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## NOTES

### FORTHCOMING ISSUES

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### INTRODUCTION

This data service provides additional information specific to Northern Territory, including data for small areas within Tourism Regions. The composition of each Tourism Region is included at the back of this data service.

For the four quarters of 2000, the scope of the Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA) has been expanded. Over this period the following accommodation sectors will be covered:

- hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms or units;
- holiday flats, units and houses operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least 15 flats, units or houses for short term letting;
- caravan parks with 40 or more powered sites, cabins, etc; and
- visitor hostels with 25 or more bed spaces.

### CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

Table numbers in this publication have changed to allow for inclusion of data on the additional sectors for the March quarter 2000.

Outlined below are the table formats to be used for the March, June, September and December quarters of 2000 and a comparison with equivalent tables in the December quarter 1999 issue:

- Table 1: Summary of hotels, motels and serviced apartments (no change).
- Table 2, 3 and 4: New summary tables for each of the other accommodation sectors:  
     Holiday flats, units and houses - Table 2.  
     Caravan Parks - Table 3.  
     Visitor hostels - Table 4.
- Tables 5 and 6: Tables for hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments by star grading (previously Tables 2 and 3).
- Tables 7 and 8: Tables for Hotels, motels guest houses and serviced apartments by Tourism Region and selected small areas. (previously Tables 4 and 5).
- Tables 9 -12: New tables for the additional accommodation sectors as follows:  
     Holiday flats, units and houses - Table 9.  
     Caravan Parks - Tables 10 and 11.  
     Visitor hostels - Table 12.

### HISTORICAL COMPARISONS

Statistics for hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments are presented for the last 6 quarters to allow for comparison over time. However, data for caravan parks, holiday flats, units and houses and visitor hostels are compared with the corresponding period in 1997 when the data were last collected.

### INQUIRIES

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Period	Establish- ments no.	Guest rooms no.	Bed spaces no.	Persons employed no.	Room nights occupied '000	Room occupancy rate %	Guest nights '000	Bed occupancy rate %	Guest arrivals '000	Average length of stay days	Takings from accom- modation \$'000
LICENSED HOTELS WITH FACILITIES											
<b>1998</b>											
December quarter	24	1 973	5 601	1 702	93	51.1	153	29.6	89	1.7	11 833
<b>1999</b>											
March quarter	24	1 984	5 636	1 691	72	40.3	113	22.4	68	1.7	8 117
June quarter	24	1 989	5 640	1 927	105	58.5	163	32.1	91	1.8	12 294
September quarter	24	2 002	5 622	1 770	141	77.0	228	44.3	125	1.8	17 562
December quarter	23	1 949	5 553	1 697	110	61.3	183	35.7	104	1.8	14 896
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	23	1 938	5 501	1 788	86	48.8	139	27.7	86	1.6	11 203
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	383	53.4	625	31.2	344	1.8	47 137
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	442	61.6	712	35.0	407	1.8	55 955
MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES WITH FACILITIES											
<b>1998</b>											
December quarter	48	3 030	9 081	1 030	143	51.4	247	29.5	142	1.7	12 894
<b>1999</b>											
March quarter	48	3 025	9 048	1 075	113	41.5	181	22.2	105	1.7	9 836
June quarter	48	3 046	9 055	1 173	156	56.6	274	33.5	153	1.8	13 783
September quarter	47	3 093	9 142	1 162	212	74.9	380	45.4	200	1.9	19 364
December quarter	48	3 124	9 374	1 075	162	56.5	269	31.2	145	1.9	14 544
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	48	3 073	9 319	1 072	126	45.2	191	22.6	102	1.9	10 431
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	595	53.9	1 011	30.4	572	1.8	53 529
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	656	58.4	1 114	33.2	599	1.9	58 121
SERVICED APARTMENTS											
<b>1998</b>											
December quarter	16	1 038	3 218	372	57	60.0	109	36.7	38	2.8	5 315
<b>1999</b>											
March quarter	16	1 038	3 219	365	45	48.2	78	27.0	28	2.8	4 112
June quarter	17	1 119	3 267	451	69	68.2	134	45.2	49	2.7	7 020
September quarter	18	1 134	3 342	454	90	86.3	186	60.4	58	3.2	9 977
December quarter	17	1 153	3 605	391	72	68.0	138	41.5	47	2.9	7 503
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	18	1 171	3 719	370	55	52.0	101	29.9	33	3.1	5 297
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	237	62.6	445	37.6	153	2.9	23 201
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	287	68.5	559	43.8	187	3.0	29 798
TOTAL ESTABLISHMENTS											
<b>1998</b>											
December quarter	88	6 041	17 900	3 104	293	52.8	508	30.8	269	1.9	30 042
<b>1999</b>											
March quarter	88	6 047	17 903	3 131	230	42.2	372	23.1	201	1.9	22 065
June quarter	89	6 154	17 962	3 551	330	59.3	572	35.2	294	1.9	33 097
September quarter	89	6 229	18 106	3 386	443	77.7	793	47.8	383	2.1	46 903
December quarter	88	6 226	18 532	3 163	345	60.2	589	34.5	295	2.0	36 943
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	89	6 182	18 539	3 230	267	47.7	431	25.6	221	2.0	26 931
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	1 215	55.2	2 081	32.0	1 069	1.9	123 866
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	1 385	61.3	2 385	35.8	1 193	2.0	143 874

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

## FLATS, UNITS AND HOUSES.

<i>Period</i>	<i>Letting entities(a)</i> no.	<i>Single bedroom</i> no.	<i>Multiple bedroom</i> no.	<i>Total</i> no.	<i>Bed spaces</i> no.	<i>Persons employed(b)</i> no.	<i>Unit nights occupied</i> '000.	<i>Unit occupancy rate</i> %.	<i>Unit lettings</i> '000	<i>Average length of stay</i> days	<i>Takings from accom- modation</i> \$'000
LET BY REAL ESTATE AGENTS											
<b>1997</b>											
March quarter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
LET BY OTHER LETTING ENTITIES											
<b>1997</b>											
March quarter	4	70	93	163	648	33	8	53.0	1	6.1	452
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	4	103	93	196	810	39	13	71.6	6	2.2	1 029
TOTAL HOLIDAY FLATS, UNITS AND HOUSES											
<b>1997</b>											
March quarter	4	70	93	163	648	33	8	53.0	1	6.1	452
<b>2000</b>											
March quarter	4	103	93	196	810	39	13	71.6	6	2.2	1 029

(a) The number of owners, managers or real estate agents with 15 or more self-contained units (see Explanatory Notes).

(b) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

## CAPACITY.....

<i>Period</i>	<i>Establish- ments</i>	<i>On-site vans</i>	<i>Other powered sites</i>	<i>Un- powered sites</i>	<i>Cabins, etc.</i>	<i>Total capacity</i>	<i>Persons employed</i>	<i>Sites occupied by long-term guests</i>	<i>Other sites permanently reserved</i>	<i>Site nights occupied</i>	<i>Site occupancy rate</i>	<i>Takings from accom- modation</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	'000	%	\$'000
<b>SHORT-TERM CARAVAN PARKS</b>												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	31	75	2 720	2 191	322	5 308	210	288	5	66	13.8	1 262
June quarter	31	69	2 843	2 233	300	5 445	273	305	3	195	39.5	3 655
September quarter	32	81	2 910	2 306	303	5 600	244	300	18	250	48.5	4 673
December quarter	34	89	2 968	2 312	329	5 698	204	258	2	107	20.5	1 961
<b>2000</b>												
March quarter	33	96	2 858	2 166	379	5 499	232	276	3	69	14.1	1 419
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	583	30.7	10 734
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	621	30.7	11 708
<b>LONG-TERM CARAVAN PARKS</b>												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	13	171	1 363	463	89	2 086	67	582	—	63	33.5	631
June quarter	13	177	1 455	450	90	2 172	81	621	—	86	43.5	1 087
September quarter	13	180	1 392	465	100	2 137	127	640	—	111	56.5	1 502
December quarter	14	264	1 340	457	174	2 235	146	610	—	77	37.4	991
<b>2000</b>												
March quarter	14	179	1 328	471	235	2 213	63	560	—	78	38.7	784
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	323	42.5	3 881
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	352	43.9	4 364
<b>TOTAL CARAVAN PARKS</b>												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	44	246	4 083	2 654	411	7 394	277	870	5	129	19.4	1 893
June quarter	44	246	4 298	2 683	390	7 617	354	926	3	281	40.6	4 742
September quarter	45	261	4 302	2 771	403	7 737	371	940	18	361	50.7	6 175
December quarter	48	353	4 308	2 769	503	7 933	350	868	2	184	25.2	2 952
<b>2000</b>												
March quarter	47	275	4 186	2 637	614	7 712	295	836	3	147	21.2	2 203
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	906	34.1	14 615
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	973	34.4	16 072

