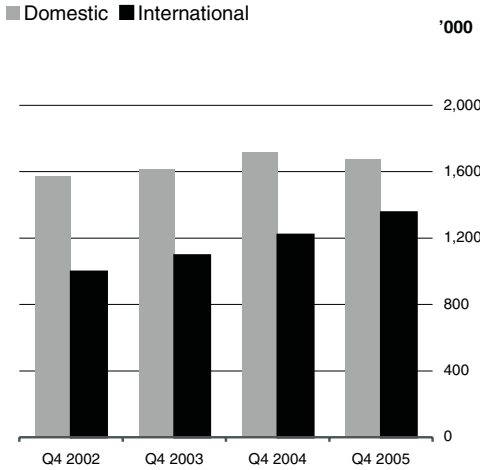




## Household Travel Survey Q4 2005

### Number of Trips Q4, 2002-2005



	Domestic Trips '000	International Trips '000
Q4 2001	1,570	903
Q4 2002	1,575	997
Q4 2003	1,614	1,095
Q4 2004	1,715	1,220
Q4 2005	1,678	1,355

### Domestic Trips down by 2%

1,678,000 domestic trips with at least one overnight were taken in Q4 2005 compared to 1,715,000 trips in Q4 2004, a decrease of 2%. *See Table 1.*

There were 660,000 domestic Holiday trips in Q4 2005, an increase of 9% on the same quarter in 2004. Domestic trips taken to visit Friends/Relatives fell by 5% on the same period in 2004. *See Table 2.*

The total number of bednights spent on domestic trips in Q4 2005 fell by 2% when compared with Q4 2004. There were 36% fewer bednights spent in Guest House/B&B's and 6% fewer in Hotels/Conference Centres. Nights spent in Own Holiday Homes grew by 1%. *See Table 6.*

Estimated expenditure on domestic trips grew by 26% from €206m in Q4 2004 to €259.8m in Q4 2005. Expenditure on domestic Holiday trips grew by 23% on Q4 2004 reflecting increases in the number of holiday trips. However, the number of nights spent on domestic Holiday trips fell by 10%. *See Tables 2 and 7.*

1,355,000 international trips with at least one overnight were taken in the fourth quarter of 2005 compared to 1,220,000 in the same quarter of 2004, an increase of 11%. The number of trips to Other Europe and to North America showed strong increases. *See Table 9.*

While the number of international Holiday trips taken in the fourth quarter of 2005 increased by 9% on the same period in 2004, the number of international trips to Visit Friends/Relatives increased by 21%. *See Table 10.*

The average length of stay of international trips fell to 6.3 nights from an average of 6.4 nights in the same period of 2004. The total number of bednights spent on international trips grew by 9% to over 8.5 million nights. *See Tables 9 and 10.*

Overall estimated expenditure on international trips grew from €838.2m in Q4 2004 to €1,172m in Q4 2005, an increase of 40%. Expenditure on international Holiday trips increased by 27% on the same period. *See Table 15.*

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**Table 1: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Region Visited, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005				
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>6,452</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>	
Border	682	675	699	709	793	139	156	222	182	129	169	247	164	150	184	268	191	
Dublin	843	856	893	976	1,054	233	187	197	276	262	191	220	302	200	255	240	359	
Mid-East	352	368	395	414	430	77	98	116	103	105	84	103	121	106	101	123	100	
Mid-West	685	689	692	658	699	134	156	239	164	137	152	210	159	156	151	242	150	
Midland	225	270	287	335	341	72	64	74	77	94	58	76	107	85	82	100	74	
South-East	1,008	1,024	1,042	1,113	1,099	212	245	328	257	222	260	371	259	234	256	401	208	
South-West	1,341	1,425	1,400	1,547	1,525	288	322	521	269	339	343	547	318	294	369	524	338	
West	1,171	1,144	1,249	1,251	1,232	293	281	390	286	297	277	393	285	266	308	401	257	
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,207</b>	<b>22,222</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>	
Border	2,604	2,301	2,567	2,501	2,973	388	497	1,152	530	296	482	1,279	445	470	608	1,288	607	
Dublin	2,331	2,260	2,544	2,639	2,817	550	502	578	914	716	503	625	794	480	670	676	991	
Mid-East	1,089	976	1,049	1,125	1,364	154	248	423	224	198	209	416	302	316	239	557	252	
Mid-West	2,476	2,514	2,644	2,340	2,294	360	496	1,285	503	348	468	1,105	420	394	485	1,061	354	
Midland	587	704	742	817	774	149	177	236	181	215	147	233	223	175	188	266	145	
South-East	3,971	3,815	3,764	4,128	3,988	589	703	1,747	724	554	807	2,090	677	637	869	1,960	522	
South-West	5,802	5,720	5,814	6,300	5,945	836	1,084	3,005	889	980	1,173	3,158	989	861	1,121	3,049	914	
West	4,348	3,932	4,491	4,339	4,452	792	884	1,920	896	867	902	1,747	823	837	1,016	1,828	771	
																		Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>	
Border	3.8	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.7	2.8	3.2	5.2	2.9	2.3	2.9	5.2	2.7	3.1	3.3	4.8	3.2	
Dublin	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.3	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.8	
Mid-East	3.1	2.7	2.7	2.7	3.2	2.0	2.5	3.6	2.2	1.9	2.5	4.0	2.5	3.0	2.4	4.5	2.5	
Mid-West	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.6	3.3	2.7	3.2	5.4	3.1	2.5	3.1	5.3	2.6	2.5	3.2	4.4	2.4	
Midland	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.1	2.8	3.2	2.4	2.3	2.5	3.1	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.7	2.0	
South-East	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.6	2.8	2.9	5.3	2.8	2.5	3.1	5.6	2.6	2.7	3.4	4.9	2.5	
South-West	4.3	4.0	4.2	4.1	3.9	2.9	3.4	5.8	3.3	2.9	3.4	5.8	3.1	2.9	3.0	5.8	2.7	
West	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.6	2.7	3.1	4.9	3.1	2.9	3.3	4.4	2.9	3.1	3.3	4.6	3.0	

**Table 1a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Region Visited & Length of Stay, Quarter 4, 2002 - 2005**

	'000							
	1-3 Nights	4+ Nights	1-3 Nights	4+ Nights	1-3 Nights	4+ Nights	1-3 Nights	4+ Nights
	Q4 2002	Q4 2002	Q4 2003	Q4 2003	Q4 2004	Q4 2004	Q4 2005	Q4 2005
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>1,321</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>1,402</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>1,388</b>	<b>289</b>
Border	118	24	143	39	128	36	157	35
Dublin	256	35	221	56	254	48	297	62
Mid-East	102	14	92	11	109	12	88	12
Mid-West	138	25	132	31	127	32	131	18
Midland	60	13	67	10	97	10	66	8
South-East	189	32	214	44	219	40	178	30
South-West	246	70	196	73	239	79	264	74
West	211	41	223	63	229	56	207	50
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>2,412</b>	<b>1,725</b>	<b>2,426</b>	<b>2,436</b>	<b>2,554</b>	<b>2,119</b>	<b>2,524</b>	<b>2,033</b>
Border	216	169	282	247	228	217	285	322
Dublin	413	229	383	531	429	365	515	476
Mid-East	170	97	154	70	180	122	155	97
Mid-West	268	164	252	251	232	188	250	104
Midland	96	124	114	67	154	70	107	38
South-East	347	221	401	323	421	257	332	189
South-West	500	477	404	485	465	524	497	418
West	403	244	435	461	445	378	382	388
								Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>7.0</b>
Border	1.8	7.0	2.0	6.3	1.8	6.0	1.8	9.2
Dublin	1.6	6.5	1.7	9.5	1.7	7.6	1.7	7.7
Mid-East	1.7	6.9	1.7	6.4	1.7	10.2	1.8	8.1
Mid-West	1.9	6.6	1.9	8.1	1.8	5.9	1.9	5.8
Midland	1.6	9.5	1.7	6.7	1.6	7.0	1.6	4.8
South-East	1.8	6.9	1.9	7.3	1.9	6.4	1.9	6.3
South-West	2.0	6.8	2.1	6.6	1.9	6.6	1.9	5.6
West	1.9	6.0	2.0	7.3	1.9	6.8	1.8	7.8

