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Foreword

The correctional services of the Nordic countries have been publishing comparative statistics of their services since the eighties. This and former English editions of the various series of correctional statistics has been collected and edited by the University College of Norwegian Correctional Service. I want to thank my Nordic colleagues for their continuous effort and support to make this publication possible.

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Preface

Statisticians from the correctional services in the Nordic countries have provided the information collected and presented in this publication. Ragnar Kristoffersen has authored and edited the publication. Any questions about the content of the publication should therefore be directed to him.

Exact statistical comparability is difficult to attain given that law, practice and methods of data compilation vary between the Nordic countries. Even though present and former statisticians in the Nordic correctional services have tried to establish a high level of comparability by carefully working out common definitions over the years, any differences between the countries shown in this report still need to be interpreted with caution. The reader is therefore requested to note carefully the definitions and the footnotes to the tables.

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1 Definitions

Average length of imposed prison sentence in months

Average length of prison sentence in months refers to yearly imposed prison sentences by the courts regardless of type of serving or actual length of serving. Figures for Denmark, Finland and Norway are gathered from the national bureaus of criminal statistics. Figures for Iceland and Sweden are based on the yearly numbers of prison sentences received by the correctional services.

Capacity

Available places, places that have been or could have been used.

Central administration

In Denmark, it refers to the Department of Prisons and Probation. (“Direktoratet for Kriminalforsorgen”). From 2015 four regional offices are included. In Finland, it refers to the Central Administration of the Criminal Sanctions Agency (“Rikosseuraamuslaitoksen keskushallintoyksikkö”) and three regional offices. In Norway, it refers to the Norwegian Directorate for Correctional Services (“Kriminalomsorgsdirektoratet”) including the regional offices. In Sweden, central administration refers to the Prison and Probation Service Headquarter (“Kriminalvårdens huvudkontor”), the regional offices and the Service Centre (from 2015). In Iceland, central administration refers to the Prison and Probation Administration (“Fangelsismálastofnun ríkisins”).

Closed prisons

Prisons or units with some form of escape obstacle.

Community sentence

1 March 2002 community sentence (in Norwegian “samfunnsstraff”) was introduced, replacing the former orders of community service and conditional sentence with supervision. The offender needs to consent. A fixed number of hours (30 – 420) have to be served either by a) unpaid work, b) participation in programme or c) other activities

aimed at the prevention of reoffending. The offender is under supervision by the probation service.

Community service

Community service is meant to replace a prison sentence. The offender performs unpaid work for a fixed number of hours. The work is usually done for a non-profit organization. The offender needs to consent. In Denmark, community service is a condition attached to a suspended sentence or to an early release. In both cases, the offender is under supervision by the probation service. In Sweden there are two types of community service. Both are conditional prison sentences. One is combined with supervision and the other one is not. In Iceland, the Prison and Probation Administration can decide community service when the offender is sentenced to an unconditional prison sentence up to twelve months from 30 March 2016 and up to 24 months from 10 July 2021. Offenders unable to pay a fine exceeding the amount of ISK 100,000 (approx. € 710) may also serve community service in Iceland.

Conditional release with supervision

In accordance with certain rules, those who have served a prison sentence may be released when a certain part of the sentence has been served. Those accounted for under the probation service are persons who have been conditionally released and have a supervisor. A condition of admittance to an institution for substance abusers or other conditions may be applied.

Conditional sentence with supervision

Refers to those who receive a conditional prison sentence, in which case the sentenced person will be under supervision by the probation service for a specified period. The offender must abide by certain conditions pertaining to the sentence, of which regular meetings or interviews with the supervisor are normally required. During the probation period, the sentence can be transformed to imprisonment if a new offence is committed or in case of non-compliance with the conditions. In Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway conditions of treatment of e.g. substance- and alcohol dependency may also be

applied. In Finland, such conditions concern only juveniles who were from 15 up to 21 years old when the offence was committed.

Deaths in prisons and remand units

Refer to persons who taken their own life or died from other causes inside the prison. If an inmate has inflicted injuries on himself inside a prison and later dies from these injuries outside the prison, for example in a hospital, this is counted as a suicide inside the prison.

Electronic monitoring

This order implies serving a prison sentence outside the prison establishment. Having a residence, a daytime occupation (e.g. a job or attending school) and consent from any cohabitants are minimum requirements for all participants serving electronic monitoring in the Nordic countries. The order includes a prohibition to leave one's residence except at specified times and for specified reasons, for example to go to work or to buy necessities. Use of alcohol or drugs is also prohibited while serving the order. Electronic equipment is used to check whether there is a breach of restrictions. Until July 2005, Sweden was the only Nordic country using this type of sanction. Denmark introduced electronic monitoring 1 July 2005 for persons sentenced to prison for a maximum of three months. The target group was initially drink drivers and persons who have been driving without a driving license. From spring 2006, the order includes sentenced persons under the age of 25 years with a prison sentence up to three months. July 2008, the condition that the participant must be under the age of 25 was repealed. From July 2010, the order included sentenced persons with a prison sentence up to five months, and from July 2013 it includes sentences up to six months. At the same time, Denmark introduced "back door" electronic monitoring for those who have up to six months left to serve. 1 October 2006 Finland introduced electronic monitoring as a "back door" order for prisoners with no more than six months left to serve. 1 November 2011 Finland expanded the possibility of serving with electronic monitoring for offenders sentenced to a prison sentence of maximum six months. 1 October 2011 Iceland introduced back door supervision with electronic monitoring for prisoners. If the prison

sentence is 12 months, the prisoner can complete serving his sentence outside prison with electronic monitoring for 60 days. If the prison sentence is 12 months or more, the prisoner will get 5 days on electronic monitoring for each month exceeding 12 months, though in total not more than 360 days. Offenders serving electronic monitoring in Iceland are supervised by employees at private halfway houses. Prison officers in Finland supervise back door electronic monitoring. For the sake of comparison the numbers are reported in tables presenting the probation service. 1 August 2008 Norway introduced electronic monitoring as a pilot. The order was implemented nationwide in 2014. The target group in Norway was initially those sentenced to prison for four months or those who have four months left to serve. 1.9.2020 the law was changed making it possible for people sentenced to six months prison or six months left to apply. Initially the target group in Sweden was those sentenced to a maximum of three months in prison. 1 April 2005 the target group was widened in Sweden, including prison sentences up to six months. Those serving electronic monitoring in Sweden may participate in programmes or other kinds of treatment. Since 1 October 2001, the tag has also been applied as a “back door” order for Swedish inmates serving a prison sentence of at least two years. Since 2007 inmates sentenced to a minimum of six months can apply for back door electronic monitoring to support reintegration into society.