(a) Comprising establishments with 40 or more powered sites and cabins, etc. (see Explanatory Notes).

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## SUMMARY OF VISITOR HOSTELS (a)—NT

<i>Period</i>	<i>Establishments</i>	<i>Bed spaces</i>	<i>Persons employed</i>	<i>Guest nights</i>	<i>Bed occupancy rate</i>	<i>Guest arrivals</i>	<i>Average length of stay</i>	<i>Takings from accommodation</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	%	no.	days	\$'000
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	30	3 179	228	105 494	36.9	54 037	2.0	1 742
June quarter	31	3 279	282	155 588	52.1	80 201	1.9	2 549
September quarter	32	3 341	268	192 467	62.6	100 673	1.9	3 300
December quarter	31	3 351	260	128 211	41.6	68 772	1.9	2 222
<b>2000</b>								
March quarter	30	3 161	317	112 079	39.3	56 793	2.0	1 908
Year ended March 1999	..	..	..	577 298	49.8	306 904	1.9	9 193
Year ended March 2000	..	..	..	588 345	49.1	306 439	1.9	9 979

(a) Comprising establishments with 25 or more bed spaces (see Explanatory Notes).

## STAR GRADING .....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apartments	1 and Ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT (number)								
<b>March quarter 1999</b>								
Establishments	24	48	16	18	23	33	14	88
Guest rooms	1 984	3 025	1 038	555	977	2 598	1 917	6 047
Bed spaces	5 636	9 048	3 219	1 598	2 921	7 801	5 583	17 903
Persons employed	1 691	1 075	365	231	288	1 188	1 424	3 131
<b>March quarter 2000</b>								
Establishments	23	48	18	20	20	33	16	89
Guest rooms	1 938	3 073	1 171	626	803	2 471	2 282	6 182
Bed spaces	5 501	9 319	3 719	1 785	2 446	7 487	6 821	18 539
Persons employed	1 788	1 072	370	235	251	980	1 764	3 230
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	71.9	113.0	44.9	19.0	23.8	109.7	77.3	229.8
<b>2000</b>								
January	24.3	37.7	17.6	5.9	8.0	29.7	36.1	79.7
February	28.9	40.2	18.3	6.5	7.8	30.8	42.3	87.4
March	32.9	47.7	19.4	7.7	9.4	36.6	46.4	100.1
March quarter	86.1	125.7	55.4	20.1	25.2	97.1	124.8	267.2
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (%)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	40.3	41.5	48.2	38.0	27.1	47.0	44.8	42.2
<b>2000</b>								
January	40.5	39.9	48.6	31.9	32.1	38.8	51.0	41.8
February	51.4	45.2	53.9	35.7	33.7	43.0	63.9	48.8
March	54.8	50.7	53.5	39.5	39.5	47.8	65.6	52.5
March quarter	48.8	45.2	52.0	35.7	35.0	43.2	60.1	47.7
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	113.4	181.1	78.0	30.3	43.1	179.3	119.8	372.5
<b>2000</b>								
January	41.4	61.2	36.1	10.3	13.8	53.4	61.2	138.7
February	46.2	57.3	31.5	10.0	11.7	50.9	62.4	135.0
March	51.3	72.1	33.6	12.5	14.2	60.8	69.6	157.1
March quarter	138.9	190.7	101.1	32.7	39.7	165.2	193.2	430.7
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (%)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	22.4	22.2	27.0	21.1	16.4	25.6	23.8	23.1
<b>2000</b>								
January	24.3	21.4	31.3	19.4	18.2	23.0	28.9	24.2
February	28.9	21.2	29.2	19.3	16.5	23.4	31.5	25.1
March	30.1	25.3	29.1	22.5	19.6	26.2	32.9	27.5
March quarter	27.7	22.6	29.9	20.4	18.1	24.2	31.1	25.6

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

## STAR GRADING .....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apartments	1 and Ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	68.1	104.6	28.0	13.8	26.7	106.1	54.1	200.8
<b>2000</b>								
January	24.5	31.8	10.9	4.8	7.9	28.5	26.0	67.2
February	29.1	30.4	10.6	4.1	6.4	29.2	30.4	70.1
March	32.3	39.5	11.4	5.1	7.5	34.9	35.7	83.3
March quarter	85.9	101.7	32.9	14.1	21.8	92.5	92.1	220.5
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	1.7	1.7	2.8	2.2	1.6	1.7	2.2	1.9
<b>2000</b>								
March quarter	1.6	1.9	3.1	2.3	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.0
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	8 117	9 836	4 112	1 155	1 527	10 903	8 481	22 065
<b>2000</b>								
January	3 142	3 067	1 677	397	423	3 034	4 033	7 886
February	3 734	3 352	1 720	414	412	3 143	4 838	8 807
March	4 327	4 011	1 899	505	512	3 795	5 426	10 238
March quarter	11 203	10 431	5 297	1 315	1 347	9 972	14 297	26 931
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED (\$)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	112.9	87.0	91.6	60.8	64.2	99.4	109.7	96.0
<b>2000</b>								
January	129.1	81.3	95.0	66.7	53.0	102.2	111.8	98.9
February	129.4	83.3	93.9	63.9	52.6	101.9	114.5	100.7
March	131.4	84.0	97.7	65.8	54.4	103.7	116.9	102.3
March quarter	130.1	83.0	95.6	65.4	53.4	102.7	114.6	100.8
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER AVAILABLE ROOM NIGHT (\$)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	45.5	36.1	44.2	23.1	17.4	46.7	49.2	40.6
<b>2000</b>								
January	52.3	32.4	46.2	21.2	17.0	39.6	57.0	41.3
February	66.4	37.6	50.7	22.8	17.7	43.9	73.1	49.1
March	72.0	42.6	52.3	26.0	21.5	49.5	76.7	53.7
March quarter	63.5	37.5	49.7	23.4	18.7	44.3	68.8	48.0