**Table 2: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Reason for Journey, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

	'000																
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>6,452</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>
Holiday	2,902	2,819	2,933	3,142	3,348	536	657	1,199	541	572	723	1,239	608	575	781	1,332	660
Business*	652	583	619	624	770	167	136	140	176	183	163	129	149	191	196	145	238
Visiting Friends/Relatives	2,063	2,286	2,291	2,420	2,298	568	498	516	709	658	475	559	729	560	497	551	690
Other	690	763	814	815	757	175	219	233	188	172	173	241	229	165	231	271	90
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,207</b>	<b>22,222</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>
Holiday	13,227	12,098	13,009	13,506	13,676	1,464	2,271	7,518	1,757	1,616	2,429	7,591	1,870	1,705	2,691	7,593	1,687
Business*	1,778	1,633	1,788	1,665	1,973	446	414	415	512	457	455	417	337	449	541	423	560
Visiting Friends/Relatives	5,823	6,120	6,509	6,478	6,535	1,350	1,226	1,719	2,214	1,556	1,188	1,793	1,940	1,589	1,296	1,739	1,911
Other	2,380	2,371	2,310	2,540	2,422	559	678	695	378	545	618	852	525	427	666	931	398
																	Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>
Holiday	4.6	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.1	2.7	3.5	6.3	3.2	2.8	3.4	6.1	3.1	3.0	3.4	5.7	2.6
Business*	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.5	2.8	3.2	2.3	2.4	2.8	2.9	2.4
Visiting Friends/Relatives	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.4	2.5	3.3	3.1	2.4	2.5	3.2	2.7	2.8	2.6	3.2	2.8
Other	3.4	3.1	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.0	3.2	3.6	3.5	2.3	2.6	2.9	3.4	4.4

\* - See Background Notes under Definition of Tourism for change to definition of "Business".

**Table 2a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Reason for Journey, Quarter 4 2005**

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	Reason for Journey				Total
	Business*	Holiday	Visiting Friends/Relatives	Other	
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1,678</b>
Border	28	53	105	5	191
Dublin	83	103	130	43	359
Mid-East	13	43	42	2	100
Mid-West	18	48	74	10	150
Midland	15	26	31	3	74
South-East	13	113	75	7	208
South-West	42	144	139	14	338
West	26	130	94	6	257
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>1,687</b>	<b>1,911</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>4,557</b>
Border	59	135	334	79	607
Dublin	227	223	332	208	991
Mid-East	72	78	99	3	252
Mid-West	31	99	194	31	354
Midland	18	44	79	5	145
South-East	23	286	179	34	522
South-West	80	375	435	24	914
West	50	446	261	14	771

\* - See Background Notes under Definition of Tourism for change to definition of "Business".

**Table 3: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Age, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>6,452</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>
0-14 years	1,410	1,337	1,333	1,553	1,471	236	293	493	311	336	303	571	344	302	324	544	301
15-19 years	266	300	316	294	284	57	70	117	72	56	62	112	64	58	63	116	47
20-29 years	667	790	749	682	672	192	175	214	168	155	162	185	179	146	200	197	129
30-39 years	1,324	1,391	1,364	1,399	1,386	326	333	372	333	331	298	443	328	320	342	376	348
40-49 years	1,339	1,270	1,320	1,418	1,468	298	278	408	335	327	333	399	360	317	314	458	379
50-59 years	689	689	769	771	895	180	182	229	179	200	170	207	194	160	214	277	244
60-69 years	368	402	498	520	586	97	103	167	131	112	118	138	152	115	152	201	118
70+ years	244	272	307	363	412	60	75	87	85	69	88	113	94	71	97	132	112
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,207</b>	<b>22,222</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>
0-14 years	6,159	5,585	5,626	6,275	5,978	604	960	3,076	986	851	1,004	3,496	925	850	1,170	3,085	873
15-19 years	1,228	1,373	1,401	1,470	1,319	181	252	717	251	178	251	797	243	174	245	715	185
20-29 years	2,312	2,368	2,442	2,056	2,119	600	578	735	530	481	440	666	468	418	590	660	451
30-39 years	4,096	3,962	3,958	3,988	3,867	755	837	1,454	912	750	847	1,623	767	755	907	1,401	804
40-49 years	4,432	4,151	4,297	4,563	4,522	690	741	1,938	927	769	931	2,007	856	805	816	2,000	901
50-59 years	2,384	2,194	2,597	2,398	2,854	509	561	1,047	481	486	447	916	549	449	614	1,210	581
60-69 years	1,377	1,462	1,926	1,927	2,074	276	331	856	464	381	409	618	519	428	474	845	327
70+ years	1,220	1,127	1,368	1,513	1,875	203	331	523	312	278	361	530	345	292	379	770	434

**Table 4: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Sex, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>6,452</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>
Male	3,049	3,143	3,197	3,299	3,472	697	723	1,008	769	767	730	1,008	793	713	834	1,103	822
Female	3,259	3,309	3,460	3,702	3,702	750	786	1,079	845	818	803	1,159	922	778	871	1,197	856
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,207</b>	<b>22,222</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>
Male	11,100	10,728	11,303	11,352	11,803	1,834	2,170	4,951	2,348	2,026	2,209	4,934	2,183	1,974	2,532	5,036	2,261
Female	12,108	11,494	12,312	12,838	12,803	1,985	2,419	5,395	2,513	2,149	2,481	5,719	2,490	2,196	2,663	5,649	2,295

**Table 4a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips and Number of Nights by Mode of Transport Used, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
				Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>
Air	113	140	134	27	19	39	28	36	33	37	33	22	45	43	24
Bus/Rail	730	702	734	189	183	185	173	160	167	192	184	146	187	192	209
Private Vehicle	5,669	6,011	6,165	1,201	1,281	1,805	1,383	1,349	1,297	1,887	1,479	1,299	1,444	2,013	1,409
Other	145	148	142	30	26	58	30	40	36	52	20	24	30	52	36
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>
Air	561	631	689	120	83	214	144	161	125	261	84	93	195	317	84
Bus/Rail	2,850	2,564	2,665	582	734	909	625	587	615	822	540	444	675	784	762
Private Vehicle	19,595	20,327	20,611	3,021	3,691	8,933	3,949	3,233	3,803	9,314	3,976	3,519	4,147	9,318	3,627
Other	610	667	641	96	81	290	143	193	146	255	73	114	177	266	84

**Table 4b: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips and Number of Nights by Method of Booking, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
				Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>
Travel Agent/Package	132	150	114	23	27	59	22	22	38	72	19	40	27	41	6
Club	217	192	209	47	62	68	41	36	63	54	40	43	71	60	35
Employer	314	357	309	81	59	68	106	107	87	56	107	85	80	61	83
Privately Booked/No Pre-booking	5,993	6,302	6,540	1,296	1,360	1,892	1,445	1,421	1,346	1,985	1,550	1,322	1,527	2,137	1,554
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>
Travel Agent/Package	650	640	504	70	123	378	79	65	181	331	63	106	139	221	38
Club	665	643	606	100	198	275	93	96	234	231	81	118	197	207	84
Employer	838	1,008	901	243	165	198	233	289	296	172	251	218	214	217	252
Privately Booked/No Pre-booking	21,463	21,899	22,598	3,406	4,104	9,496	4,457	3,724	3,979	9,919	4,277	3,729	4,645	10,041	4,183

