Britain's Welcome: 2023



Key highlights:

Britain is deemed a welcoming destination by **over 9 in 10** (93%) international visitors, with almost 2 in 3 rating their experience as very welcoming on their last visit.

However, the proportion reporting a positive welcome is down 4 ppts vs 2017 (97%).

Welcome by age category: Welcome felt most strongly amongst older visitors.



Welcome by journey purpose (% very welcome, GL Avg: 65%)



Welcome felt most strongly amongst **VFR visitors**, followed by those holidaying.

Business visitors felt a weaker sense of welcome than visitors for all other purposes.

Source: Visit Britain/International Passenger Survey 2023, Q: "Overall, how welcome did you feel in the UK?" Base: Visitors staying 1+ night in Britain, excludes UK nationals (expats) and Don't know/refused responses. *Holiday purpose only, among 20 largest spending markets in 2023

Top markets by welcome* (welcome + very welcome)



