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# Hotels: trading statistics May 2003

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## Key figures for the month ended May 2003

Actual estimates	May 2002	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between March 2002 to May 2002 and March 2003 to May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room occupancy rate (%)	53.9	54.0	0.2	1.1	2.7
Bed occupancy rate (%)	34.3	34.6	0.9	1.3	3.1
Hotel income (R million)	464.8	526.3	13.2	5.4	5.8

#### Key findings for the month ended May 2003

The room occupancy rate and the bed occupancy rate of hotels in South Africa for May 2003 increased by +0,2% and +0,9% respectively, compared with May 2002. Increases in the room occupancy rate were recorded in 6 of the 9 nine provinces. The largest increase was recorded by the Eastern Cape (6,0%), followed by the North West (+5,0%) and then Kwa-Zulu Natal (3,0%). Decreases in room occupancy rate were recorded by Mpumalanga (-2,9%), Limpopo (-2,5%) and Western Cape (-2,3%). Increases in bed occupancy rate were recorded in 6 of the 9 provinces. Eastern Cape recorded the largest increase (+5,3%) followed by North West (+3,8%) and then Kwa-Zulu Natal (+3,1%). Decreases were recorded by Limpopo (-2,9%), Mpumalanga (-1.7%) and Western Cape (-1,4%). The total hotel income for May 2003 increased by + 13,2% compared with May 2002.

Increases in the room occupancy rate were recorded in 12 of the 25 tourism regions for May 2003 compared with May 2002 (cf. table B, column 2). The Rest of Eastern Cape tourism region recorded the largest increase (+9,0%), followed by Little and Central Karoo tourism region (+8,8%) and Pretoria tourism region (+8,7%). The largest decreases were recorded by Cape Metropole tourism region (-4,2%), Overberg region (-3.5%) and Pietermaritzburg and Midlands tourism region (-3,4%).

Increases in the bed occupancy rate were recorded in 12 of the 25 tourism regions during the above-mentioned period (cf. table B, column 3). South Coast and Interior tourism region recorded the largest increase (+9,6%), followed by Pretoria tourism region (+9,3%) and then Little and Central Karoo tourism region (+9,2%). The largest decreases were recorded by Breede River tourism region (-4.3%), Pietermaritzburg and Midlands tourism region (-4,0%) and Overberg tourism region (-3,9%).

Increases in total hotel income were recorded in 19 of the 25 tourism regions during the above-mentioned period (cf. table B, column 4). South Coast and Interior tourism region recorded the largest increase (+9,9%), followed by Pretoria tourism region (+9,8%) and then Little and Central Karoo tourism region (+9,6%). The largest decreases were recorded by Overberg tourism region (-3,7%), Pietermaritzburg and Midlands tourism region (-2,7%) and Breede River tourism region (-2,6%).

## **Key findings for the period March 2003 to May 2003**

The room occupancy rate of hotels in South Africa for the three months ended May 2003 increased by +1,1% compared with the three months ended May 2002, while the bed occupancy rate increased by +1,3% during this period. The total hotel income for the three months ended May 2003 increased by +5,4% compared with the three months ended May 2002.

## **Key findings for the period January 2003 to May 2003**

The room occupancy rate and the bed occupancy rate of hotels in South Africa for the period January 2003 to May 2003 increased by 2,7% and 3,1% respectively, compared with the period January 2002 to May 2002. Increases in the room occupancy rate were recorded in all 9 provinces. Eastern Cape recorded the largest increase in room occupancy rate (+4,5%), followed by Free State (+3,6%) and KwaZulu-Natal (+3,5%). Increases in the bed occupancy rate were recorded in all 9 provinces. Eastern Cape recorded the largest increase (+3,9%) in bed occupancy rate, followed by Free State (+3,8%) and then KwaZulu-Natal(+3,7%) and Mpumalanga(+3,7%). The total hotel income for the period January 2003 to May 2003 increased by +4,1% compared with the period January 2002 to April 2002.

Increases in the room occupancy rate were recorded in 24 of the 25 tourism regions for the period January 2003 to May 2003 compared with the period January 2002 to May 2002 (cf. table D, column 2). South Coast and Interior region recorded the largest increase (+5,9%), followed by Algoa tourism region (+5,3%) and Rest of Free State (+5,0%) and Garden Route tourism regions (+5,0%). The Breede River tourism region recorded the only decrease (-0,9%) in room occupancy rate during the same period.

Increases in the bed occupancy rate were recorded in 24 of the 25 tourism regions during the above-mentioned period (cf. table D, column 3). South Coast and Interior tourism region recorded the largest increase (+6,4%), followed by Rest of Free State tourism region (+5,7%) and Algoa tourism region (+5,5%). The Breede River tourism region recorded the only decrease (-1,2%) in bed occupancy rate during the same period.

Increases in total hotel income were recorded in 25 tourism regions during the above-mentioned period (cf. table D, column 4). South Coast and Interior tourism region recorded the largest increase in total hotel income (+7,3%), followed by Algoa tourism region (+6,5%) and Garden Route tourism region (+6,1%).

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 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Table A - Percentage change in the room and bed occupancy rates and total hotel income for May 2003} \\ \text{compared with May 2002 according to star grading} \end{array}$ 

	Number of	r decrease (-)			
Star grading	May	May	Room	Bed	Total hotel
	2002	2003	occupancy	occupancy	income <sup>1/</sup>
			rate	rate	
Ungraded	247	245	-0.9	-0.6	11.9
One and two star	33	33	5.6	3.5	17.2
Three star	90	90	6.9	7.1	31.3
Four star	28	28	11.2	12.3	29.1
Five star	14	14	-18.8	-2.9	-13.0
Total	412	410	0.2	0.9	13.2

<sup>1/</sup> Not adjusted for inflation

Table B - Percentage change in room and bed occupancy rates and total hotel income for May 2003 compared with May 2002 according to province and tourism region

	Percentage increase (+) or decrease (-)						
Province and tourism region	Room	Bed	Total hotel				
	occupancy	occupancy	income <sup>1/</sup>				
	rate	rate					
Western Cape	-2,3	-1,4	-0,8				
Cape Metropole	-4,2	-3,4	-1,8				
Wineland	-1,8	-2,1	0,3				
West Coast	-2,5	-3,7	0,0				
Little and Central Karoo	8,8	9,2	9,6				
Garden Route	7,8	7,6	8,6				
Overberg	-3,5	-3,9	-3,7				
Breede River	-3,1	-4,3	-2,6				
Eastern Cape	6,0	5,3	6,9				
Border	1,6	-1,0	2,0				
Algoa	6,3	7,5	8,2				
Rest of Eastern Cape	9,0	8,4	9,2				
Northern Cape	0,1	0,9	2,9				
Griqualand West	4,5	5,3	6,2				
Rest of Northern Cape	-2,4	-1,6	0,8				
Free State	1,2	2,9	1,7				
Bloemfontein and Transgariep	2,5	3,9	3,4				
Rest of Free State	-1,4	1,0	-2,4				
KwaZulu-Natal	3,0	3,1	4,3				
Durban and Umhlanga	3,0	3,2	4,2				
South Coast and Interior	8,0	9,6	9,9				
Pietermaritzburg and Midlands	-3,4	-4,0	-2,7				
Drakensberg	-2,9	-2,4	1,0				
Rest of KwaZulu-Natal	3,5	2,3	4,1				
North West	5,0	3,8	6,3				
Gauteng	0,6	0,6	1,8				
Pretoria	8,7	9,3	9,8				
Johannesburg & Rest of Gauteng	-1,0	-1,5	0,5				
East Rand	-2,8	-2,5	-1,7				
Mpumalanga	-2,9	-1,7	0,2				
Limpopo	-2,5	-2,9	1,7				
Total	0,9	1,2	2,6				

<sup>1/</sup> Not adjusted for inflation

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Table C - Percentage change in the room and bed occupancy rates and total hotel income for January to May 2003 compared with January to May 2002 according to star grading

	Number of	participants	Percentage increase (+) or decrease (-)			
Star grading	May 2002	May 2003	Room occupancy	Bed occupancy	Total hotel income <sup>1/</sup>	
			rate	rate		
Ungraded	247	245	2,4	2,2	3,9	
One and two star	33	33	5,7	5,7	8,4	
Three star	90	90	6,0	8,2	9,1	
Four star	28	28	8,5	8,2	6,5	
Five star	14	14	-3,3	-1,4	-3,0	
Total	412	410	2,9	3,1	4,1	

<sup>1/</sup> Not adjusted for inflation

Table D - Percentage change in room and bed occupancy rates and total hotel income for January to May 2003 compared with January to May 2002 according to province and tourism region

