

Total inbound visitors for June were estimated at 280,522, an increase of 5.5 per cent when compared to the corresponding month in 2018.

Inbound Tourism: June 2019

A total of 251,747 inbound tourist trips were carried out for holiday purposes, while a further 15,545 were undertaken for business purposes. Inbound tourists from Non-EU countries went up by 17.1 per cent when compared to the corresponding month in 2018. Most inbound tourists were aged between 25 and 44 (42.2 per cent), followed by those within the 45-64 age bracket (29.2 per cent) (Table 1).

Total nights spent went up by 5.1 per cent when compared to June 2018, surpassing 1.9 million nights. The largest share of guest nights (53.4 per cent) was spent in collective accommodation establishments (Table 3).

Total tourist expenditure was estimated at €235.4 million, an increase of 10.7 per cent over the corresponding month in 2018 (Table 4).

January-June 2019

Inbound tourist trips for the first six months of 2019 amounted to 1,208,068, an increase of 3.9 per cent over the same period in 2018 (Table 6). Total nights spent by inbound tourists went up by 2.4 per cent, reaching nearly 7.9 million nights (Table 8).

Total tourism expenditure was estimated at €883.5 million, 5.1 per cent higher than that recorded for 2018 (Table 9). Total expenditure per capita stood at €731, an increase of 1.1 per cent when compared to 2018 (Table 11) ■

Chart 1. Year-on-year percentage changes in inbound tourists and nights spent
(excluding overnight cruise passengers)

