

# Cigarettes in Ireland

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Rising prices and anti-smoking efforts drive a volume decline for tobacco, while Illicit trade grows

Gallaher (Dublin) Ltd strengthens its leadership in Ireland as consumers shift to economy cigarette brands

Convenience stores lead sales while retail e-commerce and forecourts gain ground

## PROSPECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Tightening regulations and rising prices are set to accelerate decline and boost economy sales Illicit trade and cross-border purchases are set to challenge sales as tobacco prices continue to climb Channel sales will shift to store-based retail as regulations on licenses get stricter

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