Entries to prison sentences

Persons who have started serving a prison sentence in a prison or a remand unit in the relevant period. Fine defaulters and electronic monitoring are not included.

Entries to the probation service

Refer to persons who have started serving some form of sentence or order administered by the probation service, and who are not imprisoned at the same time. Those on conditional release with supervision are included.

Escapes from prisons

The number of times prisoners have escaped from a prison. If two persons escape together, this is counted as two escapes.

Fine defaulters

Those who have been sentenced to a fine and unable to pay can be ordered to serve a subsidiary prison sentence. In Denmark, Iceland and Norway a person who for the time being is serving an ordinary prison sentence can remain in prison in order to serve the subsidiary prison sentence. In Norway and Iceland such a person is included in the category of fine defaulters, but in Denmark, he is counted as serving a prison sentence. In Iceland offenders unable to pay a fine exceeding ISK 100,000 (approx. € 710) may serve community sentence. In Finland fine defaulting implies that those who are unable to pay their fines are sentenced to imprisonment for at least four days or a maximum of 60 days. In Sweden they will be sentenced to imprisonment for at least fourteen days and at most three months.

Foreign citizens

Refer to all persons with a foreign citizenship, independent of their place of residence.

Life sentenced prisoners

Persons sentenced to lifetime imprisonment. Iceland and Norway do not impose life sentences, but the sanction exist in Icelandic law. In Finland and Sweden, the sentence is considered served if the person is pardoned. In Finland, the life sentenced prisoner can be conditionally released by the Helsinki court of appeal when the prisoner has served at least 12 years. In Denmark, the possibility of conditional release is considered when the life sentenced prisoner has served 12 years. If granted, a probation period of maximum five years is set. In Sweden, pardon usually means that a life sentence is converted into a sentence with a fixed duration. A person is considered a life-sentenced prisoner as long as the duration of the punishment is not fixed.

Occupancy

Number of persons occupying prison places.

Open prisons

Institutions or units where there are no real escape obstacles.

Other entries

Refer to groups of persons not otherwise accounted for in the tables.

Population

Number of inhabitants at the beginning of a year.

Preventive detention

Refers to somewhat similar orders in the Nordic countries, where the offender is considered dangerous and confinement is deemed necessary for the protection of the society. In Denmark and Norway, preventive detention is called “forvaring”. In Denmark, it implies a sentence of imprisonment for an indefinite period for those who repeatedly have committed a serious crime and who are considered a danger to other people’s lives. The court decides when the prisoner will be released. In Norway, preventive detention implies a sentence of imprisonment for persons who have committed a serious crime and who in the opinion of the court constitute a risk for re-offending. The court states a maximum duration and usually a minimum duration for which the sentence must be served. The offender can be conditionally released after having served the minimum duration period. The court may also prolong the maximum duration.

Principal crime

The crime that entails the longest prison sentence. Threats are counted as violence and drink driving is counted as a traffic crime. Murder includes both wilful murder and homicide as an unintended consequence of intentional violence. Involuntary manslaughter is not included. Economic crimes do not include thefts, which is listed as a separate category.

Reconvictions within two years of released sentenced prisoners

Refer to the numbers of new unconditional prison or community sentences within two years after year of release from a prison sentence, in which case the new sentence has to be served in the national correctional services. The crime leading to a new sentence

must have been committed after release. Fine defaulters and deceased released prisoners are excluded.

Registered inmates

Refer to all persons registered at prison establishments and remand units under the management of the prison service, with the exception of those absent without permission to leave. If not otherwise stated, inmates temporarily absent with permission to leave and those who are serving their sentences fully or partly at a hospital, a treatment centre or in any institution not run by the prison service, are also included in the term “registered inmates”. Unless differently indicated, sentenced prisoners serving front door or back door electronic monitoring are registered as persons in the probation service.

Registered persons in the probation service

Refer to persons serving a sentence or a conditional order under the responsibility of the probation service. Electronic monitoring, in reality a type of community sanction, is included irrespective of which service responsible for the supervision.

Remand unit

Usually closed prison units where prisoners are held in remand custody. In Iceland they are sometimes held in open prisons. In Sweden, these units are called “häkte”. About 85 % of the inmates in Swedish remand units are remand prisoners. The remaining 15 % consists partly of sentenced prisoners who are put there for special reasons, and partly of other inmates according to definition. In Denmark, around 70 % of the capacity of the local prisons (“arresthus”) is used for remand prisoners. The remaining 30 % consists of formerly remanded prisoners newly convicted and awaiting transfer to closed and open prisons for serving the remaining part of their sentences. In Finland, Iceland and Norway there are no separate remand prisons. Remand prisoners are being held in certain closed prisons, where sentenced prisoners are also held.

Remand custody

Persons suspected of having committed a crime and as a consequence are imprisoned by a court decision. In Denmark a person may be imprisoned by order of the police for a maximum period of 24 hours before any continuation of the order has to be approved by the courts. In Norway the same rule will apply when the imprisonments ordered by the police exceed 48 hours.

Sentenced prisoners

Those sentenced to a sanction involving deprivation of liberty and who are serving their sentence inside or outside a prison establishment or temporarily absent with permission to leave. Electronic monitoring is not included, cf. the definition of “registered persons in the probation service”.

Staff

Refers to the sum total of employed and available staff expressed in full time equivalents (FTEs), irrespective of sick leave. Thus, a half-time staff member who has worked for six months during a given year is counted as 0.25 staff resource. In Norway and Iceland librarians, teachers and health staff are not employed by the correctional service. Except in one prison, kitchen staff in Iceland is not employed by the correctional service. In Sweden, this is the case with doctors. In Finland, health personnel and teachers are not employed by the correctional service. In Denmark, both teachers and health personnel are employed by the correctional service. From 2008, teachers are employed by the correctional service in Sweden. Categories of staff included in table 9 is shown below.

