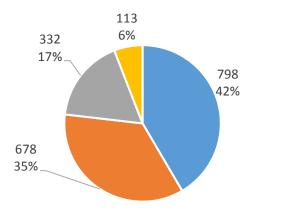
The CSO's latest release on Overseas Travel was published on 26th April 2018. Fáilte Ireland's Research Team have summarised the latest results below:



Trips from Great Britain grew by 0.3% to 789,000 compared to Q1 2017. However, the volume of British trips is down 2016.

Just four markets, Germany, France, Spain and Italy accounted for more than half of Mainland European trips to Ireland in the first two months of the year.

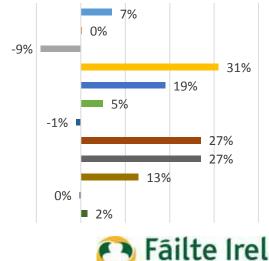
Fig. 2: Market Share of Overseas trips JANUARY-MARCH 2018



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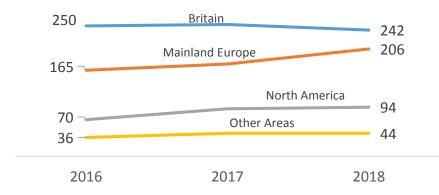
Fig. 4: Year on Year change (%) JANUARY-MARCH 2018 vs 2017



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Britain is the main source market of overseas tourists in the 1st quarter of the year, followed by Mainland Europe. Less than a quarter of overseas trips originate from Long Haul markets in the first three months of the year. PREPARED BY FAILTE IRELAND'S RESEARCH UNIT

Fig. 1.1: Overseas trips to Ireland (000s) JANUARY 2016 to 2018



January accounts for just about 6% of overseas trips to Ireland each year.

Trips from Great Britain fell 4% to 241,500 compared to January 2017.

Trips from North America (93,800) and Mainland Europe (206,500) are up 3% and 17% respectively.

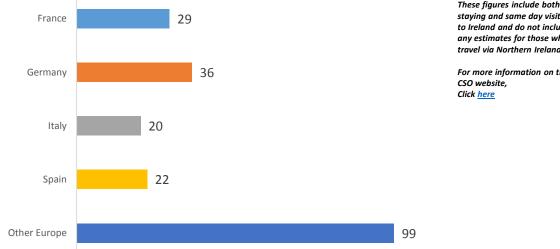


Fig. 3.1: Breakdown of Trips (000s) from Mainland Europe JANUARY 2018

Just four markets, Germany, France, Spain and Italy accounted for more than half of Mainland European trips to Ireland in January.

Fig. 4.1: Year on Year change (%) JANUARY 2018 vs 2017



Fig. 2.1: Market Share of Overseas trips JANUARY 2018

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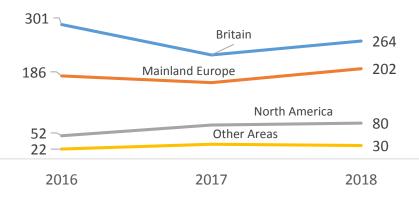
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Fig. 1.2: Overseas trips to Ireland (000s) FEBRUARY 2016 to 2018



February accounts for about 5% of overseas trips to Ireland each year.

Trips from Great Britain grew 13%% to 263,500 compared to February 2017. However, trips from Britain in February were 14% lower than in 2016.

Trips from North America (79,600) and Mainland Europe (202,100) are up 5% and 18% respectively.

