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## NOTES

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This publication brings together tourism data from a number of sources, including previously unpublished data from the quarterly Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) and the Overseas Arrivals and Departures collection (OAD).

ABS statistical series are being affected to varying degrees by The New Tax System (TNTS), introduced in Australia on 1 July 2000. TNTS included the removal of Wholesale Sales Tax and the introduction of a Goods and Services Tax (GST). From 1 July 2000, 'takings from accommodation' collected in the STA are shown inclusive of GST. By including GST, the survey continues to measure the total cost of accommodation to the consumer. Takings relating to the supply of meals continue to be excluded and bed taxes have ceased to apply.

Some instances where establishments have not included GST in 'takings from accommodation' have been identified in the STA. The ABS is currently investigating the extent of this under-reporting. If the under-reporting is found to be significant, revisions will be included in a future issue of Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0).

For the September and December quarters 2000, takings from accommodation also reflect the impact of the Olympic Games on this series.

Delays are being experienced in obtaining final Overseas Arrivals and Departures data from the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs which is in the process of automating passenger card procedures.

How delays affect this issue:

- limited short-term overseas visitor arrivals statistics are included -

Tables 28 and 29 only. Data for the months, August to December 2000 are preliminary and subject to revision; and

- no departure statistics are provided.

Effect on future issues:

- Preliminary data will continue to be included in Tables 28 and 29 until final data is available.

See paragraph 31 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  | Unit | Period | Latest figures <br> Value | Percentage change on |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Previous period | Corresponding period last year |
| Tourist accommodation - supply and demand(a) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Licensed hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | no. | Dec qtr 2000 | 3828 | 0.0 | 1.3 |
| Guest rooms/units | '000 | Dec qtr 2000 | 194.9 | -0.1 | 2.5 |
| Bed spaces | '000 | Dec qtr 2000 | 567.5 | -0.3 | 1.4 |
| Room nights occupied | '000 | Dec qtr 2000 | 10543.1 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| Room occupancy rate(b) | \% | Dec qtr 2000 | 58.8 | 0.7 | -1.5 |
| Guest nights | '000 | Dec qtr 2000 | 18775.4 | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| Guest arrivals | '000 | Dec qtr 2000 | 8206.8 | 2.9 | -1.3 |
| Takings from accommodation | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | 1239.9 | -4.8 | 11.5 |
| Caravan parks(c) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | no. | End Dec 2000 | 1800 | -0.2 | - |
| Powered sites and cabins | no. | End Dec 2000 | 200099 | -0.1 | - |
| Holiday flats, units and houses(c) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Letting Entities | no. | End Dec 2000 | 632 | 0.2 | - |
| Flats, units and houses | no. | End Dec 2000 | 29835 | 5.7 | - |
| Visitor hostels(c) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | no. | End Dec 2000 | 466 | 0.0 | - |
| Bed spaces | no. | End Dec 2000 | 40659 | 0.8 | - |
| Tourist accommodation construction |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hotels, etc. approved(d) | \$m | Feb 2001 | 21.7 | -30.4 | -47.7 |
| Hotels, etc. commenced(e) | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | 92.6 | 6.6 | -61.0 |
| Hotels, etc. under construction(e) | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | 723.1 | -29.1 | -52.8 |
| Hotels, etc. completed(e) | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | 401.9 | 16.8 | 5.9 |
| Domestic tourism(f) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of overnight trips | '000 | Year end Jun 2000 | 72017 | -1.5 | -2.5 |
| Number of visitor nights | '000 | Year end Jun 2000 | 290620 | -0.8 | -2.3 |
| International visitor arrivals |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of visitor arrivals(g) | '000 | Dec 2000 | 565.7 | 39.2 | 22.8 |
| Number of visitor arrivals(g) | '000 | Dec qtr 2000 | 1462.2 | 21.5 | 14.7 |
| Number of visitor arrivals(g) | '000 | Year end Dec 2000 | 4946.2 | - | 10.9 |
| Number of person days(h) | '000 | Jun qtr 2000 | 28195.4 | -34.4 | 18.8 |
| Median intended length of stay(h) | days | Jun qtr 2000 | 10.2 | -3.8 | 1.0 |
| Expenditure by international visitors(i) | \$m | Year end Jun 2000 | 9368.6 | - | 5.0 |
| International visitor nights(i) | '000 | Year end Jun 2000 | 113176 | - | 8.8 |
| Australian departures |  |  |  |  |  |
| Short-term departures(g) | '000 | Jul 2000 | 296.9 | -2.3 | 3.6 |
| Short-term departures(g) | '000 | Jun qtr 2000 | 896.4 | 24.2 | -0.2 |
| Short-term departures(g) | '000 | Year end Jun 2000 | 3332.3 | - | 4.5 |
| Number of person days(h) | '000 | Jun qtr 2000 | 32524.4 | 17.9 | 12.2 |
| Median intended length of stay(h) | days | Jun qtr 2000 | 16.3 | 10.9 | 1.2 |
| (a) Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0). |  |  |  |  |  |
| (b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (c) For caravan parks, holiday flats and units, and visitor hostels the previous period refers to September quarter 1997. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (d) Building Approvals, Australia (Cat. no. 8731.0). For monthly reference periods, the previous period refers to the month at the end of the previous quarter. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (e) Building Activity, Australia (Cat. no. 8752.0). |  |  |  |  |  |
| (f) Bureau of Tourism Research, National Visitor Survey: Travel by Australians |  |  |  |  |  |
| (g) Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0). For monthly reference periods, the previous period refers to the month at the end of the previous quarter. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (h) Unpublished data, Overseas Arrivals and Departures. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (i) Bureau of Tourism Research, International Visitor Survey. Excludes international airfares and inclusive package tours purchased outside Australia. |  |  |  |  |  |


|  | Unit | Period | Latest <br> figures <br> Value | Percentage change on |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Previous period | Corresponding period last year |
| Retail turnover(a) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hospitality and services |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hotels and licensed clubs | \$m | Feb 2001 | 1196.0 | -8.9 | 2.4 |
| Cafes and restaurants | \$m | Feb 2001 | 700.6 | -8.0 | 7.2 |
| Selected services | \$m | Feb 2001 | 219.1 | -11.0 | 21.4 |
| Price index(b) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Holiday travel and accommodation | 1989-90=100 | Mar qtr 2001 | 114.4 | -2.6 | 3.2 |
| Employment and earnings |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accommodation, cafes and restaurants |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number employed(c) | '000 | Feb 2001 | 471.9 | -1.7 | 7.3 |
| Average weekly hours worked(c) | hours | Feb 2001 | 33.0 | -1.2 | -0.3 |
| Proportion employed part-time(c)(d) | \% | Feb 2001 | 44.8 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| Average total weekly earnings(e) | \$ | Nov 2000 | 391.0 | -0.1 | 2.4 |
| Female/male ratio of average total full-time weekly earnings(c)(d) | \% | Nov 2000 | 0.91 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| Unemployment rate(c)(d) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Worked full time for two weeks or more in the last two years in accommodation, cafes and restaurants | \% | Aug 2000 | 4.7 | 11.9 | -11.3 |
| Balance of payments(f) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Travel credits | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | 3601 | -6.6 | 20.4 |
| Travel debits | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | -2 616 | -9.5 | 10.4 |
| Balance on travel services | \$m | Dec qtr 2000 | 985 | 2.0 | 58.6 |
| Exchange rates(g) |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States dollar | per \$ A | Mar 2001 | 0.4921 | -10.6 | -19.5 |
| Japanese yen | per \$A | Mar 2001 | 60.41 | -3.4 | -5.6 |
| Euro | per \$A | Mar 2001 | 0.5533 | -6.0 | -12.3 |
| (a) Retail Trade, Australia (Cat. no. 8501.0). |  |  |  |  |  |
| (b) Consumer Price Index (Cat. no. 6401.0); base year: 1989-90=100. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (c) Labour Force, Australia (Cat. no. 6203.0). |  |  |  |  |  |
| (d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (e) Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (Cat. no. 6302.0). |  |  |  |  |  |
| (f) Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia (Cat. no. 5302.0). |  |  |  |  |  |

## IN BRIEF

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES DATA

25 YEARS OF THE SURVEY OF TOURIST
ACCOMMODATION (STA)

The Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) is currently automating the processing of passenger cards. Delays are being experienced in obtaining final Overseas Arrivals and Departures data commencing with the month of August 2000. Preliminary monthly data will continue to be available in Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0).

The June quarter 2000 marked the completion of 25 years of the Survey of Tourist Accommodation conducted by the ABS.

The survey commenced with the September quarter 1975 and included all establishments providing short-term accommodation for most accommodation types (hotels, motels, etc) except caravan parks. With the exception of the Northern Territory, it was an Australia-wide survey.

The September quarter 1977 saw the inclusion of the Northern Territory into the STA. In addition, short-term caravan parks were introduced (no size cut-off). Hotels, motels and guest houses without facilities were excluded, except in Western Australia.

Long-term caravan parks were an addition in the September quarter 1986. Star-grading of hotels, motels and guest houses was added and guest arrivals was collected from these establishments for the first time. With the September quarter 1987, letting entities with five or more holiday flats, units and houses were included.

Visitor hostels (no size cut-off) were collected for the first time in the September quarter 1991. Hotel, motel and guest house establishments with fewer than 5 rooms were excluded from the collection in the December quarter 1993.

The scope of the STA collection underwent significant change in the March quarter 1998. The accommodation type 'serviced apartments' was introduced as a new category. The frequency of collection of information from caravan parks, visitor hostels and letting entities with holiday flats, units and houses was reduced to every third calendar year (all four quarters). The scope of hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments was changed to include only those establishments with 15 or more rooms or units. These changes were implemented to reduce the load on smaller businesses. Data for 1997 were recompiled on the basis of the new scope to allow comparison to be made over the transition year. To complement the STA series, the ABS produces annual counts of accommodation establishments and their capacity as at the end of December each year. These statistics are presented in a format that allows comparisons to be made with STA collections conducted prior to 1998 and are published annually in a quarterly issue of Tourism Indicators, Australia (Cat. no. 8634.0). Counts in respect of December 1999 were published in the June quarter 2000 edition.

25 YEARS OF THE SURVEY OF TOURIST
ACCOMMODATION (STA) continued

THE CASINO INDUSTRY, 1999-2000

For the four reference quarters of the year 2000, the expanded scope applied to the STA to include all caravan parks with 40 or more powered sites, visitor hostels with 25 or more beds and holiday flats and units operated by owners, managers or real estate agents with sole letting rights to 15 or more units.

At the end of June 2000 there were 13 casinos operating in Australia employing 20,497 persons. In 1999-2000, casinos generated $\$ 3,038$ million in income, (up 9\%), and incurred $\$ 2,580$ million in expenses, (down 3\%), on 1998-99.

The operating profit before tax was $\$ 452$ million, reflecting an operating profit margin of $15 \%$. This is an increase on 1998-99 when the operating profit margin was $3 \%$ and contrasts with the $-11 \%$ loss recorded in 1997-98.

The casino industry income from accommodation takings amounted to $\$ 119$ million in 1999-2000, a $17 \%$ increase on the previous year.

In 1999-2000, overseas players contributed $\$ 538$ million to net takings by casinos. This overseas income accounted for $37 \%$ of the income from gaming tables, a $47 \%$ increase on 1998-99. By comparison, the income from table games sourced from Australian players decreased by $6 \%$ to \$900 million.

In August 2001 the ABS plans to conduct an Accommodation Industry Survey (AIS) in respect of 2000-2001. The last AIS covered financial year 1997-98. The AIS data will allow users to draw together financial data from the accommodation industry and the activity measures produced from the quarterly STA. The new estimates are likely to be used in a future update of the Tourism Satellite Accounts. Some of the information that will be available from the AIS includes:

- An income breakdown by accommodation takings, meal takings, beverage takings, rent, leasing and hiring income;
- A detailed breakdown of expenditure;
- A detailed breakdown of employment data (i.e. full-time/part-time and male/female);
- State data for key items (i.e. employment, wages and salaries and total income); and
- Industry value added for the accommodation industry, as well as key profitability measures for establishments.

At this stage the results are scheduled for release between May and June 2002.

For further information about these and related statistics, contact the National Information Service on 1300135070.

## FEATURE ARTICLE

INTRODUCTION

## FINDINGS

Holiday flats, units and houses

## HOLIDAY FLATS, CARAVAN PARKS AND VISITOR HOSTELS - CALENDAR YEAR 2000 RESULTS

For the four quarters of the year 2000, the Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) was expanded to include, in addition to licensed hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments, the following sectors:

- holiday flats, units and houses of letting entities with 15 or more rooms or units;
- caravan parks with 40 or more powered sites; and
- visitor hostels with 25 or more beds.

This article compares the annual 2000 results of the expanded collection with the corresponding data in 1997.

While all three sectors exhibited fairly strong growth in takings, only visitor hostels and to a much lesser extent holiday flats, recorded increased capacity. Total capacity in caravan parks fell $3.7 \%$ (see Graph F1.1).

F1.1 CAPACITY AND ACCOMMODATION TAKINGS, AUSTRALA(a)

(a) Calendar Year 2000 on Calendar Year 1997

In the 3 years to December 2000, the number of holiday flats, units and houses increased to 29,835 , a $4 \%$ rise. Over the same period takings increased by $17 \%$ to $\$ 400.6$ million (see Table F1.2). Takings were highest ( $\$ 117.2$ million), during the December quarter 2000, an increase of $21 \%$ compared to the December quarter 1997. This level of growth over the three year period was matched only in the September quarter 2000.

| $\%$ |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| \% |  | 2000 |
| change |  |  |

(a) Of letting entities with 15 or more units.
(b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points

Queensland had the majority (51\%) of all holiday flats, units and houses in the year 2000, followed by New South Wales with $33 \%$. This result is similar to 1997 , when Queensland had $50 \%$ of all holiday flats, units and houses.

The Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory had the highest occupancy rates in 2000 , with $73 \%$, while Victoria had the lowest occupancy rate of $36 \%$. These trends remained relatively unchanged on the 1997 calendar year results, when the Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory recorded the highest occupancy rates ( $67 \%$ and $61 \%$, respectively). However, where Victoria had the lowest occupancy rate over the year 2000 (36\%), it was New South Wales which had the lowest in 1997 (37\%). New South Wales was the only state (excluding territories) in which occupancy rates for holiday flats, units and houses increased between 1997 and 2000.

Of the $\$ 400.6$ million in takings for the calendar year 2000, the largest shares were held by Queensland 59\% ( $\$ 235.4$ million), and New South Wales $24 \%$ ( $\$ 96.4$ million). Tasmania recorded the smallest share with less than $1 \%$ ( $\$ 2.8$ million). These relative state proportions were similar to 1997 levels: Queensland 58\% (\$198.8 million); New South Wales 21\% ( $\$ 71.8$ million); and Tasmania 1\% ( $\$ 3.5$ million) (see Graph F1.3).

F1.3 CAPACITY AND ACCOMMODATION TAKNGS(a), Holiday flats, units and houses


[^0]Caravan parks The capacity available in caravan parks at the end of 2000 was 244,905 vans, sites, cabins and flats, a $4 \%$ decrease since the previous survey was conducted in 1997. The number of other powered and unpowered sites and on-site vans in caravan parks decreased by $6 \%(14,118)$, and $10 \%$ to 15,564 , respectively. These falls were partially offset by a significant rise in the number of cabins in caravan parks, which increased $36 \%$ to 24,236 (see Table F1.4).

