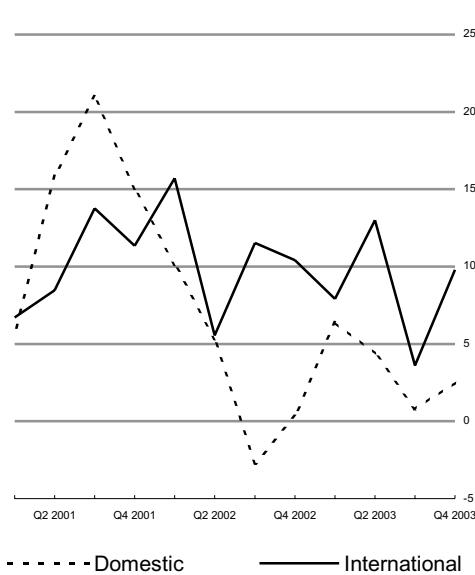




Annual % Growth - Trips



Household Travel Survey Q4 2003

	Domestic Trips '000	International Trips '000
Q4 2000	1,365	811
Q4 2001	1,570	903
Q4 2002	1,575	997
Q4 2003	1,614	1,095

% Growth in international travel almost four times higher than domestic travel

1,614,000 domestic trips were taken in Q4 2003 compared to 1,575,000 trips in Q4 2002, a growth of 2.5%. There were 6,657,000 domestic trips taken in 2003, an increase of 3.2% on 6,452,000 trips taken in 2002. *See Table 1.*

1,095,000 international trips were taken in the fourth quarter of 2003 compared with 997,000 in the same quarter of last year, an increase of 9.8%. There were 4,974,000 international trips taken in 2003 compared to 4,597,000 in 2002, an increase of 8.2%. *See Table 9.*

The West was the most popular domestic destination for Irish residents during Q4 2003 followed by Dublin, with 286,000 and 276,000 trips respectively. Almost 19% of all bed-nights were spent in Dublin (914,000) making it the region with the highest number of bed-nights. The South-West was the most popular domestic destination in 2003, recording the highest number of trips (1,400,000) and bednights (5,814,000). *See Table 1.*

Almost 79% of all international trips during Q4 2003 were to EU-15 destinations (864,000 trips), which also accounted for 65% of bed-nights (5,268,000 nights). Travel to Other European countries grew to 52,000 trips in Q4 2003, an increase of 40.5% on the same period in 2002. The number of trips to North America, Central and South America and Asia also grew while trips to Africa and Australia, New Zealand and Oceania fell. *See Table 9.*

Dublin was the second most popular short-break destination (1-3 nights) after the West in Q4 2003 with 221,000 and 223,000 trips respectively. The South-West was the most popular longer-stay destination (4+ nights) in each of the 4 quarters of 2003. *See Table 1a.*

The South-East and the West were the most popular destinations for Dublin residents, accounting for 22.6% and 19.3% of their domestic trips respectively. Almost 40.5% of all domestic trips taken by residents of the South-West were within the South-West region. *See Table 5a.*

The United Kingdom was the most frequently visited EU-15 destination in Q4 2003 with 440,000 trips accounting for 50.9% of all trips. Trips to Nordic States showed the highest rate of growth in Q4 2003 more than doubling to 19,000. *See Table 9a.*

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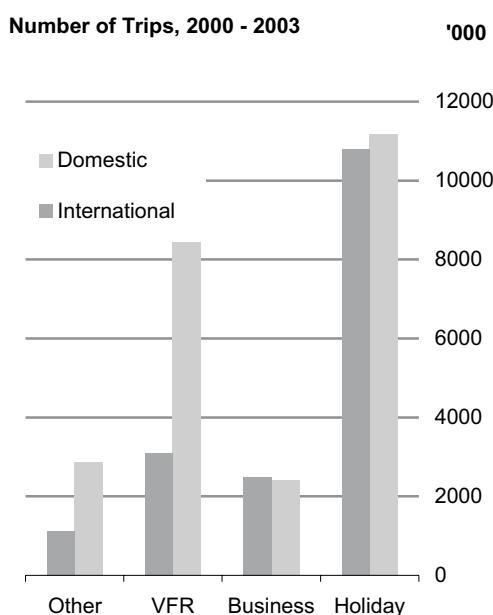
Estimated Expenditure

Estimated expenditure on domestic trips rose by 10.1% from €204.6m in Q4 2002 to €225.3m in Q4 2003. While expenditure on trips taken in Q4 2003 for reason of Holiday, Visiting Friends/Relatives and Other grew on the same period of 2002, expenditure on those trips taken for reason of Business fell slightly from €50.1m to €49m. *See Table 7.*

Estimated expenditure on domestic trips in 2003 was €970.9m an increase of 14.3% on the €849.4m spent in 2002. Expenditure on domestic holidays grew by 14.8% to €575.9m in 2003 from €501.6m in 2002. Expenditure on trips for reason of Business, Visiting Friends/Relatives and Other also grew in 2003. *See Table 7.*

Estimated expenditure on international trips showed an increase of 4.3%, from €3.9bn in 2002 to €4.1bn in 2003. Expenditure on holidays grew by 6% in 2003, down from growth rates of over 13% in the previous two years. Expenditure on international business trips in 2003 fell by 0.5% to €792.3m continuing the downward trend also evident in 2002. *See Table 15.*

Estimated expenditure on domestic and international holidays combined grew marginally from 64.2% of total domestic and international expenditure in 2002 to 65.1% in 2003. Expenditure on domestic and international business trips accounted for 18.8% of total expenditure in 2003, down from 19.9% in 2002. *See Tables 7 & 15.*



Reason for Journey

Domestic

There were over 2.9 million domestic holiday trips taken in 2003, representing 44% of the total, a figure that has remained unchanged from 2002. 619,000 Business trips were taken in 2003 (9% of total), compared to 583,000 (also 9% of total) in 2002. Visits to Friends/Relatives accounted for almost 2.3 million trips in 2003, approximately 34% of 2003 total number of domestic trips. There were 814,000 trips taken for Other reasons in 2003, representing 12.2% of the total compared to 763,000 (or 11.8% of total) in 2002. *See Table 2.*

International

There were just under 3.2 million international holiday trips taken in 2003, or about 64% of the total number of trips. 876,000 trips were to visit Friends/Relatives and accounted for almost 18% of all trips. The number of Business trips grew from 609,000 in 2002 to 621,000 in 2003, an increase of 2%, but was still less than the 638,000 Business trips taken in 2001. Trips taken for Other reasons in 2003 grew to 315,000 up 5.4% on the 2002 figure of 299,000. *See Table 10.*

Table 1: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Region Visited, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