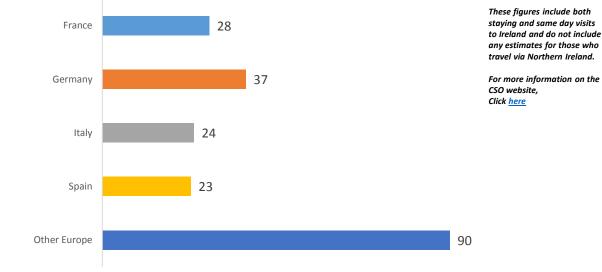
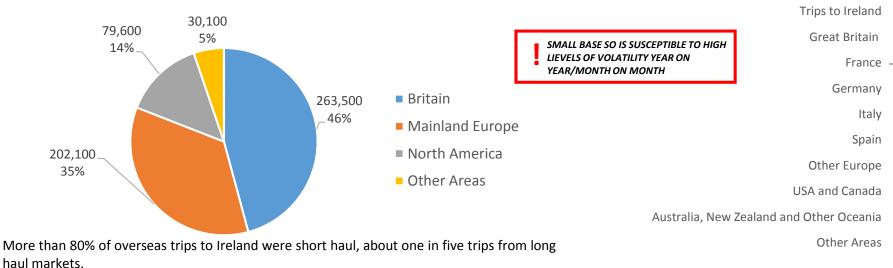


Fig. 3.2: Breakdown of Trips (000s) from Mainland Europe FEBRUARY 2018

Just four markets, Germany, France, Spain and Italy accounted for more than half of Mainland European trips to Ireland in February.

Fig. 4.2: Year on Year change (%) FEBRUARY 2018 vs 2017



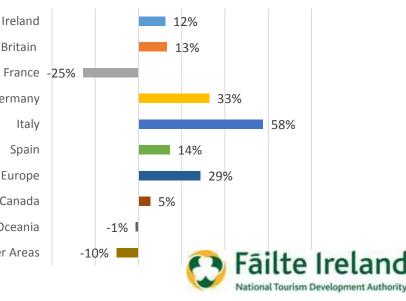
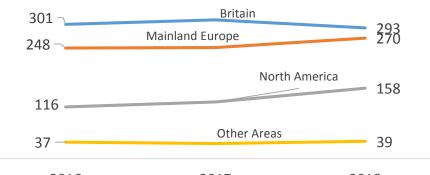


Fig. 2.2: Market Share of Overseas trips FEBRUARY 2018

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Fig. 1.2: Overseas trips to Ireland (000s) MARCH 2016 to 2018



2016 2017 2018 February accounts for about 10% of overseas trips to Ireland each year. Trips from Great Britain fell by 6%% to 293,300 compared to March 2017. Trips from North America (158,200) and Mainland Europe (269,700) are up 25% and 9% respectively.

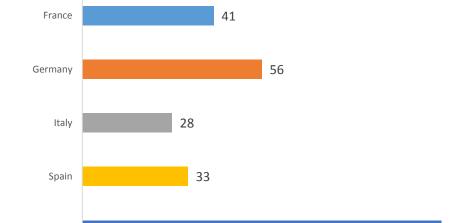
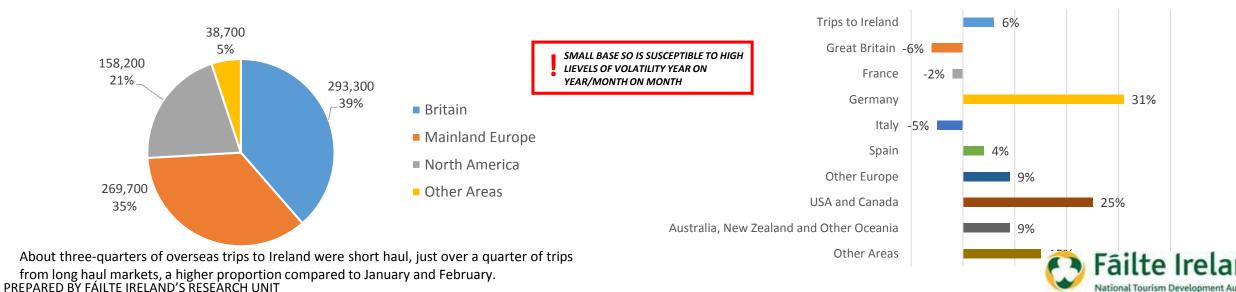


Fig. 3.2: Breakdown of Trips (000s) from Mainland Europe MARCH 2018

France and Germany accounted for over a third of European Trips in March..

Fig. 4.2: Year on Year change (%) MARCH 2018 vs 2017



Other Europe

Fig. 2.2: Market Share of Overseas trips MARCH 2018

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