

Irish Prison Service

Monthly Information Note – January 2022

Committals to Prison 2015 – 2021

	2021*	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Committals	6,136	6,340	8,939	8,071	9,287	15,099	17,206
	5,182	5,263	7,170	6,490	7,484	12,579	14,182
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons

**Provisional figures pending publication of the Annual Report 2021*

Committals to and Releases from Prison in January 2022

	Committals in January	Year To Date	Releases in January	Year To Date
Arbour Hill	0	0	2	2
Castlerea	68	68	54	54
Cloverhill	203	203	82	82
Cork	65	65	43	43
Limerick Female	13	13	6	6
Limerick Male	37	37	30	30
Loughan House	0	0	1	1
Midlands	43	43	52	52
Mountjoy Female	37	37	32	32
Mountjoy Male	80	80	78	78
Portlaoise	3	3	13	13
Shelton Abbey	0	0	4	4
Wheatfield	0	0	29	29
Total	549	549	426	426
	541 persons	541 persons	421 persons	421 persons

- The corresponding figures for December 2021 were 423 committals (421 persons) and 544 releases (541 persons)
- The corresponding figures for January 2021 were 410 committals (405 persons) and 385 releases (381 persons)

Comparison of Committals in January

	Committals	Persons
Year 2022	549	541
Year 2021	410	405
Year 2020	750	741
Year 2019	873	864
Year 2018	721	707

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
31 st January 2022	3,835	262
31 st January 2021	3,704	270
31 st January 2020	3,650	321
31 st January 2019	3,950	308
31 st January 2018	3,911	163

Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in January	Average Number on TR in January	Average Number on Remand/Trial January
Arbour Hill	128	0	0
Castlerea	276	7	62
Cloverhill	383	1	324
Cork	248	36	55
Limerick Female	29	11	6
Limerick Male	193	27	59
Loughan House	93	4	0
Midlands	827	11	122
Mountjoy Female	114	30	27
Mountjoy Male	684	90	42
Portlaoise	210	4	11
Shelton Abbey	84	7	0
Wheatfield	495	31	77
Total	3,765	258	785

Corresponding figures:

- December 2021 Number in Custody 3,754 No. on TR 299 Trial/Remand 764
- January 2021 Number in Custody 3,681 No. on TR 281 Trial/Remand 666

Snapshot of population on 31st January 2022

- 3,835 persons in custody
- 2,970 sentenced prisoners
- 854 remand/trial prisoners
- 262 on temporary release – 6.2%
- 11 Extradition/Immigration detainee(s)
- 0 fines prisoner(s)
- 120 Lifers in the community
- 18 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	30/11/21	31/12/21	31/01/22
Homicide Offences	402	407	407
Sexual Offences	449	458	460
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	461	446	442
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	69	69	69
Kidnapping and Related Offences	48	48	46
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	76	76	77
Burglary and Related Offences	289	281	281
Theft and Related Offences	466	442	439
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	47	49	50
Controlled Drug Offences	323	313	327
Weapons and Explosives Offences	126	128	134
Damage to Property and to the Environment	71	73	79
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	25	25	33
Road and Traffic Offences	26	27	33
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	69	65	79
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	9	14	14
Total	2,956	2,921	2,970

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	1	2	5	6	3	2	19
3 to <6 Months	9	12	22	30	13	6	92
6 to <12 Months	8	23	43	82	35	16	207
1 to <2 Years	11	37	60	103	51	22	284
2 to <3 Years	9	41	65	84	54	37	290
3 to <5 Years	17	80	148	203	124	80	652
5 to <10 Years	4	71	117	242	150	125	709
10+ Years	1	2	23	58	64	109	257
Life Sentence	3	4	17	117	115	91	347
Total	63	272	500	925	609	488	2,857

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	2	1	0	0	3
3 to <6 Months	0	1	1	4	0	1	7
6 to <12 Months	0	1	1	9	2	3	16
1 to <2 Years	0	4	4	14	10	1	33
2 to <3 Years	1	0	4	2	8	2	17
3 to <5 Years	0	0	3	8	2	2	15
5 to <10 Years	0	0	1	4	4	0	9
10+ Years	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Life Sentence	0	0	0	2	8	2	12
Total	1	6	16	45	34	11	113

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	29	11	8	5	2	1	1	57
Cloverhill	79	63	67	28	18	32	6	293
Cork	22	16	9	2	3	1	0	53
Limerick	16	11	12	3	3	1	0	46
Midlands	2	21	24	9	6	12	8	82
Mountjoy	13	6	2	6	1	4	4	36
Portlaoise	3	2	0	1	0	1	0	7
Wheatfield	17	28	12	6	7	6	1	77
Total	181	158	134	60	40	58	20	651

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 31st January

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	3	56	59	10.0
Asian	0	40	40	6.8
British	1	68	69	11.7
Central American	0	1	1	0.2
European Union	12	344	356	60.4
Middle East	1	6	7	1.2
Oceania	0	1	1	0.2
Other European	0	24	24	4.1
South American	3	29	32	5.4
The Caribbean	0	0	0	0
Total	20	569	589	100

Top 5 Non Nationals by Nationality in Custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	4	138	142
Romanian	2	77	79
British	1	68	69
Lithuanian	2	63	65
Brazilian	3	26	29
Total	12	372	384