

# Irish Prison Service

## Monthly Information Note – August 2016

### Committals to Prison 2011 – 2015

|                   | 2015    | 2014    | 2013    | 2012    | 2011    |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| <b>Committals</b> | 17,206  | 16,155  | 15,735  | 17,026  | 17,319  |
|                   | 14,182  | 13,408  | 13,055  | 13,860  | 13,952  |
|                   | persons | Persons | persons | persons | persons |

### Committals to and Releases from Prison in August 2016

|                        | Committals in August                 | Year To Date                          | Releases in August                   | Year To Date                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Mountjoy Male</b>   | 188                                  | 1,472                                 | 232                                  | 1,511                                 |
| <b>Mountjoy Female</b> | 149                                  | 1,168                                 | 150                                  | 1,150                                 |
| <b>Training Unit</b>   | 0                                    | 0                                     | 1                                    | 37                                    |
| <b>St. Patrick's</b>   | 8                                    | 106                                   | 2                                    | 22                                    |
| <b>Cloverhill</b>      | 190                                  | 1,727                                 | 152                                  | 1,279                                 |
| <b>Wheatfield</b>      | 2                                    | 25                                    | 43                                   | 316                                   |
| <b>Midlands</b>        | 140                                  | 1,149                                 | 171                                  | 1,302                                 |
| <b>Portlaoise</b>      | 2                                    | 15                                    | 10                                   | 69                                    |
| <b>Cork</b>            | 166                                  | 1,541                                 | 167                                  | 1,404                                 |
| <b>Limerick Male</b>   | 139                                  | 1,194                                 | 144                                  | 1,148                                 |
| <b>Limerick Female</b> | 122                                  | 858                                   | 110                                  | 813                                   |
| <b>Castlerea</b>       | 98                                   | 997                                   | 108                                  | 977                                   |
| <b>Arbour Hill</b>     | 0                                    | 0                                     | 0                                    | 33                                    |
| <b>Loughan House</b>   | 0                                    | 0                                     | 3                                    | 28                                    |
| <b>Shelton Abbey</b>   | 0                                    | 0                                     | 1                                    | 13                                    |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>1,204</b><br><b>1,196 persons</b> | <b>10,252</b><br><b>9,039 persons</b> | <b>1,294</b><br><b>1,290 persons</b> | <b>10,102</b><br><b>9,128 persons</b> |

- The corresponding figures for July 2016 were 1,177 committals (1,161 persons) and 1,203 releases (1,190 persons)
- The corresponding figures for August 2015 were 1,072 committals (1,063 persons) and 1,248 releases (1,246 persons)

### Comparison of Committals January to August

|             | Committals | Persons |
|-------------|------------|---------|
| <b>2016</b> | 10,252     | 9,039   |
| <b>2015</b> | 11,460     | 10,061  |
| <b>2014</b> | 10,460     | 9,202   |

### Comparison number in custody & temporary release – last day of month

|                                    | Number in Custody | Number on Temporary Release |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> August 2016</b> | 3,688             | 367                         |
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> August 2015</b> | 3,702             | 369                         |
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> August 2014</b> | 3,792             | 606                         |

### Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

|                 | Average Number in Custody in August | Average Number on TR in August | Average Number on Remand/Trial in August |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Mountjoy Male   | 522                                 | 61                             | 6  |
| Mountjoy Female | 116                                 | 31                             | 18                                       |
| Training Unit   | 85                                  | 18                             | 0  |
| St. Patrick's   | 0                                   | 0                              | 0  |
| Cloverhill      | 380                                 | 3                              | 284                                      |
| Wheatfield      | 467                                 | 32                             | 1  |
| Midlands        | 815                                 | 48                             | 38                                       |
| Portlaoise      | 196                                 | 3                              | 5  |
| Cork            | 270                                 | 74                             | 40                                       |
| Limerick Male   | 219                                 | 53                             | 46                                       |
| Limerick Female | 33                                  | 27                             | 8  |
| Castlerea       | 285                                 | 20                             | 36                                       |
| Arbour Hill     | 135                                 | 2                              | 2  |
| Loughan House   | 113                                 | 1                              | 0  |
| Shelton Abbey   | 105                                 | 5                              | 0  |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>3,741</b>                        | <b>378</b>                     | <b>484</b>                               |

Corresponding figures:

- July 2016                                      Number in Custody 3,786 No. on TR 372 Trial/Remand 488
- August 2015                                    Number in Custody 3,732 No. on TR 436 Trial/Remand 490

### Snapshot of population on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016

- 3,688 persons in custody
- 3,109 sentenced prisoners
- 569 remand/trial prisoners
- 367 On temporary release – 8.7%
- 10 Extradition/Immigration detainees
- 7 fines prisoners
- 83 Lifers in the community
- 19 Total Subversives

### Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

| Offence Group   | 30/06        | 31/07        | 31/08        |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Homicide Offences   | 408          | 404          | 403          |
| Sexual Offences   | 367          | 375          | 371          |
| Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences                  | 454          | 479          | 456          |
| Dangerous or Negligent Acts   | 80           | 95           | 84           |
| Kidnapping and Related Offences   | 40           | 42           | 40           |
| Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences                                 | 98           | 94           | 91           |
| Burglary and Related Offences   | 359          | 372          | 339          |
| Theft and Related Offences  | 643          | 649          | 595          |
| Fraud, Deception and Related Offences                                     | 45           | 44           | 35           |
| Controlled Drug Offences  | 373          | 380          | 360          |
| Weapons and Explosives Offences   | 119          | 134          | 130          |
| Damage to Property and to the Environment                                 | 88           | 79           | 74           |
| Public Order and Other Social Code Offences                               | 35           | 38           | 27           |
| Road and Traffic Offences   | 55           | 54           | 40           |
| Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime | 48           | 46           | 43           |
| Offences Not Elsewhere Classified   | 22           | 21           | 21           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>3,234</b> | <b>3,306</b> | <b>3,109</b> |

### Sentence length by Age of Male prisoners under sentence

|                 | 17 years | 18 to <21  | 21 to <25  | 25 to <30  | 30 to <40  | 40 to <50  | 50yrs+     | Total        |
|-----------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| <3 Months       | 0        | 3          | 1          | 4          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 11           |
| 3 to <6 Months  | 2        | 7          | 19         | 22         | 23         | 20         | 2          | 95           |
| 6 to <12 Months | 3        | 27         | 48         | 56         | 63         | 34         | 8          | 239          |
| 1 to <2 Years   | 1        | 40         | 80         | 90         | 106        | 48         | 31         | 396          |
| 2 to <3 Years   | 1        | 30         | 59         | 102        | 116        | 46         | 28         | 382          |
| 3 to <5 Years   | 1        | 27         | 104        | 140        | 197        | 92         | 63         | 624          |
| 5 to <10 Years  | 1        | 10         | 87         | 121        | 237        | 124        | 93         | 673          |
| 10+ Years       | 0        | 0          | 9          | 24         | 71         | 68         | 72         | 244          |
| Life Sentence   | 0        | 0          | 9          | 26         | 129        | 95         | 77         | 336          |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>9</b> | <b>144</b> | <b>416</b> | <b>585</b> | <b>943</b> | <b>528</b> | <b>375</b> | <b>3,000</b> |

### Sentence length by Age of Female prisoners under sentence

|                 | 18 to <21 | 21 to <25 | 25 to <30 | 30 to <40 | 40 to <50 | 50yrs+    | Total      |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| <3 Months       | 0         | 0         | 1         | 1         | 0         | 0         | 2          |
| 3 to <6 Months  | 0         | 2         | 0         | 3         | 1         | 1         | 7          |
| 6 to <12 Months | 1         | 1         | 5         | 8         | 2         | 1         | 18         |
| 1 to <2 Years   | 1         | 3         | 7         | 7         | 6         | 2         | 26         |
| 2 to <3 Years   | 0         | 3         | 4         | 10        | 1         | 1         | 19         |
| 3 to <5 Years   | 1         | 3         | 3         | 3         | 4         | 1         | 15         |
| 5 to <10 Years  | 0         | 0         | 1         | 4         | 1         | 2         | 8          |
| 10+ Years       | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1         | 1         | 2          |
| Life Sentence   | 0         | 0         | 1         | 4         | 4         | 3         | 12         |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>3</b>  | <b>12</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>109</b> |

### Non Irish Nationality Group in custody on 31<sup>st</sup> August

|                | Female    | Male       | Total      | %             |
|----------------|-----------|------------|------------|---------------|
| African        | 3         | 41         | 44         | 9.38          |
| Asian          | 1         | 29         | 30         | 6.40          |
| EU             | 14        | 253        | 267        | 56.93         |
| Middle East    | 0         | 1          | 1          | 0.21          |
| North American | 0         | 3          | 3          | 0.64          |
| Other European | 0         | 18         | 18         | 3.84          |
| South American | 2         | 14         | 16         | 3.41          |
| UK             | 9         | 81         | 90         | 19.19         |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>29</b> | <b>440</b> | <b>469</b> | <b>100.00</b> |

### Top 5 Non Irish Nationals by Nationality in custody

| Nationality  | Female    | Male       | Total      |
|--------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Polish       | 3         | 74         | 77         |
| British      | 6         | 68         | 74         |
| Lithuanian   | 3         | 67         | 70         |
| Romanian     | 5         | 58         | 63         |
| Latvian      | 1         | 19         | 20         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>286</b> | <b>304</b> |