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# RECORD-BREAKING PERFORMANCE BY SINGAPORE HOTELS IN 2012

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#### **Record-Breaking Performance by Singapore Hotels**

Revenue per Available Room (RevPAR) of hotels surged by 15% to S\$212 in 2011, from S\$185 in 2010. The stellar RevPAR is driven by a combination of higher average room rate (ARR) and occupancy rate achieved by hotels in Singapore. ARR of S\$245 for 2011 coincides with the previous peak recorded for 2008, and 13% above the \$\$217 achieved in 2010. On the other hand, the 2011 occupancy rate at 86% broke the previous record of 85% in 2010.

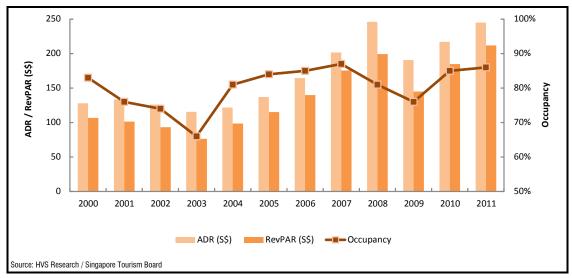


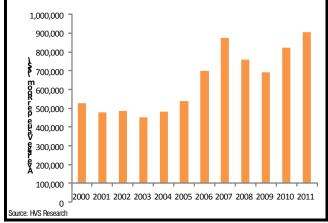
FIGURE 1: PERFORMANCE OF SINGAPORE HOTEL INDUSTRY, 2000 - 2011

## **Higher Capital Values** for Hotels in 2011

The better market performance and investor sentiment in 2011 drove up the average hotel capital value for the Upscale/Luxury segment by 10% to S\$905,299 per room, from S\$822,313 per room in 2010, according to the latest Hotel Valuation Index produced by HVS Hospitality Services. This is 3.6% higher than the previous peak of S\$873,865 achieved in 2007.

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FIGURE 2: HOTEL VALUATION INDEX FOR SINGAPORE, 2001 - 2011





#### **Supply Pipeline will alleviate Room Shortage**

There are approximate 42,600 gazetted hotel rooms in Singapore during 2011. An estimated 1,700 rooms will be added to the market in 2012, representing a 4% increase in supply. A further pipeline of about 4,000 new rooms is expected by 2013. Four sites slated for hotel development have been sold under the Government Land Sales programme (Alexandra Road, Tanjong Pagar, Robinson Road and Robertson Quay) with prices ranging from \$8,494 to \$11,543 per square metre of gross floor area. These projects will provide an additional 1,200 to 1,600 rooms. The supply pipeline will alleviate the shortage of rooms in the marketplace, as there were periods when travelers to Singapore could not find their accommodation of choice.

FIGURE 3: PROPOSED PROJECTS AND SITES SLATED FOR HOTEL DEVELOPMENT

Proposed Opening	Hotel	Location	No. of Rooms (Est.)
2012	W Hotel at Sentosa Cove	Sentosa	240
	Aqueen Hotel	Tvrwhitt Road	105
	Parkroyal on Pickering	Upper Pickering Street	363
	Modena Changi City (Serviced Apartments)	Changi City	313
	Park Avenue Changi (Serviced Apartments)	Changi Business Park	300
	Resorts World Sentosa (Equarius Hotel)	Sentosa	172
	Aqueen Hotel	Jalan Besar	86
	Agueen Hotel	Paya Lebar	100
	Movenpick Hotel Sentosa (Last Phase)	Sentosa	61
2013	Holiday Inn Express	Orchard Road	220
	Holiday Inn Express	Clemenceau Avenue/Havelock Road	500
	Dorsett Hotel & Residences	Chinatown	285
	Resorts World Sentosa (Spa Villas)	Sentosa	30
	Sofitel So	Robinson Road/Boon Tat Street	200
	Westin Singapore, Asia Square Tower Two	Marina View	280
	Carlton Hotel	Tanjong Pagar Road/Gopeng Street	383
	Dorsett Regency Hotel	New Bridge Road	285
	One Farrer Hotel	Farrer Park Station Road	230
	Traders Hotel (former Phoenix Hotel)	Orchard Road	502
	Aqueen Hotel Geylang	Geylang Road	100
	Aqueen Hotel Tyrwhitt	Tyrwhitt Road	160
	Fairy Point Hill	Changi	188
	Ramada at Zhongshan Park	Balestier Road	391
	Days Inn at Zhongshan Park	Balestier Road	405
ТВС	South Beach Development	Beach Road	560
	Hotel Site (Awarded June 2009)	Short Street	TBC
	Hotel Site (Awarded January 2011)	Gopeng Street/Peck Seah Street	TBC
	Hotel Site (Awarded March 2011)	Robertson Quay	TBC
	Hotel Site (Awarded December 2011)	Jalan Bukit Merah / Alexandra Road	TBC
	White Site with Hotel Component (Awarded November 2010)	Peck Seah Street/Choon Guan Street	TBC
	White Site with Hotel Component (Awarded May 2011)	Boon Lay Way	TBC
Source: HVS	5 Kesearch		

### **Strong Visitor Arrivals**

According to STB's latest report, visitor arrivals in Singapore registered a record 13.17 million. Major events in 2012 such as the Singapore Airshow, the Food & Hotel Asia, the Singapore International Water Week, the CleanEnviro Summit Singapore and the World Cities Summit will contribute to the arrival volume and MICE demand (meetings, incentives, conventions and exhibitions).



However, the effects of the financial crisis in Europe which moderated the global economic outlook and demand for exports from Asia will affect corporate spending on travel and discretionary spending on leisure activities.

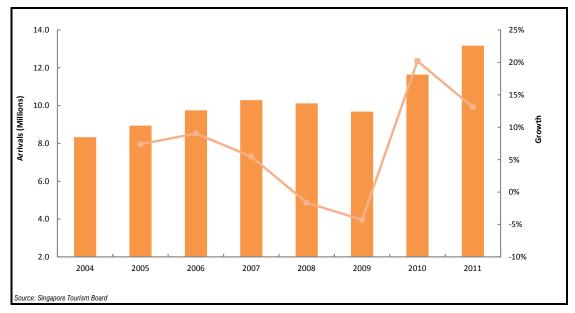


FIGURE 4: VISITOR ARRIVALS TO SINGAPORE, 2001 - 2011

## **Healthy Outlook for 2012**

The Singapore hotel market is likely to witness another year of healthy operating perforamnce in 2012, barring further shocks to the regional and global economies. As a major centre of commerce and finance for Asia and its world-class travel and tourism infrastructures, Singapore will continue to enjoy its fair share of travellers for business, MICE and leisure activities.

Singapore's feeder markets are made up mostly of visitors from the regional countries where its economies are expected to continue to thrive, albeit at a more moderate pace.

The influx of budget airlines in Asia in recent years and their ambitious growth plans will enhance connectivity and affordability, resulting in more intra-regional travels. Singapore will continue to be a key beneficiary.

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Despite concerns over the effects of the financial crisis in Europe, hotels are not expected to lower their room rates by a sigificant margin in 2012, as they did during the financial crisis in 2009. Market-wide occupancy rate is anticipated to be in the range of 78% to 83%.



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