	Percentage increase (+) or decrease (-)					
Province and tourism region	Room	Bed	Total hotel			
	occupancy	occupancy	income <sup>1/</sup>			
	rate	rate				
Western Cape	2,3	2,5	4,0			
Cape Metropole	1,7	1,9	3,8			
Wineland	2,6	1,8	3,4			
West Coast	2,2	2,2	3,6			
Little and Central Karoo	3,3	3,2	4,3			
Garden Route	5,0	5,3	6,1			
Overberg	4,0	3,4	5,2			
Breede River	-0,9	-1,2	1,1			
Eastern Cape	4,5	3,9	5,3			
Border	2,5	2,0	3,8			
Algoa	5,3	5,5	6,5			
Rest of Eastern Cape	4,8	4,8	5,2			
Northern Cape	2,1	2,2	3,4			
Griqualand West	2,2	2,4	3,3			
Rest of Northern Cape	2,0	2,3	3,5			
Free State	3,6	3,8	4,8			
Bloemfontein and Transgariep	3,6	4,0	4,6			
Rest of Free State	5,0	5,7	5,4			
KwaZulu-Natal	3,5	3,7	4,5			
Durban and Umhlanga	2,8	2,9	3,7			
South Coast and Interior	5,9	6,4	7,3			
Pietermaritzburg and Midlands	1,0	1,3	2,1			
Drakensberg	2,9	2,7	4,0			
Rest of KwaZulu-Natal	4,7	4,2	5,5			
North West	2,9	2,8	3,3			
Gauteng	3,0	3,0	3,8			
Pretoria	4,8	5,1	6,0			
Johannesburg & Rest of Gauteng	2,6	2,4	3,5			
East Rand	2,0	1,9	2,9			
Mpumalanga	3,0	3,7	4,6			
Limpopo	1,4	1,6	3,7			
Total	2,9	3,1	4,1			

Figure 1 - Room and bed occupancy rates of hotels

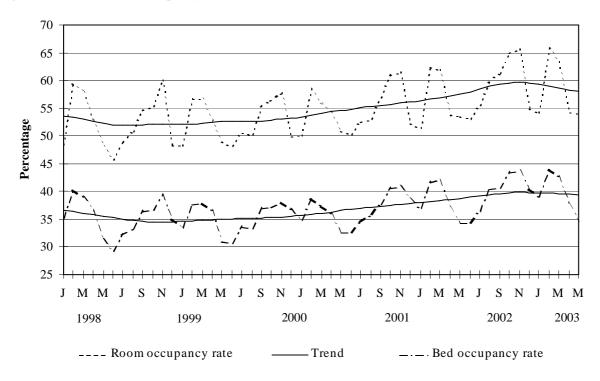
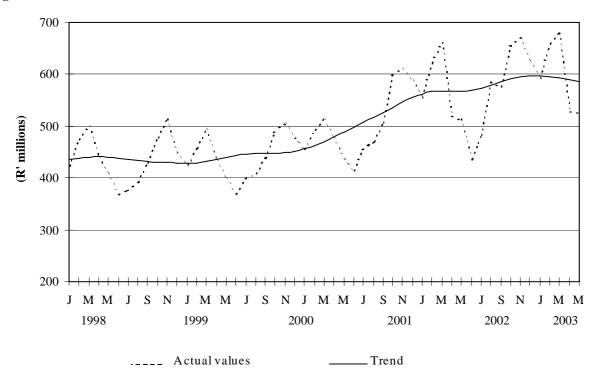


Figure 2 - Total hotel income



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Forthcoming issues	Issue	Expected release date
	June 2003	07 August 2003
	July 2003	11 September 2003
	August 2003	09 October 2003
	September 2003	06 November 2003
	October 2003	11 December 2003
	November 2003	08 January 2004

#### Purpose of the survey

The Survey of Trading Statistics of Hotels is a monthly survey covering a sample of private establishments in the formal accommodation industry in South Africa. The results of the survey are used to compile estimates of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and its components, which are used to develop and monitor government policy. These statistics are also used by the private sector in analyses of comparative business and industry performance. The results are published monthly in statistical release P6441 – Hotels: trading statistics.

#### New questionnaire

The Survey of Trading Statistics of Hotels was re-engineered in consultation with major stakeholders with the purpose of incorporating users' needs. This resulted in the change of some data items on the old questionnaire.

The new questionnaire only collects the following data items -

- room income;
- income from catering;
- income from bar-sales;
- income from off sales;
- other income (sundries);
- total number of rooms available;
- total number of room nights sold;
- total number of beds available; and
- total number of bed nights sold.

# Changes regarding tourism regions

After consultation with major stakeholders in the hotel industry, the following changes regarding tourism regions were made and the first results were published in statistical release P6441 - Hotels: trading statistics, January 2000 on 16 April 2000:

- Current tourism regions are grouped according to towns and cities, while the
  previous tourism regions were grouped according to magisterial districts
  (cf. table 8).
- Hotels in Sandton which were previously included in the Rest of Gauteng tourism region, are now included in Johannesburg tourism region.
- Jacaranda tourism region is called Pretoria tourism region.
- The Lowveld and Escarpment tourism region and the Rest of Mpumalanga tourism region have been combined and is now called Mpumalanga tourism region.
- The Rest of Gauteng tourism region and the Johannesburg tourism region were combined for comparison purposes in table B (cf. page 3). As a result of this, Stats SA now reports on 25 tourism regions in table B instead of 26 tourism regions. For more information, see table 8, page 31.

#### New sample

According to international best practice and in order to train the relevant respondents in using the new questionnaire, to validate the information received and to avoid a break in the time series published in this statistical release, Stats SA decided to introduce the new questionnaire as the first step in the re-engineering process. Stats SA will in due course, as the second step, introduce a new sample.

Currently Stats SA is busy re-engineering the register of businesses which serves as the sampling frame, in collaboration with the South African Revenue Service and the Departments of Trade and Industry and Labour. The process will take some time, since there are hundreds of thousands of businesses, many of whom are, in any given period, changing ownership, closing, or being registered. As soon as this improvement in the listing and classification of businesses has been implemented, Stats SA will draw a new sample.

Table 1 - Summary of trading statistics of hotels in South Africa

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003 *	May 2003	January 2002 to May 2002	January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	52,154	52,399	52,297	52,254	262,046	261,641
Room nights available per month	Number	1,570,920	1,465,968	1,624,369	1,568,910	6,296,822	6,281,635
Room nights sold per month	Number	871,533	1,028,334	849,649	874,832	4,479,188	4,598,044
Room occupancy rate	%	53.9	63.3	54.2	54.0	56.6	58.2
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	109,907	110,540	110,539	110,485	551,786	552,386
Bed nights available per month	Number	3,309,270	3,091,928	3,426,740	3,316,140	13,256,500	13,257,106
Bed nights sold per month	Number	1,170,140	1,460,748	1,247,939	1,184,473	6,386,298	6,584,443
Bed occupancy rate	%	34.3	42.6	37.6	34.6	38.3	39.5
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	292,225	451,407	345,091	332,405	1,833,176	1,971,853
Income from catering	R'000	106,829	142,375	114,764	122,770	605,410	633,467
Income from bar sales	R'000	35,114	45,973	38,497	39,447	208,632	210,738
Other income	R'000	30,616	39,878	30,134	31,723	174,413	170,589
Total hotel income	R'000	464,784	679,633	528,486	526,345	2,821,631	2,986,647

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 2 - Percentage change in trading statistics of hotels in South Africa

Particulars	Unit	% change between March 2002 and March 2003  % change between April 2002 and April 2003		% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003	
Room statistics						
Room nights available per day	%	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	-0.	
Room nights available per month	%	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	-0.	
Room nights sold per month	%	2.0	0.8	0.4	2.	
Room occupancy rate	%	2.1	0.9	0.2	2.	
Bed statistics						
Bed nights available per day	%	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.	
Bed nights available per month	%	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.	
Bed nights sold per month	%	1.8	1.6	1.2	3.	
Bed occupancy rate	%	1.7	1.3	0.9	3.	
Income statistics						
Room income	%	4.3	3.5	13.7	7.	
Income from catering	%	1.1	0.1	14.9	4.	
Income from bar sales	%	-2.5	-2.8	12.3	1.	
Other income	%	-1.0	-6.1	3.6	-2.	
Total hotel income	%	2.8	1.7	13.2	5.	