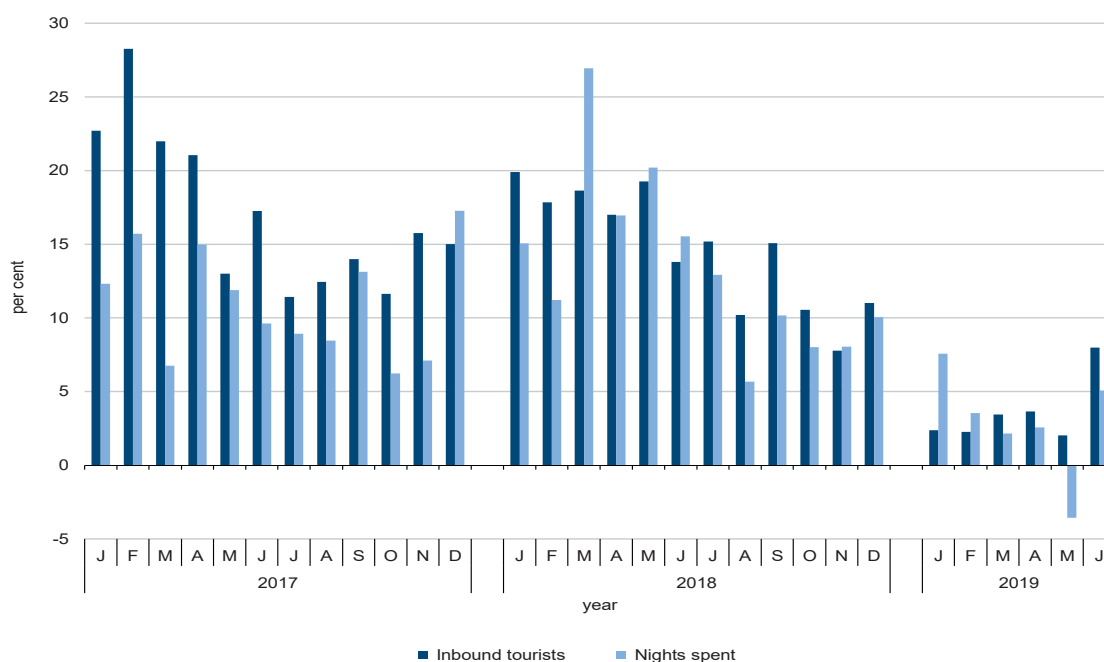


Table 1. Profile of inbound tourists by month of departure

Characteristics	June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019	2019/2018	
Total inbound visitors	232,193	265,823	280,522	14,699	5.5
Overnight cruise passengers	5,860	8,278	2,433	-5,845	-70.6
Inbound tourists	226,333	257,545	278,089	20,544	8.0
Mode of travel					
Air	221,460	252,363	272,926	20,564	8.1
Sea	4,873	5,182	5,162	-	-
Sex					
Males	110,548	128,644	132,383	3,739	2.9
Females	115,786	128,901	145,706	16,805	13.0
Age group					
0-24	38,967	46,098	52,326	6,228	13.5
25-44	93,527	100,232	117,243	17,010	17.0
45-64	68,320	80,891	81,340	-	-
65 or more	25,520	30,322	27,180	-3,143	-10.4
Markets					
EU	193,020	215,429	228,783	13,353	6.2
<i>of which: Euro area</i>	106,188	118,491	133,029	14,538	12.3
Non-EU	33,314	42,115	49,306	7,191	17.1
Purpose of visit					
Holiday	189,687	227,859	251,747	23,888	10.5
Business and professional	21,015	16,694	15,545	-	-
Other (including educational, religious and health tourism)	15,631	12,992	10,796	-2,196	-16.9
Organisation of stay					
Package	80,524	83,828	84,087	-	-
Non-package	145,810	173,717	194,002	20,285	11.7
Frequency					
First-time tourists	164,097	187,313	213,784	26,471	14.1
Repeat tourists	62,236	70,231	64,305	-5,927	-8.4
once a year or less	44,907	54,087	47,781	-6,306	-11.7
more than once a year	17,329	16,144	16,524	-	-
Duration of visit					
1-3 nights	45,620	50,465	61,499	11,034	21.9
4-6 nights	63,588	73,736	83,769	10,033	13.6
7 nights or more	117,125	133,344	132,820	-	-
Average length of stay (nights)	7.0	7.1	6.9	-0.2	-

Notes:

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

Type of accommodation	June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019		
Rented accommodation	201,272	226,114	247,324	21,210	9.4
Collective	153,163	164,017	173,011	8,994	5.5
Other rented	48,109	62,097	74,312	12,215	19.7
Non-rented accommodation	25,062	31,431	30,765	-	-
Total tourists	226,333	257,545	278,089	20,544	8.0

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

Type of accommodation	June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019		
Rented accommodation	1,370,364	1,552,803	1,656,233	103,430	6.7
Collective	941,517	1,006,746	1,026,658	19,912	2.0
Other rented	428,847	546,057	629,575	83,518	15.3
Non-rented accommodation	212,580	275,805	265,022	-	-
Total nights	1,582,944	1,828,608	1,921,255	92,647	5.1

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

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Expenditure category	June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019		
Package	52,586	57,924	61,604	3,680	6.4
Non-package	64,562	75,333	88,218	12,886	17.1
Air/sea fares	29,583	33,088	41,421	8,333	25.2
Accommodation	34,979	42,244	46,797	4,553	10.8
Other expenditure	76,600	79,381	85,606	6,226	7.8
Total expenditure	193,749	212,637	235,429	22,791	10.7

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		June			Change	Percentage change
		2017	2018	2019	2019/2018	
Tourists	EU	193,020	215,429	228,783	13,353	6.2
	<i>of which:</i>					
	France	16,916	21,609	23,736	2,127	9.8
	Germany	17,145	18,192	22,639	4,447	24.4
	Italy	33,419	35,619	36,646	-	-
	United Kingdom	58,597	67,421	65,706	-1,716	-2.5
	Non-EU	33,314	42,115	49,306	7,191	17.1
	Total	226,333	257,545	278,089	20,544	8.0
Nights	EU	1,323,303	1,483,332	1,475,061	-8,271	-0.6
	<i>of which:</i>					
	France	126,670	156,938	150,902	-6,036	-3.8
	Germany	120,178	139,360	165,483	26,123	18.7
	Italy	186,364	214,062	203,504	-	-
	United Kingdom	450,344	490,898	444,636	-46,262	-9.4
	Non-EU	259,641	345,276	446,193	100,918	29.2
	Total	1,582,944	1,828,608	1,921,255	92,647	5.1
Expenditure (€000)	EU	155,161	165,063	179,620	14,557	8.8
	<i>of which:</i>					
	France	14,760	16,367	18,836	2,469	15.1
	Germany	15,106	15,012	19,770	4,759	31.7
	Italy	18,751	19,897	21,954	-	-
	United Kingdom	52,167	58,647	57,674	-973	-1.7
	Non-EU	38,587	47,574	55,808	8,234	17.3
	Total	193,749	212,637	235,429	22,791	10.7

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Table 6. Profile of inbound tourists by period of departure