F1.4 TOURIST ACCOMMODATION - SELECTED CARAVAN PARKS

|  | 1997 | 2000 | change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Caravan parks(a) |  |  |  |
| Establishments (no.) |  |  |  |
| Short-term caravan parks | 1223 | 1190 | -2.7 |
| Long-term caravan parks | 670 | 610 | -9.0 |
| Total caravan parks | 1893 | 1800 | -4.9 |
| Capacity (no.) |  |  |  |
| On-site vans | 17256 | 15564 | -9.8 |
| Other powered sites | 167557 | 160299 | -4.3 |
| Unpowered sites | 51666 | 44806 | -13.3 |
| Cabins, flats etc. | 17884 | 24236 | 35.5 |
| Total capacity | 254363 | 244905 | -3.7 |
| Site nights occupied ('000) | 43580 | 43976 | 0.9 |
| Site occupancy rates (\%)(b) | 47 | 50 | 2.2 |
| Takings from accommodation (\$'000) | 482951 | 587449 | 21.6 |
| Persons employed (no.) | 8880 | 9338 | 5.2 |
| (a) With 40 or more powered sites <br> (b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. |  |  |  |

These changes in the nature of caravan parks, particularly in the quantity of the more expensive cabins and flats, are reflected in a $22 \%$ increase in takings over the three year period to $\$ 587.4$ million. During 2000, takings were highest in the December quarter, an increase of $25 \%$ on the same quarter in 1997. However, the strongest quarter on quarter growth was in the September quarter, which increased $28 \%$. Average takings per site night occupied in caravan parks increased slightly over the same period, up from $\$ 11$ in 1997 to $\$ 13$ for the year 2000.

Graph F1.5 shows that only Tasmania and the Northern Territory increased their caravan park capacity over the 3 year period, while all States except the ACT experienced growth in accommodation takings.

F1.5 CAPACITY AND ACCOMMODATION TAKINGS (a), Caravan Parks

(a) Calendar Year 2000 on Calendar Year 1997

Short-term caravan parks represented $71 \%$ of total capacity at the end of December 2000. New South Wales had a third (34\%) of all caravan park capacity for the calendar year 2000, with the number of cabins increasing 61\% between 1997 and 2000. As in 1997, New South Wales had the highest site occupancy rate in 2000 (56\%). Site occupancy rates were lowest in South Australia and the Northern Territory (37\%) for the year 2000.

Visitor hostels For the calendar year 2000, there was a $33 \%$ increase in visitor hostel bed spaces available nationally, with takings increasing by $72 \%$ to $\$ 129.8$ million, when compared with 1997 annual figures (see Table F1.6). As in 1997, the December quarter was the largest contributor to annual takings in 2000 with $\$ 34.8$ million, slightly more than the $\$ 34.7$ million taken in the September quarter 2000. However, in terms of growth it was the September quarter which proved strongest, increasing takings by $81 \%$ since the September quarter 1997. Visitor hostels showed an increase in average takings per guest night from \$14 in 1997 to $\$ 18$ over the year 2000.

F1.6 TOURIST ACCOMMODATION - SELECTED VISITOR HOSTELS

|  | 1997 | 2000 | change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Visitor hostels(a) |  |  |  |
| Establishments (no.) | 394 | 466 | 18.3 |
| Capacity - bed spaces | 30650 | 40659 | 32.7 |
| Guest nights (no.) | 5254729 | 7154685 | 36.2 |
| Bed occupancy rates (\%)(b) | 48 | 49 | 1.1 |
| Average length of stay (days) | 3 | 3 | 3.8 |
| Takings from accommodation (\$'000) | 75684 | 129797 | 71.5 |
| Persons employed (no.) | 2001 | 2972 | 48.5 |
| (a) With 25 or more beds |  |  |  |
| (b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points. |  |  |  |

All states except South Australia saw an increase in the total number of visitor hostel bed spaces since 1997 (see Graph F1.7). Queensland held the largest percentage share of visitor hostel bed spaces at $32 \%$, (down $1 \%$ compared to three years ago). By contrast, New South Wales increased its share to $23 \%$, Victoria's share increased to $15 \%$ and Western Australia increased its share to $11 \%$. Tasmania's share of bed spaces fell to $4 \%$, despite the number of bed spaces available increasing over the last three years. In South Australia the number of bed spaces available decreased by $20 \%$, reducing its share of total bed spaces to $5 \%$.

(a) Calendar Year 2000 on Calendar Year 1997

As in 1997, the highest bed occupancy rate for visitor hostels in the year 2000 occurred in New South Wales, which at $56 \%$ was four percentage points lower than the 1997 rate, but still six percentage points higher than the Australian average rate. The lowest occupancy rate for 2000 was in Tasmania (20\%), marginally higher than the $18 \%$ in 1997.

Further information can be found in Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0), available from ABS bookshops or by contacting Neil McKellar-Stewart on Brisbane (07) 32226364.

## FEATURE ARTICLE

INTRODUCTION

## TOURIST ACCOMMODATION: AN ANALYSIS OVER THE OLYMPIC PERIOD

On the 23 September 1993, Australia was awarded the Summer Games of the XXVII Olympiad, with the Olympic and Paralympic Games being held in Sydney during the months of September and October 2000. The decision was an important one for Australia, representing only the second time in history that it had been granted the right to host such an event. It was equally significant for the Australian tourism industry which had rarely if ever been the focus of such national and international attention before. This focus caused changes in demand for tourist accommodation, particularly in New South Wales.

This article examines tourist accommodation data over the July 2000 to December 2000 period, and compares it to the corresponding data collected for the previous year. It should also be noted that the introduction of The New Tax System (TNTS) in Australia on 1 July 2000 coincided with the Olympic game period and that "takings from accommodation" collected in the Survey of Tourist Accommodation are now shown inclusive of GST. Therefore care should be taken when comparing takings data after 1 July 2000 with takings data from earlier periods.

## AUSTRALIAN OVERVIEW

F2.1 TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

|  | Hotels, Motels, Guest Houses and Serviced Apartments |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 6 months ending Dec 1999 | 6 months ending Dec 2000 | change |
| Establishments (no.) | 3779 | 3828 | 1.3 |
| Guest Rooms (no.) | 190079 | 194926 | 2.5 |
| Room nights available ('000) | 34677 | 35880 | 3.5 |
| Room nights occupied ('000) | 20810 | 20992 | 0.9 |
| Occupancy (\%) | 60.01\% | 58.51\% | -1.5 |
| Takings from accommodation (million) | 219 | 254 | 16.1 |
| Average takings per room night occupied (\$) | \$105.25 | \$121.10 | 15.1 |

Table F2.1 presents broad level measures of capacity and occupancy at hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments in Australia for the six months to December 1999 and the corresponding period in 2000. Growth was recorded across all measures except occupancy rates (down 1.5 percentage points), where a $3 \%$ increase in the number of room nights available exceeded a $1 \%$ increase in room nights occupied.

IMPACT ON HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS IN THE STATES AND TERRITORIES

The number of hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments increased by 49 establishments at the end of 2000 compared to 1999. Serviced apartments recorded the highest increase (up 8\%). There were also increases in the number of establishments classified to 4 and 5 star graded accommodation (up $11 \%$ and $8 \%$ respectively). The overall capacity of the 3,828 establishments increased by 4,847 guest rooms to 194,926 guest rooms.

Takings from accommodation increased significantly in the six months to December 2000 compared to the corresponding period in 1999, with takings from licensed hotels up 20\%, motels and guest houses up 6\% and serviced apartments up $23 \%$. Average takings per room night occupied rose from $\$ 128$ to $\$ 148$ for licensed hotels, $\$ 81$ to $\$ 90$ for motels and guest houses and from $\$ 110$ to $\$ 124$ for serviced apartments. The month of September recorded the highest takings for 2000 with $\$ 517.3$ million, followed by October 2000 with $\$ 439.1$ million and November 2000 with $\$ 425.9$ million.

Changes in activity were also observed in the holiday flats, units and houses sector. In the six months to December 2000 compared to the corresponding period in 1997, capacity and takings increased 3\% and $21 \%$ respectively, while unit nights occupied decreased $1 \%$.
New South Wales recorded large increases in capacity and unit nights occupied (both up 12\%) and takings (up 52\%). The increases in unit nights occupied and takings were highest in the September quarter, (up $14 \%$ and $75 \%$ respectively). All other States and territories (except the Northern Territory) recorded decreases in unit nights occupied in the six months to December 2000 compared to the six months to December 1997. Similarly, takings from accommodation were down for all other States except Queensland (up 20\%) and the Northern Territory (up 84\%). The growth in the Northern Territory is attributable to an $18 \%$ increase in capacity over the three years to December 2000.

While caravan parks and visitor hostels showed growth in occupancy and takings in the six months to December 2000 compared to the same period in 1997, these accommodation establishments did not display noticeable changes in New South Wales during the Olympic months.

F2.2 ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES,
Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments


IMPACT ON HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS IN THE STATES AND TERRITORIES continued

All States and Territories except Victoria recorded lower occupancy rates in both the September and December quarters 2000 compared to the corresponding quarters in 1999 (see Graph F2.2). Victoria recorded a marginal increase in the September quarter (up 0.2 percentage points) and a 1.3 percentage point increase in the December quarter. Occupancy rates in Victoria were highest during November 2000 (67\%) with the Melbourne Tourism Region (TR) recording 81\% occupancy in that month.

F2.3 QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED,
Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments


The 6\% growth in room nights occupied in New South Wales during the September quarter 2000 compared to September quarter 1999 was not matched by any other State or Territory. Negative growth was recorded for Queensland, Western Australia, Tasmania and both territories. In addition, while the Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Adelaide TRs experienced quarterly growth in room nights occupied, all other capital city regions saw declines.

During the December quarter all States except South Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory recorded an increase in room nights occupied compared to the previous year (see Graph F2.3). For New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania and Australia as a whole, room nights occupied were highest during the month of November indicating that some consumers delayed their holidays until after the Olympics.

All States and the ACT recorded increased takings from accommodation in the September quarter 2000 compared to the corresponding quarter in 1999. However, while takings in NSW increased 48\%, the increases in other States were $10 \%$ or less and could largely be attributed to the introduction of the GST. While most capital city TRs recorded slightly higher takings than their respective State, the Sydney TR recorded $67 \%$ growth in takings.

In the December quarter 2000 compared to the same quarter in 1999 , the increase in takings was more evenly spread across the States, with the increase varying from $4 \%$ in South Australia to $17 \%$ in New South Wales. The takings performance of each capital city TR except Adelaide TR was better than their State performance.

The supply of accommodation in New South Wales is moving slowly upwards (see Graph F2.4). The number of guest rooms in New South Wales increased by 3,507 to 64,828 in the 12 months to the end of December 2000.

The seasonal pattern of demand is also displayed in Graph F2.4, with the Olympic games period represented by a significant unseasonal increase in demand for tourist accommodation in September 2000 and a subsequent fall in October 2000. This was probably due to the combined effects of:

- increased demand for accommodation during the Olympics (room nights occupied in hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments increased by $13 \%$ when compared to September 1999); and
- the indirect effect caused by the majority of school holidays falling in September for the Olympics.


## F2.4 SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOR TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, NSW



As for Australia, room occupancy rates in New South Wales for the year 2000 were generally lower than the previous year, with the September and December quarters 2000 down 1.4 and 2.2 percentage points on 1999. However despite this, during the month of September 2000 the occupancy rate was $67 \%$, up 3.1 percentage points on September 1999 and the highest for the year 2000. During September 2000, occupancy rates in New South Wales reached record levels in licensed hotels (78\%) and serviced apartments (69\%).

The impact of the Olympics in New South Wales is more marked in the results for takings from accommodation (which also includes the effect of the GST), as shown in Graph F2.5. In the six months to December 2000, takings in New South Wales increased $32 \%$ on the same period last year, with the largest increases occurring during the month of September, where takings increased $114 \%$ to $\$ 271.5$ million.

NEW SOUTH WALES continued

More establishments were classified to 4 and 5 star gradings between September 1999 and September 2000. This was reflected in higher than usual takings for September 2000 when takings from accommodation increased by $152 \%$ for licensed hotels, $42 \%$ for motels and guest houses and $184 \%$ for serviced apartments when compared to a year ago. This increase in takings equated to an increase in average takings per room night occupied across all accommodation types from \$111 in September 1999, to \$209 in September 2000.

F2.5 MONTHLY TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION, NSW, Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments


The impact of the Olympics upon accommodation supply and demand was most pronounced in the Sydney $\mathrm{TR}^{1}$. The number of hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments in this region increased by 22 establishments in December 2000, compared to December 1999. Large increases in establishment numbers were recorded for licensed hotels (up 17\%) and serviced apartments (up 16\%), while the number of motels and guest houses fell by $2 \%$ on 1999 numbers.

The increased number of establishments boosted total capacity in the Sydney TR by 3,422 guest rooms, with the resulting increase in supply represented by a $14 \%$ increase in the number of room nights available in the six months to December 2000 compared to the same period in the previous year. Over this period, the increase in supply outstripped the growth in demand, with the number of room nights occupied in Sydney TR hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments only increasing $9 \%$. However, during the month of September 2000, a $27 \%$ increase in the number of room nights occupied occurred.

1 The Sydney Tourism Region consists of the following Local Government Areas: Ashfield (A);
Auburn (A); Bankstown (C); Baulkham Hills (A); Blacktown (C); Botany Bay (C); Burwood (A); Camden (A); Campbelltown (C); Canterbury (C); Concord (A); Drummoyne (A); Fairfield (C); Hawkesbury (C); Holroyd (C); Hornsby (A); Hunter's Hill (A); Hurstville (C); Kogarah (A); Ku-ring-gai (A); Lane Cove (A); Leichhardt (A); Liverpool (C); Manly (A); Marrickville (A); Mosman (A); North Sydney (A); Parramatta (C); Penrith (C); Pittwater (A); Randwick (C); Rockdale (C); Ryde
(C); South Sydney (C); Strathfield (A); Sutherland Shire (A); Sydney (C) — Inner; Sydney (C) -

Remainder; Warringah (A); Waverley (A); Willoughby (C); Wollondilly (A); and Woollahra (A).
Note that Sydney is sub-divided into two Statistical local areas, Sydney City Inner and Sydney City Remainder.
Homebush, where most Olympic events took place, is located in Strathfield.

F2.6 SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOR TOURIST ACCOMMODATION, SYDNEY (TR)


Following the national and state trend, the $69 \%$ occupancy rate for the Sydney TR for the six months ending December 2000 was 2.7 percentage points down on the same period in the year before. However, coinciding with the Olympic games, occupancy rates for the month of September 2000 were higher than in 1999. During this month, occupancy rates rose throughout most of the Sydney metropolitan area with the highest rates occurring in Parramatta (91\%) and Bankstown (88\% occupancy). The occupancy rates in these areas were up 10.6 and 27.7 percentage points respectively on the previous year. The only areas where occupancy rates fell in September were Randwick (down 4.5 percentage points) and Lane Cove (down 2.1 percentage points).

Takings for the Sydney TR highlight the effect of higher occupancy rates and higher tariffs during the time of the Olympics, with takings for the six months to December 2000 increasing $43 \%$ on the same period in the year before. Not surprisingly the month of September 2000 displayed the largest growth in takings for the period, increasing $162 \%$ to $\$ 222.3$ million (see Graph F2.7) over the year, with takings from licensed hotels up $166 \%$, motels and guest houses up $102 \%$ and serviced apartments up $237 \%$. For the month of September 2000, takings for the Sydney TR contributed $82 \%$ of the total takings for New South Wales and $43 \%$ of the total takings nationally.

