

Irish Prison Service Monthly Information Note – July 2021

Committals to Prison 2014 – 2020

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Committals	6,340	8,939	8,071	9,287	15,099	17,206	16,155
	5,263	7,170	6,490	7,484	12,579	14,182	13,408
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons

Committals to and Releases from Prison in July 2021

	Committals in July	Year To Date	Releases in July	Year To Date
Mountjoy Male	107	607	94	553
Mountjoy Female	44	245	57	265
Cloverhill	203	1,341	140	812
Wheatfield	1	8	37	215
Midlands	37	248	73	398
Portlaoise	2	9	11	73
Cork	56	504	63	379
Limerick Male	37	353	49	294
Limerick Female	16	104	6	78
Castlerea	55	361	56	328
Arbour Hill	0	0	1	31
Loughan House	0	0	8	56
Shelton Abbey	0	0	2	35
Total	558 550 persons	3,780 3,418 persons	597 589 persons	3,517 3,253 persons

- The corresponding figures for June 2021 were 603 committals (593 persons) and 532 releases (526 persons)
- The corresponding figures for July 2020 were 581 committals (588 persons) and 578 releases (574 persons)

Comparison of Committals in January to July

	Committals	Persons
Year 2021	3,780	3,418
Year 2020	3,885	3,449
Year 2019	5,531	4,815
Year 2018	4,895	4,283
Year 2017	6,326	5,492

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
31st July 2021	3,849	395
31st July 2020	3,766	296
31st July 2019	4,061	321
31st July 2018	4,037	236
31st July 2017	3,733	218

Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in July	Average Number on TR in July	Average Number on Remand/Trial in July
Mountjoy Male	696	113	31
Mountjoy Female	119	42	36
Cloverhill	361	1	279
Wheatfield	541	47	72
Midlands	818	28	83
Portlaoise	206	4	9
Cork	259	67	41
Limerick Male	206	39	48
Limerick Female	28	23	5
Castlerea	295	20	53
Arbour Hill	129	0	1
Loughan House	99	6	0
Shelton Abbey	105	4	0
Total	3,862	394	658

Corresponding figures:

- June 2021 Number in Custody 3,859 No. on TR 376 Trial/Remand 684
- July 2020 Number in Custody 3,749 No. on TR 309 Trial/Remand 671

Snapshot of population on 31st July 2021

- 3,849 persons in custody
- 3,173 sentenced prisoners
- 666 remand/trial prisoners
- 395 on temporary release – 9%
- 10 Extradition/Immigration detainee(s)
- 0 fines prisoner(s)
- 114 Lifers in the community
- 19 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/05/21	30/06/21	31/07/21
Homicide Offences	407	410	408
Sexual Offences	424	435	442
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults and Related Offences	503	516	511
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	90	87	79
Kidnapping and Related Offences	54	53	53
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	86	81	80
Burglary and Related Offences	308	308	309
Theft and Related Offences	485	487	490
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	57	56	58
Controlled Drug Offences	342	341	353
Weapons and Explosives Offences	127	126	129
Damage to Property and to the Environment	76	80	73
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	27	39	43
Road and Traffic Offences	45	51	57
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	66	69	77
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	12	11	11
Total	3,109	3,150	3,173

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	4	4	4	5	3	2	22
3 to <6 Months	7	14	34	42	19	7	123
6 to <12 Months	10	32	51	91	32	16	232
1 to <2 Years	22	62	64	125	66	32	371
2 to <3 Years	6	47	83	109	62	35	342
3 to <5 Years	19	82	144	205	121	84	655
5 to <10 Years	4	83	117	239	145	129	717
10+ Years	1	1	23	60	67	102	254
Life Sentence	2	3	19	119	114	92	349
Total	75	328	539	995	629	499	3,065

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	1	3	0	0	4
3 to <6 Months	1	2	2	3	0	1	9
6 to <12 Months	1	2	2	6	2	2	15
1 to <2 Years	1	3	2	9	13	1	29
2 to <3 Years	1	1	8	1	6	1	18
3 to <5 Years	1	0	5	7	2	1	16
5 to <10 Years	0	0	1	4	1	0	6
10+ Years	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Life Sentence	0	0	0	2	7	1	10
Total	5	8	21	36	31	7	

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	19	12	5	3	1	1	2	43
Cloverhill	87	62	47	17	17	14	5	249
Cork	13	8	6	1	0	2	0	30
Limerick	12	10	14	2	0	2	1	41
Midlands	6	14	13	9	2	14	3	61
Mountjoy	13	5	5	2	2	6	1	34
Portlaoise	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	4
Wheatfield	1	7	18	7	6	9	0	48
Total	152	118	108	41	29	50	12	510

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 July 2021

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	8	65	73	12.37
Asian	0	41	41	6.95
British	0	64	64	10.85
Central American	0	2	2	0.34
European Union	13	337	350	59.32
Middle East	1	7	8	1.36
Oceania	0	1	1	0.17
Other European	0	20	20	3.39
South American	3	27	30	5.08
The Caribbean	0	1	1	0.17
Total	25	565	590	100.00

Top 5 Non Nationals by Nationality in Custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	123	126
Romanian	4	81	85
Lithuanian	2	62	64
British	0	64	64
Brazilian	3	25	28
Total	12	355	367