**Table 5: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Region of Residence, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>6,452</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>
Border	558	480	546	639	642	147	105	175	118	125	133	217	164	112	159	219	152
Dublin	2,036	2,257	2,220	2,193	2,168	445	559	657	558	462	516	656	560	482	515	670	501
Mid-East	700	775	739	804	770	164	163	227	185	184	172	246	201	179	165	243	183
Mid-West	638	601	578	615	669	112	126	215	125	135	134	203	142	123	185	251	110
Midland	297	278	361	402	372	67	75	129	90	110	95	122	75	79	77	135	81
South-East	582	585	596	634	751	144	123	184	144	183	124	182	145	152	157	236	206
South-West	905	910	983	1,070	1,026	221	221	331	210	235	217	362	255	219	247	317	243
West	590	565	635	644	775	146	137	168	184	150	141	179	174	145	201	227	202
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,207</b>	<b>22,222</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>
Border	1,965	1,506	1,799	2,111	2,403	403	331	772	293	371	407	867	465	380	449	894	680
Dublin	8,031	8,375	8,465	8,628	7,901	1,178	1,785	3,694	1,808	1,222	1,675	4,160	1,572	1,386	1,653	3,428	1,434
Mid-East	2,486	2,776	2,570	2,687	2,548	473	430	1,166	502	397	513	1,232	544	427	603	1,092	426
Mid-West	2,219	2,042	2,214	2,012	2,231	351	332	1,214	318	342	369	917	384	310	445	1,177	299
Midland	980	924	1,120	1,180	1,252	134	232	549	205	297	234	461	189	277	249	554	172
South-East	2,106	1,757	2,005	2,025	2,367	406	423	756	420	459	362	792	412	440	520	892	515
South-West	3,521	3,128	3,403	3,508	3,480	544	659	1,595	605	653	676	1,507	672	565	681	1,675	559
West	1,899	1,712	2,039	2,039	2,425	330	397	601	711	434	453	717	435	385	595	974	471



**Table 5a: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Region of Residence, 2005**

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Region of Residence	Region Visited							
	Border	Dublin	Mid-East	Mid-West	Midland	South-East	South-West	West
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>1,099</b>	<b>1,525</b>	<b>1,232</b>
Border	149	144	35	45	34	33	63	139
Dublin	290	75	175	200	110	531	390	396
Mid-East	93	41	58	80	54	167	123	155
Mid-West	48	130	25	92	34	55	182	101
Midland	58	54	13	27	21	63	59	77
South-East	44	183	49	61	30	121	185	78
South-West	34	213	36	102	31	97	417	96
West	78	212	40	91	26	34	104	192
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>2,817</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>2,294</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>3,988</b>	<b>5,945</b>	<b>4,452</b>
Border	514	556	130	177	71	124	284	546
Dublin	1,174	221	586	608	281	1,979	1,635	1,417
Mid-East	262	99	143	302	107	610	472	553
Mid-West	198	321	64	400	85	196	629	338
Midland	253	134	33	92	35	191	223	292
South-East	204	376	150	206	60	484	612	277
South-West	145	565	150	253	84	267	1,660	355
West	223	548	106	255	48	138	430	677
								Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>3.6</b>
Border	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.9	2.1	3.8	4.5	3.9
Dublin	4.0	2.9	3.3	3.0	2.6	3.7	4.2	3.6
Mid-East	2.8	2.4	2.5	3.8	2.0	3.7	3.8	3.6
Mid-West	4.1	2.5	2.6	4.3	2.5	3.6	3.5	3.3
Midland	4.4	2.5	2.5	3.4	1.7	3.0	3.8	3.8
South-East	4.6	2.1	3.1	3.4	2.0	4.0	3.3	3.6
South-West	4.3	2.7	4.2	2.5	2.7	2.8	4.0	3.7
West	2.9	2.6	2.7	2.8	1.8	4.1	4.1	3.5

**Table 6: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Type of Accommodation, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005				
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
<b>Total Domestic - Trips</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>6,452</b>	<b>6,657</b>	<b>7,001</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>1,585</b>	<b>1,533</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>1,715</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>1,705</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,678</b>	
Caravan/Camping	323	293	282	277	298	17	86	166	13	21	85	160	10	34	105	145	14	
Guest House/B&B	675	729	720	699	661	149	173	262	136	138	170	257	134	123	174	263	101	
Own Holiday Home	211	289	259	294	365	50	53	93	63	50	92	88	65	64	105	121	75	
Hotel/Conference Centre	2,042	2,041	2,160	2,355	2,597	521	487	579	573	603	510	613	628	597	606	735	659	
Self Catering/Rented House	550	494	576	583	547	67	128	312	70	65	121	319	79	61	121	304	61	
Friends/Relatives	2,241	2,359	2,363	2,512	2,430	584	490	585	704	653	478	632	748	570	519	626	715	
Other	264	246	298	282	278	59	93	90	57	55	78	98	51	42	76	106	54	
<b>Total Domestic - Nights</b>	<b>23,207</b>	<b>22,222</b>	<b>23,616</b>	<b>24,189</b>	<b>24,607</b>	<b>3,819</b>	<b>4,589</b>	<b>10,346</b>	<b>4,861</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,689</b>	<b>10,653</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>4,557</b>	
Caravan/Camping	2,177	1,706	1,879	1,635	1,595	41	256	1,545	37	47	339	1,223	26	157	337	1,056	45	
Guest House/B&B	2,217	2,038	2,067	1,963	1,816	440	488	808	331	403	442	797	321	299	488	825	204	
Own Holiday Home	1,405	1,742	1,572	2,014	2,174	168	216	955	233	194	334	1,198	288	243	355	1,285	291	
Hotel/Conference Centre	5,316	5,357	5,762	5,836	6,358	1,253	1,259	1,760	1,491	1,396	1,285	1,783	1,372	1,395	1,559	2,113	1,291	
Self Catering/Rented House	3,749	3,168	3,754	3,701	3,582	353	689	2,354	358	244	579	2,513	366	309	669	2,255	349	
Friends/Relatives	7,023	6,912	7,175	7,736	7,562	1,371	1,296	2,332	2,176	1,701	1,340	2,594	2,102	1,647	1,418	2,455	2,042	
Other	1,320	1,298	1,407	1,303	1,520	194	385	594	235	189	370	546	198	120	369	697	334	
																		Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>	
Caravan/Camping	6.7	5.8	6.7	5.9	5.4	2.4	3.0	9.3	2.8	2.2	4.0	7.6	2.6	4.6	3.2	7.3	3.2	
Guest House/B&B	3.3	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.7	3.0	2.8	3.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.4	2.8	3.1	2.0	
Own Holiday Home	6.7	6.0	6.1	6.9	6.0	3.4	4.1	10.3	3.7	3.9	3.6	13.6	4.4	3.8	3.4	10.6	3.9	
Hotel/Conference Centre	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.5	2.9	2.2	2.3	2.6	2.9	2.0	
Self Catering/Rented House	6.8	6.4	6.5	6.3	6.5	5.3	5.4	7.5	5.1	3.8	4.8	7.9	4.6	5.1	5.5	7.4	5.7	
Friends/Relatives	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	2.3	2.6	4.0	3.1	2.6	2.8	4.1	2.8	2.9	2.7	3.9	2.9	
Other	5.0	5.3	4.7	4.6	5.5	3.3	4.1	6.6	4.1	3.4	4.7	5.6	3.9	2.9	4.9	6.6	6.2	

**Table 7: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Reason for Journey, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

€ million

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Domestic - Expenditure</b>	<b>879.9</b>	<b>849.4</b>	<b>970.9</b>	<b>1,037.2</b>	<b>1,164.5</b>	<b>184.0</b>	<b>200.6</b>	<b>361.0</b>	<b>225.3</b>	<b>197.1</b>	<b>234.6</b>	<b>399.5</b>	<b>206.0</b>	<b>187.7</b>	<b>274.6</b>	<b>442.4</b>	<b>259.8</b>
Holiday	549.7	501.6	575.9	624.9	706.8	95.8	112.2	264.2	103.7	97.5	129.7	288.9	108.8	91.5	161.1	320.7	133.5
Business*	149.3	152.9	157.6	162.5	188.3	36.2	36.5	35.9	49.0	45.4	51.1	34.4	31.6	42.9	51.9	38.4	55.1
Visiting Friends/Relatives	86.6	97.2	114.0	121.1	142.4	19.5	21.3	29.0	44.2	27.0	27.0	32.1	35.0	26.9	32.3	34.5	48.7
Other	94.3	97.7	123.4	128.7	127.0	32.5	30.6	31.9	28.4	27.2	26.8	44.1	30.6	26.4	29.3	48.8	22.5

\* - See Background Notes under Definition of Tourism for change to definition of "Business".

