

Statistics Iceland

Tourism short-term indicators September 2021 Overnight stays	July 2020 2021		%	August - July 6 2019-2020 2020-2021		
Total overnight stays ¹	837,432	1,094,686	31%	6,064,957	2,977,931	-51%
Hotels and guesthouses	369,110	560,747	52%	4,094,561	1,692,224	-51%
Other types of listed accommodation ²	468,322	533,939	14%	1,970,396	1,285,707	-35%
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Occupancy rate of hotel rooms	2020	2021	%	2019-2020	2020-2021	%
Total overnight stays in hotels	226,413	378.027	67%	3,176,776	1,163,676	-63%
Available hotel rooms	8,442	9,738	15%			
Occupancy rate	48%	69%	0	50%	24%	-25
	August		September - August			
Experimental statistics - Overnight stays in hotels	2020	2021 (estimat	ed)	2019-2020	2020 -2021	%
Overnight stays in hotels	176,711	413,300	134%	2,830,542	1,400,265	-51%
- Iceland	132,188	65,500	-50%	581,888	580,248	0%
– Foreigners	44,523	347,800	681%	2,248,654	820,017	-64%
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External trade in services (million ISK)	2020	2021		2019-2020	2020-2021	
Revenue from non-Icelandic tourists	7,835	30,082	284%	333,122	79,147	-76%
– Passenger air transport	1,029	3,929	282%	100,400	11,869	-88%
- Travel / Consumption	6,806	26,153	284%	232,722	67,278	-71%
,	May -	June		July	/ - June	
VAT turnover ³ (million ISK)	2020	2021		2019-2020	2020-2021	
Tourism industries in Iceland	37,185	55,452	49%	496,577	236,466	-52%
– Passenger air transport	13,806	14,982	9%	179,159	77,292	-57%
- Service activities incidental to air transportation	458	1,337	192%	15,060	4,769	-68%
- Accommodation	3,792	8,502	124%	76,486	30,582	-60%
 Food and beverage service activities 	11,905	15,250	28%	82,010	68,610	-16%
- Rental of leisure and sport goods & motor vehicles	5,187	6,661	28%	40,866	31,050	-24%
- Travel agents and tour operators (abroad)	39	466	1081%	11,672	1,426	-88%
-Travel agents and tour operators (in Iceland)	1,130	5,820	415%	55,814	14,025	-75%
- Physical well-being activities	314	1,119	257%	15,135	3,584	-76%
- Passenger transport on land	437 116	890 425	104%	16,425	3,583	-78%
– Passenger water transport	Jur		266%	3,949	1,546	-61%
Register based employment	2019	2020		2019 - 2020	: July - June 2020 - 2021	
Tourism industries in Iceland	18,086	18.124	0%	270.641	173.812	-36%
– Air transport	3,806	2,567	-33%	50,874	29,106	-43%
- Accommodation	4,368	4,587	5%	75,662	38,073	-50%
- Food and beverage service activities	8,098	9,189	13%	111,646	91,287	-18%
- Travel agency, tour operators and other reservation service	1,814	1,781	-2%	32,459	15,346	-53%
	September			Average October - September		
Rental cars ⁴	2019	2020		2019-2020	2020-2021	
Total rental cars	19,747	19,838	0%	22,728	18,046	-21%
Rental cars (active)	17,186	19,174	12%	19,380	14,626	-25%
Rental cars (inactive)	2,561	664	-74%	3,348	3,420	2%
_	Aug	ust		Septemb	oer - August	
Traffic on ring road ⁵	2020	2021		2019-2020	2020-2021	
South Iceland	15,948	18,989	19%	153,734	148,770	-3%
West Iceland	17,753	19,613	10%	154,656	155,416	0%
North Iceland	11,960	13,535	13%	86,969	87,775	1%
East Iceland	2,906	3,809	31%	22,059	22,652	3%
Passenger count from Iceland ⁶	Aug				per - August	
Total Passengers	2020 71,679	2021 172,415	141%	2019-2020 1,192,211	2020-2021 462,195	-61%
- Foreign nationality	63,762	151,847	138%	880,764	363,952	-59%
- Icelandic nationality	7,917	20,568	160%	311,447	98,243	-68%
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Traffic statistcs - Keflavik Airport ⁷		2021		2019-2020	2020-2021	
·	2020	2021 414,576	209%	2019-2020 3,376,949	2020-2021 1,095,459	-68%
Traffic statistcs - Keflavik Airport ⁷ Total passenger movements Departures	2020 134,108	414,576	209% 140%	3,376,949	1,095,459	-68% -66%
Total passenger movements	2020					

¹Airbnb and unpaid accommodation not included.

²Other accommodations are camping sites, youth hostels, holiday centres, lodges in wilderness, apartments, sleeping-bag facilities and private-home accommodation. Other unpaid accommodation includes overnight stays in cars, tents or caravans outside campsites and indoor accommodation where no payment was made.

³Travel agencies (abroad): Services in connection with trips abroad, i.e. with zero VAT-rate according to paragraph 12 of the VAT-law (Act 50/1988). Travel agencies (in Iceland): Services in connection with trips in Iceland, i.e. not with zero VAT-rate according to paragraph 12 of the VAT-law (Act 50/1988).

⁴Data from the Icelandic transport authority. Number of rental cars shown from active status first weekday of each month.

⁵According to numbers from 14 counters on the ring road from Icelandic Road Administration. Monthly numbers show the average count each month. 12 month rolling period specifies the total count during the period. Data is used from 14 counters located on the ring road. ⁶Data from the Icelandic Tourist Board.

⁷Data from ISAVIA - passenger movements count departures, arrivals and connecting passengers which are counted twice. Further information on the website: https://statice.is/