Adult perpetrators of crimes
2017

Data in release are related to the number reported, accused and convicted adult persons – perpetrators of crime in Montenegro, in 2017.

Total number of reported adult perpetrators of crime in 2017 was 6,329. Of that number, 4,539 were known, and 1,790 unknown perpetrators of crime.

Number of accused adult perpetrators of crime was 2,395, compared with the 2016 showing an increase of 4.2%, and number of convicted adult perpetrators of crime was 2,251 and showing increase of 6.4% compared to 2016.

In the structure of criminal acts that have made adult persons, criminal offences against property was the most frequent:

- the share of reported adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of reported adult persons was 21.2%,
- the share of accused adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of accused adult persons was 20.4%,
- the share of convicted adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of convicted adult persons was 20.1%.

When it comes to the most serious crimes - crimes against life and body:

- the share of reported adult persons for crimes against life and body in relation to total number of reported adult persons was 7.6%,
- the share of accused adult persons for crimes against life and body in relation to total number of accused adult persons was 11.4%,
- the share of convicted adult persons for crimes against life and body in relation to total number of convicted adult persons was 11.5%.
• Of the total number of reported adult perpetrators of crime (4 539), 10.9% or 497 are female, and 89.1% or 4 042 are male.
• Of the total number of accused adult perpetrators of crime (2 395), 8.4% or 202 are female, and 91.6% or 2 193 are male.
• Of the total number of convicted adult perpetrators of crime (2 251), 8.2% or 185 are female, and 91.8% or 2 066 are male.
METHODOLICAL EXPLANATIONS

The data on adults perpetrators of crimes are collected by the regular statistical surveys, on the basis of individual statistical questionnaires filled by competent state prosecutor’s offices (basic and high) and competent courts (basic and high). Statistical surveys cover adult perpetrators of crime (including crimes done by unknown perpetrators).

Reported person - known perpetrator is an adult perpetrator of a crime, against whom legal proceedings and preliminary hearings were concluded by a decision according to which: criminal charges are rejected, investigation discontinued, submitted charges - indictment or investigation dismissed. Reported person - an unknown perpetrator is an unknown person against whom the criminal charges have been brought at a public prosecutor’s office, but who has not been captured even a year after criminal charges were brought.

Accused person is an adult against whom an indictment, legal charges or a private suit has been brought at a court, and against whom legal proceedings have been conducted and a court decision made according to which private suit has been rejected, proceedings suspended or indictment rejected, acquittal brought, security measures brought without execution of a sentence or a perpetrator is pronounced guilty.

Convicted person is an adult being pronounced guilty and against whom following criminal sanctions have been imposed: punishment, conditional discharge, reprimand and security measures.

Adult perpetrators of a crime are those persons who were 18 or over at the time of committing criminal acts.

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