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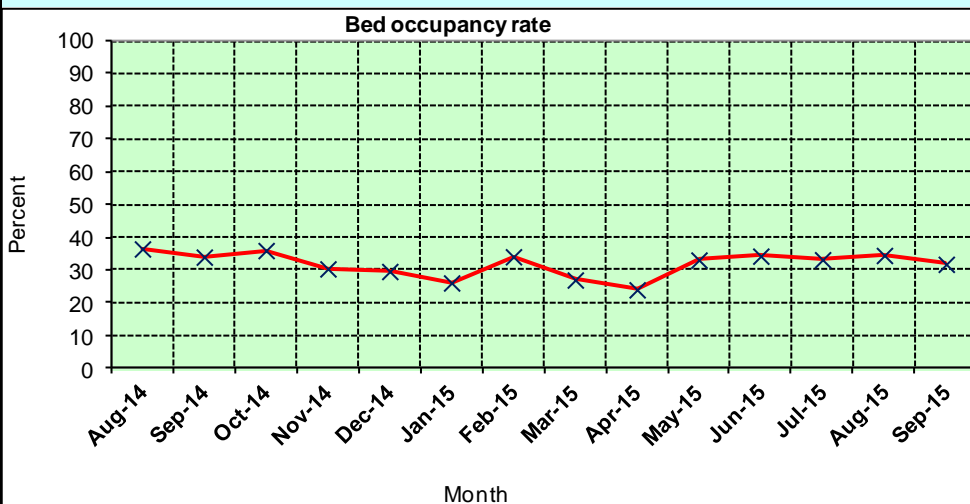
HOTEL STATISTICS SEPTEMBER, 2015

The National Bureau of Statistics has initiated a monthly survey of hotel occupancy. Out of 150 hotels surveyed, 91 responded.

The occupancy rate for September was estimated at 31.8 percent. There were 106,737 beds occupied out of which 62.6 percent were by international visitors.

Results further showed that in the month of September the rates decreased by 2.7 percent compared to the previous month.

When compared with the same month last year (i.e. Sep 2014) the result shows that bed occupancy rate decreased by 2.2 percent as can be deduced from the table.



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	Sep 2014	Jul 2015	Aug 2015	Sep 2015
Number of hotels in survey	150	150	150	150
Number of beds available	8,112 ⁺	10,094 ⁺	10,094 ⁺	10,094 ⁺
Number of days in month	30	31	31	30
Bed-nights available	243,360 [*]	312,922 ⁺	312,922 ⁺	302,820 ⁺
Number of hotels responding	86	81	80	91
Bed-nights occupied	103,499	103,753	106,737	95,314
of which international	59,296	49,096	57,282	59,691
Bed occupancy rate	34.0	33.2	34.5	31.8

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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