Within the Sydney TR the largest contributors to total takings from accommodation for the month of September 2000 were:

- Sydney Inner, up $207 \%$ to $\$ 97.8$ million on September 1999;
- Sydney Remainder, up $132 \%$ to $\$ 33$ million;
- South Sydney up $147 \%$ to $\$ 28$ million; and
- Parramatta up $219 \%$ to $\$ 10$ million.

More establishments were classified to 4 and 5 star gradings in the 12 months to September 2000. This, together with increased demand and higher tariffs during the Olympic Games in the last half of the month, resulted in higher than usual takings for September 2000. Average takings per room night occupied increased from \$134 in September 1999 to $\$ 311$ in September 2000.

F2.7 MONTHLY TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION, SYDNEY (TR), Hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments


Conclusion The above comparison of tourist accommodation statistics during the six months to December 2000 and the corresponding period in 1999 highlights changes in the supply and demand for accommodation and takings from accommodation during the Olympics.

While the number of room nights available in hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments increased 3\% nationally, the growth in occupancy did not match the growth in capacity and all States except Victoria recorded falls in occupancy rates.

For New South Wales, a $13 \%$ increase in the month of September, largely determined strong quarterly growth in the number of room nights occupied. For the December quarter, all States except Tasmania experienced growth, with New South Wales again recording the strongest quarterly result. Similar patterns are also revealed in the takings from accommodation statistics.

The analysis also places particular focus on the Sydney TR where most Olympic and Paralympic events were held. For this region, lower occupancy rates for the six months to December 2000 compared to the previous year were experienced. Conversely, for the month of September, occupancy rates rose throughout most of the region, with Parramatta reaching $91 \%$ occupancy. As a result significantly higher takings were recorded for the September month and quarter 2000.

Further information can be found in Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0) and Tourist Accommodation, Small Area Data, New South Wales (Cat. no. 8635.1.40.001), available from ABS bookshops.

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## TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

INTRODUCTION

AUSTRALIA

The statistics presented in this section are from the quarterly Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA). The data presented are for hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units.

The number of accommodation establishments increased by $1 \%$ (49) to reach 3,828 during the 12 months ending the December quarter 2000, with the number of serviced apartments rising 8\% (46), licensed hotels rising $2 \%$ (14) and motels and guest houses falling less than one percent. Queensland contributed $46 \%$ of the growth in serviced apartments since the December quarter 1999 with New South Wales contributing 28\%.

During the 12 months to the December quarter 2000, Western Australia recorded the largest percentage growth in establishments (up 4\%) to 332. The strongest contributors in absolute terms to the 60 new establishments were Queensland (20), New South Wales (18), and Western Australia (14).


Guest rooms The number of guest rooms increased by $3 \%$, or 4,847 since the December quarter 1999 to 194,926 . Licensed hotels (up 3,367) and serviced apartments (up 2,777) accounted for all the increase while motels and guest houses declined by 1,297 guest rooms. The number of guest rooms in 4 and 5 star accommodation increased, while decreases were recorded against 1,2 and 3 star accommodation.

Over the 12 months to the December quarter 2000, the average number of guest rooms per establishment rose to 51. The Australian Capital Territory (84) and the Northern Territory (70) had the largest average number of rooms per establishment.

Room nights occupied were 10.5 million in original terms during the December quarter 2000, an increase of $1 \%(129,400)$ compared to the same period last year. Average nightly rooms occupied per establishment remained at 30 .

Room nights occupied continued

In trend terms, while quarterly room nights occupied increased $1 \%$ $(148,000)$ on the December quarter 1999 , it fell marginally $(28,200)$ on the September quarter 2000 level.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, Aust


Notes: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7.

Between the December quarters of 1999 and 2000, New South Wales showed the strongest growth in absolute terms for room nights occupied, up $2 \%(74,900)$ in original terms and $5 \%(160,200)$ in trend terms. The Australian Capital Territory, Western Australia, Victoria and Queensland all reflected positive growth in original terms (up 5\%, 3\%, $2 \%$ and $1 \%$ respectively). While the Northern Territory (8\%), Tasmania (5\%) and South Australia (2\%), showed a decrease during the same period.


Guests There were 1.8 nightly guests per occupied room during the December quarters 1999 and 2000. During the December quarter 2000, the average length of stay by guests was 2.3 days, up 0.1 on the previous December quarter. Guests stayed longer in serviced apartments ( 3.5 days), than in licensed hotels (2.4 days) and motels and guest houses (1.8 days).

Takings from accommodation

The December quarter 2000 takings of $\$ 1,239.9$ million in original terms is an increase of $11 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 and a $5 \%$ decrease on the September quarter 2000. This large increase and subsequent decrease may be attributed to increased demand and higher tariffs during the Olympic Games and the inclusion of GST in accommodation takings from 1 July 2000. The trend estimate at current prices for takings in the December quarter 2000 of $\$ 1,185.8$ million, continues to grow steadily.

QUARTERLY TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION, Aust: Trend


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

In original terms at current prices, all States and Territories except the Northern Territory recorded growth in quarterly takings during the December quarter 2000 compared with the same period a year ago. In trend terms, New South Wales had the greatest absolute and relative growth for quarterly takings in this period (up 16\% at current prices and $9 \%$ at constant prices).


Average takings per room night occupied

In the December quarter 2000, the trend series for average takings per room night occupied increased to a record high of $\$ 115$ in current price terms. This is up $10 \%$ on the same period last year and $4 \%$ on the September quarter 2000. In constant price terms, the trend increased to $\$ 81$.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Aust: Trend


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

The trend estimate in current price terms for the December quarter 2000 shows that all States and Territories increased their average takings per room night occupied, compared to the December quarter 1999. New South Wales has the highest average takings per room night occupied at $\$ 127$, while South Australia and Tasmania had the lowest levels at $\$ 95$.

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HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS - AUSTRALIA(a)

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 26417.8 | 26389.4 | 26365.7 | 2211.7 | 2208.4 | 2206.9 | 1929.0 | 1926.6 | 1924.3 |
| 1992 | 27736.6 | 27645.2 | 27687.3 | 2307.3 | 2299.4 | 2306.3 | 1993.5 | 1987.0 | 1992.0 |
| 1993 | 29834.6 | 29833.7 | 29798.5 | 2503.1 | 2502.5 | 2502.3 | 2124.0 | 2123.5 | 2123.9 |
| 1994 | 31948.5 | 31953.2 | 31935.1 | 2807.9 | 2807.2 | 2804.0 | 2336.5 | 2336.2 | 2332.3 |
| 1995 | 33278.7 | 33301.7 | 33328.5 | 3124.9 | 3125.9 | 3130.9 | 2482.9 | 2484.1 | 2489.3 |
| 1996 | 34171.6 | 34181.6 | 34248.1 | 3412.9 | 3413.7 | 3420.9 | 2641.1 | 2641.5 | 2641.2 |
| 1997 | 36182.8 | 36174.0 | 36064.4 | 3727.8 | 3730.1 | 3717.8 | 2876.0 | 2877.6 | 2873.3 |
| 1998 | 37324.5 | 37326.2 | 37317.5 | 3877.8 | 3876.6 | 3871.2 | 2963.4 | 2961.5 | 2956.3 |
| 1999 | 39822.3 | 39849.2 | 39852.7 | 4139.7 | 4143.2 | 4142.6 | 3120.6 | 3123.0 | 3125.9 |
| 2000 | 41079.6 | 41041.0 | 41108.1 | 4669.9 | 4659.2 | 4525.7 | 3367.1 | 3361.0 | 3264.0 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 10395.6 | 10143.5 | 10046.6 | 1077.8 | 1056.9 | 1046.4 | 809.5 | 793.0 | 786.1 |
| Dec qtr | 10413.6 | 10102.9 | 10134.8 | 1112.4 | 1070.0 | 1065.8 | 831.7 | 799.2 | 797.2 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 10088.1 | 10046.5 | 10221.1 | 1088.3 | 1069.1 | 1083.1 | 806.1 | 792.7 | 802.6 |
| Jun qtr | 9999.9 | 10550.3 | 10293.1 | 1039.5 | 1118.3 | 1110.3 | 763.9 | 822.5 | 809.5 |
| Sep qtr | 10448.6 | 10207.0 | 10311.0 | 1302.2 | 1280.9 | 1146.5 | 921.8 | 905.5 | 820.1 |
| Dec qtr | 10543.0 | 10237.3 | 10282.8 | 1239.9 | 1190.9 | 1185.8 | 875.3 | 840.4 | 831.8 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7 .
(b) Australian quarterly seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are the sum of the relevant State and Territory estimates.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 766 | 2413 | 600 | 77 | 532 | 1851 | 801 | 87 | 431 | 3779 |
| Guest rooms | 73416 | 86019 | 30644 | 2316 | 15269 | 72247 | 62191 | 21968 | 16088 | 190079 |
| Rooms per establishment | 96 | 36 | 51 | 30 | 29 | 39 | 78 | 253 | 37 | 50 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 780 | 2402 | 646 | 63 | 463 | 1863 | 887 | 94 | 458 | 3828 |
| Guest rooms | 76783 | 84722 | 33421 | 2028 | 13425 | 70881 | 69610 | 22619 | 16363 | 194926 |
| Rooms per establishment | 98 | 35 | 52 | 32 | 29 | 38 | 78 | 241 | 36 | 51 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 ( 10.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 62.4 | 19.5 | 31.1 | 11.0 | 13.1 | 22.2 | 52.0 | 179.7 | 16.8 | 30.0 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 65.3 | 19.5 | 31.8 | 11.6 | 13.3 | 21.7 | 53.4 | 175.7 | 15.6 | 30.9 |
| Nov | 69.9 | 19.7 | 32.3 | 11.6 | 12.9 | 22.0 | 55.8 | 190.9 | 16.3 | 32.0 |
| Dec | 57.7 | 16.3 | 29.6 | 10.0 | 11.5 | 18.6 | 46.5 | 158.8 | 14.2 | 27.0 |
| Dec qtr | 64.2 | 18.5 | 31.2 | 11.0 | 12.6 | 20.8 | 51.8 | 175.0 | 15.4 | 30.0 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| Nov | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| Dec | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| Dec qtr | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
|  | days | days | AVERAG days | LENGTH <br> days | $\begin{gathered} \text { OF STAY } \\ \text { days } \end{gathered}$ | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 ( 10.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 2.3 | 1.8 | 3.7 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 2.2 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 2.5 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| Nov | 2.4 | 1.8 | 3.4 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| Dec | 2.4 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.3 |
| Dec qtr | 2.4 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.3 |



Capacity There were 1,324 accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms in New South Wales at the end of December 2000, an increase of 18 since December 1999. The overall capacity of these establishments rose by 3,507 guest rooms to 64,828 with the highest percent growth occurring in serviced apartments (up 24\%) and licensed hotels (up 12\%).

Accommodation establishments in New South Wales had on average 28.7 nightly rooms occupied in the December quarter 2000, up slightly on the 28.6 from the previous year. Within the quarter, the highest level of nightly rooms occupied occurred in November with 30.6. Duration of stay varied according to type of accommodation during the December quarter 2000, guests in serviced apartments stayed an average of 3.2 days, those in licensed hotels stayed 2.6 days, while guests in motels and guest houses stayed 1.7 days. Only licensed hotels differed in length of stay from the same period last year with an increase of 0.3 days.

Takings from accommodation

Room nights occupied
Total takings from accommodation establishments were $\$ 460.8$ million in the December quarter 2000, up $17 \%$ on the same period in 1999. Takings from licensed hotels increased $24 \%$, from $\$ 206$ million in the December quarter 1999 to $\$ 255$ million in the December quarter 2000 and accounted for $55 \%$ of the total takings in this quarter. Serviced apartments recorded a $25 \%$ increase to $\$ 58$ million, with motels and guest houses up $4 \%$ to $\$ 147$ million.

For the December quarter 2000, average takings per New South Wales establishment was $\$ 348,000$. Average takings rose for all star graded accommodation, the largest increases being for 4 star and 1 star establishments, up $12 \%$ and $11 \%$ respectively, compared to a year ago. Average takings per room night occupied rose $15 \%$ in the December quarter 2000 compared to the same period in 1999.

The trend estimate of room nights occupied for the December quarter 2000 continued at a steady pace to reach $\$ 3.5$ million, a $5 \%$ increase on the December quarter 1999.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, NSW


Notes: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

In original terms average takings per room night occupied increased by $15 \%$ to $\$ 132$, in the December quarter 2000 compared with the same period last year. The trend estimate series at current prices increased to $\$ 127$, up $11 \%$ on the December 1999 level. In 1989-90 prices, the trend estimate increased $4 \%$ to $\$ 88$.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, NSW: Trend


Notes: There are two breaks in series:
(a) between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997
because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7 and
(b) between June quarter and September quarter 1999 because of a sudden sustained increase in takings from accommodation.

HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS - NSW(a)

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 8928.1 | 8920.0 | 8905.2 | 798.6 | 798.3 | 796.5 | 696.5 | 696.3 | 694.7 |
| 1992 | 9389.7 | 9356.9 | 9376.0 | 812.6 | 810.1 | 811.9 | 702.7 | 700.6 | 701.8 |
| 1993 | 10065.0 | 10061.6 | 10050.9 | 863.7 | 863.4 | 863.4 | 736.1 | 735.9 | 736.2 |
| 1994 | 10817.2 | 10808.7 | 10788.3 | 972.9 | 972.2 | 970.4 | 814.4 | 813.9 | 812.1 |
| 1995 | 11363.4 | 11358.2 | 11385.3 | 1097.1 | 1097.0 | 1099.2 | 873.1 | 873.2 | 875.2 |
| 1996 | 11654.7 | 11672.9 | 11667.1 | 1209.5 | 1211.6 | 1212.2 | 933.1 | 934.7 | 933.5 |
| 1997 | 11887.0 | 11871.7 | 11854.7 | 1303.6 | 1305.2 | 1302.6 | 1003.5 | 1004.8 | 1004.2 |
| 1998 | 12195.4 | 12201.9 | 12207.7 | 1361.2 | 1361.9 | 1361.4 | 1035.5 | 1036.0 | 1033.1 |
| 1999 | 13081.1 | 13102.6 | 13079.0 | 1463.7 | 1466.4 | 1463.5 | 1095.0 | 1097.2 | 1098.3 |
| 2000 | 13753.2 | 13735.2 | 13791.8 | 1787.9 | 1785.2 | 1647.8 | 1277.6 | 1275.8 | 1177.7 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 3345.0 | 3350.1 | 3307.3 | 375.0 | 378.0 | 371.8 | 279.4 | 281.6 | 276.8 |
| Dec qtr | 3423.1 | 3349.7 | 3335.4 | 395.2 | 384.5 | 380.8 | 293.1 | 285.2 | 282.7 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 3388.1 | 3306.9 | 3380.0 | 397.9 | 382.3 | 386.9 | 292.6 | 281.1 | 284.5 |
| Jun qtr | 3323.9 | 3462.9 | 3436.2 | 374.0 | 396.9 | 399.0 | 272.4 | 289.0 | 288.5 |
| Sep qtr | 3543.3 | 3546.9 | 3479.9 | 555.2 | 558.9 | 419.0 | 390.2 | 392.8 | 297.2 |
| Dec qtr | 3498.0 | 3418.6 | 3495.6 | 460.8 | 447.1 | 442.8 | 322.4 | 312.8 | 307.6 |

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(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Sydney All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 181 | 1002 | 123 | 37 | 201 | 676 | 195 | 21 | 176 | 1306 |
| Guest rooms | 21753 | 33639 | 5929 | 1280 | 5670 | 24680 | 17446 | 5768 | 6477 | 61321 |
| Rooms per establishment | 120 | 34 | 48 | 35 | 28 | 37 | 89 | 275 | 37 | 47 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 194 | 994 | 136 | 31 | 178 | 702 | 220 | 24 | 169 | 1324 |
| Guest rooms | 24355 | 33107 | 7366 | 1199 | 5119 | 25465 | 20724 | 6373 | 5948 | 64828 |
| Rooms per establishment | 126 | 33 | 54 | 39 | 29 | 36 | 94 | 266 | 35 | 49 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 82.0 | 18.7 | 30.5 | 12.4 | 14.3 | 21.7 | 63.6 | 197.8 | 15.7 | 28.6 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 85.9 | 18.4 | 31.0 | 12.2 | 14.5 | 21.3 | 66.1 | 190.5 | 12.5 | 29.6 |
| Nov | 92.3 | 18.3 | 32.8 | 12.9 | 14.1 | 21.5 | 69.6 | 208.8 | 13.2 | 30.6 |
| Dec | 76.1 | 15.7 | 30.5 | 11.6 | 13.2 | 18.5 | 58.3 | 169.2 | 11.5 | 26.1 |
| Dec qtr | 84.7 | 17.4 | 31.4 | 12.2 | 13.9 | 20.4 | 64.6 | 189.3 | 12.4 | 28.7 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.6 |
| Nov | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| Dec | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| Dec qtr | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
|  | days | days | AVERAGE days | ENGTH days | $\begin{aligned} & \text { F STAY } \\ & \text { days } \end{aligned}$ | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 ( 10.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 2.3 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 2.1 | 2.0 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 2.7 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Nov | 2.6 | 1.7 | 3.0 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Dec | 2.5 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Dec qtr | 2.6 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 2.1 |



Capacity At the end of the December quarter 2000, Victoria had 701 accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms, four less than a year ago. These establishments provided 31,155 guest rooms, down 1\% on the December quarter 1999. The number of guest rooms in motels and guest houses decreased $4 \%$, while licensed hotels recorded a 5\% increase.

