# Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

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

**About 114 Thousand Guests Spent 355 Thousand Nights**

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During the second quarter 2016, 113,517guests stayed in hotels in the West Bank: 27% were from European Union countries and 11% were Palestinians.

The number of hotel guests was 42% higher than in the firstquarter of 2016 and 21% lower than the second quarter 2015.

During the second quarter 2016, the number of guest nights in the West Bank hotels reached 354,787: of which 28% were from European Union countries, 12% were Palestinians, and 11% were from the United States and Canada.

**Main Indicators for Hotel Activities**

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| Indicator | 2nd Quarter  2016 | 2nd Quarter 2015 | 1st Quarter 2016 |
| No. of guests | 113,517 | 142,795 | 80,228 |
| No. of guest nights | 354,787 | 417,847 | 250,131 |
| Average room occupancy | 1,552.7 | 1,718.6 | 1,113.8 |
| Average bed occupancy | 3,898.8 | 4,591.7 | 2,748.7 |
| Rooms occupancy % | 23.0 | 25.3 | 16.5 |

During the second quarter 2016, there were 2,878 hotel workers: (2,211 males and 667 females).

**Hotel Room Occupancy**

The room occupancy rate in the West Bank was 23% in the second quarter 2016.

Room occupancy during the second quarter 2016 was 40% higher than first quarter of 2016 and 9% lower than in second quarter 2015.

**Hotel Capacity by Region**

A hundred and thirteen hotels operating in the West Bank responded to the Hotel Activities Survey for the second quarter of 2016. These hotels had 6,710 rooms available with 14,798 beds. These were distributed by region as follows:

* North of West Bank: 21 hotels comprising 435 rooms with 1,212 beds.
* Middle of West Bank excluding Jerusalem governorate: 36 hotels comprising 1,634 rooms with 3,353 beds.
* Jerusalem governorate: 20 hotels comprising 1,259 rooms with 2,821 beds.
* South of West Bank: 36 hotels comprising 3,382 rooms with 7,412 beds.