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To the Minister for Justice.

Sir,

I beg to submit herewith my Annual Report on Crime for the year ended 31st December, 1945.

PART I.

GENERAL.

The number of indictable offences reported in the year 1945 was 16,786, an increase of 923 on the number for the year 1944. See Appendix A. Section (a).

In Class I. - Offences Against the Person - there was an increase of 68, which is accounted for by an increase of 37 in crimes of Assault, etc., and an increase of 31 in the number of sexual offences against females. One case of abortion was recorded during the year as compared with 18 in the year 1944.

In Class II. - Offences Against Property with Violence - there was an increase of 235 due principally to an increase of 219 in crimes of "Breaking" of which there was an increase of 128 in the number of breakings into shops, warehouses, etc., and of 52 into dwellings. There was a decrease of 26 in crimes of Arson and an increase of 32 in Other Malicious Injuries to Property.

In Class III. - Offences Against Property without Violence - there was an increase of 634. This was accounted for mainly by Larcenies in which there was an increase of 584. In Larcenies in the House to the value of £5, etc., there was an increase of 367, or 83%. In Larcenies from Unattended Vehicles there was an increase of 127 or 25%. In the Larcenies of Pedal Cycles there was a decrease of 69.

In Class IV. - Offences not included in Groups I, II and III. - there was a decrease of 14 which was due to a decrease of 29 in cases of Forgery and Uttering. There was an increase of 11 in cases of Unlawful Possession of Firearms.

Appendix "B" shows by classes the numbers of Indictable Offences reported by each Garda Division and the number and percentage of detections.

ORGANISED CRIMES OF VIOLENCE:

The number of organised crimes of violence reported during the year 1945 was 32, of which 22 were Agrarian. Of the Agrarian crimes 5 were committed in County Limerick, 4 in County Galway, three in County Clare, and 2 in each of the Counties Tipperary and Roscommon.

(Twenty-seven organised crimes of violence were committed in the year 1944, of which 22 were agrarian, and 4 were the outcome of a trade dispute).

JUVENILE OFFENDERS

The number of juvenile offenders dealt with for indictable offences in the year 1945 was 2,833, an increase of 33 on the number dealt with in the year 1944. In each of these years, the number of such offenders formed 29% of the persons charged. (See Part III. of this Report).

NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES

The number of prosecutions for non-indictable offences in the year 1945 was 150,862, an increase of 22,876 on the number in the year 1944. This increase is accounted for principally under (1) The Road Traffic Act, 1933, with a total of 78,854 prosecutions, an increase of 14,375 on the number for the year 1944; (2) Offences in relation to Licensing of Dogs, with a total of 14,398 prosecutions, an increase of 2,829, and (3) Other Road Offences in which there was an increase of 1,660. There was an increase of 333 in Assaults. In prosecutions under the Education and School Attendance Acts there was a decrease of 1,048. In Part IV. of this Report details concerning non-indictable offences are given.

PART II.

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

The total number of indictable offences which became known to the Garda, the number of cases in which proceedings were instituted and the number of persons proceeded against for such offences in each of the years 1938 to 1945 are shown in the following table.

Year	No. of offences known to the Garda	No. of offences in which Proceedings were instituted	No. of Persons proceeded against
1945	16,786	8,754	9,770.
1944	15,863	8,396	9,533
1943	17,305	9,296	10,735
1942	17,213	9,243	10,795.
1941	13,180	6,724	8,196
1940	9,014	4,515	5,432
1939	8,202	4,013	4,837
1938	6,769	4,105	4,963

Offences Against the Person:

This class of offences consists of Murder, Manslaughter, Wounding, Assault, Intimidation, Cruelty to or Abandoning of Children and Sexual Crime.

The number of offences recorded and the number in which proceedings were taken in each of the years 1938 to 1945 are shown in the following table:-

Year	No. of offences known to the Garda	No. of offences in which Proceedings were taken	Percentage of Offences in which Proceedings were taken
1945	639	525	82%
1944	571	469	82%
1943	545	450	83%
1942	505	398	79%
1941	459	387	84%
1940	442	336	76%
1939	439	330	75%
1938	493	389	78%

Murder.

Three murders of persons aged above one year were recorded within the year. Proceedings were instituted in two cases. The third case was one of murder and suicide.

Brief particulars are:-

1. Dublin Metropolitan Area: On the 12th January, 1945, the dead bodies of a man and a woman were discovered at the East Pier, Dun Laoghaire. Both bodies had bullet wounds near the heart and a revolver was found beside the bodies.
2. County Mayo: On 25th June, 1945, the dead body of a boy aged $8\frac{1}{2}$ years, was found buried under some bushes near his home. He had been missing for 8 days. A Post Mortem examination revealed that death was due to extensive head injuries. A farmer's son was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 23rd November, 1945, he was convicted and was sentenced to death. The conviction and sentence were quashed on appeal and a new trial ordered. At the Central Criminal Court on 4th May, 1946, he was found guilty but insane.
3. County Monaghan: On 28th September, 1945, an elderly farmer was poisoned and died after eating portion of a sandwich cake which had been left at his home by a neighbouring woman. The woman was charged with the murder and at the Central Criminal Court on 20th February, 1946, she was convicted and was sentenced to death. An appeal against the conviction and sentence was dismissed. The sentence was, however, subsequently commuted to penal servitude for life.

(In 1944 seven murders were recorded. Proceedings were taken in five cases and in one case the perpetrator committed suicide).

Three murders of infants aged one year and under were recorded in the year 1945. Proceedings were taken in two cases.

(One murder of an infant was recorded in 1944).

Attempts to Murder:

Three crimes of Attempted Murder were reported during the year and proceedings were taken in each case.

1. County Donegal: On 24th August, 1945, at 11.25 p.m. a shot was fired into a bedroom in a Mental Hospital as its occupant was about to retire to bed. He escaped injury. An associate who was an attendant at the hospital, was arrested and charged. At the Central Criminal Court on 29th November, 1945, he was found not guilty and was discharged.
2. County Leix: On 25th September, 1945, at 3.40 a.m. a farmer, aged 53 years, discharged a shot from a shot-gun at his wife who escaped injury. At the Circuit Court, Portlaoighise, on 11th December, 1945, he was acquitted by direction of the Judge.
3. County Kerry: On 29th October, 1945, a girl aged $15\frac{1}{4}$ years, attempted to poison her father by putting "Rodine", a rat poison, on some bread which he was about to eat. The family life was an unhappy one and the girl took her mother's side in quarrels with her father, which were of frequent occurrence. At Listowel District Court she was convicted and was ordered to be detained in a Reformatory for 2 years. (Three crimes of Attempted Murder were reported in the year 1944).

Manslaughter:

Fourteen crimes of Manslaughter (other than traffic fatalities) were recorded during the year 1945. Proceedings were taken in all cases and convictions were recorded in eleven cases.

Five crimes of Manslaughter (Traffic Fatalities) were reported during the year. In two cases the persons charged were convicted and the remaining three cases are awaiting trial.

(In the year 1944 the number of cases of manslaughter, other than traffic fatalities, was 13 and the number from traffic fatalities was nil).

Wounding, etc. (Felonies):

Eleven crimes were reported and proceedings were taken in all cases, eight of which resulted in conviction. In a further case the charge was held proved and the defendant dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act. One case is pending.

(In the year 1944, 14 crimes were recorded and proceedings were taken in 12 cases, nine of which resulted in convictions).

Assault, etc. (Misdemeanours):

One hundred and seventy-three crimes were reported during the year, an increase of 37 on the number for 1944. Proceedings were taken in 167 cases and convictions numbered 112. In a further 35 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act was applied.

(In the year 1944 proceedings were taken in 133 cases. Convictions were recorded in 94 cases and in 18 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied).

Intimidation:

Thirty-four crimes were reported during the year and proceedings were taken in 12 cases. Convictions were recorded in 2 cases and in a further 2 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

(In the year 1944, 31 crimes were recorded and proceedings were taken in 6 cases).

