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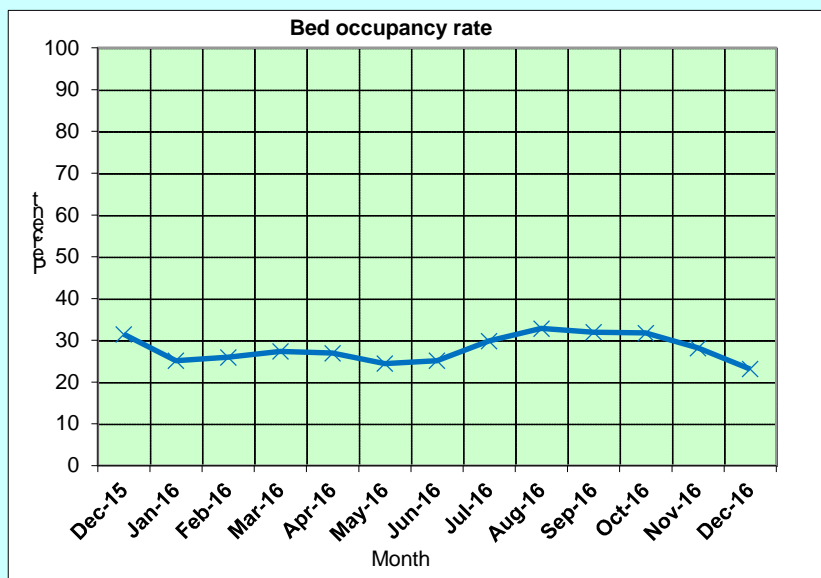
HOTEL STATISTICS DECEMBER, 2016

The National Bureau of Statistics has initiated a monthly survey of hotel occupancy. Out of 184 hotels surveyed, 96 responded.

The occupancy rate for December was estimated at 23.1 percent. There were 75,707 beds occupied out of which 47.3 percent were by international visitors.

Results further showed that in the month of December the rates decreased by 5 percent compared to the previous month.

When compared with the same month last year (i.e. Dec 2015) the result shows that bed occupancy rate decreased by 8.3 percent as can be calculated from the table.



HOTEL STATISTICS

	Dec 2015	Oct 2016	Nov 2016	Dec 2016
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	31	31	30	31
Bed-nights available	312,922*	329,155*	313,999*	327,739*
Number of hotels responding	63	100	78	96
Bed-nights occupied	70,776	104,497	88,371	75,707
of which international	31,909	57,545	41,177	35,776
Bed occupancy rate	31.4	31.7	28.1	23.1

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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