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Minister for Justice.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit my Report on Crime for the year ended 30th September, 1965.

Hereafter in this report the year ended 30th September, 1965, is referred to simply as '1965'. References to years 1958 to 1962 are also to be taken as referring to years ended 30th September. References to years prior to 1958 relate to calendar years.

PART 1.

INDICTABLE OFFENCES.

Total number of Offences.

(1) The number of indictable offences which were reported or became known to the Garda in 1965 was 16,736. The number in 1964 was 17,700 and the number in 1963 was 16,203. The 1965 total shows a decrease of 964 on the 1964 total and an increase of 533 on the 1963 total.

(2) Details of the crimes and information on the result of proceedings are given in Appendix "A".

Detections.

(3) Proceedings were instituted in respect of 10,568 offences in 1965. In 1,183 other cases the offenders were detected but for various reasons proceedings were not instituted. In most of those cases the offences were taken into consideration by the courts in dealing with other charges. The total number of offences detected was therefore 11,751 or 70% of offences recorded. In 1964 the percentage was 64% and in 1963 was 69%.

(4) The incidence of indictable offences and detections in the years 1955 to 1965 inclusive, are shown as a graph in Appendix "B".

Incidence of Crime in Garda Divisions.

(5) The number of indictable offences recorded and detected in each of the 19 Garda Divisions into which the State is now divided are shown in Appendix "C". Similar information in respect of the Garda Districts in which the cities of Cork, Limerick, Waterford and Galway are included, is also given there.

(6) The following table shows the number of offences recorded in the Dublin Metropolitan Area and the rest of the State in 1964 and 1965.

YEAR	Indictable Offences Recorded.		
	In Dublin Metropolitan Area.	In rest of State.	Total
1964	10,211 (58% of total)	7,489 (42% of total)	17,700
1965	9,192 (55% of total)	7,544 (45% of total)	16,736
	Decrease of 1,019 (10% approx).	Increase of 55 (.7%).	Decrease 964 (5%).

(7) The decrease in crime is mainly due to a decrease of 1,019 indictable offences in the Dublin Metropolitan Area. The increase in crime in Divisions outside the Metropolitan Area is spread over 8 of the 18 Divisions, the highest being Carlow/Kildare, increase of 144 crimes or 27%, Wexford increase of 82 crimes or almost 17%, Cavan/Monaghan, increase of 66 crimes or 25%, Cork W.R. increase of 59 crimes or 30%, Kerry, increase of 43 crimes or 13%, Waterford/Kilkenny, increase of 40 crimes or 6%. Decreases were recorded in the remaining Divisions resulting in an overall increase of 55 in Country Divisions.

Analysis of Offences in Four Groups.

(8) The number of indictable offences recorded and the number and percentage of detections in the four offence groups are shown in the following table with comparative figures for 1964:

OFFENCE GROUP.	Number of Offences Recorded.		Number of Offences Detected.		Percentage of Detections.	
	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964
1. Offences against the Person.	1,113	1,045	1,052	980	94	94
2. Offences against property with violence.	4,213	4,282	3,174	3,118	75	73
3. Offences against property without violence.	11,014	11,972	7,160	6,820	65	57
4. Other Indictable Offences.	396	401	365	356	92	89
TOTALS	16,736	17,700	11,751	11,274	70	64

Group 1 - Offences Against the Person.

(9) This group includes murder, Manslaughter, Dangerous Driving Causing Death and Serious Bodily Harm, Wounding, Assault, Intimidation, Cruelty to and Abandoning Children and Sexual Offences.

(10) The following table gives comparative figures of offences and detections in the years 1960 to 1965, inclusive:

YEAR	Number of Offences reported or known to the Garda.	Number of Offences in which detections were made.	Percentage of Offences in which detections were made.
1965	1113	1052	94
1964	1045	980	94
1963	1047	999	95
1962	885	830	94
1961	701	646	92
1960	675	623	92

Murder of Persons aged above One Year.

(11) Seven murders of persons aged above one year were recorded in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in six cases. In the other case the offender committed Suicide. Brief particulars of the seven cases are given in Appendix "D". Six crimes were recorded in 1964.

Murder of Infants aged One Year and Under.

(12) No crime of murder of infant was recorded in 1965 or in 1964.

