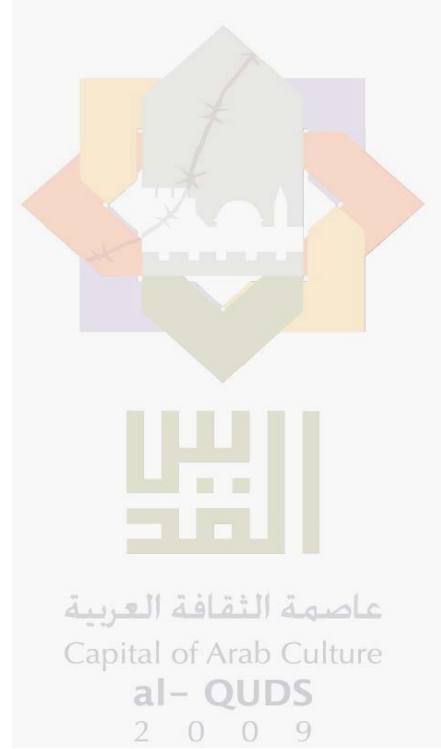
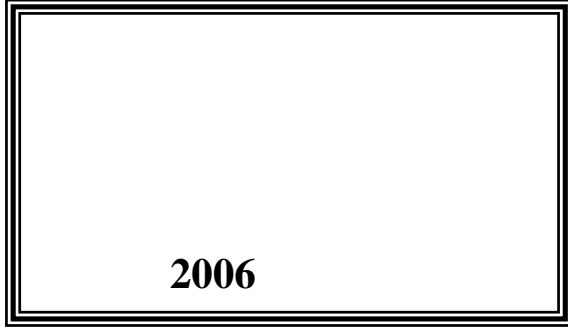