Offences Against Females:

The number of offences against females has increased in each year since 1940. The number for 1945 is the highest recorded during the past 8 years, the figures for which are shown in the following table:

Year	No. of Offences recorded	No. of Offences in which Proceedings were taken	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were taken
1945	249	204	82%
1944	218	192	88%
1943	181	166	92%
1942	173	149	86%
1941	161	145	90%
1940	136	123	90%
1939	145	126	87%
1938	189	170	90%

The number of crimes in which convictions were recorded in year 1945 was 113 and in 21 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Offences Against Property with Violence:

Included in this group are crimes of Burglary, Housebreaking, Robbery and Malicious Injury to Property.

The total number of offences recorded in this class and the number and percentage of cases in which proceedings were instituted in each of the years 1938 to 1945 are shown in the following table:-

Year	No. of offences recorded	No. of offences in which proceedings were taken	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were taken
1945	2,732	1,716	63%
1944	2,497	1,565	63%
1943	2,879	1,862	65%
1942	2,858	1,804	63%
1941	2,179	1,272	58%
1940	1,658	933	56%
1939	1,460	827	57%
1938	1,319	876	66%

The increase in the number of offences in this class is due principally to an increase of 219 in the number of "Breakings". The number of these crimes reported in the years 1938 to 1945 and the number and percentage of cases in which proceedings were taken is shown in the following table:

Year	No. of offences Recorded	No. of offences in which Proceedings were taken	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were taken
1945	2,295	1,508	66%
1944	2,076	1,341	65%
1943	2,450	1,617	65%
1942	2,500	1,619	63%
1941	1,828	1,096	58%
1940	1,389	805	56%
1939	1,179	692	57%
1938	1,093	755	66%

The increase in the number of Breakings into Dwellinghouses was 52 and into Shops, Warehouses, etc., 128. There was an increase of 16 in the number of Attempts to Break into Houses, Shops, etc., and an increase of 14 in the number of cases of Entering with Intent to commit felony.

Robbery.

Thirty-two cases of Robbery were reported during the year, which is one less than the number for 1944. Proceedings were taken in 19 cases, 12 of which resulted in conviction and in 2 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Arson and Other Malicious Injuries to Property:

The number of cases of Malicious Damage to Property reported in 1945 was 387, an increase of 9 on the number for 1944. There was a decrease of 26 in crimes of Arson, the number for 1945 being 53, compared with 79 in 1944. Proceedings were taken in 177 cases within the period and convictions numbered 86, while the charges in a further 57 cases were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Offences Against Property without Violence:

The offences recorded in this group are Larceny, Embezzlement, Obtaining Goods by False Pretences, Frauds and Receiving Stolen Goods.

The number of offences in the years 1938 to 1945, and the numbers and percentage of cases in which proceedings were taken are shown in the following table:-

Year	No. of offences reported.	No. of offences in which Proceedings were taken.	Percentage of offences in which proceedings were taken.
1945	13,227	6,361	48%
1944	12,593	6,200	49%
1943	13,714	6,837	50%
1942	13,649	6,867	50%
1941	10,391	4,937	48%
1940	6,748	3,095	46%
1939	6,159	2,731	44%
1938	4,828	2,735	56%

The number of larcenies reported in 1945 was 12,116, an increase of 584 on the number for 1944.

Comparative figures for the various forms of Larceny as shown in the statistical tables for the years 1938 to 1945 are as follows:-

	1945	1944	1943	1942	1941	1940	1939	1938
Larceny from the Person	266	195	200	226	133	87	68	85
Larceny in House to Value of £5 etc.	809	442	279	195	129	121	64	48
Larceny from Dwellinghouse by Employee	247	237	204	153	114	67	77	66
Larceny of Explosives	2	-	-	1	-	-	3	-
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	1	3	-	4	8	4	15	21
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	1530	1599	2252	3362	2779	1532	1402	1160
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles	630	503	497	606	497	460	378	274
Larceny from shops and stalls	871	828	913	875	680	544	504	449
Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep.	77	64	96	82	53	57	61	42
Other Larcenies (Exceeding £5 in value)	1310	1325	956	781	401	259	195	189
Other Larcenies (Not exceeding £5 in Value)	6373	6336	7233	6505	4966	3162	2940	2036
TOTALS	12116	11532	12630	12790	9760	6293	5707	4370

In the Dublin Metropolitan Division 7,506 crimes of larceny were reported for the year 1945, representing 62% of the number of offences reported for the whole country. Larcenies of Pedal Cycles and Larcenies of Property not exceeding £5 in value form 63% of this total.

During the Emergency new types of offences arose, and others greatly increased in number in this Division. Statistics for some classes of these offences are given in the following table :-

	<u>1945</u>	<u>1944</u>	<u>1943</u>	<u>1942</u>
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	892	899	1150	1974
" " Overcoats	732	766	824	507
" " Perambulators	26	60	67	88
" " Fuel	26	48	41	58
Handbag snatching	23	14	39	61

In the years 1944 and 1945 an additional record was instituted for new forms of larceny and those which were found to be on the increase in the Dublin Metropolitan Division, such as :-

	<u>No. for Year.</u>	
	<u>1945</u>	<u>1944</u>
Larceny from Clothes Lines.....	180	211
" " Dance Halls..	112	155
" " and Malicious Damage to Telephone Kiosks	399	535

Unauthorised taking of and larcenies of Pedal Cycles:

The following table shows the number of unauthorised takings of pedal cycles and the number and percentage of these takings which were recorded as larcenies in the years 1938 to 1945:-

Year	Number of Cycles taken or stolen (a)	Number of such which were stolen (b)	Percentage of the number in Column (a) recorded as Larcenies.
1945	2,911	1,530	53%
1944	2,885	1,599	55%
1943	3,723	2,252	60%
1942	5,760	3,362	58%
1941	5,242	2,779	53%
1940	2,747	1,532	56%
1939	2,848	1,402	49%
1938	2,221	1,160	52%

The following table gives similar particulars in respect of the taking and larceny of pedal cycles in the Dublin Metropolitan Division :-

Year	Number of cycles stolen or taken (a)	Number of such which were stolen (b)	Percentage of the number in Column (a) recorded as larcenies.
1945	1,457	892	61%
1944	1,325	899	68%
1943	1,513	1,150	77%
1942	2,517	1,974	78%
1941	2,830	2,140	76%
1940	1,671	1,244	74%
1939	1,825	1,154	63%
1938	1,508	956	63%

The marked and sustained increase in larcenies since 1942 is regarded as unsatisfactory. 62% of the total number of larcenies was reported from the Dublin Metropolitan Division. Over 40% of these larcenies could have been prevented if the owners took reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of property such as pedal cycles, property in unattended vehicles, clothing left on clothes lines at night, ladies' handbags in dance halls and churches, overcoats in hotels, restaurants, halls of houses, etc. The prevention of larcenies of this kind and their detection is an extremely difficult task for the police.

Embezzlement:

92 offences were reported in 1945, an increase of 34 on the number for 1944. Proceedings were taken in 82 cases, convictions were recorded in 43 and in 28 the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Obtaining Goods by False Pretences:

The number of these offences showed little change in 1945, the total being 416, as against 428 in 1944.

Proceedings were taken in 329 cases and resulted in 189 convictions and 72 charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Other Offences not included in the foregoing classes:

Forgery and Uttering:

45 offences were reported in 1945, a decrease of 29 on the number in 1944. Proceedings were taken in 31 cases and convictions were recorded in 13 cases.

Attempted Suicide:

35 offences were reported in 1945, a decrease of 4 on the number for the year 1944.

Value of Property Stolen and Recovered:

In 1945 the value of property reported as stolen was £102,910, of which property valued at £38,286 was recovered. (In the year 1944 the value of property stolen was £88,553, of which property valued £33,311 was recovered).

In Offences against Property with Violence, i.e. Burglary, Housebreaking and Sacrilege, the value of property reported stolen in the year 1945 was £35,934, of which £9,764 was recovered. (In the year 1944 the corresponding figures were £29,283 and £10,854.)

In offences of Larceny, property valued £66,975 was taken and £28,521 was recovered, as compared with £59,270 taken in 1944 and £22,456 recovered.

