caution. For more information, please refer to methodological note 5.

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

Type of accommodation	August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018		
Rented accommodation	221,385	248,719	275,042	26,323	10.6
Collective	157,874	165,591	175,840	10,250	6.2
Other rented	63,511	83,128	99,202	16,074	19.3
Non-rented accommodation	31,945	36,125	38,833	2,708	7.5
Total tourists	253,330	284,844	313,875	29,032	10.2

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	August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018		
Rented accommodation	1,958,183	2,126,041	2,245,358	119,317	5.6
Collective	1,208,203	1,201,124	1,276,776	75,652	6.3
Other rented	749,980	924,916	968,582	43,665	4.7
Non-rented accommodation	417,735	450,898	477,495	26,597	5.9
Total nights	2,375,917	2,576,938	2,722,853	145,915	5.7

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

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

Expenditure category	August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018		
Package	76,902	72,452	90,840	18,388	25.4
Non-package	86,878	102,749	113,934	11,184	10.9
Air/sea fares	39,813	46,241	48,632	2,392	5.2
Accommodation	47,065	56,509	65,301	8,793	15.6
Other expenditure	107,091	123,917	115,873	-8,044	-6.5
Total expenditure	270,872	299,118	320,647	21,529	7.2

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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	August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Tourists					
EU	220,149	245,390	266,492	21,103	8.6
<i>of which:</i>					
France	20,815	28,758	31,818	3,060	10.6
Germany	16,364	19,308	19,505	-	-
Italy	50,845	56,878	60,027	3,149	5.5
United Kingdom	68,635	63,797	72,163	8,366	13.1
Non-EU	33,180	39,454	47,383	7,929	20.1
Total	253,330	284,844	313,875	29,032	10.2
Nights					
EU	2,021,826	2,107,746	2,237,043	129,297	6.1
<i>of which:</i>					
France	234,525	338,242	354,910	16,668	4.9
Germany	158,491	178,690	165,369	-	-
Italy	407,348	422,068	442,778	20,710	4.9
United Kingdom	646,920	558,904	613,988	55,085	9.9
Non-EU	354,092	469,192	485,810	16,618	3.5
Total	2,375,917	2,576,938	2,722,853	145,915	5.7
Expenditure (€000)					
EU	221,520	242,395	256,061	13,666	5.6
<i>of which:</i>					
France	24,751	30,508	33,326	2,818	9.2
Germany	16,816	20,465	19,631	-	-
Italy	42,376	47,962	50,648	2,686	5.6
United Kingdom	73,723	66,691	75,984	9,293	13.9
Non-EU	49,352	56,723	64,586	7,863	13.9
Total	270,872	299,118	320,647	21,529	7.2

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Table 6. Profile of inbound tourists by period of departure

Characteristics	January-August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Total inbound visitors	1,321,536	1,549,585	1,784,447	234,862	15.2
Overnight cruise passengers	13,017	23,493	19,045	-4,448	-18.9
Inbound tourists	1,308,519	1,526,092	1,765,402	239,310	15.7
Mode of travel					
Air	1,276,179	1,494,970	1,734,391	239,421	16.0
Sea	32,340	31,122	31,011	-	-
Sex					
Males	658,340	785,972	875,209	89,238	11.4
Females	650,179	740,120	890,192	150,072	20.3
Age group					
0-24	284,666	329,075	362,949	33,874	10.3
25-44	459,228	584,238	672,799	88,561	15.2
45-64	403,063	456,613	536,014	79,401	17.4
65 or more	161,563	156,166	193,640	37,474	24.0
Markets					
EU	1,126,022	1,315,959	1,502,667	186,708	14.2
<i>of which: Euro area</i>	604,260	762,066	871,599	109,533	14.4
Non-EU	182,497	210,133	262,735	52,602	25.0
Purpose of visit					
Holiday	1,126,103	1,284,449	1,564,584	280,135	21.8
Business and professional	85,361	124,364	109,564	-14,800	-11.9
Other (including educational, religious and health tourism)	97,055	117,279	91,254	-26,025	-22.2
Organisation of stay					
Package	515,414	520,516	618,068	97,552	18.7
Non-package	793,105	1,005,576	1,147,334	141,758	14.1
Frequency					
First-time tourists	927,735	1,114,991	1,322,920	207,930	18.6
Repeat tourists	380,784	411,101	442,482	31,380	7.6
once a year or less	276,842	296,269	327,641	31,372	10.6
more than once a year	103,941	114,832	114,840	-	-
Duration of visit					
1-3 nights	220,881	300,226	339,146	38,919	13.0
4-6 nights	329,865	416,329	506,858	90,529	21.7
7 nights or more	757,773	809,536	919,398	109,862	13.6
Average length of stay (nights)	7.8	7.3	7.2	-0.1	-