Infanticide.

(13) No crime of infanticide was recorded in 1965. Three crimes of infanticide were recorded in 1964.

Attempt to Murder.

(14) One crime of attempting to murder was recorded in 1965 and proceedings were instituted. Brief particulars are included in Appendix "D". One crime was recorded in 1964.

Threats to Murder.

(15) No crime of threatening to murder was recorded in 1965. Two crimes of this nature were recorded in 1964.

Manslaughter (other than Traffic Fatalities).

(16) Five crimes were recorded in 1965. Proceedings were instituted in all cases. Five crimes of this nature were recorded in 1964. Brief particulars are given in Appendix "D".

Manslaughter (Traffic Fatalities).

(17) Two crimes were recorded in 1965 as compared with three crimes of manslaughter arising from traffic fatalities in 1964. Both cases are awaiting trial.

Dangerous Driving Causing Death.

(18) A total of 75 persons were charged with dangerous driving causing death in 1965, as compared with 83 persons charged in 1964. Convictions were recorded against 22 persons within the year and 24 cases are shown pending.

Dangerous Driving Causing Serious Bodily Harm.

(19) Sixty persons were charged with this offence during 1965 as compared with one hundred and two persons in 1964. Convictions were recorded against 21 persons and proceedings are shown pending against 19.

Group 11 - Offences Against Property with Violence.

(20) Included in this group are offences of Burglary, Housebreaking and related offences, Robbery and Malicious Injury to Property.

(21) The number of offences recorded in this group in 1965 was 4,213 as compared with 4,282 in 1964, a decrease of 69.

(22) Comparative figures of offences and proceedings in this group in the years 1960 to 1966, inclusive are given in the following table:-

YEAR	Number of Offences recorded.	Number of Offences in which proceedings were instituted.	Percentage of Offences in which proceedings were instituted.
1965	4213	2903	68
1964	4282	2860	67
1963	4006	2740	68
1962	3466	2405	69
1961	3186	2246	70
1960	2982	2110	71

Burglary and Housebreaking.

(23) The number of offences of Burglary, Housebreaking and related offences (including attempts to break into premises and possession of housebreaking implements) recorded in 1965 was 3992 as compared with 4085 in 1964. Proceedings were instituted in 2762 cases in 1965 and in an additional 254 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown giving a total of 3016 detections or 75%. The percentage in 1964 was 73%.

(24) The following table shows the numbers of Burglaries, Housebreakings and related offences recorded in the years 1960 to 1965, inclusive:-

Year	Number of Offences Recorded.	Year	Number of Offences Recorded.
1965	3,992	1962	3,289
1964	4,085	1961	3,018
1963	3,841	1960	2,756

Robbery.

(25) Seventy seven offences of robbery and assaults with intent to rob were recorded in 1965, as compared with sixty two offences in 1964. Proceedings were instituted in 58 cases. Convictions were recorded in 47 cases for the year and in a further five cases the probation of Offenders Act was applied.

Five cases are shown still pending. Firearms were alleged to have been used in 3 cases, brief particulars of which are given in Appendix "E" together with particulars of some other cases.

Arson and other Malicious Injury to Property.

(26) One hundred and forty three offences under this heading were recorded in 1965, of which 58 were offences of Arson. In 1964 the total of offences was 127, of which 45 were offences of Arson. Proceedings were instituted in 83 cases in 1965 and in a further 17 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings were taken.

Group 111 - Offences Against Property Without Violence.

(27) Included in this group are offences of larceny, Embezzlement, Obtaining Goods, etc., by False Pretences, Frauds and Receiving Stolen Goods.

(28) The number of offences recorded in the group in 1965 was 11,014 as compared with 11,972 in 1964.

(29) Proceedings were instituted in 6,288 cases and in an additional 872 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings were taken. The total of detections, therefore, was 7160 or 65%. The detection percentage in 1964 was 57%. Convictions were recorded in 3428 cases in 1965 and in an additional 2132 cases the probation of Offenders Act was applied 802 cases are shown pending.

