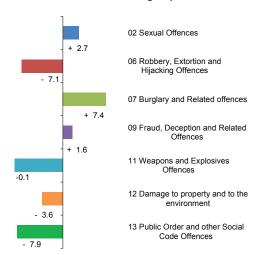


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Figure 1: Percentage change between annualised total to Q1, 2014 and 2015 for selected offence groups



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Recorded Crime

Q1 2015, including Q3 and Q4 2014

The CSO has resumed the publication of recorded crime statistics. This follows a comprehensive review of the accuracy of Garda Siochana crime data, on foot of the Garda Inspectorate report on Crime Investigation, published 11th November 2014. This review is being published simultaneously with this release. When interpreting the recorded crime statistics, the CSO advises that the findings of the review should be taken into account.

Rises in Burglaries, Assaults and Sexual offences in year to March 2015. Falls in Homicides and Robberies.

Group 07 Burglary and related offences rose by 8.0% for the twelve month period ending in March 2015. A rise of 8.0% was also observed in Group 03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences, driven by rises in all subcategories in this Group. Also of note was a 2.8% rise in Group 02 Sexual offences, from 1,995 to 2,051, and a 1.7% rise in the number of Group 09 Fraud, deception and related offences.

When comparing the twelve-month periods ending in Q1 2014 and 2015, other groups showed decreases. The fall in Group 01 Homicides was driven by a 40.3% fall in Murder from 62 to 37 recorded offences for the twelve month period ending in March 2015. Also of interest was the 7.7% decrease in Group 11 Weapons and explosives offences, and the 3.6% decrease in Group 12 Damage to property and to the environment.

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Group 01 Homicide Offences

In the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015, there were 38 recorded Murder and Manslaughter offences, a decrease of 30 on the corresponding period ending in Q2 2014. Dangerous driving leading to death offences fell from 29 to 20 in the same period.

Group 02 Sexual Offences

For the 12-months ending in March 2015, the number of offences recorded in this group had risen to 2,051 (+2.8%), from 1,995 for the corresponding period ending in Q1 2014. An increase of almost 20% was observed in recorded Rape of a male or female offences, as well as a 2.9% increase in Sexual assault (not aggravated) offences.

Group 03 Attempts or Threats to Murder, Assaults, Harassments and Related Offences

Murder – threat offences rose by 134 (38.5%) to 482 in the period ending in March 2015, while Other assault rose by 8.5% to 10,329 and Assault causing harm, poisoning offences rose by 5.3% to 3,182 recorded offences over the same period.

Group 04 Dangerous or Negligent Acts

Recorded Dangerous or negligent acts offences decreased by 6.3% to 7,154 in the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015 when compared to the same period ending in 2014. As in previous periods, most recorded offences in this group related to Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit, which decreased from 6,868 to 6,484 (-5.6%).

Group 05 Kidnapping and Related Offences

The annual total for Kidnapping and related offences rose by 2.4% to 129 in the 12-month period ending in March 2015. This was driven by increases in Abduction of person under 16 years of age and Human trafficking offences.

Group 06 Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences

In the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015, Group 06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences fell slightly (-6.6%) . Falls were seen in Robbery of an establishment or institution (-12.1%) and Robbery from the person (-6.3%) offences while Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel offences rose from 65 to 114 (+75.4%) over the same period.

Group 07 Burglary and Related Offences

There were 28,583 recorded Burglary and related offences in the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015, representing an increase of 2,113 (+8.0%) when compared with the corresponding period ending in 2014. Comparing the same periods, Aggravated burglary offences rose slightly by 0.9% to 324 offences, while recorded Burglary (not aggravated) offences increased by 8.1%, from 25,499 to 27,600. Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand) offences increased by 1.4% to 659.

Group 08 Theft and Related Offences

In the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015 Group 08 Theft and related offences rose by 1.3% to 78,866. When considering the subgroups, recorded Theft from person offences decreased by 18.7% to 6,510, while Theft from shop rose by 8.6% to 21,965.

Group 09 Fraud, Deception and Related Offences

There were 5,144 recorded Fraud, deception and related offences for the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015. This was an increase of 84 (+1.7%) on the corresponding period ending in March 2014.

Group 10 Controlled Drug Offences

In the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015, there were 15,552 recorded Controlled drug offences, a slight decrease (-0.9%) on the corresponding period ending in 2014. Most of these recorded offences were for Possession of drugs for personal use, which showed a decrease of 1.2% to 11,189.

Group 11 Weapons and Explosives Offences

There were 2,479 Group 11 Weapons and explosives offences in the 12 month period ending in March 2015, a decrease of almost 8% on the previous 12-month period. However, over this period, Possession of a firearm offences rose from 186 to 202 (+8.6%). Offensive weapons offences (nec) fell from 2,166 to 1,967 over the same period, a decrease of 9.2%.

Group 12 Damage to Property and to the Environment

Recorded Arson offences decreased to 1,750 (-5.2%) in the 12-month period ending in March 2015. The vast majority of offences recorded in this group were for Criminal damage (not arson) which decreased by 3.4% to 25,313.

Group 13 Public Order and Other Social Code Offences

Recorded Public order and other social code offences fell by 13.2% to 32,619 in the 12-month period ending in Q1 2015. The most frequently occurring offences in this group were under Disorderly conduct, which fell from 29,886 to 26,507 in this period. This is equivalent to approximately 72.57 Disorderly conduct offences a day in this period. However, Other social code offences (nec) increased by +113.8% to 1,723 over the same period.

Group 15 Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime

There were 9,426 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime recorded in the period ending in Q1 2015, an decrease of 0.7% when compared with the same period ending in March 2014.

Rises in Burglaries, Assaults and Fraud Offences in year to end December 2014. Falls in Homicides, Robberies.

Group 07 Burglary and related offences rose by 5.0% in 2014. A rise of 3.4% was also observed in Group 03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences. Also of note was a 7.3% rise in Group 09 Fraud, deception and related offences, from 4,825 to 5,179 and a 2.6% rise in Group 02 Sexual offences, from 2,010 to 2,062.

When comparing the annual totals for 2013 and 2014, most other groups showed decreases. Group 01 Homicides fell by 4% to 80, while a decrease of 10.2% was observed in Group 11 Weapons and explosives offences.