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

## STAR GRADING .....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motel and guest houses	Serviced apartments	1 and Ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT								
<b>March quarter 1999</b>								
Establishments	11	14	9	9	6	10	9	34
Guest rooms	929	948	678	294	251	636	1 374	2 555
Bed spaces	2 321	2 861	2 144	837	783	1 765	3 941	7 326
Persons employed	870	335	225	105	46	327	952	1 430
<b>March quarter 2000</b>								
Establishments	10	13	11	10	5	9	10	34
Guest rooms	878	915	789	361	229	523	1 469	2 582
Bed spaces	2 169	2 859	2 515	1 040	713	1 526	4 264	7 543
Persons employed	885	314	249	102	42	255	1 049	1 448
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	32.4	35.1	29.7	11.2	8.7	23.1	54.3	97.3
<b>2000</b>								
January	11.9	14.7	12.0	4.2	3.3	5.2	25.9	38.6
February	14.6	15.9	13.4	5.1	3.5	5.9	29.5	43.9
March	14.9	16.5	13.9	5.7	3.8	6.4	29.4	45.3
March quarter	41.5	47.1	39.2	15.0	10.6	17.5	84.7	127.8
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (%)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	38.8	41.1	48.7	42.3	38.5	40.3	43.9	42.3
<b>2000</b>								
January	43.8	53.1	49.0	40.5	46.3	32.1	56.8	48.7
February	57.4	60.1	58.5	48.5	52.0	39.2	69.2	58.7
March	54.8	58.2	56.6	50.9	54.0	39.5	64.5	56.6
March quarter	51.9	57.1	54.6	46.8	50.8	36.9	63.3	54.6
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	45.0	54.9	51.2	17.4	17.5	35.2	81.0	151.1
<b>2000</b>								
January	16.7	23.0	25.5	7.2	5.5	9.4	43.0	65.2
February	19.4	21.9	22.2	7.6	5.1	9.1	41.6	63.5
March	19.4	24.1	23.6	9.2	5.8	9.8	42.3	67.1
March quarter	55.5	69.0	71.3	24.1	16.4	28.3	126.9	195.7
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (%)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	21.5	21.3	26.5	23.1	24.9	22.2	22.8	22.9
<b>2000</b>								
January	24.8	26.6	32.7	24.2	25.1	19.8	32.6	28.1
February	30.8	26.5	30.4	25.3	24.8	20.5	33.7	29.0
March	28.9	27.1	30.3	28.6	26.1	20.8	32.0	28.7
March quarter	28.1	26.8	31.2	26.1	25.3	20.4	32.7	28.6

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

STAR GRADING .....								
Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apartments	1 and Ungraded	2	3	4 and 5	Total
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	22.2	23.8	13.5	5.8	10.1	12.6	31.0	59.5
<b>2000</b>								
January	9.9	8.1	6.4	2.8	2.5	3.4	15.7	24.4
February	12.0	8.3	6.3	2.8	2.3	3.7	17.8	26.6
March	11.5	9.2	6.6	3.0	2.6	3.9	17.9	27.3
March quarter	33.5	25.6	19.3	8.6	7.5	11.0	51.3	78.4
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	2.0	2.3	3.8	3.0	1.7	2.8	2.6	2.5
<b>2000</b>								
March quarter	1.7	2.7	3.7	2.8	2.2	2.6	2.5	2.5
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	2 701	2 510	2 775	566	514	1 671	5 235	7 986
<b>2000</b>								
January	1 129	1 042	1 227	275	180	408	2 534	3 397
February	1 355	1 208	1 352	293	185	448	2 988	3 915
March	1 383	1 175	1 419	332	217	500	2 928	3 977
March quarter	3 866	3 425	3 998	901	582	1 357	8 450	11 289
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED (\$)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	83.3	71.5	93.3	50.6	59.1	72.4	96.5	82.1
<b>2000</b>								
January	94.6	71.1	102.3	65.0	54.7	78.5	98.0	88.1
February	92.6	75.8	101.0	57.7	53.6	75.3	101.4	89.1
March	92.8	71.1	102.4	58.3	56.6	78.2	99.7	87.8
March quarter	93.2	72.7	101.9	60.0	55.0	77.3	99.8	88.3
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER AVAILABLE ROOM NIGHT (\$)								
<b>1999</b>								
March quarter	32.3	29.4	45.5	21.4	22.7	29.2	42.3	34.7
<b>2000</b>								
January	41.5	37.7	50.2	26.4	25.3	25.2	55.6	42.8
February	53.2	45.5	59.1	28.0	27.9	29.5	70.1	52.3
March	50.8	41.4	58.0	29.7	30.6	30.8	64.3	49.7
March quarter	48.4	41.5	55.7	28.1	27.9	28.5	63.2	48.2

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

	DARWIN.....				KAKADU.....				ARNHEM.....			
Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT												
<b>March quarter 1999</b>												
Establishments	11	14	9	34	2	1	—	3	1	2	—	3
Guest rooms	929	948	678	2 555	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
Bed spaces	2 321	2 861	2 144	7 326	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
Persons employed	870	335	225	1 430	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>March quarter 2000</b>												
Establishments	10	13	11	34	2	1	—	3	1	2	—	3
Guest rooms	878	915	789	2 582	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
Bed spaces	2 169	2 859	2 515	7 543	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
Persons employed	885	314	249	1 448	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	32.4	35.1	29.7	97.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	11.9	14.7	12.0	38.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	14.6	15.9	13.4	43.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	14.9	16.5	13.9	45.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	41.5	47.1	39.2	127.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (%)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	38.8	41.1	48.7	42.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	43.8	53.1	49.0	48.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	57.4	60.1	58.5	58.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	54.8	58.2	56.6	56.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	51.9	57.1	54.6	54.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	45.0	54.9	51.2	151.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	16.7	23.0	25.5	65.2	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	19.4	21.9	22.2	63.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	19.4	24.1	23.6	67.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	55.5	69.0	71.3	195.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (%)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	21.5	21.3	26.5	22.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	24.8	26.6	32.7	28.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	30.8	26.5	30.4	29.0	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	28.9	27.1	30.3	28.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	28.1	26.8	31.2	28.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

DARWIN..... KAKADU..... ARNHEM.....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apartments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apartments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apartments	Total
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	22.2	23.8	13.5	59.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	9.9	8.1	6.4	24.4	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	12.0	8.3	6.3	26.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	11.5	9.2	6.6	27.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	33.5	25.6	19.3	78.4	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	2.0	2.3	3.8	2.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
March quarter	1.7	2.7	3.7	2.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	2 701	2 510	2 775	7 986	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	1 129	1 042	1 227	3 397	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	1 355	1 208	1 352	3 915	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	1 383	1 175	1 419	3 977	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	3 866	3 425	3 998	11 289	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED (\$)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	83.3	71.5	93.3	82.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	94.6	71.1	102.3	88.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	92.6	75.8	101.0	89.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	92.8	71.1	102.4	87.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	93.2	72.7	101.9	88.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER AVAILABLE ROOM NIGHT (\$)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	32.3	29.4	45.5	34.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	41.5	37.7	50.2	42.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	53.2	45.5	59.1	52.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	50.8	41.4	58.0	49.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	48.4	41.5	55.7	48.2	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	—	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

KATHERINE..... TABLELANDS..... PETERMANN.....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT												
<b>March quarter 1999</b>												
Establishments	2	6	1	9	2	5	—	7	2	4	1	7
Guest rooms	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	469	n.p.	n.p.	—	247	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1 326	n.p.	n.p.	—	665	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Persons employed	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	166	n.p.	n.p.	—	65	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>March quarter 2000</b>												
Establishments	2	7	1	10	2	5	—	7	2	4	1	7
Guest rooms	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	529	n.p.	n.p.	—	252	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Bed spaces	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1 482	n.p.	n.p.	—	677	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Persons employed	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	204	n.p.	n.p.	—	68	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	11.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	5.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	1.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	1.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	2.0	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	15.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	5.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (%)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	26.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	25.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	29.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	23.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	30.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	20.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	37.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	26.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	32.4	n.p.	n.p.	—	23.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19.4	n.p.	n.p.	—	9.7	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	8.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	3.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	8.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	2.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	9.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	3.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	27.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	9.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (%)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16.2	n.p.	n.p.	—	16.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	18.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	20.4	n.p.	n.p.	—	11.9	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	23.2	n.p.	n.p.	—	15.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	20.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	15.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

