

## ROMANIAN TOURIST RESORTS

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**ABSTRACT.** Tourist resorts, as they are known nowadays, can be considered important development poles of local and/or regional tourism, given the concentration of tourism resources and tourist activity. The present paper, constructed as a case study, investigates the spatio-temporal evolution of Romanian resorts, grouping them by type of locality to which they belong administratively. In addition, the analysis defines two new categories of resorts, the 'old' and 'new' resorts, based on their presence in a tourist guide from the communist period. The status of tourist resorts is attracting an increase in tourism activity as shown within this research, mainly when the national resorts are under scrutiny. Though, one can observe an uneven distribution, mainly at regional level, especially in the case of local tourist resorts. Currently, all tourist resorts are facing the challenge of shorter trips/vacations and the need to compensate for this phenomenon by attracting more tourists, hence the need to improve and diversify their tourism products. An alternative classification of these resorts also emerges based on these tourism products. Mainly for local resorts, improved data availability is necessary for improved research results.

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## Introduction and a brief review of literature

The tourism sector often plays a crucial role in the economic and social development of many countries and regions (Chu *et al.*, 2024; Sampaio *et al.*, 2024). Tourist resorts, as they are known nowadays, can be considered important development poles of local and/or regional tourism, given the concentration of tourism resources and tourist activity (Papatheodorou, 2004; King, 2022). In some countries and/or regions, tourism resorts can be seen even as the backbone of tourism sector (Viljoen *et al.*, 2019).

While tourist resorts are often perceived as a modern occurrence (Viljoen *et al.*, 2019), they can be traced back in history to Roman Empire period and a brief historical evolution of tourist resorts is provided by Viljoen *et al.*, (2019) and King (2022). Nonetheless, the growth of mass tourism put its imprint on the contemporary development of tourist resorts (Butcher, 2020).

Probably the most simplistic definition of a tourist resort is that equating it to a locality or a special developed space/place that focuses on tourism and contains a variety of leisure facilities (Beaver, 2012; Viljoen *et al.*, 2019; Butcher, 2020). Other definitions consider tourist resorts to be tourist destinations that can be (relatively) self-sufficient and which provides tourist accommodations, entertainment, leisure, and sport facilities along with food and beverage services, shopping areas and showrooms, catering for visitors' needs (Palmer & Mathel, 2010; Chu *et al.*, 2024; Zhu & Yan, 2024). Nonetheless, a globally accepted definition of tourist resorts is difficult to envisage since the way resorts are viewed differs around the world (from Europe to North America to Asia) and also differs from country to country. In some countries/regions, the tourist resorts are viewed as autonomous enclaves, while in other places they are overlapping with long established localities.

It is also difficult to aim toward a consensus regarding the classification of resorts. Brey (2011) offers a preliminary classification system for resorts, but the proposal is appropriate mainly for North America. General classifications can be made based on location, on activities that can take place within a resort (e.g. golf, ski), on types of natural or cultural resources (Viljoen *et al.*, 2019; Palmer & Mathel, 2010).

The academic literature on tourist resorts can be grouped into several major topics. One broad topic is focused on exploring the concept(s) and types of tourist resorts (e.g. Papatheodorou, 2024; Brey, 2011), with a subgroup that investigate the application of life cycle model introduced by Butler (1980) with various alterations and new proposals like that of Prideaux (2000) which included the economic forces as factors influencing tourist resort development (e.g. Agarwal, 2002). Another ample topic includes research related to management,

marketing, operations, and efficiency of tourist resorts (e.g. Palmer & Mathel, 2010; Hanna *et al.*, 2018; Chu *et al.*, 2024). Newer research trends are represented by spatial evolution of tourist resorts (e.g. Ma *et al.*, 2020), visitors' perceptions of and lived experiences within a tourist resort (e.g. Ahn & Thomas, 2020), and the case of integrated resorts (Ahn & Back, 2018).

Due to the particularities of tourist resorts in each country, the vast majority of papers focus on a specific country and analyze specific issues, as is the case of China (e.g. Chu *et al.*, 2024; Zhu & Yan, 2024), or on a combination of a tourist resort type and a country or region, such as all-inclusive resorts in Turkey (Ozdemir *et al.*, 2012) and Scandinavia (Wall-Reinius *et al.*, 2019), ski resorts in Austria, France, and Italy (Moreno-Gené *et al.*, 2018) and Finland (Kulusjarvi, 2016), and Polish spa resorts (Dryglas & Rozycki, 2017).

On Romanian tourism one can find a relatively extensive academic literature, though this is highly fragmented, covering various time periods, various regions, counties or localities/destinations. However, the Romanian academic literature focusing on Romanian tourism resorts is relatively limited. A category of studies are centering their attention on general presentations like Cianga & Patrascu (2010) which offers a brief description of tourist resorts within the trends of tourism development in Romania, or the study of Ilies *et al.* (2017) which depicts Romania's geography of tourism where some of the tourist resorts are included, classified in spas/balneary, climatic and mixed. Another category of studies is focused on the types of tourist resorts like the one of Nistoreanu & Aluculesei (2021) which discusses the situation of 6 Romanian spa resorts (5 of national interest and 1 of local interest) and highlights the ambiguous position of Romanian tourism authorities regarding the development of spa resorts. In this category one also can include the study of Stupariu & Morar (2018) discussing the seasonality in 20 spa resorts (all of national interest) and the research of Popescu *et al.* (2023) which investigates Romanian tourists' preferences for Romanian and Bulgarian sea-side resorts, underlining the lack of all-inclusive packages at Romanian hotels.

Only three relatively recent studies tried to adopt a broader view of Romanian tourist resorts. The study of Simoni (2017) discusses the lack of an adequate classification of resorts through legal norms, considering the split in resorts of national and local interest not clear enough for tourists (mainly for the foreign ones). Simoni (2017) proposes a combined classification based on geographical location, tourism function (types of tourism), seasonality and importance (national or local) for a better tourist resort segmentation. The complex study of Grecu *et al.* (2019) put under scrutiny the 108 resorts designated at the end of 2008 and found that mainly in the national resorts there is a high pressure on the environment through the requests made for more land to be dedicated to lodgings and leisure activities. Only about a third of investigated resorts having

a low level of environmental conflicts. Also, Grecu *et al.* (2019) makes an interesting disclosure that only about 20% of Romanian tourist resorts can report tourism as being the predominant economic activity while for the remaining 80% tourism seems to be a complementary activity. The research of Herman *et al.* (2026) discuss the spatial-temporal evolution of Romanian tourist resorts, revealing an overall uneven distribution across the country's development regions.

The present paper, constructed as a case study, investigates the spatial-temporal evolution of Romanian resorts, grouping them by type of locality to which they belong administratively. Also, two new categories of resorts are defined, the 'old' and 'new' resorts, based on their presence in a tourist guide from the communist period. Further, the study is focused only on the 57 national resorts (hosted by 51 localities) due to data availability and presents the position of these resorts in comparison with other urban and rural destinations. To the best of authors' knowledge, a complete list (as of December 2025) regarding the Government Decisions attesting the tourist resorts was not provided by any research to date. Also, there was no research on the position of these tourist resorts from offer and demand viewpoints compared with other Romanian tourist destinations.

## Data and method

The present research is a case study regarding the spatial-temporal evolution and the position occupied by Romanian tourist resorts among the other Romanian destinations. The period under scrutiny was 1990-2025 for identifying the resorts and 2001-2024 for statistical data, since the tourist arrivals are available by locality only since 2001. All the statistical data were collected from the National Institute of Statistics (NIS) via the Tempo online database (<http://statistici.insse.ro:8077/tempo-online/#/pages/tables/insse-table>).

The information concerning the designated resorts was collected using the identified Government Decision via the specialized search engine 'Portal Legislativ'.

For the understanding of this study, the readers less familiar with Romania's administrative structure should comprehend that the smallest administrative unit is the commune, in rural areas, followed by towns, municipalities, and counties; each county has a county residence, which is a municipality. The development regions do not have administrative functions, their role being that of coordinating regional (inter-county) projects and supporting the absorption of European funds, according to the Romanian Government (<https://arice.gov.ro/1/regiunile-de-dezvoltare/>).

In order to classify the national resorts in ‘old’ and ‘new’, the information available in Cucu & Stefan (1979) was used for the ‘old’ resorts; the ‘new’ ones<sup>4</sup> are those not included in the mentioned tourist guide.

Bucharest was not included in the urban destinations used for comparisons due to its peculiar position as Romanian administrative capital, cumulating about 14% of the country’s tourist arrivals.

Of the 170 tourist resorts of local interest, data series for 81 covering the period 2001–2024 are incomplete; therefore, it was impossible to perform a proper comparison between national and local resorts; the complete statistical data were analyzed only for the national resorts.

### **The definition of a tourist resort and the general conditions for a locality to be designated<sup>5</sup> as tourist resort in Romania**

After 1989, the Government Ordinance no. 58/1998 introduced the definition of tourist resort. Law 755/2001 and Government Ordinance 86/2022 subsequently amended this Government Ordinance. The tourist resort definition has remained unchanged since 1998 and states that a tourist resort is a locality, a part of a locality, or an area consisting of neighboring localities or parts of neighboring localities that possess tourism resources and is officially recognized under the legal regulations in force. Some Romanian authors, such as Simoni (2017) and Grecu et al. (2019), when discussing the definition of Romanian tourist resorts, refer to a definition proposed in a 2009 draft tourism bill that was never passed.

According to Romanian norms, the overall goal for attesting a locality as a tourist resort is that to create the necessary framework to protect, preserve and benefit from the tourist potential of a locality or area.

The legal norms for designating tourist resorts were, however, first issued in 1996 through Government Decision 77/1996, preceding the definition by 2 years. This Government Decision content was altered by Government Decisions 1122/2002, 867/2006 and replaced by Government Decision 852/2008 (its content being also altered by Government Decisions 377/2020 and 120/2024<sup>6</sup>).

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<sup>4</sup> The ‘new’ national resorts identified are 17 localities: 3 county residences (Piatra Neamt, Oradea, Baia Mare); 1 other municipality (Petrosani); 9 towns (Targu Ocna, Azuga, Gura Humorului, Targu Neamt, Rasnov, Horezu, Viseu de Sus, Novaci) and 4 communes (Sucevita, Moroeni, Turnu Ruieni, Moisei).

<sup>5</sup> The terms ‘designated’ and ‘granted the status of’ will be used henceforth instead of the literal translation of the Romanian term ‘*atestare*’ as ‘attested’. This choice reflects the different legal meanings and usages of the term ‘attested’ in English and Romanian.

<sup>6</sup> A far higher number of Government Decisions altered government Decision 852/2008, though those decisions altered only the list of localities designated as tourist resorts and not the criteria for attesting those resorts (see Annex 1).

Currently, Government Decision 852/2008 is in force, taking into account all the alteration introduced by Government Decisions that followed, related to its topic.

Since 1996, the Romanian tourist resorts were classified as resorts of national interest and resorts of local interest, with a set of minimal criteria to be fulfilled. The 1996 norms also specified that a locality is designated as tourist resort through Government Decisions (henceforth it will be used the abbreviation HG, more common for Romanian readers, deriving from *Hotărâre de Guvern*). While the HG 77/1996 mentioned that the MoT (Ministry of Tourism<sup>7</sup>) can have the initiative to propose a locality as tourist resort, since 2006, through HG 867/2006, the initiative for proposing a locality as a resort can come only from the local administrative authorities.

Between 1996 and 2008, there was a single set of minimal criteria for national and respective local resorts. These minimal criteria were grouped by types: a) the natural setting and the quality of the environment; b) the accessibility; c) the utilities and other minimal facilities; d) lodgings and leisure facilities. Through HG 867/2006 a fifth group was introduced: e) providing tourist information and tourism promotion. This set of minimal criteria was split by HG 852/2008 in a set of minimal compulsory criteria (assembled under the 5 groups mentioned above) and a set of supplementary criteria. For the additional criteria, a number of points are allocated. For national resorts, the minimum number of points required was 135 between 2008 and 2023; it was increased to 160 points by HG 120/2024. For local resorts, the minimum number of points needed was 90 between 2008 and 2023; it was increased to 100 points by HG 120/2024. Popescu (2024) provides more details and a discussion regarding these criteria.

One of the main differentiating criteria was the minimum number of bed-places required: 300 for the national resorts and 50 for local resorts (the bed-places in campings were excluded). Also, a minimum number of lodgings were required to be classified at 3 stars. This minimum number of bed-places was raised to 500 for national resorts and 100 for local resorts through HG 867/2006 and has remained unchanged until the present. Though, HG 120/2024 introduced new minimal structure requirements, asking for the existence of hotels within national resorts and that a minimum 10% of bed-places should be found in lodgings classified at 3-5 stars, for both national and local resorts.

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<sup>7</sup> MoT abbreviation will be used within this article to signify the central administrative authority with ascribed tasks for tourism. This option was chosen due to the fact that the responsibilities for tourism are frequently moved from a ministry to another, depending on the political and administrative vision of successive governments.

It must also be mentioned that Government Ordinance 109/2000 provides a classification of balneary, climatic, and balneo-climatic resorts, along with their definitions. However, this classification is not correlated with the official lists of national and local resorts, which do not indicate whether resorts have a balneary, climatic, or balneo-climatic status.

## Results and discussions

As Table 1 shows, before the first official list of national and local resorts was published in HG 1122/2002, 13 localities were declared (or designated) resorts through individual Government Decisions.

This model of individual Government Decisions continues for the period 2003-2012, followed by a hiatus in the attestation process: for about 5 years, until 2017, no individual or collective (for a list of localities) Government Decisions for attestation of resorts were issued. Starting with 2017, the individual Government Decisions disappear. Another phenomenon that can be observed is that between 2017 and 2025 only one new locality (Baia Mare – tourist area) is designated as national resort, the other localities (9) were upgraded to the status of national resorts from local resorts.

One must note that the process of attesting national resorts had a relative constant pace, with the exception of 2002, when it introduced 28 new localities as national resorts. On the other hand, the process of attesting local resorts registered several leaps: the first one was in 2002 when 34 localities were declared local resorts, followed by 2022 when 52 localities were designated as local resorts. Since 2017 (except for 2022) between 2 and 14 local resorts were designated either annually or every two years (see Table 1 below). The following sub-periods can be identified between 1992 and 2025 regarding the designation process: i) the sub-period between 1992 and 2000, when mainly individual Government Decisions were issued for the designation of tourist resorts; the frequency was low, except for 1999, when 7 localities were designated; there is a gap of 2 years (1997 and 1998) when no designation was decided; ii) the sub-period between 2002 and 2012, dominated by individual Government Decisions, but one in 2002 which includes a list for 28 national resorts and a list of 34 local resorts; within this period, there is a gap of 2 years (2007 and 2008) when no locality was designated as a resort; iii) the sub-period 2013–2016, when no Government Decisions were issued for resort designation; iv) the sub-period 2017–2025, during which individual Government Decisions completely disappeared and were replaced by lists of localities included in the newly issued decisions; no gaps of 2 years exist within this sub-period.

As such, by the end of 2025, Romania had 57 national resorts (of which 10 were upgraded from local resorts) and 170 local resorts. However, At the end of 2025, the list of resorts provided by MoT at the link <https://se.situr.gov.ro/OpenData/OpenDataList?type=listaStatiuni> did not include 27 localities (26 localities declared resorts in 2024 and 2025 and Moinesti Bai declared resort in 2017) and also did not upgrade the status of Moisei from local to national resort.

