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Non-hotel tourist accommodation occupancy survey February 2007. Provisional data

Overnight stays in group non-hotel tourist accommodations increase by 3.7% in February, with respect to the same month in 2006.

Overnight stays in non-hotel tourist accommodations (apartments, camping sites and rural tourism establishments) exceeded 5,4 millions in February, 3.7% more than in the same month of the previous year. The increase in overnight stays is registered both among residents (whose interannual rate reaches 5.1%), as between non-residents (presenting a 3.4% variation).

Given that the interannual increase in the number of overnight stays exceeds that of travellers (0.8%), the average stay increases by 2.9% with respect to February 2006, reaching seven overnight stays by traveller.

Travellers and overnight stays in group non-hotel tourist accommodations during the month of February are:

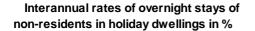
February 2007 Guests		Overnight stays	
Residents in Spain	323.397	980.154	
EU (not including Spain)	393.033	3.956.921	
Rest of the world	48.421	507.893	
TOTAL	764.851	5.444.968	

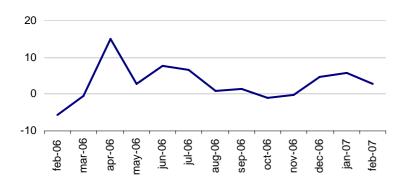
Overnight stays in holiday dwellings increase by 3,1% in February

Overnight stays in holiday dwellings exceed 4.3 million in February, translating into a 3.1% with respect to the same month in 2006. Resident overnight stays increase by 5.4% and non-resident overnight stays increase by 2.8%.

The average stay reaches 8.4 overnight stays per traveller, which implies an interannual growth of 5.1%.

The number of bed places in holiday dwellings increases by 0.2%, standing at 352 thousand bed places. 43.2% of the total number of bed places offered were occupied in February, 2.8% more than in the same month of 2006. For its parts, 64.2% out of the total number of tourist apartments offered were occupied, the same value as in February 2006.







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Overnight stays of non residents represent 87.9% of the total in holiday dwellings. **The United Kingdom is the main country of origin** (with 30.5% of the total) with more than 1.1 million overnight stays in February, 0.9% less than in the previous year.

The next country of origin is Germany, with over 832 thousand overnight stays, 3.2% more than in February 2006.

Canarias is the preferred destination in holiday dwellings, with 3.4 million overnight stays, 3.6% more than in February 2006. The second destination is Andalucía, with 290,000 overnight stays (4.8% more).

Among non residents, the preferred destinations are Canarias, Comunidad Valenciana and Andalucía. For their part, the destinations with more overnight stays of resident travellers are Canarias, Cataluña and Andalucía.

Canarias shows the **greatest level of occupation** in holiday dwellings, with 75,9% of available apartments occupied. It is followed by Comunidad de Madrid (74.4%) and Illes Balears (58%).

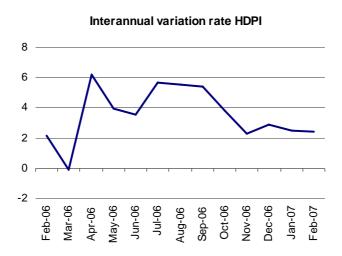
By **tourist areas,** Gran Canaria is the preferred destination in this accommodation modality, with over 1.4 million overnight stays in February and occupancy of 86.2%.

The tourist sites with the greatest number of overnight stays are San Bartolomé de Tirajana, Mogán and Tías.

Prices in tourist apartments increased by 2.5% in February

The Price Index in Holiday Dwellings registered an identical rate of 2.5% in February. The interannual rate of "tour-operator" fees, which has the greatest weight in this month's weight structure (69.5%), increased by 2.4%.

By modalities, 2/4 bed place apartments, whose weight is 70.2%, increased their prices by 2.1% as compared with February 2006.



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Overnight stays in tourist campsites increased by 4.7%



Overnight stays in tourist campsites exceeded 826 thousand in February, representing a 4.7% interannual rate increase. Overnight stays by non resident travellers increased by 7.4%, while those of residents decreased by 3%.

Tourist campsites offer 276 thousand bed places, 1.7% less than in the same month of 2006. 37.5% of the lots offered are occupied (0.3% less) and the level of occupation by lots during the weekend reached 40.3% (3.6% more).

76.3% of overnight stays in tourist apartments are carried out by non-residents. **The United Kingdom is the main country of origin** with 37.2% of overnight stays by non-residents (11.5% more than in 2006). The following country of origin is Germany.

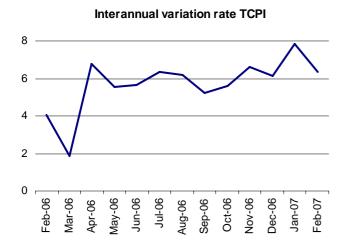
The **Comunidad Valenciana** is the **preferred camping destination**, with over 354 thousand overnight stays, 8.6% more than in february 2006. Andalucía is the second destination of choice, with over 166 thousand overnight stays (4.3% less).