Table 3 - Trading statistics of hotels according to star grading: May 2003

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three star	Four s tar	Five star	Total
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	40,035	2,991	5,663	2,579	986	52,254
Room nights available per month	Number	1,201,830	89,790	170,280	77,400	29,610	1,568,910
Room nights sold per month	Number	708,055	38,391	77,265	39,202	11,919	874,832
Room occupancy rate	%	57.1	41.4	44.0	49.0	39.0	54.0
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	85,418	6,795	11,080	5,164	2,028	110,485
Bed nights available per month	Number	2,562,840	204,090	333,600	154,710	60,900	3,316,140
Bed nights sold per month	Number	940,292	59,747	107,989	54,484	21,961	1,184,473
Bed occupancy rate	%	35.5	28.4	31.4	34.0	34.9	34.6
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	275,566	8,871	22,895	16,560	8,513	332,405
Income from catering	R'000	90,014	4,708	15,994	7,038	5,016	122,770
Income from bar sales	R'000	28,603	2,621	4,359	1,924	1,940	39,447
Other income	R'000	23,397	352	4,226	1,876	1,872	31,723
Total hotel income	R'000	417,580	16,552	47,474	27,398	17,341	526,345

Table 4 - Percentage change in trading statistics of hotels for May 2003 compared with May 2002 according to star grading

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three star	Four s tar	Five s tar	Total
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	-0.4	-0.2	1.0	1.9	-0.2	-0.1
Room nights sold per month	Number	0.1	8.0	1.8	6.4	-2.3	0.8
Room occupancy rate	%	-0.9	5.6	6.9	11.2	-18.8	0.2
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	-0.1	1.1	0.6	1.8	4.0	0.2
Bed nights sold per month	%	0.4	8.0	3.5	12.2	1.2	1.6
Bed occupancy rate	%	-0.6	3.5	7.1	12.3	-2.9	0.9
Income statistics							
Room income	%	3.2	22.5	8.3	13.6	-14.4	3.5
Income from catering	%	0.6	5.3	6.2	-9.8	-9.4	0.1
Income from bar sales	%	-4.4	-2.1	12.9	-7.3	-2.5	-2.8
Other income	%	-7.2	54.7	4.7	19.0	-33.9	-6.1
Total hotel income	%	1.5	13.9	7.7	6.0	-13.9	1.7

Table 5 - Trading statistics of hotels according to province: May 2003

Table 5.1 - Trading statistics of hotels: Western Cape

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003 *	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	11,517	11,792	11,701	11,697	1.6	0.7
Room nights available per month	Number	348,690	329,364	365,552	351,030	1.6	0.5
Room nights sold per month	Number	165,227	252,750	193,577	160,566	-2.8	2.6
Room occupancy rate	%	46.3	69.1	55.1	44.3	-4.3	2.0
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	23,722	24,522	24,494	24,497	3.3	1.9
Bed nights available per month	Number	717,990	683,116	760,182	734,820	3.3	1.6
Bed nights sold per month	Number	232,522	381,836	306,665	235,931	1.5	4.4
Bed occupancy rate	%	31.6	50.2	41.7	31.1	-1.7	2.5
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	59,364	144,211	93,189	63,088	6.3	7.5
Income from catering	R'000	18,229	34,142	25,822	20,321	11.5	1.9
Income from bar sales	R'000	6,094	11,095	7,906	6,290	3.2	0.0
Other income	R'000	6,049	8,568	6,866	6,105	0.9	-12.0
Total hotel income	R'000	89,736	198,016	133,783	95,804	6.8	4.9

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.2 - Trading statistics of hotels: Eastern Cape

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	4,301	4,235	4,231	4,231	-1.6	-1.6
Room nights available per month	Number	129,030	118,580	131,285	126,930	-1.6	-1.6
Room nights sold per month	Number	74,688	87,732	74,937	78,487	5.1	2.9
Room occupancy rate	%	56.0	66.8	59.0	59.8	6.8	4.7
<b>Bed statistics</b>							
Bed nights available per day	Number	10,084	9,914	9,922	9,922	-1.6	-1.7
Bed nights available per month	Number	302,520	277,592	307,334	297,660	-1.6	-1.7
Bed nights sold per month	Number	105,937	128,054	117,829	110,278	4.1	2.2
Bed occupancy rate	%	33.9	41.7	39.6	35.9	5.8	3.9
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	19,463	26,243	23,533	24,787	27.4	13.9
Income from catering	R'000	8,035	9,437	9,173	9,607	19.6	2.4
Income from bar sales	R'000	3,532	3,755	4,004	4,088	15.7	-1.3
Other income	R'000	1,622	2,357	1,549	1,875	15.6	-10.4
Total hotel income	R'000	32,652	41,792	38,259	40,357	23.6	8.1

Table 5.3 - Trading statistics of hotels: Northern Cape

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	1,812	1,814	1,814	1,812	0.0	-0.3
Room nights available per month	Number	54,480	50,792	56,234	54,420	0.0	-0.4
Room nights sold per month	Number	25,839	25,736	21,302	25,863	0.1	1.7
Room occupancy rate	%	46.0	45.8	39.1	46.0	0.1	2.1
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	4,098	4,156	4,156	4,148	1.2	1.1
Bed nights available per month	Number	123,210	116,368	128,836	124,680	1.2	1.1
Bed nights sold per month	Number	32,161	31,671	29,047	31,399	-2.4	2.5
Bed occupancy rate	%	25.3	24.6	23.3	24.4	-3.5	1.5
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	5,814	6,409	5,130	6,255	7.6	1.9
Income from catering	R'000	1,397	1,531	1,335	1,433	2.6	11.9
Income from bar sales	R'000	708	786	697	769	8.6	12.2
Other income	R'000	156	185	155	182	16.3	-6.4
Total hotel income	R'000	8,075	8,911	7,317	8,639	7.0	4.2

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.4 - Trading statistics of hotels: Free State

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	2,724	2,715	2,715	2,715	-0.3	-0.5
Room nights available per month	Number	81,810	76,020	84,165	81,450	-0.3	-0.5
Room nights sold per month	Number	37,706	42,351	33,054	36,574	-3.0	2.4
Room occupancy rate	%	44.7	50.3	40.6	43.5	-2.7	2.9
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	5,694	5,625	5,625	5,625	-1.2	-1.2
Bed nights available per month	Number	170,970	157,500	174,375	168,750	-1.2	-1.2
Bed nights sold per month	Number	50,345	63,552	48,185	51,806	2.9	3.0
Bed occupancy rate	%	28.5	36.4	28.6	29.7	4.2	4.2
Income statistics							
Roomincome	R'000	9,081	11,014	9,011	9,221	1.5	0.9
Income from catering	R'000	2,166	2,780	2,094	2,336	7.9	27.7
Income from bar sales	R'000	925	665	721	869	-6	-10.0
Other income	R'000	428	638	624	479	11.9	24.6
Total hotel income	R'000	12,600	15,097	12,450	12,905	2.4	5.0

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.5 - Trading statistics of hotels: KwaZulu-Natal

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	9,061	9,056	9,055	9,028	-0.4	-0.2
Room nights available per month	Number	271,980	253,736	280,736	271,650	-0.4	-0.1
Room nights sold per month	Number	163,143	179,550	162,137	167,189	2.5	3.2
Room occupancy rate	%	58.1	64.0	59.7	59.7	2.8	3.5
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	19,522	19,505	19,500	19,434	-0.5	-0.1
Bed nights available per month	Number	585,690	546,560	604,655	585,000	-0.5	-0.1
Bed nights sold per month	Number	229,839	269,892	252,823	234,094	1.9	3.3
Bed occupancy rate	%	38.0	44.6	43.2	38.9	2.3	3.5
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	52,566	67,826	58,572	62,526	18.9	8.0
Income from catering	R'000	23,063	26,836	23,203	24,586	6.6	4.6
Income from bar sales	R'000	6,613	7,778	7,565	7,096	7.3	-0.6
Other income	R'000	7,099	8,518	6,593	7,195	1.4	5.8
Total hotel income	R'000	89,341	110,958	95,933	101,403	13.5	6.3

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.6 - Trading statistics of hotels: North West

Particulars	Unit	May 2002*	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	3,086	3,047	3,047	3,057	-1.0	-1.1
Room nights available per month	Number	92,550	85,316	94,457	91,410	-1.0	-1.2
Room nights sold per month	Number	52,741	61,817	55,704	54,836	4.0	1.8
Room occupancy rate	%	55.1	65.5	60.9	57.9	5.0	2.9
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	6,158	6,079	6,079	6,083	-1.2	-1.2
Bed nights available per month	Number	184,710	170,212	188,449	182,370	-1.2	-1.2
Bed nights sold per month	Number	86,128	107,693	98,699	86,031	-0.1	1.2
Bed occupancy rate	%	45.1	57.1	54.1	45.6	1.1	2.4
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	33,715	49,235	44,466	37,366	10.8	4.8
Income from catering	R'000	13,853	19,109	14,808	17,107	23.5	5.4
Income from bar sales	R'000	4,042	6,783	4,842	5,981	48.0	13.1
Other income	R'000	3,235	3,709	3,638	2,906	-10.2	-9.5
Total hotel income	R'000	54,845	78,836	67,754	63,360	15.5	4.7

