

**SURVEY ON TOURIST ESTABLISHMENTS (EETR) JUNE 2007**

# There was a 4% increase in the number of visitors in June 2007

## ***Overnight stays in June also registered a 4% rise***

The hotel establishments of the A.C. of the Basque Country registered 189,208 visitors in June 2007, more than 8,000 more than in the same month of last year, meaning a 4% increase, according to Eustat data. The number of visitors increased by 10% in Álava and 8% in Bizkaia, but fell by 1% in Gipuzkoa with regard to the same month of the previous year.

The number of visitors from within the state experienced a positive variation of 2% in relation to June 2006 and the number of overseas visitors grew by 11%. The evolution of numbers of visitors from within the state was positive in Álava (3%) and in Bizkaia (4%), but fell in Gipuzkoa by 2%. The number of overseas visitors increased in all three provinces: 30% in Álava, 15% in Bizkaia and 1% in Gipuzkoa.

Among visitors from within the state an increase was seen for those coming from Asturias, Canary Islands, Cantabria, Castile-La Mancha and from the A.C. of the Basque Country itself, among others. There was a fall for those coming from Madrid and Andalucía especially. Among foreign visitors, those from Germany, France, Ireland and Portugal, among others, increased in number and those coming from Italy, Greece and Japan in particular, decreased.

Overnight stays registered in June 2007 came to 347,758, representing a 4% increase compared to last June, which is to say 13,000 more overnight stays. Overnight stays had a positive inter-annual pattern in Álava and Bizkaia, where they increased by 10% in both cases, whereas in Gipuzkoa there was a 4% decrease.

The average length of stay for the A.C. of the Basque Country as a whole fell by one percentage point, going from 1.85 days last June to 1.84 this June. In Álava this figure remained unchanged (0%), growing by 2% in Bizkaia and decreasing by 3% in Gipuzkoa.

The degree of occupancy by places suffered a 3% decrease, going from 50.34% in June last year to 48.75% this June. The degree of occupancy by room also fell by 3%, with both degrees of occupancy affecting Gipuzkoa negatively, while Álava and Bizkaia improved to differing extents.

## **Agrotourism: The number of visitors (7%) and overnight stays (8%) increased**

There were 9,806 visitors to the agrotourism establishments of the A.C. of the Basque Country in June, 7% more than in the same month last year, increasing by 10% in Álava and 21% in Bizkaia, but decreasing by 3% in Gipuzkoa. The increase in the number of visitors from within the State was 3% in the A.C. of the Basque Country: it rose by 12% in Álava, 16% in Bizkaia and diminished by 6% in Gipuzkoa. The number of visitors from overseas increased by 40% in the A.C. of the Basque Country as a whole, decreasing in Álava (-17%) but growing in Bizkaia and Gipuzkoa by 65% and 37% respectively.

The number of overnight stays in the agrotourism establishments of the A.C. of the Basque Country came to 23,486 in June, meaning an 8% increase in relation to the same month of last year, with positive inter-annual growth rates in all three provinces: Álava (18%), Bizkaia (15%) and Gipuzkoa (2%).

The average length of stay per visitor increased in the A.C. of the Basque Country compared to June 2006, going from 2.36 days a year ago to 2.40 this June.

The degree of occupancy by places decreased by 5% in the A.C. of the Basque Country, due to the negative impact of the results in Gipuzkoa. The degree of occupancy by room fell by 3%, also as a result of the decrease seen in Gipuzkoa.

