

Irish Prison Service Monthly Information Note – March 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 March 2016

	Committals in March	Year To Date	Releases in March	Year To Date
Mountjoy Male	205	639	198	614
Mountjoy Female	140	481	154	461
Training Unit	0	0	4	12
St. Patrick's	12	43	3	11
Cloverhill	206	667	160	482
Wheatfield	8	14	40	120
Midlands	141	468	157	505
Portlaoise	1	3	10	20
Cork	179	632	156	524
Limerick Male	160	462	175	439
Limerick Female	103	328	92	293
Castlerea	112	396	124	366
Arbour Hill	0	0	1	10
Loughan House	0	0	3	7
Shelton Abbey	0	0	2	5
Total	1,267 1,251 persons	4,133 3,944 persons	1,279 1,274 persons	3,869 3,757 persons

- The corresponding figures for February 2016 were 1,451 committals (1,431 persons) and 1,329 releases (1,318 persons)
- The corresponding figures for March 2015 were 1,415 committals (1,396 persons) and 1,432 releases (1,423 persons)

Comparison of Committals January to March

	Committals	Persons
2016	4,133	3,944
2015	4,389	4,193
2014	4,101	3,904

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
31st March 2016	3,766	413
31st March 2015	3,767	519
31st March 2014	4,193	707

Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in March	Average Number on TR in March	Average Number on Remand/Trial in March
Mountjoy Male	538	66	3
Mountjoy Female	113	38	23
Training Unit	93	11	0
St. Patrick's	1	0	0
Cloverhill	380	4	278
Wheatfield	454	34	0
Midlands	818	43	50
Portlaoise	209	3	14
Cork	259	76	31
Limerick Male	220	51	57
Limerick Female	34	32	8
Castlerea	301	29	53
Arbour Hill	137	3	0
Loughan House	127	8	0
Shelton Abbey	104	5	0
Total	3,788	403	517

Corresponding figures:

- February 2016 Number in Custody 3,753 No. on TR 383 Trial/Remand 532
- March 2015 Number in Custody 3,773 No. on TR 539 Trial/Remand 474

Snapshot of population on 31st March 2016

- 3,766 persons in custody
- 3,181 sentenced prisoners
- 576 remand/trial prisoners
- 413 on temporary release – 9.5%
- 9 Extradition/Immigration detainees
- 8 fines prisoners
- 80 Lifers in the community
- 24 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/01	29/02	31/03
Homicide Offences	410	406	405
Sexual Offences	351	360	365
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	464	474	472
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	74	80	71
Kidnapping and Related Offences	45	43	43
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	106	96	101
Burglary and Related Offences	332	356	350
Theft and Related Offences	609	630	630
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	53	57	53
Controlled Drug Offences	370	369	362
Weapons and Explosives Offences	94	107	105
Damage to Property and to the Environment	85	84	78
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	29	36	28
Road and Traffic Offences	53	56	65
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	36	37	37
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	12	16	16
Total	3,123	3,207	3,181

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	2	3	5	5	2	1	18
3 to <6 Months	1	15	21	28	34	17	8	124
6 to <12 Months	4	22	48	49	91	26	11	251
1 to <2 Years	3	51	80	83	117	49	27	410
2 to <3 Years	1	30	66	86	136	42	34	395
3 to <5 Years	1	22	112	157	190	89	57	628
5 to <10 Years	1	10	86	111	228	136	87	659
10+ Years	0	0	10	26	79	65	68	248
Life Sentence	0	0	10	29	126	102	68	335
Total	11	152	436	574	1,006	528	361	3,068

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	0	3	1	0	4
3 to <6 Months	1	3	5	6	3	2	20
6 to <12 Months	0	3	0	8	6	1	18
1 to <2 Years	0	5	7	7	5	2	26
2 to <3 Years	1	3	1	7	0	0	12
3 to <5 Years	0	1	3	3	3	1	11
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	2	15	16	44	25	11	113

Non Irish Nationality Group in custody on 31st March

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	1	40	41	8.93
Asian	0	29	29	6.32
EU	11	250	261	56.86
North American	0	5	5	1.09
Other European	0	20	20	4.36
South American	1	15	16	3.49
UK	8	79	87	18.95
Total	21	438	459	100.00

Top 5 Non Irish Nationals by Nationality in custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	77	80
British	6	65	71
Lithuanian	3	66	69
Romanian	2	47	49
Latvian	2	15	17
Total	16	270	286