

Irish Prison Service Monthly Information Note – October 2022

Committals to Prison 2015 – 2021

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Committals	6,133	6,340	8,939	8,071	9,287	15,099	17,206
	5,179	5,263	7,170	6,490	7,484	12,579	14,182
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons

Committals to and Releases from Prison in October 2022

	Committals in October	Year To Date	Releases in October	Year To Date
Arbour Hill	0	0	5	26
Castlerea	74	570	28	446
Cloverhill	228	2,235	131	1,259
Cork	82	695	64	583
Limerick Female	16	151	12	120
Limerick Male	56	487	43	365
Loughan House	0	0	5	37
Midlands	42	350	67	560
Mountjoy Female	73	525	53	461
Mountjoy Male	126	889	100	957
Portlaoise	2	11	7	94
Shelton Abbey	0	0	6	26
Wheatfield	1	6	42	332
Total	700 695 persons	5,919 5,011 persons	563 559 persons	5,266 4,621 persons

- The corresponding figures for September 2022 were 520 committals (513 persons) and 498 releases (488 persons)
- The corresponding figures for October 2021 were 563 committals (558 persons) and 533 releases (529 persons)

Comparison of Committals January to October

	Committals	Persons
Year 2022	5,919	5,011
Year 2021	5,151	4,464
Year 2020	5,298	4,490
Year 2019	7,488	6,178
Year 2018	6,610	5,502

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

	Number in Custody	Number on Temporary Release
31 st October 2022	4,287	267
31 st October 2021	3,808	297
31 st October 2020	3,752	253
31 st October 2019	3,989	256
31 st October 2018	3,906	202

Prisoners in Custody, on Temporary Release and Remand/Trial

	Average Number in Custody in October	Average Number on TR in October	Average Number on Remand/Trial in October
Arbour Hill	134	0	1
Castlerea	329	12	73
Cloverhill	441	4	379
Cork	274	38	82
Limerick Female	36	10	8
Limerick Male	212	20	63
Loughan House	108	7	0
Midlands	857	8	132
Mountjoy Female	155	41	44
Mountjoy Male	737	81	41
Portlaoise	219	0	18
Shelton Abbey	101	9	0
Training Unit	55	0	0
Wheatfield	580	24	103
Total	4,238	254	944

Corresponding figures:

- September 2022 Number in Custody 4,158 No. on TR 252 Trial/Remand 932
- October 2021 Number in Custody 3,813 No. on TR 290 Trial/Remand 782

Snapshot of population on 31st October 2022

- 4,287 persons in custody
- 3,289 sentenced prisoners
- 988 remand/trial prisoners
- 267 on temporary release – 5.6%
- 10 Extradition/Immigration detainee(s)
- 0 fine defaulter prisoner(s)
- 119 Lifers in the community
- 10 Total Subversives

Offence Profile of sentenced prisoners

Offence Group	31/08/22	30/09/22	31/10/22
Homicide Offences	410	410	406
Sexual Offences	508	497	505
Attempts/Threat to Murder, Assaults, Harassments and Related Offences	509	486	494
Dangerous or Negligent Acts	69	66	74
Kidnapping and Related Offences	49	47	47
Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences	95	92	95
Burglary and Related Offences	292	294	309
Theft and Related Offences	503	492	536
Fraud, Deception and Related Offences	61	62	71
Controlled Drug Offences	371	354	359
Weapons and Explosives Offences	127	123	123
Damage to Property and to the Environment	76	81	87
Public Order and Other Social Code Offences	36	46	44
Road and Traffic Offences	25	45	42
Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime	82	93	85
Offences Not Elsewhere Classified	10	10	12
Total	3,223	3,198	3,289

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	3	7	2	12	8	2	34
3 to <6 Months	4	12	26	42	20	4	108
6 to <12 Months	6	26	44	84	39	27	226
1 to <2 Years	17	57	77	142	89	45	427
2 to <3 Years	13	39	72	114	75	42	355
3 to <5 Years	12	54	142	225	119	86	638
5 to <10 Years	5	65	130	251	151	133	735
10+ Years	2	3	24	60	68	110	267
Life Sentence	4	4	14	113	108	108	351
Total	66	267	531	1,043	677	557	3,141

Sentence length by Age of Female prisoners under sentence

	21 to <25	25 to <30	30 to <40	40 to <50	50yrs+	Total
<3 Months	0	2	1	0	0	3
3 to <6 Months	1	4	7	1	1	14
6 to <12 Months	2	3	22	9	2	38
1 to <2 Years	1	2	20	9	4	36
2 to <3 Years	0	3	6	4	0	13
3 to <5 Years	0	3	10	3	1	17
5 to <10 Years	1	0	6	5	0	12
10+ Years	0	0	2	0	0	2
Life Sentence	0	0	3	6	4	13
Total	5	17	77	37	12	148

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	32	17	8	12	3	3	2	77
Cloverhill	98	77	94	39	17	24	9	358
Cork	23	14	13	9	7	3	0	69
Limerick	19	17	10	6	4	1	0	57
Midlands	10	8	24	19	5	15	4	85
Mountjoy	15	11	9	5	3	3	3	49
Portlaoise	0	3	0	1	4	2	2	12
Wheatfield	20	11	10	6	4	15	2	68
Total	217	158	168	97	47	66	22	775

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 October

	Female	Male	Total	%
African	4	83	87	13.7
Asian	0	29	29	4.6
British	1	70	71	11.2
Central American	0	1	1	0.2
European Union	10	357	367	58.0
Middle East	1	5	6	0.9
North American	2	1	3	0.5
Oceania	0	1	1	0.2
Other European	0	29	29	4.6
South American	9	30	39	6.2
Total	27	606	633	100.0

Top 5 Non Nationals by Nationality in Custody

Nationality	Female	Male	Total
Polish	3	138	141
Romanian	0	77	77
British	1	70	71
Lithuanian	4	66	70
Brazilian	8	28	36
Total	16	379	395