



## Explanatory Notes on Main Statistical Indicators

**Hotel Services** refer to short-term accommodation services provided to visitors. Some units may provide only accommodation while others provide a combination of accommodation, meals, business services and recreational facilities. It excludes activities related to the provision of long-term primary residences, typically leased on a monthly or annual basis.

**Catering Services** refer to the activities of providing foods, serving locations and facilities to customers through instant processing, commercial sales and service-type labor.

**Business Revenue** refers to total revenue (including VAT) of hotels and catering services received from providing services or selling commodities through business activities. Revenue comes mainly from providing hotels, catering services, selling of commodities and other services, such as commodity services. It does not include revenue from providing meals or selling of commodities by establishments affiliated to other multi-industrial corporate enterprises. Income from hotel rooms refers to income (including VAT) of hotels and catering services by providing lodging services through business activities. Income from meals refers to income (including VAT) from providing catering services, including selling of cooked or prepared foods, such as staple food, cooked dishes, or cold dishes. It does not include income from meals provided by establishments affiliated to other multi-industrial corporate enterprises.

**Overseas Visitor Arrivals** refer to the number of tourists of foreigners, Chinese compatriots from Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan who come to China (mainland) within the reference period for sight-seeing, vacation, visiting relatives, medical treatment, shopping, attending conference, or to engage in economic, cultural, sports and religious activities

(namely the number of overseas visitor arrivals). In compiling statistics, each arrival is counted as one person-time. Overseas visitor arrivals includes inbound overnight tourists and one-day tourists.

**Number of Chinese Residents Going Abroad (Chinese Outbound Visitors)** refers to the number of Chinese (mainland) residents going to other countries, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Macao Special Administrative Region and Taiwan Province on official or private purposes, for sight-seeing, vacation, visiting relatives, medical treatment, shopping, attending conference, or to engage in economic, cultural, sports and religious activities (namely the Chinese outbound visitors). In compiling statistics, each outbound travel is counted as one person-time.

**Number of Domestic Tourists** refers to the number of Chinese (mainland) residents who travel within China (mainland) for sight-seeing, vacation, visiting relatives, medical treatment, shopping, attending conference, or to engage in economic, cultural, sports and religious activities. In compiling statistics, each travel is counted as one person-time.

**Foreign Exchange Earnings from International Tourism** refer to the total expenditure of overseas visitors during their stay in the mainland of China on transportation, sighting, accommodation, food, shopping and entertainment.

**Income from Domestic Tourism** refer to expenditure of domestic tourists on transportation, sighting, accommodation, food, shopping and entertainment while they travel.

**Star-rated Hotels** refer to hotels rated with stars as evaluated (accepted) by the relevant tourism authorities according to GB/T14308-2010 standard with reference to their infrastructure, facilities and service levels.