There was a slight increase in the average nightly rooms occupied per establishment in the December quarter 2000 compared to the December quarter 1999. Licensed hotels were the only accommodation type to reflect this increase, rising from 57.4 to 62.4 average nightly rooms occupied.

Takings from accommodation

Room nights occupied Despite the number of quarterly room nights occupied increasing in the December quarter 2000 compared to a year ago, the December quarter 2000 result remains the third quarter of decline since the June quarter 2000.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, Vic


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

Victoria's trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied, at current prices, increased by $9 \%$ to $\$ 126$, during the December quarter 2000 compared to a year ago, and by $3 \%$ on the September quarter 2000. The constant price estimate shows a $2 \%$ increase compared to December quarter 1999.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Vic: Trend


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

|  |  | Room nights occupied(b) |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 4209.1 | 4212.1 | 4209.7 | 369.1 | 369.4 | 370.2 | 318.4 | 318.8 | 319.2 |
| 1992 | 4367.6 | 4359.1 | 4366.0 | 382.5 | 382.0 | 382.5 | 327.3 | 326.9 | 327.1 |
| 1993 | 4490.5 | 4497.3 | 4498.0 | 391.6 | 392.8 | 392.7 | 328.8 | 329.8 | 329.9 |
| 1994 | 4890.8 | 4894.7 | 4894.5 | 432.5 | 432.7 | 431.8 | 356.8 | 357.0 | 356.1 |
| 1995 | 5248.4 | 5259.1 | 5255.2 | 497.7 | 499.2 | 500.0 | 394.0 | 395.2 | 396.3 |
| 1996 | 5411.1 | 5409.0 | 5430.5 | 555.7 | 556.4 | 559.7 | 431.2 | 431.7 | 432.4 |
| 1997 | 5754.2 | 5763.0 | 5746.1 | 634.9 | 635.8 | 632.7 | 490.3 | 491.0 | 490.2 |
| 1998 | 6016.7 | 6028.2 | 6029.1 | 681.0 | 682.2 | 681.9 | 523.9 | 524.8 | 524.6 |
| 1999 | 6488.5 | 6499.0 | 6505.4 | 741.5 | 743.0 | 744.2 | 561.5 | 562.7 | 563.6 |
| 2000 | 6709.9 | 6698.0 | 6688.4 | 813.7 | 811.3 | 809.6 | 588.8 | 587.1 | 585.6 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 1589.5 | 1638.6 | 1631.9 | 184.1 | 186.0 | 186.4 | 138.8 | 140.2 | 140.7 |
| Dec qtr | 1672.7 | 1632.4 | 1650.5 | 191.6 | 189.1 | 190.4 | 143.6 | 141.7 | 142.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 1773.4 | 1675.7 | 1673.0 | 213.0 | 197.5 | 195.8 | 158.0 | 146.5 | 145.3 |
| Jun qtr | 1628.9 | 1706.9 | 1681.1 | 185.3 | 200.6 | 200.7 | 136.6 | 147.8 | 146.6 |
| Sep qtr | 1608.7 | 1655.7 | 1674.3 | 202.9 | 204.3 | 204.8 | 144.0 | 145.0 | 146.9 |
| Dec qtr | 1698.9 | 1659.8 | 1660.0 | 212.5 | 209.0 | 208.3 | 150.3 | 147.8 | 146.8 |

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(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Melbourne All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 126 | 505 | 74 | 10 | 84 | 380 | 171 | 14 | 46 | 705 |
| Guest rooms | 10903 | 16282 | 4132 | 220 | 2268 | 12229 | 11431 | 3396 | 1773 | 31317 |
| Rooms per establishment | 87 | 32 | 56 | 22 | 27 | 32 | 67 | 243 | 39 | 44 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 126 | 498 | 77 | 8 | 70 | 368 | 193 | 16 | 46 | 701 |
| Guest rooms | 11433 | 15589 | 4133 | 259 | 1806 | 11486 | 12332 | 3576 | 1696 | 31155 |
| Rooms per establishment | 91 | 31 | 54 | 32 | 26 | 31 | 64 | 224 | 37 | 44 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 57.4 | 16.2 | 37.7 | 7.2 | 10.1 | 16.7 | 44.8 | 172.1 | 18.8 | 25.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 61.7 | 16.1 | 37.5 | 15.8 | 8.8 | 16.3 | 43.4 | 163.5 | 20.5 | 26.7 |
| Nov | 71.1 | 17.1 | 43.0 | 18.5 | 9.3 | 17.4 | 48.7 | 194.6 | 22.2 | 29.6 |
| Dec | 54.8 | 13.4 | 32.7 | 12.0 | 8.3 | 14.2 | 36.9 | 144.2 | 16.8 | 23.0 |
| Dec qtr | 62.4 | 15.5 | 37.7 | 15.4 | 8.8 | 16.0 | 42.9 | 167.1 | 19.8 | 26.4 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.6 |
| Nov | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| Dec | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| Dec qtr | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 2.1 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 3.2 | 2.0 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 2.1 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.9 | 2.0 |
| Nov | 2.2 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.1 |
| Dec | 2.1 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 2.0 |
| Dec qtr | 2.1 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 2.0 |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 94711 | 63117 | 33817 | 346 | 4515 | 46490 | 85945 | 45126 | 9223 | 191644 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 35745 | 22616 | 12788 | 219 | 1173 | 15470 | 33194 | 17185 | 3908 | 71149 |
| Nov | 41811 | 23523 | 15017 | 220 | 1243 | 16483 | 37525 | 20461 | 4418 | 80350 |
| Dec | 30586 | 19282 | 11097 | 184 | 1137 | 13937 | 27954 | 14407 | 3345 | 60964 |
| Dec qtr | 108141 | 65421 | 38901 | 623 | 3554 | 45890 | 98673 | 52053 | 11670 | 212463 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 751.7 | 125.0 | 457.0 | 34.6 | 53.8 | 122.3 | 502.6 | 3223.3 | 200.5 | 271.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 283.7 | 45.4 | 166.1 | 27.4 | 16.8 | 42.0 | 172.0 | 1074.0 | 85.0 | 101.5 |
| Nov | 331.8 | 47.2 | 195.0 | 27.5 | 17.8 | 44.8 | 194.4 | 1278.8 | 96.0 | 114.6 |
| Dec | 242.7 | 38.7 | 144.1 | 22.9 | 16.2 | 37.9 | 144.8 | 900.5 | 72.7 | 87.0 |
| Dec qtr | 858.3 | 131.4 | 505.2 | 77.9 | 50.8 | 124.7 | 511.3 | 3253.3 | 253.7 | 303.1 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 142 | 84 | 133 | 52 | 58 | 80 | 122 | 204 | 118 | 115 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 149 | 91 | 143 | 56 | 62 | 83 | 128 | 212 | 136 | 123 |
| Nov | 156 | 93 | 151 | 50 | 64 | 86 | 133 | 219 | 146 | 129 |
| Dec | 143 | 93 | 142 | 62 | 64 | 86 | 127 | 202 | 143 | 122 |
| Dec qtr | 150 | 92 | 146 | 55 | 64 | 85 | 129 | 212 | 142 | 125 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT AVAILABLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 94 | 42 | 90 | 17 | 22 | 41 | 82 | 144 | 58 | 67 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 101 | 47 | 100 | 27 | 21 | 43 | 87 | 155 | 76 | 74 |
| Nov | 122 | 50 | 121 | 28 | 23 | 48 | 101 | 191 | 88 | 86 |
| Dec | 87 | 40 | 87 | 23 | 21 | 39 | 73 | 130 | 65 | 63 |
| Dec qtr | 103 | 46 | 102 | 26 | 22 | 43 | 87 | 158 | 76 | 74 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER GUEST NIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 94 | 49 | 74 | 30 | 31 | 45 | 76 | 141 | 74 | 69 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 101 | 54 | 80 | 31 | 35 | 47 | 82 | 151 | 81 | 76 |
| Nov | 104 | 55 | 84 | 29 | 35 | 48 | 84 | 153 | 90 | 79 |
| Dec | 88 | 51 | 70 | 43 | 34 | 45 | 73 | 131 | 76 | 69 |
| Dec qtr | 98 | 53 | 78 | 33 | 35 | 47 | 80 | 146 | 82 | 75 |

Capacity At the end of the December quarter 2000 Queensland had 960 accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms providing 52,353 guest rooms. This was an increase of 20 establishments (2\%) and 458 guest rooms (1\%) since the same period last year. Serviced apartments were the only accommodation type to record an increase in guest rooms offered in this period, with the number of rooms increasing to 13,304 (5\%). Licensed hotels provided $39 \%$ of all guest rooms.

The number of guest rooms in accommodation with a star grading of 4 increased $1 \%$ compared to the same quarter in 1999, while decreases were recorded for 1, 2 and 3 star graded establishments.

The average nightly rooms occupied per establishment in the December quarter 2000 decreased $1 \%$ to 33.1 when compared with the December quarter 1999. A decrease was recorded for motels and guest houses (down 5\%), while increases were recorded for serviced apartments and licensed hotels, up $2 \%$ and $1 \%$, respectively.

There was a marginal increase in the average duration of stay in the December quarter 2000, compared to the same period last year. Visitors to serviced apartments again stayed the longest.

Takings from accommodation

In the December quarter 2000, takings from accommodation totalled $\$ 319.9$ million, an increase of $9 \%$ ( $\$ 26.3$ million) on the December quarter 1999. Serviced apartments recorded the strongest growth in takings, up $17 \%$ to $\$ 75$ million. Licensed hotels accounted for 53\% ( $\$ 169.8$ million) of all takings.

Average takings per establishment increased by 7\% (\$20,900) to $\$ 333,200$ in the December quarter 2000 compared to the same period in 1999.

Room nights occupied For the December quarter 2000, the trend estimate of quarterly room nights occupied remained relatively flat at 2.8 million.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, QId


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

Average takings per room night occupied, at current prices, continued its upward trend since the June quarter 1999. The trend estimate for the December quarter 2000 of $\$ 107$ increased $10 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 level and $4 \%$ on the September quarter 2000. The estimate in 1989-90 prices of $\$ 75$, increased $3 \%$ compared to the December quarter 1999.

AVERAGE TAKNGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Qld: Trend


Notes: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 6761.7 | 6743.9 | 6737.3 | 559.8 | 557.3 | 556.5 | 490.7 | 488.7 | 487.8 |
| 1992 | 7224.9 | 7191.8 | 7236.8 | 609.4 | 605.9 | 610.0 | 528.8 | 525.8 | 529.2 |
| 1993 | 8089.6 | 8088.5 | 8074.9 | 702.5 | 701.5 | 701.4 | 596.3 | 595.5 | 595.6 |
| 1994 | 8566.7 | 8565.0 | 8562.4 | 797.1 | 796.4 | 795.4 | 661.9 | 661.7 | 660.5 |
| 1995 | 8753.9 | 8756.5 | 8761.7 | 866.1 | 865.1 | 866.5 | 687.5 | 687.1 | 688.3 |
| 1996 | 9023.1 | 9008.5 | 9042.4 | 928.2 | 926.8 | 928.5 | 718.5 | 717.5 | 717.6 |
| 1997 | 10034.9 | 10021.8 | 9958.3 | 1012.1 | 1010.6 | 1005.5 | 778.2 | 776.9 | 774.2 |
| 1998 | 10317.9 | 10296.6 | 10301.8 | 1015.0 | 1011.9 | 1010.5 | 772.3 | 770.1 | 769.3 |
| 1999 | 11014.0 | 11005.9 | 11014.8 | 1068.9 | 1067.6 | 1067.1 | 806.1 | 805.4 | 804.9 |
| 2000 | 11149.5 | 11135.3 | 11146.3 | 1133.3 | 1127.5 | 1132.4 | 818.8 | 815.8 | 818.7 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 3055.9 | 2804.0 | 2773.2 | 292.0 | 273.0 | 269.1 | 219.4 | 205.1 | 202.7 |
| Dec qtr | 2882.5 | 2760.2 | 2777.5 | 293.6 | 272.0 | 270.0 | 220.4 | 204.2 | 202.5 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 2570.2 | 2726.3 | 2776.2 | 252.9 | 263.6 | 270.9 | 187.8 | 195.7 | 201.3 |
| Jun qtr | 2677.2 | 2871.5 | 2785.8 | 252.8 | 280.7 | 277.3 | 186.3 | 206.8 | 202.6 |
| Sep qtr | 2982.4 | 2730.0 | 2791.8 | 307.8 | 286.4 | 286.9 | 218.4 | 203.3 | 205.7 |
| Dec qtr | 2919.7 | 2807.4 | 2792.5 | 319.9 | 296.8 | 297.3 | 226.4 | 210.1 | 209.1 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7
(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Brisbane All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | tar orading |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | Ungraded |  |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 173 | 515 | 252 | 14 | 119 | 422 | 267 | 31 | 87 | 940 |
| Guest rooms | 20682 | 18573 | 12640 | 362 | 3005 | 16489 | 19797 | 8374 | 3868 | 51895 |
| Rooms per establishment | 120 | 36 | 50 | 26 | 25 | 39 | 74 | 270 | 44 | 55 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 172 | 515 | 273 | 9 | 99 | 417 | 293 | 31 | 111 | 960 |
| Guest rooms | 20584 | 18465 | 13304 | 209 | 2465 | 15443 | 21933 | 8025 | 4278 | 52353 |
| Rooms per establishment | 120 | 36 | 49 | 23 | 25 | 37 | 75 | 259 | 39 | 55 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 78.5 | 20.8 | 28.4 | 10.3 | 11.5 | 23.3 | 46.7 | 187.0 | 21.3 | 33.5 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 80.2 | 20.8 | 29.8 | 9.9 | 11.6 | 21.5 | 49.1 | 186.1 | 20.5 | 34.0 |
| Nov | 84.5 | 20.9 | 28.7 | 8.4 | 10.9 | 21.6 | 49.3 | 198.6 | 21.0 | 34.5 |
| Dec | 74.2 | 17.6 | 28.2 | 8.7 | 10.0 | 19.1 | 43.9 | 176.5 | 18.9 | 30.7 |
| Dec qtr | 79.6 | 19.7 | 28.9 | 9.0 | 10.8 | 20.8 | 47.4 | 187.0 | 20.1 | 33.1 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.0 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| Nov | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 |
| Dec | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Dec qtr | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 ( 10.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 2.7 | 2.1 | 4.4 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 2.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 3.0 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 2.9 |
| Nov | 2.8 | 2.1 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| Dec | 2.9 | 2.1 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 2.9 |
| Dec qtr | 2.9 | 2.1 | 4.3 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 2.9 |

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Capacity There were 10,522 guest rooms available in South Australia at the end of December 2000, spread across 234 accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms. The number of guest rooms increased $1 \%$ while the number of establishments remained at 234. All accommodation types recorded $1 \%$ increases in capacity.