The number of offences in which property was stolen and the value of the property stolen in the years 1938 to 1945, is shown in the following table :-

	Year	Less Than £1.	£1 to £2.	£2 to £5.	£5 to £10.	£10 to £50.	£50 to £100.	Over £100.	Total
Offences against Property with Violence, i.e., Burglary, Housebreaking, etc.	1945:	439	274	371	307	475	87	49	2002
	1944:	411	253	348	295	444	69	48	1868
	1943:	540	320	414	356	454	67	44	2195
	1942:	631	312	448	302	442	52	37	2224
	1941:	525	252	309	213	252	40	17	1608
	1940:	476	199	213	146	185	22	10	1251
	1939:	406	170	189	127	127	20	11	1050
	1938:	420	154	172	107	114	10	8	985
Offences against Property without violence, i.e. Larcenies.	1945:	3421	2176	3319	2043	988	98	50	12095
	1944:	3284	2221	3338	1549	995	60	52	11499
	1943:	3652	2366	4055	1417	978	92	42	12602
	1942:	4021	2680	3849	1326	795	68	29	12768
	1941:	3512	2433	2793	556	400	24	17	9735
	1940:	2650	1571	1493	285	254	21	17	6291
	1939:	2349	1439	1392	242	234	29	22	5707
	1938:	1986	1007	954	188	183	30	13	4361

Sex and Age of Persons Convicted of Indictable Offences:

The number of persons convicted of Indictable Offences in 1945 was 4103, of whom 3483 were males and 620 females. The number convicted by Courts of Summary Jurisdiction was 3493 - 2969 males and 524 females - and the number convicted by Circuit and Higher Courts was 610 - 514 males and 96 females (See Appendix D, Section a).

The numbers of persons in the various age groups convicted in the years 1942 to 1945, and the percentage which each age group forms of the total number of persons convicted are shown in the following table:-

Age Grouping.	Numbers of Persons Convicted				Percentage of Total.			
	1945	1944	1943	1942	1945	1944	1943	1942
Under 14 years	243	201	234	220	6%	5%	5%	5%
14-16 "	211	159	263	223	5%	4%	6%	5%
16-18 "	279	261	329	307	7%	7%	7%	7%
18-21 "	694	644	792	881	17%	17%	18%	20%
21-30 "	1273	1173	1329	1364	31%	31%	30%	31%
30-40 "	683	682	738	682	17%	18%	17%	16%
Above 40 "	720	690	720	676	18%	18%	16%	16%
TOTALS:	4103	3810	4405	4353				

Charges Proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied:

The number of persons against whom charges were held proved and who were given the benefit of the Probation of Offenders Act in 1945 was 3,948. The number for 1944 was 4,016 and for 1943 was 4,374. (See Appendix D Section (b).)

The following table shows the number of persons in each age group and the percentage of the total persons so dealt with in the years 1942 to 1945, inclusive:-

Age Grouping:	Number of Persons dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act.				Percentage of Total			
	1945:	1944:	1943:	1942	1945:	1944:	1943:	1942
Under 14 years	1048:	988	1022:	1071	27%:	25%:	23%:	24%
14-16 "	586:	615	726:	804	15%:	15%:	17%:	18%
16-18 "	457:	488	555:	543	12%:	12%:	13%:	12%
18-21 "	426:	511	563:	580	11%:	13%:	13%:	13%
21-30 "	606:	598	615:	666	15%:	15%:	14%:	14%
30-40 "	379:	336	389:	391	9%:	8%:	9%:	9%
Above 40 "	446:	480	504:	450	11%:	12%:	11%:	10%
TOTALS.	3948:	4016	4374:	4505				

Proceedings in Cases of Indictable
Offences Undetected in the Year 1944:

During the year 1945 proceedings were instituted in respect of 69 Indictable Offences committed in the year 1944, which were undetected at the end of that year. Convictions were recorded in 42 cases and the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied in 11 cases. One case is awaiting trial and one is pending in the District Court. 68 persons were charged in connection with those proceedings and 39 of them were convicted. The charges against a further 15 were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied. One is awaiting trial and one is pending in the District Court.
(See Appendix G. Section (b).)

The number of indictable offences cleared up in the year 1945 was 9,076 which is shown in Columns 3 and 17 of Appendix A Section (a) in relation to offences committed in 1945 and in Columns 2 and 16 of Appendix G, Section (b) in relation to offences reported in 1944 but not detected in that year.

The percentage of cases cleared up in 1945 was 54% and in 1944 - 55%.

Proceedings for Indictable Offences
pending from Year 1944 - Results:

In Return A. for the year 1944 the number of cases shown as pending was 286. Of this number 276 have been disposed of and 9 cases are still pending. In one case the offender absconded and has not since been traced. Convictions were recorded in 100 cases and in 123 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.
(See Appendix G Section (a).)

PART III.

JUVENILES CHARGED WITH INDICTABLE OFFENCES:

Returns relating to Juvenile Offenders charged with indictable offences are shown in appendices E and F.

The number of persons under 18 years who were dealt with in 1945 for the commission of indictable offences was 2,833, an increase of 33 on the number for the year 1944.

There was an increase of 118 in the number charged with Housebreaking and a decrease of 130 in the number charged with Larcenies (not exceeding £5. in value).

The numbers of offenders, male and female, dealt with in the years 1939, 1943, 1944 and 1945 under the various crime headings are shown in the following table:-

	1945		1944		1943		1939	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Housebreaking.....	888	44	750	64	1037	71	407	20
Burglary.....	17	4	28	1	14	4	18	-
Larceny of Pedal Cycles.....	67	6	62	10	85	16	79	11
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles.....	41	6	59	4	56	10	51	1
Larceny from Shops and Stalls.....	203	33	175	37	236	76	174	32
Other Larcenies (Exceeding £5. in value).....	175	59	127	54	119	66	66	10
Other Larcenies (Not exceeding £5. in value).....	668	200	806	192	908	232	450	53
Malicious Damage to Property.....	253	8	251	13	240	10	141	7
Other Offences.....	135	26	145	24	185	20	69	16
TOTALS.....	2447	386	2401	399	2880	505	1455	150

Sex and Age of Offenders:

In regard to the age groups of persons charged there is a slight decrease when compared with the 1944 figures in the number of males in the 16-18 group and there are increases in the numbers charged in the remaining three groups, the biggest being in the 14-16 group with an increase of 48;

The number of females charged shows an increase of 18 in the 12-14 years group and decreases in the remaining groups, as compared with the 1944 figures.

Relevant figures for the years 1939, 1943, 1944 and 1945 are shown in the following table:-

Year	Under 12 Years		12 to 14 Years		14 to 16 Years		16 to 18 Years	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1945	568	65	563	89	703	112	613	120
1944	561	78	545	71	655	117	640	133
1943	550	68	657	106	871	153	802	178
1939	270	29	329	38	426	46	430	37

Circumstances Contributing to Delinquency:

Circumstances contributing to the delinquency of those offenders are thought to be:-

	1945	1944	1943	1939
Lack of Parental Control.....	1282	1123	1521	630
Desire to get money for amusement	683	693	857	384
Mischief.....	512	565	440	355
Youthful gang influence.....	205	171	299	128
Criminal Associations.....	97	147	117	58
Necessity;.....	54	101	151	50

Percentage of Juvenile Offenders in relation to Persons charged with Indictable Offences:

Of the total number of persons charged with indictable offences in the year 1945, juvenile offenders formed 29%, as in the year 1944. The number of offenders and the percentage of the total in the years 1939 to 1945, are as follows:

Year.	No. of Juvenile Offenders dealt with for indictable offences	Percentage of the total no. of persons charged with indictable offences
1945	2,833	29%
1944	2,800	29%
1943	3,385	32%
1942	3,350	31%
1941	2,562	31%
1940	1,806	33%
1939	1,605	33%

Offences Charged Against Juveniles:

The number of juveniles charged with Burglary, Housebreaking, Larceny, Malicious Damage to Property and Other Indictable Offences in the years 1939 to 1945, and the percentage which such offenders formed of the number of persons charged with those offences are shown in the following table:-