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.7 - Trading statistics of hotels: Gauteng

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	15,758	15,810	15,808	15,786	0.2	-0.3
Room nights available per month	Number	475,500	442,736	490,110	474,240	0.2	-0.4
Room nights sold per month	Number	287,474	309,862	248,682	288,650	0.4	2.6
Room occupancy rate	%	58.8	63.2	52.4	59.0	0.2	3.0
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	32,820	32,931	32,926	32,939	0.4	-0.2
Bed nights available per month	Number	990,000	922,208	1,020,861	987,780	0.4	-0.3
Bed nights sold per month	Number	345,582	381,079	310,415	348,854	0.9	2.7
Bed occupancy rate	%	34.0	37.3	31.4	34.2	0.6	2.7
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	96,133	125,495	92,543	110,524	15.0	8.5
Income from catering	R'000	30,701	35,998	27,931	36,352	18.4	4.4
Income from bar sales	R'000	9,523	10,696	8,557	10,182	6.9	-2.6
Other income	R'000	10,064	12,237	8,419	10,197	1.3	-1.1
Total hotel income	R'000	146,421	184,426	137,450	167,255	14.2	6.3

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.8 - Trading statistics of hotels: Mpumalanga

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	2,441	2,441	2,443	2,443	0.1	0.0
Room nights available per month	Number	73,230	68,292	75,671	73,290	0.1	0.0
Room nights sold per month	Number	40,972	44,249	39,833	39,002	-4.8	2.7
Room occupancy rate	%	54.1	58.5	54.4	51.5	-4.9	2.6
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	5,208	5,199	5,203	5,203	-0.1	-0.2
Bed nights available per month	Number	156,240	145,432	161,169	156,090	-0.1	-0.2
Bed nights sold per month	Number	56,171	64,484	56,790	55,144	-1.8	3.4
Bed occupancy rate	%	34.8	40.0	36.4	34.2	-1.7	3.7
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	9,982	13,449	12,409	11,466	14.9	7.0
Income from catering	R'000	5,930	8,431	7,167	6,972	17.6	12.4
Income from bar sales	R'000	2,736	3,277	3,086	2,877	5.2	-1.4
Other income	R'000	725	1,041	890	893	23.2	5.2
Total hotel income	R'000	19,373	26,198	23,552	22,208	14.6	7.3

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

Table 5.9 - Trading statistics of hotels: Limpopo

Particulars	Unit	May 2002 *	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January 2002 to May 2002 and January 2003 to May 2003
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	1,453	1,489	1,484	1,485	2.2	1.6
Room nights available per month	Number	43,620	41,132	46,159	44,520	2.2	1.5
Room nights sold per month	Number	23,742	24,288	20,424	23,667	-0.3	3.3
Room occupancy rate	%	52.7	52.6	45.9	51.4	-2.5	1.4
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	2,601	2,609	2,634	2,635	1.3	0.6
Bed nights available per month	Number	77,970	72,940	80,879	79,020	1.3	0.5
Bed nights sold per month	Number	31,454	32,488	27,487	30,935	-1.7	2.4
Bed occupancy rate	%	39.0	40.2	34.8	37.9	-2.9	1.6
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	6,109	7,526	6,238	7,172	17.4	3.6
Income from catering	R'000	3,456	4,110	3,230	4,056	17.4	3.5
Income from bar sales	R'000	942	1,138	1,119	1,296	37.6	9.5
Other income	R'000	1,238	2,625	1,399	1,890	52.6	43.9
Total hotel income	R'000	11,745	15,399	11,986	14,414	22.7	7.9

<sup>\*</sup> Revised figures

 $Table\ 6\ -\ Trading\ statistics\ of\ hotels\ according\ to\ tourism\ region\ and\ star\ grading\ :\ May\ 2003$ 

Table 6.1 - Trading statistics of hotels: Cape Metropole

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three star	Four star	Five s tar	Total
Room statistics							
Room nights available per day	Number	5,601	308	442	935	467	7,753
Room nights available per month	Number	168,030	9,240	13,410	28,110	14,040	232,830
Room nights sold per month	Number	92,010	2,814	4,830	14,240	4,125	118,019
Room occupancy rate	%	53.0	29.4	35.3	49.1	28.5	49.1
Bed statistics							
Bed nights available per day	Number	11,577	613	867	1,749	992	15,798
Bed nights available per month	Number	347,310	18,390	26,280	52,320	29,820	474,120
Bed nights sold per month	Number	126,544	4,039	6,495	20,806	11,704	169,588
Bed occupancy rate	%	35.3	21.3	24.2	38.4	38.1	34.6
Income statistics							
Room income	R'000	40,114	578	1,393	5,854	3,891	51,830
Income from catering	R'000	8,092	272	280	1,981	2,415	13,040
Income from bar sales	R'000	1,723	2	66	695	1,093	3,579
Other income	R'000	3,285	114	84	716	949	5,148
Total hotel income	R'000	53,214	966	1,823	9,246	8,348	73,597

Table 6.2 - Trading statistics of hotels: Wineland

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded, one, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics			
Room nights available per day	Number	434	434
Room nights available per month	Number	13,020	13,020
Room nights sold per month	Number	5,779	5,779
Room occupancy rate	%	42.9	42.9
Bed statistics			
Bed nights available per day	Number	922	922
Room nights available per month	Number	27,630	27,630
Bed nights sold per month	Number	8,167	8,167
Bed occupancy rate	%	28.6	28.6
Income statistics			
Room income	R'000	2,273	2,273
Income from catering	R'000	1,878	1,878
Income from bar sales	R'000	592	592
Other income	R'000	532	532
Total hotel income	R'000	5,275	5,275

Table 6.3 - Trading statistics of hotels: West Coast

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	253	146	20	419
Room nights available per month	Number	7,290	4,380	600	12,270
Room nights sold per month	Number	2,739	1,675	148	4,562
Room occupancy rate	%	34.9	37.0	23.9	35.1
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	477	340	40	857
Bed nights available per month	Number	13,620	10,200	1,200	25,020
Bed nights sold per month	Number	3,686	2,168	228	6,082
Bed occupancy rate	%	24.9	20.6	18.4	22.9
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	659	192	45	896
Income from catering	R'000	577	278	9	864
Income from bar sales	R'000	305	123	6	434
Other income	R'000	56	0	0	56
Total hotel income	R'000	1,597	593	60	2,250

Table 6.4 - Trading statistics of hotels: Little and Central Karoo

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	465	194	55	714
Room nights available per month	Number	14,040	5,820	1,650	21,510
Room nights sold per month	Number	4,583	1,420	774	6,777
Room occupancy rate	%	31.8	23.6	45.4	30.6
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,078	514	111	1,703
Bed nights available per month	Number	32,610	15,420	3,330	51,360
Bed nights sold per month	Number	6,787	2,395	1,164	10,346
Bed occupancy rate	%	20.3	15.0	33.8	19.6
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	992	278	209	1,479
Income from catering	R'000	357	90	55	502
Income from bar sales	R'000	188	29	2	219
Other income	R'000	27	6	2	35
Total hotel income	R'000	1,564	403	268	2,235

Table 6.5 - Trading statistics of hotels: Garden Route

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	834	129	444	1,407
Room nights available per month	Number	25,020	3,870	13,350	42,240
Room nights sold per month	Number	10,725	1,694	4,096	16,515
Room occupancy rate	%	41.5	42.4	29.8	37.9
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,687	275	1,113	3,075
Bed nights available per month	Number	50,610	8,250	33,450	92,310
Bed nights sold per month	Number	19,031	2,630	6,942	28,603
Bed occupancy rate	%	36.4	30.9	20.1	30.0
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	2,573	280	1,410	4,263
Income from catering	R'000	929	187	602	1,718
Income from bar sales	R'000	345	215	188	748
Other income	R'000	108	8	74	190
Total hotel income	R'000	3,955	690	2,274	6,919

Table 6.6 - Trading statistics of hotels: Overberg

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded, one, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics			
Room nights available per day	Number	568	568
Room nights available per month	Number	17,130	17,130
Room nights sold per month	Number	4,698	4,698
Room occupancy rate	%	26.7	26.7
Bed statistics			
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,302	1,302
Bed nights available per month	Number	39,210	39,210
Bed nights sold per month	Number	7,411	7,411
Bed occupancy rate	%	18.4	18.4
Income statistics			
Room income	R'000	1,582	1,582
Income from catering	R'000	1,546	1,546
Income from bar sales	R'000	479	479
Other income	R'000	58	58
Total hotel income	R'000	3,665	3,665