Between the December quarters 1999 and 2000, the average nightly rooms occupied in licensed hotels and motels and guest houses, fell 5\% and $1 \%$, respectively. At the same time there was a $3 \%$ increase in the average nightly rooms occupied in serviced apartments.

For the December quarter 2000, there were on average 1.7 nightly guests per occupied room, the same as a year ago, while there was a slight decrease in the average duration of stay. Serviced apartments had both the highest number of nightly guests per occupied room and the longest duration of stay, the latter decreasing 6\% during the December quarter 2000 compared to the same period a year ago.

Takings from accommodation

Room nights occupied

Takings from accommodation establishments in the December quarter 2000 were $\$ 53.2$ million, up $4 \%$ on the same period in 1999 . This equated to $\$ 227,400$ in average takings per establishment, a $4 \%$ increase on the December quarter 1999. While all types of accommodation recorded increases in average takings, serviced apartments recorded the largest percentage increase (up $10 \%$ ) to $\$ 273,400$ in the December quarter 2000. Takings in motels and guest houses and licensed hotels increased $6 \%$ to $\$ 145,100$ and $1 \%$ to $\$ 407,700$, respectively.

In the December quarter 2000, average takings per room night occupied were $\$ 97$, up $7 \%$ on the December quarter 1999.

In the December quarter 2000, the trend estimate of room nights occupied was 533,200, a slight increase on the December quarter 1999 estimate of 532,300 but a decrease of $2 \%$ on the September quarter 2000 figure of 543,000.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, SA


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

Average takings per room night occupied, in current price terms, increased to $\$ 95$ for the December quarter 2000. This was up $7 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 level and $1 \%$ on the September quarter 2000 level. The estimate in $1989-90$ prices of $\$ 67$ is unchanged on the December 1999 quarter.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, SA: Trend


Notes: There is a series break between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | , 000 | , 000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 1620.5 | 1621.9 | 1627.3 | 121.1 | 120.8 | 121.2 | 104.9 | 105.0 | 104.9 |
| 1992 | 1661.7 | 1659.7 | 1656.6 | 122.2 | 122.0 | 121.8 | 103.7 | 103.2 | 103.2 |
| 1993 | 1687.0 | 1688.7 | 1689.7 | 126.6 | 126.6 | 126.8 | 105.2 | 105.1 | 105.1 |
| 1994 | 1754.5 | 1756.8 | 1758.0 | 135.3 | 135.4 | 135.2 | 110.1 | 109.9 | 109.9 |
| 1995 | 1838.0 | 1844.3 | 1849.7 | 145.1 | 145.5 | 146.2 | 113.4 | 113.8 | 114.2 |
| 1996 | 1910.2 | 1925.9 | 1920.0 | 152.6 | 153.5 | 153.5 | 116.7 | 116.6 | 116.7 |
| 1997 | 1970.3 | 1971.4 | 1968.7 | 163.1 | 163.3 | 162.8 | 125.1 | 125.4 | 125.1 |
| 1998 | 2054.3 | 2059.3 | 2052.9 | 176.8 | 177.5 | 176.6 | 134.5 | 134.0 | 134.0 |
| 1999 | 2102.6 | 2104.1 | 2111.6 | 185.0 | 184.9 | 186.0 | 138.9 | 139.1 | 139.4 |
| 2000 | 2154.5 | 2155.7 | 2162.0 | 201.5 | 201.7 | 201.9 | 145.0 | 145.1 | 145.1 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 510.4 | 533.7 | 528.2 | 44.0 | 46.5 | 46.4 | 32.9 | 34.0 | 34.7 |
| Dec qtr | 562.2 | 529.2 | 532.3 | 51.0 | 46.9 | 47.4 | 37.9 | 35.0 | 35.2 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 550.7 | 525.3 | 539.8 | 50.4 | 48.6 | 49.3 | 37.1 | 35.8 | 36.3 |
| Jun qtr | 536.4 | 566.8 | 546.0 | 49.3 | 52.2 | 50.8 | 36.0 | 38.5 | 36.9 |
| Sep qtr | 516.0 | 541.6 | 543.0 | 48.6 | 51.7 | 51.2 | 34.3 | 35.8 | 36.4 |
| Dec qtr | 551.4 | 522.0 | 533.2 | 53.2 | 49.2 | 50.6 | 37.5 | 35.0 | 35.5 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7 .
(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Adelaide All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 62 | 146 | 26 | 7 | 55 | 118 | 41 | 4 | 9 | 234 |
| Guest rooms | 4090 | 5166 | 1207 | 204 | 1532 | 4575 | 2645 | 1263 | 244 | 10463 |
| Rooms per establishment | 66 | 35 | 46 | 29 | 28 | 39 | 65 | 316 | 27 | 45 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 62 | 146 | 26 | 7 | 51 | 116 | 46 | 4 | 10 | 234 |
| Guest rooms | 4128 | 5204 | 1220 | 158 | 1491 | 4478 | 2877 | 1263 | 285 | 10552 |
| Rooms per establishment | 67 | 36 | 47 | 23 | 29 | 39 | 63 | 316 | 29 | 45 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 40.6 | 19.5 | 28.5 | 9.7 | 11.7 | 21.8 | 42.3 | 246.2 | 11.8 | 26.1 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 41.0 | 20.2 | 28.9 | 6.3 | 12.8 | 21.8 | 41.9 | 248.4 | 9.8 | 26.7 |
| Nov | 40.7 | 20.4 | 30.4 | 5.4 | 11.9 | 21.8 | 42.7 | 257.7 | 11.1 | 26.9 |
| Dec | 34.6 | 17.6 | 28.7 | 4.2 | 11.1 | 18.4 | 37.6 | 220.4 | 12.8 | 23.3 |
| Dec qtr | 38.7 | 19.4 | 29.3 | 5.3 | 11.9 | 20.6 | 40.7 | 242.0 | 11.2 | 25.6 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.5 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| Nov | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| Dec | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 1.8 |
| Dec qtr | 1.5 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 2.0 | 1.8 | 3.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 2.0 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.9 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| Nov | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| Dec | 1.9 | 1.8 | 3.0 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 1.9 |
| Dec qtr | 1.9 | 1.7 | 2.9 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 1.9 |


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 24619 | 19928 | 6462 | 302 | 3059 | 17136 | 17368 | 12493 | 652 | 51010 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 8739 | 7474 | 2368 | 71 | 1173 | 5983 | 6731 | 4399 | 224 | 18580 |
| Nov | 8485 | 7155 | 2331 | 56 | 1033 | 5672 | 6599 | 4357 | 252 | 17970 |
| Dec | 7684 | 6561 | 2411 | 45 | 992 | 5011 | 6318 | 3939 | 350 | 16655 |
| Dec qtr | 24907 | 21189 | 7109 | 173 | 3198 | 16667 | 19648 | 12695 | 826 | 53205 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 397.1 | 136.5 | 248.5 | 43.1 | 55.6 | 145.2 | 423.6 | 3123.2 | 72.4 | 218.0 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 141.0 | 51.2 | 91.1 | 10.2 | 23.0 | 51.6 | 146.3 | 1099.6 | 22.4 | 79.4 |
| Nov | 136.8 | 49.0 | 89.6 | 8.0 | 20.3 | 48.9 | 143.4 | 1089.3 | 25.2 | 76.8 |
| Dec | 123.9 | 44.9 | 92.7 | 6.4 | 19.4 | 43.2 | 137.4 | 984.7 | 35.0 | 71.2 |
| Dec qtr | 401.7 | 145.1 | 273.4 | 24.6 | 62.7 | 143.7 | 427.1 | 3173.6 | 82.6 | 227.4 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 ( |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 106 | 76 | 95 | 48 | 52 | 72 | 109 | 138 | 67 | 91 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 111 | 82 | 102 | 53 | 58 | 76 | 113 | 143 | 73 | 96 |
| Nov | 112 | 80 | 98 | 50 | 57 | 75 | 112 | 141 | 76 | 95 |
| Dec | 115 | 82 | 104 | 49 | 57 | 76 | 118 | 144 | 88 | 98 |
| Dec qtr | 113 | 81 | 102 | 51 | 57 | 76 | 114 | 143 | 80 | 97 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT AVAILABLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 65 | 42 | 58 | 16 | 22 | 41 | 71 | 108 | 29 | 53 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 68 | 46 | 63 | 15 | 25 | 43 | 76 | 112 | 25 | 57 |
| Nov | 69 | 46 | 64 | 12 | 23 | 42 | 77 | 115 | 30 | 57 |
| Dec | 60 | 41 | 64 | 9 | 22 | 36 | 71 | 101 | 40 | 51 |
| Dec qtr | 66 | 44 | 63 | 12 | 23 | 41 | 74 | 109 | 32 | 55 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER GUEST NIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 71 | 44 | 47 | 31 | 30 | 41 | 65 | 100 | 35 | 55 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 76 | 49 | 54 | 32 | 35 | 45 | 70 | 108 | 41 | 60 |
| Nov | 78 | 49 | 52 | 31 | 34 | 45 | 71 | 106 | 42 | 60 |
| Dec | 72 | 46 | 47 | 29 | 32 | 41 | 63 | 103 | 43 | 55 |
| Dec qtr | 75 | 48 | 51 | 31 | 33 | 44 | 68 | 106 | 42 | 58 |

Capacity At the end of the December quarter 2000, there were 332 accommodation establishments in Western Australia with 15 or more rooms, up $4 \%$ on the same period 12 months earlier. Over the same period, the total capacity of these establishments rose from 18,595 to 19,325 guest rooms, an increase of $4 \%$ ( 730 guest rooms). All accommodation types recorded increases in capacity, the largest being serviced apartments ( $15 \%$ or 510 rooms), licensed hotels ( $1 \%$ or 111 rooms) and motels and guest houses ( $2 \%$ or 109 rooms). The average number of rooms per Western Australian accommodation establishment remained at 58.

There was an overall decrease in demand for accommodation in Western Australia in the December quarter 2000, compared to the December quarter 1999. Average nightly rooms occupied in motels and guest houses fell by $5 \%$ to 23.5 rooms, while serviced apartments increased $2 \%$ to 31.3 rooms and licensed hotels increased $1 \%$ to 43.6 rooms.

Takings from accommodation

Room nights occupied
Takings from accommodation establishments during the December quarter 2000 totalled $\$ 104.7$ million, an increase of $11 \%$ from the corresponding period in 1999. Average takings per establishment increased $7 \%$, to $\$ 315,300$ in the December quarter 2000.

Average takings per room night occupied increased $7 \%$ to $\$ 103$ for the December quarter 2000 when compared to a year ago, while average takings per room night available also rose $7 \%$ to $\$ 59$.

For the December quarter 2000, the trend estimate of room nights occupied remained flat at 956,100 .

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, WA


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

The December quarter 2000 trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied, in current prices, rose to $\$ 102$, up $8 \%$ compared to the equivalent 1999 period. In 1989-90 prices, the trend estimate increased $2 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 and $1 \%$ on the September quarter 2000.

AVERAGE TAKNNGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, WA: Trend


Notes: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 2566.6 | 2563.0 | 2556.1 | 180.2 | 179.9 | 179.8 | 157.6 | 157.4 | 157.2 |
| 1992 | 2645.7 | 2634.4 | 2636.4 | 189.6 | 188.8 | 188.6 | 165.5 | 164.8 | 164.6 |
| 1993 | 2835.3 | 2836.1 | 2841.5 | 209.0 | 209.0 | 209.4 | 179.7 | 179.7 | 180.1 |
| 1994 | 3041.7 | 3042.3 | 3042.8 | 237.9 | 237.6 | 237.8 | 200.2 | 200.0 | 200.0 |
| 1995 | 3119.8 | 3122.3 | 3117.6 | 266.8 | 266.9 | 266.7 | 214.3 | 214.3 | 214.3 |
| 1996 | 3223.3 | 3221.7 | 3235.4 | 301.2 | 300.7 | 301.7 | 235.8 | 235.5 | 235.7 |
| 1997 | 3424.9 | 3426.0 | 3420.3 | 323.8 | 324.0 | 323.4 | 253.8 | 253.9 | 254.0 |
| 1998 | 3547.2 | 3551.2 | 3547.5 | 336.5 | 336.7 | 336.3 | 260.7 | 260.9 | 260.8 |
| 1999 | 3686.1 | 3689.1 | 3684.9 | 348.4 | 348.7 | 348.3 | 265.2 | 265.4 | 265.1 |
| 2000 | 3827.7 | 3822.3 | 3822.2 | 377.5 | 376.7 | 376.3 | 276.1 | 275.7 | 275.2 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 961.4 | 919.3 | 926.8 | 90.2 | 86.4 | 87.6 | 68.4 | 65.5 | 66.5 |
| Dec qtr | 984.1 | 952.4 | 945.4 | 94.0 | 90.6 | 89.6 | 70.7 | 68.2 | 67.6 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 932.3 | 937.5 | 955.7 | 89.8 | 90.6 | 91.0 | 67.4 | 67.9 | 68.2 |
| Jun qtr | 934.0 | 999.9 | 956.4 | 88.1 | 94.1 | 92.6 | 65.6 | 70.1 | 68.4 |
| Sep qtr | 945.5 | 905.7 | 954.0 | 94.9 | 91.3 | 94.8 | 68.1 | 65.6 | 68.8 |
| Dec qtr | 1016.0 | 979.3 | 956.1 | 104.7 | 100.6 | 97.9 | 75.0 | 72.1 | 69.9 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7 .
(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Perth All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.


