

## 2.B TABLES

### 2.B.1 Cases disposed of by the prosecuting authorities

Table 2.B.1.1 Total number of disposals (rates per 100'000 population)

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	% change 90-96
	R21NCT0	R21NCT1	R21NCT2	R21NCT3	R21NCT4	R21NCT5	R21NCT6	PC21NCT
<b>Albania*</b>	281	332	431	366	373	302	306	9
<b>Austria*</b>	...	...	2696	2675	2576	2520	...	...
<b>Belgium*</b>	14312	14786	15794	16175	16239	...	...	...
<b>Bulgaria</b>	1155	1379	2383	3004	3242	3466	3351	190
<b>Croatia</b>	939	663	527	602	581	482	542	-42
<b>Cyprus*</b>	168	172	200	169	153	162	...	...
<b>Czech Republic</b>	563	648	698	870	939	1196	1237	120
<b>Estonia</b>	...	...	...	...	2431	2612	2348	...
<b>Finland*</b>	1722	1663	1653	1414	1336	1365	1338	-22
<b>France*</b>	7847	7979	8719	8208	8422	8110	8058	3
<b>Germany*</b>	4547	4511	4687	5021	4992	4103	4205	-8
<b>Greece</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Hungary</b>	735	916	983	916	860	861	870	18
<b>Ireland*</b>	716	768	767	794	854	868	901	26
<b>Italy*</b>	3520	4963	4825	4714	4908	5163	5229	49
<b>Latvia*</b>	61	68	82	112	200	644	853	> 1000
<b>Lithuania*</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Malta</b>	508	568	675	918	651	664	570	12
<b>Moldova</b>	408	431	375	405	416	390	397	-3
<b>Netherlands</b>	1603	...	...	1703	1677	1671	1658	3
<b>Norway*</b>	1109	1023	1132	1183	1163	1249	1417	28
<b>Poland*</b>	...	...	...	2317	2500	2735	2603	...
<b>Portugal</b>	3080	3355	3537	3712	4108	4074	...	...
<b>Romania</b>	609	808	884	1019	1103	1275	1335	119
<b>Russia</b>	56	55	63	67	73	75	74	32
<b>Slovenia</b>	1914	1564	1730	1893	1602	1822	1677	-12
<b>Spain</b>	5278	5378	5768	6221	6565	6995	7612	44
<b>Sweden</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>The F.Y.R.O. Macedonia</b>	547	556	611	726	715	724	608	11
<b>Turkey*</b>	2769	2891	2848	3036	3387	3232	3447	24
<i>United Kingdom:</i>								
<b>England &amp; Wales</b>	...	...	2845	2652	2639	2532	2455	...
<b>Scotland*</b>	7110	7439	6989	5576	5272	5077	5123	-28
<b>Mean</b>	2462	2621	2765	2731	2758	2299	2329	
<b>Median</b>	1109	969	1392	1558	1602	1518	1417	
<b>Minimum</b>	56	55	63	67	73	75	74	
<b>Maximum</b>	14312	14786	15794	16175	16239	8110	8058	

\* See notes on tables 2.B.1.1 and 2.B.1.2

Table 2.B.1.2 Types of disposals in 1995

	total number of cases disposed of by the prosecuting authorities per 100'000 population	of which % of proceedings dropped	Proceedings ended by a sanction from the prosecuting authorities with admission of guilt (e.g. Strafbefehl) as a percentage of column 1	Proceedings ended by a sanction from the prosecuting authorities without admission of guilt as a percentage of column 1	Cases brought before a court as a percentage of column 1	Other disposals as a percentage of column 1
	R21NCT5	P21NCPD5	P21STR5	P21SPA5	P21CBC5	P21OD5
Albania*	302	31	...	...	36	...
Austria*	2520	53	...	...	45	1
Belgium*	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bulgaria	3466	4	...	...	6	1
Croatia	482	17	...	...	...	...
Cyprus*	162	33	...	...	67	...
Czech Republic	1196	32	...	...	68	...
Estonia	2612	79	...	...	15	...
Finland*	1365	31	10	...	74	...
France*	8110	88	2	...	12	...
Germany*	4103	46	16	6	13	19
Greece	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hungary	861	16	...	...	78	6
Ireland*	868	...	...	...	100	...
Italy*	5163	...	...	...	...	...
Latvia*	644	8	...	...	55	...
Lithuania*	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malta	664	...	...	...	...	...
Moldova	390	28	...	...	72	...
Netherlands	1671	21	...	22	46	4
Norway*	1249	...	22	...	73	...
Poland*	2735	65	2	...	21	...
Portugal	4074	74	...	...	26	...
Romania	1275	70	...	...	30	12
Russia	75	23	...	...	56	21
Slovenia	1822	19	...	...	28	53
Spain	6995	...	...	...	...	...
Sweden	...	...	...	...	...	...
The F.Y.R.O. Macedonia	724	12	...	...	88	...
Turkey*	3232	20	...	11	32	36
<i>United Kingdom:</i>						
England & Wales	2532	12	...	...	78	10
Scotland*	5077	14	10	...	67	9
<i>Mean</i>	2299	35	10	13	49	16
<i>Median</i>	1518	28	10	11	51	10
<i>Minimum</i>	75	4	2	6	6	1
<i>Maximum</i>	8110	88	22	22	100	53

\* See notes on tables 2.B.1.1 and 2.B.1.2

## Notes on table 2.B.1.1 and 2.B.1.2

**Albania:** The statistics on prosecution are rather approximate. The powers of the prosecuting authority seem to have been restricted since 1 August 1995.

**Austria:** Cases of (successful) mediation between the victim and the offender are included in “proceedings dropped”.

**Belgium:** The data is incomplete for 1993 and 1994.

**Cyprus:** Only “serious” offences (as classified by the police) are included.

**Finland:** The numbers indicated refer to “decisions”, not persons or offences (a “case” may concern more than one defendant, or several offences and, therefore, lead to several decisions).

**France:** The category “proceedings dropped” includes cases of successful mediation as well as those cases where the offender remained unknown (in 1995: 3,188,915 cases with unknown offenders, i.e. 66% of all cases dropped).

**Germany:** Unknown offenders are not counted. The penal order (*Strafbefehl*) can be regarded as a sanction by the public prosecutor although it is formally imposed by the court (it is also counted as a “conviction”, see chapter 3). Other disposals include decisions with an option of bringing private criminal action.

**Ireland:** Only indictable offences are counted.

**Italy:** Only cases where the prosecuting authority started penal action are included, not all those brought to the attention of the prosecutor by the police.

**Latvia:** The large increase after 1993 may be caused by backlogs, due to the increase in crime during the preceding years. The difference between the total number of proceedings (in 1995: 16122) and the sum of the various disposals (1995: 1305 + 8855 = 10160) is due to (5962) cases being sent back to the police for additional investigation.

**Lithuania:** The several types of disposals do not add up to the total indicated; this is due to different counting rules.

**Norway:** Includes only crimes, not misdemeanours. Proceedings ended by a sanction from the prosecuting authority include cases where the offender was under 15, insane, not responsible, or dead, as well as “ticket fines”.

**Poland:** Excludes cases where no proceedings were initiated.

**Turkey:** The figures for 1990 to 1993 only relate to the Civil Prosecuting Authorities. Figures for 1994 to 1996 include State Security and military prosecutions.

**England & Wales:** Includes cases where the defendant died, or which could not be processed for other technical reasons.

**Scotland:** The drop after 1993 may be related to the introduction of “police conditional offers” for certain traffic violations.