Table 6.7 - Trading statistics of hotels: Breede River

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	279	122	401
Room nights available per month	Number	8,340	3,660	12,000
Room nights sold per month	Number	2,247	1,410	3,657
Room occupancy rate	%	26.0	37.3	29.4
Bedstatistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	600	241	841
Bed nights available per month	Number	17,910	7,230	25,140
Bed nights sold per month	Number	2,523	2,193	4,716
Bed occupancy rate	%	13.6	29.3	18.1
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	364	457	821
Income from catering	R'000	395	426	821
Income from bar sales	R'000	131	127	258
Other income	R'000	41	78	119
Total hotel income	R'000	931	1,088	2,019

Table 6.8 - Trading statistics of hotels: Border

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	599	209	328	1,136
Room nights available per month	Number	17,970	6,270	9,840	34,080
Room nights sold per month	Number	12,296	2,796	6,313	21,405
Room occupancy rate	%	66.2	43.2	62.1	60.8
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,750	413	680	2,843
Bed nights available per month	Number	52,500	12,390	20,400	85,290
Bed nights sold per month	Number	13,531	3,946	7,911	25,388
Bed occupancy rate	%	24.9	30.8	37.5	28.8
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	5,034	329	1,871	7,234
Income from catering	R'000	1,121	326	929	2,376
Income from bar sales	R'000	343	83	137	563
Other income	R'000	174	23	294	491
Total hotel income	R'000	6,672	761	3,231	10,664

Table 6.9 - Trading statistics of hotels: Algoa

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	1,356	93	1,449
Room nights available per month	Number	40,680	2,790	43,470
Room nights sold per month	Number	24,097	1,165	25,262
Room occupancy rate	%	57.3	40.4	56.2
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	3,515	188	3,703
Bed nights available per month	Number	105,450	5,640	111,090
Bed nights sold per month	Number	31,854	1,767	33,621
Bed occupancy rate	%	29.2	30.3	29.3
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	7,359	456	7,815
Income from catering	R'000	1,838	389	2,227
Income from bar sales	R'000	702	116	818
Other income	R'000	611	31	642
Total hotel income	R'000	10,510	992	11,502

Table 6.10 - Trading statistics of hotels: Griqualand West

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	463	55	30	548
Room nights available per month	Number	13,890	1,710	900	16,500
Room nights sold per month	Number	8,469	1,169	321	9,959
Room occupancy rate	%	59.0	68.5	34.5	58.6
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,080	220	48	1,348
Bed nights available per month	Number	32,400	6,840	1,440	40,680
Bed nights sold per month	Number	10,866	1,543	405	12,814
Bed occupancy rate	%	32.5	22.6	27.2	30.7
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	2,107	355	57	2,519
Income from catering	R'000	465	49	31	545
Income from bar sales	R'000	246	3	47	296
Other income	R'000	180	10	4	194
Total hotel income	R'000	2,998	417	139	3,554

Table 6.11 - Trading statistics of hotels: Rest of the Eastern Cape

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	1,288	358	1,646
Room nights available per month	Number	38,640	10740	49,380
Room nights sold per month	Number	25,656	5,903	31,559
Room occupancy rate	%	64.2	53.2	61.9
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	2,444	932	3,376
Bed nights available per month	Number	73,320	27960	101,280
Bed nights sold per month	Number	38,607	13,636	52,243
Bed occupancy rate	%	51.0	47.2	49.9
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	7,741	1,901	9,642
Income from catering	R'000	4,559	395	4,954
Income from bar sales	R'000	2,259	414	2,673
Other income	R'000	716	17	733
Total hotel income	R'000	15,275	2,727	18,002

Table 6.12 - Trading statistics of hotels: Rest of the Northern Cape

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	690	574	1,264
Room nights available per month	Number	20,700	17,220	37,920
Room nights sold per month	Number	8,849	7,056	15,905
Room occupancy rate	%	41.4	39.7	40.6
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,528	1,272	2,800
Bed nights available per month	Number	45,840	38160	84,000
Bed nights sold per month	Number	11,398	7,747	19,145
Bed occupancy rate	%	24.1	19.6	22.1
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	1,977	1,743	3,720
Income from catering	R'000	627	311	938
Income from bar sales	R'000	401	77	478
Other income	R'000	3	1	4
Total hotel income	R'000	3,008	2,132	5,140

Table 6.13 - Trading statistics of hotels: Bloemfontein and Transgariep

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	1,070	439	1,509
Room nights available per month	Number	32,100	13,170	45,270
Room nights sold per month	Number	21,257	5,966	27,223
Room occupancy rate	%	64.1	43.8	58.2
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	2,201	862	3,063
Bed nights available per month	Number	66,030	25,860	91,890
Bed nights sold per month	Number	32,007	8,267	40,274
Bed occupancy rate	%	46.9	30.9	42.4
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	5,883	1,345	7,228
Income from catering	R'000	480	900	1,380
Income from bar sales	R'000	128	199	327
Other income	R'000	360	64	424
Total hotel income	R'000	6,851	2,508	9,359

Table 6.14 - Trading statistics of hotels: Rest of the Free State

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded, one, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics			
Room nights available per day	Number	1,206	1,206
Room nights available per month	Number	36,180	36,180
Room nights sold per month	Number	8,583	8,583
Room occupancy rate	%	23.0	23.0
Bedstatistics			
Bed nights available per day	Number	2,562	2,562
Bed nights available per month	Number	76,860	76,860
Bed nights sold per month	Number	11,061	11,061
Bed occupancy rate	%	13.9	13.9
Income statistics			
Room income	R'000	1,830	1,830
Income from catering	R'000	789	789
Income from bar sales	R'000	381	381
Other income	R'000	51	51
Total hotel income	R'000	3,051	3,051

Table 6.15 - Trading statistics of hotels: Durban and Umhlanga

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	4,213	178	4,391
Room nights available per month	Number	126,390	5850	132,240
Room nights sold per month	Number	94,835	4,729	99,564
Room occupancy rate	%	72.6	85.7	73.1
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	9,042	346	9,388
Bed nights available per month	Number	271,260	11340	282,600
Bed nights sold per month	Number	123,807	5,958	129,765
Bed occupancy rate	%	44.2	55.5	44.6
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	37,587	1,885	39,472
Income from catering	R'000	9,740	804	10,544
Income from bar sales	R'000	1,865	255	2,120
Other income	R'000	3,731	240	3,971
Total hotel income	R'000	52,923	3,184	56,107

Table 6.16 - Trading statistics of hotels: South Coast and Interior

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total	
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	874	330	1,204	
Room nights available per month	Number	26,220	9900	36,120	
Room nights sold per month	Number	18,055	5,526	23,581	
Room occupancy rate	%	66.6	54.0	63.2	
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	2,061	684	2,745	
Bed nights available per month	Number	61,830	20520	82,350	
Bed nights sold per month	Number	29,864	8,859	38,723	
Bed occupancy rate	%	46.7	41.8	45.5	
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	6,824	1,352	8,176	
Income from catering	R'000	4,216	1,102	5,318	
Income from bar sales	R'000	1,402	391	1,793	
Other income	R'000	746	138	884	
Total hotel income	R'000	13,188	2,983	16,171	

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Table~6.17~- Trading~statistics~of~hotels: Pietermaritzburg~and~Midlands \\ \end{tabular}$ 

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	Ungraded One, two, three, four and five star	
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	463	176	639
Room nights available per month	Number	13,890	5280	19,170
Room nights sold per month	Number	4,656	2,888	7,544
Room occupancy rate	%	32.4	52.9	38.1
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	912	373	1,285
Bed nights available per month	Number	27,360	11190	38,550
Bed nights sold per month	Number	6,966	4,221	11,187
Bed occupancy rate	%	24.6	36.5	28.1
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	1,513	665	2,178
Income from catering	R'000	706	941	1,647
Income from bar sales	R'000	268	763	1,031
Other income	R'000	232	66	298
Total hotel income	R'000	2,719	2,435	5,154

Table 6.18 - Trading statistics of hotels: Drakensberg

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	Ungraded One, two, three, four and five star	
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	499	447	946
Room nights available per month	Number	15,240	13410	28,650
Room nights sold per month	Number	6,215	6,080	12,295
Room occupancy rate	%	40.2	43.9	41.9
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,196	1,035	2,231
Bed nights available per month	Number	36,870	31050	67,920
Bed nights sold per month	Number	11,243	12,100	23,343
Bed occupancy rate	%	30.3	37.7	33.7
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	3,943	2,276	6,219
Income from catering	R'000	2,207	1,770	3,977
Income from bar sales	R'000	772	554	1,326
Other income	R'000	1,005	518	1,523
Total hotel income	R'000	7,927	5,118	13,045