'000

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
	Total Domestic - Trips	5,478	6,307	6,452	6,657	1,235	1,373	2,128	1,570	1,360	1,446	2,070	1,575	1,447	1,509	2,087
Border	597	682	675	699	142	129	249	162	148	151	234	142	139	156	222	182
Dublin	722	843	856	893	216	145	178	305	207	164	194	291	233	187	197	276
Mid-East	313	352	368	395	61	90	100	101	74	87	91	116	77	98	116	103
Mid-West	583	685	689	692	136	157	241	151	137	169	220	163	134	156	239	164
Midland	209	225	270	287	42	53	66	63	72	59	67	73	72	64	74	77
South-East	882	1,008	1,024	1,042	180	235	369	225	193	247	364	221	212	245	328	257
South-West	1,227	1,341	1,425	1,400	238	301	504	299	265	323	520	317	288	322	521	269
West	944	1,171	1,144	1,249	222	262	422	265	265	247	381	252	293	281	390	286
Total Domestic - Nights	20,703	23,207	22,222	23,616	3,341	4,663	10,899	4,305	3,645	4,621	9,818	4,138	3,819	4,589	10,346	4,861
Border	2,329	2,604	2,301	2,567	388	454	1,267	495	448	485	982	385	388	497	1,152	530
Dublin	2,230	2,331	2,260	2,544	596	375	608	751	533	532	553	642	550	502	578	914
Mid-East	1,033	1,089	976	1,049	193	202	415	279	154	213	343	266	154	248	423	224
Mid-West	2,273	2,476	2,514	2,644	398	591	1,077	410	337	598	1,147	432	360	496	1,285	503
Midland	637	587	704	742	90	109	232	156	165	127	193	219	149	177	236	181
South-East	3,403	3,971	3,815	3,764	462	814	2,143	553	489	651	2,107	568	589	703	1,747	724
South-West	5,090	5,802	5,720	5,814	632	1,187	3,060	922	795	1,134	2,813	977	836	1,084	3,005	889
West	3,708	4,348	3,932	4,491	581	931	2,097	739	723	882	1,680	648	792	884	1,920	896
Average Length of Stay	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.5	2.7	3.4	5.1	2.7	2.7	3.2	4.7	2.6	2.6	3.0	5.0	3.0
Border	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.7	2.7	3.5	5.1	3.1	3.0	3.2	4.2	2.7	2.8	3.2	5.2	2.9
Dublin	3.1	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	3.2	2.9	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.3
Mid-East	3.3	3.1	2.7	2.7	3.2	2.2	4.2	2.8	2.1	2.4	3.8	2.3	2.0	2.5	3.6	2.2
Mid-West	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.8	2.9	3.8	4.5	2.7	2.5	3.5	5.2	2.7	2.7	3.2	5.4	3.1
Midland	3.0	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.1	3.5	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.9	3.0	2.1	2.8	3.2	2.4
South-East	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.6	2.6	3.5	5.8	2.5	2.5	2.6	5.8	2.6	2.8	2.9	5.3	2.8
South-West	4.1	4.3	4.0	4.2	2.7	3.9	6.1	3.1	3.0	3.5	5.4	3.1	2.9	3.4	5.8	3.3
West	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.6	2.6	3.6	5.0	2.8	2.7	3.6	4.4	2.6	2.7	3.1	4.9	3.1

Table 1a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Region Visited and Length of Stay, Q1 2003 - Q4 2003
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	Total 2003	1 - 3 Nights					4+ Nights				
		Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	2003	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	2003
Total Domestic - Trips	6,657	1,234	1,198	1,199	1,287	4,918	213	311	887	327	1,739
Border	699	113	122	108	143	486	26	35	114	39	213
Dublin	893	208	161	157	221	746	25	26	39	56	146
Mid-East	395	69	84	89	92	333	8	15	28	11	62
Mid-West	692	109	122	131	132	495	25	34	107	31	198
Midland	287	68	56	52	67	242	5	8	22	10	45
South-East	1,042	185	194	185	214	779	26	50	143	44	263
South-West	1,400	230	241	259	196	926	58	81	262	73	474
West	1,249	252	219	218	223	912	40	62	172	63	337
Total Domestic - Nights	23,616	2,317	2,315	2,332	2,426	9,390	1,501	2,274	8,014	2,436	14,226
Border	2,567	206	235	220	282	943	182	262	932	247	1,624
Dublin	2,544	353	261	284	383	1,281	197	241	294	531	1,263
Mid-East	1,049	104	154	146	154	558	50	94	277	70	491
Mid-West	2,644	216	237	265	252	971	144	260	1,019	251	1,673
Midland	742	105	95	90	114	404	44	81	145	67	338
South-East	3,764	356	392	380	401	1,530	233	311	1,367	323	2,234
South-West	5,814	462	510	531	404	1,907	375	574	2,474	485	3,908
West	4,491	515	432	415	435	1,797	276	451	1,505	461	2,694
Average Length of Stay	3.5	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	7.0	7.3	9.0	7.4	8.2
Border	3.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9	7.0	7.5	8.2	6.3	7.6
Dublin	2.8	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.7	1.7	7.9	9.3	7.5	9.5	8.7
Mid-East	2.7	1.5	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.7	6.3	6.3	9.9	6.4	7.9
Mid-West	3.8	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0	5.8	7.6	9.5	8.1	8.4
Midland	2.6	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	8.8	10.1	6.6	6.7	7.5
South-East	3.6	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.0	9.0	6.2	9.6	7.3	8.5
South-West	4.2	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	6.5	7.1	9.4	6.6	8.2
West	3.6	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0	6.9	7.3	8.8	7.3	8.0

Table 2: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Reason for Journey, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
	Total Domestic - Trips	5,478	6,307	6,452	6,657	1,235	1,373	2,128	1,570	1,360	1,446	2,070	1,575	1,447	1,509	2,087
Holiday	2,516	2,902	2,819	2,933	483	650	1,248	521	485	652	1,179	504	536	657	1,199	541
Business	554	652	583	619	162	144	147	199	143	143	123	174	167	136	140	176
Visiting Friends/Relatives	1,800	2,063	2,286	2,291	446	438	518	661	582	467	541	697	568	498	516	709
Other	607	690	763	814	144	141	216	189	151	184	227	200	175	219	233	188
Total Domestic - Nights	20,703	23,207	22,222	23,616	3,341	4,663	10,899	4,305	3,645	4,621	9,818	4,138	3,819	4,589	10,346	4,861
Holiday	11,465	13,227	12,098	13,009	1,331	2,596	7,773	1,527	1,389	2,343	6,980	1,386	1,464	2,271	7,518	1,757
Business	1,672	1,778	1,633	1,788	416	362	506	494	349	462	379	444	446	414	415	512
Visiting Friends/Relatives	5,651	5,823	6,120	6,509	1,117	1,221	1,725	1,759	1,424	1,158	1,718	1,820	1,350	1,226	1,719	2,214
Other	1,916	2,380	2,371	2,310	476	484	895	525	483	658	741	489	559	678	695	378
Average Length of Stay	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.5	2.7	3.4	5.1	2.7	2.7	3.2	4.7	2.6	2.6	3.0	5.0	3.0
Holiday	4.6	4.6	4.3	4.4	2.8	4.0	6.2	2.9	2.9	3.6	5.9	2.8	2.7	3.5	6.3	3.2
Business	3.0	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.5	3.4	2.5	2.4	3.2	3.1	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.9
Visiting Friends/Relatives	3.1	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.8	3.3	2.7	2.4	2.5	3.2	2.6	2.4	2.5	3.3	3.1
Other	3.2	3.4	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.4	4.1	2.8	3.2	3.6	3.3	2.4	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.0

