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# Tourism with record overnight stays in September

**A total of 72.30 million overnight stays between May and September 2023, 2.6% more than in the same period in 2019**

Vienna, 2023-10-25 – According to preliminary results from Statistics Austria, 12.24 million overnight stays were reported in Austrian accommodation establishments in September 2023. This is 5.0% more than in September of the previous year and the highest September figure ever recorded, after 12.15 million in 1991 and 12.14 million in 1992.

“As the penultimate month of the summer tourist season, September was indeed very summery this year. In the warmest September in recorded history, tourism also achieved a new September record with 12.24 million overnight stays in Austrian hotels, pensions and holiday apartments. In September 2023, 70% of overnight stays were accounted for by guests from abroad,” says Statistics Austria Director General Tobias Thomas.

Compared to **September** of the previous year, overnight stays in Austrian accommodation establishments rose by 5.0% to 12.24 million. Non-resident guests accounted for 8.57 million overnight stays (+7.4%), while domestic guests accounted for 3.66 million (–0.2%). The number of guest arrivals at Austrian accommodation establishments rose by 11.5% year-on-year to 4.25 million, exceeding the 4 million mark for the first time .

An analysis by country of origin shows that overnight stays by guests from Germany increased by 1.8% (5.15 million) in September 2023, while other countries of origin with high overnight stays, such as Switzerland and Liechtenstein (+6.1%; 407.9 million) and also the Netherlands (+5.0%; 434.8 million), also posted high growth rates.

## **72.30 million overnight stays in the current 2023 summer season**

In the **2023 summer season to date (May to September)**, 72.30 million nights spent were reported, 3.9% more than in the same period of the previous year (69.54 million); this means that almost the entire number of overnight stays in summer 2016 (72.95 million) was reached one month before the end of the current summer season. Non-resident guests were able to achieve an increase of 6.7% with 51.42 million overnight stays, while domestic guests stayed 2.3% (20.87 million) less often than in the same period of the previous year. The number of nights spent in the summer season so far is already 2.6% above the level of the same period before covid pandemic (May to September 2019: 70.45 million).

The number of arrivals in the summer season so far, at 22.70 million, was 7.6% higher than the result of the same period last year and 1.2% higher than the previous record of the period May to September 2019 (22.43 million).

## **High growth in overnight stays from January to September 2023**

In the **calendar year 2023 to date (January to September)**, 125.95 million overnight stays were registered, 13.1 million more (+11.6%) than in the same period last year. Thus, the number of nights spent is only 0.6% below the comparable period in 2019, when 126.73 million overnight stays were registered.

More detailed results and further information on accommodation statistics can be found on our website under [Arrivals&overnight stays](#).

**Information on methodology, definitions:** Within the scope of the monthly overnight statistics, the arrivals and nights spent are provided by rented tourist accommodation establishments in communities with more than 1 000 nights spent per year. Thus, of the 2 093 Austrian communities, 1 573 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. For comparisons with the previous year, the current monthly data are used with the values for the corresponding reference reporting communities in the same month of the previous year.

For further information related to methodology see our [Standard documentation related to accommodation statistics](#) (available in German only).

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