Category	Denmark	Finland	Iceland	Norway	Sweden
Teachers for inmates	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Teachers for staff	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Officers under education	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Officers in training	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Doctors	Yes	No	No	No	No
Nurses	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Culture and pastime	Yes	Partly	Partly	Yes	Partly
Treatment/programs	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly	Partly
Transport	Partly	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes

Supervision

In Sweden, this refers to persons sentenced to supervision for normally a year, but with a probation period of three years. Conditions may be added, e.g. staying in an institution for substance abusers.

Supervision with a treatment plan

In Sweden, this is a conditional prison sentence primarily for substance abusers, which replaces a prison sentence up to two years. The offender will be supervised by the probation service for at least one year. He has to consent to participate in the treatment. The treatment takes place in a treatment centre or policlinic.

Supervision of mentally disturbed persons

Persons, who at the time of the crime were irresponsible due to mental illness or severe mental defect, are not liable to punishment according to the penal code in Denmark. Still the court may decide that they shall be under supervision by the probation service.

Supervision with treatment of alcohol problems

In Denmark, supervision with treatment of alcohol problems is a conditional prison sentence that can be imposed if the sentenced person's blood alcohol concentration is higher than 2 per thousand litre or if he is a reoffender in drink driving. The length of the treatment period is decided by the Court, based on a pre-sentence report carried out by the probation service. Usually it will last for a year. The treatment will normally consist of a cure of Antabuse twice a week and medical and social counselling. In

Norway, drivers under the influence of drink, drugs or medication can be sentenced to a conditional prison sentence provided that the offender participate in a treatment programme, which includes assessment of the need for treatment, individual talks at least once a fortnight and a total of 20 to 30 hours of lessons, normally in groups. The offender has to consent to participate in the programme. The majority of the participants will be drink drivers.

Unit

This term refers to an entire prison or a separate part of a prison. A prison with a closed and open section is counted as having two units. A prison with two geographically separate sections, of which one is closed and the other is open, is also counted as two units.

Explanation of symbols

- Zero
- 0 Less than 0.5
- . No adequate information
- .. No information

All figures are rounded.

2 Tables

2.1 New entries to the correctional services

2.1.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
New entries to prison sentences	4 123	4 029	4 746	4 749	4 093
New entries to the probation service	11 524	10 579	10 035	9 699	9 107
of which					
community service	4 640	4 396	3 831	3 496	3 543
community sentence					
conditional release with supervision	1 775	1 583	1 476	1 502	1 484
conditional sentence with supervision	1 605	1 483	1 502	1 455	1 417
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	626	614	652	617	584
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	378	259	276	245	227
supervision with a treatment plan					
supervision					
electronic monitoring (front door)	2 319	2 088	2 221	2 223	1 692
electronic monitoring (back door)	68	75	68	65	55
Other entries ¹	113	81	109	96	105
<i>New entries to prison sentences per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	87	84	98	98	84
<i>total population</i>	72	70	82	82	70
<i>New entries to the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	243	221	208	200	187
<i>total population</i>	202	184	174	167	156

¹ Supervision of sentenced to treatment, sexual offenders in treatment and supervision in connection with waiver of prosecution. Figures for 2016 and 2017 are corrected due to new calculation method.

2.1.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
New entries to prison sentences	3 372	3 093	3 173	3 216	2 771
New entries to the probation service	4 463	4 358	4 461	4 431	4 233
of which					
community service	2 037	1 938	2 009	1 930	1 752
community sentence	.	.	.	.	.
conditional release with supervision	762	750	785	817	774
conditional sentence with supervision	707	665	700	626	684
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (front door) ²	261	246	207	197	188
electronic monitoring (back door)	690	754	749	854	828
Other entries ³	6	5	11	7	7
<i>New entries to prison sentences per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	73	67	69	69	60
<i>total population</i>	61	56	58	58	50
<i>New entries to the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	97	95	97	96	91
<i>total population</i>	81	79	81	80	77

² The supervision of electronic monitoring in Finland is conducted by prison staff.

³ People serving juvenile punishment.

2.1.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
New entries to prison sentences	153	174	163	202	160
New entries to the probation service	328	263	362	382	332
of which					
community service ⁴	253	197	301	310	254
community sentence	.	.	.	.	.
conditional release with supervision	38	25	27	32	34
conditional sentence with supervision	4	6	2	4	3
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (front door)	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (back door) ⁵	33	35	32	36	41
Other entries					
<i>New entries to prison sentences per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	58	64	58	70	54
<i>total population</i>	46	51	47	57	44
<i>New entries to the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	123	97	129	132	112
<i>total population</i>	99	78	104	107	91

⁴ Includes unpaid fines converted to community service, of which there were 101 in 2020.

⁵ First offender serving this way was in February 2012.

2.1.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
New entries to prison sentences	6 792	6 297	5 467	4 597	3 772
New entries to the probation service	6 541	6 645	6 178	6 479	6 834
of which					
community service	.	.	.	.	.
community sentence	1 909	1 980	1 782	1 797	1 630
conditional release with supervision	760	723	666	640	535
conditional sentence with supervision	5	5	6	3	-
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems ⁶	463	468	388	366	361
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (front door)	2 908	2 882	2 791	2 951	3 178
electronic monitoring (back door)	383	383	327	322	325
Other entries ⁷	113	204	218	400	805
		0			
<i>New entries to prison sentences per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>159</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>105</i>	<i>85</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>120</i>	<i>103</i>	<i>86</i>	<i>70</i>
<i>New entries to the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>153</i>	<i>154</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>147</i>	<i>154</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>126</i>	<i>117</i>	<i>122</i>	<i>127</i>

⁶ Participants driving under the influence of other kinds of intoxicants than alcohol are also accepted, but the majority would be drink drivers.

⁷ Mostly drug court programme, supervision of people released from preventive detention and home detention on special conditions.

