

England Occupancy Survey

March 2023 Results







Summary of Results

When comparing March 2023 results with March 2022, **room occupancy** in March 2023 increased from 70% to 75%, whilst **bedspace occupancy** increased from 48% to 52%. In March 2023, **room supply** increased by 0.7% (in relative terms), when compared with March 2022. Meanwhile, **room demand** increased by 7.5% (in relative terms), when compared with March 2022.

RevPAR, which is the total room revenue divided by the total number of available rooms, increased by 16% to £83.19 in March 2023, when compared with the same month last year.

Evaluating trends across the **9 regions** of England, all regions achieved increased room occupancy compared with the same month last year. The three regions that recorded the greatest change in room occupancy from last year were Southeast England, which increased occupancy from 67% to 74%, followed by Greater London, which increased occupancy from 71% to 77%, and East England, which increased occupancy from 74% to 78%.

Looking at hotel performance across **destination types**, City / Large Town hotel room occupancy increased the most from 71% to 76%, followed by Small Town hotel occupancy, which increased from 69% to 72%. March occupancy dropped two percentage points in Seaside hotels, which fell from 69% to 67%, and in Countryside hotels, falling from 66% to 64%.

Assessing occupancy rates by **establishment size**, hotels with 101+ rooms increased the most from 69% to 75%, followed by hotels with 26-50 rooms, which increased occupancy from 70% to 71%, and hotels with 51-100 rooms which increased occupancy from 75% to 76%. The only decline from last year was recorded for hotels with 1-25 rooms as occupancy decreased from 68% to 67%.

Throughout this report occupancy comparisons with last year are in absolute terms. Meanwhile, ADR and RevPAR year-on-year comparisons are in relative terms. Please see the Methodology Statement for more information on this, and regarding the data during the Covid-19 pandemic.





England Room and Bedspace Occupancy

At a glance - March 2023

Room Bedspace ① % Change



*Please note: As of February 2019 occupancy percentage changes are expressed in absolute terms. For more information please see 'Methodology Statement' on page 16.





England Room and Bedspace Occupancy

Room Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023
March	75%	33%	70%	75%
March YTD	71%	28%	61%	71%
Weekday	74%	37%	69%	75%
Weekend	76%	21%	75%	76%

Room supply and room demand Year-on-year relative percentage change	2019	2021	2022	2023
Room Supply	2.1%	-21.7%	26.6%	0.7%
Room Demand	1.9%	-30.5%	174.0%	7.5%

Bedspace Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023
March	52%	22%	48%	52%
March YTD	50%	19%	43%	49%
Weekday	46%	23%	43%	47%
Weekend	65%	18%	65%	65%



England Room and Bedspace Occupancy

Data Tables





England Room Occupancy by Month

England Bedspace Occupancy by Month





England ADR and RevPAR

At a glance - March 2023

ADR
RevPAR
% Change







ADR	2019	2021	2022	2023	F
March	£91.12	£48.30	£101.57	£110.74	Μ
Weekday	£93.32	£48.08	£98.69	£109.16	W
Weekend	£86.67	£49.42	£109.11	£114.55	W

RevPAR	2019	2021	2022	2023
March	£68.11	£15.71	£71.54	£83.19
Weekday	£68.97	£17.58	£67.77	£81.68
Weekend	£66.30	£10.34	£82.35	£86.87













Occupancy By Region

Room Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023	Bedspace Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023
East England	72%	43%	74%	78%	East England	50%	30%	51%	54%
East Midlands	72%	36%	72%	75%	East Midlands	50%	24%	49%	52%
Greater London	81%	26%	71%	77%	Greater London	58%	18%	49%	54%
Northeast England	66%	30%	71%	72%	Northeast England	47%	21%	49%	50%
Northwest England	73%	28%	69%	74%	Northwest England	51%	19%	48%	51%
Southeast England	72%	37%	67%	74%	Southeast England	50%	25%	45%	51%
Southwest England	72%	39%	71%	72%	Southwest England	50%	27%	48%	49%
West Midlands	73%	29%	72%	76%	West Midlands	49%	19%	47%	50%
Yorkshire & Humberside	72%	30%	73%	76%	Yorkshire & Humberside	51%	21%	51%	53%