Among non-residents, Comunidad Valenciana, Andalucía and Región de Murcia are the preferred destinations. For their part, the destinations with more overnight stays of resident travellers are Cataluña, Comunidad Valenciana and Andalucía.

Región de Murcia reached in February the greatest degree of occupation in campsites (with 61.8% of offered lots). It is followed by Comunidad Valenciana (60.9%) and La Rioja (56.8).

By **tourist areas**, Costa Blanca is the preferred destination for camping, with 208 thousand overnight stays and occupancy of 72.9% in february. The **tourist destinations** with more overnight stays are Benidorm, Cartagena and Mazarrón.

Prices in tourist campsites increased by 7.9%



The Tourist Campsite Price Index showed an interannual growth of 6.3% in February. The "normal" rate, which has a greater weight in the weight structure for this month (51.8%) shows a 4.8% increase.

Regarding categories, second class, which has a 68.3% weight in February, increased by 6.1%.



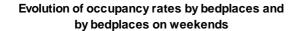
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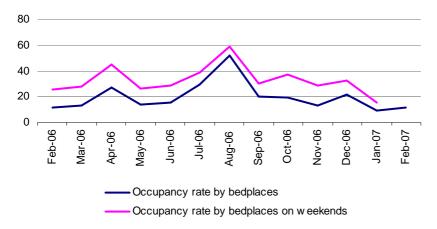
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Overnight stays by residents in rural tourist accommodations decreased by 10.5% as compared with the same month in the previous year

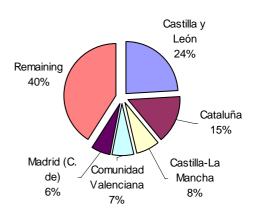
Overnight stays in rural tourist accommodations almost reached 323 thousand in February, which translates into a 8.6% increase with regards to the same month in the previous year. Overnight stays by residents increase by 10.5% while non-resident stays increased by 0.7%.

Rural tourism accommodation establishments offered 96 thousand bed places in February, 9.2% more than in the same month of 2006. 11.9% of these bed places were occupied, implying a 0.4% drop. The level of occupation during weekends stands at 25.4%, 1.4% less than in the previous year.





Distribution of overnight stays of Spanish guests in %



Castilla y León is the preferred destination in Rural tourism accommodation, with over than 68 thousand overnight stays, 17.7% more than in February 2006. Cataluña is the second destination of choice with 41 thousand overnight stays (20% more).

Among non-residents, Canarias is the preferred destination. For their part, the destinations with more overnight stays by resident travellers are Castilla y León, Cataluña and Castilla-La Mancha.

Canarias reached the highest degree of occupation of rural tourist accommodations in February (with 32.2% of offered bed places). It is followed by Illes Balears (23.9%) and Comunidad de Madrid (18.1%)

By **tourist areas**, Pirineo Catalán is the preferred destination, with more than 20 thousand overnight stays and a occupancy level of 14.1% in February. The Island of Gran Canaria achieved the greatest level of occupancy by weekend vacancies (45.9%).

Annex

Evolution of travellers and overnight stays in all Spanish collective tourist accommodations

Overnight stays in all Spanish collective tourist accommodations (hotels, apartments, camp sites and rural tourism accommodations) registered a 3.3% interannual increase in February. Resident overnight stays grew by 1.4% and non-residents 4.6%.

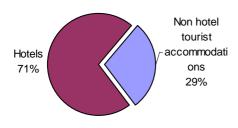
Given that the interannual increase in overnight stays is lower to that of travellers (3.4%), the average stay decreased by 0.1% standing at 3.4 overnight stays by traveller.

Travellers and overnight stays in collective tourist accommodations are:

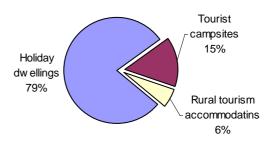
February 2007	Hotels	Holiday dwellings	Campsites	Rural T.	Total
Guests	4.889.119	509.050	117.062	138.739	5.653.970
Residents	3.100.160	112.100	82.739	128.558	3.423.557
Non-residents	1.788.960	396.950	34.323	10.181	2.230.414
Overnight stays	13.643.325	4.294.629	826.718	323.620	19.088.292
Residents	6.449.471	517.868	195.922	266.364	7.429.625
Non-residents	7.193.855	3.776.761	630.797	57.256	11.658.669

71% out of the total overnight stays in collective tourist accommodations in January correspond to hotels, and 29% to non-hotel tourist accommodations.

Distribution of overnight stays in tourist accommodations in %



Distribution of overnight stays of non hotel tourist accommodations by modality in %



The **main countries of origin** in the overall set of regulated tourist accommodations are the United Kingdom (with 28% of the total number of non-resident overnight stays), Germany (with 26.8%) and Holland with (4.6%).

Canarias is the **preferred destination** regarding overall Spanish tourist accommodations, with almost 7 million of overnight stays, 3.8% more than in February 2006. Andalucía is the second destination of choice, with over 2.9 thousand overnight stays (3.7% more).

The preferred destinations by non-residents are Canarias, Andalucía and Comunidad Valenciana. For their part, the destinations with more overnight stays by residents are Andalucía, Comunidad Valenciana and Cataluña.

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