

VISITORS TO: Top Free Visitor Attractions 2018

RANK	NAME OF ATTRACTION	COUNTY	2018
1	Kilkenny Castle Parklands	Kilkenny	799,032
2	National Gallery of Ireland	Dublin	775,491
3	Glendalough Monument & Site	Wicklow	732,824
4	National Botanic Gardens	Dublin	655,609
5	Castletown House Parklands	Kildare	642,278
6	Irish Museum of Modern Art	Dublin	505,891
7	Doneraile Park	Cork	490,000
8	National Museum of Ireland - Archaeology	Dublin	466,038
9	Farmleigh Estate	Dublin	389,932
10	Science Gallery at Trinity College Dublin	Dublin	380,000
11	Battle of the Boyne/Oldbridge Estate	Meath	355,608
12	Chester Beatty Library	Dublin	350,000
13	National Museum of Ireland - Natural History	Dublin	345,513
14	Emo Court Parklands	Laois	315,204
15	Galway City Museum	Galway	286,925
16	Connemara National Park	Galway	250,000
17	Crawford Art Gallery	Cork	230,990
18	Glenveagh Castle and Grounds	Donegal	202,655
19	Phoenix Park Visitor Centre	Dublin	201,671
20	National Museum of Ireland - Decorative Arts & History	Dublin	198,974
21	Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	Dublin	171,647
22	Derrynane Parklands	Kerry	169,047
23	Hill of Tara Grounds	Meath	166,468
24	Dublin City Hall	Dublin	159,427
25	Castlecomer Discovery Park	Kilkenny	130,000
26	National Museum of Ireland - Country Life, Turlough Park	Mayo	116,206
27	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Whitefriar St	Dublin	110,000
28	Newbridge Silverware	Kildare	108,000
29	Lough Boora Discovery Park	Offaly	101,000
30	Cork Vision Centre @St Peter's	Cork	93,000
31	Fota Arboretum & Gardens	Cork	92,750
32	Grianan of Aileach	Donegal	90,435
33	The Glucksman, University College Cork	Cork	80,351
34	Gallery of Photography	Dublin	80,000
35	Nicholas Mosse Pottery	Kilkenny	80,000
36	Limerick City Gallery of Art	Limerick	75,600
37	Duckett's Grove & Walled Garden	Carlow	73,638
38	The Burren Perfumery	Clare	70,000
39	National Botanic Gardens - Wicklow	Wicklow	64,844
40	Elizabeth Fort	Cork	61,815
41	Hore Abbey	Tipperary	60,593
42	Downpatrick Head -Cliffs	Mayo	54,999
43	Loughcrew Gardens	Meath	45,048
44	James Joyce Tower Museum	Dublin	43,000
45	Rock of Dunamase	Laois	40,032
46	Connemara Celtic Crystal Visitor Centre	Galway	40,000
47	Vandeleur Walled Gardens	Clare	35,000
48	St. Audoen's Church	Dublin	34,383
49	Youghal Heritage Centre	Cork	34,074
50	Pearse Museum	Dublin	33,798

These are the top 50 Free Visitor Attractions based on Fáilte Ireland Visitor Attractions Survey 2018, which was carried out by SRI in the second quarter of 2019. Estimates of visitors to attractions may include usage by local residents.

An attraction may be defined as a permanently established destination, capable of attracting day visitors or tourists, which must be open to the public, without them necessarily having to pre-book. The primary purpose of the attraction should be sightseeing, for which it may be feasible to charge admission. It should also allow access for entertainment, interest, or education rather than being primarily a retail outlet or a venue for sporting, theatrical, or film performances.