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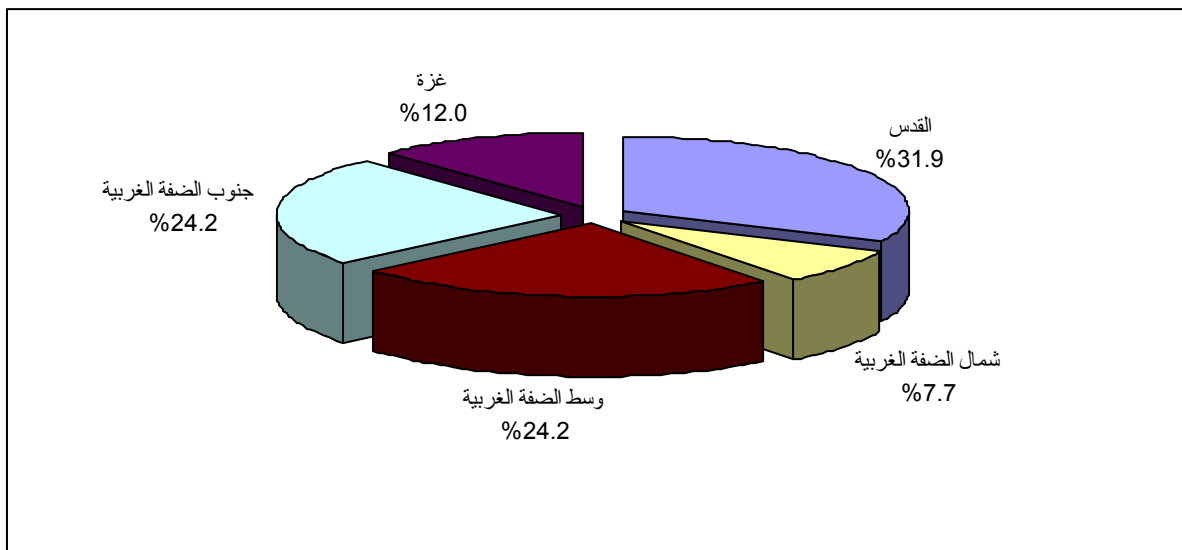
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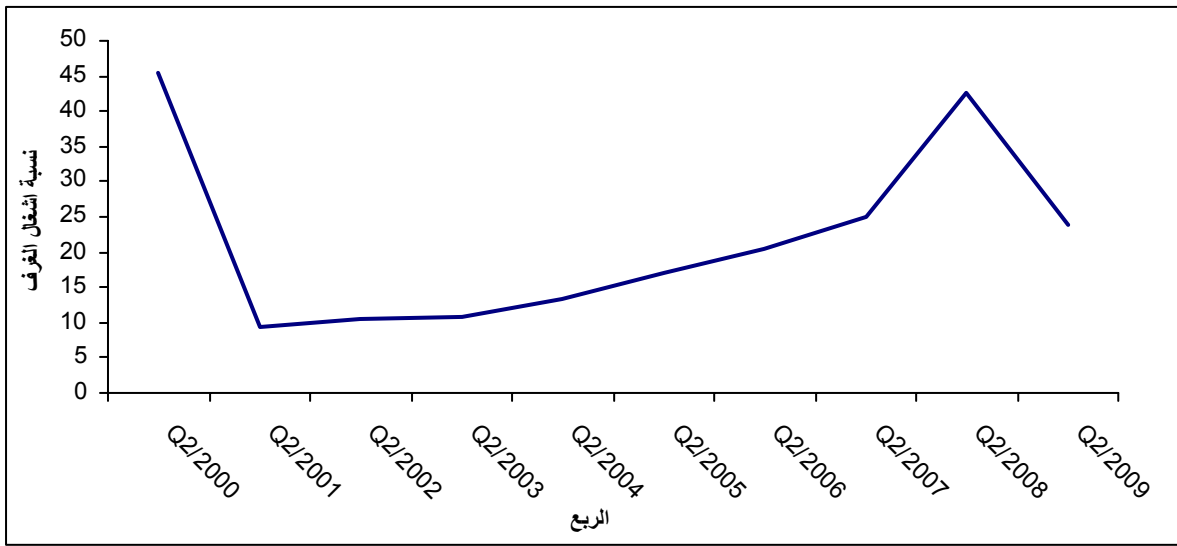
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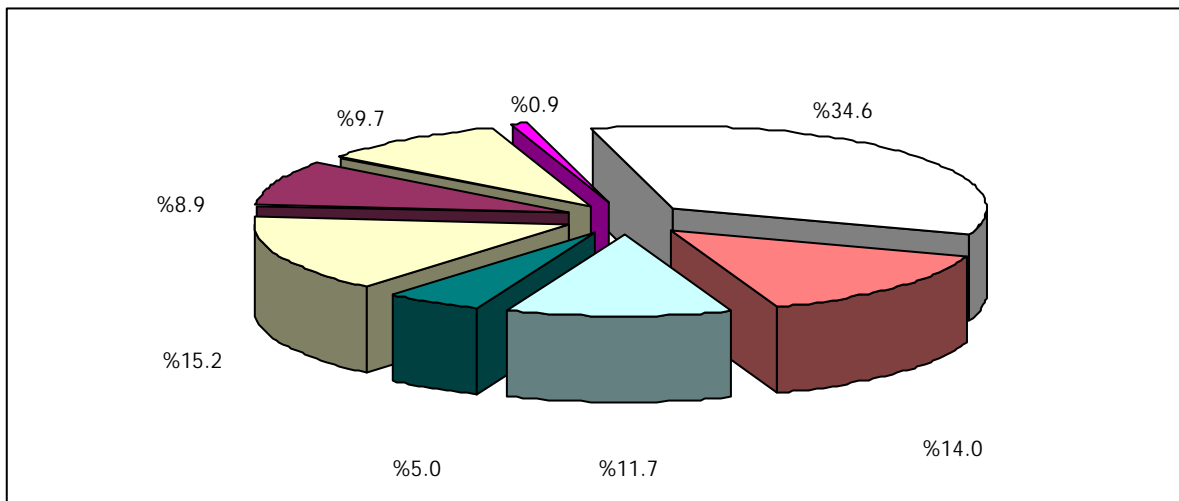
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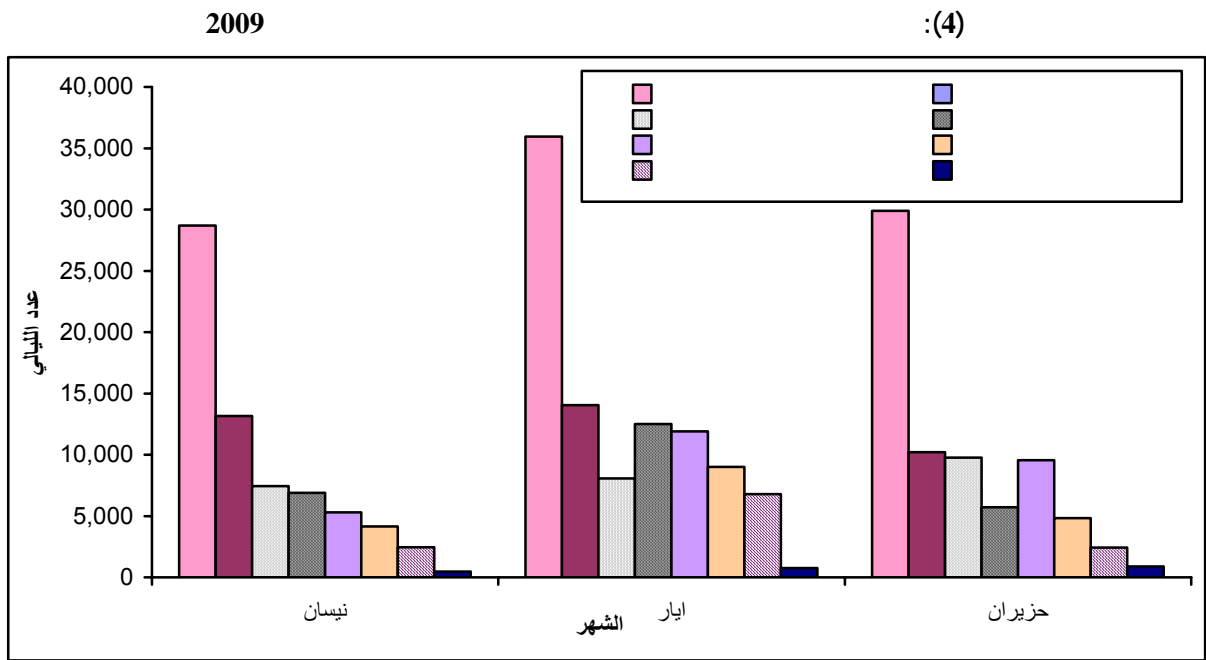
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Table 1: Main Indicators for Hotel Activities by Month and Region During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Bed Occupancy		Room Occupancy		No. of Nights	No. of Guests	No. of Beds	No. of Rooms	No. of Operating Hotels	
		%	Average	%	Average						
Palestinian Territory *		28.8	2,646.7	29.5	1,265.3	240,846	99,202	9,176	4,285	91	*
All Regions	April	26.2	2,284.8	25.7	1,055.5	68,543	26,483	8,713	4,114	82	
	May	35.5	3,194.0	30.5	1,290.1	99,014	42,745	8,990	4,229	86	
	June	24.9	2,443.0	31.2	1,407.2	73,289	29,974	9,825	4,511	91	
North of West Bank	April	13.7	39.9	18.2	24.7	1,196	691	292	136	7	
	May	9.5	27.8	14.4	19.6	861	499	292	136	7	
	June	13.7	39.9	19.1	26.0	1,198	644	292	136	7	
Middle of West Bank	April	14.5	286.9	26.2	227.6	8,606	3,905	1,975	868	21	
	May	45.9	893.1	31.5	288.5	27,687	14,775	1,945	915	22	
	June	22.0	493.3	36.0	349.7	14,799	6,834	2,244	971	22	
Jerusalem	April	30.7	819.3	46.4	593.1	24,580	9,992	2,673	1,278	22	
	May	42.5	1334.2	56.2	802.0	41,360	16,933	3,139	1,426	28	
	June	41.3	1387.1	61.0	922.9	41,612	16,450	3,355	1,513	29	
South of West Bank	April	33.8	1132.3	12.9	206.7	33,970	11,824	3,348	1,603	21	
	May	29.3	933.5	11.6	176.8	28,940	10,467	3,189	1,523	18	
	June	14.6	511.1	6.4	105.6	15,333	5,954	3,509	1,662	22	
Gaza Strip**	April	1.5	6.4	1.5	3.4	191	71	425	229	11	**
	May	1.3	5.4	1.4	3.2	166	71	425	229	11	
	June	2.7	11.6	1.3	3.0	347	92	425	229	11	