Year	No. of Juvenile Offenders charged with Indictable Offences.	Percentage of Total Persons charged with Indictable Offences
Burglary : 1945 :	21	18%
: 1944 :	27	22%
: 1943 :	18	16%
: 1942 :	35	28%
: 1941 :	28	28%
: 1940 :	21	20%
: 1939 :	18	32%

	Year	No. of Juvenile Offenders charged with Indictable Offences.	Percentage of Total Persons charged with Indictable Offences.
Housebreaking	:1945:	932	51%
	:1944:	814	51%
	:1943:	1108	56%
	:1942:	923	46%
	:1941:	785	58%
	:1940:	548	58%
	:1939:	427	57%
Larceny	:1945:	1458	27%
	:1944:	1526	28%
	:1943:	1804	29%
	:1942:	2020	30%
	:1941:	1433	29%
	:1940:	974	32%
	:1939:	927	35%
Malicious Injury to Property	:1945:	261	56%
	:1944:	264	59%
	:1943:	250	55%
	:1942:	216	39%
	:1941:	176	47%
	:1940:	151	70%
	:1939:	148	50%
Other Indictable Offences	:1945:	161	8%
	:1944:	169	9%
	:1943:	205	10%
	:1942:	156	8%
	:1941:	140	9%
	:1940:	109	10%
	:1939:	85	8%

PART IV.

NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

Proceedings in Non-Indictable Offences

The number of prosecutions for non-indictable offences in 1945 was 150,862, an increase of 22,876 on the number for the year 1944. This increase is accounted for, principally, under the following heads:-

	<u>Increase</u>
(a) Offences Against Highway Acts	16,140
(Of (a) Road Traffic Act offences numbered 14,375).	
(b) Offences Against Intoxicating Liquor Laws	1,713
(c) Offences in relation to Licensing of Dogs	2,829
(d) Offences Against Police Regulations	1,819

The number of convictions for non-indictable offences recorded for the year 1945 was 117,834, or 78% of the prosecutions for such offences and in a further 23,623 cases the charges were held proved.

The following table shows the total number of prosecutions for non-indictable offences in each of the years 1939 to 1945, inclusive:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Prosecutions</u>
1945	150,862
1944	127,986
1943	107,961
1942	104,994
1941	98,445
1940	85,148
1939	103,921

See Appendix C (Sections (a) and (b)) for details of offences reported in 1945.

Assaults:

The number of prosecutions for Assaults in 1945 was 1,428, an increase of 333 on the number for 1944.

The number of persons convicted for these offences in year 1945 was 804 and the charges against 308 others were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Cruelty to Animals:

883 persons were prosecuted for this offence in 1945, an increase of 62 on the number in 1944. Convictions were recorded in 659 cases and in 133 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Education and School Attendance Acts:

The number of prosecutions under these Acts in 1945 was 11,800, a decrease of 1,048 on the number for 1944. Convictions were recorded in 8,664 cases and the charges were held proved in 2,266 cases.

Comparative figures for prosecutions, convictions, etc. in the years 1939 to 1945 are given in the following table:-

Year	No. of Prosecutions	Convictions	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied	Charge withdrawn or dismissed	Otherwise disposed of
1945	11,800	8,664	2,266	847	23
1944	12,848	9,412	2,352	1,020	64
1943	11,794	8,651	2,190	884	69
1942	11,566	8,360	2,118	1,023	65
1941	7,606	5,179	1,665	725	37
1940	6,511	4,386	1,366	714	45
1939	7,197	4,657	1,569	936	35

Road Traffic Act, 1933:

The number of prosecutions in 1945 for offences against this Act, was 78,854, an increase of 14,375 on the number for 1944.

In the following table comparative figures for prosecutions, convictions, etc., under this head in the years 1939 to 1945 are given:-

Year	No. of Prosecutions	Convictions.	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge withdrawn or dismissed	Otherwise disposed of
1945	78,854	68,905	7,497	2,395	57
1944	64,479	56,455	5,983	2,034	7
1943	50,974	44,053	5,087	1,820	14
1942	54,253	45,489	6,334	2,421	9
1941	50,184	43,358	4,673	2,151	2
1940	46,176	38,738	4,680	2,756	2
1939	57,831	48,091	6,328	3,399	13

Intoxicating Liquor Laws:

In 1945 17,046 persons were prosecuted for offences against the Intoxicating Liquor Laws, an increase of 1,713 on the figures for 1944. In regard to drunkenness there was an increase of 463 in the number of prosecutions, as compared with the number for 1944. In comparison with the 1939 figure there was an increase of 613. Offences against Closing Regulations showed an increase of 590 over the previous year and an increase of 2,118 over the 1939 figure.

The numbers of prosecutions for breaches of the Intoxicating Liquor Laws and the results of proceedings in the years 1939 to 1945 are as follows:-

Intoxicating Liquor Laws.

Year	Total No. of Prosecutions	Convictions	Charge proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge with-drawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1945	17,046	14,845	729	1,465	7
1944	15,333	13,121	722	1,461	29
1943	12,920	10,998	703	1,210	9
1942	10,045	8,315	580	1,145	5
1941	9,189	7,761	529	897	2
1940	6,298	5,248	426	621	3
1939	8,228	6,768	655	799	6

Drunkenness.

Year	Total No. of Prosecutions	Convictions	Charge proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge with-drawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1945	4,229	3,726	360	137	6
1944	3,766	3,312	293	151	10
1943	3,468	2,988	344	127	9
1942	2,803	2,412	277	110	4
1941	2,585	2,216	262	106	1
1940	2,788	2,405	275	107	1
1939	3,616	3,066	440	106	2

Offences Against Closing Regulations.

Year	Total No. of Prosecutions	Convictions	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge with-drawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1945	3,673	3,059	101	512	1
1944	3,083	2,483	164	435	1
1943	2,320	1,808	106	406	-
1942	2,021	1,529	117	375	-
1941	1,920	1,519	110	290	1
1940	1,058	820	49	187	2
1939	1,555	1,180	71	302	2

Illicit Distillation:

The decrease in prosecutions under this head may be attributed to the continued scarcity of the raw materials used in the manufacture of illicit spirits and the increased difficulty in obtaining them.

Comparative figures for the past seven years are given hereunder:-

Year	No. of Prosecutions	Convictions	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge withdrawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1945	35	20	1	14	-
1944	33	14	4	15	-
1943	28	22	1	5	-
1942	95	52	4	39	-
1941	164	116	9	39	-
1940	141	76	5	60	-
1939	167	98	6	63	-

Malicious Damage to Property:

A total of 1,490 prosecutions were taken in the year 1945, an increase of 71 on the 1944 total. Convictions were recorded in 811 cases and in a further 421 the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Comparative figures for the years 1939 to 1945 are set out hereunder:-

Year	No. of Prosecutions	Convictions	Charge proved and Probation of Offenders Act applied.	Charge withdrawn or dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.
1945	1,490	811	421	257	1
1944	1,419	792	397	224	6
1943	1,327	788	314	224	1
1942	1,288	663	404	216	5
1941	970	471	331	166	2
1940	615	282	200	129	4
1939	697	357	193	146	1

Vagrancy Laws:

Prosecutions for offences under the Vagrancy Acts in 1945 numbered 1,107. Convictions were recorded in 646 cases and in 310 cases the

charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.

Under this head Begging is the most frequent offence and of the total of 1107 prosecutions 795 were in respect of this charge. Convictions numbered 507 and the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act was applied in 223 cases.

(In the year 1944 the total number of prosecutions was 828. Convictions numbered 404 and the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied in 312 cases. Prosecutions for Begging in that year numbered 555. Convictions numbered 288 and the charges in 215 cases were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied.)

Other Offences:

Various miscellaneous offences are shown under the heading "Other Offences" at the end of Appendix C. Section (a) and are enumerated in Section (b) thereof. These show an increase of 99.

The number of prosecutions under the Emergency Powers Act and Orders in the year 1945 was 2,638, a decrease of 691 on the number for the year 1944. Convictions were recorded in 1,830 cases and in 536 cases the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied. (See Appendix C. Section (c)) The Return includes only prosecutions for offences which were detected by members of the Garda or investigated by them on the complaint of or at the direction of the Department of Supplies.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

COMMISSIONER

August, 1946.