(30) Comparative figures of all offences in the group recorded in the years 1960 to 1965, inclusive, are shown in the following table:-

Year	Number of Offences Recorded.	Year	Number of Offences Recorded.
1965	11,014	1962	10,666
1964	11,972	1961	10,623
1963	10,823	1960	11,470

(31) Comparative figures of larcenies recorded in the years 1960 to 1965, inclusive, are:

OFFENCES.	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960
Larceny of Horses, Cattle and Sheep.	72	61	30	49	50	50
Larceny from the Person	157	156	195	234	287	320
Larceny in House to value of £5 or with menaces.	470	605	550	424	388	437
Larceny from Dwellinghouse by Employees.	108	115	85	85	103	76
Larceny of Explosives	3	1	-	-	1	6
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	82	76	88	62	47	30
Larceny of Pedal Cycles	1588	2467	1870	1703	1931	2634
Larceny from Unattended Vehicles	1809	1938	1514	1339	1084	1309
Larceny from Shops and Stalls	1680	1506	1499	1447	1385	1378
Other Larcenies (exceeding £50 in value).	223	226	242	152	135	107
Other Larcenies (not exceeding £50 in value)	3948	3999	3929	4322	4451	4362
TOTALS	10140	11150	10002	9817	9861	10709

(32) Of the total larcenies recorded in 1965, 6160 or 60% were recorded in the Dublin Metropolitan Area, as compared with almost 66% in 1964.

Embezzlement.

(33) Thirty seven offences of embezzlement were recorded in 1965, as compared with 71 in 1964. Proceedings were instituted in 35 cases and in an additional two cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Obtaining Goods etc. by False Pretences.

(34) Four hundred and seventy four offences under this heading were recorded in 1965, as compared with 381 in 1964. Proceedings were instituted in 385 cases and in an additional 32 cases the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Frauds.

(35) Seventy seven frauds were recorded in 1965, as compared with 87 in 1964. Proceedings were instituted in 74 cases and in one additional case the offenders were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Receiving Stolen Goods.

(36) Two hundred and eighty six offences under this heading were recorded in 1965, as compared with 283 in 1964. Proceedings were taken in 274 cases and an additional 11 cases were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Group IV - Other Indictable Offences.

(37) Included in this group are offences of Forgery and Uttering, Perjury, Bribery, Riot and Unlawful Assembly. Offences against the Coinage Acts, Offences against Public Decency, Attempting to Commit Suicide, Offences against the Treason Act and the Offences against the State Act and other indictable offences not included in Group I, II or III.

(38) The total of offences recorded in the group in 1965 was 396 of which 314 were offences of Forgery and Uttering. In 1964 the number of offences was 401 of which 315 were offences of Forgery and Uttering. Proceedings were taken in 341 cases in 1965 and a further 24 cases were detected but no proceedings are shown.

Organised Crime of Violence.

(39) No organised crimes of violence were recorded in 1965, nor were any such crimes recorded in 1964.

Value of Property Stolen and Recovered.

(40) The total value of property reported stolen in 1965 was £298,946 as compared with £386,806 in 1964. The value of property recovered in 1965 was £82,582 as compared with £83,121 in 1964.

(41) In offences against property with violence, (i.e. Housebreakings) the value of property reported stolen in 1965 was £137,678 of which property valued £30,814 was recovered. In 1964 the value of property stolen was £126,693 of which property valued £33,550 was recovered.

(42) In offences against property without violence (i.e. larcenies) the value of property reported stolen in 1965 was £161,268 of which property valued £51,768 was recovered and in 1964 was £260,113 of which £49,571 was recovered.

Age Groups of Persons found guilty of Indictable Offences.

(43) The following table shows the age groups of persons found guilty of indictable offences, including persons against whom the charges were held proved and the Probation of Offenders Act applied, in the years 1960 to 1965, inclusive:-

YEAR	Under 14 years.	14 to 17 years.	17 to 21 years.	Over 21 years.	Total
1965	1185	1760	2068	3471	8484
1964	922	1889	1986	3300	8097
1963	1288	1980	1794	2996	8058
1962	1375	1689	1390	2797	7251
1961	1319	2014	1298	2449	7080
1960	1269	1763	1285	2495	6812

PART II.NON - INDICTABLE OFFENCES.Number of Prosecutions.

The number of persons prosecuted for non-indictable offences in 1965 was 139,865. Details are given in Appendix F.

