



Recorded Crime Quarter 4 2010

Figure 1: Percentage change between Q4 2009 and Q4 2010 for selected offence groups

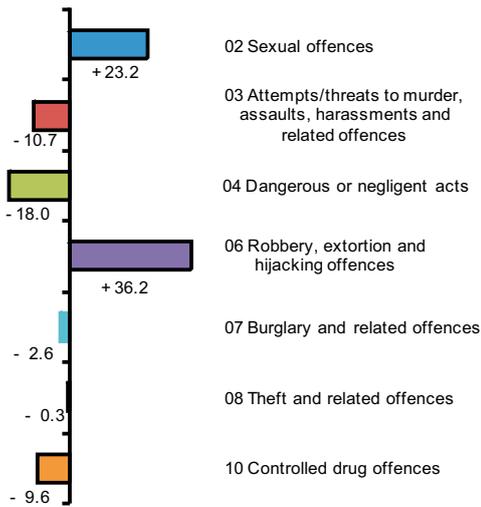


Table 1.1 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, Quarter 4 (Q4), 2009 and 2010

ICCSq offence group	Q4			
	2009	2010	Change	% Change
01 Homicide offences	17	16	- 1	- 5.9
02 Sexual offences	315	388	+ 73	+ 23.2
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	4,319	3,858	-461	- 10.7
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	3,324	2,725	-599	- 18.0
05 Kidnapping and related offences	27	28	+ 1	+ 3.7
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	649	884	+235	+ 36.2
07 Burglary and related offences	7,104	6,920	-184	- 2.6
08 Theft and related Offences	18,376	18,325	- 51	- 0.3
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	1,108	1,145	+ 37	+ 3.3
10 Controlled drug offences	4,584	4,146	-438	- 9.6
11 Weapons and explosives offences	1,146	1,225	+ 79	+ 6.9
12 Damage to property and to the environment	9,885	9,780	-105	- 1.1
13 Public order and other social code offences	13,902	13,239	-663	- 4.8
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	2,647	2,040	-607	- 22.9

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Robberies up over 35%

When comparing Quarter 4 of 2010 (Q4 2010) with Quarter 4 of 2009, Group 06 *Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences* rose by 36.2%. Smaller increases were also observed in Group 11 *Weapons and Explosives Offences* (+6.9%) and Group 09 *Fraud, Deception and Related Offences* (+3.3%).

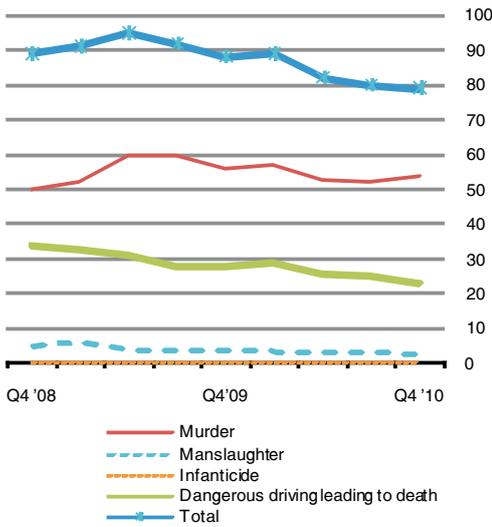
Group 04 *Dangerous or Negligent Acts* offences fell by 18.0%. Falls were also observed in other groups, including Group 03 *Attempts or Threats to Murder, Assaults, Harassments and Related Offences* (-10.7%) and Group 10 *Controlled Drug Offences* (-9.6%). See table 1.1 and figure 1.

When comparing **annual totals** for 2010 with 2009, Group 06 *Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences* rose by 28.2%, while recorded Group 04 *Dangerous or Negligent Acts* offences decreased by over a fifth (-22.3%) and Group 12 *Damage to Property and to the Environment* decreased by 7.4%. See table 1.2 and figure 4.

The rise in the number of recorded Sexual Offences in 2010 is mainly due to an on-going review of all cases involving alleged sexual offences reported to An Garda Síochána. Some of these offences will have occurred at some distance in the past but are represented on the date of reclassification. This review is being undertaken in conjunction with the Garda Síochána policy on the investigation of sexual crime, which was introduced in April 2010. Please see the Background Notes for further information on crime recording.

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Figure 2: Annualised total homicide offences, Q4 2008 to Q4 2010



Group 01 - Homicides

There were 15 recorded *Murder* offences in Q4 2010, representing an increase of 2 on the same quarter in 2009. For 2010, there was a decrease of 2 in the annual total of these offences, from 56 to 54 in 2010.

Group 02 - Sexual Offences

The number of recorded offences in this group increased (+23.2%) from 315 in Q4 2009 to 388 in Q4 2010. Also, in 2010, there was an increase of over three-fifths (+60.3%) when compared with the previous year. Also in 2010, *Sexual assault (not aggravated)* offences rose from 895 to 1,547, an increase of over 70%. However, as noted above, caution should be used in interpreting these increases.