KATHERINE..... TABLELANDS..... PETERMANN.....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	15.0	n.p.	n.p.	—	7.9	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	3.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	4.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	2.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	5.2	n.p.	n.p.	—	2.8	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	14.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	8.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.3	n.p.	n.p.	—	1.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	1.9	n.p.	n.p.	—	1.1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	817	n.p.	n.p.	—	319	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	273	n.p.	n.p.	—	111	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	279	n.p.	n.p.	—	89	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	330	n.p.	n.p.	—	120	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	882	n.p.	n.p.	—	319	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED (\$)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	72.0	n.p.	n.p.	—	56.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	56.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	60.5	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	59.1	n.p.	n.p.	—	59.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	57.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	58.6	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	57.8	n.p.	n.p.	—	59.4	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER AVAILABLE ROOM NIGHT (\$)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	19.4	n.p.	n.p.	—	14.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	16.6	n.p.	n.p.	—	14.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
February	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	18.2	n.p.	n.p.	—	12.2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	21.5	n.p.	n.p.	—	15.3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	18.7	n.p.	n.p.	—	13.9	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

ALICE SPRINGS..... MACDONNELL..... DALY.....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT												
<b>March quarter 1999</b>												
Establishments	4	14	5	23	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
Guest rooms	n.p.	1 026	n.p.	1 603	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
Bed spaces	n.p.	3 105	n.p.	4 924	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
Persons employed	n.p.	351	n.p.	736	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>March quarter 2000</b>												
Establishments	4	13	5	22	—	2	—	2	—	1	—	1
Guest rooms	n.p.	1 003	n.p.	1 579	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
Bed spaces	n.p.	3 084	n.p.	4 964	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
Persons employed	n.p.	341	n.p.	799	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	42.7	n.p.	64.1	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	11.4	n.p.	17.8	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	12.3	n.p.	18.9	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	16.5	n.p.	24.2	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	40.2	n.p.	60.9	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
ROOM OCCUPANCY RATES (%)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	46.3	n.p.	44.6	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	36.5	n.p.	36.3	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	42.3	n.p.	41.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	53.2	n.p.	49.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	44.0	n.p.	42.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
GUEST NIGHTS ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	70.3	n.p.	102.6	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	19.9	n.p.	31.3	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	19.1	n.p.	29.8	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	26.8	n.p.	39.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	65.7	n.p.	100.6	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (%)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	25.2	n.p.	23.2	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	20.8	n.p.	20.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	21.3	n.p.	20.7	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	28.0	n.p.	25.6	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	23.4	n.p.	22.3	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

ALICE SPRINGS..... MACDONNELL..... DALY.....

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total	Licensed hotels with facilities	Motels and guest houses	Serviced apart- ments	Total
GUEST ARRIVALS ('000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	38.3	n.p.	56.1	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	10.5	n.p.	15.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	10.3	n.p.	15.9	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	14.9	n.p.	21.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	35.6	n.p.	52.7	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	1.8	n.p.	1.8	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	1.8	n.p.	1.9	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	3 081	n.p.	4 671	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	808	n.p.	1 287	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	916	n.p.	1 449	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	1 252	n.p.	1 872	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	2 975	n.p.	4 607	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER ROOM NIGHT OCCUPIED (\$)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	72.1	n.p.	72.8	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	71.2	n.p.	72.5	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	74.5	n.p.	76.5	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	75.7	n.p.	77.4	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	74.0	n.p.	75.7	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
AVERAGE TAKINGS PER AVAILABLE ROOM NIGHT (\$)												
<b>1999</b>												
March quarter	n.p.	33.4	n.p.	32.5	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
<b>2000</b>												
January	n.p.	26.0	n.p.	26.3	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
February	n.p.	31.5	n.p.	31.6	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March	n.p.	40.3	n.p.	38.2	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.
March quarter	n.p.	32.6	n.p.	32.1	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.	—	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units (see Explanatory Notes).

# HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES & SERVICED APARTMENTS BY SELECTED SMALL AREAS, MARCH QTR 2000—NT

ROOM OCCUPANCY RATE  
ROOM NIGHTS OCCUPIED ..... (PER CENT) .....

Area	Establish- ments	Guest rooms	Bed spaces	Persons employed	January	February	March	March qtr	January	February	March	March qtr
Darwin (C)												
City - Inner	24	2 141	6 337	922	32 892	37 601	38 468	108 961	50.1	60.6	58.0	56.1
Remainder	6	346	871	496	5 413	6 129	6 539	18 081	50.5	61.1	61.0	57.4
Darwin (C)	30	2 487	7 208	1 418	38 305	43 730	45 007	127 042	50.2	60.6	58.4	56.3
Coomalie (CGC)	4	95	335	30	275	218	276	769	9.3	7.9	9.4	8.9
Darwin (TR)	34	2 582	7 543	1 448	38 580	43 948	45 283	127 811	48.7	58.7	56.6	54.6
Kakadu (TR)	3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Arnhem (TR)	3	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Katherine (TR)	10	529	1 482	204	4 804	4 725	5 731	15 260	29.3	30.8	37.3	32.4
Tablelands (TR)	7	252	677	68	1 830	1 505	2 041	5 376	23.4	20.6	26.1	23.4
Petermann (TR)	7	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Alice Springs (T)												
Ross	5	549	1 637	412	4 978	5 525	6 910	17 413	29.2	34.7	40.6	34.9
Stuart	13	775	2 498	321	9 569	10 974	14 521	35 064	39.8	48.8	60.4	49.7
Remainder	4	255	829	66	3 215	2 441	2 760	8 416	40.7	33.0	34.9	36.3
Alice Springs (TR)	22	1 579	4 964	799	17 762	18 940	24 191	60 893	36.3	41.4	49.4	42.4
Macdonnell (TR)	2	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Daly (TR)	1	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
Northern Territory	89	6 182	18 539	3 230	79 701	87 425	100 105	267 231	41.8	48.8	52.5	47.7

GUEST NIGHTS ..... GUEST ARRIVALS ..... TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$ '000) .....

January	February	March	March qtr	January	February	March	March qtr	January	February	March	March qtr
53 266	53 150	56 205	162 621	19 512	22 262	22 658	64 432	2 902	3 380	3 410	9 692
10 940	9 696	10 267	30 903	4 334	3 893	4 214	12 441	462	511	536	1 509
64 206	62 846	66 472	193 524	23 846	26 155	26 872	76 873	3 364	3 892	3 947	11 202
946	646	631	2 223	543	486	471	1 500	34	23	30	87
65 152	63 492	67 103	195 747	24 389	26 641	27 343	78 373	3 397	3 915	3 977	11 289
n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
8 886	8 777	9 822	27 485	4 870	4 600	5 190	14 660	273	279	330	882
3 830	2 338	3 197	9 365	3 620	2 099	2 778	8 497	111	89	120	319
n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
9 122	9 227	11 833	30 182	4 502	5 346	6 741	16 589	421	501	584	1 507
15 926	16 266	22 314	54 506	8 005	8 156	11 777	27 938	703	846	1 133	2 682
6 292	4 348	5 271	15 911	2 858	2 407	2 919	8 184	162	101	155	418
31 340	29 841	39 418	100 599	15 365	15 909	21 437	52 711	1 287	1 449	1 872	4 607
n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.	n.p.
138 709	134 965	157 059	430 733	67 174	70 103	83 250	220 527	7 886	8 807	10 238	26 931

