

# Accommodation Establishments

## October 2023

**Tirana, 19 December 2023:** In October 2023, the occupancy indicators of accommodation establishments are presented as bellow:

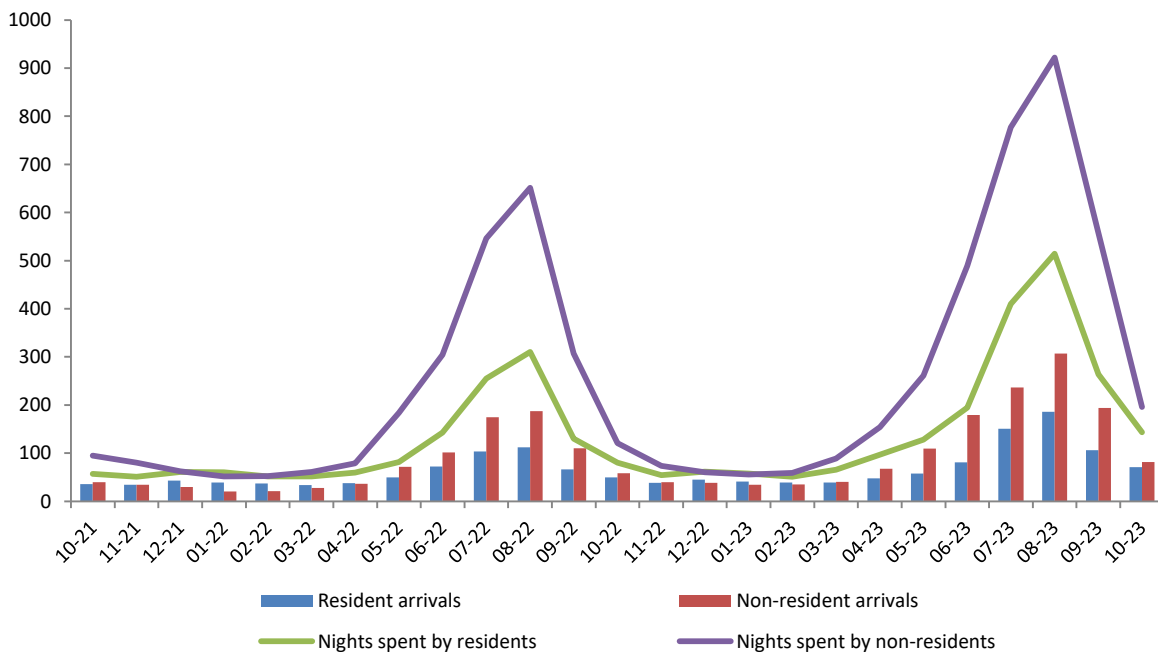
The number of total arrivals has increased by 41.4 %, compared to October 2022. The same trends follow the two below indicators:

- number of resident arrivals increased by 44.0 %;
- number of non-resident arrivals increased by 39.3 %;

The number of total nights spent has increased by 68.8 %, compared to October 2022. The same trends follow the two below indicators:

- number of nights spent by residents increased by 78.9 %;
- number of nights spent by non-residents increased by 62.1 %;

**Fig.1 Total arrivals and nights spent (number in thousand)**



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## Arrivals

During October 2023, there was an increase in the number of total arrivals by 41.4 %, compared to October 2022. The number of non-resident arrivals who were accommodated in the Southern Region marked the highest increase by 79.7 %. In Coastal areas this indicator has increased by 92.4 %, compared to the same period of the previous year. The number of non-resident arrivals who were accommodated in the “Hotels and similar accommodation” marked an increase by 37.3 %.

