## May's arrivals in Romania's tourist accommodation establishments 17.6 times higher YoY

Arrivals in tourist accommodation establishments this May were 17.6 times higher YoY, foreign tourists representing 6.1 pct, according to data sent on Friday by the National Institute of Statistics (INS) to AGERPRES.

Arrivals in tourist accommodation establishments totaled 609,300 and Romanian tourists accounted for 93.9 percent thereof.

Visitors from Europe accounted for the highest share of foreign tourists' arrivals in accommodation establishments (76.1 percent of the total foreign tourists) and of these, visitors from EU countries represented 75.6 percent.

Overnight stays in tourist accommodation facilities this May totaled 1.254 million, up 19.1 times from May 2020, with Romanian tourists accounting for 93.1 pct, and foreigners for 6.9 pct of the figure. Visitors from Europe accounted for the highest share of foreign tourists (78 pct) and of these, visitors from EU countries represented 75.7 pct.

The net occupancy rate for accommodation units over January 1 - May 30, 2021 was 23.7 pct for hotels, 20.9 pct bungalows, 19.6 pct onboard ships, 17.8pct for tourist villas, 14.5 pct (each) for agritourism and tourism boarding facilities, 13.5 pct for hostels, 12.5 pct for tourist houses.

Arrivals of foreign tourists registered at Romania's border checkpoints over January 1 - May 30, 2021 stood at 1.693 million, down 26.9 percent YoY. The means of road and air transportation were the most used by foreign visitors to come to Romania, making up 86.7 pct and 9.4 pct, respectively, of the total number of arrivals.