Table 2a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Reason for Journey, Q4 2003

	Reason for Journey					'000
	Business	Holiday	Visiting Friends/Relatives	Other	Total	
Total Domestic - Trips	176	541	709	188	1,614	
Border	21	48	95	19	182	
Dublin	49	47	131	49	276	
Mid-East	10	27	54	13	103	
Mid-West	22	49	75	17	164	
Midland	9	16	43	9	77	
South-East	17	114	106	21	257	
South-West	24	114	100	31	269	
West	24	125	105	31	286	
Total Domestic - Nights	512	1,757	2,214	378	4,861	
Border	56	142	292	39	530	
Dublin	164	240	404	107	914	
Mid-East	25	60	110	29	224	
Mid-West	52	151	261	39	503	
Midland	28	41	101	12	181	
South-East	50	333	309	33	724	
South-West	58	386	388	58	889	
West	81	403	350	63	896	

Table 3: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips and Number of Nights by Age, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003				'000
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
Total Domestic - Trips	5,478	6,307	6,452	6,657	1,235	1,373	2,128	1,570	1,360	1,446	2,070	1,575	1,447	1,509	2,087	1,614	
0-14 years	1,154	1,410	1,337	1,333	214	310	571	315	282	285	493	277	236	293	493	311	
15-19 years	236	266	300	316	54	51	98	64	68	67	108	58	57	70	117	72	
20-29 years	677	667	790	749	161	150	185	170	158	184	211	237	192	175	214	168	
30-39 years	1,046	1,324	1,391	1,364	268	299	433	325	302	331	428	330	326	333	372	333	
40-49 years	993	1,339	1,270	1,320	289	259	416	376	286	279	398	307	298	278	408	335	
50-59 years	701	689	689	769	134	165	221	169	153	142	202	193	180	182	229	179	
60-69 years	431	368	402	498	72	80	123	93	74	90	134	105	97	103	167	131	
70+ years	240	244	272	307	44	60	81	59	38	70	97	68	60	75	87	85	
Total Domestic - Nights	20,703	23,207	22,222	23,616	3,341	4,663	10,899	4,305	3,645	4,621	9,818	4,138	3,819	4,589	10,346	4,861	
0-14 years	4,990	6,159	5,585	5,626	547	1,113	3,634	864	756	1,069	2,966	794	604	960	3,076	986	
15-19 years	1,144	1,228	1,373	1,401	163	229	646	189	246	330	642	155	181	252	717	251	
20-29 years	2,233	2,312	2,368	2,442	496	515	789	512	463	553	696	656	600	578	735	530	
30-39 years	3,482	4,096	3,962	3,958	625	833	1,861	777	706	887	1,623	747	755	837	1,454	912	
40-49 years	3,466	4,432	4,151	4,297	707	765	1,968	992	717	810	1,882	742	690	741	1,938	927	
50-59 years	2,556	2,384	2,194	2,597	381	547	998	458	373	421	899	501	509	561	1,047	481	
60-69 years	1,667	1,377	1,462	1,926	268	329	500	281	237	288	612	325	276	331	856	464	
70+ years	1,165	1,220	1,127	1,368	154	331	503	232	147	264	498	218	203	331	523	312	

Table 4: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Sex, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003				'000
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
Total Domestic - Trips	5,478	6,307	6,452	6,657	1,235	1,373	2,128	1,570	1,360	1,446	2,070	1,575	1,447	1,509	2,087	1,614	
Male	2,613	3,049	3,143	3,197	595	650	1,030	773	661	708	1,008	766	697	723	1,008	769	
Female	2,865	3,259	3,309	3,460	641	723	1,098	797	700	738	1,062	809	750	786	1,079	845	
Total Domestic - Nights	20,703	23,207	22,222	23,616	3,341	4,663	10,899	4,305	3,645	4,621	9,818	4,138	3,819	4,589	10,346	4,861	
Male	9,767	11,100	10,728	11,303	1,629	2,146	5,236	2,088	1,785	2,259	4,642	2,042	1,834	2,170	4,951	2,348	
Female	10,937	12,108	11,494	12,312	1,711	2,517	5,663	2,216	1,860	2,362	5,176	2,096	1,985	2,419	5,395	2,513	

Table 5: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Region of Residence, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
	Total Domestic - Trips	5,478	6,307	6,452	6,657	1,235	1,373	2,128	1,570	1,360	1,446	2,070	1,575	1,447	1,509	2,087
Border	498	558	480	546	112	101	191	155	106	90	173	111	147	105	175	118
Dublin	1,818	2,036	2,257	2,220	369	498	696	473	467	560	681	549	445	559	657	558
Mid-East	656	700	775	739	144	154	239	162	178	174	248	176	164	163	227	185
Mid-West	471	638	601	578	125	124	197	192	99	122	218	162	112	126	215	125
Midland	257	297	278	361	54	57	105	82	48	51	110	69	67	75	129	90
South-East	498	582	585	596	97	100	219	167	142	116	186	141	144	123	184	144
South-West	835	905	910	983	200	199	305	202	196	201	308	205	221	221	331	210
West	445	590	565	635	135	141	176	138	124	131	146	164	146	137	168	184
Total Domestic - Nights	20,703	23,207	22,222	23,616	3,341	4,663	10,899	4,305	3,645	4,621	9,818	4,138	3,819	4,589	10,346	4,861
Border	1,713	1,965	1,506	1,799	285	388	862	430	280	291	643	292	403	331	772	293
Dublin	7,359	8,031	8,375	8,465	982	1,723	3,907	1,419	1,296	1,873	3,680	1,526	1,178	1,785	3,694	1,808
Mid-East	2,276	2,486	2,776	2,570	430	558	1,069	430	441	586	1,278	472	473	430	1,166	502
Mid-West	1,740	2,219	2,042	2,214	332	366	1,052	469	238	360	1,056	388	351	332	1,214	318
Midland	938	980	924	1,120	134	189	478	178	131	145	462	186	134	232	549	205
South-East	1,808	2,106	1,757	2,005	320	359	995	433	381	330	730	316	406	423	756	420
South-West	3,343	3,521	3,128	3,403	533	669	1,762	557	504	631	1,436	558	544	659	1,595	605
West	1,526	1,899	1,712	2,039	326	410	773	389	374	404	534	400	330	397	601	711

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Table 5a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Region of Residence, 2003