**Table 1.** The evolution of designated national and local resorts between 1990 and 2025

| Year | HG number/year | No. of designated resorts                                         | Cumulate designated resorts |       | Observations                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |                |                                                                   | National                    | Local |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1992 | 226/1992       | 1 (Predeal)                                                       | 1                           | 0     | First locality designated as a resort after December 1989. The HG 226/1992 does not specify the national or local status of Predeal. The resort appears as national in HG 1122/2002. |
| 1994 | 962/1994       | 1 (Snagov)                                                        | 1                           | 1     | The HG 962/1994 does not specify the national or local status of Snagov. The resort appears as local in HG 1122/2002.                                                                |
| 1995 | 113/1995       | 1 (Poiana Brasov)                                                 | 2                           | 1     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1996 | 901/1996       | 1 (Breaza)                                                        | 2                           | 2     | The HG 901/1996 does not specify the national or local status of Breaza. The resort appears as local in HG 1122/2002.                                                                |
| 1999 | 117/1999       | 1 (Vatra Dornei)                                                  | 3                           | 2     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 509/1999       | 1 (Valenii de Munte)                                              | 3                           | 3     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 510/1999       | 1 (Pucioasa)                                                      | 4                           | 3     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 688/1999       | 1 (Baile Govora)                                                  | 5                           | 3     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 689/1999       | 1 (Slanic)                                                        | 6                           | 3     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 717/1999       | 2 (Fantanele, Rasca; Muntele Baisorii)                            | 6                           | 5     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2000 | 416/2000       | 1 (Cheia)                                                         | 6                           | 6     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 417/2000       | 1 (Tasnad)                                                        | 6                           | 7     | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2002 | 1122/2002      | 28 national resorts <sup>1</sup><br>34 local resorts <sup>1</sup> | 34                          | 41    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2003 | 421/2003       | 1 (Azuga)                                                         | 35                          | 41    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2005 | 114/2005       | 1 (Gura Humorului)                                                | 36                          | 41    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 298/2005       | 1 (Bran)                                                          | 36                          | 42    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 299/2005       | 1 (Ocna Sibiului)                                                 | 36                          | 43    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 801/2005       | 1 (Albac)                                                         | 36                          | 44    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|      | 936/2005       | 1 (Horezu)                                                        | 36                          | 45    | -                                                                                                                                                                                    |



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| Year | HG number/year | No. of designated resorts                                                 | Cumulate designated resorts |       | Observations                                                                                                                                                                             |
|------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |                |                                                                           | National                    | Local |                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|      | 1319/2005      | 1 (Moieciu)                                                               | 36                          | 46    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|      | 1324/2005      | 1 transfer (Campulung Moldovenesc)                                        | 37                          | 45    | Campulung Moldovenesc was designated as a local resort in 2002 and upgraded to national resort in 2005.                                                                                  |
| 2006 | 329/2006       | 1 (Arieseni)                                                              | 37                          | 46    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2009 | 848/2009       | 1 (Targu Neamt)                                                           | 38                          | 46    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|      | 1204/2009      | 1 (Viseu de Sus)                                                          | 38                          | 47    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|      | 1205/2009      | 1 (Parang-Petrosani Area)                                                 | 39                          | 47    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2010 | 511/2010       | 1 (Piatra Neamt)                                                          | 40                          | 47    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2011 | 1181/2011      | 1 (Suior-Baia Sprie Area)                                                 | 40                          | 48    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2012 | 1161/2012      | 1 (Rasnov)                                                                | 41                          | 48    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2017 | 58/2017        | 1 transfer (Borsec)<br>1 national (Sucevita)<br>10 local resorts          | 43                          | 57    | Borsec was designated as a local resort in 2002 and upgraded to national resort in 2017.                                                                                                 |
| 2018 | 107/2018       | 1 transfer (Borsa)<br>3 national resorts<br>4 local resorts               | 47                          | 61    | Borsa was designated as a local resort in 2002 and upgraded to national resort in 2018.                                                                                                  |
|      | 916/2018       | 11 local resorts                                                          | 47                          | 72    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2020 | 377/2020       | 2 transfers (Tasnad; Lacu Sarat)<br>2 national resorts<br>5 local resorts | 51                          | 75    | Tasnad was designated as a local resort in 2000 and upgraded to national resort in 2020.<br>Lacu Sarat was designated as a local resort in 2002 and upgraded to national resort in 2020. |
|      | 887/2020       | 1 transfer (Ocna Sugatag)<br>13 local resorts                             | 52                          | 87    | Ocna Sugatag was designated as a local resort in 2002 and upgraded to national resort in 2020.                                                                                           |
|      | 1073/2020      | 3 local resorts                                                           | 52                          | 90    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2021 | 343/2021       | 5 local resorts                                                           | 52                          | 95    | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|      | 843/2021       | 1 transfer (Horezu)<br>2 local resorts                                    | 53                          | 96    | Horezu was designated as a local resort in 2005 and upgraded to national resort in 2021.                                                                                                 |
| 2022 | 910/2022       | 1 transfer (Viseu de Sus)<br>17 local resorts                             | 54                          | 112   | Viseu de Sus was designated as a local resort in 2009 and upgraded to national resort in 2022.                                                                                           |
|      | 1580/2022      | 35 local resorts                                                          | 54                          | 147   | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2024 | 120/2024       | 1 national (Baia Mare)<br>14 local resorts                                | 55                          | 161   | -                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|      | 1448/2024      | 1 transfer (Moisei)<br>6 local resorts                                    | 56                          | 166   | Moisei was designated as a local resort in 2017 and upgraded to national resort in 2024.                                                                                                 |

| Year | HG number/year | No. of designated resorts              | Cumulate designated resorts |       | Observations                                                                             |
|------|----------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |                |                                        | National                    | Local |                                                                                          |
| 2025 | 936/2025       | 1 transfer (Novaci)<br>6 local resorts | 57                          | 170   | Novaci was designated as a local resort in 2018 and upgraded to national resort in 2025. |

Note 1: The number does not include the resorts already designated and recorded in the rows above.

Source: Authors' compilation based of Government Decisions (HG.s) mentioned within the table

As Table 2 shows, the towns are the dominant type of locality in the case of national resorts, while in the case of local resorts the most numerous are the communes. The number of resorts is not very high when considering the total number of localities: about 23% of county residences, around 31% of other municipalities and towns, and only 4% in the case of communes. It is interesting to mention that a list provided under the National Program for Rural Development in 2012 (Order 54/2012<sup>8</sup>) recorded 839 communes with a high or very high concentration of tourist resources.

**Table 2.** The structure by type of localities<sup>1</sup>

| Type of locality                   | Romania | National resorts | Local resorts    | Total resorts    |
|------------------------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| County residences (municipalities) | 40      | 5                | 4                | 9                |
| Other municipalities               | 62      | 4                | 15               | 19               |
| Towns                              | 216     | 31               | 37               | 67 <sup>4</sup>  |
| Communes                           | 2,862   | 11               | 110              | 120 <sup>5</sup> |
| Total                              | 3,181   | 51 <sup>2</sup>  | 166 <sup>3</sup> | 215              |

Note 1: The figures DO NOT include Bucharest. Ilfov county DOES NOT have a county residence

Note 2: in the case of national resorts, the difference between the reported 57 national resorts and the number of localities of 51 is due to the fact that one municipality administratively includes 5 other resorts and one town is composed of 2 resorts, as explained in Annex 2.

Note 3: in the case of local resorts, the difference between the reported 170 local resorts and the number of localities of 166 is due to the fact that 4 localities include each 2 resorts, as explained in Annex 2.

Note 4: The total of 67 (instead of 68) is given to the fact that Predeal is reported twice, once as a national resort and second as a town including 2 local resorts.

Note 5: The total of 120 (instead of 121) is given to the fact that the commune of Sanmartin is reported twice, once as the host of national resort Baile Felix and second as the host of local resort 1 Mai.

Source: Authors' compilation based on NIS via Tempo Online

(<http://statistici.insse.ro:8077/tempo-online/#/pages/tables/insse-table>)

<sup>8</sup> Order 54/2012 was issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and is available at: <https://legislatie.just.ro/Public/FormaPrintabila/00000G269R6YOO81RWI01H6BI3G3QI8N>

While the process of attesting the national resorts slowed down since 2020 and focused mainly on the upgrade of local resorts to national resort status, the certification process for local resorts accelerated between 2020 and 2024, with the year 2022 reaching a peak of 52 localities declared as local resorts. Depending on the efforts of local authorities to provide the necessary documentation to prove their respective localities fulfill the criteria to become a resort, the number of local resorts is likely to continue to grow.

The territorial distribution of resorts differs. The national resorts have a relatively even distribution across Romania's development regions, while the local resorts are concentrated mainly in the 3 neighboring development regions inside the Carpathian arch (North-West, Center, and West) as shown by Table 3, Annex 2 and the map (of counties and development regions) in Annex 4.

The region with the highest concentration of 13 national resorts is the Southeast mainly because this region includes the Constanta County, which covers the Romania's seacoast area and hosts the 12 littoral national resorts (the only county with this number of national resorts).

As mentioned above, the local resorts present a higher concentration in North-West region (28.24%), in Center region (22.35%), and West region (15.29%), the 3 development regions cumulating 65.88% of local resorts. This situation suggests a higher level of awareness among local authorities regarding the potential benefits of a locality being designated as a (local) resort and the desire to develop tourism as complementary to local agriculture and various small industries.

When the territorial distribution takes into consideration the counties, the disparities are higher. As of the end of 2025, 6 counties do not have any designated resorts (Botosani, Dolj, Giurgiu, Iasi, Teleorman, and Vaslui). Until the end of 2023, this number was even higher, of 8 counties, but during 2024 and 2025 the counties of Tulcea and Calarasi obtained the recognition of 2 communes (Tulcea) and of an area within the county residence Calarasi as resorts of local interest.

A number of 12 counties are hosting only resorts of local interests, while only 4 counties do not have resorts of local interest.

Of the 41 counties, 23 host resorts of national interest. Constanta County ranks first with 12 national resorts, followed by Valcea and Maramures, each with 5 national resorts. The counties of Prahova and Suceava host 4 national resorts each, followed by Brasov County with 3 national resorts. Other 7 counties have 2 national resorts each, while 10 counties host one national resort.

The resorts of local interest are located in 30 counties, with Suceava County hosting the highest number (22). Bihor County includes 16 local resorts, followed by the counties of Cluj and Maramures with 12 local resorts each. They

are followed by Brasov County with 8 local resorts and by Alba and Gorj with 6 local resort each. Within the remaining 21 counties, the distribution is as follows: 4 counties with 5 local resorts each; 3 counties with 4 local resorts each; 4 counties with 3 local resorts each; 5 counties with 2 local resorts each and 5 counties with 1 local resort.

**Table 3.** The resort distribution by regions (a synthesis of Annex 2)

| Region                             | Number of resorts |       | Observations                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                    | National          | Local |                                                                                                                                                              |
| <i>Center Region</i>               | 7                 | 38    | Counties without national resorts: Alba and Sibiu                                                                                                            |
| <i>West Region</i>                 | 6                 | 26    | -                                                                                                                                                            |
| <i>South-Muntenia Region</i>       | 8                 | 7     | Counties without any resorts: Giurgiu and Teleorman<br>Counties without national resorts: Calarasi<br>Counties without local resorts: Dambovita and Ialomita |
| <i>North-East Region</i>           | 8                 | 29    | Counties without any resorts: Botosani, Iasi, and Vaslui                                                                                                     |
| <i>North-West Region</i>           | 9                 | 48    | Counties without national resorts: Cluj and Salaj                                                                                                            |
| <i>South-East Region</i>           | 13                | 7     | Counties without national resorts: Buzau, Galati, Tulcea, and Vrancea<br>Counties without local resorts: Braila and Constanta                                |
| <i>South-West (Oltenia) Region</i> | 6                 | 14    | Counties without any resorts: Dolj<br>Counties without national resorts: Mehedinti and Olt                                                                   |
| <i>Bucharest-Ilfov Region</i>      | 0                 | 1     | Counties without national resorts: Ilfov                                                                                                                     |
| <i>Total</i>                       | 57                | 170   | -                                                                                                                                                            |

*Source: Authors' compilation*

Further, the analysis is focused only on the 51 localities that include and/or are national resorts due to data availability, as mentioned in the section dedicated to data.

As details in Annex 3 show, some of the national resorts concentrate an important number of lodgings in conjunction with a high accumulation of bed-places when compared with the total urban or rural lodgings and bed-places of their respective counties. Also, several national resorts attract an important portion of the tourists visiting the urban or rural destinations of the respective counties.

By types of localities, the county residences that include national resorts are by their nature (being the most important administrative centers of the respective counties) prone to cumulate a high number of lodgings and bed-places (as shown also by Pop & Balint, 2018), and to attract tourists. Oradea, as data show, concentrates over 57% of the urban lodgings of the county, more than 65% of the urban bed-places of the county and almost 92% of the urban tourists visiting Bihor County. At the other end of the spectrum is the municipality of Constanta, which includes Mamaia national resorts. The modest position of Constanta municipality regarding the urban lodgings and bed-places is given to the fact that these are spread along the seacoast and are concentrated within the municipality of Mangalia and the town of Eforie. Nonetheless, Constanta municipality attracts over 44% of urban tourists visiting Constanta County due to its position of county residence and as a year-round business destination, while Mamaia, Mangalia, Eforie and the other littoral resorts are mainly visited between May and September. Annex 3 further shows that all the urban national resorts concentrated in Constanta County dominate the urban tourism with 99% concentration of lodgings, bed-places, and tourists.

A dominant position within the category of other municipalities is not evident. Nonetheless, Vatra Dornei concentrates over 30% of Suceava County urban lodgings and bed-places, though attracting only about 21% of urban tourists. Mangalia, which includes also other 5 national resorts, gathers 30% of urban lodgings and 42% of urban bed-places and attracts about 30% of urban tourists of Constanta County. The concentration of lodgings, bed-places and the attraction of tourists is more modest in the cases of the other 2 municipalities, Campulung Moldovenesc and Petrosani.

In the case of towns, the situation is more diverse, varying from very modest positions within urban localities, like the cases of Slanic and Techirghiol, to a highly dominant position in the case of Baile Herculane. While Baile Herculane with the status of national resort deserves a dedicated case study, it must be underlined that the town clusters 52% of urban lodgings, 75% of bed-places, and attracts 75% of tourists of urban destinations of Caras-Severin County. Baile Herculane was one of the resorts targeted also during the communist

period for hotel constructions, given its long-time reputation (since the Roman Empire period) as balneary destination. It is followed by the town of Amara with a concentration of 44% of urban lodgings and 80% of urban bed-places and attracting 46% of tourists within urban destinations of Ialomita County. Another town with a prime position is Sovata mainly for lodgings (44% of urban lodgings) and bed-places (48% of urban bed-places), though attracting only 30% of tourists within the urban destinations of Mures County. Sinaia, Prahova County, has also a dominant position in attracting the respective county's urban tourists (57%), while concentrating 36% of urban lodgings and 44% of urban bed-places. The peculiar situation of Sangeorz Bai, Bistrita-Nasaud County, deserves a mention: while it concentrates only 18% of urban lodgings and attracts only 12% of urban tourists, it has a high cluster of bed-places (49%) suggesting that this destination was also targeted during the communist period for hotel constructions.

In the case of communes, 6 of them have dominant position within the rural tourism of their respective counties. Costinesti, Constanta County, and Sanmartin, Bihor County, have prime positions (over 50%) in all 3 cases (lodgings, bed-places and tourists). In other 3 cases the respective communes are dominant on bed-places and tourists (Moneasa – Arad County, Moroieni – Dambovitza County, Chiscani – Braila County) while Voineasa dominates only through the concentration of bed-places (though the 46% of lodgings and 48% of tourists are not modest numbers).

A certain pattern occurs: the 'old' destinations, those that could be identified in Cucu & Stefan (1979) guide, benefited from the communist period investments in hotel construction between 1965 and 1980 (Opris, 2020, 2021). Also, these 'old' resorts benefited from the communist period policy to make tourism accessible to the large public and the respective resorts became popular destinations (Bardan, 2024). Some inertia persisted throughout the 1990s and until 2010–2011, when some of these 'old' resorts began to lose their attractiveness and experienced a steep decline in tourist arrivals (mainly Moneasa, Sangeorz Bai and Slanic; see Table 4 below). On the other hand, the 'new' entries, resorts that are mentioned as such only through the attestation process and listed in Data and method section, have a modest position within the urban or rural tourism of the respective counties, with and increasing number of lodgings but of smaller capacity (the only exception is Moroieni). However, the majority of these 'new' entries have witnessed a steep increase in the number of tourist arrivals, as Table 4 shows.