The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted and the numbers convicted in respect of non-indictable offences in each of the years 1954 to 1965 inclusive.

Year	Number Prosecuted	Number Convicted	Percentage of Convictions	Year	Number Prosecuted	Number Convicted	Percentage of Convictions
1954	110,286	80,647	73%	1960	102,795	77,639	76%
1955	99,353	75,532	76%	1961	104,057	77,718	75%
1956	94,370	70,029	74%	1962	105,189	77,668	74%
1957	87,085	62,494	74%	1963	101,467	74,054	73%
1958	82,876	62,647	76%	1964	120,715	91,786	76%
1959	88,819	68,604	77%	1965	139,865	107,748	77%

Principal Offences.

The following table shows the number of prosecutions for the different types of offences which make up the bulk of the total in the years 1964 and 1965, and shows the increases and decreases under each heading:

Offences	Number of Persons Prosecuted		Increase + Decrease -
	1964	1965	
Unlicensed Dogs	4,017	3,484	- 533
School Attendance Act.	2,599	2,397	- 202
Highway Acts (Road Acts, Road Transport Acts, and Road Traffic Act).	94,467	113,184	+ 18,717
Intoxicating Liquor Laws.	6,369	7,189	+ 820

Road Traffic Offences.

The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted for various traffic offences during each of the years 1960 to 1965 inclusive.

Offences	Number of Persons Prosecuted.					
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965.
Lighting Offences-Pedal Cycles	17,095	17,520	13,156	9,889	14,057	14,664
" " - M.P.V.'s	11,158	14,409	13,777	13,362	15,675	20,152
" " -Horse-drawn vehicles.	295	369	495	306	321	322
Obstruction	4,665	4,427	4,495	4,270	4,264	5,001
General Bye-Laws for Control of Traffic.	4,626	7,613	6,407	5,288	3,437	5,526
Local Bye-Laws	5,745	6,924	8,776	5,807	9,139	8,408
Dangerous and Careless Driving.	3,280	3,772	4,233	4,388	5,231	6,142
Insurance Offences	2,798	2,909	3,148	3,903	4,179	5,075
Wandering Animals	820	644	572	648	427	424
Driving or attempting to drive while drunk.	535	651	912	962	1,208	1,321

"Fines on the Spot".

The system of "fines on the spot" under section 103 of the Road Traffic Act 1961, was introduced in the Dublin Metropolitan Area on 1st April, 1963, and was extended to include the cities of Cork, Limerick and Galway on 1st May, 1965. The following table shows comparative figures for 1964 and 1965 for the Dublin Metropolitan Area.

	Year ended 30th September, 1964.	Year ended 30th September, 1965.
Number of fine notices issued	47,487	45,798
Number of fines paid	38,803	35,166
Number of cases taken to Court	6,698	7,459
Number of notices cancelled	1,941	2,756

The following table shows figures of offences and proceedings in the cities of Cork, Limerick and Galway from date of commencement of system to year ending 30th September, 1965:

	Cork	Limerick	Galway
Number of fine notices issued	2,901	1,298	1,588
Number of fines paid	2,430	1,155	1,352
Number of cases taken to Court	358	45	108
Number of notices cancelled	113	51	124

Intoxicating Liquor Acts.