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Region of Residence	Region Visited							
	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Mid-West	Midland	South-East	South-West	West
Total Domestic - Trips	699	893	395	692	287	1,042	1,400	1,249
Border	120	121	19	34	22	36	48	146
Dublin	296	88	188	210	116	501	392	429
Mid-East	97	61	38	82	33	144	132	152
Mid-West	34	105	13	84	20	58	168	95
Midland	31	51	24	44	25	53	44	88
South-East	33	127	40	66	17	103	150	60
South-West	30	207	34	100	29	92	398	94
West	60	133	38	72	26	54	68	185
Total Domestic - Nights	2,567	2,544	1,049	2,644	742	3,764	5,814	4,491
Border	358	383	63	128	65	109	246	447
Dublin	1,164	245	511	793	294	1,818	1,886	1,754
Mid-East	349	146	65	284	73	551	571	530
Mid-West	145	278	29	560	40	230	641	292
Midland	107	120	67	171	62	137	160	297
South-East	140	288	87	218	61	443	526	242
South-West	115	565	117	305	75	316	1,578	331
West	187	520	110	187	72	160	206	598
Average Length of Stay	3.7	2.8	2.7	3.8	2.6	3.6	4.2	3.6
Border	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.8	3.0	3.0	5.1	3.1
Dublin	3.9	2.8	2.7	3.8	2.5	3.6	4.8	4.1
Mid-East	3.6	2.4	1.7	3.5	2.2	3.8	4.3	3.5
Mid-West	4.3	2.6	2.2	6.7	2.0	4.0	3.8	3.1
Midland	3.5	2.4	2.8	3.9	2.5	2.6	3.6	3.4
South-East	4.2	2.3	2.2	3.3	3.6	4.3	3.5	4.0
South-West	3.8	2.7	3.4	3.1	2.6	3.4	4.0	3.5
West	3.1	3.9	2.9	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.2

Table 6: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Type of Accommodation, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Total Domestic - Trips	5,478	6,307	6,452	6,657	1,235	1,373	2,128	1,570	1,360	1,446	2,070	1,575	1,447	1,509	2,087	1,614
Caravan/Camping	295	323	293	282	15	98	195	15	28	74	176	14	17	86	166	13
Guest House/B&B	724	675	729	720	100	162	285	129	111	193	301	124	149	173	262	136
Own Holiday Home	185	211	289	259	34	68	81	29	68	55	98	68	50	53	93	63
Hotel/Conference Centre	1,669	2,042	2,041	2,160	521	396	553	572	472	455	552	561	521	487	579	573
Self Catering/Rented House	456	550	494	576	56	114	296	84	64	114	246	70	67	128	312	70
Friends/Relatives	1,935	2,241	2,359	2,363	471	466	625	679	562	496	607	694	584	490	585	704
Other	214	264	246	298	38	69	94	64	55	58	90	44	59	93	90	57
Total Domestic - Nights	20,703	23,207	22,222	23,616	3,341	4,663	10,899	4,305	3,645	4,621	9,818	4,138	3,819	4,589	10,346	4,861
Caravan/Camping	1,808	2,177	1,706	1,879	48	406	1,685	37	85	289	1,287	44	41	256	1,545	37
Guest House/B&B	2,275	2,217	2,038	2,067	262	507	1,103	345	274	570	962	232	440	488	808	331
Own Holiday Home	1,082	1,405	1,742	1,572	104	357	819	125	264	244	1,035	198	168	216	955	233
Hotel/Conference Centre	4,689	5,316	5,357	5,762	1,240	1,025	1,737	1,315	1,109	1,184	1,770	1,294	1,253	1,259	1,760	1,491
Self Catering/Rented House	3,090	3,749	3,168	3,754	305	679	2,367	399	280	616	1,953	319	353	689	2,354	358
Friends/Relatives	6,594	7,023	6,912	7,175	1,248	1,339	2,583	1,853	1,414	1,381	2,241	1,876	1,371	1,296	2,332	2,176
Other	1,165	1,320	1,298	1,407	134	351	605	231	219	336	569	174	194	385	594	235
Average Length of Stay	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.5	2.7	3.4	5.1	2.7	2.7	3.2	4.7	2.6	2.6	3.0	5.0	3.0
Caravan/Camping	6.1	6.7	5.8	6.7	3.2	4.1	8.6	2.5	3.0	3.9	7.3	3.1	2.4	3.0	9.3	2.8
Guest House/B&B	3.1	3.3	2.8	2.9	2.6	3.1	3.9	2.7	2.5	3.0	3.2	1.9	3.0	2.8	3.1	2.4
Own Holiday Home	5.8	6.7	6.0	6.1	3.1	5.3	10.1	4.3	3.9	4.4	10.6	2.9	3.4	4.1	10.3	3.7
Hotel/Conference Centre	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.6	3.1	2.3	2.3	2.6	3.2	2.3	2.4	2.6	3.0	2.6
Self Catering/Rented House	6.8	6.8	6.4	6.5	5.4	6.0	8.0	4.8	4.4	5.4	7.9	4.6	5.3	5.4	7.5	5.1
Friends/Relatives	3.4	3.1	2.9	3.0	2.6	2.9	4.1	2.7	2.5	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.6	4.0	3.1
Other	5.4	5.0	5.3	4.7	3.5	5.1	6.4	3.6	4.0	5.8	6.3	4.0	3.3	4.1	6.6	4.1

Table 7: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Reason for Journey, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003				€ million
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
Domestic - Expenditure	706.6	879.9	849.4	970.9	147.5	159.2	373.6	199.6	163.8	182.3	298.7	204.6	184.0	200.6	361.0	225.3	
Holiday	447.7	549.7	501.6	575.9	72.8	91.4	280.4	105.1	81.0	105.5	219.3	95.8	95.8	112.2	264.2	103.7	
Business	109.5	149.3	152.9	157.6	41.5	28.6	35.9	43.3	40.0	35.6	27.2	50.1	36.2	36.5	35.9	49.0	
Visiting Friends/Relatives	81.3	86.6	97.2	114.0	15.1	17.9	25.8	27.8	22.8	16.5	26.4	31.5	19.5	21.3	29.0	44.2	
Other	68.1	94.3	97.7	123.4	18.1	21.3	31.5	23.4	20.0	24.7	25.8	27.2	32.5	30.6	31.9	28.4	

Table 8: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Region Visited, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003				€ million
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
Domestic - Expenditure	706.6	879.9	849.4	970.9	147.5	159.2	373.6	199.6	163.8	182.3	298.7	204.6	184.0	200.6	361.0	225.3	
Border	73.6	91.4	80.3	96.3	15.5	11.7	45.7	18.5	16.5	17.1	32.3	14.4	15.9	19.0	39.1	22.3	
Dublin	82.8	108.5	105.0	113.8	30.4	14.7	28.4	35.0	28.7	20.3	20.4	35.6	25.5	24.8	23.8	39.7	
Mid-East	22.1	26.4	34.1	46.1	5.9	4.9	10.3	5.3	7.1	6.7	8.7	11.6	9.1	11.5	12.2	13.3	
Mid-West	69.9	87.3	82.6	96.6	18.0	18.6	35.8	14.9	19.6	18.5	29.0	15.5	17.8	16.8	40.3	21.7	
Midland	12.7	23.9	25.5	27.0	4.5	5.4	6.2	7.8	6.8	6.6	4.1	8.0	5.6	5.6	7.6	8.2	
South-East	99.9	135.7	132.5	138.1	17.0	26.2	66.5	26.0	19.1	27.5	52.7	33.2	22.5	28.1	57.2	30.3	
South-West	190.8	218.8	215.3	248.7	26.3	45.2	102.1	45.2	34.3	45.9	87.3	47.8	46.0	52.2	103.7	46.8	
West	154.8	187.9	174.1	204.3	29.9	32.5	78.6	46.9	31.7	39.7	64.2	38.5	41.6	42.6	77.1	43.0	