Period	Darwin	Kakadu	Arnhem	Katherine	Tablelands	Petermann
LETTING ENTITIES, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<b>March quarter 1997</b>						
Letting entities(a)	4	—	—	—	—	—
Flats, units and houses						
Single bedroom	70	—	—	—	—	—
Multiple bedroom	93	—	—	—	—	—
Total	163	—	—	—	—	—
Bed spaces	648	—	—	—	—	—
Persons employed(b)	33	—	—	—	—	—
<b>March quarter 2000</b>						
Letting entities(a)	3	—	—	—	—	—
Flats, units and houses						
Single bedroom	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
Multiple bedroom	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
Total	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
Bed spaces	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
Persons employed(b)	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
UNIT NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	7.8	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2000</b>						
January	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
February	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March quarter	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
UNIT OCCUPANCY RATES (%)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	53.0	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2000</b>						
January	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
February	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March quarter	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
UNIT LETTINGS ('000)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	1.3	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2000</b>						
January	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
February	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March quarter	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	6.1	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2000</b>						
March quarter	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	452	—	—	—	—	—
<b>2000</b>						
January	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
February	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—
March quarter	n.p.	—	—	—	—	—

(a) Comprising letting entities with 15 or more self-contained units (see Explanatory Notes). (b) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

## NORTHERN TERRITORY LETTING ENTITIES..

Period	Alice Springs	MacDonnell	Daly	Real estate agents	Other	Total
LETTING ENTITIES, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<b>March quarter 1997</b>						
Letting entities(a)	—	—	—	—	4	4
Flats, units and houses						
Single bedroom	—	—	—	—	70	70
Multiple bedroom	—	—	—	—	93	93
Total	—	—	—	—	163	163
Bed spaces	—	—	—	—	648	648
Persons employed(b)	—	—	—	—	33	33
<b>March quarter 2000</b>						
Letting entities(a)	—	1	—	—	4	4
Flats, units and houses						
Single bedroom	—	n.p.	—	—	103	103
Multiple bedroom	—	n.p.	—	—	93	93
Total	—	n.p.	—	—	196	196
Bed spaces	—	n.p.	—	—	810	810
Persons employed(b)	—	n.p.	—	—	39	39
UNIT NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	—	—	—	—	7.8	7.8
<b>2000</b>						
January	—	n.p.	—	—	4.1	4.1
February	—	n.p.	—	—	4.2	4.2
March	—	n.p.	—	—	4.4	4.4
March quarter	—	n.p.	—	—	12.8	12.8
UNIT OCCUPANCY RATES (%)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	—	—	—	—	53.0	53.0
<b>2000</b>						
January	—	n.p.	—	—	67.8	67.8
February	—	n.p.	—	—	74.4	74.4
March	—	n.p.	—	—	72.6	72.6
March quarter	—	n.p.	—	—	71.6	71.6
UNIT LETTINGS ('000)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	—	—	—	—	1.3	1.3
<b>2000</b>						
January	—	n.p.	—	—	1.8	1.8
February	—	n.p.	—	—	2.0	2.0
March	—	n.p.	—	—	2.1	2.1
March quarter	—	n.p.	—	—	5.8	5.8
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (days)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	—	—	—	—	6.1	6.1
<b>2000</b>						
March quarter	—	n.p.	—	—	2.2	2.2
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<b>1997</b>						
March quarter	—	—	—	—	452	452
<b>2000</b>						
January	—	n.p.	—	—	350	350
February	—	n.p.	—	—	337	337
March	—	n.p.	—	—	342	342
March quarter	—	n.p.	—	—	1 029	1 029

(a) Comprising letting entities with 15 or more self-contained units (see Explanatory Notes). (b) Employment numbers exclude real estate agents and their employees.

Period	Darwin	Kakadu	Arnhem	Katherine	Tablelands	Petermann
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<b>March quarter 1999</b>						
Establishments	16	3	—	10	4	3
Capacity						
On-site vans	179	—	—	3	n.p.	n.p.
Other powered sites	1 814	265	—	628	n.p.	n.p.
Unpowered sites	473	370	—	582	n.p.	n.p.
Cabins, flats, etc.	99	40	—	109	n.p.	n.p.
Total Capacity	2 565	675	—	1 322	n.p.	n.p.
Sites occupied by long-term guests	574	8	—	54	n.p.	n.p.
Other sites permanently reserved	1	—	—	—	n.p.	n.p.
Persons employed	87	22	—	76	n.p.	n.p.
<b>March quarter 2000</b>						
Establishments	16	4	—	10	4	4
Capacity						
On-site vans	183	n.p.	—	3	n.p.	n.p.
Other powered sites	1 769	n.p.	—	676	n.p.	n.p.
Unpowered sites	387	n.p.	—	710	n.p.	n.p.
Cabins, flats, etc.	155	n.p.	—	134	n.p.	n.p.
Total Capacity	2 494	n.p.	—	1 523	n.p.	n.p.
Sites occupied by long-term guests	534	n.p.	—	40	n.p.	n.p.
Other sites permanently reserved	1	n.p.	—	—	n.p.	n.p.
Persons employed	68	n.p.	—	74	n.p.	n.p.
SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<b>1999</b>						
March quarter	64.9	5.2	—	8.2	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>						
January	25.5	n.p.	—	3.0	n.p.	n.p.
February	23.0	n.p.	—	2.7	n.p.	n.p.
March	25.6	n.p.	—	3.3	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	74.1	n.p.	—	9.1	n.p.	n.p.
SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (%)						
<b>1999</b>						
March quarter	28.1	8.5	—	6.9	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>						
January	32.9	n.p.	—	6.4	n.p.	n.p.
February	31.8	n.p.	—	6.2	n.p.	n.p.
March	33.2	n.p.	—	8.4	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	32.6	n.p.	—	6.9	n.p.	n.p.
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<b>1999</b>						
March quarter	697	56	—	172	n.p.	n.p.
<b>2000</b>						
January	253	n.p.	—	57	n.p.	n.p.
February	223	n.p.	—	52	n.p.	n.p.
March	266	n.p.	—	64	n.p.	n.p.
March quarter	743	n.p.	—	174	n.p.	n.p.

(a) Comprising establishments with 40 or more powered sites and cabins, etc. (see Explanatory Notes).

## NORTHERN TERRITORY.....

Period	Alice Springs	MacDonnell	Daly	Short-term parks	Long-term parks	Total
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT						
<b>March quarter 1999</b>						
Establishments	7	—	1	31	13	44
Capacity						
On-site vans	27	—	n.p.	75	171	246
Other powered sites	750	—	n.p.	2 720	1 363	4 083
Unpowered sites	435	—	n.p.	2 191	463	2 654
Cabins, flats, etc.	100	—	n.p.	322	89	411
<i>Total Capacity</i>	<i>1 312</i>	—	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>5 308</i>	<i>2 086</i>	<i>7 394</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	218	—	n.p.	288	582	870
Other sites permanently reserved	—	—	n.p.	5	—	5
Persons employed	34	—	n.p.	210	67	277
<b>March quarter 2000</b>						
Establishments	7	—	2	33	14	47
Capacity						
On-site vans	39	—	n.p.	96	179	275
Other powered sites	732	—	n.p.	2 858	1 328	4 186
Unpowered sites	442	—	n.p.	2 166	471	2 637
Cabins, flats, etc.	99	—	n.p.	379	235	614
<i>Total Capacity</i>	<i>1 312</i>	—	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>5 499</i>	<i>2 213</i>	<i>7 712</i>
Sites occupied by long-term guests	209	—	n.p.	276	560	836
Other sites permanently reserved	—	—	n.p.	3	—	3
Persons employed	43	—	n.p.	232	63	295
SITE NIGHTS OCCUPIED ('000)						
<b>1999</b>						
March quarter	29.1	—	n.p.	65.9	63.0	128.8
<b>2000</b>						
January	10.0	—	n.p.	22.4	27.1	49.5
February	9.4	—	n.p.	20.3	24.3	44.6
March	11.7	—	n.p.	26.7	26.5	53.2
March quarter	31.1	—	n.p.	69.4	77.9	147.3
SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (%)						
<b>1999</b>						
March quarter	24.7	—	n.p.	13.8	33.5	19.4
<b>2000</b>						
January	24.7	—	n.p.	13.2	39.5	20.7
February	24.6	—	n.p.	12.7	37.9	19.9
March	28.8	—	n.p.	16.4	38.7	23.0
March quarter	26.1	—	n.p.	14.1	38.7	21.2
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)						
<b>1999</b>						
March quarter	460	—	n.p.	1 262	631	1 893
<b>2000</b>						
January	166	—	n.p.	471	262	732
February	150	—	n.p.	398	240	638
March	197	—	n.p.	551	282	833
March quarter	512	—	n.p.	1 419	784	2 203

(a) Comprising establishments with 40 or more powered sites and cabins, etc. (see Explanatory Notes).