ADR and RevPAR By Region

ADR	2019	2021	2022	2023	RevPAR	2019	2021	2022	2023
East England	£64.16	£45.13	£72.81	£76.59	East England	£45.93	£19.50	£53.53	£59.84
East Midlands	£59.95	£44.55	£67.69	£72.56	East Midlands	£42.93	£16.16	£48.97	£54.49
Greater London	£137.88	£61.00	£156.47	£174.81	Greater London	£112.27	£15.66	£110.57	£134.38
Northeast England	£57.96	£44.28	£69.17	£69.77	Northeast England	£38.39	£13.41	£49.37	£50.49
Northwest England	£69.46	£46.89	£79.68	£80.74	Northwest England	£50.54	£13.28	£55.36	£59.43
Southeast England	£70.55	£45.60	£78.92	£83.66	Southeast England	£50.61	£16.98	£52.57	£61.51
Southwest England	£71.73	£45.46	£86.55	£85.98	Southwest England	£51.37	£17.84	£61.21	£61.55
West Midlands	£69.01	£44.27	£79.65	£84.57	West Midlands	£50.38	£12.97	£57.38	£63.97
Yorkshire & Humberside	£60.54	£43.15	£72.85	£75.62	Yorkshire & Humberside	£43.47	£13.11	£53.49	£57.19





Room Occupancy By Destination Type

At a glance - March 2023



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Occupancy By Destination Type

Room Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023	Bedspace Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023
City / Large Town	76%	31%	71%	76%	City / Large Town	53%	21%	48%	52%
Small Town	70%	38%	69%	72%	Small Town	50%	27%	49%	52%
Countryside	67%	43%	66%	64%	Countryside	45%	29%	44%	43%
Seaside	69%	39%	69%	67%	Seaside	51%	28%	49%	49%





Room Occupancy By Number of Rooms

At a glance - March 2023



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Occupancy By Number of Rooms

Room Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023	Bedspace Occupancy	2019	2021	2022	2023
1 to 25 Rooms	69%	39%	68%	67%	1 to 25 Rooms	50%	28%	48%	48%
26 to 50 Rooms	71%	45%	70%	71%	26 to 50 Rooms	51%	31%	49%	50%
51 to 100 Rooms	72%	46%	75%	76%	51 to 100 Rooms	53%	33%	54%	55%
101+ Rooms	76%	27%	69%	75%	101+ Rooms	53%	18%	47%	52%



Methodology Statement

In July 2017, a change of suppliers was made to the occupancy data. The data is now collected via a syndicated panel of over 3,000 hotels and other accommodation businesses provided by hotel market data and benchmarking company - STR. STR collects the following performance metrics from participating properties either on a daily or monthly basis through their online platform or data feeds:

- Number of rooms available
- Number of rooms sold
- Total room revenue

These baseline figures are used to calculate the three most relevant metrics within the accommodation industry namely: Occupancy, Average Daily Rate (ADR) and Revenue Per Available Room (RevPAR). All units given throughout this report represent a positive number, unless stated otherwise.

To allow a meaningful comparison of year-on-year trends, VisitEngland and STR have included historical data from STR's own participating properties in the reports from July 2017 onwards. The historical data displayed in these reports is not consistent with reports published prior to the July 2017 report.

Further details about STR's panel and data collection can be found in our methodology note.

All previous months' reports and data can be found on the VisitEngland website.

In February 2019, a change in reporting style was made to refer to percentage changes of occupancy data in absolute terms. Please note that the room and bedspace occupancy figures in this report are rounded to the nearest whole number. As a result, occupancy absolute percentage change figures may have a discrepancy of ± 1 %. All previous reports prior to February 2019 show percentage changes of occupancy data in relative terms. ADR, RevPAR, Supply & Demand percentage changes continue to be shown in relative terms.

Due to Covid-19, the England hotel industry saw an unprecedented number of hotels temporarily close their doors starting in March of 2020. Throughout the pandemic, STR has continued to collect performance data from those hotels who remained open. The data in this month's report is therefore only based on those hotels that were open and reported data to STR (N=3,510).





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