Rise in Robberies, Burglaries and fraud in year to end September 2014. Falls in most other groups.

In the 12-month period ending in September 2014, Group 06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences rose by 3.7% to 2,812 in 2014. Group 07 Burglary and related offences rose by 1.9% to 26,589 over the same period, while Group 09 Fraud, deception and related offences rose by 4.3% to 5,071 recorded offences.

When comparing the corresponding periods ending in September 2013 and 2014 respectively, most other groups showed decreases. Group 01 Homicides fell by 1% to 82, while a decrease of 12.4% was observed in recorded Group 12 Damage to property and the environment offences, which fell from 29,571 to 27,512 recorded offences.

Table 1 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annualised total 21, 2014 and 2015

		Annualised t	otal to Q1	
ICCSq offence group	2014	2015	Change	% Change
01 Homicide offences	97	58	-39	- 40.2
02 Sexual offences	1,995	2,051	+56	+2.8
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	14,381	15,537	+1,156	+8.0
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	7,633	7,154	-479	-6.3
05 Kidnapping and related offences	126	129	+3	+2.4
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,792	2,607	-185	-6.6
07 Burglary and related offences	26,470	28,583	+2,113	+8.0
08 Theft and related offences	77,887	78,866	+979	+1.3
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	5,060	5,144	+84	+1.7
10 Controlled drug offences	15,694	15,552	-142	-0.9
11 Weapons and explosives offences	2,686	2,479	-207	-8.4
12 Damage to property and to the environment	28,335	27,316	-1,019	-3.6
13 Public order and other social code offences	35,418	32,619	-2,799	-7.9
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	9,361	9,426	+65	+0.7

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 2 Recorded crimes classified by offence group and annualised total 1 Q1, 2014 and 2015

ICCSq offence group		Annualised t	otal to Q1	
	2014	2015	Change	% Change
01 Homicide offences	97	58	-39	-40.2
01a Murder	62	37	-25	-40.3
01b Manslaughter	6	1	-5	-83.3
01c Infanticide	0	0	0	-
01d Dangerous driving leading to death	29	20	-9	-31.0
02 Sexual offences	1,995	2,051	+56	+2.8
02a Rape of a male or female	414	488	+74	+17.9
02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	120	114	-6	-5.0
02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	9	10	+1	+11.1
02d Aggravated sexual assault	10	7	-3	-30.0
02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	1,283	1,320	+37	+2.9
02f Other sexual offences	159	112	-47	-29.6
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and				
related offences	14,381	15,537	+1,156	+8.0
03a Murder-attempt	13	17	+4	+30.8
03b Murder-threat	348	482	+134	+38.5
03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	3,022	3,182	+160	+5.3
03d Other assault	9,522	10,329	+807	+8.5
03e Harassment and related offences	1,476	1,527	+51	+3.5
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	7,633	7,154	-479	-6.3
04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	12	7	-5	-41.7
04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	6,868	6,484	-384	-5.6
04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	273	249	-24	-8.8
04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm or death	68	82	+14	+20.6
04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	254	191	-63	-24.8
04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	2	1	-1	-50.0
04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	4	4	0	0.0
04j Endangering traffic offences	152	136	-16	-10.5
05 Kidnapping and related offences	126	129	+3	+2.4
05a False imprisonment	70	57	-13	-18.6
05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	34	39	+5	+14.7
05c Human trafficking offences	22	33	+11	+50.0
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,792	2,607	-185	-6.6
06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	972	854	-118	-12.1
06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	39	29	-10	-25.6
06c Robbery from the person	1,692	1,585	-107	-6.3
06d Blackmail or extortion	24	25	+1	+4.2
06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	65	114	+49	+75.4
07 Burglary and related offences	26,470	28,583	+2,113	+8.0
07a Aggravated burglary	321	324	+3	+0.9
07b Burglary (not aggravated)	25,499	27,600	+2,101	+8.2
07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	650	659	+9	+1.4

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Recorded crimes classified by offence group and annualised total Q1, 2014 and 2015 (ctd.)

ICCSq offence group		Annualised to	otal to Q1	
	2014	2015	Change	% Change
08 Theft and related offences	77,887	78,866	+979	+1.3
08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	7,281	7,623	+342	+4.7
08b Theft from person	6,498	5,286	-1,212	-18.7
08c Theft from shop	20,233	21,965	+1,732	+8.6
08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	43,875	43,992	+117	+0.3
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	5,060	5,144	+84	+1.7
09a Fraud, deception and related offences	5,060	5,144	+84	+1.7
10 Controlled drug offences	15,694	15,552	-142	-0.9
10a Importation of drugs	41	24	-17	-41.5
10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	387	327	-60	-15.5
10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	3,370	3,426	+56	+1.7
10d Possession of drugs for personal use	11,323	11,189	-134	-1.2
10e Other drug offences	573	586	+13	+2.3
11 Weapons and explosives offences	2,686	2,479	-207	-7.7
11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	48	48	0	0.0
11b Discharging a firearm	145	149	+4	+2.8
11c Possession of a firearm	186	202	+16	+8.6
11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	2,166	1,967	-199	-9.2
11e Fireworks offences	141	113	-28	-19.9
12 Damage to property and to the environment	28,335	27,316	-1,019	-3.6
12a Arson	1,898	1,750	-148	-7.8
12b Criminal damage (not arson)	26,205	25,315	-890	-3.4
12c Litter offences	232	251	+19	+8.2
13 Public order and other social code offences	35,418	32,619	-2,799	-7.9
13a Disorderly conduct	29,886	26,507	-3,379	-11.3
13b Trespass offences	2,913	2,827	-86	-3.0
13c Liquor licensing offences	1,353	1,173	-180	-13.3
13d Prostitution offences	120	111	-9	-7.5
13e Regulated betting or money, collection or trading offences	340	278	-62	-18.2
13f Other social code offences (nec)	806	1,723	+917	+113.8
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	9,361	9,426	+65	+0.7
15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	289	293	+4	+1.4
15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	6	5	-1	-16.7
15c Perverting the course of justice	53	56	+3	+5.7
15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	9,013	9,072	+59	+0.7

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

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Table 3a Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, Q1 2012 to Q4 2013

