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#### Non-hotel tourist accommodation occupancy surveys September 2007. Provisional data

## Overnight stays in collective non-hotel accommodation decrease 3.8% in September, as compared to the same month in 2006

Overnight stays in non-hotel tourist accommodation (holiday dwellings, campsites and rural tourism establishments) exceeded 10.1 million in September, 3.8% less than in the same month of the previous year. The decrease in overnight stays was observed among both residents (-2.3%) and non-residents (-4.7%).

The average stay increased 0.9%, and stood at 6.1 nights per traveller.

Travellers and overnight stays in collective non-hotel tourist accommodation in September were:

September 2007	Travellers	Overnight stays	
Residents in Spain	844,428	3,747,693	
EU (not including Spain)	749,390	6,028,667	
Rest of the world	64,664	389,349	
TOTAL	1,658,482	10,165,709	

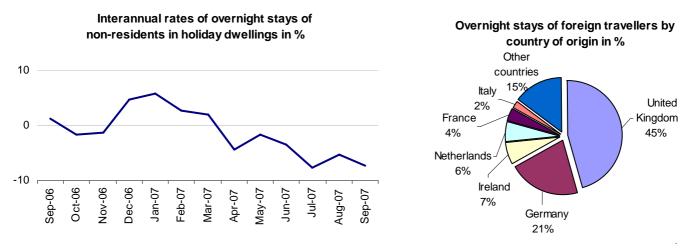
**During the first nine months of the year, over 92.5 million overnight stays were recorded**, a decrease of 1% over the same period of the previous year. Overnight stays by residents increased 0.8%, while those of non-residents decreased 2.1%.

#### Overnight stays in holiday dwellings decrease 6.5% in September

Overnight stays in holiday dwellings exceeded 6.9 million in September, representing a 6.5% decrease as compared to the same month of the previous year. Resident overnight stays decreased 4.2 % and non-resident overnight stays decreased 7.3%.

**During the first nine months of the year** overnight stays decreased 1.6%. Resident overnight stays increased 2.8% while non-resident overnight stays decreased 3%.

Available holiday dwellings decreased 2.8%, standing at more than 562,600 bedplaces. In September 43.8% of the total available bedplaces were occupied, 3.5% fewer than in the same month last year. On the other hand, 61.1% of the total number of holiday dwellings offered were occupied, a decrease of 2%.



Non-resident overnight stays amounted to 72.8% of the total in holiday dwellings. **The United Kingdom was the main country of origin,** with over 2.3 million overnight stays, 12.1% fewer than in September of the previous year.

The next country of origin was Germany, with more than one million overnight stays, and an interannual rate of -10.7%.

**Canarias was the preferred holiday dwelling destination**, with more than 2.7 million overnight stays, 10.2% less than in September 2006. The second destination was Illes Balears, with nearly 1.7 million overnight stays, 4.5% less.

Among non-residents, Canarias, Illes Balears and Cataluña were the main destinations of choice, whereas Canarias, Comunitat Valenciana, and Cataluña were the destinations with the most overnight stays by resident travellers.

**Comunidad de Madrid** presented the **highest occupancy rate**, with 81.2% of available holiday dwellings occupied. They were followed by Illes Balears (74.5%) and Canarias (62.9%).

By **tourist areas**, the Island of Mallorca was the preferred destination in this accommodation modality, with over one million overnight stays in September and an 80.9% occupancy rate.

San Bartolomé de Tirajana, Tías and Arona were the tourist sites registering the highest number of overnight stays.

#### Prices for holiday dwellings increase 3.7% in September

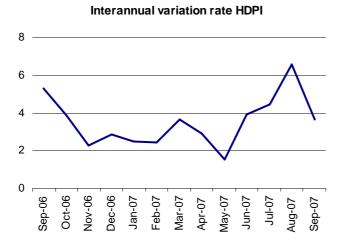
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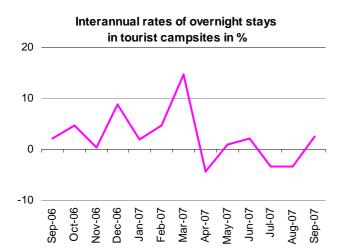
The Holiday Dwellings Price Index registered a 3.7% increase in September, a rate 2.9 points lower than that for the previous month.

The interannual rate of the *tour operator and travel agency* price, which had the greatest weight in this month's weight structure (56.2%), increased 4.2%.

By modalities, 2/4 bedplace apartments, whose weight was 67.1%, increased their prices by 3.2%, as compared to September 2006.



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#### Overnight stays in tourist campsites increase 2.5%

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Overnight stays in tourist campsites exceeded 2.5 million in September, representing a 2.5% interannual rate increase. Overnight stays by residents decreased 1.6%, while overnight stays by non-resident guests increased 7.5%.

Tourist campsites offered over 656,600 lots, 2.2% less than in the same month of 2006. 31.8% of the available lots were occupied, 3.5% less in the interannual rate, and the weekend occupancy rate by lots reached 33.6%, 0.7% more than in September 2006.

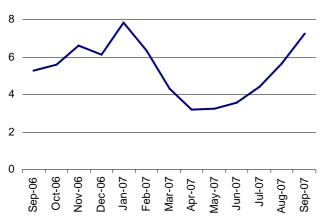
46.8% of overnight stays in tourist campsites were made by non-residents. The **United Kingdom was the main country of origin**, accounting for 25.4% of overnight stays by non-residents (21.5% more than in 2006). The next country of origin was Germany.

