

### INTRODUCTION

Why is Ireland the tiger?

ANALYSIS

Results

### CASE STUDIES

What about globalization.

CONCLUSION



Why is Ireland called the Celtic tiger?

WHOA!



# INTRODUCTION

**Theory first** 



#### Introduction.



#### 1980's and 1990's

The Irish economy in the 1980's through the 1990's was steadily increasing, to become one of the world's most rapidly growing. During this time of economic boom people from around the world began to move back to their ancestral roots in Ireland for employment. (Bromund, 2011)



#### The Peak

The Irish economy was at its peak during the period between 1997-2007; and was thus named the "Celtic Tiger." Ireland moved from being one of the poorest countries in Europe to one of the richest in only a matter of years. (Dorgan, 2006)

Bromund, Theodore, and J.D. Foster, Ph. D. "President Obama Visits the Irish Financial Crisis." The Heritage Foundation. Last modified May 20, 2011.http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2011/05/president-obama-visits-the-irish-financial-crisis Dorgan, Sean. "How Ireland Became the Celtic Tiger." The Heritage Foundation. Last modified June 23,2006. http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2006/06/how-ireland-became-the-celtic-tiger



The Irish economy was named the Celtic Tiger, because the tiger was a reference to strong economies in Asia; while the celtic part comes from Ireland being a celtic nation.

- JACK, 2010

Jack, Ian. "Ireland: The Rise & the Crash." Review of Ship of Fools: How Stupidity and Corruption Sank the Celtic Tiger, by Fintan O'Toole. The New York Review of Books. 2010. http://www.nybooks.com/articles/archives/2010/nov/11/ireland-rise-crash/?pagination=false

#### **Employment**

In only of span of fifteen years (1990-2005) the employment rate in Ireland went from 1.1 million to 1.9 million. Irelands' trading market began to expanded internationally; which attracted many people to Ireland for work. (Dorgan, 2006)



# CASE STUDIES



9 of the top 10

8 of the top 10

8 of the top 10

global ICT companies\*

gaming companies\*

global pharmaceutical companies\*

6 of the top 7

15 of the top 20

50%

diagnostics companies\*

medical device companies\*

of world's leading financial services firms\*

<sup>\*</sup> Enterprise Ireland

#### WHYYYY??

Ireland's taxation system is distinctive for its low headline rate of corporation tax at 12.5% (for trading income), which is half the OECD average of 24.9%. (Jahnsen, 2017)



Ireland's Corporate
Tax System has
seen Ireland labelled
a tax haven, and in
June 2018,
academics
estimated that
Ireland was the
largest global tax
haven. (Rubin, 2018)

Kari JAHNSEN, 2017, Corporate Income Tax Rates around the World. FISCAL FACT No. 559. Tax Foundation Richard RUBIN, 2018. Corporations Push Profits Into Tax Havens as Countries Struggle in Pursuit, Study Says online: https://www.wsj.com/articles/corporations-push-profits-into-tax-havens-as-countries-struggle-in-pursuit-study-says-1528634659?reflink=desktopwebshare\_permalink



# ANALYSE

## APPLE, what have you done?



### APPLE IN IRELAND



#### On 23 December 1980, Apple opened production facilities in Holyhill, Cork. (Leswing, 2016)

- By November 2016, Apple employed 6,000 people in Ireland, almost all of whom were in the Apple Hollyhill Cork plant. (Bowers, 2013)
- From 2004 to 2014 Apple's Irish subsidiary shifted 110,821
   m EUR (COFFEY, 2018)
- Avoide taxes = 13,853 m EUR

LESWING, Kif. 2016. "Apple defended its Irish tax-minimizing operation using a cla Insider. Retrieved 14 November 2016.

BOWERS, Simon. 2013 "Apple's multi-billion dollar, low-tax profit hub: Knocknahe <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2013/may/29/apple-tax-profits-ireland-cork">https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2013/may/29/apple-tax-profits-ireland-cork</a> COFFEY ,Seamus. 2018 Irish Fiscal Advisory Council. "What Apple did next". Experience of the control of the

#### **DID YOU KNOW THIS?**

e Jobs in Cork". Business

University College Cork.

#### The Tug-of-War of 13 Billion Euros: Apple's Tax Row



#### 1991

1st Sweetheart Deal. A tax ruling was agreed upon. This alleged preferential treatment to Apple.