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**Table 4.** Average annual increase/decrease rate and total increase/decrease rate (2024 vs.2021) for the national resorts

| No.                                    | Locality / county                                                                 | Designated since               | Average annual rate (%) for 2002-2024 |              |             | Total increase/decrease (%) – 2024 versus 2001 |               |               |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                        |                                                                                   |                                | lodgings                              | bed-places   | arrivals    | lodgings                                       | bed-places    | arrivals      |
| 1                                      | Brasov (Poiana Brasov) / Brasov                                                   | 1995                           | 9.03                                  | 5.87         | 1.19        | 504.17                                         | 206.74        | 309.17        |
| 2                                      | Constanta (Mamaia) / Constanta                                                    | 2002                           | 3.46                                  | 0.53         | 3.71        | 100.96                                         | 10.75         | 99.30         |
| 3                                      | Piatra Neamt / Neamt                                                              | 2010                           | 8.06                                  | 2.28         | 5.33        | 400.00                                         | 50.17         | 67.30         |
| 4                                      | Oradea <sup>1</sup> / Bihor                                                       | 2020                           | 13.47                                 | 6.99         | 8.29        | 1,333.33                                       | 309.22        | 226.44        |
| 5                                      | Baia Mare / Maramures                                                             | 2024                           | 5.23                                  | 2.06         | 4.06        | 178.95                                         | 49.58         | 62.14         |
| <b>County residence - averages</b>     |                                                                                   |                                | <b>7.85</b>                           | <b>3.55</b>  | <b>4.52</b> | <b>503.48</b>                                  | <b>125.29</b> | <b>152.87</b> |
| 6                                      | Vatra Dornei / Suceava                                                            | 1999                           | 7.03                                  | 2.44         | 2.92        | 325.00                                         | 65.31         | 53.26         |
| 7                                      | Mangalia (including Cap Aurora, Jupiter, Neptun-Olimp, Saturn, Venus) / Constanta | 2002                           | 2.22                                  | <b>-0.92</b> | 3.31        | 20.30                                          | <b>-26.47</b> | 74.24         |
| 8                                      | Campulung Moldovenesc / Suceava                                                   | 2005 (local resort since 2002) | 11.09                                 | 5.46         | 5.88        | 757.14                                         | 213.82        | 41.28         |
| 9                                      | Petrosani / Hunedoara                                                             | 2009                           | 11.38                                 | 5.06         | 6.44        | 385.71                                         | 126.82        | 71.10         |
| <b>Other municipalities - averages</b> |                                                                                   |                                | <b>7.93</b>                           | <b>3.01</b>  | <b>4.46</b> | <b>372.04</b>                                  | <b>94.87</b>  | <b>59.97</b>  |
| 10                                     | Predeal / Brasov                                                                  | 1992                           | 3.45                                  | 1.72         | 4.72        | 96.25                                          | 36.28         | 72.50         |
| 11                                     | Pucioasa / Dambovita                                                              | 1999                           | 2.72                                  | 0.98         | 3.80        | 66.67                                          | 23.80         | 13.86         |
| 12                                     | Slanic / Prahova                                                                  | 1999                           | 5.51                                  | 0.73         | 2.21        | 80.00                                          | <b>-27.07</b> | <b>-38.44</b> |
| 13                                     | Baile Govora / Valcea                                                             | 1999                           | 4.15                                  | <b>-0.05</b> | 3.64        | 81.82                                          | <b>-3.11</b>  | 44.24         |
| 14                                     | Slanic Moldova / Bacau                                                            | 2002                           | 12.06                                 | 5.84         | 8.34        | 566.67                                         | 84.67         | 143.00        |
| 15                                     | Targu Ocna / Bacau                                                                | 2002                           | 21.17                                 | 6.34         | 5.96        | 1,250.00                                       | 236.27        | 76.60         |
| 16                                     | Sangeorz Bai / Bistrita-Nasaud                                                    | 2002                           | 7.22                                  | <b>-3.26</b> | 1.21        | 233.33                                         | <b>-56.56</b> | <b>-74.72</b> |
| 17                                     | Baile Herculane / Caras-Severin                                                   | 2002                           | 7.24                                  | 0.03         | 4.26        | 327.27                                         | <b>-3.05</b>  | 81.26         |
| 18                                     | Techirghiol / Constanta                                                           | 2002                           | 1.95                                  | <b>-0.77</b> | 5.65        | <b>-8.57</b>                                   | <b>-33.50</b> | 90.57         |
| 19                                     | Eforie (Eforie Nord and Eforie Sud) / Constanta                                   | 2002                           | 2.68                                  | 0.24         | 6.45        | 31.42                                          | <b>-8.03</b>  | 191.55        |
| 20                                     | Covasna / Covasna                                                                 | 2002                           | 4.59                                  | 1.04         | 4.39        | 125.00                                         | 20.21         | 67.21         |

| No. | Locality / county                  | Designated since           | Average annual rate (%) for 2002-2024 |              |          | Total increase/decrease (%) – 2024 versus 2001 |               |               |
|-----|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------|------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|     |                                    |                            | lodgings                              | bed-places   | arrivals | lodgings                                       | bed-places    | arrivals      |
| 21  | Baile Tusnad / Harghita            | 2002                       | 7.12                                  | <b>-0.33</b> | 10.52    | 95.00                                          | <b>-18.69</b> | 77.00         |
| 22  | Geoagiu (Geoagiu-Bai) / Hunedoara  | 2002                       | 5.30                                  | 2.70         | 13.02    | 10.53                                          | 44.56         | 173.99        |
| 23  | Amara / Ialomita                   | 2002                       | 1.63                                  | <b>-0.96</b> | 3.37     | 37.50                                          | <b>-24.64</b> | <b>-11.15</b> |
| 24  | Sovata / Mures                     | 2002                       | 7.93                                  | 0.36         | 8.10     | 262.00                                         | <b>-1.28</b>  | 280.34        |
| 25  | Sinaia / Prahova                   | 2002                       | 3.97                                  | 1.84         | 4.89     | 102.94                                         | 44.05         | 117.86        |
| 26  | Busteni / Prahova                  | 2002                       | 8.89                                  | 3.87         | 4.53     | 267.25                                         | 70.53         | 53.59         |
| 27  | Buzias / Timis                     | 2002                       | <b>-1.95</b>                          | <b>-2.28</b> | 2.97     | <b>-50.00</b>                                  | <b>-45.35</b> | <b>-6.35</b>  |
| 28  | Calimanesti (Caciulata) / Valcea   | 2002                       | 8.12                                  | 1.86         | 9.23     | 380.00                                         | 46.11         | 360.67        |
| 29  | Baile Olanesti / Valcea            | 2002                       | 5.09                                  | 1.02         | 5.45     | 178.95                                         | 19.53         | 111.58        |
| 30  | Azuga / Prahova                    | 2003                       | 14.86                                 | 12.82        | 22.57    | 933.33                                         | 738.89        | 1,525.52      |
| 31  | Gura Humorului / Suceava           | 2005                       | 13.99                                 | 12.29        | 35.32    | 1,566.67                                       | 1,147.26      | 12,605.39     |
| 32  | Targu Neamt / Neamt                | 2009                       | 17.58                                 | 7.56         | 6.51     | 900.00                                         | 274.50        | 168.31        |
| 33  | Rasnov                             | 2012                       | 17.36                                 | 13.33        | 28.23    | 2,466.67                                       | 1,174.81      | 4,301.52      |
| 34  | Borsec / Harghita                  | 2017<br>(local since 2002) | 8.98                                  | 3.49         | 21.67    | 0.00                                           | <b>-41.71</b> | 107.92        |
| 35  | Borsa / Maramures                  | 2018<br>(local since 2002) | 13.57                                 | 10.03        | 8.93     | 944.44                                         | 409.79        | 117.83        |
| 36  | Navodari (Mamaia Nord) / Constanta | 2018                       | 22.44                                 | 1.72         | 15.39    | 2,916.67                                       | <b>-5.75</b>  | 173.61        |
| 37  | Tasnad / Satu Mare                 | 2020<br>(local since 2000) | 13.08                                 | 7.04         | 16.99    | 400.00                                         | 25.81         | 1,066.57      |
| 38  | Horezu / Valcea                    | 2021<br>(local since 2005) | 14.48                                 | 9.49         | 13.53    | 1,450.00                                       | 550.00        | 217.21        |
| 39  | Viseu de Sus / Maramures           | 2022<br>(local since 2009) | 21.60                                 | 15.37        | 256.12   | 2,500.00                                       | 667.52        | 216,055.00    |
| 40  | Novaci / Gorj                      | 2025<br>(local since 2018) | 34.25                                 | 36.06        | 36.64    | 4,900.00                                       | 7,442.86      | 5,340.23      |



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| No.                                              | Locality / county                                  | Designated since           | Average annual rate (%) for 2002-2024 |            |          | Total increase/decrease (%) – 2024 versus 2001 |            |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|----------|------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
|                                                  |                                                    |                            | lodgings                              | bed-places | arrivals | lodgings                                       | bed-places | arrivals  |
| Towns - averages                                 |                                                    |                            | 10.04                                 | 4.86       | 18.54    | 745.55                                         | 412.54     | 7,854.98  |
| Urban localities – averages (Bucharest excluded) |                                                    |                            | 5.35                                  | 1.28       | 5.76     | 217.18                                         | 31.61      | 151.23    |
| 41                                               | Moneasa / Arad                                     | 2002                       | 4.76                                  | -0.36      | -1.70    | 122.22                                         | -17.22     | -69.34    |
| 42                                               | Sanmartin (Baile Felix and 1 Mai)                  | 2002                       | 12.06                                 | 1.84       | 5.45     | 977.27                                         | 44.84      | 98.77     |
| 43                                               | Costinesti / Constanta                             | 2002                       | 6.15                                  | 4.96       | 16.92    | 174.70                                         | 135.95     | 797.54    |
| 44                                               | Voineasa / Valcea                                  | 2002                       | 2.70                                  | -1.67      | 4.94     | 45.83                                          | -65.46     | 16.86     |
| 45                                               | Sucevita / Suceava                                 | 2017                       | 17.42                                 | 13.91      | 12.03    | 1,333.33                                       | 919.57     | 378.43    |
| 46                                               | Dambovicioara / Arges                              | 2018                       | 17.37                                 | 10.67      | 21.78    | 1,550.00                                       | 434.78     | 1,721.93  |
| 47                                               | Moroeni (Pestera-Padina) / Dambovita               | 2018                       | 4.58                                  | 0.51       | 3.36     | 116.67                                         | -4.27      | 56.96     |
| 48                                               | Chiscani (Lacu Sarat)/ Braila                      | 2020<br>(local since 2000) | 40.69                                 | 67.60      | 4,566.98 | 1,300.00                                       | 6,890.00   | 20,785.48 |
| 49                                               | Ocna Sugatag / Maramures                           | 2020<br>(local since 2002) | 21.21                                 | 7.98       | 9.91     | 2,250.00                                       | 301.15     | 250.74    |
| 50                                               | Turnu Ruieni (Borlova-Muntele Mic) / Caras-Severin | 2020                       | 29.80                                 | 31.90      | 58.61    | 650.00                                         | 74.73      | 49,915.79 |
| 51                                               | Moisei / Maramures                                 | 2024<br>(local since 2017) | 23.45                                 | 28.77      | 29.72    | 4,800.00                                       | 8,012.50   | 3,276.33  |
| Communes - averages                              |                                                    |                            | 16.38                                 | 15.10      | 429.82   | 1,210.88                                       | 1,520.60   | 7,020.86  |
| Rural localities - averages                      |                                                    |                            | 8.32                                  | 4.42       | 8.75     | 477.42                                         | 159.13     | 395.79    |

Note 1: Oradea is located about 9 km from Sanmartin commune, which includes Baile Felix (national resort) and 1 Mai (local resort).

Source: Authors' compilation based on NIS data via Tempo Online

Table 4 above presents the increase/decrease in lodgings, bed-places, and tourist arrivals based on the annual average rates and on the total rates. As can be observed, rural localities have higher (positive) rates compared with urban localities. All the urban national resorts have higher rates for the number of lodgings and bed-places compared with Romania's urban localities. However,

in the case of tourist arrivals, only the towns registered higher rates for tourist arrivals compared with all urban localities. This suggests that the status of national resort is more important for this type of administrative unit. This phenomenon is especially featured by the towns of Rasnov, Gura Humorului, Viseu de Sus, and Novaci, which show remarkable total growth rates of tourist arrivals between 2001 and 2024, mainly due to a very low numbers of tourist arrivals reported for 2001. These 4 towns are followed by a more modest growth (of 'only' above 1,000%) registered by Azuga (a former industrial center of Prahova valley) and Tasnad. It must be noted that all the 6 towns mentioned previously can be considered 'new entries' in the category of national resorts; they were not mentioned as resorts by the tourist guides of communist period (Cucu & Stefan, 1979), therefore did not benefit from the respective period investments in lodging infrastructure.

The section of Table 4 dedicated to the 11 communes designated as national resorts show higher rates compared with the Romania's rural localities. Similar to towns, the status of national resort appears to attract a large number of tourists, particularly in the cases of Turnu Ruieni and Moisei, also 'new entries', but also in Chiscani (Lacu Sarat), which appears to be undergoing a revival that has generated a significant increase in tourist arrivals, combined with a substantial increase in lodging capacity.

The majority of urban national resorts and all the national resorts that are communes registered an increase in the number of lodgings. However, the lodging capacity displays lower rates (in some cases negative rates) compared to lodgings, which indicates that the lodgings entering the market have a smaller number of rooms compared with the lodging capacity structure of 2001<sup>9</sup>. The lodging capacity rate is higher only in several cases (the towns of Novaci and Geoagiu and the communes of Chiscani and Moisei). While for the 'new entries' (Novaci and Moisei) a lower number of lodgings with important lodging capacity seems to be the common ground, the older national resorts of Geoagiu (Geoagiu-Bai) and Chiscani (Lacu Sarat) appear to go through a renewal process (as suggested by data).

Several particular situations must be pointed out:

a) the town of Buzias seems to have an almost overall negative evolution, with a decreasing total rate for all 3 indicators; this suggests a poor accommodation infrastructure and a lack of interest in this destination; further research is necessary to understand the position of this destination;

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<sup>9</sup> Based on NIS data, the average number of rooms per lodging in 2001 was of about 42 (varying from 95 in the case of hotels to 5 in the case of rural pensions), while in 2024 the figures decreased to 17 rooms per lodging (varying from 63 for hotels to 9 for rural pensions).

b) the towns of Slanic, Sangeorz Bai, Amara and the commune of Moneasa registered not only a decrease in lodging capacity, but also an overall decrease in the number of tourist arrivals; further investigations are necessary to reveal the causes of this decrease in attractiveness, mainly in the cases of Sangeorz Bai and Moneasa;

c) the town of Techirghiol registered not only a decrease in accommodation capacity, but also in the number of lodgings; given the proximity to the town of Eforie (within walking distance), this decrease can be compensated by the lodgings in the nearby town; nonetheless, as an independent administrative unit, Techirghiol can, in time, be negatively influenced by this situation.

It should be highlighted that, in the case of urban localities, both the occupancy rate and the length of stay show a decrease between 2001 and 2024, with the average annual rates for these two measures of tourist activity confirming the downward trend generated by the overall trend of more frequent and shorter trips (Holmes, 2019; Kerr, 2025), a tendency that has taken shape since the mid-2010s.

**Table 5.** National resorts with a higher occupancy rate and longer length of stay compared with the urban or rural localities of their respective counties (based on the averages for the 2001-2024)

| Type of locality     | National resorts with higher occupancy rate | National resorts with longer length of stay | National resorts with both – higher occupancy rate and longer length of stay | Total national resorts |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| County residences    | 4                                           | 1                                           | 1                                                                            | 5                      |
| Other municipalities | 2                                           | 2                                           | 2                                                                            | 4                      |
| Towns                | 19                                          | 23                                          | 18                                                                           | 31                     |
| Communes             | 7                                           | 6                                           | 6                                                                            | 11                     |
| Total                | 32                                          | 32                                          | 27                                                                           | 51                     |

*Source: Authors' compilation based on the data in Annex 3 and on NIS data via Tempo Online*

Table 5 shows that more than 50% of national resorts recorded a better occupancy rate and an improved length of stay. However, the exception occurs in the case of county residences where the length of stay is shorter when compared with the other urban localities from the respective counties. This situation can be explained by the fact that for the county residences, despite the inclusion of a national resort, the dominant tourism remains the business

tourism. The county residences position as main administrative centers of a county will, in general, overpass their attractiveness as resorts. The proximity of those resorts does not induce an increase in stay for business tourists as long as they can be visited within a day or even host business meetings. As long as the data is not officially available for the individual localities within the county residences, the 'pure' attractiveness of those resorts cannot be clearly established.

**Table 6.** National resorts with an average annual positive (increased) rate of occupancy and length of stay

| Type of locality     | National resorts with increased rate of occupancy | National resorts with increased rate of length of stay | National resorts with both – increased rate of occupancy and length of stay | Total national resorts |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| County residences    | 3                                                 | 1                                                      | 1                                                                           | 5                      |
| Other municipalities | 3                                                 | 1                                                      | 1                                                                           | 4                      |
| Towns                | 21                                                | 9                                                      | 9                                                                           | 31                     |
| Communes             | 8                                                 | 6                                                      | 5                                                                           | 11                     |
| <b>Total</b>         | 35                                                | 17                                                     | 16                                                                          | 51                     |

*Source: Authors' compilation based on the data in Annex 3 and on NIS data via Tempo Online*

Table 6 shows that for 35 of 51 localities, the annual average of occupancy rate shows an increase, however the length of stay increased only in the case of 17 localities, while the remaining 34 were confronted with the decreasing trend registered over the past decade at international and national level, as shown above (Holmes, 2019; Kerr, 2025). The communes certified as national resorts seem to be more able to attract longer stays.