|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Ungraded | Total |
| TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 54100 | 21709 | 18205 | 95 | 2782 | 26561 | 35665 | 22137 | 6773 | 94014 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 20767 | 8510 | 7223 | 32 | 783 | 10484 | 13816 | 9254 | 2131 | 36500 |
| Nov | 21891 | 7651 | 6789 | 14 | 715 | 9840 | 13912 | 9752 | 2097 | 36331 |
| Dec | 17777 | 6627 | 7447 | 25 | 561 | 8794 | 11947 | 8348 | 2176 | 31851 |
| Dec qtr | 60434 | 22788 | 21459 | 71 | 2059 | 29119 | 39675 | 27354 | 6404 | 104682 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 409.8 | 180.9 | 275.8 | 23.8 | 95.9 | 207.5 | 584.7 | 1702.9 | 81.6 | 295.6 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 155.0 | 67.5 | 100.3 | 15.8 | 35.6 | 77.7 | 197.4 | 616.9 | 24.2 | 109.9 |
| Nov | 163.4 | 60.7 | 94.3 | 7.2 | 32.5 | 72.9 | 198.7 | 650.1 | 23.8 | 109.4 |
| Dec | 132.7 | 52.6 | 103.4 | 12.6 | 25.5 | 65.1 | 170.7 | 556.5 | 24.7 | 95.9 |
| Dec qtr | 451.0 | 180.9 | 298.0 | 35.7 | 93.6 | 215.7 | 566.8 | 1823.6 | 72.8 | 315.3 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 le 40 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 103 | 79 | 98 | 59 | 70 | 76 | 110 | 141 | 60 | 96 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 111 | 84 | 99 | 62 | 70 | 79 | 115 | 147 | 62 | 101 |
| Nov | 116 | 82 | 101 | 54 | 71 | 80 | 118 | 155 | 63 | 104 |
| Dec | 111 | 85 | 110 | 76 | 75 | 84 | 116 | 148 | 65 | 104 |
| Dec qtr | 113 | 84 | 103 | 64 | 71 | 81 | 116 | 150 | 63 | 103 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT AVAILABLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 62 | 41 | 58 | 11 | 30 | 40 | 75 | 101 | 28 | 55 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Octl | 70 | 47 | 59 | 28 | 34 | 46 | 79 | 115 | 24 | 61 |
| Nov | 77 | 44 | 58 | 13 | 32 | 44 | 82 | 125 | 25 | 63 |
| Dec | 60 | 37 | 61 | 22 | 24 | 38 | 69 | 103 | 25 | 53 |
| Dec qtr | 69 | 42 | 59 | 21 | 30 | 43 | 77 | 114 | 25 | 59 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER GUEST NIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 68 | 47 | 44 | 34 | 42 | 44 | 64 | 85 | 40 | 57 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 75 | 51 | 48 | 33 | 44 | 47 | 69 | 89 | 40 | 61 |
| Nov | 80 | 51 | 49 | 32 | 46 | 48 | 73 | 95 | 42 | 65 |
| Dec | 68 | 47 | 47 | 37 | 41 | 46 | 61 | 82 | 38 | 57 |
| Dec qtr | 74 | 49 | 48 | 34 | 44 | 47 | 68 | 88 | 40 | 61 |

Capacity In the December quarter 2000, there were 128 accommodation establishments in Tasmania with 15 or more rooms, a decrease of two (2\%) since the December quarter 1999. The number of guest rooms also dropped $2 \%$ to 5,462 in the 12 months to December 2000.

During the December quarter 2000, the average nightly rooms occupied per establishment decreased $4 \%$ to 22.9 , compared to the December quarter 1999. Average nightly guests per occupied room remained at 1.8 while average length of stay increased slightly from a year ago to 1.9 days. Guests in serviced apartments and licensed hotels increased their average length of stay to 2.4 and 1.8 days respectively, while guests in motels and guest houses stayed the same as a year ago (1.7 days).

Takings from accommodation

Total takings from accommodation were $\$ 25.7$ million in the December quarter 2000, a $6 \%$ increase ( $\$ 1.4$ million) on the December quarter 1999 level. On average, accommodation takings per establishment rose $7 \%$ during this period to $\$ 200,800$, compared to $\$ 186,900$ in the December quarter 1999. Licensed hotels and motels and guest houses recorded growth in average takings per establishment (up $12 \%$ and $4 \%$, respectively) with serviced apartments falling by $1 \%$.

Average takings per room night occupied for all accommodation types increased $12 \%$ to $\$ 95$ compared to the same period a year ago. Average takings per guest night also increased, up $10 \%$ to $\$ 53$ in the December quarter 2000 .

For the December quarter 2000, the trend estimate of room nights occupied decreased to 253,000 , a fall of $5 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 and a fall of $2 \%$ on the September quarter 2000.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, Tas


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

Average takings per room night occupied, in current prices, increased to $\$ 95$ for the December quarter 2000, (up 10\%) on the December quarter 1999. The estimate in $1989-90$ prices of $\$ 67$ reflects an increase of $3 \%$ on the December quarter 1999.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, Tas: Trend


Notes: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

19 HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS - TAS(a)

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 817.4 | 816.9 | 815.7 | 58.2 | 58.3 | 58.2 | 51.3 | 51.4 | 51.2 |
| 1992 | 815.4 | 815.3 | 822.4 | 59.1 | 59.0 | 59.5 | 51.4 | 51.5 | 51.9 |
| 1993 | 878.6 | 876.6 | 872.1 | 63.9 | 63.7 | 63.4 | 54.2 | 54.0 | 53.7 |
| 1994 | 954.9 | 961.0 | 964.3 | 70.9 | 71.5 | 71.8 | 58.7 | 59.2 | 59.4 |
| 1995 | 970.1 | 975.8 | 972.5 | 75.0 | 75.5 | 75.3 | 59.7 | 59.8 | 59.7 |
| 1996 | 954.4 | 952.9 | 954.9 | 75.2 | 74.9 | 75.0 | 58.3 | 58.0 | 57.9 |
| 1997 | 990.3 | 996.9 | 998.2 | 82.5 | 83.2 | 83.3 | 63.7 | 64.0 | 64.1 |
| 1998 | 1039.1 | 1035.6 | 1032.1 | 89.7 | 89.3 | 88.6 | 68.7 | 68.4 | 67.8 |
| 1999 | 1056.3 | 1061.6 | 1064.1 | 90.1 | 90.8 | 91.5 | 68.6 | 68.8 | 69.5 |
| 2000 | 1043.9 | 1044.4 | 1045.8 | 95.0 | 95.6 | 95.5 | 69.4 | 69.4 | 69.2 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 205.5 | 267.8 | 265.7 | 17.3 | 23.3 | 22.7 | 13.1 | 17.5 | 17.2 |
| Dec qtr | 284.3 | 265.4 | 267.3 | 24.3 | 22.4 | 23.0 | 18.3 | 17.0 | 17.4 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 334.9 | 262.4 | 268.1 | 30.0 | 23.2 | 23.5 | 22.4 | 17.4 | 17.5 |
| Jun qtr | 248.5 | 279.3 | 265.4 | 21.7 | 24.8 | 24.0 | 16.1 | 18.3 | 17.5 |
| Sep qtr | 191.0 | 249.4 | 259.3 | 17.6 | 23.9 | 24.1 | 12.5 | 16.7 | 17.3 |
| Dec qtr | 269.5 | 253.2 | 253.0 | 25.7 | 23.7 | 23.9 | 18.3 | 16.9 | 16.9 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7 .
(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Hobart All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

Star grading

|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { and } \\ \text { ungraded } \end{array}$ | 2 | 3 | 4 and 5 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 ( |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 55 | 51 | 24 | 9 | 15 | 73 | 33 | 130 |
| Guest rooms | 2929 | 1752 | 865 | 277 | 414 | 3003 | 1852 | 5546 |
| Rooms per establishment | 53 | 34 | 36 | 31 | 28 | 41 | 56 | 43 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 54 | 49 | 25 | 9 | 17 | 71 | 31 | 128 |
| Guest rooms | 2906 | 1677 | 879 | 245 | 532 | 2635 | 2050 | 5462 |
| Rooms per establishment | 54 | 34 | 35 | 27 | 31 | 37 | 66 | 43 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 (e) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 29.9 | 17.9 | 22.7 | 8.4 | 7.9 | 22.5 | 38.2 | 23.9 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 27.1 | 17.0 | 19.6 | 9.1 | 8.5 | 17.8 | 42.0 | 21.8 |
| Nov | 32.0 | 20.0 | 22.1 | 10.4 | 10.5 | 21.0 | 48.3 | 25.5 |
| Dec | 26.6 | 16.5 | 20.3 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 17.2 | 41.9 | 21.5 |
| Dec qtr | 28.5 | 17.8 | 20.7 | 9.4 | 9.2 | 18.6 | 44.0 | 22.9 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999 no. no. no. no. no. no. no. no. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Nov | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Dec | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.0 |
| Dec qtr | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | days | days | days | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 |
| Nov | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| Dec | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.8 |
| Dec qtr | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 |



At the end of the December quarter 2000, there were 89 accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms in the Northern Territory. The 89 establishments contained 6,231 guest rooms. Over half of the guest rooms $(3,143)$ were in motels and guest house type accommodation.

On average, accommodation establishments in the Territories tend to be larger than those in the States. The average number of guest rooms per establishment in the Northern Territory for the December quarter 2000 was 70 .

The average nightly number of rooms occupied per establishment decreased $9 \%$ to 38.8 during the December quarter 2000 compared to a year ago. The decrease occurred across all accommodation types, but was largest in serviced apartments (down $17 \%$ ) to 38.1 rooms, followed by motels and guest houses (down 9\%), to 33.4 rooms and licensed hotels (down 2\%), to 50.8 rooms.

Room nights occupied The trend estimate for room nights occupied for the December quarter 2000 was 323,900 , a decrease of $9 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 and $2 \%$ on the September quarter 2000.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, NT


Notes: There is a break in series relating to the Northern Territory because two establishments previously classified as holiday units were reclassified as motels between the September and December quarters 1994.
There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

In the December quarter 2000, the trend estimate for average takings per room night occupied continued its steady upward trend to $\$ 111$ in current price terms, up $5 \%$ on the corresponding period last year. In constant price terms, the average takings per room night occupied decreased $2 \%$ to $\$ 79$, compared to a year ago.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, NT: Trend


Notes: There is a break in series relating to the Northern Territory because two establishments previously classified as holiday units were reclassified as motels between the September and December quarters 1994.
There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

22 hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments - nta)

|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 817.6 | 814.5 | 818.8 | 66.6 | 66.2 | 66.5 | 58.7 | 58.2 | 58.6 |
| 1992 | 872.7 | 872.1 | 869.2 | 69.0 | 69.1 | 69.2 | 59.9 | 60.2 | 60.0 |
| 1993 | 989.8 | 985.1 | 986.7 | 78.6 | 78.3 | 78.3 | 67.0 | 66.8 | 67.0 |
| 1994 | 1096.3 | 1095.1 | 1093.4 | 89.7 | 89.4 | 89.4 | 75.0 | 75.1 | 74.7 |
| 1995 | 1146.4 | 1145.4 | 1149.1 | 101.3 | 100.9 | 101.4 | 81.3 | 81.0 | 81.7 |
| 1996 | 1173.1 | 1172.1 | 1171.2 | 113.9 | 113.4 | 113.3 | 88.7 | 88.7 | 88.4 |
| 1997 | 1217.7 | 1219.6 | 1219.2 | 119.8 | 119.8 | 119.7 | 93.2 | 93.5 | 93.2 |
| 1998 | 1220.7 | 1218.4 | 1213.7 | 124.1 | 123.5 | 122.8 | 95.9 | 95.5 | 95.1 |
| 1999 | 1347.9 | 1337.1 | 1338.2 | 139.0 | 138.1 | 138.0 | 106.7 | 105.6 | 105.7 |
| 2000 | 1338.8 | 1343.5 | 1346.8 | 145.8 | 145.9 | 146.8 | 107.6 | 108.2 | 108.7 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 443.0 | 346.0 | 344.9 | 46.9 | 35.7 | 35.7 | 36.0 | 27.4 | 27.3 |
| Dec qtr | 344.6 | 360.2 | 355.6 | 36.9 | 39.1 | 37.7 | 28.2 | 29.3 | 28.7 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 267.2 | 341.9 | 351.6 | 26.9 | 36.3 | 37.8 | 20.4 | 28.0 | 28.7 |
| Jun qtr | 354.6 | 358.8 | 340.9 | 38.2 | 38.4 | 37.0 | 28.7 | 28.9 | 27.8 |
| Sep qtr | 399.3 | 309.8 | 330.4 | 46.4 | 34.8 | 36.2 | 33.7 | 25.6 | 26.6 |
| Dec qtr | 317.7 | 333.1 | 323.9 | 34.3 | 36.4 | 35.9 | 24.8 | 25.7 | 25.6 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7 .
(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Darwin All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.


|  |  |  |  |  |  | Star grading |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest houses | Serviced apartments | 1 and ungraded | 2 | 3 | 4 and 5 | Total |
| TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 14896 | 14544 | 7503 | 1564 | 2131 | 14858 | 18390 | 36943 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 5411 | 5569 | 2442 | 776 | 768 | 5566 | 6313 | 13423 |
| Nov | 5098 | 5148 | 2052 | 634 | 680 | 5167 | 5818 | 12299 |
| Dec | 3497 | 3374 | 1690 | 489 | 466 | 3526 | 4080 | 8560 |
| Dec qtr | 14006 | 14092 | 6184 | 1899 | 1913 | 14259 | 16211 | 34282 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 647.7 | 303.0 | 441.4 | 86.9 | 106.5 | 437.0 | 1149.4 | 419.8 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 235.3 | 113.7 | 143.6 | 37.0 | 40.4 | 168.7 | 394.5 | 150.8 |
| Nov | 221.7 | 105.1 | 120.7 | 30.2 | 35.8 | 156.6 | 363.6 | 138.2 |
| Dec | 152.0 | 68.9 | 99.4 | 23.3 | 24.5 | 106.9 | 255.0 | 96.2 |
| Dec qtr | 609.0 | 287.6 | 363.8 | 90.4 | 100.7 | 432.1 | 1013.2 | 385.2 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 135 | 90 | 104 | 67 | 65 | 109 | 121 | 107 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 130 | 95 | 108 | 76 | 69 | 112 | 122 | 109 |
| Nov | 133 | 94 | 101 | 68 | 70 | 115 | 118 | 108 |
| Dec | 128 | 91 | 101 | 67 | 65 | 110 | 118 | 106 |
| Dec qtr | 130 | 94 | 104 | 71 | 68 | 112 | 119 | 108 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT AVAILABLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 83 | 51 | 71 | 31 | 29 | 62 | 88 | 65 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 90 | 57 | 68 | 36 | 32 | 73 | 89 | 70 |
| Nov | 88 | 55 | 59 | 30 | 29 | 70 | 85 | 66 |
| Dec | 58 | 35 | 47 | 23 | 19 | 46 | 58 | 44 |
| Dec qtr | 79 | 49 | 58 | 29 | 27 | 63 | 77 | 60 |
| AVERAGE TAKINGS PER GUEST NIGHT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1999 ( 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 82 | 54 | 55 | 41 | 39 | 59 | 76 | 63 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 80 | 55 | 57 | 43 | 43 | 60 | 76 | 63 |
| Nov | 83 | 55 | 56 | 39 | 42 | 62 | 76 | 64 |
| Dec | 76 | 50 | 53 | 36 | 33 | 59 | 71 | 59 |
| Dec qtr | 80 | 54 | 55 | 40 | 40 | 61 | 75 | 62 |

Capacity At the end of the December quarter 2000 there were 60 accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms in the Australian Capital Territory, an increase of two (3\%) over the previous 12 months. At the same time, the overall capacity of accommodation establishments increased $6 \%$ to 5,020 guest rooms, with guest rooms in licensed hotels up $13 \%$; serviced apartments up $10 \%$; and motels and guest houses down $3 \%$. The average number of rooms per establishment across all accommodation types at the end of the December quarter 2000 was 84.