Notes:

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

Type of accommodation	January-August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Rented accommodation	1,153,776	1,346,400	1,547,922	201,523	15.0
Collective	903,748	1,014,712	1,129,512	114,800	11.3
Other rented	250,028	331,687	418,410	86,722	26.1
Non-rented accommodation	154,743	179,692	217,480	37,787	21.0
Total tourists	1,308,519	1,526,092	1,765,402	239,310	15.7

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-August			Change	Percentage change
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017	
Rented accommodation	8,601,034	9,493,281	10,749,106	1,255,826	13.2
Collective	6,037,695	6,346,768	7,020,810	674,043	10.6
Other rented	2,563,339	3,146,513	3,728,296	581,783	18.5
Non-rented accommodation	1,549,648	1,710,010	2,033,371	323,361	18.9
Total nights	10,150,682	11,203,291	12,782,477	1,579,186	14.1

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-August			Change	Percentage change	
	2016	2017	2018	2018/2017		
Tourists	Australia	21,545	24,609	30,304	5,695	23.1
	Austria	17,131	20,444	27,579	7,135	34.9
	Belgium	24,835	51,606	46,142	-5,464	-10.6
	France	100,813	125,079	153,103	28,024	22.4
	Germany	97,477	119,403	149,572	30,169	25.3
	Hungary	14,576	17,470	19,678	2,208	12.6
	Ireland	22,592	23,994	28,704	4,710	19.6
	Italy	215,903	258,896	278,749	19,853	7.7
	Netherlands	36,101	45,246	40,762	-4,484	-9.9
	Poland	45,898	57,941	65,047	7,106	12.3
	Scandinavia*	83,423	87,157	86,660	-	-
	Spain	38,625	54,684	64,485	9,801	17.9
	Switzerland	25,091	29,135	30,765	1,630	5.6
	United Kingdom	371,044	369,113	429,072	59,959	16.2
	USA	17,689	23,521	29,714	6,192	26.3
	Other	175,778	217,793	285,065	67,272	30.9
Total	1,308,519	1,526,092	1,765,402	239,310	15.7	
Nights	Australia	253,221	298,459	316,974	18,516	6.2
	Austria	121,953	135,121	184,745	49,624	36.7
	Belgium	167,543	310,106	291,846	-18,259	-5.9
	France	824,150	1,033,355	1,255,458	222,103	21.5
	Germany	773,136	883,902	1,106,408	222,506	25.2
	Hungary	113,596	112,073	120,547	8,475	7.6
	Ireland	171,847	172,709	209,114	36,405	21.1
	Italy	1,375,934	1,562,628	1,719,462	156,833	10.0
	Netherlands	276,625	326,834	298,406	-28,427	-8.7
	Poland	336,317	392,660	437,878	45,218	11.5
	Scandinavia*	613,683	632,052	633,876	-	-
	Spain	282,849	358,639	423,727	65,088	18.1
	Switzerland	192,475	211,122	220,169	9,047	4.3
	United Kingdom	3,009,479	2,834,118	3,108,980	274,862	9.7
	USA	138,923	163,989	181,812	17,824	10.9
	Other	1,498,953	1,775,526	2,273,073	497,547	28.0
Total	10,150,682	11,203,291	12,782,477	1,579,186	14.1	
Expenditure (€000)	Australia	33,758	37,422	46,512	9,090	24.3
	Austria	15,329	19,324	22,761	3,437	17.8
	Belgium	23,262	39,788	35,369	-4,419	-11.1
	France	91,259	110,737	126,294	15,557	14.0
	Germany	86,106	102,418	125,410	22,992	22.4
	Hungary	10,377	13,041	11,600	-1,440	-11.0
	Ireland	20,959	21,451	25,041	3,590	16.7
	Italy	138,186	163,646	171,344	7,698	4.7
	Netherlands	31,900	39,033	33,728	-5,305	-13.6
	Poland	32,789	41,468	41,404	-64	-0.2
	Scandinavia*	79,637	85,218	79,461	-	-
	Spain	32,673	43,066	44,536	1,470	3.4
	Switzerland	30,176	33,147	33,012	-135	-0.4
	United Kingdom	323,023	308,606	348,043	39,437	12.8
	USA	21,051	26,402	35,006	8,604	32.6
	Other	186,424	223,813	261,930	38,117	17.0
Total	1,156,910	1,308,577	1,441,451	132,874	10.2	

* Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden

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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-August 2018					
Australia	5,721	15,784	7,534	17,473	46,512
Austria	8,872	3,023	3,554	7,311	22,761
Belgium	11,457	4,331	7,294	12,287	35,369
France	42,011	17,989	25,057	41,236	126,294
Germany	53,711	14,497	19,721	37,482	125,410
Hungary	2,377	2,260	2,315	4,649	11,600
Ireland	4,922	4,216	5,684	10,219	25,041
Italy	39,714	23,309	35,813	72,509	171,344
Netherlands	9,989	4,422	5,882	13,434	33,728
Poland	7,856	6,372	10,571	16,605	41,404
Scandinavia*	25,527	12,591	13,296	28,047	79,461
Spain	9,420	6,585	10,674	17,857	44,536
Switzerland	9,907	4,734	6,524	11,846	33,012
United Kingdom	128,762	41,956	52,578	124,747	348,043
USA	5,904	12,496	6,890	9,716	35,006
Other	60,112	54,425	49,882	97,511	261,930
Total	426,265	228,989	263,268	522,929	1,441,451
January-August 2017					
Australia	2,189 ^u	12,739	5,685	16,808	37,422
Austria	6,451	2,625	3,393	6,855	19,324
Belgium	10,751	6,000	9,029	14,008	39,788
France	34,543	14,654	21,298	40,242	110,737
Germany	39,055	11,759	16,786	34,818	102,418
Hungary	1,576 ^u	2,331	3,002	6,132	13,041
Ireland	4,013	3,410	4,672	9,356	21,451
Italy	37,113	21,543	33,081	71,909	163,646
Netherlands	11,123	5,213	6,355	16,342	39,033
Poland	8,389	6,033	8,857	18,188	41,468
Scandinavia*	25,533	12,163	13,857	33,665	85,218
Spain	8,028	6,328	9,569	19,141	43,066
Switzerland	8,892	5,391	6,287	12,577	33,147
United Kingdom	97,725	39,742	48,085	123,054	308,606
USA	2,978 ^u	8,316	5,756	9,351	26,402
Other	41,867	46,161	42,211	93,574	223,813
Total	340,227	204,407	237,923	526,020	1,308,577
January-August 2016					
Australia	1,855 ^u	11,409	5,509	14,985	33,758
Austria	7,022	1,541	1,731	5,035	15,329
Belgium	9,796	2,700	3,195	7,571	23,262
France	33,969	10,810	15,567	30,914	91,259
Germany	38,221	9,095	11,892	26,898	86,106
Hungary	2,262	1,462	1,856	4,798	10,377
Ireland	4,732	3,075	4,142	9,010	20,959
Italy	33,803	17,306	27,157	59,921	138,186
Netherlands	11,227	3,542	4,326	12,805	31,900
Poland	6,569	4,714	7,018	14,488	32,789
Scandinavia*	27,759	9,827	11,937	30,113	79,637
Spain	8,066	4,491	6,554	13,562	32,673
Switzerland	9,670	3,968	5,133	11,405	30,176
United Kingdom	110,453	43,066	46,485	123,019	323,023
USA	1,417 ^u	7,255	4,438	7,941	21,051
Other	41,625	36,112	30,870	77,818	186,424
Total	348,446	170,371	187,810	450,282	1,156,910