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

The number of *Attempts or Threats to Murder, Assaults, Harassment and Related offences* decreased by over 10% from 4,319 in Q4 2009 to 3,858 in Q4 2010. Almost two thirds of Group 03 offences were recorded under *Other assault*, which fell from 11,847 in 2009 to 11,017 in 2010.

Group 04 - Dangerous or Negligent Acts

In Q4 2010, recorded *Dangerous or Negligent Acts* offences decreased by 18% to 2,725 when compared with Q4 2009. Over 90% of offences in this group relate to *Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit* offences, which decreased from 2,979 (Q4 2009) to 2,479 (Q4 2010), a decrease of 16.8%.

Group 05 - Kidnapping and Related Offences

There was a decrease of just over 10% in offences in this group between 2009 and 2010, from 146 to 131. Most of this decrease was in *Human trafficking offences* which decreased from 49 to 29 between 2009 and 2010.

Group 06 - Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences

The quarterly figure for *Robbery, Extortion and Hijacking Offences* rose by over a third (+36.2%), from 649 in Q4 2009 to 884 in Q4 2010. There were 1,942 recorded offences of *Robbery from the person* in 2010, a rise of 48.2% from 2009.

Group 07 - Burglary and Related Offences

In Q4 2010, there were 6,920 recorded *Burglary and related offences* representing a decrease of 184 (-2.6%) on the number recorded in Q4 2009. Over 95% of offences in this category were *Burglary (not aggravated)* offences. *Aggravated burglary* offences decreased by 35 (-9.5%) from 2009 to 2010. The annualised totals for *Burglary and related Offences* are shown in figure 3.

Group 08 - Theft and Related Offences

Theft and Related Offences decreased slightly (-0.3%) between Q4 2009 and Q4 2010. The annual total for *Theft/taking of vehicle and related offences* decreased by almost 14% between 2009 (13,130) and 2010 (11,367).

Group 09 - Fraud, Deception and Related Offences

There were 1,145 recorded *Fraud, Deception and Related Offences* in Q4 2010. This was an increase of 37 (+3.3%) on the same period in Q4 2009. In 2010, *Fraud, Deception and Related Offences* increased slightly by 0.4% when compared with 2009, from 4,947 to 4,965.

Group 10 - Controlled Drug Offences

In Q4 2010, there were 4,146 recorded *Controlled Drug Offences*, a decrease of 9.6% on the Q4 2009 total. *Cultivation or manufacture of drugs* offences more than doubled from 75 to 151 between Q4 2009 and Q4 2010. There were 2,891 recorded *Possession of drugs for personal use* offences in Q4 2010, a decrease of 15.0% on the corresponding figure in Q4 2009.

Group 11 - Weapons and Explosives Offences

There were 1,225 recorded Group 11 *Weapons and Explosives Offences*, in Q4 2010, an increase of 6.9% on Q4 2009. The majority of these offences were *Offensive weapons offences (nec)*, which rose from 650 in Q4 2009 to 698 in Q4 2010, an increase of over 7%. The number of *Possession of a firearm* offences recorded rose from 106, in Q4 2009, to 128 in Q4 2010, an increase of 20.8%.

Figure 3: Annualised total burglary and related offences, Q4 2008 to Q4 2010

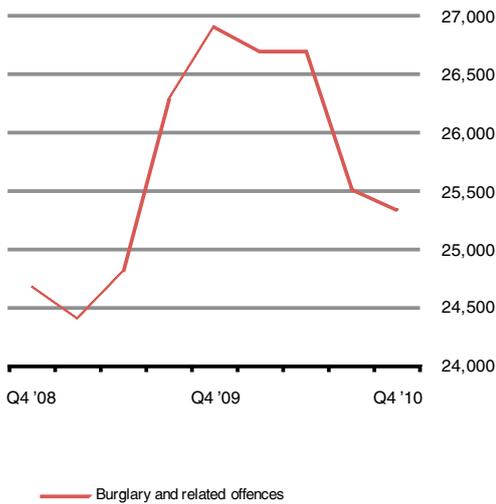
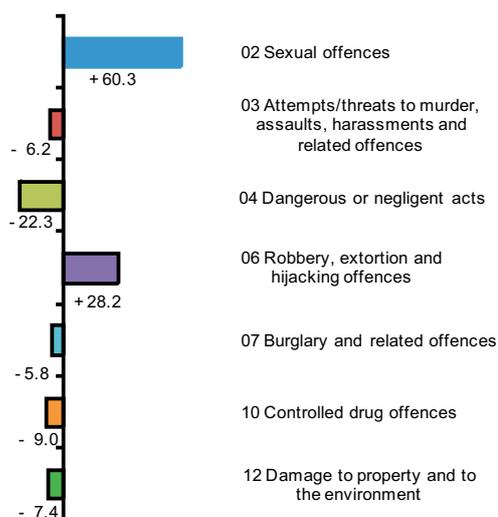


Figure 4: Percentage change between annualised total to Q4, 2009 and 2010 for selected offence groups



Group 12 - Damage to Property and to the Environment

Recorded *Arson* offences increased by almost 4% from 681 in Q4 2009 to 707 in Q4 2010. Over 90% of offences recorded in this group were *Criminal damage (not arson)*. These offences decreased by 1.3% from 9,162 in Q4 2009 to 9,041 in Q4 2010.