Characteristics	January-June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019	2019/2018	
Total inbound visitors	1,005,043	1,176,916	1,216,487	39,571	3.4
Overnight cruise passengers	14,861	14,572	8,419	-6,153	-42.2
Inbound tourists	990,182	1,162,344	1,208,068	45,724	3.9
Mode of travel					
Air	969,160	1,141,105	1,184,827	43,722	3.8
Sea	21,022	21,239	23,241	2,002	9.4
Sex					
Males	513,608	579,475	590,532	11,057	1.9
Females	476,574	582,869	617,536	34,667	5.9
Age group					
0-24	162,069	193,155	207,627	14,472	7.5
25-44	375,559	434,185	489,226	55,041	12.7
45-64	321,128	384,382	374,597	-9,785	-2.5
65 or more	131,426	150,622	136,618	-14,004	-9.3
Markets					
EU	861,124	1,001,285	1,019,158	17,873	1.8
<i>of which: Euro area</i>	494,950	575,734	591,740	16,006	2.8
Non-EU	129,058	161,059	188,910	27,851	17.3
Purpose of visit					
Holiday	807,619	1,016,077	1,065,543	49,465	4.9
Business and professional	106,583	87,749	89,567	1,818	2.1
Other (including educational, religious and health tourism)	75,980	58,518	52,958	-5,560	-9.5
Organisation of stay					
Package	349,174	412,503	375,368	-37,136	-9.0
Non-package	641,008	749,841	832,700	82,859	11.1
Frequency					
First-time tourists	707,004	861,977	903,024	41,048	4.8
Repeat tourists	283,178	300,368	305,044	4,676	1.6
once a year or less	198,137	214,339	219,294	4,955	2.3
more than once a year	85,041	86,028	85,749	-	-
Duration of visit					
1-3 nights	246,253	269,788	313,374	43,585	16.2
4-6 nights	296,182	365,920	388,185	22,265	6.1
7 nights or more	447,747	526,635	506,509	-20,127	-3.8
Average length of stay (nights)	6.6	6.6	6.5	-0.1	-

Notes:

1. Data for the distribution of inbound tourism across age groups (fourth section of the table) has been revised.
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Table 7. Inbound tourists by period of departure and type of accommodation

Type of accommodation	January-June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019	2019/2018	
Rented accommodation	879,973	1,020,211	1,065,193	44,982	4.4
Collective	697,850	783,672	792,211	8,539	1.1
Other rented	182,123	236,538	272,982	36,444	15.4
Non-rented accommodation	110,209	142,133	142,875	-	-
Total tourists	990,182	1,162,344	1,208,068	45,724	3.9

Notes:

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

Type of accommodation	January-June			Change	Percentage change
	2017	2018	2019	2019/2018	
Rented accommodation	5,610,128	6,469,179	6,644,701	175,521	2.7
Collective	4,038,451	4,548,358	4,381,933	-166,425	-3.7
Other rented	1,571,677	1,920,821	2,262,768	341,946	17.8
Non-rented accommodation	915,067	1,218,086	1,226,164	-	-
Total nights	6,525,195	7,687,265	7,870,865	183,600	2.4

Notes:

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

Country of residence	January-June			Change	Percentage change	
	2017	2018	2019	2019/2018		
Tourists	Australia	11,236	12,592	15,413	2,821	22.4
	Austria	13,963	18,822	16,216	-2,605	-13.8
	Belgium	37,512	32,831	32,990	-	-
	France	76,789	99,350	105,842	6,492	6.5
	Germany	85,139	110,987	99,587	-11,401	-10.3
	Hungary	9,987	10,720	15,723	5,003	46.7
	Ireland	16,126	19,088	22,621	3,533	18.5
	Italy	161,498	174,778	170,646	-4,131	-2.4
	Netherlands	28,026	27,919	25,662	-2,257	-8.1
	Poland	38,637	45,474	48,779	3,305	7.3
	Scandinavia*	51,280	54,771	50,704	-4,067	-7.4
	Spain	31,948	37,941	50,374	12,433	32.8
	Switzerland	17,027	18,266	21,435	3,169	17.3
	United Kingdom	249,814	291,911	288,794	-3,117	-1.1
	USA	16,343	20,956	21,968	-	-
Other	144,857	185,939	221,314	35,375	19.0	
Total	990,182	1,162,344	1,208,068	45,724	3.9	
Nights	Australia	102,844	139,347	129,193	-10,154	-7.3
	Austria	84,404	109,403	91,968	-17,435	-15.9
	Belgium	203,066	188,459	194,220	-	-
	France	501,604	647,312	666,721	19,410	3.0
	Germany	585,340	782,433	669,272	-113,161	-14.5
	Hungary	57,395	56,214	80,867	24,653	43.9
	Ireland	107,935	126,512	144,094	17,583	13.9
	Italy	840,034	959,082	967,588	8,505	0.9
	Netherlands	186,292	182,265	170,643	-11,622	-6.4
	Poland	239,217	280,794	296,378	15,584	5.5
	Scandinavia*	335,441	363,941	336,177	-27,763	-7.6
	Spain	182,139	223,163	285,780	62,618	28.1
	Switzerland	109,825	124,811	143,659	18,848	15.1
	United Kingdom	1,828,304	2,013,369	1,862,419	-150,950	-7.5
	USA	94,878	118,746	125,330	-	-
Other	1,066,476	1,371,415	1,706,553	335,139	24.4	
Total	6,525,195	7,687,265	7,870,865	183,600	2.4	
Expenditure (€000)	Australia	14,570	16,788	21,326	4,538	27.0
	Austria	11,979	14,635	13,448	-1,186	-8.1
	Belgium	26,010	22,898	21,725	-	-
	France	59,565	70,326	74,768	4,442	6.3
	Germany	68,341	84,575	75,832	-8,743	-10.3
	Hungary	6,302	5,911	8,143	2,232	37.8
	Ireland	13,432	15,126	17,901	2,775	18.3
	Italy	84,232	88,942	89,138	196	0.2
	Netherlands	21,065	19,811	18,255	-1,556	-7.9
	Poland	24,919	26,560	29,032	2,472	9.3
	Scandinavia*	44,190	45,016	40,599	-4,417	-9.8
	Spain	20,656	22,245	28,387	6,142	27.6
	Switzerland	17,438	17,579	20,750	3,171	18.0
	United Kingdom	189,185	213,301	209,982	-3,319	-1.6
	USA	17,425	21,812	24,431	-	-
Other	134,430	155,372	189,785	34,413	22.1	
Total	753,739	840,896	883,502	42,606	5.1	

* 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-June 2019					
Australia	2,638 ^u	7,483	3,863	7,342	21,326
Austria	5,114	1,581	2,229	4,525	13,448
Belgium	5,748	3,334	4,683	7,961	21,725
France	22,123	11,867	14,946	25,832	74,768
Germany	29,284	9,759	12,605	24,185	75,832
Hungary	1,097 ^u	1,731	2,069	3,246	8,143
Ireland	3,452	3,019	3,792	7,638	17,901
Italy	15,209	15,027	18,842	40,059	89,138
Netherlands	4,244	3,205	3,890	6,915	18,255
Poland	7,000	4,555	5,749	11,728	29,032
Scandinavia*	11,469	6,609	7,005	15,517	40,599
Spain	6,515	4,668	5,523	11,681	28,387
Switzerland	5,645	3,282	4,373	7,450	20,750
United Kingdom	67,151	27,502	35,566	79,763	209,982
USA	2,083 ^u	10,044	5,535	6,769	24,431
Other	35,155	46,559	38,386	69,685	189,785
Total	223,927	160,226	169,054	330,294	883,502
January-June 2018					
Australia	2,518 ^u	5,653	2,670	5,947	16,788
Austria	6,028	1,996	1,985	4,625	14,635
Belgium	7,765	2,761	4,163	8,208	22,898
France	25,085	10,079	12,887	22,275	70,326
Germany	34,456	10,418	13,390	26,311	84,575
Hungary	1,029 ^u	1,289	1,290	2,303	5,911
Ireland	3,297	2,398	3,240	6,191	15,126
Italy	19,252	12,860	18,317	38,513	88,942
Netherlands	5,572	2,915	3,383	7,941	19,811
Poland	5,290	4,124	6,392	10,754	26,560
Scandinavia*	14,298	7,391	7,174	16,153	45,016
Spain	4,405	3,437	4,796	9,607	22,245
Switzerland	5,233	2,729	3,548	6,069	17,579
United Kingdom	75,726	25,609	31,801	80,165	213,301
USA	2,087 ^u	8,593	4,941	6,190	21,812
Other	32,096	34,937	29,569	58,770	155,372
Total	244,139	137,189	149,547	310,021	840,896
January-June 2017					
Australia	1,282 ^u	4,798	2,272	6,218	14,570
Austria	4,105	1,768	2,108	3,998	11,979
Belgium	6,420	4,318	6,236	9,036	26,010
France	20,290	8,050	10,427	20,799	59,565
Germany	26,331	7,969	10,653	23,387	68,341
Hungary	537 ^u	1,311	1,595	2,859	6,302
Ireland	2,696	2,042	2,784	5,910	13,432
Italy	18,561	11,147	16,305	38,218	84,232
Netherlands	5,556	3,320	3,630	8,559	21,065
Poland	5,408	3,534	5,139	10,838	24,919
Scandinavia*	13,541	6,715	6,904	17,030	44,190
Spain	4,493	2,951	4,208	9,004	20,656
Switzerland	4,498	3,040	3,374	6,526	17,438
United Kingdom	62,377	23,427	27,888	75,494	189,185
USA	2,742 ^u	5,403	3,916	5,363	17,425
Other	24,458	29,539	25,674	54,760	134,430
Total	203,295	119,333	133,113	297,997	753,739

