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Tourist Activity
April 2020

Tourist activity with almost null expression

The **tourist accommodation sector**¹ registered 60.1 thousand guests and 175.5 thousand overnight stays in April 2020², corresponding to year-on-year rates of change³ of -97.4% and -97.0% respectively (-62.6% and -58.7% in March 2020, in the same order). Overnight stays of residents declined by 93.0% (-58.1% in March) and those of non-residents decreased by 98.6% (-58.9% in the previous month).

Total revenue decreased by 98.3% (-59.9% in March) attaining EUR 5.7 million. Revenue from accommodation stood at EUR 5.0 million, declining by 98.0% (-59.7% in the previous month).

The information in this press release regarding April reflects the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic in both the performance of the tourist activity and the quantity of the available primary information in the compilation of the results presented. Despite the difficulties, we ask for the best collaboration by firms, households, and public entities in answering the requests to obtain information. The quality of official statistics depends crucially on this collaboration that Statistics Portugal is grateful for 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 tourist.

² Update of the flash estimate disseminated on the 29th May 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.