IC	CSq offence group			2012					2013		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
01	Homicide offences	26	17	22	14	79	18	24	27	14	83
	01a Murder	19	10	15	9	53	10	11	18	13	52
	01b Manslaughter	3	1	1	2	7		1	1	1	3
	01c Infanticide					0			•		0
	01d Dangerous driving leading to death	4	6	6	3	19	8	12	8		28
02	Sexual offences	645	524	472	475	2,116	585	528	470	427	2,010
	02a Rape of a male or female	155	126	111	127	519	149	105	104	93	451
	02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	49	30	28	30	137	29	21	27	16	93
	02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	12	11	1	1	25	4	1	3	2	10
	02d Aggravated sexual assault	2	3	2.		7	1	1	4	4	10
	02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	388	318	291	292	1,289	363	367	302	288	1,320
	02f Other sexual offences	39	36	39	25	139	39	33	30	24	126
03	Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related										
	offences	4,069	3,915	3,964	3,762	15,710	3,521	3,642	3,746	3,593	14,502
	03a Murder-attempt	5	1	1.		7	4	2	4	3	13
	03b Murder-threat	91	53	68	60	272	77	87	103	75	342
	03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	839	787	854	751	3,231	772	762	785	770	3,089
	03d Other assault	2,608	2,569	2,610	2,548	10,335	2,273	2,404	2,480	2,398	9,555
	03e Harassment and related offences	526	505	431	403	1,865	395	387	374	347	1,503
04	Dangerous or negligent acts	2,373	2,350	2,171	2,157	9,051	1,877	1,981	1,908	1,894	7,660
	04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	2	2	1.		5	5	2	4	1	12
	04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	2,145	2,145	1,986	1,978	8,254	1,669	1,780	1,729	1,737	6,915
	04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	84	79	64	63	290	60	82	63	66	271
	04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm/death	19	17	13	18	67	16	13	24	15	68
	04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	74	54	59	41	228	80	58	41	46	225
	04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship		1	2	1	4		1	1		2
	04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	2	3	3 .		8	2	1		1	4
	04j Endangering traffic offences	47	49	43	56	195	45	44	46	28	163

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Table 3a Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, Q1 2012 to Q4 2013 ctd.

ICC	Sq offence group			2012					2013		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
05	Kidnapping and related offences	22	30	22	27	101	33	19	40	32	124
	05a False imprisonment	11	20	16	20	67	25	12	26	18	81
	05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	6	5	4	3	18	4	5	8	10	27
	05c Human trafficking offences	5	5	2	4	16	4	2	6	4	16
06	Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	789	648	661	719	2,817	773	622	597	814	2,806
	06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	339	230	210	237	1,016	299	220	178	292	989
	06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	17	16	5	11	49	7	11	11	10	39
	06c Robbery from the person	401	371	417	425	1,614	441	375	384	487	1,687
	06d Blackmail or extortion	6	11	6	17	40	7	4	9	5	25
	06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	26	20	23	29	98	19	12	15	20	66
07	Burglary and related offences	8,063	6,083	6,744	7,243	28,133	6,619	5,863	6,363	7,373	26,218
	07a Aggravated burglary	76	51	80	76	283	66	72	84	75	297
	07b Burglary (not aggravated)	7,817	5,820	6,507	6,954	27,098	6,390	5,619	6,105	7,127	25,241
	07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	170	212	157	213	752	163	172	174	171	680
08	Theft and related offences	18,892	19,183	19,196	19,131	76,402	18,688	19,882	20,786	19,381	78,737
	08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	2,265	2,051	2,133	1,999	8,448	2,036	1,826	1,712	1,794	7,368
	08b Theft from person	1,061	1,170	1,329	1,476	5,036	1,432	1,471	1,716	1,899	6,518
	08c Theft from shop	4,639	4,947	4,862	5,136	19,584	4,809	5,335	5,401	5,032	20,577
	08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	10,927	11,015	10,872	10,520	43,334	10,411	11,250	11,957	10,656	44,274
09	Fraud, deception and related offences	1,717	1,366	1,428	1,280	5,791	1,185	1,239	1,156	1,246	4,826
	09a Fraud, deception and related offences	1,717	1,366	1,428	1,280	5,791	1,185	1,239	1,156	1,246	4,826
10	Controlled drug offences	4,284	4,365	4,064	3,737	16,450	3,340	4,251	4,391	3,390	15,372
	10a Importation of drugs	8	12	6	4	30	15	7	13	9	44
	10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	108	139	147	123	517	71	117	119	83	390
	10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	1,002	890	792	819	3,503	815	879	782	785	3,261
	10d Possession of drugs for personal use	3,020	3,169	2,967	2,665	11,821	2,336	3,087	3,350	2,415	11,188
	10e Other drug offences	146	155	152	126	579	103	161	127	98	489

Table 3a Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, Q1 2012 to Q4 2013 ctd

IC	CSq offence group			2012					2013		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
11	Weapons and explosives offences	757	741	692	848	3,038	623	701	683	743	2,750
	11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	17	28	18	27	90	20	14	13	12	59
	11b Discharging a firearm	38	38	30	38	144	39	34	38	50	161
	11c Possession of a firearm	67	54	66	62	249	54	57	43	42	196
	11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	627	613	536	526	2,302	502	594	568	524	2,188
	11e Fireworks offences	8	8	42	195	253	8	2	21	115	146
12	Damage to property and to the environment	8,685	7,903	7,887	7,953	32,428	7,358	7,339	6,921	7,295	28,913
	12a Arson	516	568	542	529	2,155	417	485	534	512	1,948
	12b Criminal damage (not arson)	8,090	7,256	7,269	7,376	29,991	6,894	6,802	6,327	6,727	26,750
	12c Litter offences	79	79	76	48	282	47	52	60	56	215
13	Public order and other social code offences	11,032	11,038	11,438	10,353	43,861	8,598	9,182	9,854	8,819	36,453
	13a Disorderly conduct	9,412	9,328	9,789	8,830	37,359	7,314	7,844	8,254	7,442	30,854
	13b Trespass offences	842	930	873	690	3,335	682	729	840	700	2,951
	13c Liquor licensing offences	498	487	500	433	1,918	341	331	400	302	1,374
	13d Prostitution offences	41	46	31	30	148	26	29	30	35	120
	13e Regulated betting/money collection/trading offences	58	79	78	79	294	47	90	102	87	326
	13f Other social code offences (nec)	181	168	167	291	807	188	159	228	253	828
15											
	crime	2,690	2,422	2,197	2,136	9,445	2,220	2,376	2,309	2,284	9,189
	15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	75	57	60	92	284	67	78	64	69	278
	15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime		4	2 .		6	1	2	1.		4
	15c Perverting the course of justice	37	16	33	15	101	20	15	15	13	63
	15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	2,578	2,345	2,102	2,029	9,054	2,132	2,281	2,229	2,202	8,844