Table 9: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Region Visited, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Total International - Trips	3,768	4,162	4,597	4,974	764	1,115	1,380	903	884	1,177	1,539	997	954	1,330	1,595	1,095
EU - 15	2,988	3,400	3,802	4,117	590	907	1,158	745	742	981	1,282	796	794	1,135	1,324	864
Other Europe	145	197	229	260	34	61	66	35	27	63	102	37	31	70	107	52
North America	439	360	339	384	80	104	101	75	64	82	96	97	76	78	121	109
Central & South America	27	23	21	30	10	5	5	4	6	4	5	6	5	6	9	10
Asia	55	62	65	64	17	18	17	11	10	19	19	17	12	17	9	26
Africa	65	71	86	76	19	12	21	20	17	17	24	27	23	16	16	20
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania	48	49	56	42	15	8	12	13	18	11	10	17	12	7	9	14
Total International - Nights	35,544	37,953	40,660	43,702	5,523	11,221	14,821	6,388	6,272	11,081	16,260	7,047	6,491	12,331	16,776	8,104
EU - 15	24,020	26,844	29,191	31,758	3,208	8,127	11,231	4,278	4,281	8,248	12,303	4,359	4,431	9,348	12,711	5,268
Other Europe	1,352	1,873	2,185	2,285	205	601	787	279	213	578	1,139	255	228	654	1,101	301
North America	6,506	5,412	5,046	5,722	982	1,769	1,805	856	747	1,319	1,771	1,208	892	1,418	2,181	1,232
Central & South America	411	378	313	513	171	82	68	57	78	58	87	90	82	113	150	168
Asia	873	1,012	1,060	999	269	280	242	221	153	375	292	240	190	310	131	368
Africa	857	859	1,153	1,080	265	137	259	197	199	219	364	372	347	229	198	306
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania	1,525	1,576	1,713	1,344	423	224	428	500	603	284	304	522	321	258	304	461
Average Length of Stay	9.4	9.1	8.8	8.8	7.2	10.1	10.7	7.1	7.1	9.4	10.6	7.1	6.8	9.3	10.5	7.4
EU - 15	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.7	5.4	9.0	9.7	5.7	5.8	8.4	9.6	5.5	5.6	8.2	9.6	6.1
Other Europe	9.3	9.5	9.5	8.8	6.0	9.9	11.9	8.0	7.9	9.2	11.2	6.9	7.4	9.3	10.3	5.8
North America	14.8	15.0	14.9	14.9	12.3	17.0	17.9	11.4	11.7	16.1	18.4	12.5	11.7	18.2	18.0	11.3
Central & South America	15.2	16.4	14.9	17.1	17.1	16.4	13.6	14.3	13.0	14.5	17.4	15.0	16.4	18.8	16.7	16.8
Asia	15.9	16.3	16.3	15.6	15.8	15.6	14.2	20.1	15.3	19.7	15.4	14.1	15.8	18.2	14.6	14.2
Africa	13.2	12.1	13.4	14.2	13.9	11.4	12.3	9.9	11.7	12.9	15.2	13.8	15.1	14.3	12.4	15.3
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania	31.8	32.2	30.6	32.0	28.2	28.0	35.7	38.5	33.5	25.8	30.4	30.7	26.8	36.9	33.8	32.9

Table 9a: European Union (15) International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights by Country/Region Visited, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
	Total EU (15) International - Trips	2,988	3,400	3,802	4,117	590	907	1,158	745	742	981	1,282	796	794	1,135	1,324
Austria	31	31	35	50	12	4	9	6	14	3	10	7	30	6	9	6
Belgium/Luxembourg	55	60	86	88	16	20	11	13	22	21	20	23	30	15	19	25
France	347	416	509	492	62	107	188	59	94	147	192	76	92	143	183	73
Germany	88	81	99	100	21	24	18	18	24	19	28	29	19	22	26	34
Greece	70	69	84	90	1	29	32	7	4	31	42	8	3	37	43	7
Italy	126	161	201	193	36	42	52	31	41	57	76	27	42	51	66	35
Netherlands	72	79	85	82	23	20	16	20	24	19	21	21	23	20	19	20
Nordic States	44	52	36	49	12	12	13	15	9	9	9	9	13	8	9	19
Portugal	115	142	160	191	10	55	69	8	7	55	76	22	12	79	88	12
Spain	820	976	997	1,182	120	335	381	140	144	304	404	145	158	375	454	194
UK (Great Britain & Northern Ireland)	1,218	1,334	1,511	1,600	275	261	370	427	358	318	405	429	373	380	407	440
<i>Of which: Great Britain</i>	1,030	1,134	1,307	1,376	229	225	327	354	309	279	355	365	323	321	350	382
<i>Northern Ireland</i>	188	200	204	223	46	37	43	73	49	40	51	65	50	59	57	58
Total EU (15) International - Nights	24,020	26,844	29,191	31,758	3,208	8,127	11,231	4,278	4,281	8,248	12,303	4,359	4,431	9,348	12,711	5,268
Austria	214	253	306	392	88	26	92	46	99	35	114	58	235	41	87	29
Belgium/Luxembourg	235	258	402	428	54	111	50	43	65	148	120	70	104	51	110	162
France	3,362	4,234	4,844	4,414	335	1,207	2,271	421	577	1,524	2,313	431	501	1,579	2,002	332
Germany	703	554	685	712	124	202	129	100	153	146	202	185	90	149	259	215
Greece	886	827	1,060	1,115	9	357	401	60	47	406	551	57	21	494	544	56
Italy	1,181	1,418	1,889	1,734	200	431	570	218	328	490	868	202	271	484	686	293
Netherlands	458	396	397	448	75	116	139	66	89	74	129	104	69	144	142	93
Nordic States	328	386	237	324	146	47	95	98	46	55	77	58	63	56	88	117
Portugal	1,255	1,565	1,667	2,143	72	628	800	66	46	591	885	145	136	866	1,062	80
Spain	9,108	10,748	10,538	12,631	1,054	3,753	4,578	1,363	1,260	3,230	4,784	1,264	1,517	3,818	5,375	1,920
UK (Great Britain & Northern Ireland)	6,291	6,204	7,166	7,417	1,050	1,250	2,106	1,799	1,571	1,549	2,260	1,786	1,424	1,666	2,355	1,972
<i>Of which: Great Britain</i>	5,551	5,551	6,562	6,618	923	1,104	1,945	1,580	1,437	1,434	2,083	1,609	1,270	1,499	2,100	1,749
<i>Northern Ireland</i>	740	653	603	799	127	146	161	219	134	115	177	177	154	167	255	223

Table 9b: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Region Visited and Length of Stay, Q1 2003 - Q4 2003