The data in Table 7 confirms the information in Table 6, though showing an even gloomier picture for the entire period under scrutiny (2001-2024). The occupancy rate grew only in 17 localities, with communes better represented (5 out of 11), while only 10 localities recorded an increase in the length of stay; however, the overall growth was sometimes relatively small (e.g. from 1.42 days to 1.64 days in the case of Tasnad, or from 1.41 days to 1.76 days in the case of Oradea).

Both Table 6 and 7 are confirming the overall tendency toward shorter trips, even when it comes to travel in balneary resorts where the procedures usually need longer stays to yield proper results.

**Table 7.** National resorts with a total positive rate of occupancy and length of stay – 2024 versus 2001

| Type of locality     | National resorts with a positive rate of occupancy | National resorts with positive rate of length of stay | National resorts with both – positive rate of occupancy and length of stay | Total national resorts |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| County residences    | 2                                                  | 1                                                     | 0                                                                          | 5                      |
| Other municipalities | 2                                                  | 1                                                     | 1                                                                          | 4                      |
| Towns                | 8                                                  | 4                                                     | 2                                                                          | 31                     |
| Communes             | 5                                                  | 4                                                     | 3                                                                          | 11                     |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>17</b>                                          | <b>10</b>                                             | <b>6</b>                                                                   | <b>51</b>              |

Source: Authors' compilation based on the data in Annex 3 and on NIS data via Tempo Online

Table 8 below confirms all the data presented and discussed above. The national resorts are in a better position than other urban or rural destinations, either having a higher pace regarding the investments in accommodation or a lower decrease rate. However, the national resorts do not perform well when the occupancy rate and length of stay are considered, this suggesting an increased competition on lodgings market in combination with the trend toward shorter trips.

**Table 8.** Descriptive statistics by type of localities within national resorts based on averages for the period 2001-2024

| Descriptive statistics                           | County residences | Other municipalities | Towns    | Communes | Urban localities <sup>1</sup> | Rural localities <sup>1</sup> |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Lodgings</b>                                  |                   |                      |          |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                          | 78                | 78                   | 39       | 39       | 20                            | 11                            |
| Minim                                            | 17                | 13                   | 5        | 4        | 1                             | 1                             |
| Maxim                                            | 158               | 225                  | 288      | 182      | 288                           | 182                           |
| <b>Annual increase/decrease of lodgings (%)</b>  |                   |                      |          |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                          | 7.85              | 7.93                 | 10.04    | 16.38    | 9.24                          | 12.09                         |
| Minim                                            | 3.46              | 2.22                 | -1.95    | 2.70     | -3.62                         | -2.17                         |
| Maxim                                            | 13.47             | 11.38                | 34.25    | 40.69    | 46.40                         | 80.74                         |
| <b>Overall increase/decrease of lodgings (%)</b> |                   |                      |          |          |                               |                               |
| <b>2024 versus 2001</b>                          |                   |                      |          |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                          | 503.48            | 372.04               | 745.55   | 1,210.88 | 423.95                        | 615.05                        |
| Minim                                            | 100.96            | 20.30                | -50.00   | 45.83    | -75.00                        | -90.48                        |
| Maxim                                            | 1,333.33          | 757.14               | 4,900.00 | 4,800.00 | 4,900.00                      | 13,100.00                     |
| <b>Bed-places</b>                                |                   |                      |          |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                          | 7,396             | 11,156               | 2,393    | 1,754    | 1,287                         | 306                           |

| <b>Descriptive statistics</b>                            | <b>County residences</b> | <b>Other municipalities</b> | <b>Towns</b> | <b>Communes</b> | <b>Urban localities<sup>1</sup></b> | <b>Rural localities<sup>1</sup></b> |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Minim                                                    | 981                      | 638                         | 283          | 149             | 36                                  | 12                                  |
| Maxim                                                    | 24,223                   | 40,936                      | 21,019       | 6,920           | 40,936                              | 6,920                               |
| <b>Annual increase/decrease of bed-places (%)</b>        |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 3.55                     | 3.01                        | 4.84         | 15.10           | 6.46                                | 12.33                               |
| Minim                                                    | 0.53                     | -0.92                       | -3.28        | -1.67           | -3.28                               | -5.28                               |
| Maxim                                                    | 6.99                     | 5.46                        | 36.06        | 67.60           | 36.06                               | 84.08                               |
| <b>Overall increase/decrease of bed-places (%)</b>       |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| <b>2024 versus 2001</b>                                  |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 125.29                   | 94.87                       | 412.54       | 1,520.60        | 225.52                              | 634.14                              |
| Minim                                                    | 10.75                    | -26.47                      | -56.56       | -65.46          | -94.74                              | -87.86                              |
| Maxim                                                    | 309.22                   | 213.82                      | 7,442.86     | 8,012.50        | 7,442.86                            | 8,012.50                            |
| <b>Tourist arrivals</b>                                  |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 220,460                  | 95,254                      | 44,753       | 27,332          | 33,413                              | 5,742                               |
| Minim                                                    | 51,274                   | 10,534                      | 4,342        | 2,269           | 79                                  | 97                                  |
| Maxim                                                    | 444,205                  | 303,921                     | 221,412      | 156,511         | 444,205                             | 156,511                             |
| <b>Annual increase/decrease of tourist arrivals (%)</b>  |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 4.52                     | 4.64                        | 18.54        | 429.82          | 28.27                               | 70.61                               |
| Minim                                                    | 1.19                     | 2.92                        | 1.21         | -1.70           | -2.94                               | -8.22                               |
| Maxim                                                    | 8.29                     | 6.44                        | 256.12       | 4,566.98        | 1,121.34                            | 4,615.24                            |
| <b>Overall increase/decrease of tourist arrivals (%)</b> |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| <b>2024 versus 2001</b>                                  |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 152.87                   | 59.97                       | 7,854.98     | 7,020.86        | 2,135.54                            | 4,683.26                            |
| Minim                                                    | 67.30                    | 41.28                       | -74.72       | -69.34          | -97.83                              | -99.55                              |
| Maxim                                                    | 226.44                   | 74.24                       | 216,055.00   | 49,915.79       | 216,055.00                          | 134,660.00                          |
| <b>Occupancy rate (%)</b>                                |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 30.38                    | 27.11                       | 34.48        | 23.97           | 23.97                               | 17.88                               |
| Minim                                                    | 21.46                    | 12.74                       | 10.87        | 13.27           | 4.33                                | 4.13                                |
| Maxim                                                    | 39.04                    | 43.87                       | 57.02        | 46.76           | 57.02                               | 74.79                               |
| <b>Annual increase/decrease of occupancy rate (%)</b>    |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | 0.53                     | 1.35                        | 2.37         | 19.99           | 9.81                                | 18.95                               |
| Minim                                                    | -0.69                    | -0.77                       | -3.24        | -4.71           | -5.30                               | -9.17                               |
| Maxim                                                    | 1.95                     | 3.30                        | 12.16        | 145.77          | 200.83                              | 178.97                              |
| <b>Overall increase/decrease of occupancy rate (%)</b>   |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| <b>2024 versus 2001</b>                                  |                          |                             |              |                 |                                     |                                     |
| Average                                                  | -12.12                   | -0.58                       | -1.39        | 192.74          | 66.19                               | 209.96                              |
| Minim                                                    | -23.05                   | -3.20                       | -87.23       | -80.83          | -92.27                              | -98.96                              |
| Maxim                                                    | 3.10                     | 3.21                        | 324.84       | 889.11          | 1,031.81                            | 4,388.35                            |

# ROMANIAN TOURIST RESORTS

| Descriptive statistics                                                      | County residences | Other municipalities | Towns  | Communes | Urban localities <sup>1</sup> | Rural localities <sup>1</sup> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------|----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Lenght of stay</b>                                                       |                   |                      |        |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                                                     | 2.12              | 3.41                 | 4.98   | 3.25     | 2.70                          | 2.57                          |
| Minim                                                                       | 1.58              | 1.82                 | 1.36   | 1.94     | 1.04                          | 1.14                          |
| Maxim                                                                       | 3.40              | 5.38                 | 10.24  | 5.86     | 10.24                         | 15.72                         |
| <b>Annual increase/decrease of length of stay (%)</b>                       |                   |                      |        |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                                                     | -0.42             | -6.45                | -0.96  | 4.44     | 2.55                          | 4.06                          |
| Minim                                                                       | -2.08             | -38.21               | -5.05  | -5.33    | -5.05                         | -6.54                         |
| Maxim                                                                       | 1.72              | 35.69                | 15.29  | 55.87    | 45.65                         | 55.87                         |
| <b>Overall increase/decrease of length of stay (%)<br/>2024 versus 2001</b> |                   |                      |        |          |                               |                               |
| Average                                                                     | -12.82            | -12.66               | -39.03 | -12.56   | -11.67                        | 0.73                          |
| Minim                                                                       | -39.65            | -54.30               | -79.26 | -81.72   | -79.26                        | -98.73                        |
| Maxim                                                                       | 24.63             | 84.49                | 92.91  | 140.09   | 202.90                        | 196.54                        |

Note 1: The data include all the urban / rural localities with complete data series.

Source: Authors' compilation based on NIS data via Tempo Online

While this problem was not the main focus of the present paper one cannot conclude before mentioning that since 2012, a number of specialists, among which Lazea (2012), underlined the absence of Romanian tourist resorts segmentation<sup>10</sup>, pointing out the idea of resorts oriented toward luxury tourism. Also, Lazea (2012) hinted that even the communist authorities understood the need for some resorts to host upscale and luxury lodgings for attracting foreign tourists and names the resorts of Poiana Brasov and Neptun-Olimp-Cap Aurora. The lack of tourist resort segmentation is also pointed out by Simoni (2017), though in this case the author shows the need for a better classification of resorts in order to attract the appropriate type of tourists, either domestic or foreign.

<sup>10</sup>The idea of segmenting Romanian spa resorts was proposed in the extended version of the Master Plan for Tourism Development 2007–2026. However, no clear follow-up measures were developed and, consequently, no spa resort segmentation was implemented. Nonetheless, the Master Plan (extended version) does not include any distinct chapter or subchapter dedicated to Romanian resorts in general or to a clear strategy for their development. The only distinct mention concerns spa resorts, but the proposed development measures are far too general. Separate plans for the development of balneary tourism were issued in 2010, 2013, and 2018 (a master plan), followed by an updated plan for the 2025–2030 period. The results of these plans are barely visible in practice: the number of tourist arrivals has rarely increased in the case of these balneary resorts, while the length of stay has clearly decreased.

Table 9, below, shows the quasi absence of luxury accommodations (5-star rating) and a modest presence of upscale lodgings (4-star rating) within Romanian spa, seaside, and mountain resorts, as reported by NIS<sup>11</sup>. The image is distorted by the fact that the county residences designated as resorts are not included in either of the 3 categories presented in Table 9. Nonetheless, the spa and mountain resorts exhibit lower than national averages for luxury and upscale lodgings, while littoral resorts appear to be in a better position. Although the share of foreign tourists visiting Romanian spa resorts is very low<sup>12</sup>, mountain resorts are in a slightly better position due to their proximity to Bucharest (140–160 km), particularly Sinaia (Prahova County) and Predeal (Brasov County), both well-known mountain resorts. Between them are located the national resorts of Busteni and Azuga (also in Prahova County).

The data regarding the upscale and luxury lodgings are confirmed by the data provided by MoT regarding the lodgings by locality<sup>13</sup>. As of December 2025, two of the national resorts (Moneasa and Targu Ocna) have no lodgings rated at 4 and/or 5 stars. Another 28 national resorts or localities (of which 7 are rural destinations) hosting national resorts do not have luxury lodgings (rated at 5 stars). The percentage of 5-star lodgings is very low, 0.59% of total lodgings (0.63% for urban localities and 0.40% for rural localities), while the percentage of 4-star lodgings is 4.63% (4.95% in urban localities and 3.11 in rural localities).

**Table 9.** Luxury and upscale lodging, and foreign tourists within Romanian resorts (average percentages for the period 2001-2024)

| Type of resort                | % of 5-star lodgings | % of 4-star lodgings | % of foreign tourists |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Spa resorts                   | 0.61%                | 5.64%                | 4.05%                 |
| Seaside/littoral resorts      | 1.12%                | 7.08%                | 4.43%                 |
| Mountain resorts              | 0.56%                | 5.67%                | 8.75%                 |
| <i>National/country level</i> | <i>1.02%</i>         | <i>6.84%</i>         | <i>19.40%</i>         |

*Source: Authors' compilation based on NIS data via Tempo Online*

<sup>11</sup>It must be mentioned that NIS does not provide a list with the localities included in the 3 categories of reported resorts. In addition, there are no separate data for national and respective local resorts.

<sup>12</sup>It must be noted that the information regarding foreign tourists' arrivals is not available at locality level via Tempo Online.

<sup>13</sup>MoT provides a continuously updated database regarding the existing lodgings by each locality, available at <https://se.situr.gov.ro/OpenData/OpenDataList?type=listCazari>. MoT does not collect, and therefore does not provide, any information regarding tourist arrivals.



Regarding the branded hotels, as of December 2025, the situation is very poor, only 8 hotels, rated at 4 stars, are located in 5 national resorts<sup>14</sup>, while only 1 hotel, rated at 5 stars (a Swissotel), is located in Poiana Brasov and entered the market only during the second half of 2025.

The idea expressed by Lazea (2012) regarding the potential adaptation of existing resorts for luxury tourism is difficult to put into practice. The reason is provided by the way most of the designated (mainly national) tourist resorts development was influenced by the communist period when the accent was to provide vacations for the working people. Due to this trend, some tourist resorts became very popular for every Romanian. Any attempt to transform these destinations into luxury resorts would be perceived as discriminatory, and the resorts are reluctant to lose their regular visitors. Though, the idea of several luxury resorts might be implemented for newly designated resorts if this orientation is desired at local level.

Nonetheless, while there is room for further improvements, one should not omit the fact that most resorts are strongly influenced by the social security system which provides (for decades now) subsidized packages for pensioners and for those (active) persons with diverse health problems in need of various treatments offered within the Romanian tourist resorts. Therefore, the lodging structure is adapted to respond to this dominant demand. Furthermore, despite experiencing a decrease in tourist arrivals, Romanian tourist resorts do not feel the need for appropriate promotion (mainly online nowadays) as long as the minimum of visitors is ensured by social security subsidized tourists.

## Conclusions

The status of tourist resorts is attracting an increase in tourism activity as shown within this research, mainly when the national resorts are under scrutiny. This finding is supported by the findings of Pop & Coros (2023) showing that some wine-related destinations are visited mainly because they have the status of resorts and not for the wine-related attractions. The benefits seem to be higher if the locality designated as a tourist resort is a commune or a town due to an increased visibility and tourist curiosity to visit a potential new, relatively unknown, destination. Nonetheless, while it was not the purpose of this study, it seems that when their visibility is concerned, the local authorities rely mainly on the promotion offered by MoT, rather than on their own websites. This is indirectly confirmed by the low visibility of Romanian tourist resorts

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<sup>14</sup> The 8 hotels are: a Ramada and a DoubleTree by Hilton in Oradea; one Ibis Styles in Venus (Mangalia); a Ramada and a Crowne Plaza in Mamaia (Constanta); two Ensana hotels (Sovata and Bradet) in Sovata; a Best Western in Gura Humorului.

among foreign tourists; not only the average percentages are low (Table 9), but in the case of seaside resorts the number of foreign tourists decreased between 2001 and 2024 by 41%.

The uneven spatial distribution by regions, mainly in the case of local resorts (Table 3), is in line with the findings Herman *et al.* (2026) and findings of Cehan *et al.* (2019) which highlight a significant concentration of tourism activity mainly in the leading territories. The most numerous local resorts are concentrated mainly in Center, West and North-West regions. These 3 regions also have lower relative poverty rates of respective 20.05%, 19.06%, and 17.22%<sup>15</sup> (NIS data). This finding, in combination with Cehan *et al.* (2019) findings, suggests that the local administrations in the 3 above-mentioned regions are more inclined to make the steps necessary for their localities to be designated as tourist resorts, seeming to understand the development potential of tourism activity. Furthermore, the status of resort may improve the local authorities' access to a greater variety of financing sources for tourism or tourism-related developments.