**Table 1: Monthly results**

	A.C. OF EUSKADI				ARABA/ALAVA				BIZKAIA				GIPUZKOA							
	06 2007	%	06 2006	%	Δ %	06 2007	%	06 2006	%	Δ %	06 2007	%	06 2006	%	Δ %					
<b>HOTEL ESTABLISHMENTS</b>																				
<b>OVERNIGHT STAYS</b>	347.758	100	334.680	100		4 47.396	100	43.204	100		10 160.447	100	145.770	100	10 139.915	100	145.706	100	-4	
<b>National</b>	226.239	65	224.689	67	1	1 34.426	73	33.427	77	3	3 101.169	63	94.999	65	6 90.644	65	96.263	66	-6	
<b>Foreigners</b>	121.519	35	109.991	33	10	10 12.970	27	9.777	23	33	59.278	37	50.771	35	17 49.271	35	49.443	34	0	
<b>Capital</b>	211.114	61	204.017	61	3	3 33.418	71	31.507	73	6	6 102.267	64	93.796	64	9 75.429	54	78.714	54	-4	
<b>Coast</b>	44.220	13	45.425	14	-3	-	-	-	-	-	15.219	9	16.544	11	-8 29.001	21	28.881	20	0	
<b>Inland</b>	92.424	27	85.238	25	8	8 13.978	29	11.697	27	20	42.961	27	35.430	24	21 35.485	25	38.111	26	-7	
<b>ENTRY OF TRAVELLERS</b>	189.208	100	181.082	100		4 28.925	100	26.411	100	10	10 88.034	100	81.572	100	8 72.249	100	73.099	100	-1	
<b>National</b>	126.760	67	124.800	69	2	2 21.081	73	20.385	77	3	5 58.154	66	55.680	68	4 47.525	66	48.735	67	-2	
<b>Foreigners</b>	62.448	33	56.282	31	11	7.844	27	6.026	23	30	29.880	34	25.892	32	15 24.724	34	24.364	33	1	
<b>Capital</b>	114.633	61	108.912	60	5	5 19.647	68	17.907	68	10	10 55.916	64	51.507	63	9 39.070	54	39.498	54	-1	
<b>Coast</b>	21.182	11	22.732	13	-7	-	-	-	-	-	8.227	9	9.355	11	-12 12.955	18	13.377	18	-3	
<b>Inland</b>	53.393	28	49.438	27	8	8 9.278	32	8.504	32	9	23.891	27	20.710	25	15 20.224	28	20.224	28	0	
<b>AVERAGE STAY</b>	1,84		1,85		-1	1,64		1,64		0	1,82		1,79		2	1,94		1,99	-3	
<b>OCCUPANCY LEVEL BY PLACES</b>	48,75		50,34		-3	46,02		43,10		7	46,91		45,98		2	52,16		58,85	-11	
<b>Capital</b>	55,41		54,64		1	48,79		46,16		6	54,83		51,02		7	59,86		64,88	-8	
<b>Coast</b>	49,13		52,74		-7	-	-	-	-	-	40,52		42,88		-6	55,30		60,74	-9	
<b>Inland</b>	38,14		41,52		-8	40,52		36,58		11	36,41		37,46		-3	39,51		48,41	-18	
<b>OCCUPANCY LEVEL BY ROOMS</b>	60,73		62,48		-3	57,77		54,25		6	59,15		58,73		1	64,11		71,35	-10	
<b>Capital</b>	69,53		68,68		1	61,90		59,89		3	69,89		65,30		7	73,70		80,12	-8	
<b>Coast</b>	59,59		61,95		-4	-	-	-	-	-	50,27		50,28		0	66,01		71,14	-7	
<b>Inland</b>	47,50		50,96		-7	47,32		40,85		16	45,38		48,37		-6	50,63		58,32	-13	
<b>AGRO-TOURISM</b>																				
<b>OVERNIGHT STAYS</b>	23.486	100	21.744	100	8	3.330	100	2.817	100	18	7.676	100	6.674	100	15	12.480	100	12.253	100	2
<b>National</b>	18.857	80	18.691	86	1	2.914	88	2.421	86	20	5.842	76	5.647	85	3	10.101	81	10.623	87	-5
<b>Foreigners</b>	4.629	20	3.053	14	52	416	12	396	14	5	1.834	24	1.027	15	79	2.379	19	1.630	13	46
<b>ENTRY OF TRAVELLERS</b>	9.806	100	9.207	100	7	1.456	100	1.325	100	10	3.464	100	2.857	100	21	4.886	100	5.025	100	-3
<b>National</b>	8.692	89	8.411	91	3	1.369	94	1.220	92	12	2.983	86	2.565	90	16	4.340	89	4.626	92	-6
<b>Foreigners</b>	1.114	11	796	9	40	87	6	105	8	-17	481	14	292	10	65	546	11	399	8	37
<b>AVERAGE STAY</b>	2,40		2,36		2	2,29		2,13		8	2,22		2,34		-5	2,55		2,44	5	
<b>OCCUPANCY LEVEL BY PLACES</b>	23,33		24,60		-5	18,41		17,42		6	22,82		22,63		1	25,51		28,68	-11	
<b>OCCUPANCY LEVEL BY ROOMS</b>	27,93		28,85		-3	21,75		20,36		7	27,31		26,22		4	30,81		33,95	-9	

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