Group 13 - Public Order and other Social Code Offences

Recorded *Liquor licencing offences* fell by over 25% from 813 in Q4 2009 to 605 in Q4 2010. The most frequently occurring offences in Group 13 were under *Disorderly conduct*, which fell from 11,951 in Q4 2009 to 11,535 in Q4 2010. This is equivalent to approximately 128 *Disorderly conduct* offences a day in Q4 2010.

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

There were 2,040 *Offences against Government, Justice Procedures and Organisation of Crime* recorded in Q4 2010, a decrease of almost 23% when compared with the same period in 2009.

Table 1.2 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, annualised total¹ Q4, 2009 and 2010

ICCSq offence group	Annualised total to Q4			
	2009	2010	Change	%
01 Homicide offences	88	79	- 9	- 10.2
02 Sexual offences	1,482	2,376	+894	+ 60.3
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	18,353	17,208	-1,145	- 6.2
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	15,532	12,066	-3,466	- 22.3
05 Kidnapping and related offences	146	131	- 15	- 10.3
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	2,491	3,193	+702	+ 28.2
07 Burglary and related offences	26,911	25,340	-1,571	- 5.8
08 Theft and related Offences	77,032	76,755	-277	- 0.4
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	4,947	4,965	+ 18	+ 0.4
10 Controlled drug offences	21,983	20,002	-1,981	- 9.0
11 Weapons and explosives offences	4,064	4,076	+ 12	+ 0.3
12 Damage to property and to the environment	42,331	39,208	-3,123	- 7.4
13 Public order and other social code offences	57,351	54,687	-2,664	- 4.6
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	11,901	10,363	-1,538	- 12.9

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

Table 1 Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, Quarter 4 (Q4) and annualised total¹, 2009 and 2010

ICCSq offence group	Q4				Annualised total to Q4			
	2009	2010	Change	% Change	2009	2010	Change	% Change
01 Homicide offences	17	16	- 1	- 5.9	88	79	- 9	- 10.2
01a Murder	13	15	+ 2	+ 15.4	56	54	- 2	- 3.6
01b Manslaughter	1	0	- 1	-100.0	4	2	- 2	- 50.0
01c Infanticide	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-
01d Dangerous driving leading to death	3	1	- 2	- 66.7	28	23	- 5	- 17.9
02 Sexual offences	315	388	+ 73	+ 23.2	1,482	2,376	+894	+ 60.3
02a Rape of a male or female	77	110	+ 33	+ 42.9	377	480	+103	+ 27.3
02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	15	17	+ 2	+ 13.3	104	149	+ 45	+ 43.3
02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	4	4	0	0.0	8	16	+ 8	+100.0
02d Aggravated sexual assault	2	1	- 1	- 50.0	8	7	- 1	- 12.5
02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	195	224	+ 29	+ 14.9	895	1,547	+652	+ 72.8
02f Other sexual offences	22	32	+ 10	+ 45.5	90	177	+ 87	+ 96.7
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	4,319	3,858	-461	- 10.7	18,353	17,208	-1,145	- 6.2
03a Murder-attempt	1	2	+ 1	+100.0	7	6	- 1	- 14.3
03b Murder-threat	61	74	+ 13	+ 21.3	225	353	+128	+ 56.9
03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	878	824	- 54	- 6.2	3,733	3,632	-101	- 2.7
03d Other assault	2,801	2,532	-269	- 9.6	11,847	11,017	-830	- 7.0
03e Harassment and related offences	578	426	-152	- 26.3	2,541	2,200	-341	- 13.4
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	3,324	2,725	-599	- 18.0	15,532	12,066	-3,466	- 22.3
04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	1	2	+ 1	+100.0	18	15	- 3	- 16.7
04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	2,979	2,479	-500	- 16.8	13,771	10,745	-3,026	- 22.0
04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	164	99	- 65	- 39.6	891	545	-346	- 38.8
04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm or death	12	11	- 1	- 8.3	65	51	- 14	- 21.5
04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	101	48	- 53	- 52.5	520	436	- 84	- 16.2
04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	0	0	0	-	3	3	0	0.0
04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	2	0	- 2	-100.0	21	6	- 15	- 71.4
04j Endangering traffic offences	65	86	+ 21	+ 32.3	243	265	+ 22	+ 9.1
05 Kidnapping and related offences	27	28	+ 1	+ 3.7	146	131	- 15	- 10.3
05a False imprisonment	17	19	+ 2	+ 11.8	84	81	- 3	- 3.6
05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	4	7	+ 3	+ 75.0	13	21	+ 8	+ 61.5
05c Human trafficking offences	6	2	- 4	- 66.7	49	29	- 20	- 40.8
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	649	884	+235	+ 36.2	2,491	3,193	+702	+ 28.2
06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	264	331	+ 67	+ 25.4	1,030	1,082	+ 52	+ 5.0
06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	9	5	- 4	- 44.4	24	21	- 3	- 12.5
06c Robbery from the person	346	506	+160	+ 46.2	1,310	1,942	+632	+ 48.2
06d Blackmail or extortion	10	8	- 2	- 20.0	23	26	+ 3	+ 13.0
06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	20	34	+ 14	+ 70.0	104	122	+ 18	+ 17.3