P A R T V.

STATISTICS OF CRIME.

APPENDICES

The following appendices are submitted with this Report:-

APPENDIX A. which shows:-

Section (a) the number and nature of the indictable offences which became known to the police in 1945; the number of offences in which proceedings were instituted; the results of such proceedings; the number of persons proceeded against and the result of these proceedings.

Section (b) The details of the offences recorded in Section (a) under the heading "Other Indictable Offences."

In addition particulars are given of the results of proceedings in the cases shown under the headings in Section (a) as "Otherwise Disposed of" and the value of property stolen and recovered.

APPENDIX B. which shows:-

The number of indictable offences by classes reported by each Division of the Garda and the number and percentage of detections.

APPENDIX C. which shows:-

Section (a) The number of persons proceeded against for non-indictable offences; the nature of the offences and the results of proceedings.

Section (b) The details of the offences recorded in Section (a) under the heading "Other Offences."

In addition, particulars are given of the results of proceedings in the case of persons shown under the heading in Section (a) as "Otherwise disposed of".

Section (c) The number of persons prosecuted for non-indictable offences against the Emergency Powers Act and Orders and the results of such proceedings.

APPENDIX D. which shows:-

Section (a) The number, sex and age of persons convicted of Indictable offences and the nature of the offences.

Section (b) The number, sex and age of persons charged with indictable offences in respect of whom the charges were held proved and who were dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act.

APPENDIX E. which shows:-

Section (a) The number, sex and age of persons not exceeding 18 years dealt with in 1945 for indictable offences; the nature of the offences and the result of the proceedings.

Section (b) The occupation of persons charged; the value of property stolen and recovered; the previous criminal history (if any) of the offenders and their school attendance record.

(Section (c) The social and other circumstances of the offenders which are considered to have a bearing on their delinquency.

APPENDIX F. which shows:-

The number of juvenile offenders dealt with for indictable offences and the nature of the offences, in each Garda Division in the year, 1945.

APPENDIX G. which shows:-

Section (a) The results of proceedings in cases pending in 1944.

Section (b) Proceedings in cases which were reported in 1944 and detected in 1945.

Return of Indictable Offences which became known to the Garda during the year ended 31st December, 1945.

Table with columns for (1) NATURE OF OFFENCES, (2) Number of Offences reported or known, (3) Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were taken, and various sub-columns under 'RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES' and 'PERSONS PROCEEDED AGAINST'. Rows include Class I (Offences Against the Person), Class II (Offences Against Property with Violence), Class III (Offences Against Property without Violence), and Class IV (Other Offences not included in the above classes).

@ When dealt with on indictment only.
† The Designation and Number of Offences included on Line 67 and the Result of Proceedings should be shown in space provided overleaf.
* All Cases included in these columns must be explained in the space provided overleaf.

Return of Indictable Offences which became known to the Garda during the year ended 31st December, 1945—continued.

RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES INCLUDED ON LINE NUMBER 67.

(1) NATURE OF OFFENCES. State Titles of Offences and Act and Section under which Proceedings taken.	Number of Offences Reported or known.	Number of Offences in which Criminal Proceedings were taken.	RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS IN CASES.													PERSONS PROCEEDED AGAINST.					RESULT OF PROCEEDINGS AGAINST PERSONS.								
			Dealt with on Indictment and							Dealt with Summarily and						Crimes of which the Perpetrators were Detected but for which no Proceedings are shown	Total.	Males.	Females.	Apprehended.	Summoned.	Dealt with on Indictment and				Dealt with Summarily and			Still Pending in District Court.
			Informations refused.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Found Insane and Incapable of Pleading.	Nolle Prosequi entered.	*Otherwise disposed of.	Committed for Trial and still awaiting Trial.	Convicted.	Dismissed.	Charge proved and order made with-out conviction.	Charge Withdrawn.	*Otherwise disposed of.	Still Pending in District Court.							Informations refused.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Found Insane and Incapable of Pleading.	Nolle Prosequi entered.	Otherwise disposed of.	Committed for Trial and still awaiting Trial.	
Effecting a Public Mischief (Com Law)	22	20	3	5	1	2		1	5		1	1	1	2	26	15	11	6	20	4	6	1		1	2	9	1	1	1
Forcible Entry and Detainment (Com Law)	5	5	1	2	1	1									6	3	3	4	2	1	3	1		1					
Conspiracy (Com Law)	4	2	1	1											14	14	14				14								
Obstructing Course of Justice	3	1		1									2	1	1				1		1								
Post Office Act, 1908 Sec 54, 56.	3	3	1					1	1					3	1	2	1	2		1				1	1				
Unlawful Disposal of dead bodies	2	2		2										2	2	1	1				2								
Escape from lawful custody	2	2	2											4	4	4				3		1							
Personation (Com Law)	1	1											1	4	4		4								4				
Prevention of Distress Enforcement of Court Orders Act, 1926	1	1											1	3	1	2		3								3			
Emergency Powers Act, 1939 Sec 5	2	2	2											8	8	7	1			4	4								
G.P. Orders														1	3	3		3		2		1							
SRO. 21/41 Finance (No 7) Order, 1941	3	2	2											1	1	1		1		1									
" 19/42 Sea (C of P) Order, 1942	1	1	1											2	1	1	2			2									
" 60/43 Sea (Retail) Order, 1943	2	2	2											1	1			1		1									
" 348/43 (Maximum Price) Order, 1943	1	1	1											1	1			1		1									
TOTAL	52	45	5	18	6	3	1	2	5	2	1	1	1	5	78	57	21	43	35	5	23	23	4	1	3	9	7	1	1

* Particulars of Cases included in Columns 9 and 15, ** Otherwise disposed of."

NATURE OF OFFENCES	NUMBER OF CASES	HOW DISPOSED OF
6 Assault, Wounding, Other like Offences (Misdeameans)	1	Adjudged <i>Sine Die</i>
10 Intimidation by threatening letters	1	"
14 Concealment of Birth	1	To come up for Judgment in 2 years
15 Unnatural Offences & Attempts	1	Adjudged
17 Indecent Assault on Females	3	2 Adjudged <i>Sine Die</i> , 1 Committed to Mental Hospital
18 Deplacement of Girls under 15 years	1	"
26 Housebreaking (Dwellingshouses)	1	"
27 Breaking into Shops, Warehouse etc	2	1 Adjudged <i>Sine Die</i> , 1 Committed to Mental Hospital
36 Arson	3	3
40 Larceny of Cattle, Horses and such	1	Adjudged <i>Sine Die</i>
46 Larceny of Pedal cycles	2	Committed to Mental Hospital
47 Larceny from Unattended Vehicles	1	Adjudged <i>Sine Die</i>
48 Larceny from Shops & Stalls	1	"
49 Other Larcenies (exceeding 5/- value)	3	1 Handed over to Military Authorities, 1 Committed to Mental Hospital
50 Other Larcenies (not exceeding 5/- in value)	13	5 3 Handed over with leave to re-enter, 1 No order made
52 Obtaining Goods etc by False Pretences	1	Handed over to Military Authorities
56 Forgery and Uttering	1	Committed to Mental Hospital
66 Attempting to commit Suicide	7	"
67 Effecting a Public Mischief	1	Adjudged <i>Sine Die</i>

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VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED.

Table showing (1) for Offences against Property with violence, numbered 24 to 27 inclusive.
(2) for Offences against Property without violence, numbered 40 to 50 inclusive.
the number of offences in which the value of the property stolen was (a) less than £1; (b) £1 to £2; (c) £2 to £5; (d) £5 to £10; (e) £10 to £50; (f) £50 to £100; and (g) over £100, and the total value of property (a) stolen and (b) recovered, also the number of offences in which no property was stolen.

	Less than £1	£1 to £2	£2 to £5	£5 to £10	£10 to £50	£50 to £100	Over £100	Total Number of Cases	Total Value of Property stolen	Total Value of Property recovered	Number of Cases in which no Property was stolen
Offences against property with Violence	439	274	371	307	475	87	49	2002	£ 28,397.11.3	£ 28,976.4.7.2	193
Offences against property without Violence	3421	2176	3319	2043	988	98	50	12095	66,975.19.0.2	28,521.17.2	21

APPENDIX B.