2.1.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
New entries to prison sentences	8 495	8 423	8 930	9 172	8 964
New entries to the probation service	15 166	14 740	15 402	15 056	16 126
of which					
community service ⁸	4 476	4 350	4 271	4 066	3 766
community sentence	.	.	.	.	.
conditional release with supervision	3 637	3 251	3 424	3 681	5 274
conditional sentence with supervision	.	.	.	.	.
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with a treatment plan	703	726	728	636	642
supervision	3 984	4 233	4 903	4 496	4 220
electronic monitoring (front door)	1 817	1 642	1 563	1 609	1 622
electronic monitoring (back door)	549	538	513	568	602
Other entries	-	-	-	-	-
<i>New entries to prison sentences per 100.000 of</i>	<i>103</i>	<i>101</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>108</i>	<i>105</i>
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>87</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>86</i>
<i>total population</i>					
<i>New entries to the probation service per 100.000 of</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>177</i>	<i>183</i>	<i>177</i>	<i>189</i>
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>152</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>155</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>103</i>	<i>101</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>108</i>	<i>105</i>

⁸ Conditional prison sentences with community service are included.

2.2 Average number of inmates by category

2.2.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average number of registered inmates ⁹	3 536	3 599	3 887	4 149	4 267
of which					
remand custody	1 117	1 140	1 326	1 400	1 533
<i>percent</i>	32	32	34	34	36
sentenced to prison ¹⁰	2 214	2 233	2 359	2 556	2 532
<i>percent</i>	63	62	61	62	59
fine defaulters	0	0	-	-	-
preventive detention	56	60	64	69	76
others ¹¹	149	165	138	125	126
<i>Sentenced per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	47	47	49	53	52
<i>total population</i>	39	39	41	44	43
<i>Total number of registered inmates per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	74	75	81	86	88
<i>total population</i>	62	63	67	71	73

⁹ Inmates measured every day.

¹⁰ Inmates temporarily absent are included in the figures.

¹¹ Mainly violators of Immigration law.

2.2.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average number of registered inmates ¹²	2 917	2 821	2 703	2 736	2 573
of which					
remand custody ¹³	585	597	547	639	632
<i>percent</i>	20	21	20	23	25
sentenced to prison	2 275	2 169	2 097	2 031	1 877
<i>percent</i>	78	77	78	74	73
fine defaulters	57	55	59	66	63
preventive detention	.	.	.	.	.
others	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sentenced per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	50	47	45	44	40
<i>total population</i>	41	39	38	37	34
<i>Total number of registered inmates per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	64	61	58	59	55
<i>total population</i>	53	51	49	50	47

¹² Inmates measured twice a month. Inmates illegally absent from prison (about 50) are included in the table.

¹³ In addition there were 81 (2016), 73 (2017), 69 (2018), 41 (2019) and 32 (2020) remand prisoners in police custody.

2.2.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average number of registered inmates ¹⁴	148	163	164	182	152
of which					
remand custody	18	24	26	30	27
<i>percent</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>18</i>
sentenced to prison	110	118	119	129	107
<i>percent</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>73</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>70</i>
fine defaulters	2	3	1	5	2
preventive detention					
others ¹⁵	18	18	18	19	17
<i>Sentenced per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>36</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Total number of registered inmates per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>51</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>48</i>	<i>47</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>42</i>

¹⁴ Inmates measured every day.

¹⁵ Registered inmates in a private half way house.

2.2.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average number of registered inmates ¹⁶	4 035	3 827	3 580	3 361	3 015
of which					
remand custody	1 011	921	847	826	748
<i>percent</i>	25	24	24	25	25
sentenced to prison	2 833	2 712	2 548	2 385	2 116
<i>percent</i>	70	71	71	71	70
fine defaulters	101	91	72	30	18
preventive detention	90	104	114	120	132
others	.	.	.	.	.
<i>Sentenced per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	66	63	58	54	48
<i>total population</i>	54	52	48	45	39
<i>Total number of registered inmates per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	94	89	82	77	68
<i>total population</i>	77	73	68	63	56

¹⁶ Inmates measured every day.

2.2.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average number of registered inmates ¹⁷	5 640	5 702	6 071	6 567	7 087
of which					
remand custody	1 460	1 517	1 695	1 869	2 059
<i>percent</i>	26	27	28	28	29
sentenced to prison ¹⁸	4 050	4 046	4 228	4 561	4 889
<i>percent</i>	72	71	70	69	69
fine defaulters	.	.	.	.	.
preventive detention	.	.	.	.	.
others ¹⁹	130	139	148	137	139
<i>Sentenced per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	49	49	50	54	57
<i>total population</i>	41	40	41	44	47
<i>Total number of registered inmates per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	68	68	72	77	83
<i>total population</i>	56	56	59	64	68

¹⁷ Inmates measured once a month, except remand custody and others not specified, which are measured every day from 2017.

¹⁸ Back door electronic monitoring is included in table 2.3.5.

¹⁹ In 2020 about 66 % were inmates imprisoned for the violation of immigrant law.

2.3 Average number of registered persons in the probation service

2.3.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average of registered clients in the probation service ²⁰	9 054	8 449	8 052	7 821	7 758
of which					
community service	2 388	2 260	2 034	1 849	1 942
community sentence					
conditional release with supervision	1 426	1 386	1 312	1 258	1 241
conditional sentence with supervision	1 745	1 487	1 440	1 471	1 409
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	2 788	2 728	2 731	2 708	2 678
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	332	262	188	189	195
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (front door)	298	266	284	288	230
electronic monitoring (back door)	21	21	23	21	16
others ²¹	56	38	40	37	48
<i>Total average of registered clients in the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>191</i>	<i>176</i>	<i>167</i>	<i>161</i>	<i>159</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>159</i>	<i>147</i>	<i>139</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>133</i>

²⁰ Clients measured once a month.

²¹ Offenders conditionally sentenced to treatment for traffic or sex offences and waiver of prosecution.

2.3.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average of registered clients in the probation service ²²	3 265	3 182	3 165	3 247	3 310
of which					
community service	1 120	1 096	1 072	1 154	1 220
community sentence	.	.	.	.	.
conditional release with supervision	1 067	1 093	1 116	1 116	1 144
conditional sentence with supervision	819	727	729	726	674
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (front door)	47	45	33	26	39
electronic monitoring (back door) ²³	203	214	207	216	227
others ²⁴	9	7	8	9	6
<i>Total average of registered clients in the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>69</i>	<i>68</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>71</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>60</i>

²² Clients measured once a month.

²³ Supervision is performed by prison staff.

²⁴ People serving juvenile punishment.

