

SURVEY ON AGROTOURISM ESTABLISHMENTS - SUMMER 2005

The number of visitors to the agrotourism establishments of the A.C. of the Basque Country rose by 10% in summer 2005 and overnight stays did so by 5%

32,901 visitors were registered in the agrotourism establishments of the A.C. of the Basque Country in June, July and August 2005, 10% more than in the same period of the previous year, rising 18% in Gipuzkoa, 4% in Alava and 3% in Bizkaia. The number of visitors from other parts of the State underwent 11% growth in the A.C. of the Basque Country and those coming from overseas did so by 4%.

There were 117,632 overnight stays in the agrotourism establishments of the A.C. of the Basque Country in the summer months of 2005, meaning a 5% increase in relation to the same period of last year, with positive inter-annual growth rates in the provinces of Gipuzkoa (9%) and Bizkaia (2%), but a negative inter-annual rate in Alava (-9%).

The average stay per visitor fell from 3.78 to 3.58 days for this summer period.

The degree of occupancy went down from 49.10% to 48.01%.

Rectification: In line with the established criteria of the main statistics offices, we would like to point out the discovery of errors in the data published in the press release for 22 September 2005 last, corresponding to agrotourism establishments. This release is to correct the accumulative data for visitors and overnight stays in June, July and August 2005.

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Table 1: Accumulated monthly results for June, July and August

	A.C. OF EUSKADI			ARABA/ALAVA			BIZKAIA			GIPUZKOA		
	2004	%		2005	%	Δ%	2004	%		2005	%	Δ%
AGRO-TOURISM												
OVERNIGHT STAYS	112.526	100		117.632	100	5	16.160	100		14.753	100	-9
National	94.710	84		99.941	85	6	14.145	88		13.171	89	-7
Foreigners	17.816	16		17.691	15	-1	2.015	12		1.582	11	-21
ENTRY OF TRAVELLERS	29.777	100		32.901	100	10	5.099	100		5.310	100	4
National	25.764	87		28.711	87	11	4.684	92		4.838	91	3
Foreigners	4.013	13		4.190	13	4	415	8		472	9	14
AVERAGE STAY	3,78			3,58		-5	3,17			2,78		-12
OCCUPANCY LEVEL	49,10			48,01		-2	32,57			30,03		-8

Source: EUSTAT