

Irish Prison Service

Monthly Information Note – May 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 May 2016

	Committals in May	Year To Date	Releases in May	Year To Date
Mountjoy Male	155	983	157	974
Mountjoy Female	140	767	133	744
Training Unit	0	0	5	23
St. Patrick's	15	76	3	18
Cloverhill	220	1,086	163	803
Wheatfield	3	20	42	206
Midlands	141	764	171	850
Portlaoise	2	7	7	37
Cork	196	1,007	188	874
Limerick Male	158	770	140	723
Limerick Female	107	551	96	498
Castlerea	136	671	127	624
Arbour Hill	0	0	8	23
Loughan House	0	0	3	17
Shelton Abbey	0	0	1	8
Total	1,273 1,254 persons	6,702 6,181 persons	1,244 1,234 persons	6,422 6,093 persons

- The corresponding figures for April 2016 were 1,296 committals (1,289 persons) and 1,306 releases (1,300 persons)
- The corresponding figures for May 2015 were 1,452 committals (1,429 persons) and 1,548 releases (1,531 persons)

Comparison of Committals January to May

	Committals	Persons
2016	6,702	6,181
2015	7,418	6,847
2014	6,953	6,397

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
31st May 2016	3,762	386
31st May 2015	3,766	517
31st May 2014	3,993	736

Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in May	Average Number on TR in May	Average Number on Remand/Trial in May
Mountjoy Male	509	59	2
Mountjoy Female	108	37	22
Training Unit	93	15	0
St. Patrick's	1	0	0
Cloverhill	375	3	291
Wheatfield	463	36	0
Midlands	807	41	43
Portlaoise	201	2	9
Cork	271	94	35
Limerick Male	223	42	49
Limerick Female	35	34	9
Castlerea	306	36	54
Arbour Hill	133	3	0
Loughan House	114	3	0
Shelton Abbey	99	6	0
Total	3,738	411	514

Corresponding figures:

- April 2016 Number in Custody 3,759 No. on TR 412 Trial/Remand 530
- May 2015 Number in Custody 3,737 No. on TR 510 Trial/Remand 464

Snapshot of population on 31st May 2016

- 3,762 persons in custody
- 3,167 sentenced prisoners
- 587 remand/trial prisoners
- 386 On temporary release – 9.0%
- 8 Extradition/Immigration detainees
- 8 fines prisoners
- 83 Lifers in the community
- 20 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/03	30/04	31/05
Homicide Offences	405	403	408
Sexual Offences	365	363	364
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	472	464	456
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	71	70	75
Kidnapping and Related Offences	43	42	42
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	101	103	105
Burglary and Related Offences	350	343	338
Theft and Related Offences	630	637	626
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	53	46	52
Controlled Drug Offences	362	381	368
Weapons and Explosives Offences	105	115	113
Damage to Property and to the Environment	78	72	70
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	28	32	38
Road and Traffic Offences	65	55	54
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	37	35	34
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	16	18	24
Total	3,181	3,179	3,167

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	1	5	3	4	8	6	0	27
3 to <6 Months	2	12	14	19	26	13	6	92
6 to <12 Months	3	33	49	59	82	31	9	266
1 to <2 Years	2	51	69	93	122	43	25	405
2 to <3 Years	0	30	70	89	125	41	32	387
3 to <5 Years	1	26	112	158	192	82	63	634
5 to <10 Years	1	11	87	121	224	129	87	660
10+ Years	0	0	9	26	78	68	67	248
Life Sentence	0	0	10	28	128	97	74	337
Total	10	168	423	597	985	510	363	3,056

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 to <6 Months	1	1	2	6	2	0	12
6 to <12 Months	1	4	2	13	5	1	26
1 to <2 Years	0	4	7	10	4	1	26
2 to <3 Years	0	5	1	9	0	0	15
3 to <5 Years	0	1	2	3	3	1	10
5 to <10 Years	0	0	1	5	1	2	9
10+ Years	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Life Sentence	0	0	0	4	4	3	11
Total	2	15	15	50	20	9	111

Non Irish Nationality Group in custody on 31st May

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	1	35	36	7.84
Asian	1	32	33	7.19
Central American	0	1	1	0.22
EU	9	258	267	58.17
North American	0	2	2	0.44
Other European	0	18	18	3.91
South American	1	15	16	3.49
UK	9	77	86	18.74
Total	21	438	459	100.00

Top 5 Non Irish Nationals by Nationality in custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	79	82
British	7	64	71
Lithuanian	2	68	70
Romanian	1	52	53
Latvian	1	17	18
Total	14	280	294