

Measuring supply of tourism industries



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	List of tourism characteristic activities (touris	m industries) a	and grouping by main categories according to ISIC Rev. 4
	Tourism industries	ISIC Rev. 4	Description
1.	Accommodation for visitors		
		5510	Short term accommodation activities
		5520	Camping grounds, recreational vehicle parks and trailer parks
		5590	Other accommodation
		6810	Real estate activities with own or leased property*
		6820	Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis*
2.	Food and beverage serving activities		
		5610	Restaurants and mobile food service activities
		5629	Other food service activities
		5630	Beverage serving activities
3.	Railway passenger transport		
		4911	Passenger rail transport, interurban
4.	Road passenger transport		
		4922	Other passenger land transport
5.	Water passenger transport		
		5011	Sea and coastal passenger water transport
		5021	Inland passenger water transport
6.	Air passenger transport	5110	
7.	T	5110	Passenger air transport
1.	Transport equipment rental	7710	Renting and leasing of motor vehicles
8.	Travel agencies and other reservation service activities		
	Traver agencies and other reservation service activities	7911	Travel agency activities
		7912	Tour operator activities
		7990	Other reservation service and related activities
9.	Cultural activities		
		9000	Creative, arts and entertainment activities
		9102	Museums activities and operation of historical sites and buildings
		9103	Botanical and zoological gardens and nature reserves activities
10.	Sports and Recreational activities		
		7721	Renting and leasing of recreational and sports goods
		9200	Gambling and betting activities
		9311	Operation of sports facilities
		9319	Other sports activities
		9321	Activities of amusement parks and theme parks
		9329	Other amusement and recreation activities n.e.c.
11.	Retail trade of country-specific tourism characteristic goods		
			Duty free shops**
			Specialized retail trade of souvernirs**
			Specialized retail trade of handicrafts**
			Other specialized retail trade of tourism characteristic goods**
12.	Other country-specific tourism characteristic activities		

* Part related to second homes and timeshare properties

** Not a 4 digit ISIC

General statement

- As internationally comparable tourism characteristic activities are mostly defined in terms of 4 digit ISIC, apparently there is no specific issue in their measurement (exceptions...).
- Nevertheless, most countries (mainly less advanced ones) do not measure all activities at the 4 digit level so that additional work is required;
- Additionally, for most activities, it is useful, for tourism analysis purposes, to include also other types of variables, for instance non monetary variables such as rooms available, occupancy rates (for accommodation), number of meals served for restaurants, number of vehicles rented, etc.
- In most countries of the region (see Compendium) tourism activities that are measured are restricted to accommodation for visitors. Efforts are required if countries wish to compile a TSA.



Measuring the provision of accommodation services

- The proper measurement of the provision of accommodation services for visitors and of the consumption of accommodation services for visitors is crucial to the measurement of tourism:
 - Consumption by visitors of the supply of accommodation services in an economy is often around 90-95%
 - Consumption of accommodation services by visitors represents an important share of total tourism consumption (20%) World Tourism Organization | a specialized Agency of the United Nations

Who are the providers??

There are two broad categories of visitor accommodation providers:

- market providers, which receive payment for their services;
- Those classified under "Accommodation" (ISIC Division 55): countries will need to define a classification of accommodation providers, compatible with their licensing systems (if they have them), and of other informal or occasional market service providers;
- Those classified under "real estate activities" (ISIC Division 68): often disregarded by countries (see the Compendium...);
- And non-market providers, which accommodate visitors free of charge.
 - visitors staying with friends and relatives and barter transactions; (no estimation of value)
 - Providers of non-market accommodation services for own final use: owner-occupied vacation homes and timeshares. (estimation of value)

The latter are usually observed through demand....



Providers of market accommodation services classified under "Accommodation" (ISIC Division 55)

two main categories of accommodation providers should be defined:

(i) providers operating within the formal, organized economy

observation to be based on business registers, from which samples of units are selected for surveying. The samples selected for annual, quarterly and monthly observation may differ but should be mutually consistent.

Issues: existence of various registers, dynamic of the sector and the geographical distribution of the activity; One of the specific problems faced by less advanced countries: hotels do not fill out at all the a questionnaire or only delivery wrong, i.e. lower figures because of fear of having to pay higher taxes!

How can one deal with these practical issues?

(ii) smaller-scale and occasional providers

These might be excluded from official registers; look for forms of organization; observe with less frequency....



Providers within the formal economy

- Significant indicators of importance of tourism statistics and for the management of the business
 - Room occupancy rates (gross or net)
 - Bed occupancy rates (gross or net)
 - Average number of persons per room
 - Average (actual) room rate
 - Average revenue per room night
 - Average revenue per guest night
 - Average revenue per available room (REVPAR)
 - Employees per room
 - Average wage per employee
 - Revenue per employee

The accommodation kit

- UNWTO has developed a Software for Measuring Accommodation Services available at http://statistics.unwto.org/en/content/accommodation-kit-softwaremeasuring-accommodation-services free of charge, which makes it possible to generate very easily those indicators at the level of each establishment of the survey, and to combine these observations to obtain data at aggregated level, on a monthly basis.
- This software is being updated but within the same philosophy



The accommodation kit: the questionnaire

- Different parts:
 - Identification
 - Capacity (rooms/beds)
 - Employment
 - Total wages and salaries
 - Revenues, turn-over



An example: records of guests and occupancy

On the Last Night of Last Month:	
Rooms Occupied	
Number of Guests: Domestic	
Number of Guests: Foreign	

Date/ Night of	Number of Rooms	Number of Beds		-		Rooms Newly Vacated Domestic			r of Guests Foreign	
Night			Today	-	Arrive	Depart	Arrive	Depart		
1	0	0								
2	0	0								
30	0	0								
31	0	0								
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		



Other data from the establishment

Aco	commodation	Capa	city		
Total Number of Rooms					
Total Number of Bed-Plac	es				
Employment - inc	lude all staff c	on pay	roll fo	or the mo	onth
	Male	Fen	nale	Тс	otal
	Full Time Part Time	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
Nationals				0	0
Foreigners				0	0
Total	0 0	0	0	0	0
Wages and Salaries	- total wages				
Total	- total revenu	and sa	alaries	s for the	month
Total Turnover	- total revenu	and sa	alaries	s for the	month
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Accommodation –kit: the results

- Room occupancy rates
- Bed occupancy rates
- Average persons per room
- Average length of stay (resident, non resident; by country of residence (main)
- Total room nights
- Total guest nights (by categories...)
- Economi indicators: achieved room rate, etc..





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