	Total	1 - 3 Nights					4+ Nights					'000
	2003	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	2003	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	2003	
Total International - Trips	4,974	378	299	251	398	1,327	576	1,031	1,344	696	3,647	
EU - 15	4,117	366	285	235	374	1,261	428	850	1,089	490	2,857	
Other Europe	260	9	9	12	19	48	22	62	95	33	212	
North America	384	3	3	3	5	14	74	75	118	104	370	
Other	212	0	3	0	1	4	52	44	43	69	208	
Total International - Nights	43,702	832	639	561	895	2,926	5,659	11,692	16,215	7,209	40,775	
EU - 15	31,758	799	605	521	834	2,760	3,632	8,743	12,189	4,434	28,998	
Other Europe	2,285	24	20	32	47	124	204	634	1,069	253	2,161	
North America	5,722	8	8	7	12	34	885	1,410	2,174	1,220	5,688	
Other	3,936	1	6	1	1	9	938	904	783	1,302	3,928	
Average Length of Stay	8.8	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	9.8	11.3	12.1	10.4	11.2	
EU - 15	7.7	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	8.5	10.3	11.2	9.0	10.1	
Other Europe	8.8	2.7	2.2	2.7	2.5	2.6	9.3	10.2	11.3	7.7	10.2	
North America	14.9	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.4	12.0	18.8	18.4	11.7	15.4	
Other	18.6	-	2.0	-	1.0	2.3	18.0	20.5	18.2	18.9	18.9	

Table 10: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Reason for Journey, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

													'000			
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Total International - Trips	3,768	4,162	4,597	4,974	764	1,115	1,380	903	884	1,177	1,539	997	954	1,330	1,595	1,095
Holiday	2,226	2,569	2,833	3,162	374	749	1,007	439	459	771	1,112	491	533	897	1,142	590
Business	622	638	609	621	189	161	127	162	164	145	140	160	147	157	159	158
Visiting Friends/Relatives	663	704	856	876	153	141	177	234	189	181	211	275	193	193	220	271
Other	257	251	299	315	48	64	70	69	72	79	77	71	81	84	74	76
Total International - Nights	35,544	37,953	40,660	43,702	5,523	11,221	14,821	6,388	6,272	11,081	16,260	7,047	6,491	12,331	16,776	8,104
Holiday	23,883	26,786	28,353	31,115	3,113	8,431	11,666	3,576	3,539	8,093	12,798	3,922	3,902	9,260	13,172	4,781
Business	3,728	3,462	3,163	3,421	899	937	897	728	690	807	934	732	739	842	1,054	785
Visiting Friends/Relatives	5,123	5,175	6,415	6,150	1,013	988	1,551	1,624	1,373	1,320	1,788	1,934	1,162	1,191	1,807	1,990
Other	2,810	2,530	2,730	3,015	498	866	707	459	671	861	739	459	687	1,038	743	547
Average Length of Stay	9.4	9.1	8.8	8.8	7.2	10.1	10.7	7.1	7.1	9.4	10.6	7.1	6.8	9.3	10.5	7.4
	10.7	10.4	10.0	9.8	8.3	11.3	11.6	8.1	7.7	10.5	11.5	8.0	7.3	10.3	11.5	8.1
	6.0	5.4	5.2	5.5	4.8	5.8	7.1	4.5	4.2	5.6	6.7	4.6	5.0	5.4	6.6	5.0
	7.7	7.4	7.5	7.0	6.6	7.0	8.8	6.9	7.3	7.3	8.5	7.0	6.0	6.2	8.2	7.3
	10.9	10.1	9.1	9.6	10.4	13.5	10.1	6.7	9.3	10.9	9.6	6.5	8.5	12.4	10.0	7.2

Table 10a: International travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Reason for Journey, Q4 2003

	Reason for Journey					'000
	Business	Holiday	Visiting Friends/Relatives	Other	Total	
Total International - Trips	158	590	271	76	1,095	
EU - 15	127	446	228	63	864	
Other Europe	9	35	3	5	52	
North America	13	66	25	3	109	
Other	8	42	15	5	70	
Total International - Nights	785	4,781	1,990	547	8,104	
EU - 15	581	3,072	1,295	321	5,268	
Other Europe	40	211	26	24	301	
North America	89	750	319	74	1,232	
Other	77	749	350	128	1,303	

Table 11: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Age, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
	Total International - Trips	3,768	4,162	4,597	4,974	764	1,115	1,380	903	884	1,177	1,539	997	954	1,330	1,595
0-14 years	503	645	661	732	72	209	261	102	100	198	264	99	94	225	291	122
15-19 years	202	236	259	271	31	58	110	36	46	59	122	32	39	73	115	44
20-29 years	627	569	663	682	113	123	211	122	120	156	231	156	162	167	224	129
30-39 years	691	827	956	934	181	230	225	190	182	251	301	223	199	249	273	212
40-49 years	702	914	942	1,039	171	238	297	208	215	240	287	200	200	285	308	247
50-59 years	568	561	606	719	114	140	158	149	138	138	184	146	147	177	217	178
60-69 years	330	273	348	418	63	74	74	62	59	90	99	100	82	103	124	108
70+ years	145	137	162	180	18	42	43	34	24	46	51	41	30	51	44	54
Total International - Nights	35,544	37,953	40,660	43,702	5,523	11,221	14,821	6,388	6,272	11,081	16,260	7,047	6,491	12,331	16,776	8,104
0-14 years	5,406	6,704	6,513	7,298	537	2,378	3,044	745	682	2,099	3,070	661	651	2,281	3,437	928
15-19 years	2,401	2,780	2,818	2,816	285	803	1,393	300	289	750	1,507	272	259	755	1,409	392
20-29 years	7,052	6,315	6,896	7,276	1,063	1,635	2,681	937	1,198	1,664	2,839	1,195	1,153	2,267	2,814	1,041
30-39 years	5,436	6,058	7,022	6,694	1,001	1,891	2,022	1,144	1,066	1,955	2,691	1,311	1,092	1,921	2,389	1,292
40-49 years	5,470	7,045	7,230	7,934	921	2,062	2,873	1,190	1,189	2,043	2,802	1,196	1,173	2,268	2,948	1,546
50-59 years	4,943	4,662	4,925	5,890	840	1,216	1,594	1,013	901	1,209	1,806	1,009	987	1,456	2,075	1,371
60-69 years	3,234	2,825	3,443	3,889	645	787	760	633	632	879	997	936	789	906	1,235	958
70+ years	1,602	1,564	1,812	1,906	233	449	454	427	315	482	547	468	387	476	467	575

Table 12: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Sex, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
	Total International - Trips	3,768	4,162	4,597	4,974	764	1,115	1,380	903	884	1,177	1,539	997	954	1,330	1,595
Male	1,870	2,084	2,283	2,459	406	533	666	480	477	571	737	498	500	642	770	547
Female	1,897	2,077	2,314	2,515	359	582	713	423	407	605	802	499	453	688	825	548
Total International - Nights	35,544	37,953	40,660	43,702	5,523	11,221	14,821	6,388	6,272	11,081	16,260	7,047	6,491	12,331	16,776	8,104
Male	16,666	17,975	19,552	21,009	2,738	5,059	6,974	3,203	3,167	5,209	7,704	3,472	3,262	5,850	8,020	3,876
Female	18,878	19,979	21,107	22,693	2,785	6,162	7,846	3,185	3,105	5,872	8,556	3,575	3,228	6,481	8,756	4,228