## CAPACITY.....

Area	Establish- ments	On-site vans	Other powered sites	Unpowered sites	Cabins, flats, etc.	Total	Sites occupied by long-term guests	Other sites permanently reserved	Persons employed
Litchfield (S)	7	143	633	149	129	1 054	222	—	37
Darwin (C)	5	30	923	163	16	1 132	305	—	23
Balance	4	10	213	75	10	308	7	1	8
<i>Darwin (TR)</i>	16	183	1 769	387	155	2 494	534	1	68
<i>Kakadu (TR)</i>	4	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
Katherine (T)	5	3	414	180	111	708	40	—	25
Balance	5	—	262	530	23	815	—	—	49
<i>Katherine (TR)</i>	10	3	676	710	134	1 523	40	—	74
<i>Tablelands (TR)</i>	4	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
<i>Petermann (TR)</i>	4	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
Alice Springs (T)									
Heavitree	4	6	477	400	61	944	108	—	30
Balance	3	33	255	42	38	368	101	—	13
<i>Alice Springs (TR)</i>	7	39	732	442	99	1 312	209	—	43
<i>Daly (TR)</i>	2	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
<i>Northern Territory</i>	47	275	4 186	2 637	614	7 712	836	3	295

(a) Comprising establishments with 40 or more powered sites and cabins, etc. (see Explanatory Notes).

SITE NIGHTS..... SITE OCCUPANCY RATES (%)..... TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$ '000) .....

January	February	March	March qtr	January	February	March	March qtr	January	February	March	March qtr
14 709	12 841	13 339	40 889	45.0	42.0	40.8	42.6	133	110	127	370
10 384	9 817	11 884	32 085	29.6	29.9	33.9	31.1	114	109	133	356
360	324	409	1 093	3.8	3.6	4.3	3.9	5	5	7	17
25 453	22 982	25 632	74 067	32.9	31.8	33.2	32.6	253	223	266	743
<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
2 518	2 337	2 943	7 798	11.5	11.4	13.4	12.1	49	46	58	154
496	398	373	1 267	2.0	1.7	2.1	1.9	8	6	6	20
3 014	2 735	3 316	9 065	6.4	6.2	8.4	6.9	57	52	64	174
<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
5 319	4 768	6 180	16 267	18.2	17.4	21.1	18.9	81	73	105	259
4 716	4 593	5 530	14 839	41.3	43.0	48.5	44.3	84	77	92	253
10 035	9 361	11 710	31 106	24.7	24.6	28.8	26.1	166	150	197	512
<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>	<i>n.p.</i>
49 524	44 583	53 220	147 327	20.7	19.9	23.0	21.2	732	638	833	2 203

Period	Darwin	Kakadu	Arnhem	Katherine	Tablelands	Petermann	Alice Springs	MacDonnell	Daly	Northern Territory
ESTABLISHMENTS, CAPACITY AND EMPLOYMENT										
<b>March quarter 1999</b>										
Establishments	9	5	—	4	1	2	7	2	—	30
Bed spaces	1 290	391	—	215	n.p.	n.p.	810	n.p.	—	3 179
Persons employed	81	34	—	13	n.p.	n.p.	61	n.p.	—	228
<b>March quarter 2000</b>										
Establishments	9	3	—	4	1	2	9	2	—	30
Bed spaces	1 376	167	—	209	n.p.	n.p.	928	n.p.	—	3 161
Persons employed	74	60	—	12	n.p.	n.p.	90	n.p.	—	317
GUEST NIGHTS										
<b>1999</b>										
March quarter	41 372	5 156	—	7 460	n.p.	n.p.	36 879	n.p.	—	105 494
<b>2000</b>										
January	14 532	570	—	1 705	n.p.	n.p.	12 484	n.p.	—	34 364
February	15 579	705	—	1 710	n.p.	n.p.	13 347	n.p.	—	36 352
March	16 213	775	—	1 825	n.p.	n.p.	17 194	n.p.	—	41 363
March quarter	46 324	2 050	—	5 240	n.p.	n.p.	43 025	n.p.	—	112 079
BED OCCUPANCY RATES (%)										
<b>1999</b>										
March quarter	35.6	14.7	—	38.6	n.p.	n.p.	50.6	n.p.	—	36.9
<b>2000</b>										
January	34.1	11.0	—	26.3	n.p.	n.p.	43.4	n.p.	—	35.1
February	39.0	14.6	—	28.2	n.p.	n.p.	49.6	n.p.	—	40.3
March	38.0	15.0	—	32.7	n.p.	n.p.	59.8	n.p.	—	42.6
March quarter	37.0	13.5	—	28.9	n.p.	n.p.	50.9	n.p.	—	39.3
GUEST ARRIVALS										
<b>1999</b>										
March quarter	16 689	3 610	—	4 874	n.p.	n.p.	17 918	n.p.	—	54 037
<b>2000</b>										
January	5 365	537	—	1 012	n.p.	n.p.	7 740	n.p.	—	18 345
February	5 348	646	—	1 002	n.p.	n.p.	7 511	n.p.	—	17 958
March	6 594	613	—	1 020	n.p.	n.p.	8 320	n.p.	—	20 490
March quarter	17 307	1 796	—	3 034	n.p.	n.p.	23 571	n.p.	—	56 793
AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY (DAYS)										
<b>1999</b>										
March quarter	2.5	1.4	—	1.5	n.p.	n.p.	2.1	n.p.	—	2.0
<b>2000</b>										
January	2.7	1.1	—	1.7	n.p.	n.p.	1.6	n.p.	—	1.9
February	2.9	1.1	—	1.7	n.p.	n.p.	1.8	n.p.	—	2.0
March	2.5	1.3	—	1.8	n.p.	n.p.	2.1	n.p.	—	2.0
March quarter	2.7	1.1	—	1.7	n.p.	n.p.	1.8	n.p.	—	2.0
TAKINGS FROM ACCOMMODATION (\$'000)										
<b>1999</b>										
March quarter	620	145	—	86	n.p.	n.p.	544	n.p.	—	1 742
<b>2000</b>										
January	214	13	—	28	n.p.	n.p.	201	n.p.	—	601
February	235	16	—	27	n.p.	n.p.	212	n.p.	—	621
March	242	16	—	28	n.p.	n.p.	257	n.p.	—	686
March quarter	691	45	—	83	n.p.	n.p.	670	n.p.	—	1 908

(a) Comprising establishments with 25 or more bed spaces (see Explanatory Notes).

# EXPLANATORY NOTES

## INTRODUCTION

**1** This data service contains data for Northern Territory from the ABS quarterly Survey of Tourist Accommodation (STA). The STA is a mailout collection that completely enumerates all in-scope accommodation establishments. Survey results for all States and Territories and Australia are published in *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (Cat. no. 8635.0)

**2** From the March quarter 1998, the scope and collection strategy for the STA was changed to include only significant accommodation establishments. Data series presented in this publication which relate to the 1997 calendar year have been recompiled on the basis of the new scope.

## SCOPE

**3** On a quarterly basis, the STA includes hotels, motels, guest houses and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms.

