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## Tourist Demand of Residents

3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013

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### **Trips made by residents in Portugal still growing but mainly with short duration**

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013, Portuguese residents made 6.35 million tourism trips, 7.4% more than in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2012<sup>1</sup> (+7.0% in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2013). Short duration trips (up to 3 nights) raised 11.1%, weighting 53.4% of the total (1.8 p.p. more than in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2012).

Although the main motivation to travel was "leisure, recreation or holiday", in close connection with the summer period, the emphasis went to "visit to relatives or friends", with a 21.7% growth in the number of trips made, surpassing a third the total of trips in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

"Free private accommodation" was chosen in 72.8% of all tourist overnight stays and the "private car" was the elected means of transport in 85.5% of all tourism trips.

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<sup>1</sup> Unless stated otherwise, the change rates presented in this press release were calculated in relation to the same period of the previous year, therefore they should be considered as year-on-year change rates.