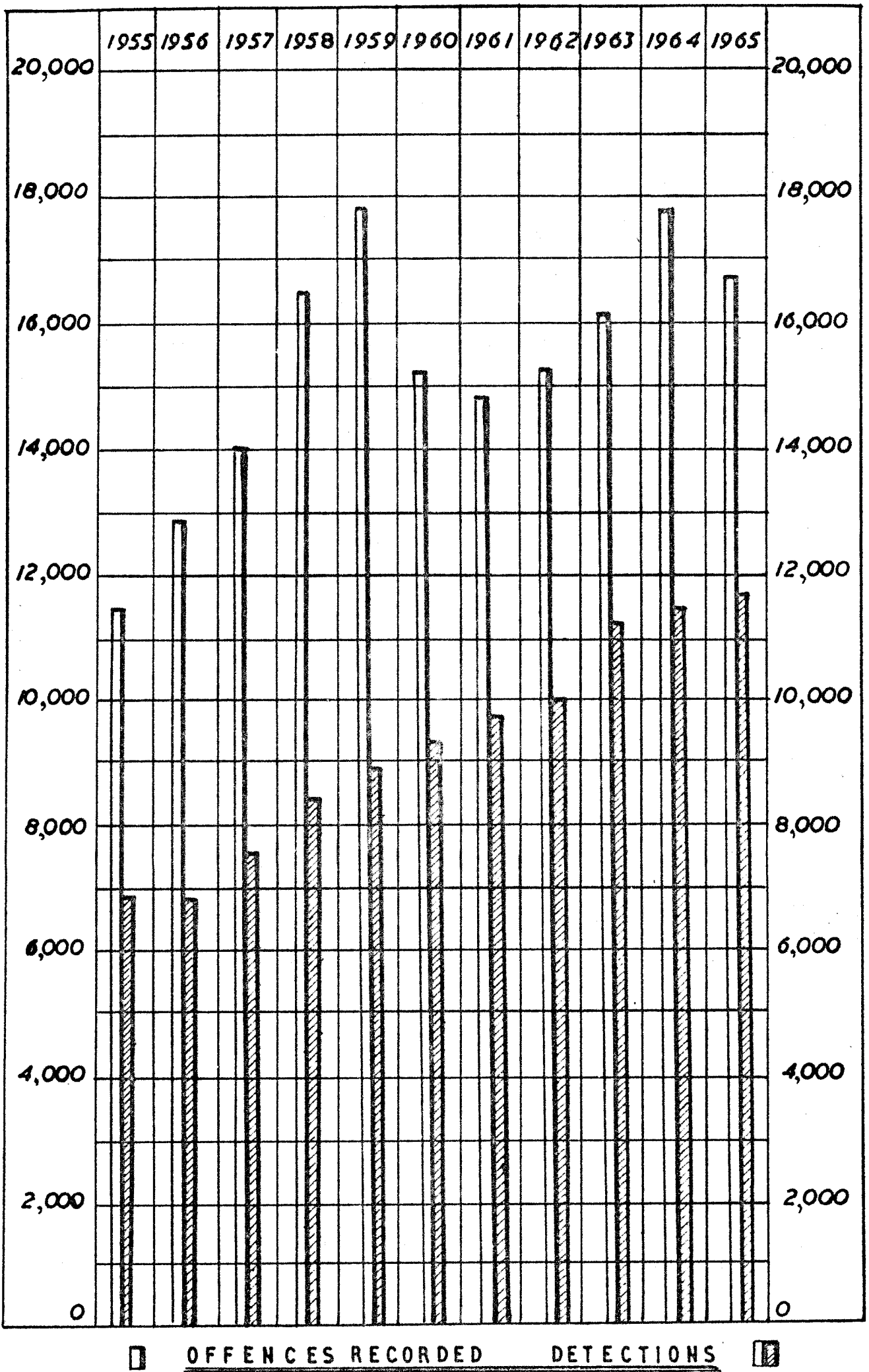
The following table shows the number of persons prosecuted for various offences under the Intoxicating Liquor Acts in each of the years 1960 to 1965, inclusive:

Offence	Number of Persons Prosecuted					
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Being on Licensed Premises during prohibited hours.	9,628	3,852	3,465	2,411	2,207	2,649
Offences by licensed persons (or their Servants) against closing regulations.	1,522	910	713	531	464	551
Other Offences by licensed persons (or their Servants).	96	55	100	58	58	85
Offences in connection with registered clubs.	28	42	43	24	8	4
Drunkenness - Simple	1,782	1,646	1,691	1,575	1,728	1,822
" - with aggravation	1,398	1,448	1,479	1,594	1,701	1,822
Other Offences.	374	303	246	228	203	256.

I have the honour to be Sir,
Your obedient servant.


COMMISSIONER.

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APPENDIX 'C'.

Table showing by groups, in respect of each Garda Division and the Garda Districts, of the Cities of Cork, Limerick, Waterford and Galway, the number of Indictable Offences, and the number and percentage of detections for year ended 30th September, 1965.

