31 March 2023 TOURIST ACTIVITY February 2023 – Flash Statistics

## OVERNIGHT STAYS IN ALGARVE AND RA AÇORES BELOW PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS

The **tourist accommodation sector**<sup>1</sup> registered 1.7 million guests and 4.0 million overnight stays in **February 2023**, corresponding to increases of 33.0% and 38.5%<sup>2</sup>, respectively (+71.4% and +74.1% in January 2023, in the same order). The levels reached in February 2023 were higher than those observed in February 2020, when there were still no effects of the pandemic, with growths of 4.3% in guests and 5.9% in overnight stays.

In February, the domestic market contributed 1.4 million overnight stays (+19.0%) and external markets totalled 2.7 million (+51.0%). Compared to February 2020, there were increases of 4.9% in overnight stays from residents and 6.5% from non-residents.

Overnight stays from United Kingdom residents (16.9% of total overnight stays from non-residents in February) increased by 2.2% compared to February 2020, while the German (share of 11.3%) and Spanish (share of 10.2%) markets decreased by 4.9% and 2.6%, respectively.

The net bed occupancy rate in tourist accommodation establishments (36.6%) increased by 7.5 p.p. in February (+11.0 p.p. in January). The net bedroom occupancy rate (45.7%) increased by 10.0 p.p. (+14.0 p.p. in January). Vis-à-vis February 2020, there were increases of 1.4 p.p. and 1.8 p.p., respectively.

In February, 32.9% of tourist accommodation establishments were closed or did not register guests (37.0% in January).

Table 1. Global results of the tourist accommodation sector

Tourist accommodation establishments	Unit	January 2023		February 2023		Jan - Feb 23	
		Value	Year-on-year change rate (%)	Value	Year-on-year change rate (%)	Value	Year-on-year change rate (%)
Guests	10 <sup>3</sup>	1 455.5	71.4	1 653.3	33.0	3 108.7	48.6
Residents in Portugal	"	686.6	37.0	776.0	15.9	1 462.7	24.9
Residents abroad	"	768.8	120.9	877.2	53.1	1 646.1	78.7
Overnight stays	10 <sup>3</sup>	3 462.5	74.1	4 043.8	38.5	7 506.4	52.9
Residents in Portugal	"	1 176.1	38.1	1 363.4	19.0	2 539.5	27.2
Residents abroad	"	2 286.5	101.0	2 680.4	51.0	4 966.8	70.6
Average stay	no. of nights	2.38	1.6	2.45	4.1	2.41	2.9
Residents in Portugal	"	1.71	0.8	1.76	2.7	1.74	1.8
Residents abroad	"	2.97	-9.0	3.06	-1.3	3.02	-4.6
Net bed occupancy rate	%	29.5	11.0 p.p.	36.6	7.5 p.p.	33.0	9.3 p.p.
Net bedroom occupancy rate	%	37.4	14.0 p.p.	45.7	10.0 p.p.	41.4	12.1 p.p.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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 tourism in rural areas and lodging tourism.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Unless stated otherwise, the rates of change presented in this press release correspond to year-on-year rates of change.