

# TOURISM IN ICELAND IN FIGURES

# - August 2023

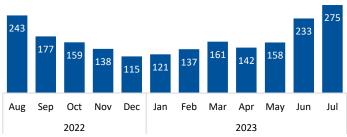
# International visitors through Keflavik airport

#### International departures August 2022 - July 20231

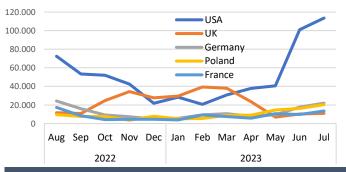
			% change
			for the
	% of		past 12
	departures	Number	monthts*
Total number		2,059,564	50.5%
Top ten countries (74.2% of to	tal)		
USA	29.9%	614,921	70.0%
UK	13.0%	268,094	61.1%
Germany	7.0%	144,221	21.0%
Poland	5.6%	116,090	48.6%
France	4.8%	99,323	24.0%
Italy	3.5%	73,092	39.8%
Spain	2.7%	55,732	37.2%
Denmark	2.7%	54,641	-0.2%
Netherlands	2.6%	53,578	22.9%
Canada	2.3%	47,970	79.9%

<sup>\*</sup>Comparison of the periods August-July 2021-22/2022-23.

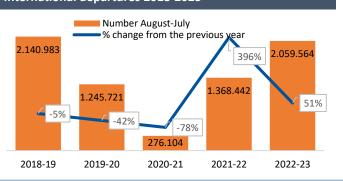
#### Departures ('000) by month<sup>1</sup>



# Departures by month - Top five\* countries1



# International departures 2018-2023<sup>1</sup>



# Main purpose of visit to Iceland and length of stay

# Purpose of visit August 2022 - July 20232

	% of	
	visitors	Number*
Holiday	89.5%	1,844,134
Visit friends/relatives	4.0%	83,000
Business	3.1%	64,052
Health related, educational etc.	1.6%	32,541
Other	1.7%	35,837

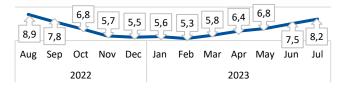
<sup>\*</sup>Calculation based on visitor statistics at Keflavik airport.

#### Length of stay August 2022 - July 20232

	Number	% change for the
	of nights	past 12 months*
Average length of stay	7,5	-5.3%
USA	6,5	-5.8%
UK	5,1	-5.6%
Germany	9,5	-3.1%
Poland	6,6	-20.5%
France	9,4	10.5%
Italy	7,8	-7.1%
Spain	8,4	-5.6%
Denmark	6,5	-4.4%
Netherlands	8,1	-3.6%
Canada	7,1	-9.0%

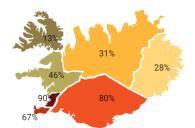
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#### Average length of stay by month (nights)2

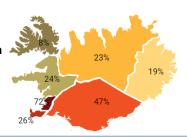


#### Regions visited and overnight stays<sup>2</sup>

Which region did foreign guests visit August'22 – July'23<sup>1</sup>



In which region did foreign guests stay overnight August'22 – July'23<sup>1</sup>



#### **Overnight stays**

# Overnight stays in registered accommodation (August'22-July'23³)

	% of		% change
	guest		from the past
	nights	Number	12 months*
Total guest nights**		9,614,839	28.4%
Hotels	54.2%	5,211,109	27.5%
Guesthouses	13.4%	1,290,830	18.1%
Other accommodation	32.4%	3,112,900	34.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Comparison of the periods August-July 2021/22 - 2022/23.

#### Overnight stays\* in registered accommodation by month<sup>3</sup>



<sup>\*</sup>Overnight stays of Icelanders and international visitors in registered accommodation.

#### Overnight stayes in hotels August 2022 - July 2023<sup>3</sup>

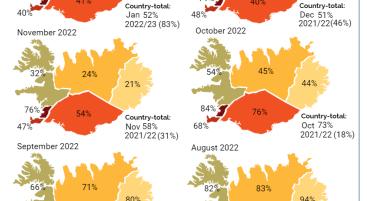
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	% af hotel		the past 12
	guest nights	Number	months *
Total guest nights**		5.211.109	27.5%
USA	26.2%	1,363,724	35.7%
Iceland	18.6%	968,147	4.9%
UK	14.3%	746,724	42.9%
Germany	7.8%	406,491	10.4%
France	3.8%	196,942	13.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Comparison of the periods August-July 2021/22 - 2022/23.

# Room occupancy in hotels (August 2022 – July 2023<sup>3</sup>)

	Total		Capital region	
•	% change from		% change from	
	Room	previous	Room	previous
	occupancy	year	occupancy	year
Aug'22	88.6%	17.4%	90.3%	18.5%
Sep'22	78.3%	23.3%	81.8%	29.2%
Oct'22	73.0%	18.1%	84.3%	16.9%
Nov'22	58.4%	31.2%	76.3%	31.1%
Dec'22	50.8%	45.6%	70.8%	53.2%
Jan'23	52.0%	82.5%	71.0%	94.5%
Feb'23	65.8%	29.0%	79.9%	19.1%
Mar'23	65.6%	19.1%	78.7%	15.7%
Apr'23	58.2%	16.2%	66.1%	12.2%
May'23	65.6%	23.1%	70.2%	12.3%
Jun'23	79.8%	1.7%	80.0%	-2.9%
Jul'23	86.6%	-2.1%	87.5%	-3.5%

#### Room occupancy in hotels by region<sup>3</sup> July 2023 88% 80% 85% Country-total: Jul 87% Country-total: Jun 80% 799 2022/23 (2%) 2022/23(-2%) May 2023 April 2023 70% 66% 61% Country-total: Country-total: Apr 58% 2022/23(16%) May 66% 2022/23(23%) March 2023 February 2023 35% 33% 40% Country-total: Country-total: Feb 66% 2022/23(29.%) 53% Mar66% 2022/23(19%) 579 January 2023 December 2022



18%

13%

12%

Country-total:

Aug 89% 2021/22 (17%)

#### **Sources**

<sup>1</sup>Icelandic Tourist Board and Isavia: Departure statistics at Keflavik Airport. The counting of passengers is done manually before they enter the departure area and the limitations of the methodology needs to be kept in mind when viewing the statistics. The counting covers all passengers going through the security check. From October 2019, the counting is based on a sampling method.

Country-total:

Sep 78% 2021/22 (23%)

<sup>2</sup>Icelandic Tourist Board: Border Survey conducted by the Icelandic Tourist Board and Statistics Iceland at Keflavik Airport 2021-2023.

<sup>3</sup>Statistics Iceland: Accommodation statistics 2021-2023. Guest nights in registered accommodation refer to overnight stays with operators registered in Statistics Icelands's database. Estimated figures for 2023.



<sup>\*\*</sup>Non-registered overnight stays were 1,727,800.

<sup>\*\*5</sup> largest nationalities accounted for 70.7% of total guest nights in hotels.