TABLE SHOWING BY GROUPS, IN RESPECT OF EACH GARDA DIVISION, THE NUMBER OF
INDICTABLE OFFENCES AND THE NUMBER OF DETECTIONS IN THE YEAR 1945

Divisions	Offences Against the Person		Offences Against Property with Violence		Offences Against Property without Violence		Other Indictable Offences		Total Indictable Offences	Number of Detections	Percentage of Detections
	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected			
Carlow-Kildare	18	17	81	74	385	335	4	3	488	429	88%
Cavan-Monaghan	13	12	70	54	234	202	3	3	320	271	85%
Clare	20	19	25	14	110	96	8	8	163	137	84%
Cork E.R.	53	41	170	138	834	682	25	21	1082	882	82%
Cork W.R.	10	10	31	26	112	100	3	3	156	139	89%
Donegal	14	14	48	36	140	134	-	-	202	184	92%
Dublin Metropolitan	137	92	1468	759	7875	2018	63	49	9543	2918	31%
Dublin-Wicklow	71	65	196	149	517	436	13	13	797	663	83%
Galway E.R.	22	19	23	14	143	117	1	1	189	151	80%
Galway W.R.	25	23	20	18	126	108	-	-	171	149	87%
Kerry	23	22	59	42	252	229	12	12	346	305	88%
Leix-Offaly	25	20	51	36	267	212	3	3	344	271	79%
Limerick	29	23	86	76	392	315	7	6	514	420	82%
Longford-Westmeath	19	16	35	29	196	171	7	6	257	222	86%
Louth-Meath	35	34	99	77	356	316	1	1	491	428	87%
Mayo	21	21	20	16	137	114	6	6	184	157	85%
Roscommon	8	8	19	14	107	91	3	3	137	116	85%
Sligo-Leitrim	16	15	28	19	178	138	16	16	238	188	79%
Tipperary	28	23	65	56	353	276	10	9	456	364	80%
Waterford-Kilkenny	36	36	92	78	317	269	2	2	447	385	86%
Wexford	18	18	46	40	196	168	1	1	261	227	87%
Totals	639	548	2732	1765	13227	6527	188	166	16786	9006	54%

NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES—PERSONS DEALT WITH SUMMARILY—Proceedings and Results.

(1) OFFENCES.	(2) Persons proceeded against.			(3) Apprehended	(4) Summoned	Charge proved—Order made without Conviction for					(11) Number convicted.	CONVICTED.			(15) Place of Detention or Police Station.	(16) Reformatory School.	(17) Whipping.	(18) Fine.	(19) Reprobation.	(20) Otherwise disposed of †	(21) Otherwise disposed of *.
	Total.	Male.	Female.			(6) Dismissed.	(7) Recognizances.	(8) Probation.	(9) Committed to Industrial School.	(10) Committed to Custody of Relative, &c.		Imprisonment without option of Fine.									
												(12) Total.	(13) Over 1 month.	(14) 1 month and under.							
Adulteration (of Food, Drugs, &c.)	589	467	122	589	38	214		5		332	1	1					331				
Agricultural Produce (Eggs) Acts, Offences against	14	9	5		14					12							12				
Aliens Act, 1935 and Orders—Offences against	9	7	2	2	7					5							5				
Assaults:—																					
Aggravated	107	98	9	93	14	19	19	7	2	60	33	16	17				25	2			
On Guard	221	198	23	94	127	49	30	6		135	38	19	19				91	6			
Common, &c.	1100	1005	95	288	812	243	193	40	10	609	85	28	57				508	15	1	1	4
Betting and Gaming	76	74	2	11	65	14	28			34							31	3			
Betting Act, 1931—Offences against	30	27	3		30	3	10			17							17				
Brothel Keeping																					
Censorship of Films Acts, and Cinematograph Act and Regulations—Offences against	32	28	4		32	9	2			21							21				
Censorship of Publications Act, 1929, and Indecent Advertisements Acts—Offences against	1				1					1							1				
Cruelty to Animals	883	812	71	6	877	91	132	1		659	2	1	1				657				3
Cruelty to or Neglect of Children	135	91	44	65	70	14	40	5	2	71	39	36	3				28	4			
Dairy Produce Acts—Offences against	5	3	2		5		2			3							3				
Diseases of Animals Acts, Offences against	484	459	25		484	96	110		4	274							274				
Dogs, Offences in relation to Licensing of (Finance Act, 1925)	14378	11764	2614		14378	1826	6740		98	5734							5734				
Dogs, Other Offences in relation to	219	180	39		219	26	47			146							145				
Education and School Attendance Acts, Offences against	11800	8831	2969	2	11798	847	2089	3	34	8664							8648		16	2	3
Explosives, Offences in relation to	5	5			5		1			4							4				
Firearms Act, 1925—Offences against	302	290	12	4	298	29	55		2	216	2	2					214				
Fishery Laws, Offences against	125	117	8	3	122	23	15			87							87				
Forestry Act, 1928—Offences against	487	448	39		487	34	99		3	351							351				
Game Laws and Game Preservation Act, 1930—Offences against	109	109			109	12	28		1	68							68				
Garda Síochána Acts—Offences against										1							1				
General Dealers' Act, 1903—Offences against	2	2			2		1														
Highway Acts, Offences against:—																					
Road Traffic Act, 1933	78854	70358	8496	69	78785	2375	7451	3	43	68905	10	4	6				68885	3	7		57
Road Transport Acts	177	171	6		177	21	25		1	130							130				
Other Road Offences	4291	3985	306		4291	176	370		9	3736							3733				13
Horse Breeding Act, 1934—Offences against	2	2			2		1			2							2				
Illicit Distillation—Offences in relation to	35	33	2		35	14	1			20							20				
Indecent Exposure	181	174	7	14	167	13	18		2	147	7	4	3				140				1
Intoxicating Liquor Laws, Offences against:—																					
Drunkenness, Simple	2342	2075	267	549	1793	56	216	1	3	2064	11	1	10				2052	1			2
Drunkenness, with Aggravations	1887	1681	206	464	1423	81	131	7	2	1662	89	10	79				1570	3			4
Offences by Licensed Persons (or their Servants):—																					
Permitting Drunkenness on Licensed Premises or Selling Drink to Drunken Persons	31	26	5		31	11	2		2	16							16				
Supplying or Selling Drink to Persons under 18 years	18	11	7		18	9	1			8							8				
Offences against Closing Regulations	3673	3072	661		3673	512	101			3057							3059				1
Other Offences by Licensed Persons	152	118	34		152	35	19			98							98				
Unlicensed Sale of Drink	18	14	4		18	3	2			11							11				
Other Offences against Intoxicating Liquor Laws	8925	8688	237	7	8918	758	238	2		7927							7727				
Labour Laws, Offences against:—																					
Intimidation	64	63	1	11	53	34	13			17							17				1
Factory Acts	1	1			1					19							19				
Shops Acts	29	21	8		29	1	9			12							12				
Employment of Children Acts	33	26	7		33	2	19			2							2				
Other Acts for Protection of Labour	2	2			2					239							239				
Live Stock Breeding Acts—Offences against	251	240	11		251	4	7		1	3							3				
Local Government Act, 1927—Offences against	3	2	1		3					811	27	12	15				783	1			1
Malicious Damage to Animals, Fences, Etc.	1490	1400	90	128	1362	257	408	11	2	19							19				
Merchant Shipping Acts—Offences against	27	27			27		1			1							1				
Methylated Spirits—Offences in relation to	1	1			1					44	3	1	3				40	1			4
Military Law—Offences against	78	69	9	5	73	10	20			1							1				
Moneylenders Act, 1933—Offences against	1	1			1		1			26							26				
National Health Insurance Acts—Offences against	29	25	4		29		2			4							4				
Offences against the State Act, 1939—Breaches of	6	3	3		6		1			26							26				
Pawnbrokers Acts—Offences against	32	18	14		32	2	4			3							3				
Pedlars' Act, 1871—Offences against	4	4			4		1			1							1				
Pharmacy and Poisons Acts and Dangerous Drugs Acts—Offences against																					
Police Regulations, Offences against:—																					
Dublin Metropolitan Police Acts	2541	2375	166	241	2300	247	1280	16	4	993	10	2	8				982	1			1
Special Town Acts and Bye-Laws	305	294	11	4	301	11	61	5		228	4		4				224				
Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851	3648	3375	273	13	3635	126	393	1	4	3124							3124				
Poor Law, Offences against:—																					
Neglecting to Maintain Family, &c.	20	19	1	12	8	9				11	3	3					8				
Other Offences	21	19	2	21		3	2	4		12	12	2	10				12				
Prevention of Crimes Acts:—																					
Offences by License Holders, Supervisors, Etc.	11	7	4	2	9	6			1	4	3	2	1				1				
Prevention of Electoral Abuses Act, 1923—Offences against																					
Probation of Offenders Act, 1907:—																					
Breach of Recognizance Order	23	14	9	14	9	3	3		1	15	2	2					11				
Prostitution (Prostitutes Soliciting, Behaving in a Riotous and Indecent Manner, &c.)	138			138	116	22	20	14	5	95	44	39	5				51				1
Public Dance Halls Act, 1935—Offences against	264	176	88		264	84	27			153	1	1					152				
Railways, Offences in relation to	20	20			20					20	1	1					19				
Revenue Laws, Offences against	358	339	19	5	353	48	85			225	1	1									

