## Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

## Press Release on Hotel Activities Survey in the West Bank during the third Quarter 2016

## About 115 Thousand Guests Spent 310 Thousand Nights

During the third quarter of 2016, the total number of the guests who stayed in hotels reached 114,501, where the guests from Asia formed around $12 \%$ of the total guests.

The number of hotel guests was $1 \%$ higher than it was in the second quarter of 2016 and $7 \%$ lower than the third quarter of 2015.

During the third quarter of 2016, the number of guest nights in the West Bank hotels was 310,489: of these $42 \%$ of total nights in hotels was in the South of the West Bank, and 25\% in Jerusalem hotel.

Variables in Main Hotel Indicators

| Indicator | 3rd <br> Quarter <br> 2016 | 2nd <br> Quarter <br> 2016 | 3rd <br> Quarter <br> 2015 |
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| No. of guests | 114,501 | 113,51 <br> 7 | 123,531 |
| No. of guest nights | 310,489 | 354,78 <br> 7 | 336,822 |
| Average room <br> occupancy | $1,373.3$ | $1,552.7$ | $1,545.9$ |
| Average bed <br> occupancy | $3,374.9$ | $3,898.8$ | $3,661.1$ |
| Rooms occupancy \% | 19.9 | 23.0 | 22.9 |

During the third quarter of 2016, there were 2,930 hotel workers: 2,258 males and 672 females.

## Hotel Room Occupancy

The room occupancy rate in the West Bank was 20\% in the third quarter of 2016.

Room occupancy during the third quarter of 2016 was $13 \%$ lower than it was in the third quarter of 2015 and $14 \%$ lower than it was in the second quarter of 2016.

## Hotel Capacity by Region

A hundred and nineteen hotels operating in the West Bank responded to the Hotel Activities Survey in September of 2016. Those hotels had 6,856 rooms available with 15,134 beds. These were distributed by region as follows:

- North of West Bank: 26 hotels comprising 496 rooms with 1,383 beds.
- Middle of West Bank (excluding Jerusalem): 36 hotels comprising 1,634 rooms with 3,353 beds
- Jerusalem: 20 hotels comprising 1,265 rooms with 2,826 beds.
- South of West Bank: 37 hotels comprising 3,461 rooms with 7,572 beds.


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