 $Table \ 6.19 \ \textbf{-} \ Trading \ statistics \ of \ hotels: Rest \ of \ KwaZulu-Natal$ 

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	1,315	533	1,848
Room nights available per month	Number	39,450	16020	55,470
Room nights sold per month	Number	15,821	8,144	23,965
Room occupancy rate	%	38.8	49.3	41.8
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	2,748	1,038	3,786
Bed nights available per month	Number	82,440	31200	113,640
Bed nights sold per month	Number	20,040	10,765	30,805
Bed occupancy rate	%	23.5	33.5	26.3
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	4,160	2,244	6,404
Income from catering	R'000	1,553	1,520	3,073
Income from bar sales	R'000	409	429	838
Other income	R'000	346	158	504
Total hotel income	R'000	6,468	4,351	10,819

Table 6.20 - Trading statistics of hotels: North West

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	2,544	513	3,057
Room nights available per month	Number	76,320	15090	91,410
Room nights sold per month	Number	48,111	6,264	54,375
Room occupancy rate	%	61.0	39.4	57.4
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	5,149	934	6,083
Bed nights available per month	Number	154,470	27900	182,370
Bed nights sold per month	Number	76,358	9,240	85,598
Bed occupancy rate	%	47.8	31.9	45.4
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	35,654	1,499	37,153
Income from catering	R'000	15,862	1,225	17,087
Income from bar sales	R'000	5,700	284	5,984
Other income	R'000	2,822	177	2,999
Total hotel income	R'000	60,038	3,185	63,223

Table 6.21 - Trading statistics of hotels: Pretoria

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	2,346	701	3,047
Room nights available per month	Number	71,340	21,030	92,370
Room nights sold per month	Number	46,545	13,973	60,518
Room occupancy rate	%	64.0	64.3	64.1
Bedstatistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	5,369	1,307	6,676
Bed nights available per month	Number	161,910	39,210	201,120
Bed nights sold per month	Number	61,999	16,621	78,620
Bed occupancy rate	%	37.3	41.0	38.0
Income statistics				
Room income	R'000	13,255	4,877	18,132
Income from catering	R'000	3,805	3,861	7,666
Income from bar sales	R'000	809	794	1,603
Other income	R'000	634	968	1,602
Total hotel income	R'000	18,503	10,500	29,003

Table 6.22 - Trading statistics of hotels: Johannes burg

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two and three star	Four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	7,186	793	491	8,470
Room nights available per month	Number	215,280	23,790	14,730	253,800
Room nights sold per month	Number	131,813	6,709	8,534	147,056
Room occupancy rate	%	59.2	27.3	56.1	56.0
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	14,338	1,283	990	16,611
Bed nights available per month	Number	428,940	38,490	29,700	497,130
Bed nights sold per month	Number	155,286	8,626	10,092	174,004
Bed occupancy rate	%	34.9	21.7	32.9	33.8
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	62,098	1,671	3,711	67,480
Income from catering	R'000	18,178	508	1,601	20,287
Income from bar sales	R'000	5,543	190	281	6,014
Other income	R'000	5,700	144	367	6,211
Total hotel income	R'000	91,519	2,513	5,960	99,992

Table 6.23 - Trading statistics of hotels: East Rand

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded, one, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics			
Room nights available per day	Number	2,192	2,192
Room nights available per month	Number	65,760	65,760
Room nights sold per month	Number	43,308	43,308
Room occupancy rate	%	63.7	63.7
Bedstatistics			
Bed nights available per day	Number	5,156	5,156
Bed nights available per month	Number	154,680	154,680
Bed nights sold per month	Number	52,908	52,908
Bed occupancy rate	%	33.1	33.1
Income statistics			
Room income	R'000	13,958	13,958
Income from catering	R'000	2,405	2,405
Income from bar sales	R'000	718	718
Other income	R'000	1,005	1,005
Total hotel income	R'000	18,086	18,086

Table 6.24 - Trading statistics of hotels: Rest of Gauteng

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two and three star	Four and five star	Total
Room statistics					
Room nights available per day	Number	1,415	309	354	2,078
Room nights available per month	Number	42,450	9,270	10,590	62,310
Room nights sold per month	Number	25,000	4,054	6,300	35,354
Room occupancy rate	%	57.0	42.3	57.4	54.9
Bed statistics					
Bed nights available per day	Number	3,074	683	740	4,497
Bed nights available per month	Number	92,220	20,490	22,140	134,850
Bed nights sold per month	Number	29,102	6,401	8,148	43,651
Bed occupancy rate	%	30.5	30.2	35.5	31.3
Income statistics					
Room income	R'000	6,583	1,405	3,242	11,230
Income from catering	R'000	3,239	1,683	1,219	6,141
Income from bar sales	R'000	993	543	349	1,885
Other income	R'000	520	554	324	1,398
Total hotel income	R'000	11,335	4.185	5.134	20,654

Table 6.25 - Trading statistics of hotels: Mpumalanga

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One and two star	Three star	Four and five star	Total
Room statistics						
Room nights available per day	Number	1,789	145	285	224	2,443
Room nights available per month	Number	53,670	4,350	8,550	6,720	73,290
Room nights sold per month	Number	30,731	2,538	2,252	3,358	38,879
Room occupancy rate	%	55.4	56.5	25.5	48.4	51.3
Bed statistics						
Bed nights available per day	Number	3,866	336	534	467	5,203
Bed nights available per month	Number	115,980	10,080	16,020	14,010	156,090
Bed nights sold per month	Number	41,625	4,170	3,626	5,794	55,215
Bed occupancy rate	%	34.7	40.0	21.9	40.0	34.2
Income statistics						
Room income	R'000	8,384	705	662	1,674	11,425
Income from catering	R'000	5,148	195	548	1,070	6,961
Income from bar sales	R'000	2,254	137	147	324	2,862
Other income	R'000	590	12	146	146	894
Total hotel income	R'000	16,376	1,049	1,503	3,214	22,142

Table 6.26 - Trading statistics of hotels: Limpopo

Particulars	Unit	Ungraded	One, two, three, four and five star	Total
Room statistics				
Room nights available per day	Number	1,053	432	1,485
Room nights available per month	Number	31,590	12,930	44,520
Room nights sold per month	Number	17,148	6,518	23,666
Room occupancy rate	%	52.5	48.7	51.4
Bed statistics				
Bed nights available per day	Number	1,824	811	2,635
Bed nights available per month	Number	54,720	24,300	79,020
Bed nights sold per month	Number	22,153	8,783	30,936
Bed occupancy rate	%	39.2	34.9	37.9
Income statistics				
Roomincome	R'000	4,827	2,345	7,172
Income from catering	R'000	2,759	1,298	4,057
Income from bar sales	R'000	772	525	1,297
Other income	R'000	550	1,339	1,889
Total hotel income	R'000	8,908	5,507	14,415

Table 7 - Ratios of trading statistics of hotels in South Africa

Particulars	Unit	May 2002	March 2003	April 2003	May 2003	% change between May 2002 and May 2003	% change between January to May 2002 and January to May 2003
Number of hotels	Number	1,281	1,285	1,284	1,284	0.2	0.3
Room statistics Rooms available per month per hotel Room occupancy rate	Number %	41 53.9	41 63.3	41 54.2	41 54.0	0.0 0.2	-0.4 2.8
Bed statistics Beds available							
per month per hotel Bed occupancy rate	Number %	86 34.3	86 42.6	86 37.6	86 34.6	0.0 0.9	-0.2 3.1
Average hotel income per-							
Room night sold Bed night sold	Rand Rand	335.3 249.7	439.0 309.0	406.2 276.5	380.0 280.6	13.3 12.4	4.8 4.3
Contribution to hotel income							
Room income	%	62.8	66.4	65.2	63.2	0.6	1.6
Income from catering	%	23.0	21.0	21.7	23.3	1.3	-1.1
Income from bar sales	%	7.6	6.8	7.3	7.5	-1.3	-4.6
Other income	%	6.6	5.9	5.7	6.0	-9.1	-7.6

Table 8 - Classification of towns and cities according to the 26 tourism regions and nine provinces

