IRELAND Market Profile 2023

No. 16 Rank

1.6% Market Share





• <u>2019</u>: 53,089

• <u>2020</u>: 13,164

• <u>2021</u>: 13,787

• <u>2022</u>: 37,886

• <u>2023</u>: 46,764





Seasonality











20.8%

Air Connectivity

Airlines



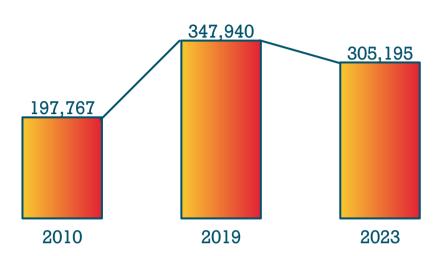
Airports

- Dublin
- Shannon



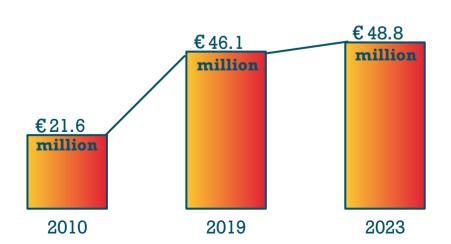
Bed Nights

Total Nights

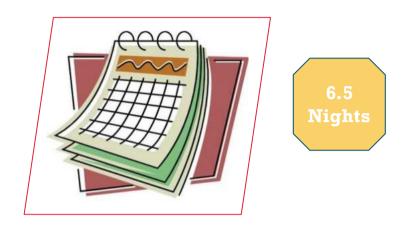


Expenditure

Total Expenditure



Average Length of Stay

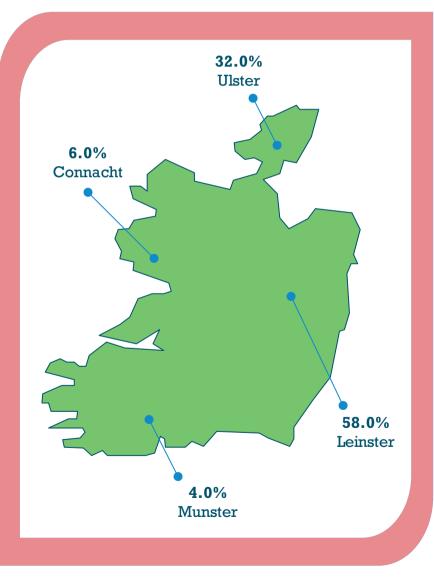


Expenditure per Capita

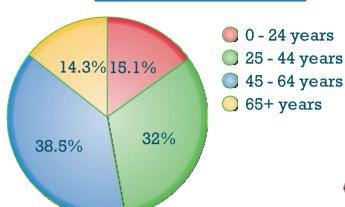


Socio-Demographic Profile

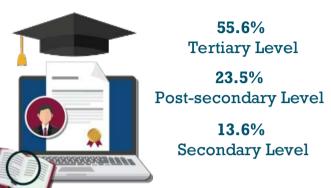
Region of Residence



Age Groups



Level of Education



Average Age: 56 years

Occupation



42.2%	31.3%
Employed	Retired
Full-time	
10.8%	9.6%
Self-	Employed

Part-time

employed

Living Arrangements

54.2% With Spouse/Partner

19.3% With Spouse/Partner and Children

> 18.1% On their own

3.6% With Relatives/ Friends/ Room Mates

2.4% With Children

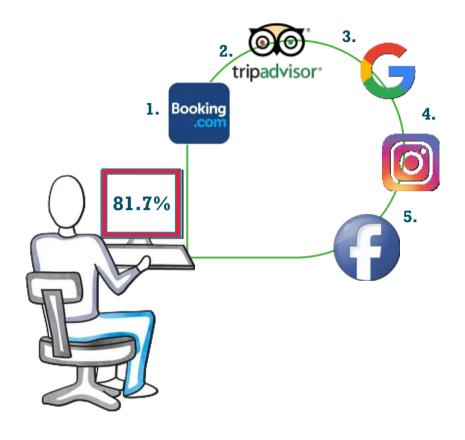


2.4% With Parents

Regular

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Travel Purposes





Travel Motivations

Sun & Culture



61.9%

Wellness



7.9%

Business



2.4%

Sun



19.1%

Culture



6.6%

Other Sports



1.3%

Special Occasion



9.5%

Visiting Friends & Relatives



4.1%

Scuba Diving



1.1%

Destination Choice Influencers

Communication Channels



63.8%Digital Media



45.8%
Recommendation by
Friends/Relatives



18.1%
Tour Operator
brochure/website



8.4%
Recommendation
by travel agent



6.0% Travel Guide book



6.0%



4.8%
Newspaper/ Magazine
Advert/ Article



3.6% Books

Other Factors



56.6% New Destination



43.4%
Good flight connections



39.8% English Spoken Widely



28.9% Previous Visit



22.9%
Cost/ Value
for Money

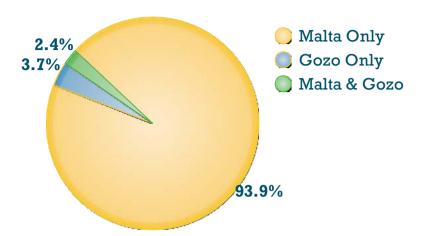


18.1% Maltese Hospitality

Trip Booking

85.4% Completed Trip Bookings Online

Type of Trip



1st Time vs Repeat Tourists



76.2% **23.8**% First Time Repeat

Travelling Party



12.2% Alone



53.7% Spouse/Partner



19.5% Family



9.8% Friends



3.7% Organised Group



1.2% Business Associates

Type of Accommodation Used

Malta & Gozo



12.3% of Irish tourists spending nights in Malta stayed in 5* hotels.

51.9% stayed in 4* hotels.

9.9% stayed in 3* hotels.



16.0% utlised self-catering apartment/farmhouse/villa.

Activities Engaged In

Cultural



77.1% Visit Historical Buildings



75.9% Visit Churches



42.2% Visit Museums



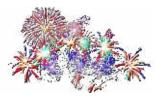
42.2% Visit temples/ archeological sites



14.5% Visit local produce sites/ agro-experiences



13.3% Visit arts/ craft sites



13.3% Attend Local festival/ event

Outdoor



59.0%Swimming/
Sunbathing



57.8% Leisure Boat trip/ tour



19.3% Trekking/ Hiking



1.1% Scuba Diving

Recreational



78.3% Dine at restaurants



65.1% Shopping



31.3% Spa/Wellness



12.0% Nightlife/ Clubbing Exceeded

Met

Not Met



40.2%



46.3%



13.4%

91.1%

Would recommend the Maltese Islands to their friends/ relatives



Sources: MIA, NSO & MTA Traveller Survey Compiled by MTA Research Unit