Table 3b Recorded crime incidents by offence group, Q1 2014 to Q1 2015

ICC	Sq offence group			2014			2015
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1
01	Homicide offences	32	20	18	10	80	10
	01a Murder	20	9	15	8	52	5
	01b Manslaughter	3				3	1
	01c Infanticide					0	
	01d Dangerous driving leading to death	9	11	3	2	25	4
02	Sexual offences	570	545	454	496	2,065	556
	02a Rape of a male or female	112	138	111	115	476	124
	02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	56	32	27	21	136	34
	02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	3	2	2	5	12	1
	02d Aggravated sexual assault	1	1	2	1	5	3
	02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	326	338	289	330	1,283	363
	02f Other sexual offences	72	34	23	24	153	31
03	Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	3,400	3,801	3,830	4,060	15,091	3,846
	03a Murder-attempt	4	4	4	3	15	6
	03b Murder-threat	83	92	96	147	418	147
	03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	705	820	789	823	3,137	750
	03d Other assault	2,240	2,519	2,609	2,701	10,069	2,500
	03e Harassment and related offences	368	366	332	386	1,452	443
04	Dangerous or negligent acts	1,850	1,839	1,838	1,772	7,299	1,705
	04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	5	4	1	1	11	1
	04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	1,622	1,661	1,673	1,598	6,554	1,552
	04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	62	75	54	70	261	50
	04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm/death	16	12	23	22	73	25
	04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	109	51	42	46	248	52
	04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship		•	1		1	
	04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	2	1	2		5	1
	04j Endangering traffic offences	34	35	42	35	146	24
05	Kidnapping and related offences	35	30	30	30	125	39
	05a False imprisonment	14	9	14	17	54	17
	05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	11	11	12	6	40	10
	05c Human trafficking offences	10	10	4	7	31	12

Table 3b ctd. Recorded crime incidents by offence group, Q1 2014 to Q1 2015

ICC	Sq offence group			2014			2015
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1
06	Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	759	659	578	652	2,648	718
	06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	282	180	159	228	849	287
	06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	7	5	9	5	26	10
	06c Robbery from the person	446	433	389	386	1,654	377
	06d Blackmail or extortion	6	8	3	4	21	10
	06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	18	33	18	29	98	34
07	Burglary and related offences	6,871	5,970	6,502	8,232	27,575	7,879
	07a Aggravated burglary	90	60	65	102	317	97
	07b Burglary (not aggravated)	6,648	5,728	6,279	7,961	26,616	7,632
	07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	133	182	158	169	642	150
08	Theft and related offences	17,838	19,529	20,159	20,204	77,730	18,974
	08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	1,949	1,939	2,012	1,860	7,760	1,812
	08b Theft from person	1,412	1,459	1,203	1,399	5,473	1,225
	08c Theft from shop	4,465	5,332	5,370	5,735	20,902	5,528
	08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	10,012	10,799	11,574	11,210	43,595	10,409
09	Fraud, deception and related offences	1,419	1,220	1,258	1,281	5,178	1,385
	09a Fraud, deception and related offences	1,419	1,220	1,258	1,281	5,178	1,385
10	Controlled drug offences	3,662	4,231	4,493	3,547	15,933	3,281
	10a Importation of drugs	12	8	5	4	29	7
	10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	68	96	101	81	346	49
	10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	924	916	896	865	3,601	749
	10d Possession of drugs for personal use	2,471	3,028	3,318	2,462	11,279	2,381
	10e Other drug offences	187	183	173	135	678	95
1	1 Weapons and explosives offences	559	586	684	646	2,475	563
	11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	9	12	15	12	48	9
	11b Discharging a firearm	23	38	37	36	134	38
	11c Possession of a firearm	44	48	61	44	197	49
	11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	480	486	559	459	1,984	463
	11e Fireworks offences	3	2	12	95	112	4

Table 3b ctd. Recorded crime incidents by offence group, Q1 2014 to Q1 2015

ICC	Sq offence group			2014			2015
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1
12	Damage to property and to the environment	6,780	6,808	6,602	7,219	27,409	6,687
	12a Arson	367	461	476	412	1,716	401
	12b Criminal damage (not arson)	6,349	6,275	6,078	6,746	25,448	6,216
	12c Litter offences	64	72	48	61	245	70
13	Public order and other social code offences	7,563	8,235	8,753	8,078	32,629	7,553
	13a Disorderly conduct	6,346	6,907	7,115	6,446	26,814	6,039
	13b Trespass offences	644	718	775	684	2,821	650
	13c Liquor licensing offences	320	283	343	327	1,273	220
	13d Prostitution offences	26	37	42	23	128	9
	13e Regulated betting/money collection/trading offences	61	82	70	76	289	50
	13f Other social code offences (nec)	166	208	408	522	1,304	585
15	Offences against Government, justice procedures and						
	organisation of crime	2,393	2,426	2,386	2,351	9,556	2,263
	15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	78	86	60	92	316	55
	15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	3		1	1	5	3
	15c Perverting the course of justice	10	20	9	10	49	17
	15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	2,302	2,320	2,316	2,248	9,186	2,188

Table 4 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annualised total Q1, 2011 to 2015