Currently, all tourist resorts are facing the challenge of shorter trips/vacations and the need to compensate for this phenomenon by attracting more tourists, hence the need to improve and diversify their tourism products. Not only should the management of tourist resorts be improved (currently, as of December 2025, only 6 national resorts have a registered Destination Management Organization), but data availability should also be reconsidered in order to obtain a better understanding of the popularity and efficiency of these resorts, especially when they are administratively included within a locality (e.g. Poiana Brasov as part of Brasov municipality).

An alternative classification of Romanian tourist resorts, based on their main tourism products and/or attractions is necessary, as shown by Simoni (2017), for a better segmentation. Currently, the choice of a tourist resort is based on previous knowledge regarding the resort, the past reputation of the respective resort, and (electronic) word-of-mouth. This situation is confirmed by the study of Balint *et al.* (2026) regarding the smartness of 54 national resorts in Romania, showing significant disparities between destinations, with the littoral resorts being more advanced in adopting smart technologies.

Further research is needed for understanding the life cycle of Romanian resorts in conjunction with their past development, mainly for those which benefited by investment in accommodation during the communist period. In addition, it would be interesting to see how the level of accessibility and the proximity to county residences (therefore important communication nodes)

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<sup>15</sup> The figures are averaged for the period 2007-2014 for which NIS is reporting the relative poverty rate. The data are not available at county level.

influence the tourist arrivals versus the more peripheral locations. It would be interesting to consider the experiences of foreign all-inclusive resorts and integrated resorts and how appropriate those models are for Romanian resorts. Last, but not least, improved data availability would be necessary for more comparative analyses, mainly in the case of local resorts in order to establish their popularity and efficiency.

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## Annex 1

Romanian resorts of national and local interest since their attestation between 1990 and 2025  
(in alphabetical order)

| No.                     | Locality              | Administrative unit                                         | County        | National resort             | Local resort                   | Observations                                                                                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>NATIONAL resorts</b> |                       |                                                             |               |                             |                                |                                                                                              |
| 1.                      | Amara                 | town                                                        | Ialomita      | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                 |
| 2.                      | Azuga                 | town                                                        | Prahova       | Apr.2003<br>(HG 421/2003)   | -                              | -                                                                                            |
| 3.                      | Baile Felix           | Sanmartin commune                                           | Bihor         | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                        |
| 4.                      | Baile Govora          | town                                                        | Valcea        | Aug.1999<br>(HG 688/1999)   | -                              | Balneary resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                 |
| 5.                      | Baile Herculane       | town                                                        | Caras-Severin | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Part of natural WHS Domogled-Valea Cernei. Balneary resort <sup>1</sup>                      |
| 6.                      | Baile Olanesti        | town                                                        | Valcea        | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Part of the natural WHS Cozia – Lotrisor Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>               |
| 7.                      | Baile Tusnad          | town                                                        | Harghita      | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup><br>Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT            |
| 8.                      | Borsa                 | town                                                        | Maramures     | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | Between Oct.2002 and Feb.2018  | Designated as local resort by HG 1122/2002                                                   |
| 9.                      | Borsec                | town                                                        | Harghita      | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | Between Oct.2002 and Jan.2017  | Designated as local resort by HG 1122/2002<br>Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>          |
| 10.                     | Busteni               | town                                                        | Prahova       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | -                                                                                            |
| 11.                     | Buzias                | town                                                        | Timis         | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Part of the independent vineyard center Silagiu Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>        |
| 12.                     | Calimanesti-Caciulata | town Calimanesti; Caciulata part of the town of Calimanesti | Valcea        | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Part of the natural WHS Cozia – Lotrisor Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>               |
| 13.                     | Campulung Moldovenesc | municipality                                                | Suceava       | Oct.2005<br>(HG 1324/2005)  | Between Oct.2002 and Sept.2005 | Designated as local resort by HG 1122/2002. Part of the natural WHS Codrul secular Slatioara |
| 14.                     | Cap Aurora            | municipality of Mangalia                                    | Constanta     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                        |
| 15.                     | Costinesti            | commune                                                     | Constanta     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | -                                                                                            |
| 16.                     | Covasna               | town                                                        | Covasna       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                        |
| 17.                     | Dambovicioara         | commune                                                     | Arges         | March.2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | -                              | -                                                                                            |
| 18.                     | Eforie Nord           | town of Eforie                                              | Constanta     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                        |
| 19.                     | Eforie Sud            | town of Eforie                                              | Constanta     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                        |
| 20.                     | Geoagiu Bai           | part of town of Geoagiu                                     | Hunedoara     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                              | Independent vineyard center Geoagiu Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                    |

| No. | Locality       | Administrative unit                          | County          | National resort            | Local resort                   | Observations                                                                                                                    |
|-----|----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 21. | Gura Humorului | town                                         | Suceava         | Feb.2005<br>(HG 114/2005)  | -                              | Hosts one of the painted churches nominated WHS.                                                                                |
| 22. | Horezu         | town                                         | Valcea          | Aug.2021<br>(HG 843/2021)  | Between Aug.2005 and July 2021 | Designated as local resort by HG 936/2005. Horezu hosts the Horezu (Hurezi) Monastery listed as WHS                             |
| 23. | Jupiter        | municipality of Mangalia                     | Constanta       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 24. | Lacu Sarat     | Chiscani commune                             | Braila          | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)  | Between Oct.2002 and Apr.2020  | Designated as local resort by HG 1122/2002<br>Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                             |
| 25. | Mamaia         | municipality of Constanta (county residence) | Constanta       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | -                                                                                                                               |
| 26. | Mangalia       | municipality                                 | Constanta       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Independent vineyard center Mangalia<br>Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                   |
| 27. | Moisei         | commune                                      | Maramures       | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024) | Between Feb.2017 and Oct.2024  | Designated as local resort by HG 58/2017                                                                                        |
| 28. | Moneasa        | commune                                      | Arad            | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 29. | Neptun-Olimp   | municipality of Mangalia                     | Constanta       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 30. | Novaci         | town                                         | Gorj            | Nov.2025<br>(HG 936/2025)  | Between Nov.2018 and Oct.2025  | Designated as local resort by HG 916/2018                                                                                       |
| 31. | Poiana Brasov  | municipality of Brasov (county residence)    | Brasov          | Feb.1995<br>(HG 113/1995)  | -                              | -                                                                                                                               |
| 32. | Predeal        | town                                         | Brasov          | May 1992<br>(HG 226/1992)  | -                              | -                                                                                                                               |
| 33. | Pucioasa       | town                                         | Dambovita       | Jun.1999<br>(HG 510/1999)  |                                | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 34. | Ocna Sugatag   | commune                                      | Maramures       | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)  | Between Oct.2002 and Sept.2020 | Designated as local resort by HG 1122/2002<br>Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup><br>Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT |
| 35. | Rasnov         | town                                         | Brasov          | Nov.2012<br>(HG 1161/2012) | -                              | -                                                                                                                               |
| 36. | Slanic         | town                                         | Prahova         | Aug.1999<br>(HG 689/1999)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 37. | Saturn         | municipality of Mangalia                     | Constanta       | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 38. | Sinaia         | town                                         | Prahova         | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | -                                                                                                                               |
| 39. | Sangeorz-Bai   | town                                         | Bistrita Nasaud | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 40. | Slanic-Moldova | town                                         | Bacau           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 41. | Sovata         | town                                         | Mures           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |
| 42. | Sucevita       | commune                                      | Suceava         | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)   | -                              | Hosts one of the painted churches nominated WHS.                                                                                |
| 43. | Targu Ocna     | town                                         | Bacau           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)  | -                              | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                           |

| No.                  | Locality                                                                       | Administrative unit                             | County        | National resort             | Local resort                  | Observations                                                                                                       |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 44.                  | Targu Neamt                                                                    | town                                            | Neamt         | July 2009<br>(HG 848/2009)  | -                             | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                                                                           |
| 45.                  | Tasnad                                                                         | town                                            | Satu Mare     | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | Between May 2000 and Apr.2020 | Designated as local resort by HG 417/2000. Part of Valea lui Mihai vineyard. Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup> |
| 46.                  | Techirghiol                                                                    | town                                            | Constanta     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                             | Balneary resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                                       |
| 47.                  | Vatra Dornei                                                                   | municipality                                    | Suceava       | March 1999<br>(HG 177/1999) | -                             | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup><br>Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                                  |
| 48.                  | Venus                                                                          | municipality of Mangalia                        | Constanta     | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                             | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                              |
| 49.                  | Viseu de Sus                                                                   | town                                            | Maramures     | July 2022<br>(HG 910/2022)  | Between Oct.2009 and Jun.2022 | Designated as local resort by HG 1204/2009.                                                                        |
| 50.                  | Voineasa                                                                       | commune                                         | Valcea        | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                             | -                                                                                                                  |
| 51.                  | Borlova – Muntele Mic Area                                                     | commune Turnu Ruieni                            | Caras-Severin | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | -                             | -                                                                                                                  |
| 52.                  | Mamaia Nord Area                                                               | town of Navodari                                | Constanta     | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | -                             | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                              |
| 53.                  | Parang-Petrosani Area                                                          | municipality of Petrosani                       | Hunedoara     | Oct.2009<br>(HG 1205/2009)  | -                             | -                                                                                                                  |
| 54.                  | Pestera-Padina Area                                                            | Commune Moroeni                                 | Dambovit      | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | -                             | -                                                                                                                  |
| 55.                  | Tourist area of Baia Mare municipality                                         | municipality of Baia Mare (county residence)    | Maramures     | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | -                             | Part of the independent vineyard center Seini.                                                                     |
| 56.                  | Tourist area of Piatra Neamt municipality                                      | municipality of Piatra Neamt (county residence) | Neamt         | Jun.2010<br>(HG 511/ 2010)  | -                             | -                                                                                                                  |
| 57.                  | Tourist area 'historic centre – Crisul Repede corridor' municipality of Oradea | municipality of Oradea (county residence)       | Bihor         | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | -                             | Balneary resort (an areal of 444.44 ha within the historic city center) <sup>1</sup>                               |
| <b>LOCAL resorts</b> |                                                                                |                                                 |               |                             |                               |                                                                                                                    |
| 1.                   | 1 Mai                                                                          | Sanmartin commune                               | Bihor         | -                           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)     | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                              |
| 2.                   | Albac                                                                          | commune                                         | Alba          | -                           | July 2005<br>(HG 801/2005)    | -                                                                                                                  |
| 3.                   | Albestii de Muscel                                                             | Bughea de Sus commune                           | Arges         | -                           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)     | -                                                                                                                  |
| 4.                   | Anina                                                                          | town                                            | Caras-Severin | -                           | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)     | Part of natural WHS Cheile Nerei-Beusnita                                                                          |
| 5.                   | Arieseni                                                                       | commune                                         | Alba          | -                           | March 2006<br>(HG 329/2006)   | -                                                                                                                  |
| 6.                   | Balvanyos                                                                      | Turia commune                                   | Covasna       | -                           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)     | -                                                                                                                  |
| 7.                   | Baia de Fier                                                                   | commune                                         | Gorj          | -                           | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)      | -                                                                                                                  |
| 8.                   | Bala                                                                           | commune                                         | Mehedinti     | -                           | Dec.2020<br>(HG 1073/2020)    | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                                              |
| 9.                   | Barcani                                                                        | commune                                         | Covasna       | -                           | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)    | -                                                                                                                  |
| 10.                  | Bazna                                                                          | commune                                         | Sibiu         | -                           | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)     | Part of Tarnave vineyard. Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                                    |

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| 11. | Baltatesti    | commune                    | Neamt           | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                                   |
| 12. | Baile Homorod | town of Vlahita            | Harghita        | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                          |
| 13. | Baile Turda   | municipality of Turda      | Cluj            | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Part of the Aiud vineyard                                                  |
| 14. | Baile Baita   | municipality of Gherla     | Cluj            | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Closed at least since 2015.<br>Part of the independent vineyard center Dej |
| 15. | Barsana       | commune                    | Maramures       | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | Hosts one of the wooden churches nominated WHS                             |
| 16. | Beius         | municipality               | Bihor           | -               | Dec.2020<br>(HG 1073/2020)  | -                                                                          |
| 17. | Belis         | commune                    | Cluj            | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                          |
| 18. | Berzasca      | commune                    | Caras-Severin   | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                                          |
| 19. | Bicaz         | town                       | Neamt           | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                          |
| 20. | Boghis        | commune                    | Salaj           | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | Part of Simleu Silvaniei vineyard.                                         |
| 21. | Botiza        | commune                    | Maramures       | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | Part of the natural WHS Codrii seculari Stranbu-Baiut.                     |
| 22. | Bran          | commune                    | Brasov          | -               | Apr.2005<br>(HG 298/2005)   | -                                                                          |
| 23. | Breaza        | town                       | Prahova         | -               | Oct.1996<br>(HG 901/1996)   | -                                                                          |
| 24. | Brezoi        | town                       | Valcea          | -               | Aug.2021<br>(HG 843/2021)   | Part of the natural WHS Cozia - Lotrisor                                   |
| 25. | Brosteni      | town                       | Suceava         | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG120/2024)    | Part of Cotesti vineyard                                                   |
| 26. | Cacica        | commune                    | Suceava         | -               | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | -                                                                          |
| 27. | Calacea       | Ortisoara commune          | Timis           | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                      |
| 28. | Carei         | municipality               | Satu Mare       | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | Part of Valea lui Mihai vineyard.                                          |
| 29. | Cartisoara    | commune                    | Sibiu           | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | -                                                                          |
| 30. | Cavnic        | town                       | Maramures       | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                                          |
| 31. | Cheia         | Maneciu commune            | Prahova         | -               | Mai 2000<br>(HG 416/2000)   | -                                                                          |
| 32. | Ciocanesti    | commune                    | Suceava         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                                   |
| 33. | Cisnadie      | town                       | Sibiu           | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | -                                                                          |
| 34. | Ciumani       | commune                    | Harghita        | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                          |
| 35. | Colibita      | Bistrita Bargaului commune | Bistrita-Nasaud | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | -                                                                          |
| 36. | Coronini      | commune                    | Caras-Severin   | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                                          |
| 37. | Corund        | commune                    | Harghita        | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                                          |

| No. | Locality          | Administrative unit                               | County        | National resort | Local resort                | Observations                                                   |
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| 38. | Cosna             | commune                                           | Suceava       | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                              |
| 39. | Crivaia           | Valiug commune                                    | Caras-Severin | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                              |
| 40. | Darmanesti        | town                                              | Bacau         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                              |
| 41. | Deda              | commune                                           | Mures         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                              |
| 42. | Deta              | town                                              | Timis         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                              |
| 43. | Dorna Arini       | commune                                           | Suceava       | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                       |
| 44. | Dorna Candrenilor | commune                                           | Suceava       | -               | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                       |
| 45. | Durau             | Ceahlau commune                                   | Neamt         | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                              |
| 46. | Eselnita          | commune                                           | Mehedinti     | -               | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024)  | -                                                              |
| 47. | Fardea            | commune                                           | Timis         | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | -                                                              |
| 48. | Frumosu           | commune                                           | Suceava       | -               | March 2021<br>(HG 343/2021) | -                                                              |
| 49. | Fundu Moldovei    | commune                                           | Suceava       | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | -                                                              |
| 50. | Garda de Sus      | commune                                           | Alba          | -               | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024)  | -                                                              |
| 51. | Ghioroc           | commune                                           | Arad          | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | Part of Minis-maderat vineyard                                 |
| 52. | Gura Siriului     | Siriu commune                                     | Buzau         | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                              |
| 53. | Harghita-Bai      | municipality of Miercurea Ciuc (county residence) | Harghita      | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                              |
| 54. | Ieud              | commune                                           | Maramures     | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | Hosts one of the wooden churches nominated WHS                 |
| 55. | Ineu              | town                                              | Arad          | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | Part of Minis-Maderat vineyard                                 |
| 56. | Izvoru Muresului  | Voslabeni commune                                 | Harghita      | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                              |
| 57. | Jucu              | commune                                           | Cluj          | -               | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | Part of the independent vineyard center Dej                    |
| 58. | Jurilovca         | commune                                           | Tulcea        | -               | Nov.2025<br>(HG 936/2025)   | Part of the Danube Delta WHS. Part of Istria Babadag vineyard. |
| 59. | Lacu Rosu         | town of Gheorgheni                                | Harghita      | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                              |
| 60. | Leresti           | commune                                           | Arges         | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | -                                                              |
| 61. | Lipova            | town                                              | Arad          | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Part of Minis-Maderat vineyard                                 |
| 62. | Livada            | town                                              | Satu Mare     | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | -                                                              |
| 63. | Madaras           | commune                                           | Bihor         | -               | Dec.2020<br>(HG 1073/2020)  | -                                                              |
| 64. | Maguri-Racatau    | commune                                           | Cluj          | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                              |
| 65. | Malaia            | commune                                           | Valcea        | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                              |