^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-June 2019					
Australia	1,105 ^u	566	329	476	1,384
Austria	706	169	256	279	829
Belgium	628	139	213	241	659
France	590	173	238	244	706
Germany	625	184	263	243	761
Hungary	398 ^u	134	180	206	518
Ireland	551	185	269	338	791
Italy	435	110	170	235	522
Netherlands	557	177	264	269	711
Poland	446	137	210	240	595
Scandinavia*	582	213	274	306	801
Spain	459	129	175	232	564
Switzerland	823	225	316	348	968
United Kingdom	587	158	251	276	727
USA	836 ^u	514	309	308	1,112
Other	744	265	245	315	858
Total expenditure per capita	597	192	235	273	731
January-June 2018					
Australia	1,132 ^u	545	340	472	1,333
Austria	662	205	231	246	778
Belgium	639	133	231	250	697
France	629	169	241	224	708
Germany	622	187	277	237	762
Hungary	378 ^u	161	232	215	551
Ireland	505	191	305	324	792
Italy	429	99	183	220	509
Netherlands	524	169	226	284	710
Poland	429	124	216	236	584
Scandinavia*	612	235	269	295	822
Spain	448	122	198	253	586
Switzerland	717	245	375	332	962
United Kingdom	591	156	258	275	731
USA	809 ^u	466	305	295	1,041
Other	706	248	255	316	836
Total expenditure per capita	592	182	244	267	723
January-June 2017					
Australia	1,032 ^u	480	306	553	1,297
Austria	636	236	314	286	858
Belgium	625	159	263	241	693
France	635	179	260	271	776
Germany	640	181	290	275	803
Hungary	343 ^u	156	220	286	631
Ireland	561	180	307	366	833
Italy	403	97	179	237	522
Netherlands	541	187	251	305	752
Poland	462	131	204	281	645
Scandinavia*	641	223	278	332	862
Spain	485	130	211	282	647
Switzerland	759	274	356	383	1,024
United Kingdom	578	165	281	302	757
USA	1,261 ^u	381	325	328	1,066
Other	655	275	288	378	928
Total expenditure per capita	582	186	258	301	761

^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	January-June		
	2017	2018	2019
Total overnight cruise passengers	5,860	8,278	2,433
Sex			
Males	2,770	3,771	1,102
Females	3,090	4,507	1,331
Age group			
0-19	339	450	129
20-39	495	601	167
40-59	1,543	2,327	497
60-79	3,164	4,476	1,495
80 or more	319	424	145
Markets			
EU	1,736	4,861	419
<i>of which</i> : Euro area	554	2,455	182
Non-EU	4,124	3,417	2,014

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

Characteristics	January-June		
	2017	2018	2019
Total overnight cruise passengers	14,861	14,572	8,419
Sex			
Males	6,940	6,656	3,801
Females	7,921	7,916	4,618
Age group			
0-19	470	503	615
20-39	1,045	916	739
40-59	3,439	3,438	2,289
60-79	8,667	8,844	4,121
80 or more	1,240	871	655
Markets			
EU	8,784	7,539	5,875
<i>of which</i> : Euro area	4,789	2,935	5,598
Non-EU	6,077	7,033	2,544

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 data on 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 passengers.
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 ('Overnight Cruise Passengers') 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 'Non-rented 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 or timeshare, etc.).
 - **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 on 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 on 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 and 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