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 1 (contd.) Recorded crime incidents classified by offence group, Quarter 4 (Q4) and annualised total¹, 2009 and 2010

ICCSq offence group	Q4				Annualised total to Q4			
	2009	2010	Change	% Change	2009	2010	Change	% Change
07 Burglary and related offences	7,104	6,920	-184	- 2.6	26,911	25,340	-1,571	- 5.8
07a Aggravated burglary	97	96	- 1	- 1.0	368	333	- 35	- 9.5
07b Burglary (not aggravated)	6,898	6,688	-210	- 3.0	26,114	24,502	-1,612	- 6.2
07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	109	136	+ 27	+ 24.8	429	505	+ 76	+ 17.7
08 Theft and related Offences	18,376	18,325	- 51	- 0.3	77,032	76,755	-277	- 0.4
08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	2,930	2,809	-121	- 4.1	13,130	11,367	-1,763	- 13.4
08b Theft from person	721	686	- 35	- 4.9	2,691	2,877	+186	+ 6.9
08c Theft from shop	5,120	5,016	-104	- 2.0	20,665	20,880	+215	+ 1.0
08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	9,605	9,814	+209	+ 2.2	40,546	41,631	+1,085	+ 2.7
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	1,108	1,145	+ 37	+ 3.3	4,947	4,965	+ 18	+ 0.4
09a Fraud, deception and related offences	1,108	1,145	+ 37	+ 3.3	4,947	4,965	+ 18	+ 0.4
10 Controlled drug offences	4,584	4,146	-438	- 9.6	21,983	20,002	-1,981	- 9.0
10a Importation of drugs	11	6	- 5	- 45.5	46	29	- 17	- 37.0
10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	75	151	+ 76	+101.3	273	538	+265	+ 97.1
10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	921	936	+ 15	+ 1.6	4,029	4,175	+146	+ 3.6
10d Possession of drugs for personal use	3,403	2,891	-512	- 15.0	16,818	14,503	-2,315	- 13.8
10e Other drug offences	174	162	- 12	- 6.9	817	757	- 60	- 7.3
11 Weapons and explosives offences	1,146	1,225	+ 79	+ 6.9	4,064	4,076	+ 12	+ 0.3
11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	13	12	- 1	- 7.7	46	40	- 6	- 13.0
11b Discharging a firearm	31	44	+ 13	+ 41.9	226	177	- 49	- 21.7
11c Possession of a firearm	106	128	+ 22	+ 20.8	421	416	- 5	- 1.2
11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	650	698	+ 48	+ 7.4	2,983	3,027	+ 44	+ 1.5
11e Fireworks offences	346	343	- 3	- 0.9	388	416	+ 28	+ 7.2
12 Damage to property and to the environment	9,885	9,780	-105	- 1.1	42,331	39,208	-3,123	- 7.4
12a Arson	681	707	+ 26	+ 3.8	3,024	2,572	-452	- 14.9
12b Criminal damage (not arson)	9,162	9,041	-121	- 1.3	39,096	36,428	-2,668	- 6.8
12c Litter offences	42	32	- 10	- 23.8	211	208	- 3	- 1.4
13 Public order and other social code offences	13,902	13,239	-663	- 4.8	57,351	54,687	-2,664	- 4.6
13a Disorderly conduct	11,951	11,535	-416	- 3.5	49,469	47,136	-2,333	- 4.7
13b Trespass offences	921	804	-117	- 12.7	3,793	3,754	- 39	- 1.0
13c Liquor licensing offences	813	605	-208	- 25.6	3,285	2,813	-472	- 14.4
13d Prostitution offences	26	72	+ 46	+176.9	93	205	+112	+120.4
13e Regulated betting or money, collection or trading offences	129	124	- 5	- 3.9	452	430	- 22	- 4.9
13f Other social code offences (nec)	62	99	+ 37	+ 59.7	259	349	+ 90	+ 34.7
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	2,647	2,040	-607	- 22.9	11,901	10,363	-1,538	- 12.9
15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	130	46	- 84	- 64.6	571	341	-230	- 40.3
15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	0	5	+ 5	-	5	17	+ 12	+240.0
15c Perverting the course of justice	33	29	- 4	- 12.1	151	91	- 60	- 39.7
15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	2,484	1,960	-524	- 21.1	11,174	9914	-1,260	- 11.3