2.3.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average of registered clients in the probation service ²⁵	250	239	258	250	259
of which					
community service ²⁶	155	147	186	185	194
community sentence	.	.	.	.	.
conditional release with supervision	61	52	50	49	41
conditional sentence with supervision	14	13	7	4	5
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (front door)	.	.	.	.	.
electronic monitoring (back door)	7	18	14	11	16
others ²⁷	13	9	1	1	3
<i>Total average of registered clients in the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	94	88	92	87	88
<i>total population</i>	75	70	74	70	71

²⁵ Clients measured once a month.

²⁶ Fine defaulters not able to pay their fines serving community service instead are included.

²⁷ Includes waiver of prosecution with supervision.

2.3.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average of registered clients in the probation service ²⁸	2 329	2 348	2 300	2 388	2 482
of which					
community service	.	.	.	.	.
community sentence	1 127	1 117	1 027	1 063	1 007
conditional release with supervision	320	325	296	298	269
conditional sentence with supervision	7	5	6	6	2
supervision of mentally disturbed persons	.	.	.	.	.
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems ²⁹	452	426	407	351	338
supervision with a treatment plan	.	.	.	.	.
supervision					
electronic monitoring (front door)	257	258	251	255	285
electronic monitoring (back door)	63	71	61	59	73
others ³⁰	103	147	253	356	509
<i>Total average of registered clients in the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>56</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>46</i>

²⁸ Clients measured every day.

²⁹ Cf. footnote 6.

³⁰ In 2017 drug court programme (135), home detention on special conditions (40), community service in the absence of paying a fine (21), supervision of people released from preventive detention (8) and supervision of conditionally sentenced offenders (5).

2.3.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total average of registered clients in the probation service ³¹	10 731	9 879	9 904	10 143	10 672
of which					
community service ³²	1 822	1 744	1 739	1 716	1 596
community sentence	.	.	.	.	.
conditional release with supervision	3 392	2 983	2 909	3 097	3 931
conditional sentence with supervision					
supervision of mentally disturbed persons					
supervision with treatment of alcohol problems					
supervision with a treatment plan	797	725	747	706	620
supervision	4 368	4 097	4 199	4 292	4 181
electronic monitoring (front door)	226	201	194	195	194
electronic monitoring (back door)	126	129	116	137	150
others	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total average of registered clients in the probation service per 100.000 of</i>					
<i>population 15 years of age or more</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>118</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>125</i>
<i>total population</i>	<i>107</i>	<i>98</i>	<i>97</i>	<i>98</i>	<i>103</i>

³¹ Clients measured every day.

³² Conditional prison sentences with community service are included.

2.4 Sentenced prisoners on a certain day

2.4.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sentenced to prison on a certain day ³³	2 206	2 143	2 254	2 424	2 503
of which					
Women					
number	91	68	63	82	107
<i>percent</i>	4	3	3	3	4
Foreign citizens					
number	425	441	449	472	550
<i>percent</i>	19	21	20	19	22
of which Nordic people	18	11	14	11	17
<i>percent</i>	1	1	1	0	1
15 – 17 years of age					
number	9	6	7	8	5
<i>percent</i>	0	0	0	0	0
Life sentenced prisoners					
number	21	24	24	27	29
<i>percent</i>	1	1	1	1	1

³³ Measured 1 September. Sentenced prisoners serving outside prison not included.

2.4.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sentenced to prison on a certain day ³⁴	2 301	2 143	2 034	2 036	1 773
of which					
Women					
number	157	160	144	143	129
<i>percent</i>	7	7	7	7	7
Foreign citizens					
number	311	327	261	284	264
<i>percent</i>	14	15	13	14	15
of which Nordic people	17	15	12	13	16
<i>percent</i>	1	1	1	1	1
15 – 17 years of age					
number	3	4	2	2	1
<i>percent</i>	0	0	0	0	0
Life sentenced prisoners					
number	197	190	184	178	169
<i>percent</i>	9	9	9	9	10

³⁴ Measured 1 September. Sentenced prisoners serving outside prison included. Fine defaulters not included.

2.4.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sentenced to prison on a certain day ³⁵	123	132	130	147	109
of which					
Women					
number	6	9	5	11	7
<i>percent</i>	5	7	4	7	6
Foreign citizens					
number	15	23	29	28	19
<i>percent</i>	12	17	22	19	17
of which Nordic people	-	-	-	2	-
<i>percent</i>	-	-	-	1	-
15 – 17 years of age					
number	-	-	-	-	-
<i>percent</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Life sentenced prisoners					
number	-	-	-	-	-
<i>percent</i>	-	-	-	-	-

³⁵ Measured 1 September. Absent sentenced prisoners are included, but not fine defaulters.

2.4.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sentenced to prison on a certain day ³⁶	2 951	2 736	2 640	2 504	2 396
of which					
Women					
number	187	152	152	170	139
<i>percent</i>	6	6	6	7	6
Foreign citizens					
number	704	698	622	552	503
<i>percent</i>	24	26	24	22	21
of which Nordic people	53	45	57	33	43
<i>percent</i>	2	2	2	1	2
15 – 17 years of age					
number	4	3	3	3	4
<i>percent</i>	0	0	0	0	0
Life sentenced prisoners	2 951	2 736	2 640	2 504	2 396
number	.	.	.	.	.
<i>percent</i>	.	.	.	.	.

³⁶ Measured 1 September.

2.4.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sentenced to prison on a certain day ³⁷	4 099	4 042	4 287	4 696	5 106
of which					
Women					
number	258	244	234	275	298
<i>percent</i>	6	6	5	6	6
Foreign citizens					
number	1 257	1 224	1 303	1 396	1 446
<i>percent</i>	31	30	30	30	28
of which Nordic people	106	103	116	102	109
<i>percent</i>	3	3	3	2	2
15 – 17 years of age ³⁸					
number	3	-	3	-	1
<i>percent</i>	0	-	0	-	0
Life sentenced prisoners					
number	145	144	154	156	152
<i>percent</i>	4	4	4	3	3

³⁷ Measured 1 October. Prisoners serving outside prison or temporarily absent with permission to leave, are included. Electronic monitoring are excluded.

³⁸ From 1999, young offenders have been sentenced to closed youth ward ("Care for Young Persons in a Closed Institutions Act") under the administration of a non-correctional administration called "The National Board of Institutional Care".

