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## TOURISM IN FOCUS

I. National Tourist Activity in the European Context – From 2005 to 2009

## Nights spent in hotels and similar establishments with reversal of the upward trend in 2008

Anos years

Tourist activity in EU27 establishments, as well as in Portugal, registered a downward trend in overnight stays which started in 2008, as opposed to the growth recorded in the 2005 to 2007 period. In 2009, the EU27 hotel establishments accounted 1 514 million overnight stays, which represented a decrease of 3.9% compared with 2008, while Portugal registered 36 million overnight stays, which corresponded to a year-on-year decrease of 7.1%.