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 2.1a Recorded crime incidents, Group 01 to Group 05, Q1 2007 to Q4 2008

ICCSq offence group	2007					2008				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
01 Homicide offences	32	44	30	26	132	23	25	20	21	89
01a Murder	13	22	22	20	77	13	8	12	17	50
01b Manslaughter	0	5	0	2	7	1	3	0	1	5
01c Infanticide	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
01d Dangerous driving leading to death	19	17	7	4	47	9	14	8	3	34
02 Sexual offences	384	337	355	290	1,366	437	340	337	293	1,407
02a Rape of a male or female	87	92	96	82	357	81	81	110	76	348
02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	25	15	21	11	72	25	16	17	18	76
02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	6	2	2	2	12	1	3	0	3	7
02d Aggravated sexual assault	2	7	6	2	17	0	2	6	5	13
02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	231	205	200	173	809	311	221	182	177	891
02f Other sexual offences	33	16	30	20	99	19	17	22	14	72
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	4,122	4,362	4,485	4,697	17,666	4,753	4,986	4,831	4,580	19,150
03a Murder-attempt	1	0	2	2	5	0	3	6	1	10
03b Murder-threat	40	32	49	40	161	52	57	44	48	201
03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	923	997	988	1,003	3,911	979	996	901	974	3,850
03d Other assault	2,523	2,759	2,895	3,059	11,236	2,962	3,199	3,244	2,931	12,336
03e Harassment and related offences	635	574	551	593	2,353	760	731	636	626	2,753
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	5,007	5,314	5,391	5,297	21,009	5,190	5,022	4,560	4,815	19,587
04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	6	9	7	3	25	8	5	2	2	17
04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	4,805	4,980	5,067	4,970	19,822	4,824	4,617	4,136	4,363	17,940
04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	37	64	61	108	270	134	155	201	238	728
04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm/death	11	27	16	14	68	12	16	13	9	50
04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	98	174	186	128	586	118	171	145	132	566
04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	2
04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	3	1	5	12	21	8	15	9	9	41
04j Endangering traffic offences	47	59	48	62	216	85	42	54	62	243
05 Kidnapping and related offences	24	26	26	30	106	18	16	21	22	77
05a False imprisonment	22	23	21	24	90	14	14	16	15	59
05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	2	3	5	6	16	4	2	1	4	11
05c Human trafficking offences	n/a ¹	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4	3	7

¹ Data is not available prior to Q3 2008

Table 2.1b Recorded crime incidents, Group 01 to Group 05, Q1 2009 to Q4 2010

ICCSq offence group	2009					2010				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
01 Homicide offences	25	29	17	17	88	26	22	15	16	79
01a Murder	15	16	12	13	56	16	12	11	15	54
01b Manslaughter	2	1	0	1	4	1	1	0	0	2
01c Infanticide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
01d Dangerous driving leading to death	8	12	5	3	28	9	9	4	1	23
02 Sexual offences	443	386	338	315	1,482	694	664	630	388	2,376
02a Rape of a male or female	113	89	98	77	377	122	117	131	110	480
02b Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	45	22	22	15	104	47	47	38	17	149
02c Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	1	3	0	4	8	4	4	4	4	16
02d Aggravated sexual assault	1	3	2	2	8	4	0	2	1	7
02e Sexual assault (not aggravated)	260	242	198	195	895	485	446	392	224	1,547
02f Other sexual offences	23	27	18	22	90	32	50	63	32	177
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	4,543	4,728	4,763	4,319	18,353	4,256	4,576	4,518	3,858	17,208
03a Murder-attempt	2	1	3	1	7	1	1	2	2	6
03b Murder-threat	53	55	56	61	225	88	106	85	74	353
03c Assault causing harm, poisoning	894	992	969	878	3,733	898	940	970	824	3,632
03d Other assault	2,910	3,036	3,100	2,801	11,847	2,639	2,979	2,867	2,532	11,017
03e Harassment and related offences	684	644	635	578	2,541	630	550	594	426	2,200
04 Dangerous or negligent acts	4,242	4,245	3,721	3,324	15,532	3,076	3,250	3,015	2,725	12,066
04a Dangerous driving causing serious bodily harm	8	4	5	1	18	6	5	2	2	15
04b Driving/In charge of a vehicle while over legal alcohol limit	3,735	3,769	3,288	2,979	13,771	2,636	2,887	2,743	2,479	10,745
04c Driving/In charge of a vehicle under the influence of drugs	256	257	214	164	891	171	155	120	99	545
04f Endangerment with potential for serious harm/death	24	11	18	12	65	9	11	20	11	51
04g Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	150	136	133	101	520	185	140	63	48	436
04h Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	0	2	1	0	3	0	1	2	0	3
04i False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	6	6	7	2	21	1	2	3	0	6
04j Endangering traffic offences	63	60	55	65	243	68	49	62	86	265
05 Kidnapping and related offences	40	38	41	27	146	33	44	26	28	131
05a False imprisonment	27	19	21	17	84	22	26	14	19	81
05b Abduction of person under 16 years of age	2	2	5	4	13	5	4	5	7	21
05c Human trafficking offences	11	17	15	6	49	6	14	7	2	29