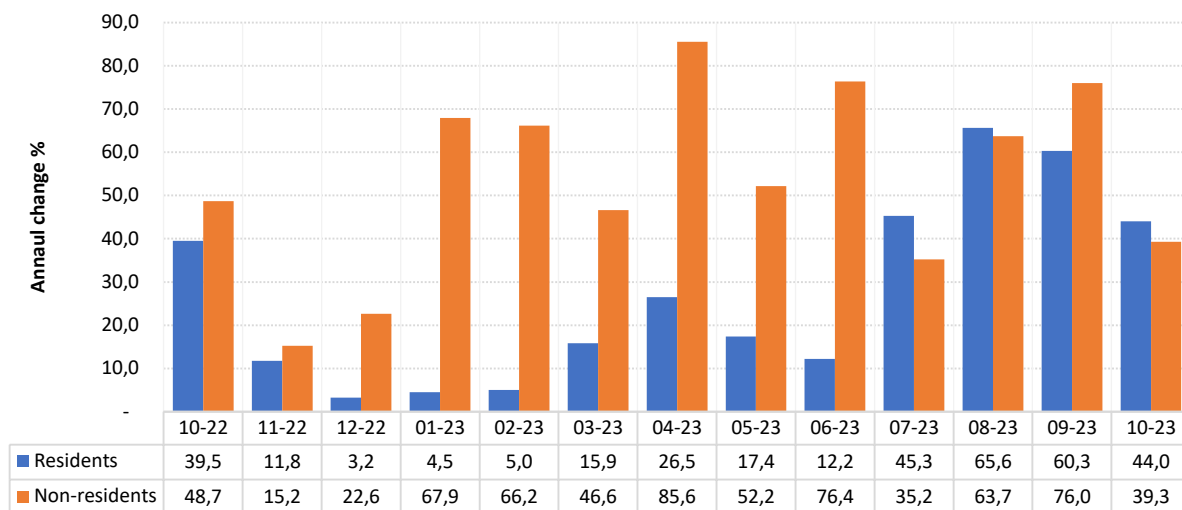
**Tab.1 Arrivals by region, location close to the sea and type of accommodation**

|   | Resident      |               |               | Non-resident  |               |               |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|   | October 2021  | October 2022  | October 2023  | October 2021  | October 2022  | October 2023  |
| <b>Regions</b>  |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Northern region   | 7,393         | 8,822         | 16,918        | 7,634         | 13,718        | 18,722        |
| Center region   | 11,826        | 21,963        | 24,430        | 24,269        | 28,782        | 33,950        |
| Southern region   | 16,212        | 18,656        | 29,853        | 7,528         | 16,118        | 28,958        |
| <b>Type of location close to the sea</b>                      |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Coastal area  | 10,133        | 19,012        | 32,651        | 14,788        | 20,523        | 39,481        |
| Non-coastal area  | 25,298        | 30,429        | 38,550        | 24,643        | 38,095        | 42,149        |
| <b>Type of accommodation</b>                                  |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Hotels and similar accommodation                              | 33,916        | 47,467        | 67,723        | 38,421        | 56,413        | 77,468        |
| Holiday and other short-stay accommodation                    | 1,344         | 1,816         | 3,284         | 830           | 1,629         | 3,484         |
| Camping grounds, recreational vehicle parks and trailer parks | 171           | 158           | 194           | 180           | 576           | 678           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>35,431</b> | <b>49,441</b> | <b>71,201</b> | <b>39,431</b> | <b>58,618</b> | <b>81,630</b> |

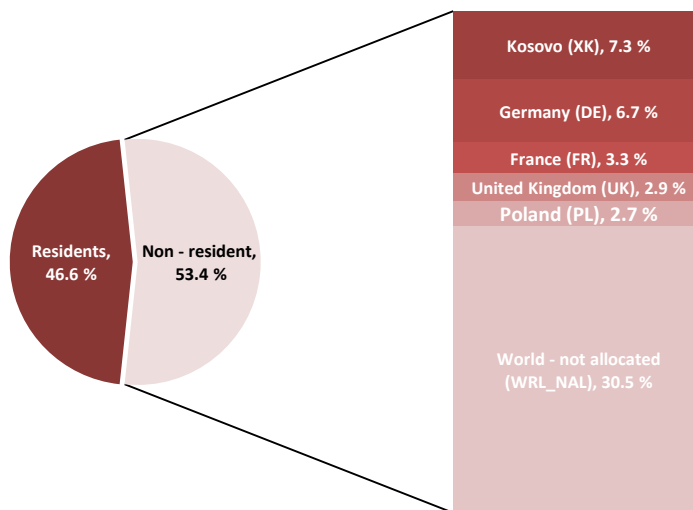
In October 2023, the highest number of visitors results:

- by regions in the “Southern Region” (38.5 %);
- by location close to the sea in “Non-coastal areas” (52.8 %);
- by type of accommodation establishments in “Hotels and similar accommodation” (95.0 %);

**Fig.2 Annual change of resident and non-resident arrivals by month (%)**



**Fig.3 Non-residents arrivals by country of residence (%)**



**Nights spent**

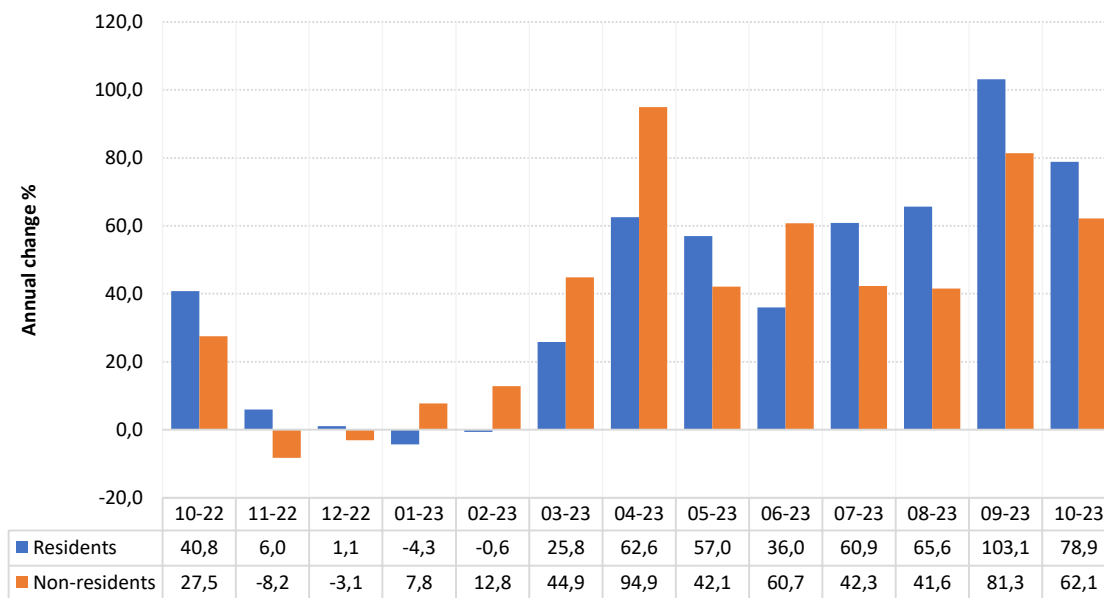
During October 2023 the total number of nights spent increased by 68.8 % compared to October 2022. The number of nights spent by non-residents who have been accommodated in Southern Region has marked the highest increase by 2.1 times. In Non-coastal areas has increased by 64.1 %, compared to the same period of the previous year. The number of nights spent by non-residents who have been accommodated in “Hotels and similar accommodation” has marked an increase by 60.9 %.