2.5 Escapes from prisons

2.5.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
Number of escapes	55	68	66	62	63
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>
Closed prisons and remand units					
Number of escapes	1	1	2	3	5
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

2.5.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
Number of escapes	55	63	52	38	73
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>26</i>
Closed prisons and remand units					
Number of escapes	4	5	1	1	2
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

2.5.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
Number of escapes	2	-	1	-	-
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>13</i>	-	<i>7</i>	-	-
Closed prisons and remand units					
Number of escapes	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	-	-	-	-	-

2.5.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
Number of escapes	49	36	25	18	9
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>
Closed prisons and remand units					
Number of escapes	1	2	-	1	-
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	-	<i>0</i>	-

2.5.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
Number of escapes	15	24	31	28	46
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	6	10	12	9	14
Closed prisons and remand centres					
Number of escapes	-	2	1	-	-
<i>Escapes per 100.000 custody-days</i>	-	0	0	-	-

2.6 Deaths in prisons and remand units

2.6.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Suicides	8	4	5	9	4
Other	3	5	2	2	-

2.6.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Suicides	2	2	2	1	4
Other	2	-	4	5	-

2.6.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Suicides	-	1	1	1	-
Other	-	-	-	1	-

2.6.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Suicides	4	3	2	6	2
Other	1	2	3	2	-

2.6.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Suicides	1	1	2	1	2
Other	2	3	4	2	2

2.7 Units and available prison places by the end of the year

2.7.1 Denmark	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prison units					
number of units	9	9	9	8	8
number of places by					
largest unit	183	189	235	252	242
smallest unit	20	20	20	23	23
Closed prison units					
number of units	9	9	11	11	10
number of places by					
largest unit	237	210	225	225	229
smallest unit	18	42	12	12	13
Remand centres					
number of units	41	38	38	39	44
number of places by					
largest unit	481	463	463	496	504
smallest unit	7	7	7	7	6
Total number of units	59	56	58	58	62

2.7.2 Finland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prison units					
number of units	17	17	17	17	17
number of places by					
largest unit	107	107	107	100	124
smallest unit	12	12	12	12	12
Closed prison units					
number of units	15	15	15	15	15
number of places by					
largest unit	255	255	312	312	312
smallest unit	58	58	58	48	59
Remand centres					
number of units	.	.	.	.	.
number of places by					
largest unit					
smallest unit					
Total number of units	32	32	32	32	32

2.7.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prison units					
number of units	2	2	2	2	2
number of places by					
largest unit	23	23	22	22	21
smallest unit	21	22	22	22	21
Closed prison units					
number of units	3	3	3	3	2
number of places by					
largest unit	87	78	78	78	78
smallest unit	10	10	10	10	56
Remand centres ³⁹					
number of units	.	.	.	.	.
number of places by					
largest unit					
smallest unit					
Total number of places	5	5	5	5	4

³⁹ In Iceland, there are no remand centres, but in two closed prisons up to nine places are reserved for remand custody.

2.7.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prison units ⁴⁰					
number of units	33	38	38	33	28
number of places by					
largest unit	115	115	115	115	115
smallest unit	10	10	10	10	10
Closed prison units					
number of units	34	31	31	31	29
number of places by					
largest unit	416	286	286	284	286
smallest unit	4	4	4	4	4
Remand centres					
number of units	.	.	.	.	.
number of places					
number of places by					
largest unit					
smallest unit					
Total number of units	67	69	69	64	57

⁴⁰ Low security prison units (transitional houses) are included.

2.7.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prison units					
number of units	19	18	18	18	18
number of places by					
largest unit	120	120	127	150	170
smallest unit	12	12	12	6	6
Closed prison units					
number of units	35	34	33	33	33
number of places by					
largest unit	405	405	420	476	505
smallest unit	5	5	9	9	9
Remand centres					
number of units	31	32	32	32	36
number of places by					
largest unit	288	284	331	339	310
smallest unit	9	9	9	8	9
Total number of units	85	84	83	83	87

2.8 Average number of available places and occupancy

2.8.1 Denmark⁴¹	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
capacity in number of places	1 099	1 119	1 101	1 127	1 126
occupancy	1 048	1 050	1 072	1 115	1 057
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	95	94	97	99	94
Closed prisons					
capacity in number of places	898	885	942	1 012	1 060
occupancy	849	854	936	1 003	1 053
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	94	96	99	99	99
Remand units					
capacity in number of places	1 593	1 609	1 712	1 802	1 888
occupancy	1 524	1 546	1 731	1 856	1 975
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	96	96	101	103	105
Total					
capacity in number of places	3 590	3 614	3 756	3 940	4 073
occupancy	3 421	3 450	3 738	3 975	4 085
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	95	95	100	101	100

⁴¹ Measured every day. In addition, there are halfway houses for clients under supervision and sentenced people serving an unconditional prison sentence. In 2020, the average capacity was 209, and the average number of residents was 180.

2.8.2 Finland⁴²	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
capacity in number of places	965	980	973	965	941
occupancy	812	842	812	809	767
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	84	86	83	84	82
Closed prisons					
capacity in number of places	2 095	1 955	1 957	1 949	1 978
occupancy	2 096	1 969	1 884	1 919	1 801
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	100	101	96	98	91
Remand units					
capacity in number of places	.	.	.	.	.
occupancy					
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>					
Total					
capacity in number of places	3 060	2 935	2 930	2 914	2 919
occupancy	2 908	2 811	2 696	2 728	2 568
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	95	96	92	94	88

⁴² Measured twice a month.

2.8.3 Iceland ⁴³	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
capacity in number of places	44	45	44	44	42
occupancy	43	42	38	41	34
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	97	94	86	93	81
Closed prisons					
capacity in number of places	99	110	110	125	125
occupancy	81	94	100	114	92
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	81	85	91	91	74
Remand units ⁴⁴					
capacity in number of places	8	9	8	8	8
occupancy	2	3	3	2	2
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	23	28	32	25	19
Total					
capacity in number of places	151	164	162	177	175
occupancy	125	139	140	157	127
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	83	84	87	89	73

⁴³ Measured every day.

⁴⁴ In the prison “Holmsheidi” there is a wing reserved for remand prisoners. Remand prisoners who are allowed to have contact with other prisoners are held in a closed or open prison.