**Table 8: Domestic travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Region Visited, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

€ million

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Domestic - Expenditure</b>	<b>879.9</b>	<b>849.4</b>	<b>970.9</b>	<b>1,037.2</b>	<b>1,164.5</b>	<b>184.0</b>	<b>200.6</b>	<b>361.0</b>	<b>225.3</b>	<b>197.1</b>	<b>234.6</b>	<b>399.5</b>	<b>206.0</b>	<b>187.7</b>	<b>274.6</b>	<b>442.4</b>	<b>259.8</b>
Border	91.4	80.3	96.3	103.9	118.7	15.9	19.0	39.1	22.3	18.0	23.2	44.3	18.4	18.2	30.8	43.2	26.5
Dublin	108.5	105.0	113.8	143.7	168.1	25.5	24.8	23.8	39.7	36.0	32.5	39.1	36.1	27.6	43.9	39.2	57.4
Mid-East	26.4	34.1	46.1	39.6	57.6	9.1	11.5	12.2	13.3	6.6	8.6	13.1	11.3	10.0	12.9	17.5	17.2
Mid-West	87.3	82.6	96.6	91.3	99.7	17.8	16.8	40.3	21.7	15.3	26.2	33.6	16.2	15.1	24.3	42.0	18.3
Midland	23.9	25.5	27.0	32.0	34.1	5.6	5.6	7.6	8.2	8.8	6.7	7.6	8.9	4.3	7.9	10.7	11.2
South-East	135.7	132.5	138.1	150.9	180.6	22.5	28.1	57.2	30.3	22.1	32.1	62.6	34.1	30.3	42.0	76.5	31.8
South-West	218.8	215.3	248.7	265.7	275.6	46.0	52.2	103.7	46.8	44.3	59.0	119.1	43.3	38.8	60.3	120.3	56.2
West	187.9	174.1	204.3	210.1	230.1	41.6	42.6	77.1	43.0	46.0	46.3	80.1	37.7	43.4	52.5	93.0	41.2

**Table 9: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Region Visited, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,597</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
EU - 25*	-	-	-	4,614	5,101	-	-	-	-	882	1,239	1,481	1,013	1,000	1,390	1,629	1,082
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	3,400	3,802	4,117	4,455	4,927	794	1,135	1,324	864	847	1,208	1,442	958	964	1,347	1,582	1,034
Other Europe*	197	229	260	167	238	31	70	107	52	27	33	83	23	30	74	98	36
North America*	360	339	384	449	571	76	78	121	109	94	104	128	123	97	133	166	175
Central, South & Other Americas*	23	21	30	28	41	5	6	9	10	7	6	9	5	13	8	12	8
Asia & Middle East*	62	65	64	89	95	12	17	9	26	18	21	26	25	29	21	20	25
Africa*	71	86	76	69	77	23	16	16	20	24	11	14	20	17	23	22	15
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania*	49	56	42	50	68	12	7	9	14	18	11	10	11	26	13	14	15
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>37,953</b>	<b>40,660</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
EU - 25*	-	-	-	33,924	36,168	-	-	-	-	5,030	9,713	13,724	5,456	5,366	10,434	14,857	5,511
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	26,844	29,191	31,758	32,938	34,996	4,431	9,348	12,711	5,268	4,846	9,505	13,433	5,154	5,193	10,162	14,439	5,202
Other Europe*	1,873	2,185	2,285	1,681	2,092	228	654	1,101	301	210	351	965	154	197	650	1,000	245
North America*	5,412	5,046	5,722	6,200	7,726	892	1,418	2,181	1,232	1,050	1,694	2,260	1,196	1,011	2,244	2,691	1,780
Central, South & Other Americas*	378	313	513	488	654	82	113	150	168	96	96	195	101	187	160	191	116
Asia & Middle East*	1,012	1,060	999	1,543	1,559	190	310	131	368	314	378	477	373	489	379	364	327
Africa*	859	1,153	1,080	991	1,108	347	229	198	306	310	130	279	272	341	284	307	176
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania*	1,576	1,713	1,344	1,475	2,196	321	258	304	461	557	325	292	300	910	441	418	427
<b>Nights</b>																	
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>6.3</b>
EU - 25*	-	-	-	7.4	7.1	-	-	-	-	5.7	7.8	9.3	5.4	5.4	7.5	9.1	5.1
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.4	7.1	5.6	8.2	9.6	6.1	5.7	7.9	9.3	5.4	5.4	7.5	9.1	5.0
Other Europe*	9.5	9.5	8.8	10.1	8.8	7.4	9.3	10.3	5.8	7.8	10.6	11.6	6.7	6.6	8.8	10.2	6.8
North America*	15.0	14.9	14.9	13.8	13.5	11.7	18.2	18.0	11.3	11.2	16.3	17.7	9.7	10.4	16.9	16.2	10.2
Central, South & Other Americas*	16.4	14.9	17.1	17.4	16.0	16.4	18.8	16.7	16.8	13.7	16.0	21.7	20.2	14.4	20.0	15.9	14.5
Asia & Middle East*	16.3	16.3	15.6	17.3	16.4	15.8	18.2	14.6	14.2	17.4	18.0	18.3	14.9	16.9	18.0	18.2	13.1
Africa*	12.1	13.4	14.2	14.4	14.4	15.1	14.3	12.4	15.3	12.9	11.8	19.9	13.6	20.1	12.3	14.0	11.7
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania*	32.2	30.6	32.0	29.5	32.3	26.8	36.9	33.8	32.9	30.9	29.5	29.2	27.3	35.0	33.9	29.9	28.5

\*-See background notes for countries included in each group.