Table 2.2a Recorded crime incidents, Group 06 to Group 12, Q1 2007 to Q4 2008

ICCSq offence group	2007					2008				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	573	468	565	565	2,171	655	552	567	525	2,299
06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	241	150	185	238	814	267	193	182	227	869
06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	7	4	2	7	20	4	5	12	5	26
06c Robbery from the person	304	300	356	296	1,256	354	316	333	263	1,266
06d Blackmail or extortion	6	6	4	4	20	7	6	6	3	22
06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	15	8	18	20	61	23	32	34	27	116
07 Burglary and related offences	5,878	5,087	5,798	6,840	23,603	6,631	5,839	5,747	6,466	24,683
07a Aggravated burglary	63	46	74	72	255	82	83	63	97	325
07b Burglary (not aggravated)	5,742	4,974	5,638	6,698	23,052	6,437	5,651	5,555	6,291	23,934
07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	73	67	86	70	296	112	105	129	78	424
08 Theft and related offences	18,105	18,841	19,397	18,847	75,190	18,830	20,081	19,348	18,602	76,861
08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	3,453	3,253	3,391	3,434	13,531	3,577	3,569	3,695	3,466	14,307
08b Theft from person	738	694	801	708	2,941	761	1,059	748	718	3,286
08c Theft from shop	4,506	4,702	4,671	4,986	18,865	4,789	5,105	5,039	5,165	20,098
08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	9,408	10,192	10,534	9,719	39,853	9,703	10,348	9,866	9,253	39,170
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	1,560	1,304	1,485	1,509	5,858	1,402	1,435	1,317	1,256	5,410
09a Fraud, deception and related offences	1,560	1,304	1,485	1,509	5,858	1,402	1,435	1,317	1,256	5,410
10 Controlled drug offences	3,966	4,863	5,191	4,534	18,554	5,241	5,718	6,833	5,613	23,405
10a Importation of drugs	15	10	13	16	54	20	12	18	17	67
10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	25	41	58	37	161	29	42	91	56	218
10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	896	916	880	910	3,602	1,123	1,087	1,109	983	4,302
10d Possession of drugs for personal use	2,849	3,691	4,062	3,406	14,008	3,893	4,396	5,431	4,373	18,093
10e Other drug offences	181	205	178	165	729	176	181	184	184	725
11 Weapons and explosives offences	734	829	920	1,112	3,595	930	950	1,027	1,109	4,016
11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	5	9	6	6	26	6	10	14	20	50
11b Discharging a firearm	89	79	84	74	326	69	49	56	50	224
11c Possession of a firearm	91	111	102	120	424	93	123	149	92	457
11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	545	629	708	695	2,577	753	761	778	687	2,979
11e Fireworks offences	4	1	20	217	242	9	7	30	260	306
12 Damage to property and to the environment	10,747	10,775	10,613	11,150	43,285	11,748	11,332	10,655	10,891	44,626
12a Arson	394	547	487	570	1,998	527	577	542	509	2,155
12b Criminal damage (not arson)	10,306	10,169	10,080	10,532	41,087	11,154	10,673	10,054	10,312	42,193
12c Litter offences	47	59	46	48	200	67	82	59	70	278

