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TOURIST ACTIVITY
November 2020 – Flash estimate

TOURIST ACTIVITY DEEPENED CONTRACTION IN NOVEMBER

According to the flash estimate, in November 2020, the tourist accommodation sector¹ should have registered 415.7 thousand guests and 950.5 thousand overnight stays, corresponding to year-on-year rates of change² of -76.3% and -76.7%, respectively (-59.7% and -63.3% in October, in the same order). Overnight stays of residents will have decreased by 58.6% (-21.7% in October) and those of non-residents will have fallen by 85.2% (-76.4% in the previous month).

In November, 46.4% of tourist accommodation establishments would have been closed or did not received guests (32.1% in October).

Despite the circumstances determined by the COVID-19 pandemic, Statistics Portugal calls for the best collaboration by companies, families and public entities in responding to Statistics Portugal's data requests. The quality of official statistics, particularly its ability to identify the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, crucially depends on this collaboration, which Statistics Portugal thanks in advance.

In November 2020, **tourist accommodation sector** should have recorded 415.7 thousand guests and 950.5 thousand overnight stays, corresponding to year-on-year rates of change of -76.3% and -76.7%, respectively (-59.7% and -63.3% in October, in the same order).

Overnight stays from residents will have decreased by 58.6% (-21.7% in October) reaching 543.3 thousand, corresponding to 57.2% of the total, while those from non-residents will have fallen by 85.2% (-76.4% in the previous month), standing at 407.3 thousand. Resident guests would have been 293.1 thousand, corresponding to a decrease of 62.3% (-24.5% in October) and non-resident guests would have reached a total of 122.6 thousand, decreasing by 87.5% (-77.9% in the previous month).

Alentejo region will have continued to present the smallest decrease in the number of overnight stays, compared to the same month last year, decreasing by 55.2% (-49.5% in the residents and -68.4% in the non-residents) after the decline of 29.4% in the previous month.

¹ Monthly series which includes three types of accommodation facilities: hotel establishments (hotels, apartment hotels, tourist apartments, tourist villages, pousadas and quintas da Madeira), local accommodation with 10 or more beds (according to the statistical threshold defined by EU Regulation 692/2011) and rural/lodging tourism.

² Unless stated otherwise, the rates of change presented in this press release correspond to year-on-year rates of change.



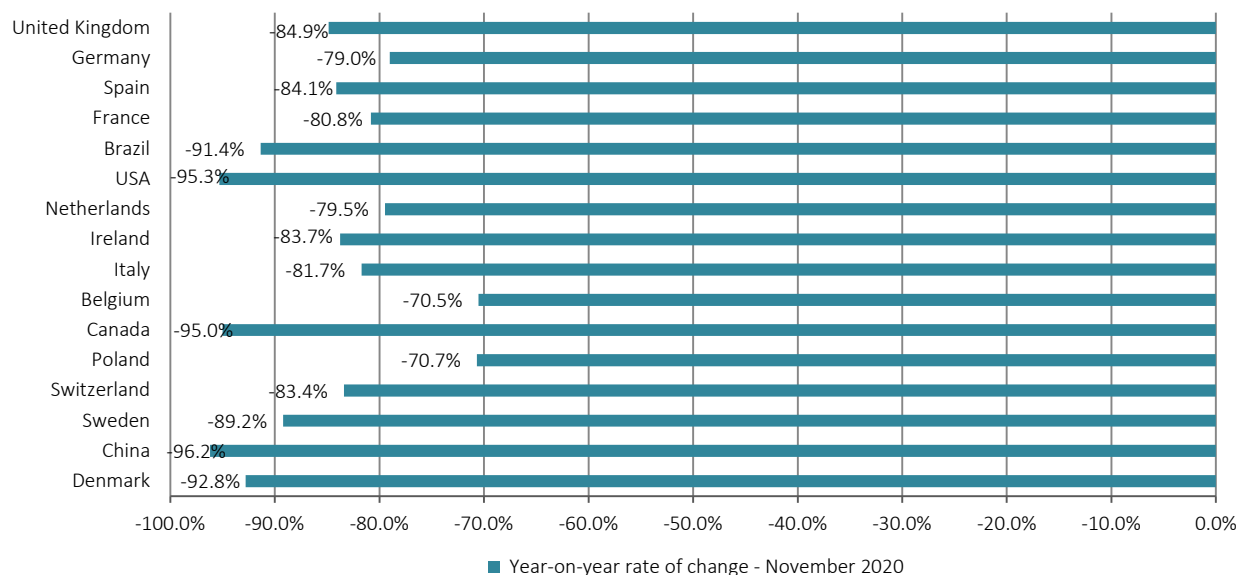
Figure 1. Year-on-year rates of change of overnight stays
in tourist accommodation establishments, by region

Unit: 10³

NUTS II	Total		Residents		Non residents	
	Nov-20	Y-o-y change rate (%)	Nov-20	Y-o-y change rate (%)	Nov-20	Y-o-y change rate (%)
Portugal	950.5	-76.7	543.3	-58.6	407.3	-85.2
Norte	171.1	-76.0	123.5	-61.4	47.6	-87.9
Centro	137.0	-69.7	110.4	-62.4	26.6	-83.3
AM Lisboa	216.9	-83.7	120.8	-62.1	96.2	-90.5
Alentejo	76.7	-55.2	60.2	-49.5	16.5	-68.4
Algarve	180.8	-77.0	65.0	-53.7	115.8	-82.1
RA Açores	43.1	-61.4	34.0	-47.9	9.1	-80.4
RA Madeira	124.9	-75.4	29.4	-46.8	95.5	-78.9

All of the main inbound markets maintained significant decreases³ in November (above of 70%), intensifying the reductions compared to the previous month.

Figure 2. Year-on-year rates of change of overnight stays
in tourist accommodation establishments, by country of residence



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³ Based in the overnight stays results of 2019.



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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The sources used in this press release are: Survey on guest stays in hotel establishments and other accommodations.

The results presented may be revised, since the primary information has not yet been fully collected. The revisions that occurred with the publication of subsequent results have not been significant. The results involving greater detail will be published on January 15.

Guest – Individual that spends at least one overnight stay in a tourist accommodation establishment.

Overnight stay – Time spent by an individual between midday and midday of the following day.

Year-on-year rates of change – comparison between the variable level in the reference period and the same period of the year before. The calculation of year-on-year rates of change for the main indicators is based on values in units, although in this press release they are visible only in thousands.

In order to simplify the language, the term “foreigner” might be used instead of “non-resident”.

Date of next press release - 15 January 2021
