

Census Prison Population April 2021 – Cell occupancy – In-Cell Sanitation

This report includes information on the numbers of usable cells in each institution, the number of prisoners in cells that accommodated one, two, three and four or more prisoners, prisoners without access to in-cell sanitation and prisoner who were required to use toilet facilities in the presence of others.

The **key statistics** from this section of the Census are:

- There were **3,764** prisoners in custody.
- **2,064** (55%) cells accommodated one prisoner.
- **699** cells accommodated two prisoners (1,398 prisoners).
- **80** cells accommodated three prisoners (240 prisoners).
- **15** cells accommodated four or more prisoners (62 prisoners).
- **42** prisoners (1%) were required to slop out.
- **1,634** prisoners (43%) were required to use the toilet in the presence of another prisoner.
- **2,088** (56%) prisoners were in a single cell with a flush toilet or had access to toilet facilities in private at all times.
- **4** prisoner accommodated in Safety Observation Cell.
- **10** prisoners accommodated in Close Supervision Cells.

Table 1. Form 1 overview on 20th April 2021

Prison	In Custody	Usable Cells	Number of Prisoners in cells accommodating				Access to Toilets		
			One Prisoner	Two Prisoners	Three Prisoners	4+ Prisoners	In-cell slopping out	Presence of others	In private
Arbour Hill	118	116	102	16	0	0	0	16	102
Castlerea	302	232	146	156	0	0	0	156	146
Cloverhill	369	201	85	74	210	0	0	284	85
Cork	250	167	62	188	0	0	0	188	62
Limerick Female	28	25	16	12	0	0	0	12	16
Limerick Male	194	152	90	104	0	0	19	104	71
Loughan	98	103	98	0	0	0	0	0	98
Midlands	788	587	322	442	12	12	0	466	322
Mountjoy Female	110	96	57	50	3	0	0	53	57
Mountjoy Male	673	755	673	0	0	0	0	0	673
Portlaoise	210	267	95	106	9	0	23	115	72
Shelton Abbey	104	58	38	10	6	50	0	0	104
Wheatfield	520	439	280	240	0	0	0	240	280
Total	3,764	3,198	2,064	1,398	240	62	42	1,634	2,088

Table 2. January 2021 – January 2014 Comparison

	Apr 21	Jan 21	Oct 20	Jul 20	Apr 20	Jan 20
Number in Custody	3,764	3,683	3,768	3,792	3,826	3,999
	Number of prisoners in cells accommodating					
One Prisoner	2,064	2,048	1,964	2,079	2,080	2,107
Two Prisoners	1,398	1,416	1,498	1,436	1,400	1,433
Three Prisoners	240	186	237	204	264	384
4+ Prisoners	62	33	69	73	82	75
Slopping out	42	45	47	44	51	58
Toilet in presence of others	1,634	1,529	1,714	1,707	1,670	1,702
24 Hour access to toilets	2,088	2,109	2,007	2,041	2,105	2,239

	Oct 19	Jul 19	Apr 19	Jan 19	Oct 18	Jul 18	Apr 18	Jan 18	Oct 17	Jul 17	Apr 17	Jan 17
Number in Custody	3,957	4,048	4,043	3,985	3,818	3,967	3,894	3,751	3,603	3,686	3,750	3,643
	Number of prisoners in cells accommodating											
One Prisoner	2,053	2,065	2,021	2,013	1,981	2,054	2,047	1,943	1,918	2,031	2,040	2,007
Two Prisoners	1,356	1,497	1,581	1,548	1,364	1,476	1,364	1,406	1,314	1,350	1,396	1,306
Three Prisoners	434	386	342	309	375	321	333	315	270	219	240	219
4+ Prisoners	114	100	99	115	98	116	150	87	101	86	74	111
Slopping out	58	60	68	60	58	58	53	56	61	60	56	49
Toilet in presence of others	1,802	1,886	1,803	1,775	1,620	1,781	1,722	1,794	1,586	1,568	1,539	1,527
24 Hour access to toilets	2,097	2,102	2,172	2,150	2,140	2,128	2,119	1,901	1,956	2,058	2,155	2,067

	Oct 16	Jul 16	Apr 16	Jan 16	Oct 15	Jul 15	Apr 15	Jan 15	Oct 14	Jul 14	Apr 14	Jan 14
Number in Custody	3,667	3,788	3,782	3,695	3,685	3,802	3,748	3,661	3,806	4,003	4,103	3,973
Number of prisoners in cells accommodating												
One Prisoner	1,968	1,926	2,020	2,025	2,040	2,067	2,014	2,109	2,026	1,978	2,044	1,854
Two Prisoners	1,282	1,470	1,394	1,402	1,320	1,450	1,458	1,282	1,374	1,568	1,528	1,618
Three Prisoners	330	279	261	150	255	231	162	201	282	333	414	363
4+ Prisoners	87	113	107	118	70	54	114	69	124	124	117	138
Slopping out	42	55	56	231	284	312	292	304	303	330	334	465
Toilet in presence of others	1,593	1,725	1,621	1,431	1,367	1,391	1,389	1,252	1,404	1,610	1,637	1,628
24 Hour access to toilets	2,032	2,008	2,105	2,033	2,034	2,099	2,067	2,105	2,099	2,063	2,132	1,880