Accommodation establishments in the Australian Capital Territory had on average 49.3 nightly rooms occupied in the December quarter 2000 a slight increase on the same period last year. The month of November recorded the highest level of nightly rooms occupied in the December quarter 2000. Increases in the average length of stay were recorded for all accommodation types.

Takings from accommodation

Total takings from accommodation establishments were $\$ 29.0$ million in the December quarter 2000, up $12 \%$ on the same period in 1999. All accommodation types recorded increases in takings, with licensed hotels up $21 \%$, serviced apartments up $9 \%$ and motels and guest houses up $1 \%$. Takings from licensed hotels during the September quarter 2000 represented $47 \%$ of all takings.

Room nights occupied
The trend estimate of room nights occupied during the December quarter 2000 was 268,500 . This was a decrease on both the December 1999 and September 2000 quarters of $1 \%$ and $4 \%$, respectively.

QUARTERLY ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED, ACT


Note: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

Average takings per room night occupied

The trend estimate of average takings per room night occupied, in current prices, was $\$ 109$ up $10 \%$ on the corresponding period last year. In constant price terms, the December quarter 2000 average takings per room night occupied increased $1 \%$ to $\$ 76$.

AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED, ACT: Trend


Notes: There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes to the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3-7.

| $25$ | HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS - ACT(a) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Room nights occupied(b) |  |  | Takings at current prices(b) |  |  | Takings at average 1989-90 prices(c) |  |  |
|  | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend |
|  | '000 | '000 | '000 | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m | \$m |
| 1991 | 696.7 | 697.1 | 695.8 | 58.1 | 58.2 | 58.0 | 50.8 | 50.9 | 50.7 |
| 1992 | 758.9 | 755.9 | 724.0 | 62.9 | 62.5 | 62.8 | 54.1 | 54.1 | 54.2 |
| 1993 | 798.9 | 799.8 | 784.6 | 67.2 | 67.3 | 67.0 | 56.6 | 56.6 | 56.4 |
| 1994 | 826.4 | 829.6 | 831.5 | 71.6 | 72.0 | 72.2 | 59.4 | 59.4 | 59.7 |
| 1995 | 838.7 | 840.2 | 837.5 | 75.7 | 75.7 | 75.5 | 59.6 | 59.7 | 59.5 |
| 1996 | 821.5 | 818.7 | 826.4 | 76.5 | 76.3 | 77.0 | 58.8 | 58.9 | 59.0 |
| 1997 | 903.3 | 903.5 | 898.8 | 88.1 | 88.2 | 87.7 | 68.3 | 68.2 | 68.2 |
| 1998 | 933.1 | 934.9 | 932.7 | 93.5 | 93.5 | 93.1 | 71.9 | 71.9 | 71.6 |
| 1999 | 1045.8 | 1049.7 | 1054.8 | 103.1 | 103.6 | 104.0 | 78.7 | 78.7 | 79.3 |
| 2000 | 1102.0 | 1106.5 | 1104.8 | 115.1 | 115.4 | 115.5 | 83.8 | 83.9 | 83.8 |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep qtr | 284.9 | 284.0 | 268.6 | 28.2 | 28.2 | 26.5 | 21.5 | 21.6 | 20.2 |
| Dec qtr | 260.1 | 253.4 | 270.8 | 25.8 | 25.5 | 26.9 | 19.5 | 18.8 | 20.3 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar qtr | 271.3 | 270.4 | 276.6 | 27.3 | 27.0 | 27.8 | 20.4 | 20.3 | 20.8 |
| Jun qtr | 296.4 | 304.3 | 281.4 | 30.1 | 30.6 | 29.0 | 22.3 | 23.0 | 21.3 |
| Sep qtr | 262.4 | 267.9 | 278.3 | 28.7 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 20.5 | 20.6 | 21.2 |
| Dec qtr | 271.9 | 263.9 | 268.5 | 29.0 | 28.2 | 29.1 | 20.6 | 19.9 | 20.5 |

(a) There is a break in series between December quarter 1996 and March quarter 1997 because of scope changes in the STA. Refer to Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 3 to 7 .
(b) For presentation purposes the quarterly seasonally adjusted estimates for room nights occupied and takings at current prices are derived by summing the relevant monthly figures, while the quarterly trend estimates are derived from these quarterly seasonally adjusted figures.
(c) The deflator used to revalue current price data in this table is the Canberra All Groups Consumer Price Index. See paragraphs 9 to 11 of the Explanatory Notes.

Star grading

|  | Licensed hotels with facilities | Motels and guest house | Serviced apartments | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { and } \\ \text { ungraded } \end{gathered}$ | 2 | 3 | 4 and 5 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ESTABLISHMENTS AND CAPACITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| Dec qtr 1999 ( |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 14 | 26 | 18 | 8 | 9 | 20 | 21 | 58 |
| Guest rooms | 1681 | 1731 | 1304 | 377 | 587 | 1399 | 2353 | 4716 |
| Rooms per establishment | 120 | 67 | 72 | 47 | 65 | 70 | 112 | 81 |
| Dec qtr 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Establishments | 15 | 25 | 20 | 10 | 7 | 21 | 22 | 60 |
| Guest rooms | 1905 | 1676 | 1439 | 513 | 480 | 1481 | 2546 | 5020 |
| Rooms per establishment | 127 | 67 | 72 | 51 | 69 | 71 | 116 | 84 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY ROOMS OCCUPIED PER ESTABLISHMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. | no. |
| 1999 年 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 74.0 | 37.1 | 46.4 | 21.8 | 37.3 | 39.4 | 73.1 | 48.9 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 86.2 | 38.4 | 48.1 | 27.2 | 39.8 | 41.3 | 81.6 | 53.6 |
| Nov | 87.1 | 40.0 | 49.1 | 30.0 | 41.8 | 41.9 | 82.5 | 54.8 |
| Dec | 63.0 | 27.3 | 38.0 | 20.0 | 29.1 | 31.0 | 60.5 | 39.8 |
| Dec qtr | 78.7 | 35.2 | 45.0 | 25.8 | 36.9 | 38.0 | 74.8 | 49.3 |
| AVERAGE NIGHTLY GUESTS PER OCCUPIED ROOM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999 no. no. no. no. no. no. no. no. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| Nov | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Dec | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| Dec qtr | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | days | days |  | days | days | days | days | days |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec qtr | 1.7 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.1 |
| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct | 1.9 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Nov | 1.8 | 2.0 | 3.7 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 2.3 |
| Dec | 2.0 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 2.5 |
| Dec qtr | 1.9 | 2.0 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 2.4 |



## INTERNATIONAL TOURISM

The statistics presented in this section are sourced from incoming and outgoing passenger cards, collected by the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA). DIMA is currently automating the processing of passenger cards and delays are being experienced.

Therefore, the statistics for the months of August to December 2000 are preliminary estimates of short-term movements (less than 12 months) of visitors to Australia, that are compiled from information on passports, visas or other travel documents. There is no final data on short-term visitor arrivals nor short-term resident departures.

The statistics presented here supplement those already released in the monthly publication, Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0).

There were an estimated $1,462,200$ short-term visitor arrivals to Australia during the December quarter 2000, with the highest number occurring during December $(565,700)$. The December quarter arrivals represent an increase of $15 \%$ on the corresponding quarter in 1999, and an increase of $21 \%$ on the September quarter 2000. In trend terms, December quarter 2000 visitor arrivals were up $15 \%$ on the December quarter 1999 and up $4 \%$ on the September quarter 2000.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS, Short-term visitors, Total


In original terms, the major source countries of visitor arrivals to Australia during the December quarter 2000 were New Zealand (15\% or 224,500 of all arrivals), the United Kingdom (14\% or 206,900), Japan $(13 \%$ or 195,100$)$ and the USA $(9 \%$ or 126,500$)$ as shown in table 28.

Compared to the same period last year, all major source countries saw an increase in visitor numbers to Australia during the December quarter 2000, New Zealand up 18\%, the United Kingdom up $16 \%$, Japan up $14 \%$ and the USA up $9 \%$.

Visitor arrivals from New Zealand, Japan and the United Kingdom are trending upwards in the December quarter 2000. Conversely, the trend for visitors from the USA is declining after peaking in the September quarter due to a large increase in visitor arrivals for the Olympic Games.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS, Short-term visitors, NZ: Trend


OVERSEAS ARRIVALS, Short-term visitors, UK: Trend


OVERSEAS ARRIVALS, Short-term visitors, Japan: Trend


OVERSEAS ARRIVALS, Short-term visitors, USA: Trend


| Country of residence | Original |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Oct p | Nov $p$ | Dec $p$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec qtr } \\ & 2000 \text { p } \end{aligned}$ | Change over <br> Dec qtr $1999 \text { p }$ | Proportion of total visitors | Median intended length of stay | Person days |
|  | , 000 | '000 | '000 | , 000 | \% | \% | days | , 000 |
| Oceania and Antarctica |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Zealand | 76.2 | 72.5 | 75.8 | 224.5 | 17.9 | 15.4 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Other | 13.0 | 10.8 | 16.2 | 40.0 | 0.3 | 2.7 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Total | 89.2 | 83.3 | 92.0 | 264.5 | 14.9 | 18.1 | n.у.a. | n.у.a. |
| Europe and the former USSR |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| France | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Germany | 16.4 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 46.4 | -9.0 | 3.2 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Italy | 5.9 | 4.8 | 7.5 | 18.2 | 7.1 | 1.2 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Netherlands | 8.1 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 22.0 | 21.5 | 1.5 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Switzerland | 5.0 | 4.9 | 6.5 | 16.4 | -4.1 | 1.1 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| United Kingdom | 54.9 | 63.6 | 88.4 | 206.9 | 15.5 | 14.1 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Other | 33.4 | 30.1 | 37.4 | 100.9 | 14.9 | 6.9 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Total | (a)123.7 | (a)125.2 | (a)161.9 | (a)410.8 | 11.0 | 28.1 | п.у.a. | n.у.a. |
| Middle East and North Africa |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 4.7 | 3.7 | 6.5 | 14.9 | 18.3 | 1.0 | п.у.a. | п.у.a. |
| Southeast Asia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indonesia | 9.6 | 6.1 | 18.2 | 33.9 | 88.3 | 2.3 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Malaysia | 10.9 | 15.8 | 19.1 | 45.8 | 21.2 | 3.1 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Singapore | 18.9 | 33.9 | 43.6 | 96.4 | 9.0 | 6.6 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Thailand | 9.5 | 5.0 | 7.1 | 21.6 | 22.7 | 1.5 | n.у.a. | n.y.a. |
| Other | 4.6 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 14.2 | -4.7 | 1.0 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Total | 53.5 | 65.2 | 93.2 | 211.9 | 19.9 | 14.5 | n.у.a. | n.у.a. |
| Northeast Asia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| China | 12.5 | 11.7 | 15.1 | 39.3 | 42.4 | 2.7 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Hong Kong (SAR of China) | 10.7 | 10.4 | 13.3 | 34.4 | 0.0 | 2.4 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Japan | 54.7 | 68.9 | 71.5 | 195.1 | 14.3 | 13.3 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Korea | 11.2 | 14.6 | 17.7 | 43.5 | 16.9 | 3.0 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Taiwan | 8.8 | 9.1 | 8.2 | 26.1 | -6.1 | 1.8 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Other | 1.0 | 2.0 | 3.6 | 6.6 | -51.8 | 0.5 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Total | 98.9 | 116.7 | 129.4 | 345.0 | 15.7 | 23.6 | n.у.a. | n.y.a. |
| Southern Asia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | n.y.a | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a | n.y.a | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| The Americas |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 8.3 | 9.3 | 11.4 | 29.0 | 14.6 | 2.0 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| United States of America | 39.9 | 40.3 | 46.3 | 126.5 | 9.3 | 8.7 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Other | 4.4 | 3.3 | 5.1 | 12.8 | 36.2 | 0.9 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Total | 52.6 | 52.9 | 62.8 | 168.3 | 11.9 | 11.5 | п.у.а. | n.у.a. |
| Africa |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 7.7 | 8.1 | 12.2 | 28.0 | 34.0 | 1.9 | п.у.a. | n.у.a. |
| Other and not stated | (b) 5.3 | (b) 5.8 | (b) 7.7 | (b)18.8 | -110.9 | 1.3 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| Total | 435.6 | 460.9 | 565.7 | 1462.2 | 14.7 | 100.0 | n.y.a. | n.y.a. |
| (a) Includes France. <br> (b) Includes Southern Asia. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug $p$ | Sep p | Oct p | Nov $p$ | Dec $p$ |
| Country of residence | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 | '000 |
| ORIGINAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 8.2 | 8.6 | 8.2 | 5.6 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 5.9 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 9.3 | 11.4 |
| Germany | 14.1 | 14.7 | 13.1 | 10.6 | 7.5 | 6.5 | 9.8 | 8.4 | 13.4 | 16.4 | 14.9 | 15.1 |
| Hong Kong (SAR of China) | 10.9 | 20.8 | 10.8 | 15.3 | 9.4 | 10.7 | 16.7 | 10.8 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.4 | 13.3 |
| Japan | 50.3 | 68.5 | 73.3 | 54.7 | 51.3 | 48.7 | 62.9 | 68.3 | 47.4 | 54.7 | 68.9 | 71.5 |
| Malaysia | 8.9 | 18.0 | 12.2 | 12.5 | 14.9 | 9.1 | 10.2 | 11.3 | 10.4 | 10.9 | 15.8 | 19.1 |
| New Zealand | 47.8 | 45.0 | 61.7 | 78.1 | 60.3 | 74.0 | 82.4 | 73.7 | 73.6 | 76.2 | 72.5 | 75.8 |
| Papua New Guinea | 4.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 5.9 |
| Singapore | 10.4 | 24.6 | 23.7 | 21.2 | 21.0 | 32.1 | 16.4 | 14.9 | 15.3 | 18.9 | 33.9 | 43.6 |
| United Kingdom | 46.4 | 60.1 | 55.4 | 52.4 | 27.2 | 25.8 | 38.7 | 31.5 | 33.7 | 54.9 | 63.6 | 88.4 |
| United States of America | 34.8 | 41.6 | 42.4 | 34.7 | 30.3 | 42.4 | 43.8 | 32.1 | 53.6 | 39.9 | 40.3 | 46.3 |
| Other and not stated | 124.9 | 129.6 | 107.8 | 117.1 | 90.0 | 90.2 | 137.0 | 108.4 | 135.9 | 140.1 | 128.3 | 175.2 |
| Total | 360.8 | 434.6 | 411.9 | 405.6 | 319.3 | 347.9 | 429.0 | 368.3 | 406.5 | 435.6 | 460.9 | 565.7 |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 8.6 | 10.8 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.9 |
| Germany | 12.2 | 11.4 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 12.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 15.1 | 12.0 | 12.9 | 10.9 |
| Hong Kong (SAR of China) | 13.3 | 11.8 | 11.4 | 14.4 | 13.5 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 12.2 | 13.3 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 11.0 |
| Japan | 48.8 | 60.9 | 62.4 | 58.5 | 59.6 | 62.4 | 56.5 | 56.4 | 51.5 | 61.3 | 74.3 | 67.8 |
| Malaysia | 13.2 | 11.8 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 11.0 | 12.3 | 12.8 | 12.0 | 10.1 | 12.8 | 14.3 | 17.9 |
| New Zealand | 62.7 | 64.7 | 69.9 | 72.8 | 66.2 | 70.0 | 68.4 | 64.3 | 61.9 | 65.6 | 77.0 | 75.8 |
| Papua New Guinea | 3.4 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 4.1 |
| Singapore | 21.9 | 22.6 | 24.6 | 25.4 | 23.6 | 21.6 | 24.3 | 21.0 | 18.2 | 24.1 | 23.3 | 24.3 |
| United Kingdom | 41.4 | 43.8 | 43.5 | 56.0 | 47.8 | 45.1 | 54.4 | 50.5 | 41.8 | 51.1 | 48.0 | 55.8 |
| United States of America | 36.9 | 32.0 | 36.7 | 37.9 | 39.5 | 41.2 | 39.8 | 37.7 | 70.1 | 36.8 | 40.4 | 41.8 |
| Other and not stated | 111.2 | 112.5 | 112.8 | 118.0 | 116.1 | 117.5 | 118.0 | 120.6 | 168.6 | 134.2 | 122.1 | 127.6 |
| Total | 371.4 | 382.2 | 396.9 | 418.4 | 400.7 | 406.2 | 409.5 | 398.6 | 465.3 | 421.6 | 435.3 | 444.8 |
| TREND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.5 | 8.0 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 7.9 |
| Germany | 12.4 | 12.1 | 11.8 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.9 | 12.2 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.4 |
| Hong Kong (SAR of China) | 12.1 | 12.4 | 12.7 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 12.6 | 12.1 | 11.4 | 10.7 |
| Japan | 57.4 | 57.8 | 58.7 | 59.6 | 59.5 | 58.4 | 57.6 | 57.9 | 59.6 | 61.7 | 63.5 | 64.6 |
| Malaysia | 12.7 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.3 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 11.9 | 12.5 | 13.3 | 13.9 | 14.3 |
| New Zealand | 63.9 | 65.7 | 67.7 | 69.1 | 69.1 | 68.0 | 66.6 | 66.1 | 66.7 | 68.4 | 70.5 | 72.6 |
| Papua New Guinea | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 |
| Singapore | 22.4 | 22.9 | 23.5 | 23.9 | 23.7 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 21.6 | 21.8 | 22.5 | 23.5 | 24.5 |
| United Kingdom | 43.0 | 43.7 | 45.7 | 47.9 | 49.4 | 49.7 | 49.2 | 48.7 | 48.7 | 49.3 | 50.2 | 51.0 |
| United States of America | 36.0 | 36.4 | 36.4 | 37.0 | 38.7 | 41.3 | 44.0 | 46.0 | 46.5 | 45.6 | 43.5 | 41.0 |
| Other and not stated | 110.6 | 112.2 | 113.0 | 114.0 | 116.4 | 120.9 | 126.3 | 131.4 | 134.9 | 135.9 | 134.9 | 132.9 |
| Total | 381.1 | 386.3 | 392.7 | 399.2 | 405.0 | 409.8 | 414.8 | 421.3 | 428.2 | 433.6 | 436.0 | 435.7 |

