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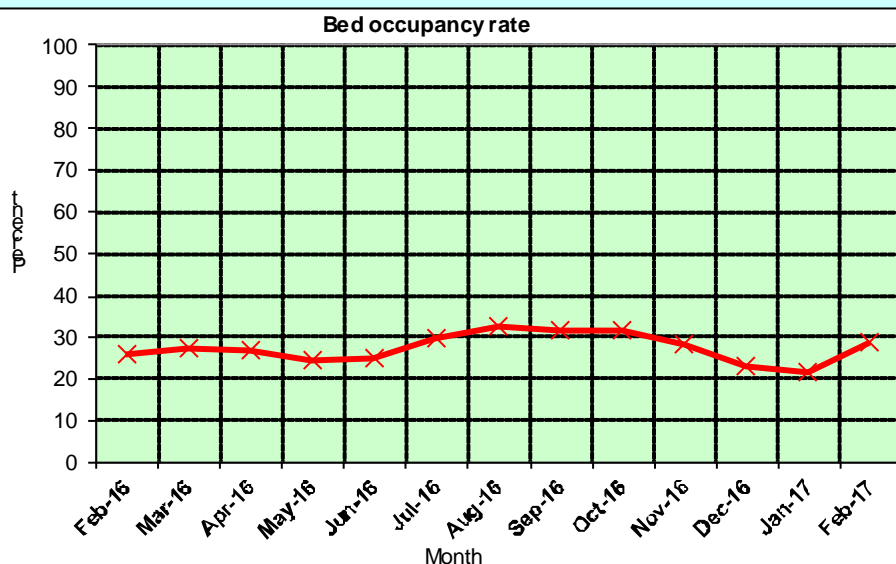
HOTEL STATISTICS FEBRUARY, 2017

The National Bureau of Statistics has initiated a monthly survey of hotel occupancy. Out of 184 hotels surveyed, 168 responded.

The occupancy rate for February was estimated at 28.6 percent. There were 88,021 beds occupied out of which 52.2 percent were by international visitors.

Results further showed that in the month of February the rates increased by 7 percent compared to the preceding month.

When compared with the same month last year (i.e. Feb 2016) the result shows that bed occupancy rate inclined by 2.7 percent as can be calculated from the table.



HOTEL STATISTICS

	Feb 2016	Dec 2016	Jan 2017	Feb 2017
Number of hotels in survey	150	184	184	184
Number of beds available	10,094*	10,705*	10,705*	10,705*
Number of days in month	29	31	31	28
Bed-nights available	292,726*	327,739*	387,376*	307,298*
Number of hotels responding	84	96	88	168
Bed-nights occupied	81,908	75,707	83,730	88,021
of which international	45,916	35,776	44,809	45,905
Bed occupancy rate	25.9	23.1	21.6	28.6

Note:

- + Sample replacement due to closure and emergency of hotels with 30 or more employees.
- * Provisional (until response is 80+ hotels).
- The Sample survey covers:-
 - All hotels on the Mainland with 30 or more employees.
 - Systematically sampled hotels with 29 employees or less.

The list used is comparable with that held by the Ministry of Tourism and Natural Resources. Provisional estimates are made for the hotels not responding.

- Bed occupancy rate is expressed as the percentage of the total number of beds utilized over the total number of beds available.
- Bed nights available are a function of the number of days in a month.

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