

Irish Prison Service Monthly Information Note – March 2017

Committals to Prison 2011 – 2016

	2016*	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Committals	15,131	17,206	16,155	15,735	17,026	17,319
	12,604	14,182	13,408	13,055	13,860	13,952
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons

**Provisional figures pending publication of the Annual Report 2016*

Committals to and Releases from Prison in March 2017

	Committals in March	Year To Date	Releases in March	Year To Date
Mountjoy Male	180	538	184	540
Mountjoy Female	119	375	126	358
Training Unit	0	0	4	18
St. Patrick's	11	36	2	4
Cloverhill	216	698	190	523
Wheatfield	0	4	37	105
Midlands	58	271	95	307
Portlaoise	3	7	9	29
Cork	130	377	108	306
Limerick Male	94	309	99	270
Limerick Female	45	147	42	133
Castlerea	118	335	95	264
Arbour Hill	0	0	5	19
Loughan House	0	0	6	15
Shelton Abbey	0	0	2	10
Total	974 956 persons	3,097 2,920 persons	1,004 990 persons	2,901 2,791 persons

- The corresponding figures for February 2017 were 1,033 committals (1,018 persons) and 951 releases (947 persons)
- The corresponding figures for March 2016 were 1,267 committals (1,251 persons) and 1,279 releases (1,274 persons)

Comparison of Committals January to March

	Committals	Persons
2017	3,097	2,920
2016	4,133	3,944
2015	4,389	4,193

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
31st March 2017	3,788	260
31st March 2016	3,766	413
31st March 2015	3,767	519

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	536	47	29
Mountjoy Female	116	25	21
Training Unit	77	15	0
St. Patrick's	0	0	0
Cloverhill	357	7	272
Wheatfield	457	26	4
Midlands	824	23	50
Portlaoise	228	2	14
Cork	278	50	47
Limerick Male	215	29	61
Limerick Female	31	4	4
Castlerea	313	16	42
Arbour Hill	132	2	1
Loughan House	114	5	0
Shelton Abbey	106	2	0
Total	3,784	253	545

Corresponding figures:

- February 2017 Number in Custody 3,743 No. on TR 251 Trial/Remand 566
- March 2016 Number in Custody 3,788 No. on TR 403 Trial/Remand 517

Snapshot of population on 31st March 2017

- 3,788 persons in custody
- 3,194 sentenced prisoners
- 579 remand/trial prisoners
- 260 On temporary release – 6.2%
- 8 Extradition/Immigration detainees
- 12 fines prisoners
- 82 Lifers in the community
- 39 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/01/17	28/02/17	31/03/17
Homicide Offences	405	412	414
Sexual Offences	384	385	386
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	415	437	439
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	85	92	100
Kidnapping and Related Offences	36	37	38
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	97	88	86
Burglary and Related Offences	309	320	313
Theft and Related Offences	598	607	624
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	37	39	48
Controlled Drug Offences	323	337	352
Weapons and Explosives Offences	126	130	128
Damage to Property and to the Environment	66	70	71
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	29	34	31
Road and Traffic Offences	63	76	86
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	51	52	58
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	19	15	17
Total	3,043	3,131	3,191

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	8	7	9	15	9	2	50
3 to <6 Months	1	8	30	35	46	16	6	142
6 to <12 Months	4	25	53	51	106	35	13	287
1 to <2 Years	2	34	66	94	115	47	25	383
2 to <3 Years	0	33	59	77	96	51	23	339
3 to <5 Years	1	27	104	128	195	94	73	622
5 to <10 Years	0	11	75	126	218	125	100	655
10+ Years	0	0	7	20	75	68	75	245
Life Sentence	0	0	10	24	129	97	83	343
Total	8	146	411	564	995	542	400	3,066

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	5	0	0	6
3 to <6 Months	0	1	7	2	2	0	12
6 to <12 Months	1	0	5	9	6	1	22
1 to <2 Years	1	5	4	17	6	1	34
2 to <3 Years	0	1	4	6	1	2	14
3 to <5 Years	1	4	3	1	7	1	17
5 to <10 Years	0	0	1	4	1	1	7
10+ Years	0	0	0	1	1	1	3
Life Sentence	0	0	1	4	3	2	10
Total	3	11	26	49	27	9	125

Non Irish Nationality Group in custody on 31st March

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	1	52	53	10.62
Asian	0	31	31	6.21
EU	13	280	293	58.72
North American	0	2	2	0.40
Other European	0	18	18	3.61
South American	1	15	16	3.21
UK	7	79	86	17.23
Total	22	477	499	100.00

Top 5 Non Irish Nationals by Nationality in custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	101	104
British	5	65	70
Lithuanian	2	68	70
Romanian	5	52	57
Latvian	2	25	27
Total	17	311	328