

# Press Release on Hotel Activities Survey in West Bank during the Third Quarter 2015

## About 124 Thousand Guests Spent 337 Thousand Nights

During the third quarter of 2015, 123,531 guests stayed in hotels in the West Bank: 25% were from European Union countries and 14% were Palestinian.

Guests' rate increased by 24% compared with the same quarter 2014, and decreased by 14% compared to its level in the second quarter of 2015.

During the third quarter of 2015, the number of guest nights in the West Bank hotels was 336,822 thousand: of these 47.3% of total nights in hotels in the South of the West Bank, 26.0% in Jerusalem hotel.

#### Variables in Main Hotel Indicators

Indicator	3rd Quarter 2015	2nd Quarter 2015	3rd Quarter 2014
No. of guests	123,531	142,795	99,811
No. of guest nights	336,822	417,847	272,567
Average room occupancy	1,545.9	1,718.6	1,499.3
Average bed occupancy	3,661.1	4,591.7	2,962.7
Rooms occupancy %	22.9	25.3	22.7

During the third quarter of 2015, there were 2,902 hotel workers: 2,251 males and 651 females.

### **Hotel Room Occupancy**

The room occupancy rate in the West Bank was 23% in the third quarter of 2015.

The room occupancy rate during the third quarter of 2015 was 1% higher than in the third quarter of 2014 and 10% lower than in the second quarter of 2015.

### Hotel Capacity by Region

A hundred and seven hotels operating in the West Bank responded to the Hotel Activities Survey in September of 2015. These hotels had 6,583 rooms available with 14,544 beds. These were distributed by region as follows:

- North of West Bank: 17 hotels comprising 349 rooms with 1,032 beds.
- Middle of West Bank (excluding Jerusalem): 34 hotels comprising 1,521 rooms with 3,140 beds
- Jerusalem: 19 hotels comprising 1,289 rooms with 2,865 beds.
- South of West Bank: 37 hotels comprising 3,424 rooms with 7,507 beds.

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