_		Annua	lised total to	Q1	
ICCSq offence group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
01 Homicide offences	86	68	71	97	58
02 Sexual offences	2,260	2,077	2,056	1,995	2,051
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	17,813	16,752	15,162	14,381	15,537
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	11,634	9,699	8,555	7,633	7,154
05 Kidnapping and related offences	129	103	112	126	129
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	3,171	2,912	2,801	2,792	2,607
07 Burglary and related offences	26,006	29,014	26,689	26,470	28,583
08 Theft and related offences	78,045	76,298	76,198	77,887	78,866
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	5,229	5,522	5,258	5,060	5,144
10 Controlled drug offences	19,492	17,756	15,506	15,694	15,552
11 Weapons and explosives offences	4,107	3,355	2,904	2,686	2,479
12 Damage to property and to the environment	39,242	34,752	31,101	28,335	27,316
13 Public order and other social code offences	55,298	47,253	41,427	35,418	32,619
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	11,243	10,037	8,975	9,361	9,426

The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 5 Recorded crimes classified by offence group, region and annualised total1 Q1, 2014 and 2015

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ICC	Sq offence group	Northern	Western	Southern	Eastern	South Eastern	DMR	State
	nualised total to Q1 2015	11011110111	110010111	Countrient	Luctorni	Luctom	2	Otato
01	Homicide offences	4	5	8	11	7	23	58
02	Sexual offences	237	217	345	343	267	642	2,051
03	Attempts or threats to murder, assaults,			0.0	0.0	_0.	V. <u>-</u>	_,00.
	harassments and related offences	2,060	1,835	2,928	2,274	1,763	4,677	15,537
04	Dangerous or negligent acts	913	1,005	1,498	1,027	1,009	1,702	7,154
05	Kidnapping and related offences	19	16	16	16	6	56	129
06	Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	124	92	219	222	125	1,825	2,607
07	Burglary and related offences	2,146	1,980	2,900	5,213	3,516	12,828	28,583
80	Theft and related Offences	5,115	4,827	11,340	10,910	6,961	39,713	78,866
09	Fraud, deception and related offences	461	545	749	666	393	2,330	5,144
10	Controlled drug offences	904	1,225	2,755	2,080	1,658	6,930	15,552
11	Weapons and explosives offences	227	178	434	291	220	1,129	2,479
12	Damage to property and to the environment	2,794	2,064	4,469	3,903	2,722	11,364	27,316
13	Public order and other social code offences	3,435	3,923	7,668	3,500	4,094	9,999	32,619
15	Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	562	631	1,819	954	625	4,835	9,426
	•	302	001	1,010	334	020	4,000	3,420
	nualised total to Q1 2014					•		
01	Homicide offences	11	17	14	11	6	38	97
02 03	Sexual offences Attempts or threats to murder, assaults,	221	216	328	321	256	653	1,995
00	harassments and related offences	1,887	1,664	2,860	2,175	1,711	4,084	14,381
04	Dangerous or negligent acts	943	1,073	1,549	1,180	1,088	1,800	7,633
05	Kidnapping and related offences	18	13	22	9	14	50	126
06	Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	110	92	253	238	139	1,960	2,792
07	Burglary and related offences	2,247	2,152	2,796	4,882	3,521	10,872	26,470
08	Theft and related Offences	4,969	5,179	10,603	10,994	6,832	39,310	77,887
09	Fraud, deception and related offences	431	562	721	644	418	2,284	5,060
10	Controlled drug offences	909	1,382	2,801	2,338	1,614	6,650	15,694
11	Weapons and explosives offences	242	193	448	320	285	1,198	2,686
12	Damage to property and to the environment	2,758	2,361	4,773	4,112	3,020	11,311	28,335
13	Public order and other social code offences	3,832	4,134	8,414	4,139	4,533	10,366	35,418
15	Offences against Government, justice							
	procedures and organisation of crime	507	692	1,801	884	606	4,871	9,361
An	nualised total change to Q1 2015							
01	Homicide offences	-7	-12	-6	0	+1	-15	-39
02	Sexual offences	+16	+1	+17	+22	+11	-11	+56
03	Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	+173	+171	+68	+99	+52	+593	+1,156
04	Dangerous or negligent acts	-30	-68	-51	-153	-79	+595 -98	-479
05	Kidnapping and related offences	-30 +1	+3	-51 -6	-133 +7	-79 -8	-98 +6	+3
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06	Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	+14 -101	-172	-34 +104	-16 +331	-14 -5	-135 +1,956	-185 +2,113
07	Burglary and related offences						·	•
80	Theft and related Offences	+146	-352 -17	+737	-84 +22	+129	+403	+979
09	Fraud, deception and related offences	+30		+28	+22	-25	+46	+84
10	Controlled drug offences	-5 15	-157	-46	-258	+44	+280	-142
11	Weapons and explosives offences	-15	-15	-14	-29 200	-65	-69 -53	-207
12	Damage to property and to the environment	+36	-297	-304	-209	-298	+53	-1,019
13 15	Public order and other social code offences Offences against Government, justice	-397	-211	-746	-639	-439	-367	-2,799
	procedures and organisation of crime	+55 er of crimes recor	-61	+18	+70	+19	-36	+65

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 6 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annual total 2013 and 2014

	Annual total				
ICCSq offence group	2013	2014	Change	% Change	
01 Homicide offences	83	80	-3	-4	
02 Sexual offences	2,010	2,062	+52	+2.	
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	14,502	14,990	+488	+3.4	
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	7,660	7,286	-374	-4.9	
05 Kidnapping and related offences	124	122	-2	-1.0	
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,806	2,650	-156	-5.	
07 Burglary and related offences	26,218	27,529	+1,311	+5.0	
08 Theft and related offences	78,737	77,753	-984	-	
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	4,825	5,179	+354	+7.3	
10 Controlled drug offences	15,372	15,957	+585	+3.8	
11 Weapons and explosives offences	2,750	2,469	-281	-10.2	
12 Damage to property and to the environment	28,913	27,418	-1,495	-5.	
13 Public order and other social code offences	36,453	32,603	-3,850	-10.0	
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	9,189	9,394	+205	+2.2	

Table 7 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annual total 2013 and 2014

