

# Irish Prison Service

## Monthly Information Note – December 2020

### Committals to Prison 2013 – 2019

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Committals</b>	8,939	8,071	9,287	15,099	17,206	16,155	15,735
	7,170 persons	6,490 persons	7,484 persons	12,579 persons	14,182 persons	13,408 persons	13,055 persons

### Committals to and Releases from Prison in December 2020

	Committals in December	Year To Date	Releases in December	Year To Date
<b>Mountjoy Male</b>	56	496	88	790
<b>Mountjoy Female</b>	31	458	29	521
<b>Cloverhill</b>	150	2,544	167	1,794
<b>Wheatfield</b>	0	10	24	406
<b>Midlands</b>	34	454	59	764
<b>Portlaoise</b>	0	14	13	137
<b>Cork</b>	71	873	60	750
<b>Limerick Male</b>	43	679	54	567
<b>Limerick Female</b>	17	191	18	176
<b>Castlerea</b>	38	626	47	629
<b>Arbour Hill</b>	0	0	5	45
<b>Loughan House</b>	0	0	5	59
<b>Shelton Abbey</b>	0	0	7	44
<b>Total</b>	<b>440</b> <b>435 persons</b>	<b>6,345</b> <b>5,275 persons</b>	<b>576</b> <b>573 persons</b>	<b>6,682</b> <b>5,776 persons</b>

- The corresponding figures for November 2020 were 606 committals (604 persons) and 507 releases (505 persons)
- The corresponding figures for December 2019 were 623 committals (610 persons) and 713 releases (708 persons)

### Comparison of Committals from January to December

	Committals	Persons
<b>Year 2020</b>	<b>6,345</b>	<b>5,275</b>
<b>Year 2019</b>	<b>8,939</b>	<b>7,170</b>
<b>Year 2018</b>	<b>8,071</b>	<b>6,490</b>
<b>Year 2017</b>	<b>9,287</b>	<b>7,484</b>

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
<b>31<sup>st</sup> December 2020</b>	<b>3,650</b>	<b>321</b>
<b>31<sup>st</sup> December 2019</b>	<b>3,950</b>	<b>308</b>
<b>31<sup>st</sup> December 2018</b>	<b>3,911</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>31<sup>st</sup> December 2017</b>	<b>3,646</b>	<b>161</b>

## Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in December	Average Number on TR in December	Average Number on Remand/Trial in December
Mountjoy Male	694	78	41
Mountjoy Female	117	38	32
Cloverhill	315	0	260
Wheatfield	510	45	71
Midlands	809	20	81
Portlaoise	217	5	6
Cork	272	56	55
Limerick Male	198	34	60
Limerick Female	30	20	6
Castlerea	272	16	43
Arbour Hill	125	0	1
Loughan House	95	2	0
Shelton Abbey	78	9	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,732</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>656</b>

Corresponding figures:

- November 2020                      Number in Custody 3,791   No. on TR 276   Trial/Remand 728
- December 2019                      Number in Custody 3,972   No. on TR 337   Trial/Remand 723

### Snapshot of population on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

- 3,650 persons in custody
- 2,985 sentenced prisoners
- 660 remand/trial prisoners
- 321 on temporary release – 7.8%
- 5 Extradition/Immigration detainee(s)
- 0 fines prisoner(s)
- 110 Lifers in the community
- 26 Total Subversives

### Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/10/20	30/11/20	31/12/20
Homicide Offences	406	409	409
Sexual Offences	424	427	421
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	450	493	470
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	73	68	74
Kidnapping and Related Offences	50	55	53
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	90	91	84
Burglary and Related Offences	310	314	327
Theft and Related Offences	471	483	466
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	44	44	42
Controlled Drug Offences	304	322	305
Weapons and Explosives Offences	126	128	127
Damage to Property and to the Environment	81	81	72
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	26	22	23
Road and Traffic Offences	44	37	36
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	63	71	62
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	14	14	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,976</b>	<b>3,059</b>	<b>2,985</b>

### Sentence length by Age of Male prisoners under sentence

	18 to <21	21 to <25	25 to <30	30 to <40	40 to <50	50yrs+	Total
<3 Months	0	4	2	5	3	4	18
3 to <6 Months	5	13	19	35	10	10	92
6 to <12 Months	9	23	38	70	28	12	180
1 to <2 Years	26	49	80	107	50	27	339
2 to <3 Years	13	45	80	120	57	22	337
3 to <5 Years	19	84	140	206	105	77	631
5 to <10 Years	11	64	123	228	129	125	680
10+ Years	1	1	19	66	63	101	251
Life Sentence	2	4	24	122	106	92	350
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>2,878</b>

### 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	0	1	0	1
3 to <6 Months	0	0	2	1	3	2	8
6 to <12 Months	1	2	7	7	3	0	20
1 to <2 Years	0	2	2	9	10	1	24
2 to <3 Years	1	1	2	2	8	1	15
3 to <5 Years	0	1	6	7	4	2	20
5 to <10 Years	0	1	1	4	0	2	8
10+ Years	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Life Sentence	0	0	0	2	7	1	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>107</b>

### Remand Prisoners classified by length of time on remand

	<1 month	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	1 to 2 years	2 years plus	Total
Castlerea	13	3	11	1	3	3	1	35
Cloverhill	53	88	46	24	14	12	3	240
Cork	29	10	7	6	2	1	0	55
Limerick	15	11	7	5	3	3	0	44
Midlands	3	15	6	9	5	18	1	57
Mountjoy	13	8	12	4	5	10	1	53
Portlaoise	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	4
Wheatfield	0	11	18	10	3	7	1	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>538</b>

*The table will differ from the remand figure published in the daily numbers as the information focuses solely on those held on a remand/trail warrant and does not include prisoners who were/are held on a sentence warrant but also have a remand warrant which becomes active once the sentence warrant expires.*

### Non Irish Nationality Group in custody on 31<sup>st</sup> December

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	7	70	77	13.53
Asian	0	33	33	5.80
British	3	74	77	13.53
Central American	0	2	2	0.35
European Union	11	317	328	57.65
Middle East	1	3	4	0.70
Oceania	0	1	1	0.18
Other European	0	20	20	3.51
South American	4	22	26	4.57
The Caribbean	0	1	1	0.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>100.00</b>

### Top 5 Non Nationals by Nationality in Custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	4	105	109
British	3	74	77
Romanian	2	73	75
Lithuanian	1	69	70
Brazilian	4	20	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>355</b>