**Table 9a: European Union International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Country/Region Visited, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total EU (25) International - Trips</b>	-	-	-	<b>4,614</b>	<b>5,101</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>882</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,629</b>	<b>1,082</b>
<i>Of which: EU - 15</i>	3,400	3,802	4,117	4,455	4,927	794	1,135	1,324	864	847	1,208	1,442	958	964	1,347	1,582	1,034
Austria	31	35	50	47	84	30	6	9	6	25	7	7	9	41	10	12	21
Belgium/Luxembourg	60	86	88	88	80	30	15	19	25	31	20	17	20	24	19	14	23
Cyprus/Malta	-	-	-	33	48	-	-	-	-	6	8	7	11	5	10	18	15
Denmark/Finland/Sweden	52	36	49	45	70	13	8	9	19	11	9	16	9	12	12	31	15
Estonia/Latvia/Lithuania	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	4	1	2	1	4
France	416	509	492	565	634	92	143	183	73	89	167	210	99	110	174	249	101
Germany	81	99	100	119	170	19	22	26	34	23	34	28	34	30	34	57	49
Greece	69	84	90	69	71	3	37	43	7	1	32	29	6	1	31	35	4
Italy	161	201	193	241	303	42	51	66	35	44	72	78	48	47	89	109	58
Netherlands	79	85	82	96	102	23	20	19	20	23	22	18	33	26	27	23	26
Other EU*	-	-	-	118	119	-	-	-	-	28	22	28	40	31	31	28	29
Portugal	142	160	191	200	234	12	79	88	12	10	66	102	22	13	94	100	27
Spain	976	997	1,182	1,280	1,300	158	375	454	194	173	395	506	206	223	402	461	214
UK (Great Britain & Northern Ireland)	1,334	1,511	1,600	1,704	1,877	373	380	407	440	416	384	432	473	437	455	490	495
<i>Of which: Great Britain</i>	1,134	1,307	1,376	1,452	1,606	323	321	350	382	353	336	370	394	388	381	426	411
<i>Northern Ireland</i>	200	204	223	252	271	50	59	57	58	63	48	62	79	49	74	64	84
<b>Total EU (25) International - Nights</b>	-	-	-	<b>33,924</b>	<b>36,168</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>5,030</b>	<b>9,713</b>	<b>13,724</b>	<b>5,456</b>	<b>5,366</b>	<b>10,434</b>	<b>14,857</b>	<b>5,511</b>
<i>Of which: EU - 15</i>	26,844	29,191	31,758	32,938	34,996	4,431	9,348	12,711	5,268	4,846	9,505	13,433	5,154	5,193	10,162	14,439	5,202
Austria	253	306	392	340	581	235	41	87	29	152	55	59	74	286	77	99	119
Belgium/Luxembourg	258	402	428	373	286	104	51	110	162	88	114	73	99	70	59	83	74
Cyprus/Malta	-	-	-	335	458	-	-	-	-	38	88	88	121	37	93	206	122
Denmark/Finland/Sweden	386	237	324	239	481	63	56	88	117	43	80	85	31	80	66	281	54
Estonia/Latvia/Lithuania	-	-	-	92	93	-	-	-	-	45	13	18	15	4	10	19	60
France	4,234	4,844	4,414	5,074	5,620	501	1,579	2,002	332	466	1,664	2,471	473	564	1,569	3,022	465
Germany	554	685	712	861	1,078	90	149	259	215	112	260	259	230	134	203	503	238
Greece	827	1,060	1,115	727	826	21	494	544	56	12	335	318	63	13	372	416	25
Italy	1,418	1,889	1,734	1,978	2,568	271	484	686	293	254	615	820	290	245	794	1,167	362
Netherlands	396	397	448	497	531	69	144	142	93	125	121	110	141	83	206	145	97
Other EU*	-	-	-	559	625	-	-	-	-	100	107	186	166	133	171	194	127
Portugal	1,565	1,667	2,143	2,038	2,303	136	866	1,062	80	108	679	1,089	162	85	911	1,127	180
Spain	10,748	10,538	12,631	12,929	12,549	1,517	3,818	5,375	1,920	1,717	3,791	5,621	1,800	1,848	3,758	5,127	1,816
UK (Great Britain & Northern Ireland)	6,204	7,166	7,417	7,884	8,175	1,424	1,666	2,355	1,972	1,770	1,791	2,529	1,793	1,784	2,147	2,470	1,774
<i>Of which: Great Britain</i>	5,551	6,562	6,618	7,168	7,401	1,270	1,499	2,100	1,749	1,596	1,679	2,327	1,566	1,666	1,910	2,261	1,564
<i>Northern Ireland</i>	653	603	799	716	775	154	167	255	223	175	113	202	226	118	237	210	210

\* - Other EU includes the following: Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia.

**Table 9b: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Region Visited & Length of Stay, Quarter 4, 2002 - 2005**

	1-3 Nights		4+ Nights		1-3 Nights		4+ Nights		1-3 Nights		4+ Nights	
	Q4 2002	Q4 2002	Q4 2003	Q4 2003	Q4 2004	Q4 2004	Q4 2004	Q4 2004	Q4 2005	Q4 2005	Q4 2005	Q4 2005
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<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>813</b>				
EU - 25*	-	-	-	-	473	540	517	565				
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	345	452	374	490	448	510	502	532				
Other Europe*	11	26	19	33	5	18	12	24				
North America*	4	93	5	104	3	120	12	163				
Other	1	66	1	69	-	61	1	62				
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>6,280</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>7,209</b>	<b>1067</b>	<b>6,787</b>	<b>1,176</b>	<b>7,406</b>				
EU - 25*	-	-	-	-	1047	4,409	1,112	4,399				
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	727	3,632	834	4,434	980	4,174	1,075	4,127				
Other Europe*	28	227	47	253	13	142	28	217				
North America*	11	1,197	12	1,120	7	1,189	33	1,747				
Other	1	1,223	1	1,302	-	1,047	3	1,043				
	Nights											
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>9.1</b>				
EU - 25*	-	-	-	-	2.2	8.2	2.2	7.8				
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	2.1	8.0	2.2	9.0	2.2	8.2	2.1	7.8				
Other Europe*	2.5	8.7	2.5	7.7	2.6	7.9	2.3	9.0				
North America*	2.8	12.9	2.4	10.8	2.3	9.9	2.8	10.7				
Other	1.0	18.5	1.0	18.9	-	17.2	3.0	16.8				

\* - See Background Notes for countries included in each group.

**Table 10: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Reason for Journey, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,597</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
Holiday	2,569	2,833	3,162	3,472	3,931	533	897	1,142	590	582	953	1,275	662	716	1,074	1,419	722
Business*	638	609	621	684	791	147	157	159	158	197	153	163	171	180	218	169	224
Visiting Friends/Relatives	704	856	876	985	1,118	193	193	220	271	214	242	224	304	227	252	270	369
Other	251	299	315	325	351	81	84	74	76	75	77	89	83	90	117	103	41
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>37,953</b>	<b>40,660</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
Holiday	26,786	28,353	31,115	33,692	36,714	3,902	9,260	13,172	4,781	4,696	9,497	14,579	4,921	5,616	10,388	15,742	4,968
Business*	3,462	3,163	3,421	3,430	3,870	739	842	1,054	785	896	803	1,037	694	746	1,250	933	941
Visiting Friends/Relatives	5,175	6,415	6,150	6,906	7,706	1,162	1,191	1,807	1,990	1,466	1,835	1,813	1,791	1,551	1,561	2,156	2,438
Other	2,530	2,730	3,015	2,274	3,211	687	1,038	743	547	509	552	764	448	588	1,393	996	234
Nights																	
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>6.3</b>
Holiday	10.4	10.0	9.8	9.7	9.3	7.3	10.3	11.5	8.1	8.1	10.0	11.4	7.4	7.8	9.7	11.1	6.9
Business*	5.4	5.2	5.5	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.4	6.6	5.0	4.5	5.2	6.4	4.1	4.1	5.7	5.5	4.2
Visiting Friends/Relatives	7.4	7.5	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.0	6.2	8.2	7.3	6.9	7.6	8.1	5.9	6.8	6.2	8.0	6.6
Other	10.1	9.1	9.6	7.0	9.1	8.5	12.4	10.0	7.2	6.8	7.2	8.6	5.4	6.5	11.9	9.7	5.7

\* - See Background Notes under Definition of Tourism for change to definition of "Business".

**Table 10a: International travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Reason for Journey, Quarter 4 2005**

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	Reason for Journey				Total
	Business <sup>#</sup>	Holiday	Visiting Friends/Relatives	Other	
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>1,355</b>
EU - 25*	180	558	308	35	1,082
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	171	526	305	32	1,034
Other Europe*	9	21	6	0	36
North America*	26	104	42	3	175
Other	9	39	13	2	63
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>4,968</b>	<b>2,438</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>8,581</b>
EU - 25*	549	3,287	1,492	184	5,511
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	518	3,090	1,434	160	5,202
Other Europe*	69	151	23	2	245
North America*	233	928	593	25	1,780
Other	90	602	331	23	1,046

\* - See Background Notes for countries included in each group.

