Current tourism winter season 2018/19: 65 million nights spent and 18 million arrivals

Vienna, 2019-04-26 – In the current winter season 2018/19 (November 2018 to March 2019), 64.59 million nights spent and 17.58 million arrivals were registered in Austria's accommodation establishments, according to preliminary data by Statistics Austria. Compared to the same period in the previous year, the number of nights spent was rather stable, while the number of arrivals rose by 1.3%.

The highest relative rise was registered for commercial holiday dwellings (+3.5%) whilst the number of nights spent in private accommodation establishments decreased by 5.5% in the current winter season.

Decline of nights spent in March 2019 because of Easter holiday shifting

In March 2019, the number of nights spent decreased by 3.8% to 14.93 million. This negative result was mainly caused by the shift of the Easter holidays into April this year.

The number of nights spent in the current calendar year 2019 (January to March) decreased by 2.4% to 47.95 million, the one of arrivals by 0.8% to 11.82 million.

For further information please refer to the German version.

Information on methods: Within the scope of the monthly overnight statistics, the arrivals and nights spent are provided by rented tourist accommodation establishments in those communities which have more than 1,000 overnight stays per year. Thus, of the 2,100 Austrian communities, 1,558 reporting communities transmit data to Statistics Austria monthly. The survey units are commercial and private tourist accommodation establishments, which transmit their data to the relevant reporting community by means of "Statistisches Meldeblatt" or "Betriebsbogen".

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