Data in release are related to the number reported, accused and convicted adult persons – perpetrators of crime in Montenegro, in 2015.

Total number of reported known adult perpetrators of crime in 2015 was 4,531, showing a decrease of 10.4% compared to 2014. The number of unknown perpetrators of crime was 2,178, i.e. 32.5%.

Number of accused adult perpetrators of crime was 2,638, compared with the previous year showing an increased of 3.7%, and number of convicted adult perpetrators of crime was 2,348 and showing increase of 1.6% compared to 2014.

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 21.1%,
- the share of accused adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of accused adult persons was 24.7%,
- the share of convicted adult persons for crimes against property in relation to total number of convicted adult persons was 25.2%.

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 8.1%,
- the share of accused adult persons for crimes against life and body in relation to total number of accused adult persons was 10.4%,
- the share of convicted adult persons for crimes against life and body in relation to total number of convicted adult persons was 10.8%.
**Reported, accused and convicted adult persons 2015**

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- Of the total number of reported adult perpetrators of crime (4 531), 11.3% or 513 are female, and 88.7% or 4 018 are male.
- Of the total number of accused adult perpetrators of crime (2 638), 9.3% or 246 are female, and 90.7% or 2 392 are male.
- Of the total number of convicted adult perpetrators of crime (2 348), 8.3% or 195 are female, and 91.7% or 2 153 are male.
METHODOLOGICAL 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 a perpetrator of a crime, against whom legal proceedings and preliminary hearings were concluded. 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. Convicted person is an adult being pronounced guilty and against whom following criminal sanctions have been imposed: punishment, conditional discharge, reprimand, security measures, corrective measures, guilty verdict but released from sentence.

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