

Nova Scotia Licensed Accommodations

Licensed accommodation activity includes licensed accommodations purchased by Nova Scotians and non-residents, and people travelling for both tourism and non-tourism reasons. This data does not include any non-licensed accommodations sold through the sharing economy. In August 2019, accommodations operators report that 397,000 licensed room nights were sold, down -3% from 2018. The occupancy rate decreased by 3 percentage points to 73%. The Halifax regions saw increased room nights sold, while the remaining regions declined compared with 2018.

Region	August 2019 Licensed Room Nights Sold	% Change vs. 2018
Halifax	185,000	+5%
South Shore	32,000	-3%
Eastern Shore	4,000	-9%
Cape Breton	83,000	-4%
Northumberland Shore	31,000	-16%
Bay of Fundy & Annapolis Valley	56,000	-14%
Yarmouth & Acadian Shores	8,000	-27%

Year-to-date August 2019, licensed room nights sold in Nova Scotia of 1,861,000 were down 2% compared with the same period in 2018. The occupancy rate decreased by 1 percentage point to 53%. Regionally, room nights sold in the Halifax region were unchanged, while the remaining regions declined compared with 2018.

Region	YTD August 2019 Licensed Room Nights Sold	% Change vs. 2018
Halifax	1,033,000	0%
South Shore	122,000	-1%
Eastern Shore	12,000	-4%
Cape Breton	295,000	-1%
Northumberland Shore	133,000	-5%
Bay of Fundy & Annapolis Valley	228,000	-8%
Yarmouth & Acadian Shores	39,000	-23%