

**GB Day Visits 2018**  
**November 2018**  
**GB & England**



# Day Visits: Definitions

- Respondents were asked to provide details of their participation, during the previous week, in a list of leisure activities. Any participation in a listed activity, outside of the respondent's home but in any place within the UK is considered to be a **Leisure Day Visit**.
- Respondents provided information on the volume of Leisure Day Visits taken and full details of any Leisure Day Visits lasting 3 hours or more. Where the details of these visits are reported they are described as **3+ hour Leisure Day Visits**.
- The main focus of this study is on **Tourism Day Visits**, which are a further subset of 3+ hour Leisure Day Visits defined as follows:
  - **Activities** - involving participation in one or more of the pre-listed activities;
  - **Duration** - lasting at least 3 hours, including time spent travelling to the destination;
  - **Regularity** - the participant indicates that the visit (i.e. same activity in same place) is not undertaken 'very regularly';
  - **Place** - the destination of the visit is different from the place (i.e. city, town, village or London borough) where the participant lives. If the visit is taken from a workplace, the destination is in a different place from the workplace. This rule is not applied when the visit has involved watching live sporting events, going to visitor attractions or going to special public events.
- We also measure the **Activities Core to Tourism Visits**, a subset of Tourism Day Visits, which only concern visits involving a selection of activities related to tourism.

# Re-weighting of 2011 to 2015 data

- In 2016 the following changes were identified as necessary and implemented on the survey from January 2016:
  - Questionnaire improvements to make the survey more engaging and easy to complete
  - Questionnaire revisions required as part of the 'merging' of GBDVS with the GBTS online piloting
  - From January 2016 the weekly sample size contacted for the survey increased from 673 to 1,000
- This combination of small changes made to the GBDVS questionnaire had worked together to increase levels of visits reported by respondents by around **+15%**.
- As a result, the results from the past years in this report have all been revised to take into account this increase of **+15%** and thus make the data more comparable with the current scores.
- For more information please see:  
<https://www.visitbritain.org/about-gbts-and-gbdvs>

# Tourism Day Visits Summary

- The volume of day visits in Great Britain (GB) in the three months to November 2018 decreased by -8% to 407 million when compared with the same period last year. By contrast, the value of these visits increased by +8% to £17.4 billion.
- GB year-to-date volume decreased by -6% to 1.55 billion. However, the value increased by +3% to £58.2 billion.
- In the three months to November 2018, the volume of visits in England decreased by -11% to 336 million, while the value of these visits increased by +7% to £14.6 billion.
- Year-to-date volume of visits in England also decreased by -6% to 1.3 billion yet the value of these visits increased by +5% to £48.6 billion compared to the same period in 2017

# Tourism Day Visits GB & England

	Volume of Visits (millions)							Value of Visits (£millions)						
	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016	2017	2018	% (+/-) '17/'18	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016	2017	2018	% (+/-) '17/'18
Sept- Nov														
GB	439.2	449.3	428.8	445.9	443.3	406.6	<b>-8%</b>	£14,407	£16,109	£16,761	£16,625	£16,143	£17,371	<b>+8%</b>
Eng	380.3	386.7	367.1	377.8	376.1	336.0	<b>-11%</b>	£12,073	£13,420	£14,775	£13,926	£13,643	£14,581	<b>+7%</b>
Jan- Nov														
GB	1669.5	1667.8	1600.2	1683.9	1648.3	1550.9	<b>-6%</b>	£56,419	£56,490	£56,478	£57,509	£56,588	£58,205	<b>+3%</b>
Eng	1437.6	1414.2	1361.0	1432.9	1385.1	1300.5	<b>-6%</b>	£48,178	£47,351	£48,783	£48,287	£46,090	£48,562	<b>+5%</b>

**Base sizes:**

**GB:** September– November 2018 (4847); January– November 2018 (17790)

**England:** September – November 2018 (3544); January– November 2018 (13194)

\*Estimates – see slide 3

# Activities Core to Tourism Summary

- The volume of ACT visits in Great Britain in the three months to November 2018 decreased by -5% when compared with the same period last year, to 119 million
- However, the value of these visits increased by +8% to £3.8 billion
- Year-to-date volume of visits at GB level, however, decreased by -7% to 477 million while the value increased by +9% to £16.3 billion
- Looking at England in the three months to November 2018, the volume of ACT visits decreased by -7% to 97 million while value increased by +9% to £3.2 billion
- Year-to-date ACT visits volume also decreased by -5% to 396 million in England. The value of these visits, however, increased by +10% to £13.7 billion

# Activities Core to Tourism GB & England

	Volume of Visits (millions)							Value of Visits (£millions)						
	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016	2017	2018	% (+/-) '17/'18	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016	2017	2018	% (+/-) '17/'18
Sept- Nov														
GB	133.6	141.3	135.8	127.0	125.5	119.0	<b>-5%</b>	£3,960	£4,688	£4,918	£3,626	£3,573	£3,848	<b>+8%</b>
Eng	115.5	123.3	115.6	107.3	103.9	97.0	<b>-7%</b>	£3,297	£4,039	£4,320	£2,954	£2,981	£3,236	<b>+9%</b>
Jan- Nov														
GB	502.9	519.1	492.3	517.3	510.2	476.6	<b>-7%</b>	£16,287	£16,130	£16,895	£15,784	£14,976	£16,302	<b>+9%</b>
Eng	428.9	441.2	423.1	437.7	419.3	396.2	<b>-5%</b>	£14,035	£13,748	£14,683	£12,952	£12,395	£13,670	<b>+10%</b>

**Base sizes:**

**GB:** September– November 2018 (1481); January– November 2018 (5512)

**England:** September – November 2018 (1065); January– November 2018 (4004)

\*Estimates – see slide 3

# 3+ Hour Day Visits Summary

- 3+ hour day visits in Great Britain for the three months to November 2018 decreased by -5%, compared to the same period in 2017, to 677 million visits
- The value of these visits increased by +10% for the three months prior to the same period last year to £24.2 billion.
- Year-to-date, volume is down by -5% to 2.6 billion visits but value increased by +5% to £83.2 billion
- In England, volume declined by -7% in the three months prior to November 2018 to 559 million visits. The value of these visits increased, by +7%, to £20.1 billion
- Year-to-date the volume of day visits in England decreased relative to the same period in 2017 by -5% to 2.1 billion. However, the value increased by +7% to £69.6 billion

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	Volume of Visits (millions)							Value of Visits (£millions)						
	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016	2017	2018	% (+/-) '17/'18	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016	2017	2018	% (+/-) '17/'18
Sept- Nov														
GB	713.6	733.3	713.2	751.5	711.5	677.0	<b>-5%</b>	£21,078	£21,475	£23,198	£23,441	£22,010	£24,165	<b>+10%</b>
Eng	608.2	625.6	606.9	633.1	602.6	558.9	<b>-7%</b>	£17,858	£17,972	£20,160	£19,806	£18,797	£20,107	<b>+7%</b>
Jan- Nov														
GB	2698.9	2746.6	2649.8	2821.6	2699.5	2565.5	<b>-5%</b>	£76,268	£76,545	£76,746	£81,249	£79,357	£83,218	<b>+5%</b>
Eng	2289.9	2305.3	2228.7	2383.7	2266.6	2143.1	<b>-5%</b>	£64,312	£63,497	£65,250	£68,121	£64,945	£69,568	<b>+7%</b>

**Base sizes:**

**GB:** September– November 2018 (7992); January– November 2018 (29075)

**England:** September – November 2018 (5690); January– November 2018 (20967)

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