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Retail/Outlet Park vs High Street Retailing - Ireland

There has been a veritable explosion in the growth of retail park developments across Ireland, particularly over the last decade. There are now upwards of 100 developments of varying size and classification of planning consent in Ireland.

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Furniture Retailing - Ireland

The furniture retail sector in Ireland has been hit by a slowdown in consumer spending and reduced consumer confidence. Increasingly, wary consumers hold off on purchasing big-ticket items. Moreover, the market faces new competition in the form of both IKEA and mass retailers (e.g. Land of Leather, DFS).

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Alcohol Retailing - Ireland

While the on-trade is losing custom on the back of the introduction of the smoking ban, continued increases in price and its association with violence of Saturday night drinking brawls, the off-trade is continuing to benefit from a consumer migration toward in-home entertainment, the price competition between supermarkets and off-licences ...

Food Retailing - Ireland

There have been few significant changes to the dynamics of Ireland's food retail market over the past number of years, with the exception of the growth of discounters and the continued demise of independent retailers.

Childrenswear Retailing - Ireland

The value of the childrenswear market in Ireland was €895 million in 2007. The poor weather during summer 2007 and tighter economic environment did have a negative impact on children's clothing sales, causing a marginal decline which is likely to continue into 2008.