

Graded Establishments Stats

Year-to-date as at end April 2015

Executive Summary

The Tourism Grading Council of South Africa (TGCSA) is the only officially recognized organization that authorizes accommodation establishments to display Quality Stars.

Operating as one of the business units of South African Tourism (SAT), the TGCSA ensures the standard of quality of accommodation and conference venues, throughout South Africa through its stated vision: **'To be an internationally recognised, credible and predicable brand that stands for quality and enriched tourist experiences.'**

This is achieved by literally "*putting the stars where they belong*". The TGCSA provides a rigorous framework and process for the quality assurance that is continuously sought after by tourism products seeking to showcase their products in this vibrant industry which contributes to an increase in consumer confidence, thus ensuring the country's international competitiveness as a tourism destination of choice.

The TGCSA quality grades establishments according to eleven categories across all 9 provinces (Eastern Cape (EC) Free State (FS) etc.). The categories are as follows:

1. Backpacker & Hostelling
2. Bed & Breakfast
3. Caravan & Camping
4. Country House
5. Game Lodge
6. Nature Reserve
7. Guest House
8. Hotel
9. Lodge
10. MESE (Meetings, Exhibitions, and Special Events venues)
11. Self catering
 - Exclusive Use
 - Shared vacation

Total Number of Graded Establishments

As at 30 April 2015

No.	Non-Hotel Accommodation	EC	FS	GP	KZN	LP	MP	NW	NC	WC	Grand Total
1	Backpacker & Hostelling	12	1	14	8	2	1	1	2	38	79
2	Bed & Breakfast	166	13	154	231	19	39	28	17	260	927
3	Caravan & Camping	14	6	1	11	10	9	3	7	18	79
4	Country House	31	5	23	17	7	12	1	2	72	170
5	Game Lodge	35	2	5	15	44	13	12	1	10	137
6	Guest House	213	62	369	159	53	126	68	65	559	1,674
7	Nature Reserve	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	4
8	Lodge	20	8	40	39	37	39	23	9	24	239
9	Self catering	106	35	61	178	64	66	24	26	652	1,212
	Non-Hotel Accommodation Total	597	133	667	659	236	305	160	129	1,635	4,521
10	Hotel Total	54	29	194	113	30	37	23	18	186	684
	Accommodation Grand Total	651	162	861	772	266	342	183	147	1,821	5,205
11	MESE Total (Business Tourism)	5	6	67	4	15	19	12	5	19	152
	Grand Total Graded Properties	656	168	928	776	281	361	195	152	1,840	5,357

Total Number of Graded Rooms

As at 30 April 2015

No.	Non-Hotel Accommodation	EC	FS	GP	KZN	LP	MP	NW	NC	WC	Grand Total
1	Backpacker & Hostelling	516	92	3,031	513	87	25	32	400	1,376	6,072
2	Bed & Breakfast	1,251	94	982	1,554	236	373	235	125	1,409	6,259
3	Caravan & Camping	701	324	50	1,025	1,389	1,034	420	195	1,372	6,510
4	Country House	320	49	292	230	124	123	19	14	843	2,014
5	Game Lodge	274	24	83	144	666	173	197	8	111	1,680
6	Guest House	2,220	704	3,745	1,672	767	1,570	962	631	4,262	16,533
7	Nature Reserve	0	5	0	6	0	0	0	0	28	39
8	Lodge	273	255	1,088	853	898	912	654	95	360	5,388
9	Self catering	962	374	685	1,607	1,592	1,417	809	226	3,700	11,372
	Non-Hotel Accommodation Total	6,517	1,921	9,956	7,604	5,759	5,627	3,328	1,694	13,461	55,867
10	Hotel Total	4,198	1,859	20,686	9,577	1,632	2,514	2,788	960	14,067	58,281
	Accommodation Grand Total	10,715	3,780	30,642	17,181	7,391	8,141	6,116	2,654	27,528	114,148
11	MESE Total (Business Tourism)	41	17	497	23	62	62	45	19	78	844
	Grand Total Graded Rooms	10,756	3,797	31,139	17,204	7,453	8,203	6,161	2,673	27,606	114,992