* Represents the quarter average except number of guests and number of guest nights which represent the total for the quarter and represents the number of hotels in the Palestinian Territory as in June, 2009

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Table 2: Number of Hotels and Rooms by Facilities and Region as of June, 2009

Region	Facilities										No. of Rooms	No. of Operating Hotels
	Internet	DVD	Vedio	Telephone	Air Conditioning	Heating	Refrigerator	T.V	Radio	Private Bathroom		
Palestinian Territory	1,896	1	1	3,870	3,929	4,110	2,611	3,812	1,224	4,321	4,511	91
North of West Bank	79	0	0	93	93	119	113	113	12	115	136	7
Middle of West Bank	602	0	0	885	861	919	787	926	372	954	971	22
Jerusalem	485	0	0	1,309	1,374	1,328	781	1,133	832	1,398	1,513	29
South of West Bank	710	1	1	1,561	1,501	1,627	836	1,510	0	1,635	1,662	22
Gaza Strip	20	0	0	22	100	117	94	130	8	219	229	11

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Table 3: Number of Hotels by Availability of Public Services and Region as of June, 2009

Region	Public Services												No. of Operating Hotels
	Other	Room Services	Hair Dresser	Shops	Laundry	Photocopying	Cofeshop	Typing	Bar	Internet	Fax	Puplic Telephone	
Palestinian Territory	17	58	4	29	34	71	49	63	35	57	70	16	91
North of West bank	1	7	0	1	4	5	3	4	0	4	5	2	7
Middle of West bank	12	22	0	2	13	21	16	16	7	16	21	6	22
Jerusalem	0	8	1	19	2	24	16	25	12	15	22	0	29
South of West bank	3	20	2	6	14	20	13	18	16	21	21	4	22
Gaza Strip	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	4	11