**4** Every third year beginning with 2000, the STA has been expanded to also include:

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

**5** The short-term non-residential accommodation which is in scope of this survey is accommodation which is not let out on a lease basis, and which is let out to guests who would generally, although not necessarily, stay for periods of less than two months.

**6** Some establishments included in the survey such as caravan parks also provide long-term residential accommodation. For hotels, motels and guest houses, the amount of such activity is considered to be insignificant and is included in the data presented in this publication. For serviced apartments, only short-term non-residential accommodation is included.

## DEFINITIONS OF ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS

**7** The STA includes the following categories of establishments which provide predominantly short-term non-residential accommodation to the general public:

- hotels and resorts with facilities - establishments with 15 or more rooms which are licensed to operate a public bar and which provide accommodation on a room/suite basis, with a bath/shower and toilet in most guest rooms, but which do not have full cooking facilities (i.e. hot plates and oven/microwave) in most guest rooms;
- motels, private hotels and guest houses with facilities - establishments with 15 or more rooms which are not licensed to operate a public bar, and which provide accommodation on a room/suite basis, with a bath/shower and toilet in most guest rooms, but which do not have full cooking facilities (i.e. hot plates and oven/microwave) in most guest rooms;
- serviced apartments - establishments with 15 or more units which mostly comprise self-contained units at the same location, and which are available on a unit/apartment basis to the general public for a minimum of one night; the units should have full cooking facilities (i.e. hot plates and oven/microwave), refrigerator and bath/shower and toilet facilities; all bed linen and towels should be provided, and daily servicing (i.e. cleaning and bed making) must be available through the on-site management, although this service may not necessarily be used.

- holiday flats, units and houses - (excluding establishments predominantly operated on a time-share basis) which are operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least 15 flats, units or houses for short-term letting. They are mainly self-contained in terms of cooking, bath (or shower) and toilet facilities and do not have breakfast available for guests. Data for holiday flats units or houses include short-term owner operation as well as paying guest occupation.
- caravan parks - establishments with 40 or more powered sites and cabins, etc. which provide either short-term or long-term accommodation to the general public and which provide powered sites for caravans and toilet, shower and laundry facilities for guests.
- visitor hostels - establishments with 25 or more bed spaces which provide accommodation to visitors on a bed basis (rather than by room ). This category does not include establishments providing charity type accommodation (e.g. Salvation Army hostels) nor hotels, motels and guest houses without in-room facilities which provide accommodation on a per room basis.

## CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

**8** 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 formerly in categories such as hotels, motels or holiday flats, units and houses are now classified as serviced apartments. A small number of establishments which were previously classified as motels have been reclassified as holiday flats, units and houses and are therefore no longer in scope of the quarterly STA, except as described in paragraph 4.

## COVERAGE

**9** Coverage is comprehensive and from the September quarter 1999, has been obtained from the Australian Automobile Association accommodation guide, which is updated twice yearly. This is supplemented by notification of new tourism developments and their likely opening dates in selected guides, major tourism journals and periodicals and newspapers. Periodic comparison to lists of accommodation establishments provided by the various Tourism Commissions and Industry Associations is also undertaken.

## DATA QUALITY

**10** The survey does not have a sample component and the data are not subject to sampling variability. However, other inaccuracies collectively referred to as non-sampling error may affect the data. These non-sampling errors may arise from a number of sources, including:

- errors in the reporting of data by respondents;
- errors in the process of capturing data;
- estimation for missing data; and
- definition and classification errors.

Every effort has been made to reduce non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design and testing of questionnaires, and efficient operating procedures and systems used to compile statistics.

**11** The March quarter 2000 response rates were:

- 93% licensed hotels, motels and guest houses, serviced apartments.
- 92% holiday flats, units and houses.
- 92% caravan parks.
- 86% visitor hostels.

## REGIONAL DATA

**12** Survey results are aggregated to Tourism Regions as defined by relevant State and Territory Tourist Commissions or equivalent organisations. Details of the composition of Tourism Regions, including a map, follow. Small geographic area data presented in this data service have been classified according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 1999 (Effective from 1 July 1999).

## ANNUAL CAPACITY DATA

**13** ABS releases counts of accommodation establishments and their capacity as at the end of December each year in respect of the pre-1998 scope of the survey (but recognising serviced apartments separately) as follows:

- hotels, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments with facilities and having five or more rooms;
- holiday flats, units and houses (other than those included with serviced apartments) which are operated by owners, managers or real estate agents who have sole letting rights to at least five flats, units or houses for short term letting;
- all caravan parks regardless of size; and
- all visitor hostels regardless of size.

**14** As a result of classification changes applied from March quarter 1998 onward, data will not be comparable with that previously published for particular accommodation types.

**15** These counts are published annually in a quarterly issue of *Tourism Indicators, Australia* (Cat. no. 8634.0). Counts in respect of December 1998 were published in the June quarter 1999 edition of that publication.

## UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

**16** The ABS may make available on request certain unpublished tourist accommodation statistics, including statistics for past quarters and for specific areas and more detailed information for specific data items. For example, detailed employment statistics showing the number of full-time, part-time or casual employees may be available.

## RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**17** Other ABS publications and products which may be of interest include:  
*Directory of Tourism Statistics, 2000* (Cat. no. 1130.0) (irregular)  
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*Tourism Indicators, Australia* (Cat. no. 8634.0) (issued quarterly)  
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## EFFECTS OF ROUNDING

**19** Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between totals and the sum of the component items.

## SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a.	not available
n.p.	not publishable
..	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero
(C)	City
(S)	Shire
(T)	Town
(TR)	Tourism Region

<b>Average length of stay</b>	<p>Average length of stay is expressed in numbers of days and calculated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for hotels, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments, by dividing <i>Guest nights</i> by <i>Guest arrivals</i>.</li> <li>• for holiday flats, units and houses, by dividing <i>Unit nights occupied</i> by <i>Unit lettings</i>.</li> </ul>
<b>Bed spaces</b>	Three-quarter beds are counted as one bed space; double beds as two bed spaces. Cots are excluded.
<b>Capacity</b>	Capacity in terms of <i>Guest rooms</i> , <i>serviced apartment units</i> , <i>visitor hostel bed spaces</i> , <i>holiday units</i> or <i>caravan park sites</i> is the maximum number available to accommodate paying guests during the survey period. Capacity closed temporarily for seasonal reasons is included.
<b>Caravan park sites</b>	Includes <i>On-site vans</i> , <i>Other powered sites</i> , <i>Unpowered sites</i> and <i>Cabins</i> , etc.
<b>Establishments</b>	For hotels, motels and guest houses and serviced apartments, caravan parks and visitor hostels, the number of establishments 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.
<b>Guest arrivals</b>	The total number of paying guests counted only on the first night they stayed at the accommodation establishment during the survey period.
<b>Guest rooms</b>	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.
<b>Letting entities</b>	For holiday flats, units and houses, the number of owners, managers or real estate agents within the scope of the survey who operated for any part of the survey period.
<b>Long-term caravan parks</b>	Caravan parks where the majority of paying guests occupied sites for periods of more than two months.
<b>Occupancy</b>	<p>Occupancy in terms of <i>Room nights</i>, <i>Unit nights</i> or <i>Site nights occupied</i> refers to the total number of nights each guest room, serviced apartment unit, holiday unit or caravan park site was occupied during the survey period.</p> <p>Occupancy in terms of <i>Guest nights</i> refers to the total number of paying guests counted on each night they stayed at the accommodation establishment during the survey period.</p>
<b>Occupancy rates</b>	<p><i>Occupancy rates</i> represent occupancy expressed as a percentage of total capacity available during the survey period, e.g. for the period</p> $\text{Room occupancy rate (\%)} = \frac{\text{Room nights occupied}}{(\text{Guest rooms}) \times (\text{No. of days in the period})} \times 100$ <p>providing that, for establishments closing (other than for seasonal reasons) or opening during the survey period, the denominator of the above expression includes only operating periods.</p>