ICCSq offence group	Annual total			
	2013	2014	Change	% Change
01 Homicide offences	83	80	-3	-3.6
01a Murder	52	52	0	0.0
01b Manslaughter	3	3	0	0.0
01c Infanticide	0	0	0	-
01d Dangerous driving leading to death	28	25	-3	-10.7
02 Sexual offences	2,010	2,062	+52	+2.6
02a Rape of a male or female	451	476	+25	+5.5
02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	93	133	+40	+43.0
02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	10	12	+2	+20.0
02d Aggravated sexual assault	10	5	-5	-50.0
02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	1,320	1,283	-37	-2.8
02f Other sexual offences	126	153	+27	+21.4
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and				
related offences	14,502	14,990	+488	+3.4
03a Murder-attempt	13	15	+2	+15.4
03b Murder-threat	342	420	+78	+22.8
03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	3,089	3,121	+32	+1.0
03d Other assault	9,555	9,999	+444	+4.6
03e Harassment and related offences	1,503	1,435	-68	-4.5
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	7,660	7,286	-374	-4.9
04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	12	10	-2	-16.7
04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	6,915	6,550	-365	-5.3
04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	271	253	-18	-6.6
04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm or death	68	74	+6	+8.8
04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	225	247	+22	+9.8
04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	2	1	-1	-50.0
04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	4	5	+1	+25.0
04j Endangering traffic offences	163	146	-17	-10.4
05 Kidnapping and related offences	124	122	-2	-1.6
05a False imprisonment	81	53	-28	-34.6
05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	27	39	+12	+44.4
05c Human trafficking offences	16	30	+14	+87.5
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,806	2,650	-156	-5.6
06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	989	851	-138	-14.0
06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	39	26	-13	-33.3
06c Robbery from the person	1,687	1,653	-34	-2.0
06d Blackmail or extortion	25	21	-4	-16.0
06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	66	99	+33	+50.0
07 Burglary and related offences	26,218	27,529	+1,311	+5.0
07a Aggravated burglary	297	317	+20	+6.7
07b Burglary (not aggravated)	25,241	26,570	+1,329	+5.3
07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	680	642	-38	-5.6

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 7 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annual total 2013 and 2014

ICCSq offence group	Annual total			
	2013	2014	Change	% Change
08 Theft and related offences	78,737	77,753	-984	-1.2
08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	7,368	7,752	+384	+5.2
08b Theft from person	6,518	5,477	-1,041	-16.0
08c Theft from shop	20,577	20,909	+332	+1.6
08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	44,274	43,615	-659	-1.5
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	4,825	5,179	+354	+7.3
09a Fraud, deception and related offences	4,825	5,179	+354	+7.3
10 Controlled drug offences	15,372	15,957	+585	+3.8
10a Importation of drugs	44	29	-15	-34.1
10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs 10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	390 3,261	345 3,611	-45 +350	-11.5 +10.7
10d Possession of drugs for personal use	11,188	11,293	+105	+0.9
10e Other drug offences	489	679	+190	+38.9
11 Weapons and explosives offences 11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	2,750 59	2,469 47	-281 -12	-10.2 -20.3
11b Discharging a firearm	161	134	-27	-16.8
11c Possession of a firearm	196	193	-3	-1.5
11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	2,188	1,984	-204	-9.3
11e Fireworks offences	146	111	-35	-24.0
12 Damage to property and to the environment	28,913	27,418	-1,495	-5.2
12a Arson 12b Criminal damage (not arson) 12c Litter offences	1,948 26,750 215	1,715 25,460 243	-233 -1,290 +28	-12.0 -4.8 +13.0
13 Public order and other social code offences	36,453	32,603	-3,850	-10.6
13a Disorderly conduct	30,854	26,795	-4,059	-13.2
13b Trespass offences	2,951	2,821	-130	-4.4
13c Liquor licensing offences	1,374	1,266	-108	-7.9
13d Prostitution offences	120	127	+7	+5.8
13e Regulated betting or money, collection or trading offences	326	289	-37	-11.3
13f Other social code offences (nec)	828	1,305	+477	+57.6
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and	9,189	9,394	+205	+2.2
15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	278	313	+35	+12.6
15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	4	5	+1	+25.0
15c Perverting the course of justice	63	47	-16	-25.4
15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	8,844	9,029	+185	+2.1

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 8 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annualised total 23, 2013 and 2014

		Annualised total to Q3					
ICCSq offence group	2013	2014	Change	% Change			
01 Homicide offences	83	82	-1	-1			
02 Sexual offences	2,058	1,952	-106	-5.2			
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	14,671	14,354	-317	-2.2			
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	7,923	7,375	-548	-6.9			
05 Kidnapping and related offences	119	120	+1	+0.8			
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,711	2,812	+101	+3.7			
07 Burglary and related offences	26,088	26,589	+501	+1.9			
08 Theft and related offences	78,487	76,930	-1,557	-2			
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	4,860	5,071	+211	+4.3			
10 Controlled drug offences	15,719	15,591	-128	-0.8			
11 Weapons and explosives offences	2,855	2,562	-293	-10.3			
12 Damage to property and to the environment	29,571	27,512	-2,059	-7.0			
13 Public order and other social code offences	37,987	33,274	-4,713	-12.4			
¹⁵ Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	9,041	9,090	+49	+0.5			

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 9 Recorded offences classified by offence group and annualised total 23, 2013 and 2014

ICCSq offence group	Annualised total to Q3			
	2013	2014	Change	% Change
01 Homicide offences	83	82	-1	-1.2
01a Murder	48	56	+8	+16.7
01b Manslaughter	4	4	0	0.0
01c Infanticide	0	0	0	-
01d Dangerous driving leading to death	31	22	-9	-29.0
02 Sexual offences	2,058	1,952	-106	-5.2
02a Rape of a male or female	485	452	-33	-6.8
02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	107	123	+16	+15.0
02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	9	10	+1	+11.1
02d Aggravated sexual assault	6	7	+1	+16.7
02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	1,324	1,210	-114	-8.6
02f Other sexual offences	127	150	+23	+18.1
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and				
related offences	14,671	14,354	-317	-2.2
03a Murder-attempt	10	15	+5	+50.0
03b Murder-threat	327	346	+19	+5.8
03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	3,070	3,019	-51	-1.7
03d Other assault	9,705	9,616	-89	-0.9
03e Harassment and related offences	1,559	1,358	-201	-12.9
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	7,923	7,375	-548	-6.9
04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	11	10	-1	-9.1
04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	7,156	6,680	-476	-6.7
04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	268	244	-24	-9.0
04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm or death	71	65	-6	-8.5
04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	220	235	+15	+6.8
04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	3	1	-2	-66.7
04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	3	6	+3	+100.0
04j Endangering traffic offences	191	134	-57	-29.8
05 Kidnapping and related offences	119	120	+1	+0.8
05a False imprisonment	83	53	-30	-36.1
05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	20	41	+21	+105.0
05c Human trafficking offences	16	26	+10	+62.5
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,711	2,812	+101	+3.7
06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	934	915	-19	-2.0
06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	40	31	-9	-22.5
06c Robbery from the person	1,625	1,756	+131	+8.1
06d Blackmail or extortion	37	21	-16	-43.2
06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	75	89	+14	+18.7
07 Burglary and related offences	26,088	26,589	+501	+1.9
07a Aggravated burglary	298	292	-6	-2.0
07b Burglary (not aggravated)	25,068	25,653	+585	+2.3
07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	722	644	-78	-10.8

