

Irish Prison Service

Monthly Information Note – February 2016

Committals to Prison 2011 – 2015

	2015*	2014	2013	2012	2011
Committals	17,223	16,155	15,735	17,026	17,319
	14,194	13,408	13,055	13,860	13,952
	persons	Persons	persons	persons	persons

**Figures are provisional pending publication of the Annual Report 2015*

Committals to and Releases from Prison in February 2016

	Committals in February	Year To Date	Releases in February	Year To Date
Mountjoy Male	220	434	216	416
Mountjoy Female	189	341	174	307
Training Unit	0	0	5	8
St. Patrick's	17	31	3	8
Cloverhill	248	461	177	322
Wheatfield	2	6	34	80
Midlands	168	327	176	348
Portlaoise	2	2	3	10
Cork	194	453	163	368
Limerick Male	148	302	135	264
Limerick Female	110	225	106	201
Castlerea	153	284	131	242
Arbour Hill	0	0	4	9
Loughan House	0	0	1	4
Shelton Abbey	0	0	1	3
Total	1,451 1,431 persons	2,866 2,772 persons	1,329 1,318 persons	2,590 2,540 persons

- The corresponding figures for January 2016 were 1,416 committals (1,395 persons) and 1,261 releases (1,254 persons)
- The corresponding figures for February 2015 were 1,503 committals (1,491 persons) and 1,474 releases (1,468 persons)

Comparison of Committals January to February

	Committals	Persons
2016	2,866	2,772
2015	2,978	2,910
2014	2,795	2,722

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
29th February 2016	3,798	352
28th February 2015	3,780	545
28th February 2014	4,086	751

Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in February	Average Number on TR in February	Average Number on Remand/Trial in February
Mountjoy Male	539	66	3
Mountjoy Female	112	38	24
Training Unit	94	10	0
St. Patrick's	1	0	1
Cloverhill	390	2	274
Wheatfield	463	28	1
Midlands	818	49	48
Portlaoise	213	2	15
Cork	178	77	40
Limerick Male	235	42	61
Limerick Female	31	27	5
Castlerea	314	29	60
Arbour Hill	139	2	0
Loughan House	123	7	0
Shelton Abbey	103	4	0
Total	3,753	383	532

Corresponding figures:

- January 2016 Number in Custody 3,658 No. on TR 338 Trial/Remand 475
- February 2015 Number in Custody 3,734 No. on TR 579 Trial/Remand 488

Snapshot of population on 29th February 2016

- 3,798 persons in custody
- 3,207 sentenced prisoners
- 578 remand/trial prisoners
- 352 on temporary release – 8.2%
- 13 Extradition/Immigration detainees
- 4 fines prisoners
- 80 Lifers in the community
- 25 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/12	31/01	29/02
Homicide Offences	410	410	406
Sexual Offences	355	351	360
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	456	464	474
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	83	74	80
Kidnapping and Related Offences	44	45	43
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	113	106	96
Burglary and Related Offences	311	332	356
Theft and Related Offences	612	609	630
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	54	53	57
Controlled Drug Offences	387	370	369
Weapons and Explosives Offences	102	94	107
Damage to Property and to the Environment	89	85	84
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	28	29	36
Road and Traffic Offences	42	53	56
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	42	36	37
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	19	12	16
Total	3,147	3,123	3,207

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	1	7	6	7	6	3	30
3 to <6 Months	1	12	24	17	30	16	10	110
6 to <12 Months	4	33	51	48	90	29	10	265
1 to <2 Years	4	45	83	88	112	53	27	412
2 to <3 Years	1	30	70	81	142	47	35	406
3 to <5 Years	1	22	114	154	196	87	59	633
5 to <10 Years	1	12	88	116	226	134	85	662
10+ Years	0	0	10	26	77	63	68	244
Life Sentence	0	0	11	30	122	99	70	332
Total	12	155	458	566	1,002	534	367	3,094

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	1	0	5	3	2	1	12
6 to <12 Months	0	2	2	10	6	1	21
1 to <2 Years	1	4	7	10	6	2	30
2 to <3 Years	2	3	1	8	0	0	14
3 to <5 Years	0	3	2	3	3	1	12
5 to <10 Years	0	0	0	6	2	1	9
10+ Years	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Life Sentence	0	0	0	4	4	3	11
Total	4	12	18	45	24	10	113

Non Irish Nationality Group in custody on 29th February

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	3	39	42	9.07
Asian	1	36	37	7.99
EU	9	244	253	54.64
North American	0	5	5	1.08
Other European	0	20	20	4.32
South American	2	16	18	3.89
UK	8	80	88	19.01
Total	23	440	463	100.00

Top 5 Non Irish Nationals by Nationality in custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	75	78
British	6	67	73
Lithuanian	2	65	67
Romanian	3	45	48
Latvian	1	17	18
Total	15	269	284