Table 2.2b Recorded crime incidents, Group 06 to Group 12, Q1 2009 to Q4 2010

ICCSq offence group	2009					2010				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	677	576	589	649	2,491	832	762	715	884	3,193
06a Robbery of an establishment or institution	332	240	194	264	1,030	327	238	186	331	1,082
06b Robbery of cash or goods in transit	6	3	6	9	24	5	6	5	5	21
06c Robbery from the person	308	304	352	346	1,310	466	480	490	506	1,942
06d Blackmail or extortion	5	3	5	10	23	5	6	7	8	26
06e Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	26	26	32	20	104	29	32	27	34	122
07 Burglary and related offences	6,352	6,245	7,210	7,104	26,911	6,143	6,246	6,031	6,920	25,340
07a Aggravated burglary	98	81	92	97	368	88	69	80	96	333
07b Burglary (not aggravated)	6,172	6,039	7,005	6,898	26,114	5,969	6,034	5,811	6,688	24,502
07c Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	82	125	113	109	429	86	143	140	136	505
08 Theft and related offences	18,673	19,985	19,998	18,376	77,032	18,355	20,050	20,025	18,325	76,755
08a Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	3,585	3,363	3,252	2,930	13,130	2,891	2,881	2,786	2,809	11,367
08b Theft from person	659	660	651	721	2,691	749	752	690	686	2,877
08c Theft from shop	5,033	5,366	5,146	5,120	20,665	5,011	5,561	5,292	5,016	20,880
08d Other thefts, handling stolen property	9,396	10,596	10,949	9,605	40,546	9,704	10,856	11,257	9,814	41,631
09 Fraud, deception and related offences	1,351	1,311	1,177	1,108	4,947	1,315	1,261	1,244	1,145	4,965
09a Fraud, deception and related offences	1,351	1,311	1,177	1,108	4,947	1,315	1,261	1,244	1,145	4,965
10 Controlled drug offences	5,623	5,790	5,986	4,584	21,983	4,758	5,498	5,600	4,146	20,002
10a Importation of drugs	18	8	9	11	46	9	5	9	6	29
10b Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	53	65	80	75	273	65	128	194	151	538
10c Possession of drugs for sale or supply	984	1,051	1,073	921	4,029	1,052	1,027	1,160	936	4,175
10d Possession of drugs for personal use	4,358	4,447	4,610	3,403	16,818	3,457	4,116	4,039	2,891	14,503
10e Other drug offences	210	219	214	174	817	175	222	198	162	757
11 Weapons and explosives offences	966	932	1,020	1,146	4,064	878	1,028	945	1,225	4,076
11a Explosives, chemical weapons offences	11	7	15	13	46	8	13	7	12	40
11b Discharging a firearm	72	67	56	31	226	49	47	37	44	177
11c Possession of a firearm	101	101	113	106	421	103	92	93	128	416
11d Offensive weapons offences (nec)	771	751	811	650	2,983	701	869	759	698	3,027
11e Fireworks offences	11	6	25	346	388	17	7	49	343	416
12 Damage to property and to the environment	10,914	10,892	10,640	9,885	42,331	9,615	10,055	9,758	9,780	39,208
12a Arson	747	785	811	681	3,024	543	683	639	707	2,572
12b Criminal damage (not arson)	10,112	10,035	9,787	9,162	39,096	9,013	9,298	9,076	9,041	36,428
12c Litter offences	55	72	42	42	211	59	74	43	32	208

Table 2.3a Recorded crime incidents, Group 13 and Group 15, Q1 2007 to Q4 2008

ICCSq offence group	2007					2008				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
13 Public order and other social code offences	13,783	15,332	15,797	15,673	60,585	15,391	15,722	15,825	14,884	61,822
13a Disorderly conduct	11,430	12,842	13,251	13,676	51,199	13,201	13,503	13,698	13,019	53,421
13b Trespass offences	660	795	806	741	3,002	906	1,029	965	775	3,675
13c Liquor licensing offences	1,200	1,369	1,480	987	5,036	1,078	956	955	855	3,844
13d Prostitution offences	30	35	22	22	109	37	48	18	33	136
13e Regulated betting/money collection/trading offences	121	161	122	134	538	75	108	116	116	415
13f Other social code offences (nec)	342	130	116	113	701	94	78	73	86	331
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	2,953	2,722	2,630	2,698	11,003	3,234	3,520	3,659	2,875	13,288
15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	108	80	134	80	402	123	125	72	75	395
15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	2	3	4	1	10	2	4	3	3	12
15c Perverting the course of justice	57	39	43	54	193	47	39	43	41	170
15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	2,786	2,600	2,449	2,563	10,398	3,062	3,352	3,541	2,756	12,711

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Table 2.3b Recorded crime incidents, Group 13 and Group 15, Q1 2009 to Q4 2010

ICCSq offence group	2009					2010				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
13 Public order and other social code offences	13,776	14,924	14,749	13,902	57,351	12,472	14,368	14,608	13,239	54,687
13a Disorderly conduct	11,877	12,900	12,741	11,951	49,469	10,690	12,253	12,658	11,535	47,136
13b Trespass offences	889	997	986	921	3,793	801	1,127	1,022	804	3,754
13c Liquor licensing offences	825	832	815	813	3,285	783	754	671	605	2,813
13d Prostitution offences	29	21	17	26	93	24	52	57	72	205
13e Regulated betting/money collection/trading offences	98	95	130	129	452	115	85	106	124	430
13f Other social code offences (nec)	58	79	60	62	259	59	97	94	99	349
15 Offences against Government, justice procedures and organisation of crime	3,282	3,139	2,833	2,647	11,901	2,925	2,938	2,460	2,040	10,363
15a Offences against government and its agents (nec)	171	134	136	130	571	98	116	81	46	341
15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	2	3	0	0	5	5	3	4	5	17
15c Perverting the course of justice	41	37	40	33	151	25	11	26	29	91
15d Offences while in custody, breach of court orders	3,068	2,965	2,657	2,484	11,174	2,797	2,808	2,349	1,960	9,914

Background Notes

Introduction The Crime Incidents, Quarter 4, 2010 release 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, 2007 to Quarter 4, 2010. 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.