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Table 9 ctd. Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group and annualised total 1 Q3, 2013 and 2014

ICCSq offence group	Annualised total to Q3			
	2013	2014	Change	% Change
08 Theft and related offences	78,487	76,930	-1,557	-2.0
08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	7,573	7,669	+96	+1.3
08b Theft from person	6,095	5,990	-105	-1.7
08c Theft from shop	20,681	20,195	-486	-2.3
08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	44,138	43,076	-1,062	-2.4
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	4,860	5,071	+211	+4.3
09a Fraud, deception and related offences	4,860	5,071	+211	+4.3
10 Controlled drug offences	15,719	15,591	-128	-0.8
10a Importation of drugs	39	34	-5	-12.8
10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	430	347	-83	-19.3
10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	3,295	3,528	+233	+7.1
10d Possession of drugs for personal use	11,438	11,039	-399	-3.5
10e Other drug offences	517	643	+126	+24.4
11 Weapons and explosives offences	2,855	2,562	-293	-10.3
11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	74	47	-27	-36.5
11b Discharging a firearm	149	148	-1	-0.7
11c Possession of a firearm	216	196	-20	-9.3
11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	2,190	2,042	-148	-6.8
11e Fireworks offences	226	129	-97	-42.9
12 Damage to property and to the environment	29,571	27,512	-2,059	-7.0
12a Arson	1,965	1,813	-152	-7.7
12b Criminal damage (not arson)	27,399	25,466	-1,933	-7.1
12c Litter offences	207	233	+26	+12.6
13 Public order and other social code offences	37,987	33,274	-4,713	-12.4
13a Disorderly conduct	32,242	27,732	-4,510	-14.0
13b Trespass offences	2,941	2,827	-114	-3.9
13c Liquor licensing offences	1,505	1,242	-263	-17.5
13d Prostitution offences	115	139	+24	+20.9
13e Regulated betting or money, collection or trading offences	318	300	-18	-5.7
13f Other social code offences (nec)	866	1,034	+168	+19.4
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	9,041	9,090	+49	+0.5
15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	301	282	-19	-6.3
15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	4	4	0	0.0
15c Perverting the course of justice	65	46	-19	-29.2
15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	8,671	8,758	+87	+1.0

¹ The annualised figure for a given quarter is the total number of crimes recorded in the 12 months prior to end of that quarter.

Background Notes

Introduction

The CSO Recorded Crime Release Q1 2015, Including Q3-Q4 2014 provides provisional figures for the number of offences recorded by An Garda Síochána, based on the Irish Crime Classification System (ICCS) but excluding elements of Group 4 (Dangerous or Negligent Acts), and all of Groups 14 (Road and Traffic Offences (Not Elsewhere Classified or nec)) and 16 (Offences Not Elsewhere Classified). Figures are provided from Quarter 1, 2011 to Quarter 1, 2015. The information supplied in this report refers only to crime incidents known to An Garda Síochána and recorded as such in the Garda PULSE (Police Using Leading Systems Effectively) system. Because of timing issues with respect to the extraction of data, figures may be revised subsequent to this publication. Furthermore, as noted earlier, caution is required in interpreting these statistics due to issues highlighted in the corresponding CSO Quality Report.

Crime recording

Incidents reported or which become known to members of An Garda Síochána are recorded when, on the balance of probability, a Garda determines that a criminal offence defined by law has taken place, and there is no credible evidence to the contrary. If it is subsequently determined that a criminal offence did not take place, the criminal offence recorded is invalidated and is not counted in the statistics. If a person makes a report and subsequently withdraws it by stating that the criminal act did not take place, then this too is invalidated unless there is evidence to suggest that, by reasonable probability, the offence has taken place. For criminal offences where victim confirmation is required (e.g. assault, fraud), a criminal offence is recorded only where the victim confirms the offence or where there is evidence to suggest that by reasonable probability it occurred. Another important feature of a recorded offence is that it is based on the date reported to, or that it became known to, the Gardaí. This has major implications for some offence types. Notable amongst these are sexual offences, as it has often been the case that such incidents have been reported to An Garda Síochána many years (sometimes decades) after the event(s). Thus a sexual assault, which occurred in 1960, would be included in the statistics for 2008 if it was first reported in that year.

Crime Classification

A criminal offence is classified as a particular offence type at the initial recording of that offence. However, upon investigation, it may later become apparent that an alternative offence type should be used. In this event, the record is amended to reflect this. Re-classification on the basis of court proceedings only occurs in relation to homicide offences. A murder offence is reclassified as manslaughter when a charge of manslaughter commences or when a murder charge results in a conviction for manslaughter. It is also possible, though more rare, that an incident originally classified as manslaughter may be re-classified as murder. Also, a re-classification to a homicide offence occurs when, for example, a serious assault has been recorded and, some time later, the victim dies as a consequence of the assault.

General Counting Rules Crime counting rules are applied to all criminal offences for the purposes of the statistics. The following are the main rules relevant to the quarterly figures:

Primary Offence Rule: Where two or more criminal offences are disclosed in a single episode, it is the primary criminal offence that is counted. The primary offence is that offence which the greater penalty may apply. Where offences have similar penalties, offences against the person take precedence over offences against property for the purpose of determining the primary offence.