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Table 4: Average Number of Workers in Hotels by Type of Work, Sex and Region During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Total		Operation		Administration		No. of Operating Hotels	
	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males		
Palestinian Territory *	224	1,266	164	1,047	60	219	91	*
North of West Bank	6	55	4	34	2	21	7	
Middle of West Bank	40	351	27	295	13	56	22	
Jerusalem	80	451	55	375	25	76	29	
South of West Bank	91	303	75	264	16	39	22	
Gaza Strip	7	106	3	79	4	27	11	

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Table 5: Number and Percentage of Guests by Nationality and Region During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Nationality										No. of Operating Hotels	
		U.S.A & Canada		Asia		Israel		Arab Countries		Palestine			
		%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number		
Palestinian Territory*		9.7	9,603	11.7	11,565	8.9	8,812	1.1	1,102	15.2	15,099	91	
All Regions	April	9.1	2,417	11.8	3,115	6.7	1,769	1.1	301	11.0	2,912	82	
	May	7.9	3,376	13.7	5,846	10.9	4,648	1.2	516	16.3	6,988	86	
	June	12.7	3,810	8.7	2,604	8.0	2,395	1.0	285	17.3	5,199	91	
North of West Bank	April	3.6	25	1.3	9	11.6	80	1.9	13	64.0	442	7	
	May	2.4	12	3.2	16	14.6	73	1.0	5	61.5	307	7	
	June	8.2	53	1.1	7	12.4	80	2.2	14	60.6	390	7	
Middle of West Bank	April	4.8	188	1.6	63	2.4	92	0.9	37	51.0	1,992	21	
	May	1.7	253	10.1	1,485	17.2	2,541	3.2	473	38.7	5,712	22	
	June	7.2	493	5.6	384	13.4	915	2.7	186	57.3	3,915	22	
Jerusalem	April	15.4	1,534	11.0	1,097	8.1	812	0.0	0	0.0	0	22	
	May	15.7	2,657	10.2	1,728	9.6	1,621	0.2	33	0.0	0	28	
	June	18.2	2,996	6.1	1,001	5.3	868	0.0	0	0.1	17	29	
South of West Bank	April	5.6	658	16.4	1,943	6.6	782	2.1	250	3.8	450	21	
	May	4.2	440	25.0	2,615	3.9	411	0.0	3	9.1	950	18	
	June	4.2	252	20.2	1,205	8.9	531	1.4	84	14.5	863	22	
Gaza Strip	April	16.9	12	4.2	3	4.2	3	1.4	1	39.4	28	11	
	May	19.7	14	2.8	2	2.8	2	2.8	2	26.8	19	11	
	June	17.4	16	7.6	7	1.1	1	1.1	1	15.2	14	11	

*Represents the number of hotels in the Palestinian Territory as in June, 2009

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Table 5 (Cont.): Number and Percentage of Guests by Nationality and Region During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Total		Nationality									
				Australia & Newzeland		Africa		Other European Countries		European Union		Central & South America	
		%	العدد Number	%	العدد Number	%	العدد Number	%	العدد Number	%	العدد Number	%	العدد Number
Palestinian Territory		100	99,202	0.3	275	0.9	861	14.0	13,899	34.5	34,297	3.7	3,689
All Regions	April	100	26,483	0.4	107	0.9	243	19.0	5,029	38.2	10,139	1.7	451
	May	100	42,745	0.3	115	0.6	257	12.0	5,115	31.0	13,242	6.1	2,642
	June	100	29,974	0.2	53	1.2	361	12.5	3,755	36.4	10,916	2.0	596
North of West Bank	April	100	691	0.4	3	0.1	1	0.0	0	17.1	118	0.0	0
	May	100	499	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.4	2	16.5	82	0.4	2
	June	100	644	0.3	2	0.2	1	0.2	1	14.0	90	0.8	6
Middle of West Bank	April	100	3,905	0.3	11	0.2	7	13.3	521	24.1	941	1.4	53
	May	100	14,775	0.1	18	0.4	62	2.6	380	15.0	2,210	11.0	1,641
	June	100	6,834	0.2	12	0.2	15	3.0	203	10.2	700	0.2	11
Jerusalem	April	100	9,992	0.9	86	2.4	235	21.8	2,176	36.7	3,678	3.7	374
	May	100	16,933	0.5	80	0.8	141	16.9	2,864	40.6	6,872	5.5	937
	June	100	16,450	0.2	35	2.0	335	16.6	2,728	48.9	8,035	2.6	435
South of West Bank	April	100	11,824	0.1	6	0.0	0	19.7	2,330	45.5	5,381	0.2	24
	May	100	10,467	0.2	16	0.5	53	17.8	1,868	38.7	4,050	0.6	61
	June	100	5,954	0.0	0	0.2	9	13.8	821	34.4	2,046	2.4	143
Gaza Strip	April	100	71	1.4	1	0.0	0	2.8	2	29.7	21	0.0	0
	May	100	71	1.4	1	1.4	1	1.4	1	39.5	28	1.4	1
	June	100	92	4.3	4	1.1	1	2.2	2	48.9	45	1.1	1