Province	Tourism region	Towns and cities
Western Cape	Cape Metropole	Cape Town, Bloubergstrand, Wynberg, Milnerton, Kommetjie, Sunnydale, Scarborough, Fish Hoek, Ocean View, Simon's Town, Bellville, Durbanville, Kraaifontein, Parow, Belhar, Elsies River, Kuils River, Blackheath, Brackenfell, Penhill, Faure, Rustdal, Scottsdene, North Pine, Blue Downs.
	Wineland	Somerset-West, Sir Lowry's Pass, Khayalitsha, Macassar Beach, Paarl, Franschhoek, Klapmuts, Mbekweni, Faure, Kylemore, Jamestown, Kayamandi, Stellenbosch, Wellington.
	West Coast	Vredendal, Lutzville, Vanrhynsdorp, Bitterfontein, Klawer, Clanwilliam, Citrusdal, Graafwater, Lamberts Bay, Piketberg, Aurora, Eendekuil, Elands Bay, Velddrif, Porterville, Redelingshuys, Witwater, Vredenburg, St Helena Bay, Hopefield, Langebaan, Saldanha, Malmesbury, Darling, Melkbosstrand, Philadelphia, Riebeek-Kasteel, Riebeek-West, Yzerfontein, Atlantis, Abbotsdale, Moorreesburg, Koringberg.
	Little and Central Karoo	Laingsburg, Prince Albert, Beaufort-West, Merweville, Sidesaviva, Oudtshoorn, De Rust, Dysseldorp, Bongolethu, Ladismith, Van Wyksdorp, Calitzdorp, Uniondale.
	Garden Route	Heidelberg, Witsand, Riversdale, Albertinia, Gouritsmond, Still Bay, Mossel Bay, Hartenbos, Herbertsdale, Klein Brakrivier, Rheebok Strand, Kwa Nonqaba, George, Herolds Bay, Hoekwil, Great Brack River, Wilderness, Pacaltsdorp, Thembalethu, Knysna, Buffalo Bay, Keurboomstrand, Nature's Valley, Plettenberg Bay, Sedgefield, Wittedrift, Belvedere, Msobomvu.
	Overberg	Caledon, Betty's Bay, Bot River, Grabouw, Greyton, Kleinmond, Pringle Bay, Riviersonderend, Villiersdorp, Teslaarsdal, Middleton, Hermanus, Stanford, Onrus River, Hawston, Bredasdorp, Agulhas, Waenhuiskrans, Napier, Gansbaai, Struis Bay, Swellendam, Barrydale, Bonnievale.
	Breede River	Tulbach, Gouda, Wolseley, Worcester, De Doorns, Rawsonville, Touws River, Zweletemba, Prince Alfred Hamlet, Ceres, Robertson, Mcgregor, Montagu, Ashton, Zolani.
Eastern Cape	Border	East London, Beacon Bay, Eureka, Gonubie, Kidd's Beach, Macleantown, Winterstrand, Cintsa, Cambridge, Gompo Town, King Williams Town, Kei Road, Ginsburg, Stutterheim, Cathcart, Hogsback, Queenstown, Mlungisi.
	Algoa	Port Elizabeth, Sea View, Theescombe, Blue Horizon Bay, Colleen Glen, Kini Bay, Sardinia Bay, Colchester, Motherwell, Kwamagxaki, Kwadwesi, Uitenhage, Despatch, Kwanobuhle.

Table 8 - Classification of towns and cities according to the 26 tourism regions and nine provinces (continued)

Province	Tourism region	Towns and cities
	Rest of Eastern Cape	Kirkwood, Addo, Somerset East, Cookhouse Bhongweni, Lingelihle, Cradock, Middelburg, Kwanonzame, Steynsburg, Hofmeyr, Tarkastad, Zola, Sterkstroom, Joubertina, Louterwater, Two Rivers, Humansdorp, Jeffreys Bay, Kareedouw, Storms River, Cape St Francis, Paradise Beach, St Francis Bay, Kruisfontein, Woodlands, Hankey, Patensie, Thornhill, Umzamomhle, Graaff-Reinette, Nieu-Bethesda, Umasizakhe, Aberdeen, Willowmore, Rietbron, Steytlerville, Vuyolwethu, Jansenville, Klipplaat, Pearston, Alexandria, Boesmansriviermond, Boknesstrand, Paterson, Cannon Rocks, Bathurst, Port Alfred, Kenton-on-Sea, Seafield, Grahamstown, Alicedale, Riebeek-East, Bedford, Cookhouse, Adelaide, Fort-Beaufort, Venterstad, Molteno, Aliwal North, Jamestown, Lady Grey, Indwe, Barkly East, Rhodes, Elliot, Maclear, Ugie, Komga, Haga-Haga, Kei Mouth, Morgan's Bay.
Northern Cape	Griqualand West	Barkly West, Delportshoop, Windsorton, Warrenton, Jan Kempdorp, Valspan, Hartswater, Kimberley, Ritchie.
	Rest of Northern Cape	Upington, Van Zylsrus, Kakamas, Carnarvon, Aughrabies, Brandvlei, Calvinia, Fraserburg, Daniëlskuil, De Aar, Philipstown, Douglas, Strydenburg, Garies, Norvalspont, Kuruman, Victoria West, Vosburg, Olifantshoek, Loeriesfontein, Griquatown, Askham, Okiep, Nieuwoudtville, Postmasburg, Prieska, Hopetown, Port Nolloth, Noupoort, Sutherland, Colesberg, Britstown, Petrusville, Van Wyksvlei, Richmond, Nababeep, Williston, Pofadder, Groblershoop, Hanover, Kamieskroon, Kenhardt, Springbok, Vanderkloof.
Free State	Bloemfontein and Transgariep	Bloemfontein, Bain's Vlei, Bloemspruit, Mangaung, Exelsior, Tweestruit, Brandfort, Verkeerdevlei, Soutpan, Boshof, Dealsville, Hertzogville, Jacobsdal, Petrusburg, Koffiefontein, Jagersfontein, Edenburg, Reddersburg, Dewetsdorp, Trompsburg, Bethulie, Springfontein, Smithfield, Rouxville, Philippolis, Waterkloof.
	Rest of Free State	Welkom, Hennenman, Hoopstad, Bultfontein, Theunissen, Winburg, Koppies, Ventersburg, Virginia, Parys, Wesselsbron, Odendaalsrus, Allanridge, Bothaville, Kroonstad, Edenville, Viljoenskroon, Vredefort, Zastron, Wepener, Van Stadensrus, Ladybrand, Hobhouse, Clocolan, Marquard, Senekal, Paul Roux, Ficksburg, Fouriesburg, Bethlehem, Clarens, Kestell, Harrismith, Warden, Vrede, Cornelia, Memel, Reitz, Lindley, Arlington, Petrus Steyn, Steynsrus, Heilbron, Oranjeville, Frankfort, Tweeling, Villiers, Sasolburg, Deneysville.
KwaZulu- Natal	Durban, Umhlanga	Central Business District of Durban, Marine Parade, Esplanade and all other suburbs, Amanzimtoti, Umbogintwini, Kingsburgh, Canelands, Glen Anil, Tongaat, Mount Edgecombe, Umdloti Beach, Duff's Road, Ottawa, Verulam, Umhlanga Rocks, Stanger, Ballito Bay, Blythedale Beach, Darnall, Zinkwazi, Umhlali Beach, Shakaskraal, Tugela, Pinetown, Westville, Everton, Gillitts, Hillcrest, Kloof, Mariannhill, New Germany, Klaarwater.

Table 8 - Classification of towns and cities according to the 26 tourism regions and nine provinces (continued)