DIVISION.	(Group I) Offences against the person.		(Group II) Offences against property with violence.		(Group III) Offences against property without violence.		(Group IV) Other Indictable Offences.		Total Indictable Offences	Number of Detections.	Percentage of Detections.	
	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected	Recorded	Detected				
Carlow/Kildare	53	52	217	153	400	365	5	5	675	575	85%	
Cavan/Monaghan	33	26	106	78	170	147	11	12	320	263	82%	
Clare	15	15	44	33	96	87	5	5	160	140	88%	
Cork E.R.	87	85	378	268	893	704	41	37	1399	1094	78%	
Cork W.R.	37	37	42	33	169	162	6	5	254	237	93%	
Donegal	29	28	44	35	121	108	-	-	194	171	88%	
Dublin Metropolitan	406	369	2097	1628	6500	3202	189	171	9192	5370	58%	
Galway W.R.	31	31	49	38	134	119	15	15	229	203	89%	
Kerry	36	35	65	40	240	207	11	11	352	293	83%	
Leix/Offaly	33	31	65	47	193	178	4	4	295	260	88%	
Limerick	77	75	223	167	319	289	32	27	651	558	86%	
Longford/Westmeath	32	31	60	36	174	154	5	4	271	225	83%	
Louth/Meath	53	52	239	181	309	278	11	11	612	522	85%	
Mayo	35	34	62	50	124	99	6	6	227	189	83%	
Roscommon/Galway E.R.	33	32	24	20	103	99	6	6	166	157	94%	
Sligo/Leitrim	8	8	27	19	101	92	2	2	138	121	87%	
Tipperary	25	24	120	91	205	187	10	10	360	312	87%	
Waterford/Kilkenny	51	50	196	141	406	373	15	13	668	577	86%	
Wexford	39	37	155	116	357	310	22	21	573	484	84%	
TOTALS	Whole Country	1113	1052	4213	3174	11,014	7160	396	365	16736	11,751	70%
	Excluding Dublin (Metropolitan Area)	707	683	2116	1546	4,514	3958	207	194	7544	6,381	85%
Districts												
Cork	51	49	262	179	642	478	33	29	988	735	74%	
Limerick	44	42	166	124	227	202	26	23	463	391	84%	
Waterford	15	14	72	46	196	181	2	2	285	243	85%	
Galway	5	5	21	18	58	49	10	10	94	82	87%	

MURDER, INFANTICIDE, ATTEMPTS TO MURDER, THREATS ETC.
TO MURDER AND MANSLAUGHTER.

PARTICULARS OF CASES.

Murder - (of persons aged above 1 year) - Seven cases.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 24th October, 1964, a ten years old schoolboy was assaulted and received a blow of a piece of timber on the head which caused his death. An arrest was made and a 13 years old boy was charged with murder. He was later committed to a Mental Hospital.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 1st March, 1965, an unmarried female student died as a result of an attempt to procure an abortion. An arrest was made and a 26 years old male student was charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 25th October, 1965, the accused was found "Not Guilty" and was discharged.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

On 21st May, 1965, in the course of a row which developed in the "Read Room" at North Wall Extension, a 28 years old unmarried Dock worker, received a stab wound which resulted in his death. The weapon used was a knife. Six Dockers were arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 22nd November, 1965, the case against two of the accused was withdrawn from the Jury and they were discharged. On 27th November, 1965, the Jury disagreed in the case against the other four men. No date has yet been fixed for the holding of a new trial.

Co. Meath.

On 2nd January, 1965, a 76 years old retired labourer was attacked in his home by his nephew, a 53 years old labourer, who struck him on the head several times with a hatchet inflicting fatal injuries. The offender was charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court he was found to be insane and incapable of pleading and was ordered to be detained in the Central Mental Hospital.

Co. Louth.

On 6th March, 1965, the dead body of a 18½ years old unmarried female was found in a shallow stream about a mile from her home. A number of large stones were lying on the body. A 21 years old labourer was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 5th July, 1965, the accused was found "Guilty" of murder and sentenced to Penal Servitude for life. An appeal was lodged.

Co. Roscommon.

On 25th July, 1965, a 19 years old unmarried girl was shot dead from behind on her way home from Mass. The weapon used was a shotgun. The dead body of her assailant, a 49 years old unmarried farmer, was found nearby. He had died from a self inflicted gunshot wound.

Co. Waterford.