**Tab.2 Nights spent by region, location close to the sea and type of accommodation**

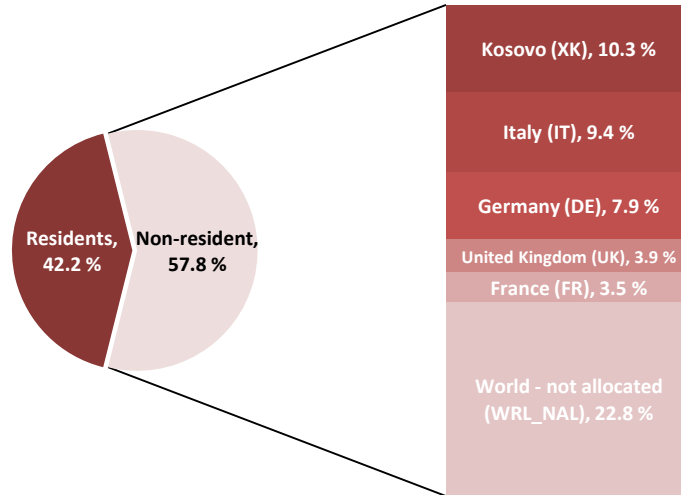
|   | Resident      |               |                | Non-resident  |                |                |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
|   | October 2021  | October 2022  | October 2023   | October 2021  | October 2022   | October 2023   |
| <b>Regions</b>  |               |               |                |               |                |                |
| Northern region   | 12,315        | 16,370        | 35,592         | 18,967        | 23,463         | 35,985         |
| Center region   | 19,655        | 32,064        | 44,345         | 56,514        | 67,231         | 97,045         |
| Southern region   | 24,900        | 31,645        | 63,291         | 19,372        | 30,236         | 63,027         |
| <b>Type of location close to the sea</b>                      |               |               |                |               |                |                |
| Coastal area  | 22,350        | 36,884        | 71,554         | 49,030        | 56,526         | 90,373         |
| Non-coastal area  | 34,520        | 43,195        | 71,674         | 45,823        | 64,404         | 105,684        |
| <b>Type of accommodation</b>                                  |               |               |                |               |                |                |
| Hotels and similar accommodation                              | 52,766        | 75,296        | 134,839        | 91,783        | 116,220        | 186,945        |
| Holiday and other short-stay accommodation                    | 3,838         | 4,619         | 8,143          | 2,722         | 4,047          | 8,301          |
| Camping grounds, recreational vehicle parks and trailer parks | 266           | 164           | 246            | 348           | 663            | 811            |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>56,870</b> | <b>80,079</b> | <b>143,228</b> | <b>94,853</b> | <b>120,930</b> | <b>196,057</b> |

In October 2023, the highest number of nights spent was realized:

- by regions in the “Northern Region” (41.7 %);
- by areas of proximity to the coast in “Non-coastal areas” (52.3 %);
- by type of accommodation structures in “Hotels and similar accommodation” (94.8 %);

**Fig.4 Annual change of resident and non-resident nights by month (%)**

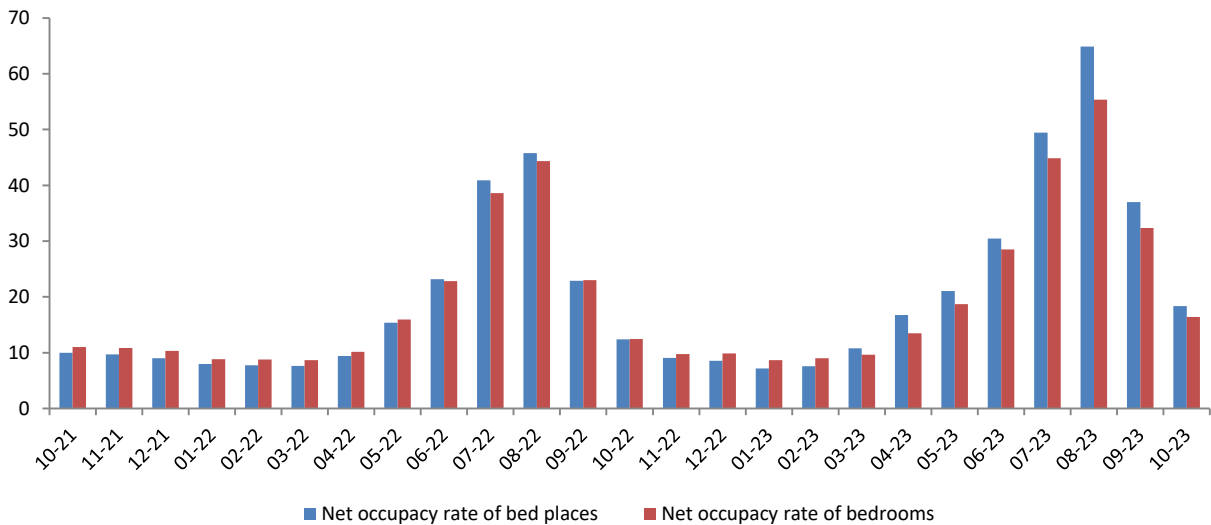
**Fig.5 Non-residents nights spent by country of residence (%)**



**Net occupancy rate**

Net occupancy rates, of bedrooms and bed places, are two indicators that measure the percentage of accommodation capacities use, bedrooms and bed places available for visitors. During this month, net occupancy rate of bedrooms of "Hotels and similar accommodation" is 16.4 %, against to 12.5 % that was in October 2022. Net occupancy rate of bed places of "Hotels and similar accommodation" is 18.4 %, against to 12.4 % that was in October 2022.

