

# Irish Prison Service

## Monthly Information Note – December 2019

### Committals to Prison 2013 – 2018

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Committals</b>	8,071	9,287	15,099	17,206	16,155	15,735
	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 2019

	Committals in December	Year To Date	Releases in December	Year To Date
<b>Mountjoy Male</b>	70	1,068	87	1,239
<b>Mountjoy Female</b>	64	931	69	892
<b>Cloverhill</b>	246	3,267	194	2,210
<b>Wheatfield</b>	1	9	49	525
<b>Midlands</b>	36	739	79	993
<b>Portlaoise</b>	4	16	12	140
<b>Cork</b>	71	1,056	74	809
<b>Limerick Male</b>	60	827	63	737
<b>Limerick Female</b>	14	241	12	220
<b>Castlerea</b>	58	787	62	755
<b>Arbour Hill</b>	0	0	2	56
<b>Loughan House</b>	0	0	8	57
<b>Shelton Abbey</b>	0	0	2	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>624</b> <b>611 persons</b>	<b>8,941</b> <b>7,176 persons</b>	<b>713</b> <b>708 persons</b>	<b>8,666</b> <b>7,204 persons</b>

- The corresponding figures for November 2019 were 830 committals (821 persons) and 726 releases (721 persons)
- The corresponding figures for December 2018 were 642 committals (635 persons) and 725 releases (718 persons)

### Comparison of Committals in January to December

	Committals	Persons
<b>Year 2019</b>	<b>8,941</b>	<b>7,176</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 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	700	99	25
Mountjoy Female	143	51	39
Cloverhill	380	3	302
Wheatfield	489	29	52
Midlands	837	17	72
Portlaoise	230	4	10
Cork	290	64	67
Limerick Male	215	29	87
Limerick Female	36	15	5
Castlerea	306	18	63
Arbour Hill	135	0	1
Loughan House	112	3	0
Shelton Abbey	99	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,972</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>723</b>

Corresponding figures:

- November 2019                      Number in Custody 4,009 No. on TR 293 Trial/Remand 773
- December 2018                      Number in Custody 3,900 No. on TR 207 Trial/Remand 680

### Snapshot of population on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

- 3,950 persons in custody
- 3,180 sentenced prisoners
- 758 remand/trial prisoners
- 308 On temporary release – 7.0%
- 12 Extradition/Immigration detainee(s)
- 1 fines prisoner(s)
- 98 Lifers in the community
- 36 Total Subversives

### Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/10/19	30/11/19	31/12/19
Homicide Offences	405	412	411
Sexual Offences	438	449	447
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	410	438	423
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	79	73	65
Kidnapping and Related Offences	47	48	47
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	86	89	88
Burglary and Related Offences	310	308	315
Theft and Related Offences	547	582	583
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	38	42	42
Controlled Drug Offences	350	358	354
Weapons and Explosives Offences	114	113	118
Damage to Property and to the Environment	84	92	91
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	32	36	29
Road and Traffic Offences	81	65	59
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	107	94	97
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	10	9	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,138</b>	<b>3,208</b>	<b>3,180</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	3	2	6	3	2	16
3 to <6 Months	5	11	25	42	15	11	109
6 to <12 Months	25	45	55	106	37	16	284
1 to <2 Years	26	59	77	145	72	21	400
2 to <3 Years	13	45	59	120	56	36	329
3 to <5 Years	24	70	128	208	112	80	622
5 to <10 Years	11	54	147	214	138	129	693
10+ Years	0	0	24	62	62	92	240
Life Sentence	0	3	28	128	100	91	350
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>1,031</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>3,043</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 to <6 Months	0	0	2	3	5	0	10
6 to <12 Months	0	4	8	11	4	1	28
1 to <2 Years	1	4	11	12	12	2	42
2 to <3 Years	0	0	3	5	2	0	10
3 to <5 Years	0	1	7	8	6	2	24
5 to <10 Years	0	1	2	5	1	4	13
10+ Years	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Life Sentence	0	0	0	2	6	1	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>137</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
Castlereagh	22	20	7	6	2	1	0	58
Cloverhill	98	118	40	22	8	9	2	297
Cork	19	26	4	7	1	1	0	58
Limerick	15	19	12	7	3	3	0	59
Midlands	12	20	15	8	1	10	0	66
Mountjoy	11	12	9	2	1	5	1	41
Portlaoise	4	1	1	0	2	0	1	9
Wheatfield	0	9	13	5	1	4	0	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>620</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	0	50	50	12.32
Asian	0	23	23	5.67
British	3	61	64	15.76
Caribbean	0	1	1	0.25
Central American	0	1	1	0.25
European Union	8	233	241	59.36
Middle East	0	1	1	0.25
North American	0	1	1	0.25
Other European	0	14	14	3.45
South American	2	8	10	2.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>100.00</b>

### Top 5 Non Nationals by Nationality in Custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	80	83
British	6	61	67
Romanian	1	50	51
Lithuanian	1	49	50
Latvian	2	18	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>271</b>