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| 66. | Malini               | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | March 2021<br>(HG 343/2021) | -                                                                                   |
| 67. | Manastirea Humorului | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | Hosts one of the painted churches nominated WHS.                                    |
| 68. | Margau               | commune                                  | Cluj            | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                                   |
| 69. | Mehadia              | commune                                  | Caras-Severin   | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | Part of natural WHS Domogled-Valea Cernei.                                          |
| 70. | Moieciu              | commune                                  | Brasov          | -               | Oct.2005<br>(HG 1319/2005)  | -                                                                                   |
| 71. | Moldovita            | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                                                   |
| 72. | Murighiol            | commune                                  | Tulcea          | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | Part of the Danube Delta WHS. Part of Sarica Niculitel vineyard.                    |
| 73. | Negresti-Oas         | town                                     | Satu Mare       | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | -                                                                                   |
| 74. | Ocna Sibiului        | town                                     | Sibiu           | -               | Apr.2005<br>HG 299/2005)    | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>                                               |
| 75. | Ocnele Mari          | town                                     | Valcea          | -               | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | -                                                                                   |
| 76. | Oncesti              | commune                                  | Maramures       | -               | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | -                                                                                   |
| 77. | Ozun                 | commune                                  | Covasna         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                                   |
| 78. | Paltinis             | municipality of Sibiu (county residence) | Sibiu           | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                                   |
| 79. | Panaci               | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                                            |
| 80. | Paraul Rece          | town of Predeal                          | Brasov          | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                                   |
| 81. | Pecica               | town                                     | Arad            | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                                                   |
| 82. | Pestisani            | commune                                  | Gorj            | -               | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | -                                                                                   |
| 83. | Poiana Stampei       | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                                            |
| 84. | Pojorata             | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | -                                                                                   |
| 85. | Polovragi            | commune                                  | Gorj            | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | -                                                                                   |
| 86. | Praid                | commune                                  | Harghita        | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                                   |
| 87. | Putna                | commune                                  | Suceava         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                                                   |
| 88. | Rau de Mori          | commune                                  | Hunedoara       | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | Part of natural WHS Domogled-Valea Cernei. Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT |
| 89. | Rodna                | commune                                  | Bistrita-Nasaud | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | -                                                                                   |
| 90. | Runcu                | commune                                  | Gorj            | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | Part of the independent vineyard center Tg.Jiu                                      |
| 91. | Sacalasseni          | commune                                  | Maramures       | -               | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024)  | -                                                                                   |



| No.  | Locality            | Administrative unit                       | County        | National resort | Local resort                | Observations                                                         |
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| 92.  | Sacele              | municipality                              | Brasov        | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                                    |
| 93.  | Sacelu              | commune                                   | Gorj          | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                    |
| 94.  | Sacueni             | town                                      | Bihor         | -               | March 2021<br>(HG 343/2021) | -                                                                    |
| 95.  | Sacuieu             | commune                                   | Cluj          | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                    |
| 96.  | Sadova              | commune                                   | Suceava       | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                                    |
| 97.  | Salonta             | municipality                              | Bihor         | -               | March 2021<br>(HG 343/2021) | -                                                                    |
| 98.  | Salasu de Sus       | commune                                   | Hunedoara     | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                             |
| 99.  | Salistea de Sus     | town                                      | Maramures     | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                    |
| 100. | Sambata de Sus      | commune                                   | Brasov        | -               | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024)  | -                                                                    |
| 101. | Sancraiu            | commune                                   | Cluj          | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | -                                                                    |
| 102. | Sangeorgiu de Mures | commune                                   | Mures         | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | -                                                                    |
| 103. | Sannicolau Mare     | town                                      | Timis         | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                                    |
| 104. | Sapanta             | commune                                   | Maramures     | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | Hosts the Merry Cemetery.                                            |
| 105. | Sarata Monteoru     | Merei commune                             | Buzau         | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Part of Dealu Mare vineyard<br>Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup> |
| 106. | Saru Dornei         | commune                                   | Suceava       | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT                             |
| 107. | Secu                | municipality of Resita (county residence) | Caras-Severin | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                    |
| 108. | Semenic             | Valiug commune                            | Caras-Severin | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                    |
| 109. | Siculeni            | commune                                   | Harghita      | -               | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024)  | -                                                                    |
| 110. | Sighetu Marmatiei   | municipality                              | Maramures     | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                                    |
| 111. | Sita Buzaului       | commune                                   | Covasna       | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | -                                                                    |
| 112. | Snagov              | commune                                   | Ilfov         | -               | Dec.1994<br>(HG 962/1994)   | -                                                                    |
| 113. | Stana de Vale       | Budureasa commune                         | Bihor         | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                    |
| 114. | Stei                | town                                      | Bihor         | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | -                                                                    |
| 115. | Straja              | municipality of Lupeni                    | Hunedoara     | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                    |
| 116. | Solca               | town                                      | Suceava       | -               | March 2018<br>(HG 107/2018) | -                                                                    |
| 117. | Soveja              | commune                                   | Vrancea       | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                                    |
| 118. | Sugag               | commune                                   | Alba          | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                                    |
| 119. | Tautii Magherus     | town                                      | Maramures     | -               | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | Part of the independent vineyard center Seini.                       |

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|------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 120. | Timisu de Sus                                     | town of Predeal                 | Brasov          | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                |
| 121. | Tinca                                             | commune                         | Bihor           | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>            |
| 122. | Trei Ape                                          | Brebu Nou commune               | Caras-Severin   | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                |
| 123. | Tulucesti                                         | commune                         | Galati          | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | Part of Covurlui vineyard                        |
| 124. | Urechesti                                         | commune                         | Vrancea         | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)   | Part of Cotnary vineyard                         |
| 125. | Uricani                                           | town                            | Hunedoara       | -               | Aug.2021<br>(HG 843/2021)   | -                                                |
| 126. | Vadu Crisului                                     | commune                         | Bihor           | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                |
| 127. | Vaideeni                                          | commune                         | Valcea          | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                |
| 128. | Valenii de Munte                                  | town                            | Prahova         | -               | Jun.1999<br>(HG 509/1999)   | -                                                |
| 129. | Vama                                              | commune                         | Satu Mare       | -               | May 2020<br>(HG 377/2020)   | -                                                |
| 130. | Vama                                              | commune                         | Suceava         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                |
| 131. | Vama Buzaului                                     | commune                         | Brasov          | -               | Nov.2018<br>(HG 916/2018)   | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT         |
| 132. | Vata de Jos                                       | commune                         | Hunedoara       | -               | Oct.2002<br>(HG1122/2002)   | -                                                |
| 133. | Vatra Moldovitei                                  | commune                         | Suceava         | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)   | Hosts one of the painted churches nominated WHS. |
| 134. | Vidra                                             | commune                         | Alba            | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022)  | -                                                |
| 135. | Zetea                                             | commune                         | Harghita        | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)   | -                                                |
| 136. | Baile Banffy Area<br>(Toplita municipality)       | municipality                    | Harghita        | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | -                                                |
| 137. | Baile Figa Leisure Area (town of Beclean)         | town                            | Bistrita-Nasaud | -               | March 2021<br>(HG 343/2021) | -                                                |
| 138. | Baile Ocna Dej Area (Dej municipality)            | municipality                    | Cluj            | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | Part of the independent vineyard center Dej      |
| 139. | Fantanele Area                                    | Rasca commune                   | Cluj            | -               | Sept.1999<br>(HG 717/1999)  | -                                                |
| 140. | Calarasi municipality South Area                  | municipality (county residence) | Calarasi        | -               | Nov.2025<br>(HG 936/2025)   | Part of independent vineyard center Ulmu         |
| 141. | Moinesti Bai Area (Moinesti municipality)         | municipality                    | Bacau           | -               | Feb.2017<br>(HG 58/2017)    | Balneary-climatic resort <sup>1</sup>            |
| 142. | Muntele Baisorii Area                             | Baisoara commune                | Cluj            | -               | Sept.1999<br>(HG 717/1999)  | -                                                |
| 143. | Suior-Baia Sprie Area                             | town of Baia Sprie              | Maramures       | -               | Nov.2011<br>(HG 1181/2011)  | -                                                |
| 144. | Tourist area of Arcani commune                    | commune                         | Gorj            | -               | Nov.2025<br>(HG 936/2025)   | -                                                |
| 145. | Tourist area Arefu – Lacul Vidraru, Arefu commune | commune                         | Arges           | -               | Nov.2025<br>(HG 936/2025)   | -                                                |

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| 146. | Tourist area of Bors commune                                    | commune             | Bihor         | -               | Oct.2020<br>(HG 887/2020)  | -                                                   |
| 147. | Tourist area Bozovici – Poneasa – Valea Minis, Bozovici commune | commune             | Caras-Severin | -               | Nov.2025<br>(HG 936/2025)  | Part of natural WHS Cheile Nerei-Beusnita           |
| 148. | Tourist area of Bratca commune                                  | commune             | Bihor         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 149. | Tourist area Budureasa – Padis, Budureasa commune               | commune             | Bihor         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 150. | Tourist area of Caracal municipality                            | municipality        | Olt           | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 151. | Tourist area Cincis-Cerna, Teliucul Inferior commune            | commune             | Hunedoara     | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)  | -                                                   |
| 152. | Tourist area of Comanesti town                                  | town                | Bacau         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 153. | Tourist area of Costesti commune                                | commune             | Valcea        | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)  | Part of the natural WHS Cozia - Lotrisor            |
| 154. | Tourist area Cugir – Sureanu, Cugir town                        | town                | Alba          | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 155. | Tourist area of Fagaras municipality                            | municipality        | Brasov        | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 156. | Tourist area of Falticeni municipality                          | municipality        | Suceava       | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 157. | Tourist area of Jimbolia town                                   | town                | Timis         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)  | -                                                   |
| 158. | Tourist area of Lupeni commune                                  | commune             | Harghita      | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 159. | Tourist area of Marghita municipality                           | municipality        | Bihor         | -               | Jul.2022<br>(HG 910/2022)  | -                                                   |
| 160. | Tourist area of Moldova Noua town                               | town                | Caras-Severin | -               | Nov.2024<br>(HG 1448/2024) | River port Independent vineyard center Moldova Noua |
| 161. | Tourist area of Pietroasa commune                               | commune             | Bihor         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 162. | Tourist area of Siret town                                      | town                | Suceava       | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 163. | Tourist area of Sisesti commune                                 | commune             | Maramures     | -               | Feb.2024<br>(HG 120/2024)  | Hosts two of the wooden churches nominated WHSs     |
| 164. | Tourist area of Suncuius commune                                | commune             | Bihor         | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |
| 165. | Tourist area of Targu Secuiesc municipality                     | municipality        | Covasna       | -               | Dec.2022<br>(HG 1580/2022) | -                                                   |

| No.  | Locality                                        | Administrative unit | County    | National resort | Local resort            | Observations                             |
|------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 166. | Tourist area Valea Draganului of Poieni commune | commune             | Cluj      | -               | Dec.2022 (HG 1580/2022) | -                                        |
| 167. | Tourist area of Vanatori-Neamt commune          | commune             | Neamt     | -               | Dec.2022 (HG 1580/2022) | Listed as eco-tourist destination by MoT |
| 168. | Tourist area Vartop - Nucet                     | town of Nucet       | Bihor     | -               | Feb.2024 (HG 120/2024)  | -                                        |
| 169. | Tourist area of Vlahita town                    | town                | Harghita  | -               | Feb.2024 (HG 120/2024)  | -                                        |
| 170. | Tourist area of Vulcan municipality             | municipality        | Hunedoara | -               | Dec.2022 (HG 1580/2022) | -                                        |

**Note 1:** A different HG (HG 1016/2011) defines and declares the balneary and balneary-climatic resorts. The updated version of HG 1016/2011 includes only 5 localities as balneary resorts and other 38 as balneary-climatic resorts (of which two are not designated as tourist resorts, therefore not included in Annex 1, above). The updates were made through HG 1072/2013; HG 926/2016; HG 898/2022 and HG 1318/2022.

**Sources:** Authors' compilation based on Annex 5 at HG 936/2025; the data provided by MoT at <https://turism.gov.ro/web/desemnarea-destinatiilor-ecoturistice/> for eco-tourist destinations

## Annex 2

Romanian tourist resorts by counties and development regions as of December 2025

| County                         | No. of national resorts | No. of local resorts | Resorts' structure by administrative units                     |                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                |                         |                      | National                                                       | Local                                                                                             |
| Center Region                  |                         |                      |                                                                |                                                                                                   |
| Alba                           | 0                       | 6                    | n/a                                                            | 1 town; 5 communes                                                                                |
| Brasov                         | 3                       | 8                    | 1 county residence; 2 towns                                    | 2 municipalities; 1 town <sup>1</sup> (Predeal <sup>1</sup> includes 2 local resorts); 4 communes |
| Covasna                        | 1                       | 5                    | 1 town                                                         | 1 municipality; 4 communes                                                                        |
| Harghita                       | 2                       | 12                   | 2 towns                                                        | 1 county residence; 1 municipality; 2 towns; 7 communes (Vlahita commune includes 2 resorts)      |
| Mures                          | 1                       | 2                    | 1 town                                                         | 2 communes                                                                                        |
| Sibiu                          | 0                       | 5                    | n/a                                                            | 1 county residence; 2 towns; 2 communes                                                           |
| Total by Center Region         | 7                       | 38                   | 1 county residence<br>6 towns                                  | 2 county residences<br>4 municipalities<br>6 towns<br>24 communes                                 |
| West Region                    |                         |                      |                                                                |                                                                                                   |
| Arad                           | 1                       | 4                    | 1 commune                                                      | 3 towns; 1 commune                                                                                |
| Caras-Severin                  | 2                       | 10                   | 1 town; 1 commune                                              | 1 county residence; 2 towns; 6 communes (Valiug commune includes 2 resorts)                       |
| Hunedoara                      | 2                       | 7                    | 1 municipality; 1 town                                         | 2 municipalities; 1 town; 4 communes                                                              |
| Timis                          | 1                       | 5                    | 1 town                                                         | 3 towns; 2 communes                                                                               |
| Total by West Region           | 6                       | 26                   | 1 municipality<br>3 towns<br>2 communes                        | 1 county residence<br>2 municipalities<br>9 towns<br>13 communes                                  |
| South-Muntenia Region          |                         |                      |                                                                |                                                                                                   |
| Arges                          | 1                       | 3                    | 1 commune                                                      | 3 communes                                                                                        |
| Calarasi                       | 0                       | 1                    | n/a                                                            | 1 county residence                                                                                |
| Dambovita                      | 2                       | 0                    | 1 town; 1 commune                                              | n/a                                                                                               |
| Giurgiu                        | 0                       | 0                    | n/a                                                            | n/a                                                                                               |
| Ialomita                       | 1                       | 0                    | 1 town                                                         | n/a                                                                                               |
| Prahova                        | 4                       | 3                    | 4 towns                                                        | 2 towns; 1 commune                                                                                |
| Teleorman                      | 0                       | 0                    | n/a                                                            | n/a                                                                                               |
| Total by South-Muntenia Region | 8                       | 7                    | 6 towns<br>2 communes                                          | 1 county residence<br>2 towns<br>4 communes                                                       |
| North-East Region              |                         |                      |                                                                |                                                                                                   |
| Bacau                          | 2                       | 3                    | 2 towns                                                        | 1 municipality; 2 towns                                                                           |
| Botosani                       | 0                       | 0                    | n/a                                                            | n/a                                                                                               |
| Iasi                           | 0                       | 0                    | n/a                                                            | n/a                                                                                               |
| Neamt                          | 2                       | 4                    | 1 county residence; 1 town                                     | 1 town; 3 communes                                                                                |
| Suceava                        | 4                       | 22                   | 2 municipalities; 1 town; 1 commune                            | 4 towns; 18 communes                                                                              |
| Vaslui                         | 0                       | 0                    | n/a                                                            | n/a                                                                                               |
| Total by North-East Region     | 8                       | 29                   | 1 county residence<br>2 municipalities<br>4 towns<br>1 commune | 1 municipality<br>7 towns<br>21 communes                                                          |

