



Tourism Statistics– Domestic Tourism

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Domestic Tourism – developments in 2009 (I)

- Expenditures available in detail for domestic travelers since 2009 (changes in questionnaire);
- The same structure for expenses is applied for Border survey and Household survey (includes Domestic tourism);
- The definition of usual environment changed – administrative borders removed practically, rural municipality, city – the smallest administrative unit as usual environment;



Domestic Tourism – developments in 2009 (II)

- Interviewers find it easier to interview respondents about their trips within Latvia (removal of limits of crossing the State district border);
- Definition of usual environment updated with real life examples to ensure better understanding for interviewers;
- The changes and improvements introduced have been widely discussed at Interagency Working group and with other partners.

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Domestic Tourism – challenges

- Inclusion of a choice – can not answer/do not know at question about expenses allows respondents not to recall the important monetary indicators;
- Mathematical methods, calculations used to impute expenses for the missing values;
- In future considering to remove the choice can not answer/do not know to ensure precise data;

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Domestic Tourism – future developments

- Sample size increased and separated from Labour Force survey;
- Regions near borderland should be covered more;
- Looking forward to create more precise traveler profile in accordance with the upcoming New EU Regulation in tourism statistics.



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