#### 2007

2nd Sweetheart Deal. The same year when iPhone was released. The deal stayed in place until 2015.



Offshore investigations revealed Apple had paid less than 2% tax in Ireland for several years.

#### 2014

EU opens a formal investigation into Apple's tax deal with Ireland. The Commission announced 'illegal state aid'.



#### 2019

Apple's appeal is heard in a Luxembourg court. Ireland's reputaion on the line.

#### 2020

Apple wins the landmark court case. EU's 2nd highest court in Luxembourg ruled 'the Commission could not prove that the Irish govt. had given the U.S. tech giant a tax-advantage'.

#### 1980

Apple, lead by Steve Jobs, begins operations in Ireland. Announced investment of £7M and create 700 jobs. Opens a manufacturing unit in Cork with 60 employees.



Apple changes the residency of its Irish subsidiaries to comply with new tax laws.



#### 2016

Enter: Margrethe Vestager; Orders Ireland to claw back €13 billion worth of unpaid taxes. A special deal with Ireland allowed Apple to pay 50 cents for every 1 million of profit.



In fact, the tax treatment in Ireland enabled Apple to avoid taxation on almost all profits generated by sales of Apple products in the entire EU Single Market. This is due to Apple's decision to record all sales in Ireland rather than in the countries where the products were sold.

— Margrethe Vestager, "State aid: Ireland gave illegal tax benefits to Apple worth up to €13 billion", 30 August 2016.



#### How the government could spend 13 000 000 000 EUR?

Build 20 new hospitals.

(new children hospital is estimate to cost 650m EUR)

01

02

Build another extension to the Luas – tram systém

Estimate cost 368m EUR

Boost supply of social housing

Governemnt's 5.5 b EUR Action Plan could be almost tripled

03



Information from IRISH TIMES graphics.

Encourage people to save

The last scheme, which gave peacople a boost of 25% on their saving, was said to have cost 2,4b EUR

Abolish property tax

Apple's tax bill could cover it fo the next 26 year

**05** 



04

Fast-track construction of 2,4b EUR Metro North

Not to be completed untill 2025



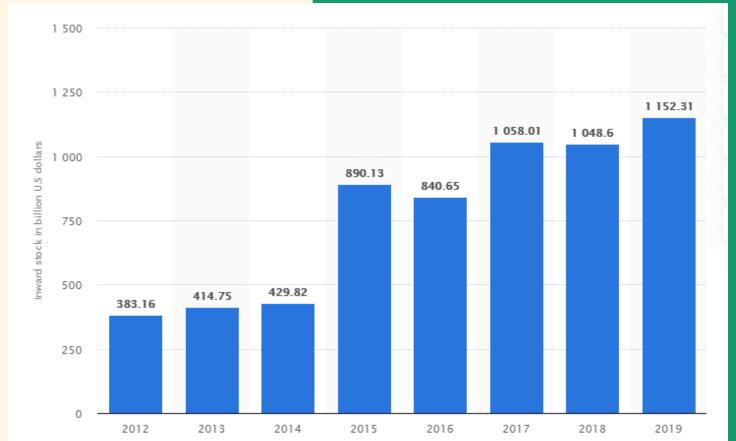
## CONCLUSION



- 1) US-controlled firms are 25 of the top 50 and represent €317.8 billion of the €454.4 billion in total 2017 revenue (or 70%);
- 2) Apple alone is over 26% of the total top 50 revenue and greater than all top 50 Irish companies combined (see leprechaun economics on Apple as one-fifth of Irish GDP);
- 3) UK-controlled firms are 3 of the top 50 and represent €18.9 billion of the €454.4 billion in total 2017 revenue (or 4%); Shire and Experian are pre the UK transformation to a "territorial" model;
- 4) Irish-controlled firms are 22 of the top 50 and represent €117.7 billion of the €454.4 billion in total 2017 revenue (or 26%);
- 5) There are no other firms in the top 50 Irish companies from other jurisdictions. (<a href="https://lines.2018.">Irish Times. 2018.</a>)

#### Foreign direct investment (FDI) inward stock in Ireland from 2012 to 2019

**Source: Statista** 



### THANKS!

Do you have any questions?

**CREDITS**: This presentation template was created by **Slidesgo**, including icons by **Flaticon**, and infographics & images by **Freepik** 

Please keep this slide for attribution