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	01a	Murder	Murder
	01b	Manslaughter	Manslaughter
	01c	Infanticide	Infanticide
	01d	Dangerous driving leading to death	Manslaughter (traffic fatality) Dangerous driving causing death
02 Sexual offences	02a	Rape of a male or female	Rape of a male or female Rape Section 4
	02b	Defilement of a boy or girl less than 17 years old	Unlawful carnal knowledge / Criminal law (Sexual Offences Act) 2006 Buggery
	02c	Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person	Sexual offence involving mentally impaired person
	02d	Aggravated sexual assault	Aggravated sexual assault
	02e	Sexual assault (not aggravated)	Sexual assault
	02f	Other sexual offences	Incest Child pornography offences Child pornography – obstruction of warrant Gross indecency
03 Attempts or threats to murder, assaults, harassments and related offences	03a	Murder-attempt	Murder-attempt
	03b	Murder-threat	Murder-threat
	03c	Assault causing harm, poisoning	Assault causing harm Poisoning
	03d	Other assault	Assault or obstruction of Garda/official, resisting arrest Minor assault
	03e	Harassment and related offences	Coercion 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	Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty	Abandoning a child, child neglect and cruelty
	04h	Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship	Unseaworthy/dangerous use of boat or ship
	04i	False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities	False alarm/interference with aircraft or air transport facilities
	04j	Endangering traffic offences	Endangering traffic offences
05 Kidnapping and related offences	05a	False imprisonment	False imprisonment
	05b	Abduction of person under 16 years of age	Abduction of person under 16 years of age
	05c	Human trafficking offences	Human trafficking offences

06 Robbery, extortion and hijacking offences	06a	Robbery of an establishment or institution	Robbery of an establishment or institution
	06b	Robbery of cash or goods in transit	Robbery of cash or goods in transit
	06c	Robbery from the person	Robbery from the person
	06d	Blackmail or extortion	Blackmail or extortion
	06e	Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel	Carjacking, hijacking/unlawful seizure of aircraft/vessel
07 Burglary and related offences	07a	Aggravated burglary	Aggravated burglary
	07b	Burglary (not aggravated)	Burglary (not aggravated)
	07c	Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)	Possession of an article (with intent to burgle, steal, demand)
08 Theft and related Offences	08a	Theft/Taking of vehicle and related offences	Theft/Unauthorised taking of vehicle Interfering with vehicle (with intent to steal item or vehicle)
	08b	Theft from person	Theft from person
	08c	Theft from shop	Theft from shop
	08d	Other thefts, handling stolen property	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 Counterfeiting of goods Bad debts criminal (Debtors Ireland) Corruption (involving public office holder)
10 Controlled drug offences	10a	Importation of drugs	Importation of drugs
	10b	Cultivation or manufacture of drugs	Cultivation or manufacture of drugs
	10c	Possession of drugs for sale or supply	Possession of drugs for sale or supply
	10d	Possession of drugs for personal use	Possession of drugs for personal use
	10e	Other drug offences	Forged or altered prescription offences obstruction under the Drugs Act
11 Weapons and explosives offences	11a	Explosives, chemical weapons offences	Causing an explosion 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 and to the environment	12a Arson	Arson
	12b Criminal damage (not arson)	Criminal damage (not arson)
	12c Litter offences	Litter offences
13 Public order and other social code offences	13a Disorderly conduct	Affray/Riot/Violent disorder Public order offences Drunkenness offences Air rage-disruptive or drunken behaviour on aircraft
	13b Trespass offences	Forcible entry and occupation (not burglary) Trespass on lands or enclosed areas
	13c Liquor licensing offences	Liquor licensing offences Registered clubs offences Special restaurant offences Provision of intoxicating liquor to under 18 year olds 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, collection or trading offences	Offences under the Betting Acts 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 Acts 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
	15b Organisation of crime and conspiracy to commit crime	Criminal organisation offences (organised crime) Conspiracy to commit a crime
	15c Perverting the course of justice	Perjury Interfering with a jury (embracery) Assisting offenders Public mischief, pervert course of justice, conceal offence

**15 Offences against
Government,
justice procedures
and organisation
of crime
(contd)**

15d Offences while in custody,
breach of court orders

Escape or help to escape from custody
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.