Table 13: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Region of Residence, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Total International - Trips	3,768	4,162	4,597	4,974	764	1,115	1,380	903	884	1,177	1,539	997	954	1,330	1,595	1,095
Border	292	316	355	377	45	87	115	70	53	85	140	78	66	111	115	86
Dublin	1,579	1,748	1,907	2,155	320	461	571	396	395	498	601	413	427	553	681	495
Mid-East	437	535	558	643	107	147	167	114	108	149	176	126	123	168	209	142
Mid-West	250	293	317	305	52	82	90	70	64	77	109	67	57	84	96	68
Midland	161	145	179	182	20	51	48	25	30	42	72	35	43	51	61	27
South-East	294	331	393	352	55	92	108	77	78	89	143	83	68	108	116	60
South-West	523	495	566	591	96	131	184	85	105	145	196	119	107	158	205	121
West	231	298	320	368	70	64	98	66	52	92	101	76	63	99	111	95
Total International - Nights	35,544	37,953	40,660	43,702	5,523	11,221	14,821	6,388	6,272	11,081	16,260	7,047	6,491	12,331	16,776	8,104
Border	2,848	2,905	3,243	2,939	336	901	1,085	584	435	806	1,448	553	452	869	1,083	536
Dublin	14,450	15,564	16,603	18,827	2,202	4,584	6,401	2,377	2,752	4,573	6,488	2,790	2,809	5,068	7,438	3,512
Mid-East	3,940	4,722	4,607	5,580	651	1,437	1,964	669	643	1,328	1,790	846	763	1,707	2,072	1,039
Mid-West	2,488	2,632	2,885	2,926	377	754	905	595	521	745	1,159	461	530	786	1,057	553
Midland	1,400	1,474	1,523	1,669	135	478	551	310	170	367	705	281	278	451	641	299
South-East	2,755	2,903	3,527	3,008	425	914	1,012	552	565	782	1,502	678	431	944	1,193	440
South-West	5,161	4,894	5,423	5,335	830	1,511	1,863	690	799	1,616	2,129	879	751	1,569	2,117	898
West	2,502	2,860	2,850	3,417	567	641	1,040	611	387	866	1,039	559	478	937	1,175	827

Table 13a: International travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Region of Residence, 2003

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Region of Residence	Region Visited			
	EU - 15	Other Europe	North America	Other
Total International - Trips	4,117	260	384	212
Border	322	15	30	10
Dublin	1,773	113	168	102
Mid-East	514	40	59	29
Mid-West	245	17	31	12
Midland	158	10	9	5
South-East	307	15	17	13
South-West	489	33	44	25
West	309	16	26	17
Total International - Nights	31,758	2,285	5,722	3,936
Border	2,260	119	403	157
Dublin	13,362	1,025	2,565	1,875
Mid-East	3,849	323	846	562
Mid-West	2,002	127	561	236
Midland	1,323	103	159	83
South-East	2,411	163	247	187
South-West	4,038	294	573	430
West	2,512	130	368	407
Average Length of Stay	7.7	8.8	14.9	18.6
Border	7.0	7.9	13.4	15.7
Dublin	7.5	9.1	15.3	18.4
Mid-East	7.5	8.1	14.3	19.4
Mid-West	8.2	7.5	18.1	19.7
Midland	8.4	10.3	17.7	16.6
South-East	7.9	10.9	14.5	14.4
South-West	8.3	8.9	13.0	17.2
West	8.1	8.1	14.2	23.9

Table 14: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Type of Accommodation, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Total International - Trips	3,768	4,162	4,597	4,974	764	1,115	1,380	903	884	1,177	1,539	997	954	1,330	1,595	1,095
Caravan/Camping	105	166	161	168	4	64	94	4	3	50	99	9	7	56	92	13
Guest House/B&B	203	208	254	289	38	46	81	43	47	61	85	61	62	69	88	69
Own Holiday Home	29	47	80	99	7	8	15	18	11	18	28	23	18	22	30	29
Hotel/Conference Centre	1,567	1,716	1,868	1,949	403	430	473	410	439	459	544	425	454	501	535	458
Self Catering/Rented House	789	926	934	1,098	88	335	395	108	104	309	392	129	123	361	450	165
Friends/Relatives	919	936	1,095	1,123	197	198	252	289	246	221	317	311	243	253	302	325
Other	155	162	206	248	28	34	70	31	35	59	73	39	46	67	99	36
Total International - Nights	35,544	37,953	40,660	43,702	5,523	11,221	14,821	6,388	6,272	11,081	16,260	7,047	6,491	12,331	16,776	8,104
Caravan/Camping	1,546	2,547	2,231	2,285	59	1,065	1,379	45	44	708	1,397	82	60	822	1,324	78
Guest House/B&B	1,418	1,469	1,873	2,112	267	331	669	202	255	495	757	367	325	634	703	450
Own Holiday Home	500	639	969	1,410	49	120	240	230	107	218	482	161	183	265	540	421
Hotel/Conference Centre	11,090	11,367	12,570	12,260	2,244	3,181	3,905	2,035	2,446	3,262	4,544	2,319	2,278	3,456	4,121	2,405
Self Catering/Rented House	10,298	11,538	11,276	13,494	962	4,348	4,970	1,258	1,278	3,752	4,950	1,296	1,397	4,559	5,723	1,816
Friends/Relatives	8,421	7,858	8,996	9,055	1,421	1,786	2,467	2,184	1,771	1,782	3,062	2,381	1,726	1,759	3,044	2,525
Other	2,271	2,535	2,745	3,087	521	390	1,191	434	372	864	1,068	441	522	836	1,321	408
Average Length of Stay	9.4	9.1	8.8	8.8	7.2	10.1	10.7	7.1	7.1	9.4	10.6	7.1	6.8	9.3	10.5	7.4
Caravan/Camping	14.7	15.3	13.9	13.6	14.8	16.6	14.7	11.3	14.7	14.2	14.1	9.1	8.6	14.7	14.4	6.0
Guest House/B&B	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.3	7.0	7.2	8.3	4.7	5.4	8.1	8.9	6.0	5.2	9.2	8.0	6.5
Own Holiday Home	17.2	13.6	12.1	14.2	7.0	15.0	16.0	12.8	9.7	12.1	17.2	7.0	10.2	12.0	18.0	14.5
Hotel/Conference Centre	7.1	6.6	6.7	6.3	5.6	7.4	8.3	5.0	5.6	7.1	8.4	5.5	5.0	6.9	7.7	5.3
Self Catering/Rented House	13.1	12.5	12.1	12.3	10.9	13.0	12.6	11.6	12.3	12.1	12.6	10.0	11.4	12.6	12.7	11.0
Friends/Relatives	9.2	8.4	8.2	8.1	7.2	9.0	9.8	7.6	7.2	8.1	9.7	7.7	7.1	7.0	10.1	7.8
Other	14.7	15.6	13.3	12.4	18.6	11.5	17.0	14.0	10.6	14.6	14.6	11.3	11.3	12.5	13.3	11.3

Table 15: International travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Reason for Journey, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

