



## **Press Release on Hotel Activities Survey in the West Bank during the First Quarter 2013**

### **About 120 Thousand Guests Spent 280 Thousand Nights**

During the first quarter of 2013, 120 thousand guests stayed in hotels in the West Bank: 43% were from European Union countries and 10% were Palestinian.

The number of hotel guests was 21% lower than in the previous quarter and 3% lower than in the first quarter of 2012.

During the first quarter of 2013, the number of guest nights in West Bank hotels was 280 thousand: of these 11% were Palestinian, 48% were from European Union countries and 8% were from the United States and Canada.

#### **Value of Variables in Main Hotel Indicators**

<b>Indicator</b>	<b>1st Quarter 2013</b>	<b>4th Quarter 2012</b>	<b>1st Quarter 2012</b>
No. of guests	120,441	152,159	117,470
No. of guest nights	279,591	362,286	292,684
Average room occupancy	1,212.0	1,519.7	1,282.7
Average bed occupancy	3,106.6	3,937.9	3,216.3
Rooms occupancy %	22.0	28.2	25.5

During the first quarter of 2013, there were 2,635 hotel workers, of whom 2,010 were male and 625 were female.

### **Hotel Room Occupancy**

The room occupancy rate in the West Bank was 22% in the first quarter of 2013.

Room occupancy during the first quarter of 2013 was 22% lower than in the previous quarter and 14% lower than in the first quarter of 2012.

### **Hotel Capacity by Region**

In March 2013, there were 101 hotels operating in the West Bank offering 5,592 rooms with a total of 12,786 beds available. These were distributed by region as follows:

- North of West Bank: 12 hotels comprising 253 rooms with 741 beds.
- Middle of West Bank: 30 hotels comprising 1,420 rooms with 3,383 beds
- Jerusalem: 29 hotels comprising 1,582 rooms with 3,507 beds.
- South of West Bank: 30 hotels comprising 2,337 rooms with 5,155 beds.

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