

SOUTH AFRICA MARKET PROFILE | 2015

### SOUTH AFRICA MARKET OVERVIEW

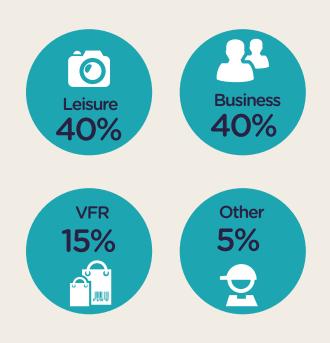
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GDP PER CAPITA (US \$)	6,620		
ANNUAL AVERAGE GDP GROWTH OVER PAST DECADE (%)	1.9%		
MAJOR CITIES	Johannesburg/Durban/Cape Town		
LANGUAGE(S)	Afrikaans (14% ) /English (10% ) 9 African languages (76% )		
CURRENCY	ZAR		

## SOUTH AFRICA OUTBOUND TRAVEL

YEAR	2010	2011	2012	2013 (est)	2014 (est)
NUMBERS	1,855 Million	1,872 Million	1,821 Million	1,809Million	1,908Million
YEAR ON YEAR GROWTH %	12%	1%	-3%	3%	1.8%
VISITOR NUMBERS TO EUROPE	580,000	600,000	606,000	624,180	670,000
YEAR ON YEAR GROWTH %	8%	3%	1%	3%	7%

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## PURPOSE OF TRAVEL (% SHARE OF VISITS)



# **TOP 5 DESTINATIONS TO VISIT**

WORLD WIDE	EUROPE
1. UK	1. UK
2. Thailand	2. Italy
3. UAE	3. France
4. USA	4. Greece
5. France	5. Turkey

## PEAK TRAVEL PERIODS

MONTH	AVERAGE LENGTH OF HOLIDAY
May to September	7 to 10 Days
December	7 to 10 days



#### **OUTBOUND TRAVEL TO IRELAND**

MARKET	2013	2014	2013 vs 2014 % Variance
South Africa	25,000	28,000	12%
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## TOURISM IRELAND'S TARGET MARKETS / SEGMENTS

NAME	AGE	PROFILE	% OF TOTAL POPULATION	HOW DO THEY BOOK THEIR HOLIDAY?	ACCOMMODA- TION TYPE WHILE ON HOLIDAYS	HOW DO THEY LIKE TO TRAVEL WITHIN IRELAND?	KEY REQUIREMENTS FROM IRISH INDUSTRY FOR THIS SEGMENT
W	White, English speaking, well travelled, enjoy unusual destinations.	1% of population and 30% of outbound	Travel Agent Online	5 star 4 star	Self drive	Good price Excellent service	
	adventurous, highly travel market educated, balance work, family and busy life, information and technol- ogy are important	travel market		3star		Delivery of promises Promotional offers	
Mature	60 - 70	White, English speaking, retired, financially independent with high disposable income, include VFR, travel for longer periods	0.7% of population and 20% of outbound travel market	Travel Agent Online direct	5 star 4 star 3 star	Self drive, Coach tours Rail tours	Good price Excellent service Delivery of promises Promotional offers
Sports travel	35+	Predominantly male, white, English & Afrikaans speaking, travel as a group to attend or watch sports, follow team, enjoy travelling to cities	0.4% of population and 15% of outbound travel market	Sport travel operator	5 star 4 star 3 star	Group tours	Creative packages incorporating sporting experiences, games and activities

# WEEKLY FLIGHTS & SEATS FROM KEY CITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA TO IRELAND

DEPARTURE CITY	NO. OF FLIGHTS PER WEEK	NO OF SEATS	INDIRECT AIRLINES
Johannesburg	70	21,000	Air France, British Airways, Emirates, Etihad Airways, KLM, Lufthansa, Turkish Airlines
Cape Town	56	16,000	British Airways, Emirates, KLM, Turkish Airlines.
Durban	7	2,100	Emirates

**IRELAND'S STRENGTHS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR TARGET MARKET** 

#### **VISA REQUIREMENTS**





#### **Top 5 Attractions**

- 1. Guinness Storehouse
  - 2. Titanic Belfast
  - 3. Blarney Castle
  - 4. Cliffs of Moher
- 5. Giant's Causeway

3. Easy to self drive around Ireland 4. Variety of unique experiences

5. Familiar culture and language

**IRELAND'S STRENGTHS** 

1. No visa required for the Republic of Ireland

2. Friendly people

#### **IRELAND'S OPPORTUNITIES**

1. South Africa is an emerging market 2. Wild Atlantic Way and other touring routes 3. Popularity of St Patrick's Day

4. Ancestral links and diaspora. Over 30,000 South Africans have an Irish passport 5. Strong relationship with Irish Associations to engage in tourism brand awareness



## TRAVEL TRADE MARKET

TRAVEL TRADE	CURRENTLY PROGRAMME IRELAND
1. Thompsons Holidays	Ireland 3-11 day FIT and group tours
2. Holiday Tours	Ireland 6-8 day FIT and group tours
3. Travel Vision	Ireland 5-9 day FIT and group tours
4. British Tips · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ireland and UK Ireland 6-10 10day FIT and group tours
5.United Europe	Ireland FIT and group tours
6.Trafalgar	Ireland and UK & Ireland 6-19 day FIT and group tours
7. Insight vacations	Ireland and UK & Ireland 9-22 day FIT and group tours
8.Cosmus Globus · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ireland coach tours 7-11 coach tours
9. Icon Holidays	Ireland and UK 7-16 Days FIT and Groups Tours
10.Travel and Sport	Ireland and UK & Ireland Leisure, Sport and School groups





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