€ million

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
International - Expenditure	3,187.3	3,549.7	3,924.0	4,092.2	704.5	949.2	1,180.7	715.3	733.9	982.5	1,358.5	849.1	745.6	1,108.8	1,380.0	857.8
Holiday	1,984.5	2,252.0	2,565.3	2,720.1	341.7	637.2	882.9	390.2	408.2	647.0	1,041.3	468.8	435.4	749.1	1,036.7	498.9
Business	740.3	810.5	796.1	792.3	251.8	205.1	163.1	190.5	209.5	199.6	172.3	214.7	185.2	222.7	188.3	196.1
Visting Friends/Relatives	297.5	290.4	351.2	366.7	66.7	50.5	81.5	91.7	69.4	77.0	86.7	118.1	77.7	75.0	104.4	109.6
Other	165.0	196.8	211.4	213.1	44.3	56.4	53.2	42.9	46.8	58.9	58.2	47.5	47.3	62.0	50.6	53.2

Table 16: International travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Region Visited, Q1 2001 - Q4 2003

€ million

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2001				2002				2003			
					Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
International - Expenditure	3,187.3	3,549.7	3,924.0	4092.2	704.5	949.2	1,180.7	715.3	733.9	982.5	1,358.5	849.1	745.6	1,108.8	1,380.0	857.8
EU - 15	1,961.4	2,262.4	2,584.2	2,724.4	387.4	635.5	812.3	427.2	482.0	657.6	970.2	474.4	495.6	791.6	968.3	468.9
Other Europe	148.1	218.9	250.7	284.3	37.5	56.7	74.6	50.1	31.2	64.4	114.2	40.9	34.4	90.4	112.5	47.0
North America	693.1	620.0	582.8	634.3	150.7	168.0	182.2	119.1	103.2	145.5	162.7	171.4	105.8	130.1	206.8	191.6
Central & South America	56.2	52.3	59.2	67.2	19.2	8.6	11.2	13.3	14.0	11.0	12.3	21.9	10.5	14.5	20.1	22.1
Asia	109.0	156.1	149.5	136.1	40.7	41.8	40.6	33.0	30.2	50.0	37.8	31.5	27.8	32.9	19.4	56.0
Africa	93.4	121.9	148.7	124.8	37.3	19.9	28.4	36.3	25.9	28.5	36.0	58.3	37.4	26.6	22.6	38.2
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania	126.1	118.1	148.9	121.1	31.7	18.7	31.4	36.3	47.4	25.5	25.3	50.7	34.1	22.7	30.3	34.0

Background Notes

Reference period	Calendar quarters																								
Scope	Domestic and International travel patterns involving overnight stays of all residents of the Republic of Ireland																								
Coverage	All private households																								
Purpose	The purpose of the Household Travel Survey (HTS) is to measure domestic and international travel patterns involving overnight stays and associated details (expenditure, purpose of trip, type of accommodation used, etc.) of Irish residents. The survey is one of several Central Statistics Office (CSO) tourism surveys conducted to comply with the requirements of Council Directive 95/57/EC of 23 November 1995 concerning the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism.																								
Data collection	Information is collected via postal survey on a quarterly basis by the Central Statistics Office.																								
Sample Design	The HTS is a random stratified sample. Each quarter, 12,000 households (or approximately 1% of all private households) are randomly selected from the Electoral Register, where the selection is stratified by District Electoral Division. A two stage weighting process is used. Firstly, survey results are weighted to agree with household population estimates broken down by <i>household type</i> (the number of persons 18 or over) and <i>region</i> (NUTS 3). The household population estimates are provided by the Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS). Secondly, these results are further weighted to agree with the Tourism & Travel frontier results.																								
NUTS regions	The regional classifications in this release are based on the NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units) classification used by Eurostat. The NUTS 3 regions correspond to the eight Regional Authorities established under the Local Government Act, 1991 (Regional Authorities) (Establishment) Order, 1993, which came into operation on 1 January 1994. The NUTS 2 regions, which were proposed by Government and agreed by Eurostat in 1999, are groupings of the NUTS 3 regions. The composition of the regions is set out below.																								
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Definitions

Tourism The activities of persons travelling to and staying in places outside their usual environment for not more than one consecutive year for leisure, business or other purposes. Stays in prison, military service and hospital or clinics etc. are excluded. Trips taken for the purposes of work, which is distinguished from business trips by where that activity is remunerated, are also excluded.

Domestic tourism is defined as the activities of residents of the Republic of Ireland travelling to and staying in places only within the Republic of Ireland but outside their usual environment.

International tourism is defined as the activities of residents of the Republic of Ireland travelling to and staying in places outside the Republic of Ireland and outside their usual environment.

National tourism is defined as *Domestic tourism* plus *International tourism*.

Overnight Visitor An overnight visitor is a visitor who stays at least one night in collective or private accommodation in the place, county or country visited. A visitor is defined as any person travelling to a place other than that of usual environment for less than 12 months and whose main purpose of trip is other than the exercise of an activity remunerated from within the place visited (i.e. work). Consequently the following are excluded:

- Short-distance local transport and commuting i.e. more or less regular trips between place of work/study and place of residence.
- Routine or regular visits e.g. visiting parents every weekend.
- For visits of more than 12 consecutive months, a traveller will be considered a resident of that place (from a statistical standpoint).
- Migratory movements for work purposes.

The following are excluded from Domestic travel:

Residents travelling within the country with the intention of changing their usual residence.
Residents travelling within the country to exercise an activity remunerated at the place visited i.e. work.

Persons who travel to work temporarily in institutions within the country.

Persons who travel regularly or frequently between neighbouring localities to work or study.

Nomads and persons without fixed residence.

Armed forces on manoeuvre.

The following are excluded from International travel:

Persons leaving the country as migrants, including dependants accompanying or joining them.
Persons, known as border workers, residing near the border in the Republic of Ireland but working in the North of Ireland.

Diplomats, consular officers and members of the armed forces when travelling outside of the Republic of Ireland on assignment. This includes dependants and household employees accompanying or joining them.

Persons travelling as refugees or nomads.

Tourism Expenditure Total consumption expenditure is any expenditure made by a visitor or on behalf of a visitor for and during their trip and stay at destination.

Tourism expenditure includes purchases of consumer goods and services inherent in travel and stay, purchases of small durable goods for personal use, souvenirs and gifts for family and friends.

The following outlays or acquisitions are excluded:

- Purchases for commercial purposes, for resale, purchases made on behalf of an employer during a business trip.
- Capital type investments or transactions engaged in by visitors, such as land, housing, real estate, works of art and other important acquisitions (such as cars, caravans, boats, second houses), even though they may be used in the future for tourism travel purposes.
- Cash given to relatives or friends during the trip, which does not represent payment of tourism goods or services, as well as donations made to institutions.

Other Accommodation Other Accommodation includes:

Health farms
 Stays on board ships, buses and trains
 Stays at moorings or marinas
 Other commercial accommodation
 Any other accommodation n.e.c.

Nordic State Nordic States include the following states:

Denmark
 Finland
 Sweden

Other Europe Other Europe includes the following states:

Andorra	Liechtenstein
Albania	Lithuania
Armenia	Malta
Azerbaijan	Moldavia (Republic of)
Belarus	Norway
Bosnia Herzegovina	Poland
Bulgaria	Romania
Croatia	Russian Federation
Cyprus	San Marino
Czech Republic	Slovak Republic
Estonia	Slovenia
FYROM	Switzerland
Georgia	Turkey
Hungary	Ukraine
Iceland	Vatican City
Latvia	Yugoslavia (Federal Republic of)