Adult perpetrators of crimes
2016

Data in release are related to the number reported, accused and convicted adult persons – perpetrators of crime in Montenegro, in 2016.

Total number of reported adult perpetrators of crime in 2016 was 6 567. Of that number, 4 574 were known, and 1 993 unknown perpetrators of crime.

Number of accused adult perpetrators of crime was 2 298, compared with the 2015 showing a decrease of 12.9%, and number of convicted adult perpetrators of crime was 2 116 and showing decrease of 9.9% compared to 2015.

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 22.5%,
- the share of accused adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of accused adult persons was 21.1%,
- the share of convicted adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of convicted adult persons was 20.6%.

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 12.3%,
- the share of convicted adult persons for crimes against life and body in relation to total number of convicted adult persons was 12.6%.

When using the data, please name the source.
Of the total number of reported adult perpetrators of crime (4 574), 12.6% or 576 are female, and 87.4% or 3 998 are male.

Of the total number of accused adult perpetrators of crime (2 298), 7.8% or 180 are female, and 92.2% or 2 118 are male.

Of the total number of convicted adult perpetrators of crime (2 116), 7.4% or 156 are female, and 92.6% or 1 960 are male.
METHODOLICAL EXPLANATIONS

The data on adults perpetrators of crimes are collected by the regular statistical surveys. The coverage of crime as a socially negative manifestation is complete, since statistical surveys cover all 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.