Province	Tourism region	Towns and cities
	South Coast and Interior	Illovo Beach, Umzinto, Clansthal, Umkomaas, Willow Glen, Widenham, Hibberdene, Mtwalume, Ocean View, Park Rynie, Pennington, Scottburgh, Saiccor, Ifafa Beach, Craigieburn, Port Shepstone, Marina Beach, Melville, Munster, Port Edward, Southbroom, Ramsgate, Umtentweni, Umzumbe, Uvongo, Shelly Beach, Marburg, San Lameer, Harding, Mount Currie, Kokstad, Cedarville, Matatiele, Ixopo, Creighton, Margate.
	Pietermaritzburg and Midlands	Pietermaritzburg, Ashburton, Hilton, Plessislaer, Ashdown, Albert Falls, Dalton, Wartburg, New Hanover, Howick, Hilton, Bruntville, Lions River, Mooi River, Umvotikloof, Greytown, Weenen, Kranskop.
	Drakensberg	Klip River, Ladysmith, Steadville, Bergville, Estcourt, Colenso, Winterton, Impendle, Underberg, Himeville.
	Rest of KwaZulu-Natal	Eshowe, Mtunzini, Lower Umfolozi, Richards Bay, Mtubatuba, St Lucia, Hlabisa, Ubombo, Babanango, Melmoth, Camperdown, Assagay, Botha's Hill, Cato Ridge, Ashburton, Drummond, Hammarsdale, Sterkspruit, Pinetown, Inanda, Lower Tugela, Glencoe, Hattingspruit, Wasbank, Dundee, Dannhauser, Newcastle, Charlestown, Utrecht, Vryheid, Louwsburg, Paulpietersburg.
North West	North West	Zeerust, Groot-Marico, Ottoshoop, Brits, Kosmos, Hartbeespoort, Letlhabile, Rustenburg, Marikana, Swartruggens, Borolelo, Koster, Lichtenburg, Biesiesvlei, Ottosdal, Coligny, Christiana, Bloemhof, Wolmaransstad, Leeudoringstad, Makwassie, Witpoort, Klerksdorp, Hartbeesfontein, Orkney, Stilfontein, Ventersdorp, Fochville, Potchefstroom, Babelegi, Mmabatho, Mafikeng, Pilanesberg, and the Rest of North West.
Gauteng	Pretoria	Pretoria, Atteridgeville, Wonderboom, Akasia, Hammanskraal, Roodeplaat, Mamelodi, Halfway House, Midrand, Centurion.
	Johannesburg	Central Business District of Johannesburg, Randburg, Chartwell, Fourways, Soweto, Rosebank, Sandton, Alexandra, and all other suburbs (excluding Bruma and Eastgate).
	East Rand	Germiston, Alberton, Boksburg, Kempton Park, Benoni, Brakpan, Bedfordview, Springs, Edenvale, Vosloorus, Daveyton, Wattville, Johannesburg International Airport, Eastgate.
	Rest of Gauteng	Westonaria, Bekkersdal, Lenasia, Roodepoort, Dobsonville, Krugersdorp, Magaliesburg, Muldersdrift, Kagiso, Munsieville, Randfontein, Carletonville, Rayton, Oberholzer, Muldersdrift, Bronkhorstspruit, Cullinan, Nigel, Heidelberg, Vereeniging, Vanderbijlpark, Evaton, De Deur, Randvaal, Meyerton, Walkerville, Ennerdale, Sharpeville.

Table 8 - Classification of towns and cities according to the 26 tourism regions and nine provinces (concluded)

Province	Tourism region	Towns and cities
Mpumalanga	Mpumalanga	Lydenburg, Dullstroom, Waterval-Boven, Waterval-Onder, Barberton, Nelspruit, White River, Pilgrimsrest, Sabie, Wakkerstroom, Delmas, Balfour, Standerton, Volksrust, Amersfoort, Bethal, Witbank, Groblersdal, Middelburg, Belfast, Carolina, Ermelo, Piet Retief, Burgersfort, Ohrigstad, Hectorspruit, Komatipoort, Malelane, Hazyview, Graskop, Sabie, Balfour, Greylingstad, Dullstroom, Machadadorp, Badplaas, Amsterdam, Breyten, Chrissiesmeer, Morgenzon, Paardekop, Ogies, Vandyksdrift, Marble Hall, Hendrina, Pongola.
Limpopo	Limpopo	Potgietersrus, Polokwane, Kgomo, Messina, Soutpansberg, Phalaborwa, Magoebaskloof, Letaba, Warmbad, Waterberg, Ellisras, Thabazimbi, Giyani, Thohoyandou, Tzaneen, Nylstroom, Hoedspruit, Kruger National Park from Satara Camp northwards, Naboomspruit, Roedtan, Dendron, Haenertsburg, Nancefield, Louis Trichardt, Alldays, Soekmekaar, Gravelotte, Duiwelskloof, Letsitele, Pienaars River, Belabela, Vaalwater, Northam, Leeupoort.

#### **Additional information**

#### **Explanatory notes**

#### Introduction

- 1 This publication contains results of the monthly Survey of Trading Statistics of Hotels conducted in May 2003. The survey is designed to obtain information regarding -
  - room income;
  - income from catering;
  - income from bar-sales;
  - income from off sales;
  - other income (sundries);
  - total number of rooms available;
  - total number of room nights sold;
  - total number of beds available; and
  - total number of bed nights sold.

#### Scope of the survey 2

The information is collected from a sample of hotels in South Africa and the results are published according to star grading, the nine provinces and 26 tourism regions as indicated in table 8. Stats SA updates the sample and the population of hotels in South Africa regularly as new hotels become operational or others close down. Hotels operating mainly on a time-share basis are excluded.

#### Classification

- 3 This publication provides information of trading statistics of hotels according to star grading, nine provinces and 26 tourism regions. The star grading system according to Satour's National Grading and Classification Scheme, classifies three-, four- and five-star hotels as having very good to outstanding standards, while one- and two-star hotels are classified as comfortable hotels. Ungraded hotels are not of a lesser standard, they just choose not to participate in the National Grading and Classification Scheme of Satour.
- 4 The 1993 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02, was used to classify the statistical units in the survey. The SIC is based on the 1990 International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions. Statistics in this publication are presented at SIC group (4 digit) level.

#### Statistical unit

5 The statistical unit for the survey is the smallest economic unit (the hotel and its activities) that functions as a separate entity for which comprehensive financial statements are kept.

# Survey methodology 6 and design

- 6 Information obtained from Satour provides the sampling frame for the selection of the sample of hotels for the monthly Survey of Trading Statistics of Hotels. Hotels in the sample are stratified according to star grading within each tourism region. The survey is collected by mail each month from a sample of approximately 430 hotels in 26 tourism regions. All three-, four-, and five-star hotels are completely enumerated. A systematic sample is drawn from ungraded hotels and one- and two-star hotels.
- 7 The information received from the sample of hotels is weighted according to the original sample design in order to represent the population of hotels. The number of rooms available per hotel is used as a measure of size for the calculation of weights. Weights are calculated for each star grading within each tourism region. Due to the small representation of some of the hotels according to their star grading within certain tourism regions, Stats SA is obliged to group some of the star gradings together to keep information of individual hotels confidential.

#### Trend cycle

**8** The trend is the long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted estimates.

## Reliability of estimates

9 Data presented in this publication are based on information obtained from a sample of hotels and is, therefore, subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the data had been obtained from all hotels in South Africa.

10 Inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by enterprises and errors made in collection and processing of the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling error. Every effort is made to reduce non-sampling error to a minimum by careful designing of the questionnaire, pilot studies, editing of data and efficient operating procedures.

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# Rounding-off of figures

13 The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded off to the nearest final digit shown. There may therefore be slight discrepancies between the sums of the constituent items of the totals shown.

# Symbols and abbreviations

CD Compact Disk

ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities

SIC Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities

Stats SA Statistics South Africa

\* Revised

#### **Technical note**

Response rate

The response rate for the survey on the trading statistic of hotels for May 2003 is 85.1%.

#### Glossary

Average hotel income per bed night sold

Average hotel income per bed night sold is room income divided by the number of bed nights sold.

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Bed occupancy rate

Bed occupancy rate for the survey month is the number of bed nights sold, divided by the product of the number of bed nights available per day and the number of days in the survey month, expressed as a percentage.

Bed nights available per

Bed nights available per day refer to the total number of bed nights available per day for paying guests. A three-quarter bed is counted as one bed available and a double bed as two beds available. Cots are excluded.

Bed nights sold

Bed nights sold refer to the total number of beds occupied by visitors during the survey month.

Hotel income

Hotel income includes -

- room income;
- income from catering;
- income from bar sales; and
- other income.

**Income from bar sales** 

Income from bar sales refers to income from the sale of liquor and beverages at the bar. Income from bar sales also includes the sale of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

**Income from catering** 

Income from catering refers to income from meals and banqueting.

Other income

Other income (sundries) includes -

- rentals and fees received for offices, shops, garages, billiard rooms and dance floors;
- washing, ironing and laundry services; and
- telephone and fax services.

Percentage change

Percentage change is the change in values of the relevant month compared to values of the same month in the previous year.

Reference month

Reference month for the survey refers to one calendar month.

Room nights available per day

Room nights available per day refer to the total number of room nights available per day for paying guests.

Rooms available per month per hotel

Rooms available per month per hotel is calculated as the total number of rooms available for paying guests per month divided by total number of hotels.

Room nights sold

Room nights sold refer to the total number of rooms occupied by visitors during the survey month.

Room income

Room income is the income received from the sale of room nights. Where payments are received in advance of, or after the provision of accommodation to visitors, the monthly figure for room income may not necessarily be directly related to the number of room nights sold during the month. Income from meals is excluded from room income.

Room occupancy rate

Room occupancy rate for the survey month is the number of room nights sold, divided by the product of the number of room nights available per day and the number of days in the survey month, expressed as a percentage.

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