On 25th January, 1965, the dead body of a 35 years old married C.I.E. worker was found in a laneway near his home. The body bore stab wounds. A 24 years old married tradesman was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 30th June, 1965, the accused was found "Guilty" of murder and sentenced to Penal Servitude for life. Leave to appeal was refused.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER - 1 Case.

Co. Kilkenny.

On 24th March, 1965, a 32 years old female nurse was stabbed in the back while she was out walking with a friend. Her assailant a 25 years old unmarried itinerant labourer was arrested and charged with attempted murder. At the Central Criminal Court the accused was found to be insane and incapable of pleading and was ordered to be detained in the Central Mental Hospital.

Manslaughter (other than traffic fatalities) - 5 cases.

Co. Kildare.

On 21st June, 1965, at the conclusion of a dance held in a marquee sited in a field, a 19 years old farmer's son was electrocuted when endeavouring to climb over an eight strand barbed wire fence. A 25 years old unmarried labourer employed as temporary caretaker of the marquee admitted wiring the fence to the electric lighting system of the marquee to prevent persons gaining access to the marquee without payment. He was arrested and charged and has been sent for trial.

Co. Kilkenny.

On 28th August, 1965, a 41 years old itinerant was shot and fatally wounded in the course of a dispute with two farmer's sons concerning the trespass of horses. The weapon used was a shotgun. The offenders were arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 15th December, 1965, both the accused were found "Not Guilty" of murder but "Guilty" of manslaughter. A sentence of 2 years imprisonment was imposed on both accused.

Co. Tipperary.

On 14th February, 1965, following an altercation on the public street a 29th years old floor sander was assaulted and knocked to the ground by a 70 years old publican. His head struck a wall and he sustained injuries from which he died on the following day. His assailant was arrested and charged with manslaughter. At the Circuit Court in Nenagh he was found "Not Guilty" and discharged.

Co. Louth.

On 21st April, 1965, a 6½ years old schoolboy was admitted to Louth County Hospital in an unconscious condition, suffering from multiple injuries. He died the following day without regaining consciousness. A 16½ years old boy was charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 21st July, 1965, the accused was found "Not Guilty" of murder but "Guilty" of manslaughter and sentenced to 4½ years detention in St. Patricks Institution. Leave to appeal was refused.

Co. Offaly.

On 19th January, 1965, the dead body of a 65 years old widow who lived alone was found on the kitchen floor of her home. The head and face bore extensive injuries. A 17 year old youth was arrested and charged with murder. At the Central Criminal Court on 13th July, 1965, the accused pleaded "Not Guilty" to murder but "Guilty" to manslaughter. He was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 7 years detention in St. Patricks Institution.

ROBBERY.

ROBBERIES WITH FIREARMS AND OTHER
SERIOUS ROBBERIES.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

(1) On 28th June, 1965, two schoolboys were accosted by two youths. One of the youths pointed an air rifle and discharged a pellet which struck and penetrated a collection box containing 4/- which one of the schoolboys was carrying. The youths took the box and extracted the contents. The offenders were arrested. One was sentenced to two years in Reformatory and the other was placed on Probation for two years.

(2) On 12th March, 1965, during the absence from home of a 35 years old dealer, a man called to the house and was admitted by a 15 years old boy who was in the house at the time. The intruder pushed the boy into the kitchen and produced a weapon resembling a pistol. He demanded money and having got £155. 18. Od, he made off. No one has been made amenable.

Co. Meath.

(1) On 25th March, 1965, two masked men entered a Sub Post Office. One of them had a small gun in his hand. He presented the gun and there was an explosion and sparks from it. The second man went behind the counter and took about £66 in notes from a drawer. Both men then made away in a car. Two persons aged 23 years and 18 years were arrested and charged with this crime. One of them was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment and the other to 12 months in St. Patricks Institution. The gun used was subsequently identified as a sports starting pistol.

Other Robberies.

Dublin Metropolitan Area.

(1) On 4th February, 1965, a pay car containing cash amounting to £7,600 was rammed and forced to stop by another car. Five men, four of them wearing masks, jumped out of the second car and forced open the boot of the pay car with jemmies. One of the men was carrying what appeared to be a pick axe and he prevented the occupants of the pay car from taking any action. The men made away with the money in a waiting car. Five persons were arrested and charged. Two were sentenced to three years penal servitude and one to two years imprisonment. The case against the remaining accused persons has not yet been disposed of.