One Offence Counts Per Victim: One offence counts per victim involved with the exceptions of cheque/credit card fraud and burglary. Under certain circumstances, the cheque/credit card exception necessitates that a series of these offences counts as one crime where the originating bank ultimately suffers the loss. The burglary exception dictates that one burglary offence is counted where property belonging to two or more victims is stolen (or damaged) during a single burglary.

Continuous Series Involving the Same Victim and Same Offender: A continuous series of offences against the same victim involving the same offender counts as one offence.

ICCSq Offence Groups

01 Homicide offences	01b 01c	Murder Manslaughter Infanticide Dangerous driving leading to death	Murder Manslaughter Infanticide Manslaughter (traffic fatality) Dangerous driving causing death
02 Sexual offences		Rape of a male or female	Rape of a male or female Rape Section 4
	026	Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	Unlawful carnal knowledge / Criminal law (Sexual Offences Act) 2006 Buggery
		Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person
		Aggravated sexual assault	Aggravated sexual assault
		Sexual assault (not aggravated)	Sexual assault
	021	Other sexual offences	Incest Child normagraphy offenses
			Child pornography offences Child pornography – obstruction of warrant Gross indecency
03 Attempts or threats	03a	Murder-attempt	Murder-attempt
to murder, assaults,		Murder-threat	Murder-threat
harassments and	03c	Assault causing harm, poisoning	Assault causing harm
related offences			Poisoning
	03d	Other assault	Assault or obstruction of Garda/official,
			resisting arrest
	020	Harassment and related offences	Minor assault Coercion
	036	riarassment and related offences	Harassment, stalking, threats
			Demanding payment of debt causing alarm
			Housing Act
			Menacing phone calls
			Incitement to hatred offences
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	04a	Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm
	04b	Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit
	04c	Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs
	04f	Endangerment with potential for serious harm or death	Endangerment with potential for serious harm or death
	04g	cruelty	Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty
		Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship
	04i	False alarm/interference with aircraft or	False alarm/interference with aircraft or
	04j	air transport facilities Endangering traffic offences	air transport facilities Endangering traffic offences
05 Kidnapping and	052	False imprisonment	False imprisonment
related offences		Abduction of person under 16 years of	Abduction of person under 16 years of
TOMOGRAPHICOS		age Human trafficking offences	age Human trafficking offences
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06	Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	06b 06c 06d	Robbery of an establishment or institution Robbery of cash or goods in transit Robbery from the person Blackmail or extortion Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	Robbery of an establishment or institution Robbery of cash or goods in transit Robbery from the person Blackmail or extortion Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel
07	Burglary and related offences	07b	Aggravated burglary Burglary (not aggravated) Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	Aggravated burglary Burglary (not aggravated) Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)
08	Theft and related offences	08b 08c	Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences Theft from person Theft from shop Other thefts, handling stolen property	Theft/Unauthorised taking of vehicle Interfering with vehicle (with intent to steal item or vehicle) Theft from person Theft from shop Theft from vehicle Theft/ Unauthorised taking of a pedal cycle Theft of, or interference with, mail Handling or possession of stolen property Theft of other property
09	Fraud, deception and related offences	09a	Fraud, deception and related offences	Fraud, deception, false pretence offences Forging an instrument to defraud Possession of an article for use in fraud, deception or extortion Falsification of accounts Offences under the Companies Act Offences under the Investment Intermediaries Act Offences under the Stock Exchange Act Money laundering Embezzlement Fraud against the European Union Importation/Sale/Supply of tobacco Counterfeiting notes and coins
10	Controlled drug offences	10b 10c 10d	Importation of drugs Cultivation or manufacture of drugs Possession of drugs for sale or supply Possession of drugs for personal use Other drug offences	Counterfeiting of goods Bad debts criminal (Debtors Ireland) Corruption (involving public office holder) Importation of drugs Cultivation or manufacture of drugs Possession of drugs for sale or supply Possession of drugs for personal use Forged or altered prescription offences Obstruction under the Drugs Act

11 Weapons and 11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences Causing an explosion explosives offences Making of explosives Possession of explosives Chemical weapons offences 11b Discharging a firearm Discharging a firearm 11c Possession of a firearm Possession of a firearm 11d Offensive weapons offences (nec) Possession of offensive weapons (not firearms) 11e Fireworks offences Fireworks offences (for sale, igniting etc.) **12 Damage to property** 12a Arson Arson and to the 12b Criminal damage (not arson) Criminal damage (not arson) environment 12c Litter offences Litter offences 13 Public order and 13a Disorderly conduct Affray/Riot/Violent disorder Public order offences other social code Drunkenness offences offences Air rage-disruptive or drunken behaviour on aircraft Forcible entry and occupation 13b Trespass offences (not burglary) Trespass on lands or enclosed areas Liquor licensing offences 13c Liquor licensing offences Registered clubs offences Special restaurant offences Provision of intoxicating liquor to under 18 year Purchase or consumption of alcohol by under 18 year olds Sale of intoxicating liquor to under 18 year olds 13d Prostitution offences Brothel keeping Organisation of prostitution Prostitution, including soliciting etc. 13e Regulated betting or money, Offences under the Betting Acts collection or trading offences Collecting money without permit, unauthorised collection Offences under Gaming and Lotteries Acts Permit/License offences for casual/street trading 13f Other social code offences (nec) Allowing a child (under 16 years) to beg **Bigamy Bestiality**

Indecency Begging

15	Offences against
	Government,
	justice procedures
	and organisation
	of crime

15a Offences against government and

its agents (nec)

Treason

Breaches of Offences Against the State

Breaches of Official Secrets Act Impersonating member of An Garda

Síochána

Electoral offences including personation Public mischief-annoying phone calls,

wasting police time

Criminal Assets Bureau offences Non compliance with Garda direction Criminal organisation offences

(organised crime)

Conspiracy to commit a crime

Perjury

Interfering with a jury (embracery)

Assisting offenders

Public mischief, pervert course of justice, conceal

offence

15d Offences while in custody, Escape or help to escape from custody

breach of court orders

15c Perverting the course of justice

15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy

to commit crime

Prison offences

Breach of Domestic Violence Order

(protection, safety, barring)

Breach of order under Family Law Act

Breach of bail

Failure to comply under Sex Offenders Act Other failure to comply with court order, jury

summons, warrant etc.