17 December 2020 TOURIST ACTIVITY October 2020

TOURIST ACTIVITY WITH MORE INTENSE REDUCTIONS IN OCTOBER ALGARVE KEPT THE INCREASE IN OVERNIGHT STAYS OF RESIDENTS

The **tourist accommodation sector**¹ registered 1.0 million guests and 2.3 million overnight stays in October 2020², corresponding to year-on-year rates of change³ of -59.7% and -63.3% respectively (-53.0% and -53.4% in September 2020, in the same order). Overnight stays of residents declined by 21.7% (-8.6% in September) and those of non-residents decreased by 76.4% (-71.8% in the previous month).

Total revenue recorded a rate of change of -67.7% (-59.1% in September) amounting to EUR 126.2 million. Revenue from accommodation was EUR 90.7 million, decreasing by 68.7% (-59.5% in the previous month).

In October, 32.1% of the tourist accommodation establishments were closed or had no movement of guests (25.9% in September).

In October, considering the **whole set of means of accommodation** (tourist accommodation establishments, camping and holiday camps, and youth hostels), there were 1.1 million guests and 2.6 million overnight stays, corresponding to rates of change of -58.5% and -61.2% respectively (-51.6% and -51.2% in September, in the same order).

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.

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 Update of the flash estimate disseminated on the 30th of November 2020, a press release made available while the collection of the primary data was still ongoing.

³ Unless stated otherwise, the rates of change presented in this press release correspond to year-on-year rates of change.