<b>Other sites permanently reserved</b>	The total number of powered and unpowered sites, on-site vans and cabins, etc. continuously let for two months or more of the survey period to tenants who occupy the sites only on a casual or sporadic basis.
<b>Persons employed</b>	The total number of persons working at each accommodation establishment at the end of the survey period (including working proprietors and those working on other than accommodation activities).
<b>Room nights available</b>	The number of guest rooms/units available multiplied by the number of days for which they were available during the survey period. For establishments closing (other than for seasonal reasons) or opening during this period, operating periods only are included.
<b>Short-term caravan parks</b>	Caravan parks where the majority of paying guests occupy sites for periods of less than two months.
<b>Sites occupied by long-term guests</b>	The total number of sites, etc. occupied at the end of the survey period by guests who have stayed continuously for 2 months or more.
<b>Star grading</b>	<p>The grading of hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities and serviced apartments 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 <i>Accommodation Australia</i>, or the individual State guides. 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 two star).</p> <p>From the June quarter 1999, some (very few) large establishments not star graded by the AAA have been allocated a star grade by the ABS for Survey of Tourist Accommodation statistical tabulation purposes.</p>
<b>Takings from accommodation</b>	Gross revenue from the provision of accommodation, including bed taxes. 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.
<b>Unit lettings</b>	The total number of times a holiday flat, unit or house was occupied by a new tenant, counted only on the first night it was occupied by the new tenant.

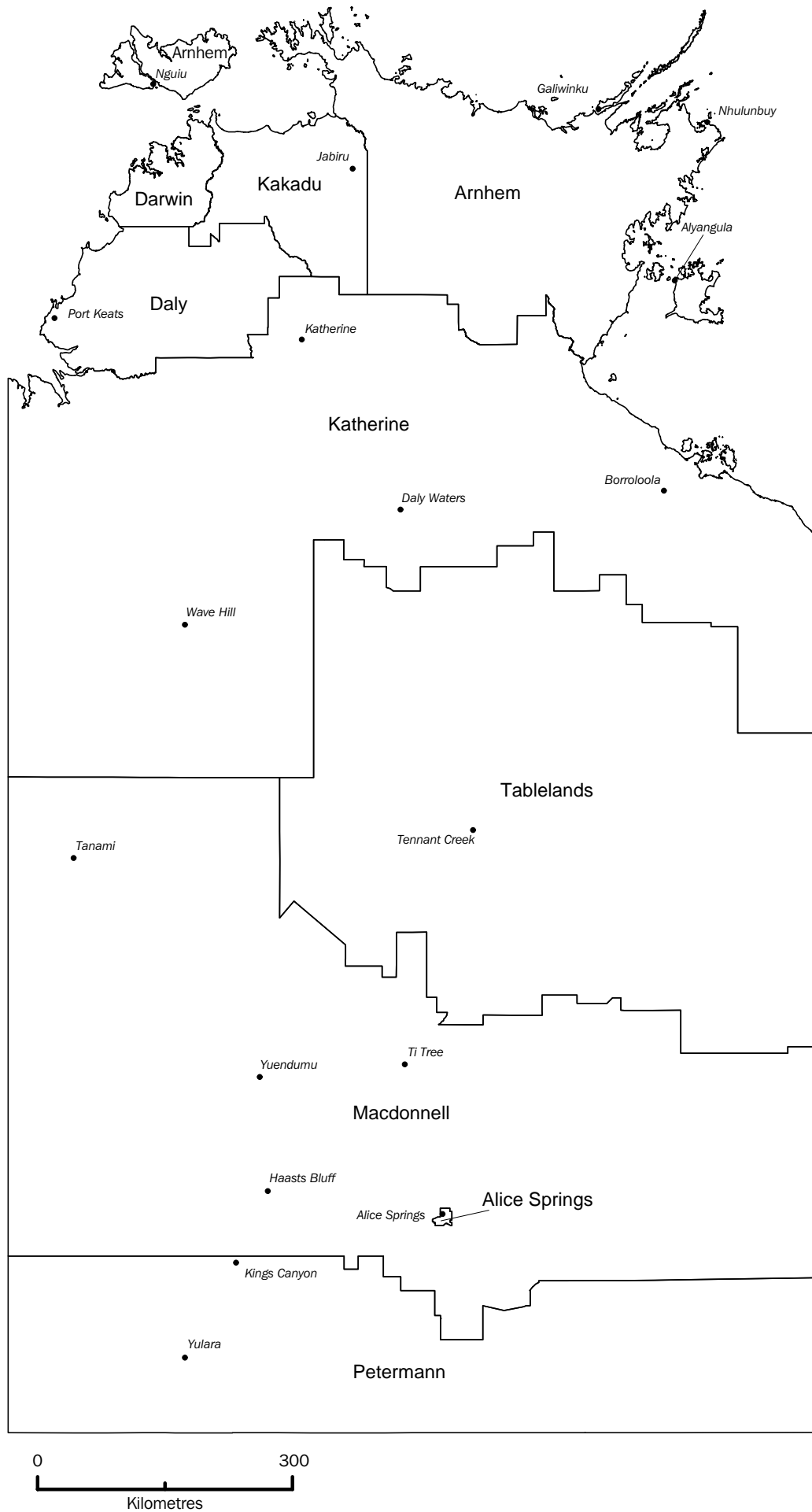
# COMPOSITION OF TOURISM REGIONS

## CONCORDANCE BETWEEN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (SLAs) OF THE AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHIC CLASSIFICATION (1999 EDITION) AND TOURISM REGIONS

### NORTHERN TERRITORY

	SLA code		SLA code
<b>Darwin</b>		<b>Kakadu</b>	
Coomalie (CGC)	710050700	Jabiru (T)	710152000
Cox-Finniss	710050759	South Alligator	710153309
Darwin (C)			
Alawa	705051004	<b>Arnhem</b>	
Anula	705051008	Bathurst-Melville	710100609
Brinkin	705051014	East Arnhem - Bal	710251209
City - Inner	705051018	Groote Eylandt	710251609
City - Remainder	705051138	Nhulunbuy	710252409
Coconut Grove	705051024	West Arnhem	710154809
Fannie Bay	705051028		
Jingili	705051034	<b>Katherine</b>	
Karama	705051038	Elsey - Bal	710301409
Larrakeyah	705051044	Gulf	710301809
Leanyer	705051048	Katherine (T)	710302200
Lee Point-Leanyer Swamp	705051052	Victoria	710304409
Ludmilla	705051054		
Malak	705051058	<b>Tablelands</b>	
Marrara	705051064	Tableland	710353409
Millner	705051068	Tennant Creek (T)	710353800
Moil	705051074	Tennant Creek - Bal	710354009
Nakara	705051078		
Narrows	705051084	<b>Petermann</b>	
Nightcliff	705051088	Petermann	710403009
Parap	705051094		
Rapid Creek	705051098	<b>Alice Springs</b>	
Stuart Park	705051104	Alice Springs (T) - Charles	710400201
The Gardens	705051108	Alice Springs (T) - Heavitree	710400203
Tiwi	705051114	Alice Springs (T) - Larapinta	710400205
Wagaman	705051118	Alice Springs (T) - Ross	710400207
Wanguri	705051124	Alice Springs (T) - Stuart	710400208
Winnellie	705051128		
Wulagi	705051134	<b>MacDonnell</b>	
Driver	705102804	Sandover - Bal	710403209
East Arm	705101169	Tanami	710403609
Gray	705102808		
Litchfield (S) - Pt A	710052304	<b>Daly</b>	
Litchfield (S) - Pt B	710052308	Daly	710200809
Moulden	705102814		
Palmerston (T) Bal	705102824		
Woodroffe	705102818		

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