| County                          | No. of national resorts | No. of local resorts | Resorts' structure by administrative units                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                         |                      | National                                                                                                                                                          | Local                                                                                               |
| North-West Region               |                         |                      |                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                     |
| Bihor                           | 2                       | 16                   | 1 county residence;<br>1 commune                                                                                                                                  | 3 municipalities; 3 towns;<br>9 communes (Budureasca commune includes 2 resorts)                    |
| Bistrita-Nasaud                 | 1                       | 3                    | 1 town                                                                                                                                                            | 1 town; 2 communes                                                                                  |
| Cluj                            | 0                       | 12                   | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 3 municipalities; 9 communes                                                                        |
| Maramures                       | 5                       | 12                   | 1 county residence; 2 towns;<br>2 communes                                                                                                                        | 1 municipality; 4 towns;<br>7 communes                                                              |
| Salaj                           | 0                       | 1                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 1 commune                                                                                           |
| Satu Mare                       | 1                       | 4                    | 1 town                                                                                                                                                            | 3 towns; 1 commune                                                                                  |
| Total by North-West Region      | 9                       | 48                   | 2 county residences<br>4 towns<br>3 communes                                                                                                                      | 7 municipalities<br>11 towns<br>29 communes                                                         |
| South-East Region               |                         |                      |                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                     |
| Braila                          | 1                       | 0                    | 1 commune                                                                                                                                                         | n/a                                                                                                 |
| Buzau                           | 0                       | 2                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 2 communes                                                                                          |
| Constanta                       | 12                      | 0                    | 1 county residence;<br>1 municipality (Mangalia <sup>2</sup> municipality includes 6 resorts)<br>3 towns (Eforie <sup>3</sup> town includes 2 resorts); 1 commune | n/a                                                                                                 |
| Galati                          | 0                       | 1                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 1 commune                                                                                           |
| Tulcea                          | 0                       | 2                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 2 communes                                                                                          |
| Vrancea                         | 0                       | 2                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 2 communes                                                                                          |
| Total by South-East Region      | 13                      | 7                    | 1 county residence<br>1 municipality<br>3 towns<br>2 communes                                                                                                     | 7 communes                                                                                          |
| South-West (Oltenia) Region     |                         |                      |                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                     |
| Dolj                            | 0                       | 0                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | n/a                                                                                                 |
| Gorj                            | 1                       | 6                    | 1 town                                                                                                                                                            | 6 communes                                                                                          |
| Mehedinti                       | 0                       | 2                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 2 communes                                                                                          |
| Olt                             | 0                       | 1                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 1 municipality                                                                                      |
| Valcea                          | 5                       | 5                    | 4 towns; 1 commune                                                                                                                                                | 2 towns; 3 communes                                                                                 |
| Total by South-West Region      | 6                       | 14                   | 5 towns<br>1 commune                                                                                                                                              | 1 municipality<br>2 towns<br>11 communes                                                            |
| Bucharest-Ilfov Region          |                         |                      |                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                     |
| Ilfov                           | 0                       | 1                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 1 commune                                                                                           |
| Total by Bucharest-Ilfov Region | 0                       | 1                    | n/a                                                                                                                                                               | 1 commune                                                                                           |
| Total at country level          | 57                      | 170                  | 5 county residences<br>4 municipalities<br>31 towns<br>11 communes<br>51 localities <sup>4</sup>                                                                  | 4 county residences<br>15 municipalities<br>37 towns<br>110 communes<br>166 localities <sup>5</sup> |
|                                 | National                | Local                | National                                                                                                                                                          | Local                                                                                               |

Note 1: Predeal is a town designated as resort of national interest and also administratively includes 2 localities designated as resorts of local interest (Paraul Rece and Timisu de Sus)

Note 2: Mangalia is a municipality on Romanian littoral designated as resort of national interest and also administratively includes other 5 localities designated as resorts of national interest (Cap Aurora, Jupiter; Neptun-Olimp, Saturn, and Venus)

Note 3: Eforie is a town composed of 2 resorts of national interest (Eforie Nord and Eforie Sud)

Note 4: The difference between the reported 57 national resorts and 51 localities hosting these resorts is explained by Note 2 and Note 3 above.

Note 5: The difference between the reported 170 local resorts and 166 localities hosting these resort is given by the fact that 4 localities each include 2 resorts (Predeal, Budureasa, Vlahita, Valiug) as explained in Annex 2 above.

Source: Authors' compilation

### Annex 3

Details regarding the lodgings, lodging capacity (bed-places), tourist arrivals, occupancy rate and length of stay by resorts

| No.   | National resort information                                                                                        | County |                       | Average 2001-2024 | Minim  | Maxim   | Percentage of county urban or rural total <sup>1</sup> |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | Moneasa commune (rural)                                                                                            | Arad   | Lodgings              | 17                | 9      | 24      | 33.58                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 961               | 937    | 1,120   | 50.52                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 23,850            | 7,689  | 47,614  | 71.99                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Occupancy (%)         | 33.78             | 8.43   | 50.92   | 135.01                                                 |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Length of stay (days) | 3.62              | 1.71   | 5.37    | 121.76                                                 |
| 2     | Dambovicioara commune (rural)                                                                                      | Arges  | Lodgings              | 15                | 2      | 34      | 9.47                                                   |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 308               | 93     | 660     | 7.56                                                   |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 4,677             | 1,181  | 21,517  | 6.52                                                   |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Occupancy (%)         | 17.48             | 4.32   | 38.30   | 99.09                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Length of stay (days) | 1.59              | 1.32   | 1.90    | 95.48                                                  |
| 3     | Slanic Moldova town (urban)                                                                                        | Bacau  | Lodgings              | 21                | 6      | 60      | 32.21                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 1,081             | 722    | 1,675   | 32.30                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 34,224            | 17,902 | 62,982  | 31.54                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Occupancy (%)         | 40.42             | 22.04  | 64.20   | 129.18                                                 |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Length of stay (days) | 3.88              | 2.40   | 7.50    | 136.37                                                 |
| 4     | Targu Ocna town (urban)                                                                                            | Bacau  | Lodgings              | 10                | 2      | 27      | 14.95                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 435               | 240    | 807     | 12.98                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 8,795             | 5,154  | 14,593  | 8.10                                                   |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Occupancy (%)         | 45.04             | 9.64   | 76.08   | 143.97                                                 |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Length of stay (days) | 6.50              | 1.62   | 9.72    | 228.04                                                 |
| 3 & 4 | Slanic Moldova & Targu Ocna                                                                                        | Bacau  | Lodgings              | 31                | 8      | 87      | 47.15                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 1,516             | 933    | 2,482   | 45.28                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 43,018            | 20,040 | 76,471  | 39.64                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Occupancy (%)         | 41.35             | 21.38  | 66.01   | 132.17                                                 |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Length of stay (days) | 4.47              | 2.28   | 7.89    | 156.91                                                 |
| 5     | Sanmartin commune (rural)<br>Sanmartin includes the national resort Baile Felix and the local resort (Baile) 1 Mai | Bihor  | Lodgings              | 83                | 23     | 237     | 59.30                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 6,920             | 5,226  | 9,591   | 75.21                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 156,511           | 94,813 | 253,366 | 82.03                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Occupancy (%)         | 46.76             | 39.37  | 53.45   | 110.03                                                 |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Length of stay (days) | 5.86              | 3.55   | 7.99    | 109.97                                                 |
| 6     | Oradea county residence (urban)                                                                                    | Bihor  | Lodgings              | 31                | 6      | 86      | 57.23                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Capacity              | 1,848             | 747    | 3,151   | 65.46                                                  |
|       |                                                                                                                    |        | Arrivals              | 129,968           | 42,206 | 243,196 | 91.64                                                  |

| No.         | National resort information                                                                                                                    | County          |                       | Average 2001-2024 | Minim   | Maxim     | Percentage of county urban or rural total <sup>1</sup> |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 35.48             | 24.75   | 50.05     | 109.43                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 1.73              | 1.38    | 1.97      | 93.13                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 7           | Sangeorz-Bai town (urban)                                                                                                                      | Bistrita-Nasaud | Lodgings              | 5                 | 3       | 10        | 18.66                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 1,125             | 689     | 1,642     | 48.94                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 7,212             | 1,069   | 14,206    | 11.86                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 29.55             | 9.54    | 45.36     | 109.15                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 10.17             | 6.02    | 14.12     | 352.96                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 8           | Chiscani commune (rural)<br>Chiscani includes the national resort Lacu Sarat                                                                   | Braila          | Lodgings              | 4                 | 1       | 14        | 40.70                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 442               | 20      | 1,416     | 64.32                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 6,479             | 21      | 25,898    | 72.47                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 16.57             | 0.15    | 42.40     | 78.59                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 3.11              | 1.20    | 6.80      | 94.15                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 9           | Predeal town (urban)<br>Predeal is a resort of national interest and includes also 2 resorts of local interest (Paraul Rece and Timisu de Sus) | Brasov          | Lodgings              | 124               | 74      | 176       | 31.71                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 4,486             | 3,266   | 5,836     | 28.96                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 162,955           | 92,230  | 223,213   | 24.49                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 24.29             | 18.37   | 28.48     | 92.23                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 2.21              | 1.96    | 2.92      | 104.60                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 10          | Rasnov town (urban)                                                                                                                            | Brasov          | Lodgings              | 35                | 3       | 77        | 9.05                                                   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 844               | 135     | 1,721     | 5.45                                                   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 20,031            | 505     | 57,599    | 3.01                                                   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 14.47             | 6.42    | 19.99     | 54.94                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 2.31              | 1.94    | 2.88      | 109.32                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 11          | Brasov county residence (urban)<br>Brasov includes the national resort Poiana Brasov                                                           | Brasov          | Lodgings              | 158               | 45      | 290       | 40.54                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 8,130             | 3,404   | 12,199    | 52.48                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 405,681           | 167,845 | 744,389   | 60.97                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 29.68             | 23.48   | 36.94     | 112.69                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 2.09              | 1.83    | 2.62      | 98.83                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 9 & 10 & 11 | Predeal & Rasnov & Brasov                                                                                                                      | Brasov          | Lodgings              | 317               | 122     | 524       | 81.30                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 13,459            | 7,074   | 19,288    | 86.89                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 588,667           | 261,094 | 1,015,835 | 88.48                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Occupancy (%)         | 27.12             | 21.86   | 31.78     | 102.99                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Length of stay (days) | 2.13              | 1.88    | 2.72      | 100.72                                                 |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 12          | Baile Herculane town (urban)                                                                                                                   | Caras-Severin   | Lodgings              | 54                | 16      | 94        | 54.28                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Capacity              | 4,583             | 4,209   | 5,209     | 75.75                                                  |
|             |                                                                                                                                                |                 | Arrivals              | 91,941            | 47,739  | 160,093   | 75.39                                                  |



| No. | National resort information                                                                                                                                     | County        |                       | Average 2001-2024 | Minim   | Maxim   | Percentage of county urban or rural total <sup>1</sup> |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 48.71             | 36.09   | 65.75   | 116.41                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 6.77              | 3.14    | 11.65   | 119.41                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 13  | Turnu Ruieni commune (rural)<br>Turnu Ruieni includes the national resort Borlova – Muntele Mic Area                                                            | Caras-Severin | Lodgings              | 9                 | 1       | 17      | 10.14                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 248               | 11      | 567     | 10.50                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 2,269             | 19      | 9,904   | 8.74                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 16.21             | 1.59    | 42.46   | 102.64                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 3.07              | 1.61    | 6.26    | 118.41                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 14  | Costinesti commune (rural)                                                                                                                                      | Constanta     | Lodgings              | 182               | 125     | 343     | 79.49                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 6,755             | 4,910   | 13,121  | 78.29                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 44,175            | 14,882  | 168,101 | 68.88                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 38.84             | 28.07   | 57.48   | 102.91                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 4.20              | 3.14    | 5.54    | 109.09                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 15  | Mangalia municipality (urban)<br>Mangalia is a national resort and also includes other 5 national resorts: Cap Aurora, Jupiter, Neptun-Olimp, Saturn, and Venus | Constanta     | Lodgings              | 225               | 150     | 309     | 30.29                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 40,936            | 30,409  | 51,663  | 42.53                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 303,921           | 210,722 | 468,359 | 30.75                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 43.87             | 30.39   | 55.59   | 106.86                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 5.38              | 3.50    | 7.66    | 123.65                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 16  | Eforie town (urban)<br>Eforie includes the national resorts Eforie Nord and Eforie Sus                                                                          | Constanta     | Lodgings              | 288               | 179     | 435     | 38.79                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 21,019            | 15,073  | 25,964  | 21.84                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 163,342           | 103,840 | 345,914 | 16.53                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 43.10             | 21.86   | 56.79   | 104.98                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 5.03              | 3.33    | 9.37    | 115.44                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 17  | Techirghiol town (urban)                                                                                                                                        | Constanta     | Lodgings              | 25                | 11      | 40      | 3.31                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 1,093             | 646     | 1,527   | 1.14                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 10,329            | 5,792   | 15,611  | 1.04                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 52.97             | 35.97   | 63.33   | 129.02                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 10.24             | 4.89    | 16.02   | 235.27                                                 |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 18  | Navodari town (urban)<br>Navodari includes the national resort Mangalia Nord                                                                                    | Constanta     | Lodgings              | 52                | 6       | 181     | 6.99                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 8,714             | 4,411   | 12,458  | 9.05                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 57,617            | 7,709   | 156,843 | 5.83                                                   |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 31.10             | 9.74    | 54.29   | 75.74                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Length of stay (days) | 3.77              | 2.16    | 5.49    | 86.52                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               |                       |                   |         |         |                                                        |
| 19  | Constanta county residence (urban)<br>Constanta includes the national resort Mamaia                                                                             | Constanta     | Lodgings              | 147               | 104     | 211     | 19.88                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Capacity              | 24,223            | 21,917  | 26,836  | 25.16                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Arrivals              | 444,205           | 265,316 | 618,755 | 44.94                                                  |
|     |                                                                                                                                                                 |               | Occupancy (%)         | 39.04             | 32.40   | 46.17   | 95.08                                                  |

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 3.40              | 2.69    | 4.46      | 78.03                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 15 & 16 & 17 & 18 & 19 | Mangalia & Eforie & Techirghiol & Navodari & Constanta                                      | Constanta | Lodgings              | 736               | 526     | 1,100     | 99.26                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 95,985            | 76,445  | 116,062   | 99.71                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 979,413           | 715,785 | 1,511,029 | 99.09                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 41.22             | 29.90   | 49.38     | 100.39                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 4.37              | 3.17    | 6.65      | 100.39                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 20                     | Covasna town (urban)                                                                        | Covasna   | Lodgings              | 16                | 9       | 27        | 35.61                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 2,262             | 1,808   | 2,534     | 74.98                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 40,630            | 27,841  | 60,179    | 62.91                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 57.02             | 36.24   | 74.27     | 118.43                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 9.94              | 6.05    | 14.17     | 142.00                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 21                     | Moroeni commune (rural)<br>Moroeni commune includes the national resort Pestera-Padina Area | Dambovita | Lodgings              | 18                | 10      | 28        | 45.89                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 1,061             | 796     | 1,287     | 67.24                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 26,190            | 15,165  | 42,512    | 71.38                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 16.86             | 10.68   | 33.42     | 105.84                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 2.11              | 1.56    | 3.21      | 96.48                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 22                     | Pucioasa town (urban)                                                                       | Dambovita | Lodgings              | 8                 | 5       | 10        | 32.28                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 552               | 479     | 593       | 42.42                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 11,831            | 4,641   | 15,483    | 26.25                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 52.76             | 19.51   | 76.55     | 132.54                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 8.53              | 6.88    | 12.10     | 210.48                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 23                     | Novaci town (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between Nov.2018 and Oct.2025               | Gorj      | Lodgings              | 18                | 1       | 50        | 37.02                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 439               | 14      | 1,056     | 25.85                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 8,444             | 231     | 20,866    | 13.90                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 18.09             | 7.03    | 67.98     | 85.66                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 2.09              | 1.62    | 4.38      | 118.80                                                 |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 24                     | Borsec town (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between Oct.2002 and Jan.2017               | Harghita  | Lodgings              | 19                | 2       | 41        | 13.40                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 490               | 136     | 995       | 9.87                                                   |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 4,342             | 250     | 12,554    | 4.24                                                   |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 13.08             | 3.88    | 42.25     | 51.76                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Length of stay (days) | 2.47              | 1.52    | 8.35      | 87.42                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           |                       |                   |         |           |                                                        |
| 25                     | Baile Tusnad town (urban)                                                                   | Harghita  | Lodgings              | 26                | 17      | 74        | 18.40                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Capacity              | 1,387             | 1,105   | 1,854     | 27.95                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Arrivals              | 27,776            | 6,849   | 49,544    | 27.10                                                  |
|                        |                                                                                             |           | Occupancy (%)         | 41.41             | 17.62   | 63.01     | 163.89                                                 |