2.8.4 Norway⁴⁵	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
capacity in number of places ⁴⁶	1 385	1 365	1 280	1 146	1 029
occupancy	1 307	1 234	1 107	1 038	829
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	<i>94</i>	<i>90</i>	<i>86</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>81</i>
Closed prisons					
capacity in number of places ⁴⁷	2 657	2 601	2 501	2 434	2 416
occupancy	2 543	2 417	2 245	2 207	2 106
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	<i>96</i>	<i>93</i>	<i>90</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>87</i>
Remand units					
capacity in number of places					
occupancy					
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>					
Total					
capacity in number of places	4 042	3 966	3 780	3 580	3 465
occupancy	3 850	3 651	3 352	3 245	2 932
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	<i>95</i>	<i>92</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>85</i>

⁴⁵ Measured every day.

⁴⁶ Low security prison units called “transitional houses” are included.

⁴⁷ Rented, closed prison places in Norgerhaven in the Netherlands are included in the years 2016 – 2018.

2.8.5 Sweden⁴⁸	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Open prisons					
capacity in number of places	791	796	804	873	974
occupancy	678	672	726	821	878
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	86	84	90	94	90
Closed prisons					
capacity in number of places	3 462	3 450	3 451	3 623	3 784
occupancy	3 088	3 072	3 194	3 442	3 635
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	89	89	93	95	96
Remand units					
capacity in number of places	1 941	1 957	2 138	2 160	2 200
occupancy	1 644	1 711	1 929	2 001	2 188
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	85	87	90	93	99
Total					
capacity in number of places	6 194	6 203	6 393	6 656	6 958
occupancy	5 410	5 455	5 849	6 264	6 701
<i>occupancy in percent of capacity</i>	87	88	91	94	96

⁴⁸ Measured every day. In 2017 a new definition of occupancy was applied, which lowered the rate of occupancy in prisons by approximately 100 places.

2.9 Staff in absolute numbers and in relation to inmates and clients

2.9.1 Denmark⁴⁹	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Central administration⁵⁰	511 ⁵¹	482 ⁵²	485	514	533
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	15	14	13	13	13
Prisons and remand units	3 206	3 083	2 920	2 801	2 755
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	94	89	78	70	67
Probation service	447	423	408	408	386
<i>Staff per 100 clients in the probation service</i>	5	5	5	5	5

2.9.2 Finland⁵³	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Central administration	181	198	199	225	227
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	6	7	7	8	9
Prisons and remand units⁵⁴	2 105	2 034	2 049	2 041	2 026
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	72	72	76	75	79
Probation service	200	221	221	228	223
<i>Staff per 100 clients in the probation service</i>	6	7	7	7	7

⁴⁹ In 2020 additionally 133 FTEs in half-way houses.

⁵⁰ Teachers and administration at the Correctional Staff Academy and workers taking care of general tasks for all services, are not included. In 2020 they equalled 144 FTE's. In 2018 a national transportation service was established. FTE's has risen from 33 in 2018 to 233 in 2020. These are not included in the number of staff in prison.

⁵¹ Of these 297 employed in the regional offices.

⁵² Of these 263 employed in the regional offices. Due to a reorganization in 2015 some administrative tasks were moved from the prisons to the regional offices.

⁵³ The apportionment of personnel in prisons and probation is estimated. Staff in Training Institute for Prison and Probation Services is not included. Regional offices are counted as central administration.

⁵⁴ From 2016 there are no health care personnel employed by the correctional service.

2.9.3 Iceland	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Central administration	14	15	15	16	15
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>12</i>
Prisons and remand units ⁵⁵	105	111	112	114	113
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>89</i>
Probation service	5	5	5	6	6
<i>Staff per 100 clients in the probation service</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>

2.9.4 Norway	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Central administration ⁵⁶	219	219	227	227	244
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
Prisons and remand units ⁵⁷	3 594	3 632	3 675	3 619	3 632
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	<i>93</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>112</i>	<i>124</i>
Probation service	426	433	473	473	486
<i>Staff per 100 clients in the probation service</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>20</i>

⁵⁵ Transport service included. Teachers for inmates and staff and health care personnel not included, in total 12 FTEs.

⁵⁶ Regional offices are counted as central administration.

⁵⁷ Transport service for sentenced prisoners included (approx. 51 FTEs in 2020). 61 FTEs employed 2020 at the University College of Norwegian Correctional Service (KRUS) and 285 prison officers in training or in practice are not included. This applies to personnel from other services as well, such as approx. 280 teachers for inmates, 120 health care personnel and 20 librarians.

2.9.5 Sweden	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Central administration ⁵⁸	884	920	940	915	953
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>14</i>
Prisons and remand units ⁵⁹	7 039	7 129	7 192	7 185	7 506
<i>Staff per 100 inmates</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>123</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>112</i>
Probation service	1 112	1 132	1 117	1 057	1 049
<i>Staff per 100 clients in the probation service</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>10</i>

⁵⁸ Includes the Prison and Probation Service Headquarter, the regional offices and the Service Centre. Teachers for staff under training included (approx.. 75).

⁵⁹ Includes prison officers under education (approx. 200), teachers for inmates (approx. 125) and health care personnel (approx. 130). Transport service is not included: 501 (2016), 602 (2017), 743 (2018), 780 (2019) and 785 (2020). Staff figures for prisons and remand units are based on actual work time, i.e. holidays and sick leave are not included.

2.10 Occupancy in percent of sentenced prisoners by sex and principal crime on a certain day

2.10.1 Denmark	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
<i>Principal crime</i> ⁶⁰															
Murder	9	10	9	8	18	8	8	14	8	7	14	8	7	10	7
Violence	16	16	16	16	24	16	17	22	17	16	21	16	18	23	18
Drug crimes	25	16	25	25	18	25	23	19	23	24	12	23	25	19	25
Thefts	12	10	11	11	13	11	10	-	9	9	8	9	7	8	7
Robbery	10	10	10	8	4	8	7	5	7	6	1	6	6	7	6
Sex crimes	8	2	7	8	1	8	9	8	9	10	7	10	8	6	8
Economic crimes	3	10	4	3	4	3	3	10	3	3	4	3	2	5	2
Traffic crimes	3	3	3	3	1	3	3	2	3	3	4	3	3	3	3
Other	14	22	15	17	16	17	20	21	20	22	29	22	23	20	23
<i>Percent of all</i>	100	10	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
N	2 115	91	2 206	2 075	68	2 143	2 192	63	2 255	2 340	83	2 424	2307	107	2 504

⁶⁰ Measured 1 September.