# - See Background Notes under Definition of Tourism for change to definition of "Business".



**Table 11: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Age, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,597</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
0-14 years	645	661	732	846	853	94	225	291	122	117	256	323	150	143	238	340	132
15-19 years	236	259	271	267	325	39	73	115	44	45	60	124	39	50	86	150	39
20-29 years	569	663	682	656	739	162	167	224	129	143	152	217	144	145	215	243	136
30-39 years	827	956	934	1,043	1,034	199	249	273	212	213	272	300	257	244	287	272	231
40-49 years	914	942	1,039	1,169	1,332	200	285	308	247	248	300	353	268	303	309	386	334
50-59 years	561	606	719	795	1,035	147	177	217	178	171	189	247	188	162	309	318	246
60-69 years	273	348	418	466	571	82	103	124	108	96	128	115	127	109	152	149	161
70+ years	137	162	180	223	304	30	51	44	54	36	67	72	48	56	66	104	78
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>37,953</b>	<b>40,660</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
0-14 years	6,704	6,513	7,298	8,206	8,112	651	2,281	3,437	928	755	2,677	3,884	890	944	2,432	3,898	838
15-19 years	2,780	2,818	2,816	2,710	3,364	259	755	1,409	392	303	656	1,519	232	306	939	1,841	278
20-29 years	6,315	6,896	7,276	6,554	7,723	1,153	2,267	2,814	1,041	1,339	1,568	2,562	1,085	1,243	2,669	2,858	953
30-39 years	6,058	7,022	6,694	7,190	7,037	1,092	1,921	2,389	1,292	1,154	1,984	2,570	1,483	1,309	1,950	2,433	1,345
40-49 years	7,045	7,230	7,934	8,667	9,116	1,173	2,268	2,948	1,546	1,328	2,341	3,593	1,405	1,707	2,342	3,416	1,651
50-59 years	4,662	4,925	5,890	6,085	7,791	987	1,456	2,075	1,371	1,102	1,577	2,216	1,191	1,188	2,228	2,901	1,474
60-69 years	2,825	3,443	3,889	4,624	5,295	789	906	1,235	958	1,083	1,256	1,168	1,117	1,122	1,432	1,484	1,257
70+ years	1,564	1,812	1,906	2,265	3,065	387	476	467	575	502	629	683	451	682	601	998	784

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**Table 12: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Sex, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,597</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
Male	2,084	2,283	2,459	2,675	3,079	500	642	770	547	553	683	838	600	630	803	958	688
Female	2,077	2,314	2,515	2,791	3,111	453	688	825	548	517	741	913	620	582	858	1,004	667
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>37,953</b>	<b>40,660</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
Male	17,975	19,552	21,009	21,678	24,475	3,262	5,850	8,020	3,876	3,539	5,892	8,550	3,698	4,152	6,950	9,267	4,106
Female	19,979	21,107	22,693	24,624	27,029	3,228	6,481	8,756	4,228	4,028	6,796	9,643	4,156	4,350	7,643	10,561	4,475

**Table 12a: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips and Number of Nights by Mode of Transport Used, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
				Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
Air	4,174	4,651	5,331	826	1,107	1,296	944	936	1,206	1,451	1,057	1,068	1,433	1,637	1,193
Bus/Rail	85	79	100	16	21	28	19	14	24	28	13	22	25	36	17
Private Vehicle	298	315	352	51	88	87	72	63	71	90	91	52	101	101	98
Sea/Cruise	383	380	358	56	107	166	55	47	115	165	52	60	85	170	43
Other	35	40	48	4	8	18	4	8	8	17	7	9	18	16	5
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
Air	37,259	39,947	45,177	5,858	10,427	13,799	7,176	6,823	10,985	15,075	7,065	7,647	12,787	16,830	7,913
Bus/Rail	756	586	966	81	185	403	86	121	132	268	65	158	238	465	105
Private Vehicle	1,830	1,681	1,934	176	546	604	504	244	487	625	325	278	619	725	312
Sea/Cruise	3,467	3,659	2,905	324	1,068	1,765	311	318	1,010	2,031	299	352	762	1,601	190
Other	390	429	520	52	106	205	27	61	75	194	100	67	186	206	61

**Table 12b: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips and Number of Nights by Method of Booking, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
				Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
Travel Agent/Package	1,676	1,688	1,654	227	532	669	248	233	520	671	263	275	491	633	255
Club	114	132	131	26	37	27	24	22	38	40	32	32	38	40	21
Employer	379	400	382	109	93	78	98	113	91	83	113	108	103	87	84
Privately Booked/No Pre-booking	2,805	3,246	4,022	592	668	821	724	701	776	957	813	796	1,029	1,201	996
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
Travel Agent/Package	17,514	17,211	16,936	1,652	5,906	7,689	2,266	1,973	5,272	7,681	2,286	2,399	5,208	6,971	2,358
Club	668	822	835	111	256	178	123	139	251	274	157	171	235	324	105
Employer	2,038	1,720	1,669	627	593	425	393	435	418	382	485	499	439	344	387
Privately Booked/No Pre-booking	23,482	26,548	32,065	4,101	5,575	8,483	5,323	5,020	6,747	9,856	4,926	5,433	8,711	12,189	5,732

**Table 13: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips & Number of Nights by Region of Residence, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,597</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
Border	316	355	377	442	548	66	111	115	86	80	130	135	98	98	128	190	132
Dublin	1,748	1,907	2,155	2,217	2,374	427	553	681	495	463	540	718	495	474	655	734	511
Mid-East	535	558	643	688	720	123	168	209	142	112	190	213	173	165	180	218	157
Mid-West	293	317	305	378	438	57	84	96	68	71	94	122	90	90	112	139	97
Midland	145	179	182	244	256	43	51	61	27	44	66	96	37	51	59	92	54
South-East	331	393	352	390	534	68	108	116	60	83	112	110	84	85	144	192	113
South-West	495	566	591	705	795	107	158	205	121	136	190	225	154	150	226	249	170
West	298	320	368	401	525	63	99	111	95	80	102	130	89	99	157	147	122
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>37,953</b>	<b>40,660</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
Border	2,905	3,243	2,939	3,858	4,399	452	869	1,083	536	623	1,115	1,428	693	635	1,097	1,881	786
Dublin	15,564	16,603	18,827	17,928	19,358	2,809	5,068	7,438	3,512	2,972	4,522	7,551	2,883	3,287	5,752	7,399	2,920
Mid-East	4,722	4,607	5,580	5,321	5,510	763	1,707	2,072	1,039	728	1,566	2,146	881	1,060	1,467	2,005	978
Mid-West	2,632	2,885	2,926	3,553	3,588	530	786	1,057	553	500	1,018	1,342	693	594	939	1,451	604
Midland	1,474	1,523	1,669	2,209	2,422	278	451	641	299	351	543	987	328	492	552	978	400
South-East	2,903	3,527	3,008	3,441	4,757	431	944	1,193	440	672	1,096	1,062	611	673	1,317	1,924	843
South-West	4,894	5,423	5,335	6,441	6,815	751	1,569	2,117	898	1,135	1,851	2,360	1,095	1,018	2,114	2,540	1,143
West	2,860	2,850	3,417	3,550	4,653	478	937	1,175	827	586	977	1,317	670	741	1,354	1,651	907