**Fig.6 Net occupancy rates (%)**



# Methodology

## General information:

**INSTAT** calculates and publishes the indicators of accommodation statistics which represent the tourism offer in the country.

**The purpose of the survey** to accommodation establishments is to monitor tourism activities, to calculate statistical variables about accommodation offer of Albanian tourism, which are important to determine the trend of capacity development in the tourism sector. Data are collected every month through the questionnaire "Survey of Accommodation Establishments".

## Coverage area

The scope of observation (or the target population) in accommodation statistics includes all tourist accommodation establishments from the Statistical Business Register of 2021. Tourism accommodation establishments are classified and described in groups according to NACE Rev. 2 classification as follow:

**55.10 Hotels and similar accommodation.** This class includes accommodation provided by: hotels, resort hotels, suite/apartment hotels and motels.

**55.20 Holiday and other short-stay accommodation.** This class includes accommodation provided by: children and other holiday homes, visitor flats and bungalows, cottages and cabins without housekeeping services, youth hostels and mountain refuges.

**55.30 Camping grounds, recreational vehicle parks and trailer parks.** This class includes: provision of accommodation in campgrounds, trailer parks, recreational camps and fishing and hunting camps for short stay visitors.

Non-registered visitors and accommodation establishments are not subject of this survey.

**Indicators** collected from the survey include:

- Arrivals of residents;
- Arrivals of non-residents;
- Nights spent of residents;
- Nights spent of non-residents;
- Occupied bedrooms by residents;
- Occupied bedrooms by non-residents);
- Number of bedrooms;
- Number of bed places;

Data collection and data processing methodology is based on Annex I of Regulation (EU) No 692/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 October 2011 concerning European statistics on tourism.

### Definitions:

**The accommodation establishment** includes all tourist accommodation establishments providing, as a paid service (although the price might be partially or fully subsidised), short-term or short-stay accommodation services.

**Bedroom:** or dwelling is the unit formed by one room or groups of rooms which are rented by tourists as a whole (and constituting an indivisible rental).

**Bed place:** is determined by the number of persons who can stay overnight in the beds set up in the establishment, ignoring any extra beds that October be set up upon customer request.

**Arrival:** is defined as a person who stays at least one night in the hotel, children included.

**Resident:** is considered a person who has resided in Albania for more than 12 consecutive months.

**Non-Resident:** is considered a person who has not resided in Albania for more than 12 consecutive months.

**A night spent:** (or overnight stay) is each night a guest / tourist (resident or non-resident) actually spends (sleeps or stays) in a tourist accommodation establishment or non-rented accommodation.

**The net occupancy rate of bed places** =  $\frac{\text{Number of nights spent}}{\text{Number of available bed places}} * 100$  measures the percentage of occupied bed places for "Hotels and similar accommodation".

**The net occupancy rate of bedrooms** =  $\frac{\text{Number of occupied bedrooms}}{\text{Number of available bedrooms}} * 100$  measures the percentage of occupied bedrooms for "Hotels and similar accommodation".

**Statistical regions** at level 1, 2 and 3 are defined according to the NUTS II territorial division, which is a unified classification and is used as a basis for the collection and processing of European Regional Statistics. The information below includes which prefectures are in the North, Centre and South region.

**Northern Region:** Dibër; Durrës; Kukës; Lezhë; Shkodër

**Centre Region:** Elbasan; Tiranë

**South Region:** Berat; Fier; Gjirokastër; Korçë; Vlorë

**Coastal areas** are Local Administrative Units (LAUs) that are on or near a coastline. Coastal areas are classified according to the following two categories:

- **Coastal areas:** LAUs bordering the coastline or LAUs having at least 50% of their surface at a distance of 10 km from the coastline;
- **Non-coastal areas:** LAUs that are not "coastal areas"; which means LAUs that are not bordered by the coastline and have less than 50% of their surface at a distance of 10 km from the coastline.