2.10.2 Finland	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
<i>Principal crime</i> ⁶¹															
Murder	21	30	22	21	29	22	22	28	22	21	26	21	23	22	23
Violence	17	19	18	16	18	16	15	17	16	17	18	17	16	17	16
Drug crimes	18	18	18	21	24	21	22	19	21	21	16	21	25	17	24
Thefts	10	10	10	11	8	11	9	6	9	9	8	9	7	9	8
Robbery	9	2	9	8	7	8	9	6	9	9	9	9	8	10	8
Sex crimes	6	1	6	7	1	7	6	1	6	6	2	6	6	1	6
Economic crimes	6	10	7	7	7	7	8	15	9	6	16	7	5	14	6
Traffic crimes	9	6	8	7	4	7	8	7	8	9	5	9	7	9	7
Other	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	-	2	1	1	1
<i>Percent of all</i>	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
N	2 144	157	2 301	1 983	160	2 143	1 890	144	2 034	1 893	143	2 036	1 644	129	1 773

⁶¹ Measured 1 September.

2.10.3 Iceland	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
<i>Principal crime</i> ⁶²															
Murder	12	17	12	10	11	10	10	20	10	11	17	12	14	43	16
Violence	15	-	14	18	-	17	14	-	13	12	-	11	10	-	9
Drug crimes	25	67	27	30	44	31	30	40	30	29	42	30	39	29	39
Thefts	5	-	5	7	22	8	10	20	11	9	17	10	8	-	7
Robbery	5	-	5	5	-	5	4	-	4	4	-	3	5	-	5
Sex crimes	21	-	20	21	-	20	13	-	12	16	-	15	15	14	15
Economic crimes	9	-	8	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Traffic crimes	4	-	4	7	11	8	17	20	17	17	25	18	8	-	7
Other	5	17	6	2	11	2	2	-	2	1	-	1	2	14	3
<i>Percent of all</i>	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
N	117	6	123	123	9	132	125	5	130	135	12	147	102	7	109

⁶² Measured 1 September. Absent sentenced prisoners are included, but not fine defaulters.

2.10.4 Norway	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
<i>Principal crime</i> ⁶³															
Murder	7	10	7	7	13	8	8	13	9	9	12	9	10	18	11
Violence	16	14	16	15	14	15	15	16	15	15	13	15	15	11	15
Drug crimes	25	22	25	25	20	25	25	27	25	23	24	23	24	27	24
Thefts	8	11	8	8	5	7	6	8	6	5	8	5	3	4	3
Robbery	4	1	4	4	2	4	4	3	4	4	2	4	4	3	4
Sex crimes	18	3	17	19	4	18	22	4	21	25	5	24	27	4	25
Economic crimes	7	14	8	7	14	7	6	11	6	6	11	6	5	8	5
Traffic crimes	3	8	4	3	7	3	3	5	3	3	7	3	3	10	4
Other	12	17	12	13	22	13	11	14	12	11	18	11	8	15	9
<i>Percent of all</i>	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
N	2 764	187	2 951	2 584	152	2 736	2 488	152	2 640	2 334	170	2 504	2 258	139	2 397

⁶³ Measured 1 September.

2.10.5 Sweden	2016			2017			2018			2019			2020		
<i>Principal crime</i> ⁶⁴	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Murder	14	12	14	16	14	16	15	16	15	14	15	14	14	15	14
Violence	16	17	16	16	16	16	17	17	17	17	14	17	17	18	17
Drug crimes	27	22	26	26	23	26	29	27	28	27	29	27	27	30	27
Thefts	8	14	8	7	12	8	7	14	7	6	13	6	5	8	5
Robbery	10	7	10	10	7	10	9	5	8	9	4	8	9	6	9
Sex crimes	9	1	9	10	2	9	9	1	8	10	1	10	12	1	11
Economic crimes	6	15	7	5	12	6	5	9	5	5	10	6	4	12	4
Traffic crimes	2	4	2	2	5	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2
Other	8	8	8	8	11	8	8	9	8	10	11	10	10	9	10
<i>Percent of all</i>	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
N	3 841	258	4 099	3 798	244	4 042	4 053	234	4 287	4 421	275	4 696	4 808	298	5 106

⁶⁴ Measured 1 October.

2.11 Reconvictions within two years of released sentenced prisoners

2.11.1 Denmark	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Number of releases from prison	5 754	5 247	4 642	4 671	4 909
Number of reconvictions within 2 years	1 955	1 751	1 598	1 581	1 587
Reconviction rate in percent	34	33	34	34	32

2.11.2 Finland	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Number of releases from prison	2 981	2 980	2 875	2 802	2 776
Number of reconvictions within 2 years	1 049	1 070	1 016	987	916
Reconviction rate in percent	35	36	35	35	33

2.11.3 Iceland	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Number of releases from prison	191	205	169	143	151
Number of reconvictions within 2 years	38	48	33	20	32
Reconviction rate in percent	20	23	20	14	21

2.11.4 Norway	2014	2015	2016	2017 ⁶⁵	2018
Number of releases from prison ⁶⁶	5 023	4 917	5 548	4 836	4 509
Number of reconvictions within 2 years	1 196	1 123	1 241	905	794
Reconviction rate in percent	24	23	22	19	18

2.11.5 Sweden	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Number of releases from prison	8 350	8 158	7 879	7 792	7 959
Number of reconvictions within 2 years	2 823	2 653	2 561	2 471	2 530
Reconviction rate in percent	34	33	33	32	32

⁶⁵ A national police reform reducing the number of organizational police unities was introduced in 2017, followed by fewer prison sentences. This may have influenced the reconviction rate as well.

⁶⁶ Number of releases have been adjusted and do not reflect the total number of released sentenced prisoners. Rate of reconviction is based on the date of the new crime committed after release.

2.12 Average length of imposed prison sentence in months

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
2.12.1 Denmark	7	7	8	8	9
2.12.2 Finland	12	12	11	11	12
2.12.3 Iceland	7	7	7	8	7
2.12.4 Norway	6	7	7	7	7
2.12.5 Sweden	9	9	10	11	12