INTRODUCTION

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

SCOPE AND COVERAGE

1 This publication brings together tourism data from a number of sources, including previously unpublished data from the quarterly Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) and the Overseas Arrivals and Departures Collection (OAD).

2 The series of tables and graphs in the tourist accommodation section of this publication contain statistics for Australia and each State and Territory. Statistics in this publication are the latest available for the December quarter 2000.

3 Tourist accommodation establishments included in the STA and for which data appear in this publication, are hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities; and serviced apartments which are available to the general public for a minimum of one night. Every third year, beginning with 2000, the STA is expanded to include holiday flats, units and houses of letting entities; caravan parks and visitor hostels. Further information can be found in Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0), available from ABS bookshops or by contacting Paull Hoffmann on Brisbane 0732226201.

4 Data collected and published relate to both long-term and short-term guests at hotels, motels and guest houses, and only short-term guests at serviced apartments. For hotels, motels and guest houses the amount of long-term residential activity is considered insignificant. This activity is included in the data presented.

5 As a result of the separate classification of serviced apartments from the March quarter 1998, there have been several changes to definitions of accommodation units. Some units which were previously classified as hotels, motels or holiday flats have been reclassified to serviced apartments. A small number of establishments previously classified as motels, have been reclassified as holiday flats, units or houses, and are no longer in scope of the quarterly STA.

6 From the March quarter 1998, only those in-scope establishments with 15 or more rooms or units are covered by the survey. Data for the 1997 calendar year have been recompiled on the new basis. Data for time periods prior to 1997 have been recompiled to only include accommodation establishments with 15 or more rooms, but have not been recompiled to reflect the inclusion of serviced apartments as a separate classification. This means that data for periods prior to the March quarter 1997 reflect the old classification and only include hotels, motels and guest houses. It should be noted that some serviced apartments may have been included in STA estimates prior to the March quarter 1997, as they may previously have been classified as hotels or motels, as outlined in paragraph 5 above.

7 As a result of the changes to the scope and classification of accommodation establishments there is a break in all time series between the December quarter 1996 and the March quarter 1997.

SCOPE AND COVERAGE continued

ESTIMATES AT CONSTANT PRICES

INTERNATIONAL TOURISM

SOURCE OF THE STATISTICS

8 From 1 July 2000, the item 'takings from accommodation' includes the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

9 Estimates of quarterly takings from accommodation contained in this publication are also expressed in terms of average 1989-90 prices (constant prices). These estimates are presented in original, seasonally adjusted and trend terms, for Australia and each State and Territory. Monthly data at constant prices are not available.

10 Takings from accommodation for each State and Territory have been deflated using the All Groups Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the relevant capital city. The CPI has been used as it is a measure of the general extent of price change (inflation) in the economy. (Note: the CPI is only produced for capital cities.) As an example, an increase of $10 \%$ in the New South Wales takings from accommodation at 1989-90 prices over a period would mean that New South Wales takings from accommodation increased $10 \%$ more than the Sydney CPI over that period, implying that takings from accommodation in New South Wales increased $10 \%$ more than inflation.

11 General information on price deflators and constant price estimates is contained in section 4 of Australian National Accounts: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 1989 (Cat. no. 5216.0).

12 The tables and graphs in the international tourism section of this publication contain statistics on short-term visitors arriving in Australia. Short-term movement relates to an intended length of stay of less than 12 months.

13 Persons arriving in, or departing from Australia, are required to complete prescribed questionnaires in the form of Incoming and Outgoing Passenger Cards. These cards provide information to the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) for administrative purposes and serve as the source of statistics of overseas arrivals and departures. In accordance with the Census and Statistics Act 1905, information relating to individuals, individual flights or ships and individual carriers, which is contained in these cards or other documents, is treated as confidential by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

14 Implementation of the Migration Reform Act 1992 by DIMA required that a health and character check be incorporated with the Incoming Passenger Card. The redesign of both passenger cards followed and new passenger cards were officially introduced on 1 September 1994. The main statistical change relating to data in this publication affects the purpose of journey classification and constitutes a break in time series for this data item.

15 From July 1998 there have been changes to passenger cards completed by travellers entering and leaving Australia, as well as to international passenger procedures and DIMA computer systems. Please refer to the May 1998 issue of Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0).

CORRECTIONS AND IMPUTATIONS

16 DIMA is currently automating the processing of passenger cards and delays are being experienced. Therefore, the statistics for August to September 2000 are compiled from information on passports, visas or other travel documents.

17 The statistics in this publication relate to the number of movements of travellers rather than the number of travellers (i.e. the multiple movements of individual persons during a given reference period are each counted separately). The statistics exclude the movements of operational air and ships' crew, of transit passengers who pass through Australia but are not cleared for entry, and of passengers on pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia aboard ships not then engaged on regular voyages.

18 Overseas arrival and departure statistics are derived from a combination of full enumeration and sampling. All movements with a duration of stay of less than one year are sampled. Statistics relating to these movements are therefore estimates, which may differ from statistics which would have been obtained if details of all these movements had been processed.

19 Imprecision due to sampling errors should not be confused with errors arising from imperfections in reporting, which may occur in any data collection, whether sampled or not. Every effort is made to minimise such errors, by careful design of the passenger cards and through checks on the information once it is received. During the edit process some items are corrected where they conflict with other known information. Missing replies to certain items such as age are also imputed by reference to other related items.

20 Errors of this kind differ from discrepancies arising from the fact that certain information reflects the travellers' intentions, at the time the passenger cards were completed. These intentions are, of course, subject to change. Particularly affected is the distinction between permanent and temporary movement and in the latter case, length of intended stay, country in which most time will be spent, and purpose of journey.

21 Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are shown in various graphs and tables throughout this publication. In these series, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors, 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying number of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for the months of March and April. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting the series from the STA and OAD collections are available on request.

TREND ESTIMATES

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

22 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effect of other influences on the series may be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment procedures do not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Irregular influences that are highly volatile can make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation, and cannot be assumed to indicate changes in the trend.

23 As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. For the Survey of Tourist Accommodation, the results of the latest review are shown in the March quarter issue of this publication. For the Overseas Arrivals and Departures series, the results of the latest review of seasonal factors are shown in the September quarter issue.

24 Smoothing seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series and creates the trend estimates. The trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term weighted moving average to the monthly and a 7 -term Henderson moving average to the quarterly seasonally adjusted series. The 7- and 13-term Henderson averages (like all Henderson averages) are symmetric but, as the end of a time series is approached, asymmetric forms of the average are applied. Unlike the weights of the standard 7-term Henderson moving average, the weights employed with the quarterly data have been tailored to suit the particular characteristics of individual series.

25 While these techniques enable smoothed data for the latest period to be produced, it does result in revisions to the smoothed series, principally of recent months, as additional observations become available. There may also be revisions as a result of the re-estimation of the seasonal factors. For further information refer to, Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series - Monitoring "Trends", an Overview, 1993 (Cat. no. 1348.0), or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra 0262526345.

26 Comprehensive definitions and explanations, and detailed data are contained in the publications below, which can be obtained from ABS Bookshops or by mail order:

Australian National Accounts: Tourism Satellite Account 1997-98
(Cat. no. 5249.0) — irregular

Business Use of Information Technology 1999-2000, Australia
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Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (Cat. no. 3401.0) - issued monthly

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Tourist Accommodation, Australia (Cat. no. 8635.0) - issued quarterly
Tourist accommodation small area data for each State and the Northern Territory - issued quarterly

27 Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications and Products (Cat. no. 1101.0). The ABS also issues on Tuesdays and Fridays, a Release Advice (Cat. no. 1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. Both are available from any ABS office or the ABS website.

28 Related statistics are also published by the Bureau of Tourism Research, DIMA and the Department of Transport and Communications.

29 As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS can make available information which is not published. Generally a charge is made for providing unpublished information.

30 Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

| (A) | Area |
| :--- | :--- |
| ABS | Australian Bureau of Statistics |
| ACT | Australian Capital Territory |
| Aust. | Australia |
| (C) | City |
| CPI | Consumer Price Index |
| DIMA | Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs |
| n.a. | not available |
| n.y.a. | not yet available |
| n.p. | not published |
| p | preliminary |
| NSW | New South Wales |
| NT | Northern Territory |
| NZ | New Zealand |
| OAD | Overseas Arrivals and Departures Collection |
| QId | Queensland |
| SA | South Australia |
| STA | Survey of Tourist Accommodation |
| Tas | Tasmania |
| (TR) | Tourism Region |
| UK | United Kingdom |
| USA | United States of America |
| Vic | Victoria |
| WA | Western Australia |
| - | nil or rounded to zero |
| -. | not applicable |

## GLOSSARY

Average length of stay

## Average nightly guests

 per occupied roomAverage nightly rooms occupied per establishment

Average takings per establishment

Average takings per guest night

Average takings per room night available

Average takings per room night occupied

Capacity

## Country of intended stay

Country of residence

Establishments

Average length of stay is expressed in numbers of days and calculated:

- for hotels, motels and guest houses, by dividing guest nights by guest arrivals; and
- for serviced apartments, by dividing units nights occupied by unit lettings.

Guest nights divided by room nights occupied.

The average number of rooms per establishment multiplied by the occupancy rate for the survey period.

The takings from accommodation for the survey period divided by the number of establishments at the end of the survey period.

The takings from accommodation divided by the total number of guest nights for the survey period.

The takings from accommodation divided by the total room nights available for the survey period.

The takings from accommodation divided by the total number of room nights occupied for the survey period.

Capacity in terms of guest rooms/units or bed spaces is the maximum number available to accommodate paying guests during the survey period. Capacity closed temporarily for seasonal reasons is included.

For Australian residents travelling abroad for short-term trips, this relates to the country in which they intend to spend the most time.

Refers to the country in which short-term visitors regard themselves as living or as last having lived.

The classification of countries in this publication is based on the Standard Australian Classification of Countries. For more detailed information, refer to the Australian Bureau of Statistics publication Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC), 1998 (Cat. no. 1269.0).

All hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments within the scope of the survey which operated for any part of the survey period, or which closed temporarily for the quarter for seasonal reasons.

Guest nights

The total number of paying guests counted on each night they stayed at the accommodation establishment.

Guest rooms The maximum number of rooms available at each establishment during the survey period for accommodating short-term paying guests. Units and apartments within serviced apartments are treated as rooms in these survey results.

Median length of stay Defined as the length of stay which divides the relevant population into two equal parts, one half of the cases falling below the median and the other half exceeding it.

Occupancy rate Occupancy expressed as a percentage of total capacity available during the survey period, e.g. for the period

Roomoccupancy rate $(\%)=\frac{\text { Roomnights occupied } \times 100}{(\text { Guest rooms }) \times(\text { no.of days in the period })}$
Person days Defined as the number of short-term visitor arrivals or short-term resident departures multiplied by the intended length of stay for each visitor or resident.

Purpose of journey From the September quarter 1994, all statistics relating to purpose of journey are published using the following categories: Convention/conference, Business, Visiting friends/relatives, Holiday, Employment, Education and Other. In tabulations of data collected before September 1994 quarter, the 'Other' category includes 'In transit', and the 'Holiday' category includes 'Student vacation' and 'Accompanying business visitor'.

Room nights available The total of guest rooms/units available multiplied by the number of days for which each was available during the survey period.

Room nights occupied The total number of nights each guest room/unit was occupied by a paying guest during the survey period.

## Rooms per establishment

The average number of rooms/units per establishment.
Short-term movement
Movements of travellers whose intended or actual length of stay is less than 12 months are classified as short-term. The tables for visitor arrivals and resident departures in this publication relate to short-term movements only.

Star grading The grading of hotels and motels with facilities and serviced apartments is based on the classification system used by members of the Australian Automobile Association (AAA). The gradings are allocated according to a points system based on the amenities and facilities available to guests. Details of the grading scheme are contained in the RACV-RAASA members' publication Accommodation Australia, or the individual tour guides produced by members of the AAA. For the purpose of classifying establishments to a star grading in this publication, 'half' star gradings are ignored (e.g. a two and a half star grading has been shown as a two star).

Takings from accommodation

Gross revenue from the provision of accommodation, including (since 1 July 2000) the Goods and Services Tax (GST). Prior to GST, bed taxes were included. Takings from meals are excluded. Takings from accommodation for each month generally represent the takings received during that month. Where payments are received in advance of, or after, the provision of accommodation to guests, the monthly figure for takings from accommodation may not necessarily bear a direct relationship to the number of guests accommodated during the month.

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