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Table 6: Number and Percentage of Guest Nights by Nationality and Region During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Nationality										* No. of Operating Hotels*		
		U.S.A & Canada		Asia		Israel		Arab Countries		Palestine				
		%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number			
Palestinian Territory*		10.5	25,287	10.4	25,106	7.5	17,978	0.9	2,247	11.1	26,760	91		
All Regions	April	10.9	7,446	10.0	6,882	6.0	4,140	1.4	969	7.7	5,301	82		
	May	8.1	8,067	12.6	12,511	9.1	9,000	0.7	702	12.0	11,906	86		
	June	13.3	9,774	7.8	5,713	6.6	4,838	0.8	576	13.0	9,553	91		
North of West Bank	April	3.3	40	4.7	56	7.9	95	5.5	66	61.2	732	7		
	May	3.1	27	6.2	53	9.1	78	1.2	10	61.3	528	7		
	June	11.4	137	1.2	14	6.8	82	3.7	44	59.5	713	7		
Middle of West Bank	April	10.7	925	6.6	565	2.1	185	1.6	137	44.8	3,858	21		
	May	1.8	488	9.1	2,522	20.4	5,646	2.2	600	36.1	9,986	22		
	June	11.7	1,727	6.4	940	13.7	2,024	2.1	310	48.7	7,208	22		
Jerusalem	April	15.7	3,853	9.5	2,336	6.9	1,691	0.0	0	0.0	0	22		
	May	15.0	6,198	7.5	3,083	6.7	2,790	0.2	70	0.0	0	28		
	June	17.2	7,151	6.2	2,563	4.9	2,042	0.0	0	0.1	38	29		
South of West Bank	April	7.6	2,598	11.5	3,920	6.4	2,165	2.3	765	1.8	616	21		
	May	4.6	1,331	23.7	6,848	1.7	482	0.0	13	4.7	1,350	18		
	June	4.5	686	14.2	2,174	4.5	684	1.4	220	10.1	1,556	22		
Gaza Strip	April	15.7	30	2.6	5	2.1	4	0.5	1	49.7	95	11		
	May	13.9	23	3.0	5	2.4	4	5.4	9	25.3	42	11		
	June	21.0	73	6.3	22	1.7	6	0.6	2	11.0	38	11		

*Represents the number of hotels in the Palestinian Territory as in June, 2009

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Table 6 (Cont.): Number and Percentage of Guest Nights by Nationality and Region During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Total		Nationality										الشهر
				& Australia NewZeland		Africa		Other European Countries		European Union		Central & South America		
		%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	
Palestinian Territory		100	240,846	0.3	669	0.9	2,115	15.5	37,397	39.3	94,529	3.6	8,758	
All Regions	April	100	68,543	0.4	304	0.7	475	19.3	13,152	41.9	28,687	1.7	1,187	
	May	100	99,014	0.2	235	0.8	750	14.2	14,036	36.4	35,953	5.9	5,854	
	June	100	73,289	0.2	130	1.2	890	13.9	10,209	40.9	29,889	2.3	1,717	
North of West Bank	April	100	1,196	0.3	4	0.2	2	0.0	0	16.9	201	0.0	0	
	May	100	861	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.5	4	17.2	149	1.4	12	
	June	100	1,198	0.3	3	0.3	3	0.3	3	15.2	183	1.3	16	
Middle of West Bank	April	100	8,606	0.6	49	0.2	20	11.9	1,027	20.8	1,785	0.7	55	
	May	100	27,687	0.1	23	0.6	167	1.5	415	16.6	4,633	11.6	3,207	
	June	100	14,799	0.3	45	0.3	47	4.3	642	11.8	1,755	0.7	101	
Jerusalem	April	100	24,580	1.0	243	1.8	453	24.0	5,889	36.7	9,029	4.4	1,086	
	May	100	41,360	0.4	169	1.1	437	16.9	7,008	46.3	19,168	5.9	2,437	
	June	100	41,612	0.2	67	1.9	803	17.5	7,293	49.7	20,678	2.3	977	
South of West Bank	April	100	33,970	0.0	6	0.0	0	18.3	6,231	51.9	17,623	0.1	46	
	May	100	28,940	0.1	40	0.5	145	22.8	6,608	41.3	11,935	0.6	188	
	June	100	15,333	0.0	0	0.2	36	14.8	2,267	46.3	7,090	4.0	620	
Gaza Strip	April	100	191	1.0	2	0.0	0	2.6	5	25.8	49	0.0	0	
	May	100	166	1.8	3	0.6	1	0.6	1	41.0	68	6.0	10	
	June	100	347	4.3	15	0.3	1	1.2	4	52.7	183	0.9	3	