**Cataluña** was the **preferred camping destination**, with more than 1.3 million overnight stays, 9.7% more than in the September 2006. Comunitat Valenciana was the second preferred destination, with over 387,000 overnight stays, 13.4% more than the previous year.

Among non-residents, Cataluña, Comunitat Valenciana and Andalucía were the preferred destinations. Cataluña, Andalucía and Comunitat Valenciana were the destinations with the most overnight stays by resident guests.

In September, the **highest campsite occupancy rate** was registered in **La Rioja** (with 56.4% of the available lots), followed by Comunitat Valenciana (52.7%) and Comunidad de Madrid (46.9%).

By **tourist area**, Costa Brava was the preferred destination for camping, with over 583,000 overnight stays, while Costa del Garraf registered the highest occupancy rate in September (62.7%). Salou, Benidorm and Blanes were the **tourist sites** with the most overnight stays.



#### Prices of tourist campsites increase 7.3%

Interannual variation rate TCPI

The Tourist Campsite Price Index interannual growth rate increased 7.3% in September. The *normal* price, which had the greatest weight in the weight structure for this month (66%), increased 7.4%.

Regarding categories, second class, with a 56.1% weight in September, registered an increase of 6.1%.

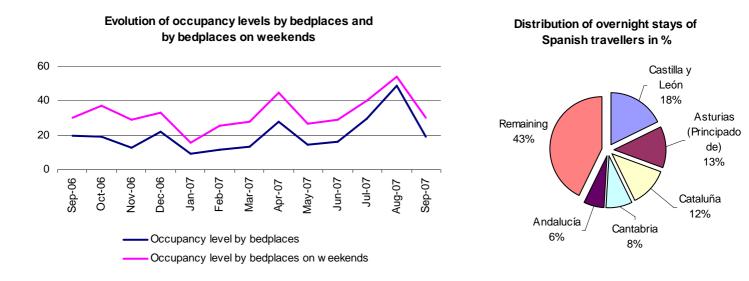
### Overnight stays by residents in rural tourist accommodation increase 3% in September, as compared to the same month of the previous year

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Overnight stays in rural tourist accommodation exceeded 619,000 in September, a 2.5% increase with regard to the same month of the previous year. Overnight stays by residents increased 3%, and non-resident stays increased 0.8%

Rural tourist accommodation offered 106,000 bedplaces in September, 6.1% more than in the same month of 2006. 19.4% of these bedplaces were occupied, representing a 3.4% decrease. The weekend occupancy rate stood at 30.4%, 0.1% more than in September of the previous year.



**Castilla y León was the preferred destination in rural tourist accommodation,** with more than 92,700 overnight stays, 1.1% less than in September 2006. Illes Balears was the second destination of choice with more than 70,700 overnight stays (4.4% more)

Among non-residents, Illes Balears was the preferred destination, while the destinations with the most overnight stays by resident guests were Castilla y León, Principado de Asturias and Cataluña.

The highest occupancy rate in rural tourist accommodation in September was registered in Illes Balears (with 71.1% of the available bedplaces), followed by País Vasco (28.9%) and Principado de Asturias (23.9%).

By **tourist area**, the Island of Mallorca was the main destination of choice, with 61,750 overnight stays, and the islands of Ibiza-Formentera reached the highest occupation (82.6%).

### Annex

# Evolution of travellers and overnight stays in all Spanish collective tourist accommodation

**Overnight stays in Spanish collective tourist accommodation** (hotels, holiday dwellings, campsites and rural tourism accommodation) **registered a 0.2% interannual drop in September**. Resident overnight stays decreased 0.6%, while non-resident overnight stays increased 0.1%.

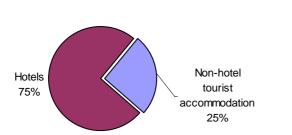
The average stay decreased 1.6%, standing at 3.9 nights per traveller.

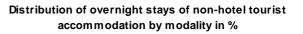
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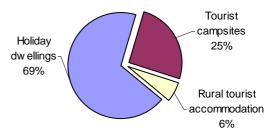
September 2007	Hotels	Holiday dwellings	Campsites	Rural T.	Total
Travellers	8,647,463	882,219	559,025	217,237	10,305,944
Residents	4,612,534	300,011	357,619	186,798	5,456,962
Non-residents	4,034,930	582,208	201,407	30,439	4,848,984
Overnight stays	30,259,826	6,970,283	2,576,377	619,050	40,425,536
Residents	11,621,899	1,894,148	1,370,096	483,449	15,369,592
Non-residents	18,637,926	5,076,135	1,206,280	135,601	25,055,942

Of the total overnight stays in collective tourist accommodation in September, 75% were accounted for at hotels and 25% were at non-hotel tourist accommodation.









The **main countries of origin** in overall regulated tourist accommodation were the United Kingdom (with 32.9% of the total number of non-resident overnight stays), Germany (with 28.4%) and France (with 5.6%).

**Illes Balears** was the **preferred destination** considering overall Spanish tourist accommodation, with nearly 9.6 million overnight stays, 1.3% less than in September 2006. Next were Cataluña, with almost 7.3 million overnight stays (1.4% more) and Canarias, with more than 6.8 million overnight stays (4.7% less).

The preferred destinations of non-residents were Illes Balears, Canarias and Cataluña. On the other hand, Cataluña, Andalucía and Comunitat Valenciana were the destinations with the most overnight stays by residents.

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