Sex and Age of Persons Convicted of Indictable Offences.

Table with columns for (1) NATURE OF OFFENCES, (2) SEX OF PERSONS CONVICTED (Total Numbers Convicted, Males, Females), and (3) DEALT WITH ON INDICTMENT (ages 14 to 40+), and (4) DEALT WITH SUMMARILY (ages 14 to 40+).

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.—Sex and Age of Persons against whom Charges were Proved and Orders made without Conviction.

(1) NATURE OF OFFENCES.	(2) Total	SEX		AGE													
		(3) Males.	(4) Females.	(5) Under 14 years.		(6) 14 to 16.		(7) 16 to 18.		(8) 18 to 21.		(9) 21 to 30.		(10) 30 to 40.		(11) Above 40 years.	
				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
6. Assault, Wounding and other like Offences (Misdemeanours) ...	48	46	2	2				6		6		16	1	11		5	1
17. Indecent Assaults on Females ...	16	16		2		1		6		1		2		1		3	
24. Sacrilege (including Larceny from Donation Boxes) ...	11	7	4	3	1	1			1	1		2	2				
25. Burglary ...	36	31	5	8	3	10			1	1		2	2				
26. Housebreaking (Dwelling Houses) ...	280	230	50	105	14	57	10	27	3	25	5	11	10	3	2	2	6
27. Breaking into Shops, Warehouses, &c. ...	550	531	19	257	11	102	1	95	3	42		19		7	4	9	
28. Attempts to break into Houses, Shops, Warehouses, &c. ...	16	16		3		3		6		1		2		1			
29. Entering with intent to commit Felony ...	6	6		1		3		1						1			
30. Possession of Housebreaking Tools, &c. ...	NIL																
39. Other Malicious Injuries to Property ...	137	133	4	81		19		3		6		11		5		8	4
40. Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep ...	9	9		1		1		1				4		2		1	
41. Larceny from the Person ...	41	37	4	18		7		2		1		8		1		1	
42. Larceny in House to value of £5, or with menaces ...	121	77	44	14	6	20	8	13	8	9	7	14	5	4	5	3	5
43. Larceny from Dwelling House by Employees ...	115	27	88	2	2	2	7	6	16	5	24	5	29	6	5	1	5
45. Larceny of Motor Vehicles ...	NIL																
46. Larceny of Pedal Cycles ...	104	96	8	21	3	12		15	2	13	1	22	2	10		3	
47. Larceny from Unattended Vehicles ...	28	89	9	35	2	12		7		6	2	71	1	9		9	1
48. Larceny from Shops and Stalls ...	296	209	87	87	17	39	7	23	14	9	10	17	9	17	13	17	17
49. Other Larcenies (exceeding £5 in value) ...	233	204	29	32	1	40	2	15	3	17	4	43	9	30	4	27	6
50. Other Larcenies (not exceeding £5 in value) ...	1427	1073	354	228	65	156	42	112	24	144	43	186	61	100	53	147	66
51. Embezzlement ...	23	22	1			2		4		5		7	1	2		2	
52. Obtaining Goods, &c., by False Pretences ...	70	43	27					3	7	7	4	14	5	14	4	5	7
55. Receiving Stolen Goods ...	189	110	79	6	2	7	3	8	6	12	3	24	10	21	18	32	37
60. Riot or Unlawful Assembly ...	20	20		1		1		5		3		6		2		2	
63. Unlawful Possession of Firearms ...	4	4								2		2					
66. Suicide—Attempting to commit ...	12	6	6				1					1	1	2	2	3	2
Other Indictable Offences, viz.—																	
5. Spreading or Other Acts Endangering Life (Section 1)	1	1						1									
8. Endangering Railway Passengers	10	10		3		2		2		3							
9. Intimidation & Molestation	27	27										11		12		4	
12. Abandoning Children under 2 years	3		3									1		1		1	
15. Annuity Offences & Attempts	9	9		1		3		3				1		1			
18. Deplacement of Girls under 15 years	1	1						1									
32. Robbery & Assault with intent to rob	4	4		3		1		1									
36. Poison	8	8		5		1		1								1	
37. Killing & Maiming Cattle	6	6		3												2	
44. Larceny of Ecclesiastical Goods	1	1										1					
53. Frauds by Agents, Trustees etc	2	2										1		1			
54. Other Frauds	2	2						1						1			
56. Forgery & Uttering	1		1											1			
61. Printing etc	1		1											1			
64. Indecent Exposure (Public Indecency)	3	3							1			2					
67. Perjury (Crown Law)	4	4										2		2			
Reserve of District Improvement of Local Authorities Act, 1926	3	1	2									1		1			1
TOTAL	3948	3121	827	921	127	502	84	369	88	320	106	454	152	268	111	287	187

RETURN OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS - YEAR 1945.

APPENDIX E. SECTION (A).

Increases:-
 1944 1945
 H.B. 814 932 118
 L.P.C. 72 73 1
 L.S.S. 212 236 24
 L.O.S. 181 234 53
 196

Decrease:-
 1944 1945
 B. 27 21 6
 L.U.V. 63 47 16
 L.U.S. 998 868 130
 M.D. 264 261 3
 O.O. 169 161 8
 163

Nett Increase 33

Cases in which Proceedings were instituted	Persons Proceeded Against.		Result of Proceedings.																		Age and Sex of Persons Proceeded Against.						
			Charge Proved, and Order Made without Conviction for:								Convicted.						Not Convicted.										
			1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.	19.	20.	21.	22.			
A. B.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Dismissal.	Recognizances.	Probation.	Committal to Industrial Schools.	Committal to Custody of Relative, etc.	Number Convicted.	Imprisonment.	Place of Detention.	Reformatory Schools.	Whipping.	Fine.	Recognizances.	Otherwise disposed of.	Charge withdrawn or Dismissed.	Otherwise disposed of.	Under 12 years.		12-14 years.		14-16 years.		16-18 years.		
Total Number in which juveniles were charged																			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Housebreaking	1405	763	932	888	44	466	119	66	59	172	54	11	79	27	1	38	12	216	12	204	11	237	14	231	7		
Burglary	103	22	21	17	4	7	7		1	6			6					4	1	3	2	7	-	3	1		
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	503	74	73	67	6	38	10		4	11	7		3	1			8	2	7	2	8	-	21	1	31	3	
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles	171	40	47	41	6	24	16		2	4	2	1	1				1	13	2	8	1	12	3	8	-		
Larceny from Shops & Stalls	555	220	236	203	33	151	20	21	12	25	7	2	9	4	2	1	4	3	46	7	55	9	61	5	41	12	
Larceny over 25	4133	232	234	175	59	120	29	28	8	40	20	4	8	6	1	1	6	3	25	3	41	9	63	18	46	29	
Larceny under 25	807	868	668	200	530	111	26	24		113	29	4	17	55	5	3	56	8	142	34	156	51	202	64	168	51	
Malicious Damage	151	72	261	253	8	121	10	5	1	99	1		3	94		1	24	1	105	3	68	3	60	1	20	1	
Other Offences	1733	138	161	135	26	63	42	7	3	32	11	1	8	1	11		9	5	10	1	20	3	40	6	65	16	
	8754	2368	2833	2447	386	1520	364	153	114	502	131	23	134	1	198	8	7	146	34	568	65	563	89	703	112	613	120

x Of the 23 persons sent to Places of Detention, 14 were committed to Borstal.