^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-August 2018					
Australia	1,300	608	371	577	1,535
Austria	739	194	260	265	825
Belgium	708	144	279	266	767
France	731	187	289	269	825
Germany	722	192	302	251	838
Hungary	487	153	239	236	590
Ireland	556	212	339	356	872
Italy	533	114	220	260	615
Netherlands	609	182	276	330	827
Poland	481	130	244	255	637
Scandinavia*	709	248	305	324	917
Spain	545	138	254	277	691
Switzerland	806	254	404	385	1,073
United Kingdom	683	174	293	291	811
USA	1,215	498	325	327	1,178
Other	816	256	288	342	919
Total expenditure per capita	690	199	279	296	817
January-August 2017					
Australia	978 ^u	569	357	683	1,521
Austria	686	238	356	335	945
Belgium	731	163	280	271	771
France	717	190	308	322	885
Germany	697	185	319	292	858
Hungary	481 ^u	164	263	351	746
Ireland	607	196	340	390	894
Italy	506	116	223	278	632
Netherlands	601	195	290	361	863
Poland	531	143	233	314	716
Scandinavia*	719	236	328	386	978
Spain	556	157	270	350	788
Switzerland	860	287	383	432	1,138
United Kingdom	640	184	320	333	836
USA	1,153 ^u	397	341	398	1,122
Other	735	287	326	430	1,028
Total expenditure per capita	654	203	296	345	857
January-August 2016					
Australia	811 ^u	592	385	696	1,567
Austria	677	228	320	294	895
Belgium	793	216	317	305	937
France	747	195	322	307	905
Germany	729	202	316	276	883
Hungary	517	143	230	329	712
Ireland	601	209	343	399	928
Italy	522	114	227	278	640
Netherlands	657	186	282	355	884
Poland	559	138	234	316	714
Scandinavia*	671	234	338	361	955
Spain	651	171	299	351	846
Switzerland	955	265	379	455	1,203
United Kingdom	668	209	326	332	871
USA	871 ^u	452	353	449	1,190
Other	745	301	323	443	1,061
Total expenditure per capita	676	215	302	344	884

^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	August		
	2016	2017	2018
Total overnight cruise passengers	3,452	3,189	3,615
Sex:			
Males	1,590	1,528	1,683
Females	1,862	1,661	1,932
Age group:			
0-19	324	198	361
20-39	508	252	299
40-59	1,171	845	981
60-79	1,345	1,735	1,769
80 or more	104	159	205
Markets:			
EU	1,599	857	1,212
<i>of which</i> : Euro area	639	430	828
Non-EU	1,853	2,332	2,403

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

Characteristics	January-August		
	2016	2017	2018
Total overnight cruise passengers	13,017	23,493	19,045
Sex:			
Males	6,098	10,967	8,735
Females	6,919	12,526	10,310
Age group:			
0-19	1,093	1,366	939
20-39	1,633	1,987	1,290
40-59	3,903	6,230	4,672
60-79	5,717	12,336	11,007
80 or more	671	1,574	1,137
Markets:			
EU	6,570	13,144	9,121
<i>of which</i> : Euro area	4,252	5,904	4,081
Non-EU	6,447	10,349	9,924

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. 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 Malta International Airport 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 cruise ship 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. References to this news release are to be cited appropriately.

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