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Table 7: Average Length of Stay for the Guests in Hotels (Nights/Guest) by Region, Month and Nationality During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Nationality					No. of Operating Hotels		
		U.S.A & Canada	Asia	Israel	Arab Countries	Palestine			
Palestinian Territory*		2.6	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.8	91		*
All Regions	April	3.1	2.2	2.3	3.2	1.8	82		
	May	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.4	1.7	86		
	June	2.6	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.8	91		
North of West Bank	April	1.6	6.2	1.2	5.1	1.7	7		
	May	2.3	3.3	1.1	2.0	1.7	7		
	June	2.6	0.0	1.0	3.1	1.8	7		
Middle of West Bank	April	4.9	9.0	2.0	3.7	1.9	21		
	May	1.9	0.0	2.2	1.3	1.7	22		
	June	3.5	2.4	2.2	1.7	1.8	22		
Jerusalem	April	2.5	2.1	2.1	0.0	0.0	22		
	May	2.3	1.8	1.7	2.1	0.0	28		
	June	2.4	2.6	2.4	0.0	0.0	29		
South of West Bank	April	3.9	2.0	2.8	3.1	1.4	21		
	May	3.0	2.6	1.2	4.3	1.4	18		
	June	2.7	1.8	1.3	2.6	1.8	22		
Gaza Strip	April	2.5	1.7	0.0	1.0	3.4	11		
	May	1.6	2.5	2.0	4.5	2.2	11		
	June	4.6	3.1	0.0	2.0	2.7	11		

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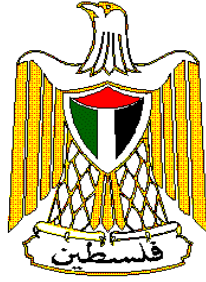
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Table 7 (Cont.): Average Length of Stay for the Guests in Hotels (Nights/Guest) by Region, Month and Nationality During the Second Quarter, 2009

Region	Month	Total	Nationality						
			Australia & New Zeland	Africa	Other European Count.	European Union	Central & South America		
Palestinian Territory		2.4	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.4		
All Regions	April	2.6	2.8	2.0	2.6	2.8	2.6		
	May	2.3	2.0	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.2		
	June	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.9		
North of West Bank	April	1.7	1.3	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0		
	May	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0		
	June	1.9	0.0	0.0	3.0	2.0	0.0		
Middle of West Bank	April	2.2	4.5	2.9	2.0	1.9	1.0		
	May	1.9	1.3	0.0	1.1	2.1	2.0		
	June	2.2	3.8	0.0	3.2	2.5	9.2		
Jerusalem	April	2.5	2.8	1.9	0.0	2.5	0.0		
	May	2.4	2.1	3.1	2.4	2.8	2.6		
	June	2.5	0.0	2.4	2.7	2.6	2.2		
South of West Bank	April	2.9	1.0	0.0	2.7	3.3	1.9		
	May	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.0		
	June	2.6	0.0	0.0	2.8	3.5	4.3		
Gaza Strip	April	2.7	2.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.0		
	May	2.3	3.0	1.0	1.0	2.4	10.0		
	June	3.8	3.8	0.0	2.0	4.1	0.0		



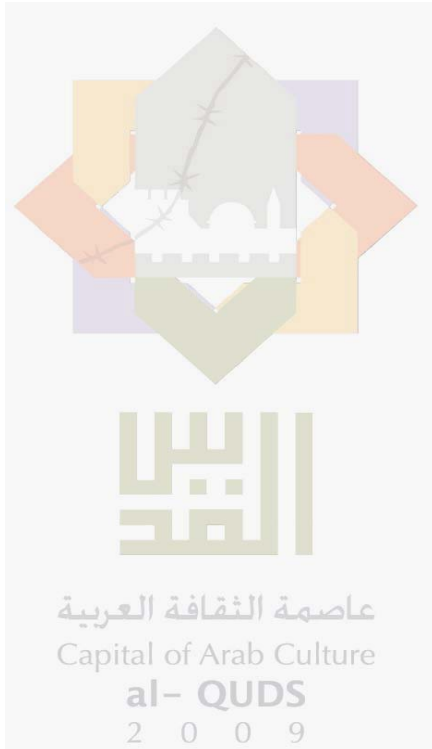
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Preface

The Palestinian tourism sector has the potential to be a main contributor to the GDP in Palestine.

PCBS began publishing reports about hotel activities from the second quarter of 1996. PCBS is pleased to present the second issue of the fifteenth volume on “Hotel Activities in the Palestinian Territory” which covers statistics on the hotel industry for the second quarter of 2009.

PCBS has implemented several surveys to cover the supply and demand sides of tourism, including the Hotel Activity survey in the Palestinian Territory, a continuous and permanent survey since 1996, and a survey of Tourism Activities 2002 and 2007. Moreover the Domestic Tourism survey for the years 1998, 2005 2006, and 2008. The survey of Outbound Tourism in 2004, and a survey of Inbound Tourism 2005 were implemented. This covers an important aspect of tourist demand and is an additional step to further implement survey tourism related statistics, to build the necessary database to establish the tourism satellite accounts (TSA) in the Palestinian Territory.