(2) On 18th July, 1965, a 40 years old taxi driver was assaulted and the sum of £4 taken from him by three youths. He was then taken to a building site near-by where his hands were tied behind his back. A plank 5' long was put between his arms and his back. Two youths were arrested in this case and both were sentenced to 8 months detention in St. Patricks Institution. The third youth involved has not yet been made amenable.

Co. Limerick.

(1) On the night of 7th/8th April, 1965, the home of a 76 years old widow, who lived alone, was entered by a man who demanded money. On being refused the intruder attacked the woman and indecently assaulted her. He then left taking with him a transistor radio value £18. A 20½ years old labourer was arrested and charged in this case. He was sentenced to seven years penal servitude. An appeal has been lodged.

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NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES - PERSONS DEALT WITH SUMMARILY - PROCEEDINGS AND RESULTS IN THE YEAR 1965

OFFENCES (1)	No. of persons proceeded against (2)	Charge withdrawn or dismissed (3)	Number Convicted (4)	Charge proved and order made without conviction (5)	Adjourned Sine Die or otherwise disposed of (6)
1. Adulteration of Food, Drugs, etc.,					
Assaults	2,075	326	1,429	207	113
Cruelty to Animals	184	43	133	6	2
Dogs, Offences in relation to Licensing of (Finance Act, 1925)	3,484	200	2,214	1,062	8
School Attendance Act, 1926 Offences against	2,397	152	1,819	344	82
Highway Acts, Offences against:-					
(a) Lighting Regulations - Pedal Cycles	14,664	565	11,780	2,200	119
(b) " " - M.P.V.	20,152	802	16,506	2,710	134
(c) " " - Horse Drawn Vehicles... ..	322	10	284	27	1
(d) Licenses - Driving and Excise	18,788	1,363	13,798	3,397	230
(e) Obstruction	5,001	258	4,165	532	46
(f) General Bye-Laws for Control of Traffic, 1937/56	5,526	379	4,092	978	77
(g) Local-Bye Laws (R.T. Act, 1933)	8,408	637	6,332	1,436	3
(h) Dangerous and Careless Driving	6,142	1,132	4,526	378	106
(i) Compulsory Insurance (R.T. Act, 1961)	5,075	903	3,348	709	115
(j) Wandering Animals	424	21	375	26	2
(k) Driving or Attempting to drive while drunk	1,321	322	957	15	27
(l) Other Road Offences	26,811	1,713	21,856	2,968	274
(m) Road Transport Acts	550	127	340	68	15
Intoxicating Liquor Laws, Offences against:-					
(a) Illegally on Licensed Premises during closing hours	2,649	234	2,335	16	64
(b) Drunkenness, Simple	1,822	78	1,474	253	17
(c) Drunkenness and Aggravation	1,822	112	1,553	131	26
(d) Offences by Licensed Persons (or their servants) against closing Regulations	551	102	429	11	9
(e) Other Offences by Licensed Persons (or their servants)	85	34	48	1	2
(f) Other Offences against Intoxicating Liquor Laws	256	36	200	7	13
(g) Offences in connection with Registered Clubs	4		4		
Labour Laws, Offences against	3		1	2	
Malicious Damage to Animals, Fences, etc.	1,480	191	1,044	188	57
Noxious Weeds Act, 1936 - Offences against	38	1	28	5	4
Police Regulations, Offences against:-					
(a) Dublin Metropolitan Police Acts	1,585	138	971	467	9
(b) Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851	832	69	533	226	4
Revenue Laws, Offences against	869	83	655	124	7
Stealing, Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property (not the subject of larceny at Common Law)	164	20	97	29	18
Street Trading Act, 1926 - Offences against	402	26	266	86	24
Unlawful possession	1,095	321	492	266	16
Vagrancy Acts - Offences against					
(a) Begging	385	18	274	90	3
(b) Other Offences	612	70	372	158	12
Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1926 - Offences against	821	48	713	35	25
Other Offences	3,057	322	2,305	344	86
TOTAL	139,856	10,856	107,748	19,502	1,750