φ Discharged on undertaking to enter certain institutions and to remain therein for a specified period.

APPENDIX E. SECTION (b).

NATURE OF OFFENCE.	Number who were detained in:		Number who were previously:		Number who acted:			Premises.					Value of Property.		Occupations of Persons charged:					School Attendance Record.					
	23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.	31.	32.	33.	34.	35.	36.	37.	38.	39.	40.	41.	42.	43.	44.	45.	46.	47.
	Industrial Schools.	Reformatory Schools.	Charged with Crime.	Convicted of Crime.	Alone.	With 1 or 2 accomplices.	With 3 or more accomplices.	Dwellinghouses.	Lock-up Stops.	Other shops and warehouses.	Other buildings.	Streets and Public Places.	Other Places.	Stolen.	Recovered.	Schoolchildren.	Messengers.	Apprentices.	Industrial Workers.	Agricultural Workers.	Indeterminate Occupations.	No Occupation.	Good.	Fair.	Bad.
Housebreaking,	13	4	142	59	167	459	306	325	148	105	345	5	4	4093, 8, 7	1931, 3, 0	497	68	19	32	45	64	207	518	300	114
Burglary,			4		14	5	2	20			1			85, 16, 2	55, 15, 1	11	1		1	4	4	8	9	4	
Larceny of Pedal Cycles,	4	3	14	9	38	30	5	3		3	7	40	20	467, 13, 6	402, 0, 10	19	7	1		20	9	17	35	32	6
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles,			5		19	27	1				42		5	157, 13, 2	131, 8, 13	29	3		1	3	5	6	32	14	1
Larceny from Shops & Stalls,			20	8	88	97	51		17	200	10	5	4	1365, 13, 1	719, 4, 9	129	44	8	6	4	12	33	140	82	14
Larceny over £5.	2	1	37	12	100	103	31	101		18	65	16	34	3532, 3, 1	2423, 7, 4	91	26	11	8	11	42	45	133	70	31
Larceny under £5.	14	2	90	27	357	400	111	200	1	6	199	79	383	1114, 2, 2	737, 9, 9	460	58	8	15	83	86	158	436	318	114
Malicious Damage.			4	2	13	37	211	48	5	4	98	50	56			201	12	8	2	12	7	19	189	60	12
Other Offences.	2		15	6	77	59	25	23	2	12	26	29	69			52	17	10	5	29	22	26	99	45	17
	35	10	331	123	873	1217	743	720	173	348	751	266	575	1036, 9, 10	644, 9, 10	1489	236	65	69	208	251	515	1590	930	313

APPENDIX E, SECTION (C).

NATURE OF OFFENCE.	Circumstances contributing to Delinquency:-						Family Circumstances.																			Illigitimates.		
							Number of Accused Residing with:				Occupation of Parents or Guardians:				Unemployment of Parent or Guardian due to:			Criminal Record of Parent or Guardian.		Number of Accused residing in:			Number in Families of Persons charged:					
	48.	49.	50.	51.	52.	53.	54.	55.	56.	57.	58.	59.	60.	61.	62.	63.	64.	65.	66.	67.	68.	69.	70.	71.	72.		73.	74.
	Lack of Parental Control.	Youthful Gang Influence.	Criminal Associations.	Mischief.	Necessity.	Desire to get Money for Amusement.	Both Parents.	Father.	Mother.	Other Person.	Industrial Workers.	Agricultural Workers.	Casual Labourers.	Other Occupations.	No Occupation.	Genuine Lack of Opportunity.	Physical Disability.	Idle or Dissolute Character.	Previously charged with Crime.	Previously convicted of Crime.	Tenements.	Houses of 3 rooms or less.	Houses of over 3 rooms.	5 or under.	6 and not over 8.	9 and not over 11.	Over 11.	No. of Illigitimates charged.
Housebreaking.	445	112	40	120	6	209	567	47	231	87	157	75	251	235	214	150	51	13	23	22	126	355	449	233	405	241	53	23
Burglary.	10	2				9	8	1	7	5	3	2	3	4	9	8	1		4	4		10	11	7	10	4		
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	35	1	6	16	3	12	38	3	15	16	6	11	21	10	24	21	2	1	4	3	8	30	35	27	30	15	1	
Larceny of Unattended Vehicles.	19	5	1	8	2	12	36	1	7	3	11	2	15	7	12	11	1		2	2	12	15	20	18	21	8		2
Larceny of Shops & Stalls	82	15	10	26	2	101	162	13	52	9	40	10	80	55	51	47	3	1	6	4	29	78	129	47	97	75	17	3
Larceny over 25.	92	12	6	35	3	86	130	16	58	30	48	23	63	50	50	27	16	7	7	6	30	73	131	70	97	56	11	8
Larceny under 25.	441	35	24	120	36	212	531	57	203	77	141	97	257	205	168	120	36	12	54	44	56	303	509	227	349	237	55	33
Malicious Damage.	79	16	2	154	1	9	197	9	45	10	50	39	61	72	39	30	7	2	5	5	21	61	179	77	99	70	15	
Other Offences.	79	7	8	33	1	33	115	6	24	16	28	33	42	39	19	15	3	1	5	4	17	65	79	52	68	32	9	3
	1282	205	97	512	54	683	1784	153	642	253	484	292	793	677	586	429	120	37	110	94	299	990	1542	758	1176	738	161	72

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1 No Parent or Guardian.

2 Itinerants.

TABLE SHOWING, BY CRIMES, THE NUMBER OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS IN EACH GARDA DIVISION IN YEAR 1945.

DIVISION.	Housebreaking.	Burglary.	Larceny of Pedal Cycles.	Larceny from Unattended Vehicles.	Larceny from Shops and Stalls.	Larceny (Over £5).	Larceny (not exceeding £5).	Malicious Damage.	Other Offences.	Totals.
Carlow/Kildare.	40	-	5	1	1	5	35	3	7	97
Cavan/Monaghan.	18	-	6	-	-	3	21	-	8	56
Clare.	10	-	-	2	5	2	7	-	1	27
Cork E.R.	83	4	6	19	16	18	127	13	19	305
Cork W.R.	9	1	1	3	-	2	12	14	1	43
Donegal.	20	-	2	-	3	4	28	2	3	62
Dublin Metropolitan.	419	4	19	8	141	118	200	71	40	1,020
Dublin/Wicklow.	62	3	9	-	6	21	105	118	19	343
Galway E.R.	7	-	1	-	-	2	10	-	-	20
Galway W.R.	7	-	-	-	-	5	9	-	5	26
Kerry.	24	1	1	1	1	6	33	10	6	83
Leix/Offaly.	22	-	2	1	3	7	22	-	8	65
Limerick.	59	3	3	3	17	9	47	3	8	152
Longford/Westmeath.	10	-	1	-	3	1	24	-	7	46
Louth/Meath.	31	2	6	1	7	9	28	4	2	90
Mayo.	7	-	2	-	2	2	5	-	-	18
Roscommon.	6	-	-	-	-	1	8	-	1	16
Sligo/Leitrim.	2	2	2	1	2	8	19	2	6	44
Tipperary.	28	-	5	-	7	3	47	11	11	112
Waterford/Kilkenny.	45	1	2	7	13	8	51	4	1	132
Wexford.	23	-	-	-	9	-	30	6	8	76
Totals.	952	21	73	47	236	234	868	261	161	2,833