This report addresses the main indicators of the hotel industry. These indicators include the number of operating hotels, number of rooms and beds, public facilities in the surveyed hotels, number of employed persons in hotels, number of guest nights in the reference period, number of guests by nationality and rates of bed and room occupancy.

We hope that the Hotel Activities survey in the Palestinian Territory is a step towards supporting the tourism sector which strengthens the national economy.

August, 2009

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Executive Summary

The main findings of the Hotel Activities Survey during the second quarter of 2009 are as follows:

- There are 91 operating hotels in June 2009, offering 4,511 rooms with 9,825 total available beds.
- The average occupancy of rooms was 1,265.3; occupancy declined by 30.6% compared with the same quarter of the year 2008, while it increased by 23.9% compared with the previous quarter.
- The average number of workers in the hotels was 1,490 of which 224 were females.
- During the second quarter 2009, the total number of guests to the Palestinian Territory hotels reached 99,202; the number declined by 21.7% compared with the same quarter of the year 2008.
- Most of the guests were in Jerusalem, representing 43.7% of the total guests, whereas 25.7% of the guests were in the Middle of the West Bank, 28.5% were in the South of the West Bank, and 1.9% were in the North of the West Bank; the percentage of guests in Gaza Strip hotels was 0.2%.
- The total number of nights was 240,846. The number showed an increase of 43.2% during the second quarter 2009 compared with the previous quarter, while it declined by 25.6% compared with the corresponding quarter in the year 2008.
- The average length of stay in the Palestinian hotels was 2.4 nights per guest during the second quarter 2009.

Chapter One

Introduction

Tourism is considered a cornerstone of the Palestinian economy because there are many attractive touristic resorts for people of different interests. Therefore, PCBS commenced to collect statistical data on tourism and monitor hotel activities through a continuous and comprehensive survey since 1996, this survey is carried out on a monthly basis. Such activity following the World Tourism Organization and European Union recommendations. It aimed to produce a comprehensive database and time series of basic indicators on the hotel industry hoping to enable the development and promotion of the tourism industry in Palestine.

A quarterly report is regularly produced and a collective comprehensive report is produced annually. This publication presents data on hotels for the second quarter 2009; and results indicate an improvement in most indicators compared to the previous seven years.

Chapter Two

Concepts and Definitions

This section presents the main concepts and definitions used to derive the main indicators of tourism statistics. These concepts and definitions are based on international recommendations in the field of tourism statistics, and are applied to the rest of the common subjects in the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics. The main concepts and definitions mentioned in this report were as follows:

Hotel:

It is defined as an accommodation establishment providing overnight lodging for the visitors in a room or unit. It should hold a number of persons exceeding that of an average single family. The establishment must be under one management, and provides various facilities and services to visitors.

Operating Hotels:

It is defined as the hotels that included in the sample frame and results, excluding the non operating hotels that are carrying out repairs or maintenance, and the hotels which didn't respond to the survey.

Number of Rooms:

It refers to the furnished rooms for the use of guests. Such rooms might be single, double, triple, or quadruple. Rooms involving more than four beds were classified under (others) in the questionnaire. As for the suite, it is usually comprised of one bedroom or more, a living room and private toilet facilities.

Available Beds and Rooms:

It refers to beds and rooms which are ready for use during the reference period. Rooms closed for maintenance or repairs are excluded.

Guests:

It refers to visitors staying in the hotels and using their facilities. Records of new guests are based on the number of visits regardless whether it's the same person or different.

Number of Guest Nights (Bed Occupancy):

Number of beds booked for hotel guests. Such beds are considered as occupied whether they were actually used or not. It is measured by guest night unit.

Room Occupancy:

Number of booked and paid rooms. Such rooms are considered occupied whether they were actually used or not.

Average (rooms, beds) Occupancy:

It is defined as the total number of occupied (rooms, beds) divided by the number of days.

Percentage of (rooms, beds) Occupancy:

It is defined as the average of (rooms, beds) occupancy divided by available (rooms, beds) multiplied by one hundred.

Average Length of Stay:

Represents the total of guest nights by nationality divided by number of guests of the same nationality.

North of West Bank Region:

Jenin, Tulkarm, Nablus, Qalqiliya, Salfit and Tubas governorates.

Middle of West Bank Region:

Ramallah and Al-Bireh, Jericho and Al-Aghwar governorates.

Jerusalem Region:

Jerusalem governorate.

South of West Bank Region:

Bethlehem and Hebron governorates.

Gaza Strip:

North Gaza, Gaza, Deir Al-Balah, Khan Yunis and Rafah governorates.

Main Findings

The total number of hotels in the Palestinian Territory was 118 hotels, including those temporarily closed. There were 91 operating hotels in June 2009, offering 4,511 rooms with 9,825 total available beds.