**Table 13a: International travel by Irish Residents - Region Visited by Region of Residence, 2005**

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Region of Residence	Region Visited			
	EU - 25	Other Europe	North America	Other
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>5,101</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>280</b>
Border	468	9	52	20
Dublin	1,919	104	234	115
Mid-East	606	28	54	35
Mid-West	361	11	52	14
Midland	207	11	24	14
South-East	435	29	45	22
South-West	668	29	63	35
West	437	16	47	25
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>36,168</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>7,726</b>	<b>5,517</b>
Border	3,114	66	761	456
Dublin	13,126	994	3,053	2,184
Mid-East	4,071	220	621	599
Mid-West	2,533	76	711	267
Midland	1,545	110	404	364
South-East	3,399	248	660	449
South-West	5,028	245	855	686
West	3,351	132	659	511
				Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>19.7</b>
Border	6.7	7.3	14.6	22.8
Dublin	6.8	9.6	13.0	19.0
Mid-East	6.7	7.9	11.5	17.1
Mid-West	7.0	6.9	13.7	19.1
Midland	7.5	10.0	16.8	26.0
South-East	7.8	8.6	14.7	20.4
South-West	7.5	8.4	13.6	19.6
West	7.7	8.3	14.0	20.4

**Table 14: International travel by Irish Residents - Number of Trips, Number of Nights & Average Length of Stay by Type of Accommodation, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>Total International - Trips</b>	<b>4,162</b>	<b>4,597</b>	<b>4,974</b>	<b>5,465</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,355</b>
Caravan/Camping	166	161	168	206	208	7	56	92	13	7	84	107	9	6	76	123	3
Guest House/B&B	208	254	289	278	261	62	69	88	69	87	67	82	43	63	70	89	39
Own Holiday Home	47	80	99	98	175	18	22	30	29	18	17	40	21	29	44	55	47
Hotel/Conference Centre	1,716	1,868	1,949	2,311	2,800	454	501	535	458	507	562	635	607	641	720	743	696
Self Catering/Rented House	926	934	1,098	1,090	1,099	123	361	450	165	133	344	461	151	143	357	461	138
Friends/Relatives	936	1,095	1,123	1,245	1,401	243	253	302	325	279	291	331	344	284	320	395	402
Other	162	206	248	237	245	46	67	99	36	39	58	95	45	46	74	95	30
<b>Total International - Nights</b>	<b>37,953</b>	<b>40,660</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>46,302</b>	<b>51,503</b>	<b>6,491</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>16,776</b>	<b>8,104</b>	<b>7,567</b>	<b>12,688</b>	<b>18,193</b>	<b>7,854</b>	<b>8,502</b>	<b>14,592</b>	<b>19,828</b>	<b>8,581</b>
Caravan/Camping	2,547	2,231	2,285	2,776	2,609	60	822	1,324	78	90	1,097	1,486	103	44	942	1,605	18
Guest House/B&B	1,469	1,873	2,112	2,065	1,766	325	634	703	450	536	513	735	282	344	488	646	288
Own Holiday Home	639	969	1,410	1,392	2,369	183	265	540	421	304	220	610	258	354	524	962	529
Hotel/Conference Centre	11,367	12,570	12,260	14,351	16,965	2,278	3,456	4,121	2,405	2,649	3,729	4,975	2,999	3,334	4,494	5,684	3,453
Self Catering/Rented House	11,538	11,276	13,494	12,503	12,601	1,397	4,559	5,723	1,816	1,601	3,893	5,532	1,477	1,438	4,328	5,545	1,290
Friends/Relatives	7,858	8,996	9,055	10,206	11,617	1,726	1,759	3,044	2,525	1,941	2,462	3,547	2,256	2,373	2,544	3,960	2,740
Other	2,535	2,745	3,087	3,009	3,579	522	836	1,321	408	447	774	1,308	480	616	1,273	1,427	263
																	Nights
<b>Average Length of Stay</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>6.3</b>
Caravan/Camping	15.3	13.9	13.6	13.5	12.5	8.6	14.7	14.4	6.0	12.9	13.1	13.9	11.4	7.3	12.4	13.0	6.0
Guest House/B&B	7.1	7.4	7.3	7.4	6.8	5.2	9.2	8.0	6.5	6.2	7.7	9.0	6.6	5.5	7.0	7.3	7.4
Own Holiday Home	13.6	12.1	14.2	14.2	13.5	10.2	12.0	18.0	14.5	16.9	12.9	15.3	12.3	12.2	11.9	17.5	11.3
Hotel/Conference Centre	6.6	6.7	6.3	6.2	6.1	5.0	6.9	7.7	5.3	5.2	6.6	7.8	4.9	5.2	6.2	7.7	5.0
Self Catering/Rented House	12.5	12.1	12.3	11.5	11.5	11.4	12.6	12.7	11.0	12.0	11.3	12.0	9.8	10.1	12.1	12.0	9.3
Friends/Relatives	8.4	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.3	7.1	7.0	10.1	7.8	7.0	8.5	10.7	6.6	8.4	8.0	10.0	6.8
Other	15.6	13.3	12.4	12.7	14.6	11.3	12.5	13.3	11.3	11.5	13.3	13.8	10.7	13.4	17.2	15.0	8.8

**Table 15: International travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Reason for Journey, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

€ million

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>International - Expenditure</b>	<b>3549.7</b>	<b>3924.0</b>	<b>4092.2</b>	<b>4,258.2</b>	<b>5,044.1</b>	<b>745.6</b>	<b>1108.8</b>	<b>1380.0</b>	<b>857.8</b>	<b>800.9</b>	<b>1,079.1</b>	<b>1540.0</b>	<b>838.2</b>	<b>949.1</b>	<b>1,325.9</b>	<b>1,597.1</b>	<b>1,172.0</b>
Holiday	2252.0	2565.3	2720.1	2,927.1	3,407.1	435.4	749.1	1036.7	498.9	458.5	760.8	1178.1	529.7	594.7	887.2	1,250.6	674.6
Business*	810.5	796.1	792.3	741.5	840.6	185.2	222.7	188.3	196.1	219.2	168.7	205.9	147.7	197.6	231.8	153.1	258.1
Visiting Friends/Relatives	290.4	351.2	366.7	387.4	531.7	77.7	75.0	104.4	109.6	80.7	102.3	95.0	109.4	101.7	95.0	123.9	211.1
Other	196.8	211.4	213.1	202.2	264.7	47.3	62.0	50.6	53.2	42.5	47.3	61.0	51.4	55.1	111.9	69.5	28.2

\* - See Background Notes under Definition of Tourism for change to definition of "Business".

**Table 16: International travel by Irish Residents - Total Estimated Expenditure by Region Visited, Q1 2003 - Q4 2005**

€ million

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2003				2004				2005			
						Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
<b>International - Expenditure</b>	<b>3549.7</b>	<b>3924.0</b>	<b>4092.2</b>	<b>4258.2</b>	<b>5044.1</b>	<b>745.6</b>	<b>1108.8</b>	<b>1380.0</b>	<b>857.8</b>	<b>800.9</b>	<b>1079.1</b>	<b>1540.0</b>	<b>838.2</b>	<b>949.1</b>	<b>1,325.9</b>	<b>1,597.1</b>	<b>1,172.0</b>
EU - 25*	-	-	-	2890.0	3277.5	-	-	-	-	486.7	788.8	1096.5	518.0	575.2	904.5	1,136.2	661.6
<i>Of which: EU - 15*</i>	2262.4	2584.2	2724.4	2763.7	3139.7	495.6	791.6	968.3	468.9	465.2	761.3	1063.8	473.4	551.0	870.4	1,093.6	624.7
Other Europe*	218.9	250.7	284.3	178.5	206.3	34.4	90.4	112.5	47.0	28.5	32.4	90.4	27.2	30.0	63.5	84.2	28.6
North America*	620.0	582.8	634.3	660.5	918.4	105.8	130.1	206.8	191.6	128.6	162.3	214.2	155.4	150.5	221.3	229.6	317.0
Central, South & Other Americas*	52.3	59.2	67.2	62.0	89.2	10.5	14.5	20.1	22.1	14.1	13.4	22.8	11.7	22.6	15.9	26.9	23.8
Asia & Middle East*	156.1	149.5	136.1	201.3	219.8	27.8	32.9	19.4	56.0	48.2	39.7	55.0	58.4	58.5	50.2	51.1	60.0
Africa*	121.9	148.7	124.8	128.8	136.2	37.4	26.6	22.6	38.2	40.6	18.5	30.6	39.1	33.8	32.9	36.5	33.0
Australia, New Zealand & Oceania*	118.1	148.9	121.1	137.1	196.7	34.1	22.7	30.3	34.0	54.2	24.0	30.5	28.4	78.5	37.6	32.6	48.0