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|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 5.34              | 2.58   | 9.61   | 189.37                                                 |
| 24 & 25 | Borsec & Baile Tusnad                                                                          | Harghita  | Lodgings              | 44                | 21     | 98     | 31.80                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 1,877             | 1,267  | 2,846  | 37.82                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 32,118            | 7,290  | 60,398 | 31.34                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 37.09             | 16.98  | 54.88  | 146.82                                                 |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 5.08              | 2.48   | 9.18   | 180.22                                                 |
| 26      | Geoagiu town (urban)<br>Geoagiu town includes the national resort Geoagiu Bai                  | Hunedoara | Lodgings              | 13                | 4      | 26     | 10.63                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 1,197             | 636    | 1,586  | 25.66                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 28,950            | 11,368 | 53,140 | 27.13                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 52.26             | 29.02  | 68.75  | 204.62                                                 |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 5.42              | 2.94   | 11.22  | 214.33                                                 |
| 27      | Petrosani municipality (urban)<br>Petrosani includes the national resort Parang-Petrosani Area | Hunedoara | Lodgings              | 13                | 5      | 34     | 11.26                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 638               | 394    | 1,218  | 13.68                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 10,534            | 6,237  | 16,463 | 9.87                                                   |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 12.74             | 6.58   | 20.95  | 49.90                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 1.82              | 1.33   | 2.82   | 71.83                                                  |
| 26 & 27 | Geoagiu & Petrosani                                                                            | Hunedoara | Lodgings              | 26                | 12     | 55     | 21.89                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 1,835             | 1,130  | 2,785  | 39.34                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 39,484            | 18,852 | 68,544 | 37.00                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 37.34             | 19.44  | 51.64  | 146.20                                                 |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 4.27              | 2.52   | 7.98   | 168.72                                                 |
| 28      | Amara town (urban)                                                                             | Ialomita  | Lodgings              | 9                 | 8      | 11     | 44.69                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 2,228             | 1,825  | 2,541  | 80.82                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 18,132            | 6,864  | 6,864  | 46.39                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 44.50             | 22.13  | 65.39  | 117.58                                                 |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 9.53              | 5.69   | 13.04  | 177.04                                                 |
| 29      | Moisei commune (rural)<br>Resort of local interest between Feb.2017 and Oct.2024               | Maramures | Lodgings              | 10                | 1      | 49     | 7.62                                                   |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 149               | 8      | 649    | 6.88                                                   |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 2,705             | 243    | 10,142 | 8.25                                                   |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 13.27             | 3.21   | 22.07  | 76.36                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Length of stay (days) | 1.94              | 1.39   | 3.81   | 52.35                                                  |
| 30      | Ocna Sugatag commune (rural)<br>Resort of local interest between Oct.2002 and                  | Maramures | Lodgings              | 25                | 4      | 94     | 18.67                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Capacity              | 536               | 292    | 1,392  | 24.75                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Arrivals              | 7,984             | 3,912  | 20,315 | 24.35                                                  |
|         |                                                                                                |           | Occupancy (%)         | 24.98             | 8.44   | 64.90  | 143.76                                                 |

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|              | Sept.2020                                                                           |           | Length of stay (days) | 4.93              | 1.77   | 11.84   | 132.93                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 29 & 30      | Moisei & Ocna Sugatag                                                               | Maramures | Lodgings              | 35                | 5      | 143     | 26.28                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 685               | 340    | 2,041   | 31.63                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 10,690            | 4,561  | 30,444  | 32.60                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 24.49             | 7.70   | 63.71   | 140.95                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Length of stay (days) | 4.68              | 1.74   | 11.34   | 126.04                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 31           | Borsa town (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between Oct.2002 and Feb.2018        | Maramures | Lodgings              | 24                | 7      | 94      | 21.27                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 567               | 228    | 1,718   | 15.44                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 13,883            | 4,400  | 39,024  | 11.29                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 15.74             | 4.51   | 32.17   | 82.23                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Length of stay (days) | 1.84              | 1.23   | 2.42    | 103.43                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 32           | Viseu de Sus town (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between Oct.2009 and Jun.2022 | Maramures | Lodgings              | 14                | 2      | 52      | 12.36                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 283               | 40     | 898     | 7.71                                                   |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 12,237            | 16     | 43,231  | 9.95                                                   |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 22.50             | 12.71  | 39.84   | 117.55                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Length of stay (days) | 1.95              | 1.46   | 6.31    | 109.65                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 33           | Baia Mare county residence (urban)                                                  | Maramures | Lodgings              | 35                | 15     | 53      | 31.44                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 1,800             | 1,170  | 2,298   | 48.97                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 71,171            | 52,295 | 109,651 | 57.87                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 21.46             | 15.44  | 28.60   | 112.09                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Length of stay (days) | 1.80              | 1.62   | 2.19    | 100.92                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 31 & 32 & 33 | Borsa & Viseu de Sus & Baia Mare                                                    | Maramures | Lodgings              | 73                | 27     | 199     | 65.07                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 2,651             | 1,438  | 4,731   | 72.12                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 97,291            | 63,404 | 180,051 | 79.10                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 20.62             | 14.29  | 29.12   | 107.71                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Length of stay (days) | 1.80              | 1.63   | 2.10    | 100.77                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 34           | Sovata town (urban)                                                                 | Mures     | Lodgings              | 88                | 31     | 191     | 47.77                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 3,687             | 2,825  | 4,440   | 48.03                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 88,644            | 33,224 | 159,662 | 30.56                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 42.15             | 35.91  | 56.94   | 124.72                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Length of stay (days) | 3.91              | 2.56   | 6.36    | 163.75                                                 |
|              |                                                                                     |           |                       |                   |        |         |                                                        |
| 35           | Targu Neamt town (urban)                                                            | Neamt     | Lodgings              | 17                | 4      | 40      | 28.37                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Capacity              | 358               | 125    | 558     | 15.57                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Arrivals              | 11,564            | 5,470  | 22,272  | 12.84                                                  |
|              |                                                                                     |           | Occupancy (%)         | 16.84             | 8.49   | 34.56   | 74.80                                                  |

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 1.41              | 1.22    | 1.58    | 88.39                                                  |
| 36                | Piatra Neamt county residence (urban) | Neamt   | Lodgings              | 17                | 6       | 30      | 28.94                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 981               | 680     | 1,293   | 42.60                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 51,274            | 26,992  | 79,482  | 56.93                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 26.22             | 15.95   | 32.03   | 116.48                                                 |
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 1.58              | 1.47    | 1.78    | 99.28                                                  |
| 35 & 36           | Targu Neamt & Piatra Neamt            | Neamt   | Lodgings              | 33                | 10      | 70      | 57.31                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 1,339             | 914     | 1,851   | 58.17                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 62,838            | 36,465  | 101,754 | 69.77                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 23.58             | 15.14   | 29.78   | 104.77                                                 |
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 1.65              | 1.44    | 1.68    | 97.33                                                  |
| 37                | Azuga town (urban)                    | Prahova | Lodgings              | 15                | 3       | 34      | 6.10                                                   |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 365               | 72      | 673     | 3.78                                                   |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 12,982            | 1,869   | 34,160  | 3.38                                                   |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 20.54             | 9.88    | 31.84   | 74.19                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 2.28              | 1.48    | 3.81    | 94.12                                                  |
| 38                | Busteni town (urban)                  | Prahova | Lodgings              | 81                | 42      | 180     | 33.56                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 2,267             | 1,747   | 3,534   | 23.47                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 65,560            | 39,369  | 123,985 | 17.08                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 21.19             | 14.45   | 29.04   | 76.53                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 2.59              | 2.08    | 3.08    | 106.74                                                 |
| 39                | Sinaia town (urban)                   | Prahova | Lodgings              | 87                | 59      | 138     | 36.25                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 4,249             | 3,351   | 4,827   | 43.99                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 221,412           | 148,824 | 329,647 | 57.67                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 33.25             | 25.34   | 41.64   | 120.08                                                 |
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 2.27              | 1.91    | 2.66    | 93.62                                                  |
| 40                | Slanic town (urban)                   | Prahova | Lodgings              | 6                 | 3       | 10      | 2.44                                                   |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 442               | 272     | 526     | 4.57                                                   |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 7,204             | 3,527   | 11,997  | 1.88                                                   |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 50.00             | 26.16   | 70.59   | 180.55                                                 |
|                   |                                       |         | Length of stay (days) | 8.64              | 4.06    | 14.77   | 356.60                                                 |
| 37 & 38 & 39 & 40 | Azuga & Busteni & Sinaia & Slanic     | Prahova | Lodgings              | 188               | 110     | 358     | 78.35                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Capacity              | 7,323             | 5,990   | 9,326   | 75.81                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Arrivals              | 307,158           | 219,189 | 474,477 | 80.00                                                  |
|                   |                                       |         | Occupancy (%)         | 29.84             | 23.59   | 36.42   | 107.75                                                 |

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|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|              |                                                                                                       |           | <i>Length of stay (days)</i> | <i>2.50</i>       | <i>2.01</i>   | <i>3.05</i>    | <i>103.11</i>                                          |
| 41           | Tasnad town (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between May 2000 and Apr.2020                         | Satu Mare | Lodgings                     | 8                 | 1             | 16             | 15.29                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Capacity                     | 372               | 116           | 637            | 21.16                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Arrivals                     | 10,612            | 1,606         | 25,222         | 14.35                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Occupancy (%)                | 18.61             | 6.71          | 32.77          | 76.82                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Length of stay (days)        | 1.53              | 1.17          | 1.86           | 97.74                                                  |
| 42           | Sucevita commune (rural)                                                                              | Suceava   | Lodgings                     | 27                | 3             | 43             | 13.48                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Capacity                     | 620               | 92            | 950            | 16.99                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Arrivals                     | 10,707            | 2,735         | 20,278         | 13.29                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Occupancy (%)                | 15.47             | 7.44          | 22.47          | 82.68                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Length of stay (days)        | 1.86              | 1.14          | 2.97           | 92.06                                                  |
| 43           | Vatra Dornei municipality (urban)                                                                     | Suceava   | Lodgings                     | 52                | 24            | 108            | 32.97                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Capacity                     | 2,221             | 1,373         | 3,068          | 35.13                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Arrivals                     | 47,275            | 35,844        | 71,374         | 21.55                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Occupancy (%)                | 35.04             | 28.51         | 48.43          | 124.03                                                 |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Length of stay (days)        | 4.49              | 3.23          | 6.24           | 195.24                                                 |
| 44           | Gura Humorului town (urban)                                                                           | Suceava   | Lodgings                     | 40                | 6             | 100            | 25.26                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Capacity                     | 1,153             | 201           | 2,507          | 18.24                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Arrivals                     | 46,220            | 947           | 120,320        | 21.04                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Occupancy (%)                | 22.48             | 13.40         | 36.37          | 79.58                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Length of stay (days)        | 1.88              | 1.48          | 5.16           | 80.00                                                  |
| 45           | Campulung Moldovenesc municipality (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between Oct.2002 and Sept.2005 | Suceava   | Lodgings                     | 23                | 7             | 60             | 14.84                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Capacity                     | 830               | 456           | 1,488          | 13.12                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Arrivals                     | 19,285            | 9,702         | 36,433         | 8.79                                                   |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Occupancy (%)                | 16.77             | 9.22          | 26.22          | 59.37                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Length of stay (days)        | 1.83              | 1.13          | 2.39           | 77.99                                                  |
| 43 & 44 & 45 | Vatra Dornei & Gura Humorului & Campulung Moldovenesc                                                 | Suceava   | <i>Lodgings</i>              | <i>115</i>        | <i>37</i>     | <i>262</i>     | <i>73.07</i>                                           |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | <i>Capacity</i>              | <i>4,204</i>      | <i>2,173</i>  | <i>6,791</i>   | <i>66.49</i>                                           |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | <i>Arrivals</i>              | <i>112,779</i>    | <i>62,909</i> | <i>215,318</i> | <i>51.41</i>                                           |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | <i>Occupancy (%)</i>         | <i>29.06</i>      | <i>23.34</i>  | <i>40.46</i>   | <i>102.86</i>                                          |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | <i>Length of stay (days)</i> | <i>3.08</i>       | <i>2.39</i>   | <i>4.22</i>    | <i>131.09</i>                                          |
| 46           | Buzias town (urban)                                                                                   | Timis     | Lodgings                     | 6                 | 3             | 9              | 6.15                                                   |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Capacity                     | 899               | 570           | 1,110          | 15.48                                                  |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Arrivals                     | 12,012            | 4,921         | 15,708         | 4.85                                                   |
|              |                                                                                                       |           | Occupancy (%)                | 43.56             | 22.70         | 54.85          | 137.44                                                 |

| No.               | National resort information                                                    | County |                       | Average 2001-2024 | Minim   | Maxim   | Percentage of county urban or rural total <sup>1</sup> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 9.24              | 6.05    | 13.63   | 392.18                                                 |
| 47                | Voineasa commune (rural)                                                       | Valcea | Lodgings              | 35                | 24      | 53      | 46.05                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Capacity              | 1,290             | 580     | 2,165   | 62.50                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Arrivals              | 15,093            | 5,498   | 21,517  | 48.91                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Occupancy (%)         | 23.42             | 13.88   | 41.57   | 114.21                                                 |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 3.48              | 1.86    | 7.04    | 124.02                                                 |
| 48                | Baile Govora town (urban)                                                      | Valcea | Lodgings              | 13                | 9       | 20      | 8.57                                                   |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Capacity              | 1,045             | 957     | 1,157   | 11.06                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Arrivals              | 19,195            | 10,808  | 33,001  | 7.63                                                   |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Occupancy (%)         | 47.05             | 28.23   | 64.21   | 109.46                                                 |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 7.95              | 3.46    | 12.29   | 160.20                                                 |
| 49                | Baile Olanesti town (urban)                                                    | Valcea | Lodgings              | 36                | 19      | 53      | 23.59                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Capacity              | 2,534             | 2,085   | 2,945   | 26.82                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Arrivals              | 43,752            | 28,103  | 69,613  | 17.38                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Occupancy (%)         | 46.66             | 27.47   | 75.78   | 108.56                                                 |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 8.25              | 4.13    | 13.86   | 166.25                                                 |
| 50                | Calimanesti-Caciulata town (urban)                                             | Valcea | Lodgings              | 45                | 20      | 96      | 29.34                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Capacity              | 3,693             | 3,056   | 5,176   | 39.09                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Arrivals              | 120,158           | 60,932  | 280,697 | 47.73                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Occupancy (%)         | 48.75             | 38.91   | 60.48   | 113.42                                                 |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 5.12              | 2.71    | 8.18    | 103.07                                                 |
| 51 <sup>2</sup>   | Horezu town (urban)<br>Resort of local interest between Aug.2005 and July 2021 | Valcea | Lodgings              | 14                | 2       | 31      | 8.89                                                   |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Capacity              | 347               | 112     | 728     | 3.68                                                   |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Arrivals              | 6,005             | 1,289   | 15,450  | 2.39                                                   |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Occupancy (%)         | 10.87             | 5.06    | 24.84   | 25.29                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 1.36              | 1.00    | 1.93    | 27.49                                                  |
| 48 & 49 & 50 & 51 | Baile Govora & Baile Olanesti & Calimanesti Caciulata & Horezu                 | Valcea | Lodgings              | 109               | 52      | 200     | 70.39                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Capacity              | 7,618             | 6,479   | 9,834   | 80.64                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Arrivals              | 189,110           | 117,141 | 389,044 | 75.13                                                  |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Occupancy (%)         | 46.72             | 32.38   | 63.89   | 108.69                                                 |
|                   |                                                                                |        | Length of stay (days) | 6.12              | 3.08    | 9.94    | 123.22                                                 |

Note 1: calculated based on averages for 2001 – 2024

Note 2: The total of 51 localities (administrative units) is given to the fact that Mangalia municipality includes also other 5 national resorts and the town of Eforie is composed from two national resorts (Eforie Nord and Eforie Sud).

Source: Authors' compilation based on NIS data via Tempo Online

## Annex 4

Map of Romanian development regions and component counties