3.1 Hotels Capacity During the Second Quarter, 2009

The operating hotels within the Palestinian Territory in June 2009 were distributed as follows:

- North of West Bank: 7 hotels including 136 rooms comprising 292 beds.
- Middle of West Bank: 22 hotels including 971 rooms comprising 2,244 beds.
- Jerusalem Region: 29 hotels including 1,513 rooms comprising 3,355 beds.
- South of West Bank: 22 hotels including 1,662 rooms comprising 3,509 beds.
- Gaza Strip: 11 hotels including 229 rooms comprising 425 beds.

3.2 Room Occupancy During the Second Quarter, 2009

The average occupancy of rooms in the Palestinian hotels was 1,265.3 representing 29.5% from the available rooms.

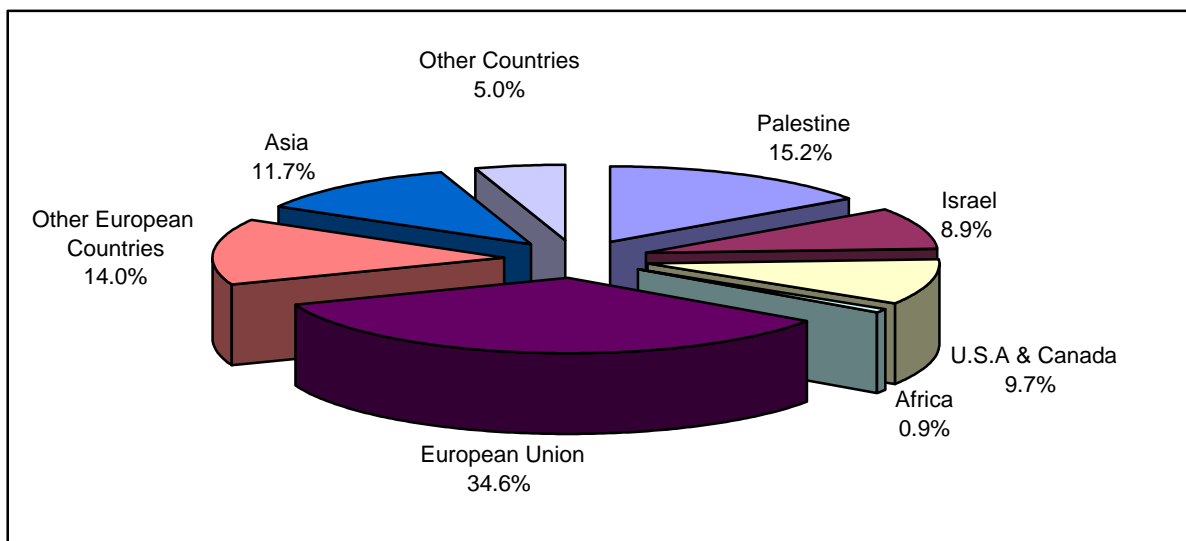
3.3 Hotel Workers During the Second Quarter, 2009

The average number of workers in the hotels was 1,490 of which 1,266 were males and 224 were females. The number of workers in hotel administration was 279, of which 219 were males and 60 were females. There were 1,211 workers in hotels services, of which 1,047 were males and 164 were females.

3.4 Guests and Nights Occupancy During the Second Quarter, 2009

The total number of guests in the Palestinian hotels was 99,202 persons, of which 15.2% were Palestinian guests, and 34.6% were from the European Union countries. The number of guests was decreased by 21.7%, compared with the same quarter of the year 2008.

Figure (1): Percentage Distribution of Guests by Nationality During the Second Quarter, 2009



The total number of guest nights in Palestinian hotels during the Second quarter 2009 was 240,846 of which; 11.1% of these nights were occupied by Palestinian guests, 39.2% by guests from European Union countries, and 10.5% by guests from the United States and Canada.

The guest nights distributed according to the region are as follows: guests spent 44.7% of total nights in Jerusalem hotels, and 21.2%, 32.5%, 1.3% in Middle, South, and North of the West Bank, respectively, and 0.3% of nights in Gaza Strip hotels.

The table below presents the main results of the Second quarter of 2009, and explains the changes that occurred in the main indicators for Palestinian hotels activities, compared with the previous quarter, and with the results of the Second quarter of 2008.

Percentage Change in the Variables During the Second Quarter 2009, Compared with the Previous and Second Quarter 2008

The Indicator	Value During the 2nd Quarter 2009	Percentage change (%) comparing with	
		1 st Quarter 2009	2 nd Quarter 2008
Number of operating hotels	91	21.3	11.0
Average number of workers	1,490	10.8	20.3
Number of guests	99,202	43.0	-21.7
Number of guest nights	240,846	43.2	-25.6
Average occupancy of rooms	1,265.3	32.9	-29.8
Average occupancy of beds	2,646.7	41.6	-25.6
Rooms occupancy %	29.5	23.9	-30.6
Beds occupancy %	28.8	30.3	-25.2