\* - See Background Notes for Countries included in each group

## Background Notes

<b>Reference Period</b>	Calendar quarters
<b>Scope</b>	Domestic and International travel patterns involving overnight stays of all residents of the Republic of Ireland
<b>Coverage</b>	All private households
<b>Purpose</b>	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.
<b>Data Collection</b>	Information is collected via postal survey on a quarterly basis by the Central Statistics Office.
<b>Sample Design</b>	The HTS is a random stratified sample. Each quarter, almost 13,000 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 *household type* (the number of persons 18 or over) and *region* (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.

<b>Border, Midland and Western NUTS2 Region</b>		<b>Southern and Eastern NUTS2 Region</b>	
<b>Border</b>	Cavan Donegal Leitrim Louth Monaghan Sligo	<b>Dublin</b>	Dublin City Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Fingal South Dublin
<b>Midland</b>	Laois Longford Offaly Westmeath	<b>Mid-East</b>	Kildare Meath Wicklow
<b>West</b>	Galway City Galway Mayo Roscommon	<b>Mid-West</b>	Clare Limerick City Limerick North Tipperary
		<b>South-East</b>	Carlow Kilkenny South Tipperary Waterford City Waterford Wexford
		<b>South-West</b>	Cork City Cork Kerry

## 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, where clearly distinguishable from business trips, should also be excluded.

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For Quarter 4 2005, a number of changes were made to the Household Travel Survey questionnaire. One of these changes, to the Reason for Journey question, was to explicitly include "Work" in the "Business" category.

This change was made to address the Survey's inability to distinguish between business and work trips.

The effect of this change appears to have been a reduction in the trips in the "Other" category and an increase in the "Business" category.

*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.  
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 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.

## COUNTRY GROUPS

**EU 25** EU 25 includes the following Countries:

Austria	Latvia
Belgium	Lithuania
Cyprus	Luxembourg
Czech Republic	Malta
Denmark	Netherlands
Estonia	Poland
Finland	Portugal
France	Slovakia
Germany	Slovenia
Greece	Spain
Hungary	Sweden
Italy	United Kingdom

**EU 15** EU 15 includes the following Countries:

Austria	Italy
Belgium	Luxembourg
Denmark	Netherlands
Finland	Portugal
France	Spain
Germany	Sweden
Greece	United Kingdom

**Other Europe 2000-2003** For the period 2000-2003 Other Europe includes the following Countries:

Albania	<i>Latvia</i>
Andorra	Liechtenstein
Armenia	<i>Lithuania</i>
Azerbaijan	Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of
Belarus	<i>Malta</i>

Bosnia and Herzegovina	Moldova, Republic of
Bulgaria	Monaco
Croatia	Norway
<i>Cyprus</i>	<i>Poland</i>
<i>Czech Republic</i>	Romania
<i>Estonia</i>	Russian Federation
Faroe Islands	San Marino
Georgia	<i>Slovakia</i>
Gibraltar	<i>Slovenia</i>
Guernsey	Switzerland
<i>Hungary</i>	Turkey
Iceland	Ukraine
Isle of Man	Vatican City
Jersey	Yugoslavia (Federal Republic of)

**Other Europe  
2004 onwards**

From Q1 2004 Other Europe includes the following Countries:

Albania	Jersey
Andorra	Liechtenstein
Armenia	Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of
Azerbaijan	Moldova, Republic of
Belarus	Monaco
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Norway
Bulgaria	Romania
Croatia	Russian Federation
Faroe Islands	San Marino
Georgia	Switzerland
Gibraltar	Turkey
Guernsey	Ukraine
Iceland	Vatican City
Isle of Man	Yugoslavia (Federal Republic of)

**North America**

North America includes the following Countries:

Canada  
United States

**Central, South and  
Other Americas**

Central, South and Other Americas includes the following Countries:

Anguilla	Guyana
Antigua and Barbuda	Haiti
Argentina	Honduras
Aruba	Jamaica
Bahamas	Martinique
Barbados	Mexico
Belize	Montserrat
Bermuda	Netherlands Antilles
Bolivia	Nicaragua
Brazil	Panama
Cayman Islands	Paraguay
Chile	Peru
Colombia	Puerto Rico
Costa Rica	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Cuba	Saint Lucia
Dominica	Saint Pierre and Miquelon
Dominican Republic	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Ecuador	Suriname
El Salvador	Trinidad and Tobago
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	Turks and Caicos Islands
French Guiana	Uruguay
Greenland	Venezuela
Grenada	Virgin Islands, British

Guadeloupe  
Guatemala

Virgin Islands, US

**Asia and  
Middle East**

Asia and Middle East includes the following Countries:

Afghanistan	Macao
Bahrain	Malaysia
Bangladesh	Maldives
Bhutan	Mongolia
British Indian Ocean Territory	Myanmar
Brunei Darussalam	Nepal
Cambodia	Oman
China	Pakistan
East Timor	Palestinian Territory, Occupied
Hong Kong	Philippines
India	Qatar
Indonesia	Saudi Arabia
Iran, Islamic Republic of	Singapore
Iraq	Sri Lanka
Israel	Syrian Arab Republic
Japan	Taiwan, Province of China
Jordan	Tajikistan
Kazakhstan	Thailand
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of	Turkmenistan
Korea, Republic of	United Arab Emirates
Kuwait	Uzbekistan
Kyrgyzstan	Viet Nam
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Yemen
Lebanon	

**Africa** Africa includes the following Countries:

Algeria	Malawi
Angola	Mali
Benin	Mauritania
Botswana	Mauritius
Burkina Faso	Mayotte
Burundi	Morocco
Cameroon	Mozambique
Cape Verde	Namibia
Central African Republic	Niger
Chad	Nigeria
Comoros	Reunion
Congo	Rwanda
Congo, The Democratic Republic of the	Saint Helena
Cote d'Ivoire	Sao Tome and Principe
Djibouti	Senegal
Egypt	Seychelles
Equatorial Guinea	Sierra Leone
Eritrea	Somalia
Ethiopia	South Africa
Gabon	Sudan
Gambia	Swaziland
Ghana	Tanzania, United Republic of
Guinea	Togo
Guinea-Bissau	Tunisia
Kenya	Uganda
Lesotho	Western Sahara
Liberia	Zambia
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Zimbabwe
Madagascar	

**Australia, New Zealand  
and Oceania**

Australia, New Zealand and Oceania includes the following Countries:

American Samoa	New Zealand
Antarctica	Niue
Australia	Norfolk Island
Bouvet Island	Northern Mariana Islands
Christmas Island	Palau
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	Papua New Guinea
Cook Islands	Pitcairn
Fiji	Samoa
French Polynesia	Solomon Islands
French Southern Territories	South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands
Guam	Svalbard and Jan Mayen
Heard Island and McDonald Islands	Tokelau
Kiribati	Tonga
Marshall Islands	Tuvalu
Micronesia, Federated States of	United States Minor Outlying Islands
Nauru	Vanuatu
New Caledonia	Wallis and Futuna