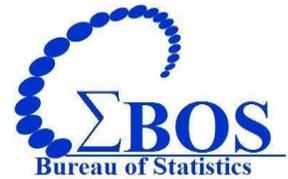




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## **1.0 Background**

The Bureau of Statistics (BOS) through Socio - Economic Statistics Division is mandated to report on Crime Statistics in Lesotho. Lesotho Correctional Service (LCS) collects and records the required information of all persons received in various Correctional institutions across the country. Such information basically consists of the Demographic and Socio-Economic details of the persons received in each Correctional institution and thereafter it is forwarded to the Bureau of Statistics (BOS) for compilation and analysis. Thus, a yearly Correctional Statistics report is then produced. The main focus of correctional service report is on the persons received in various Correctional institutions across the country from the 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 including all the actions taken thereafter.

There are twelve Correctional institutions throughout the country including the Juvenile Training Centre (JTC). JTC is a specialised Correctional institution that admits detainees of less than 18 years of age. Juvenile Training Centre (JTC) is based in Maseru district.

Each district has a Correctional institution whereby both male and female persons are received except for Maseru district where it has two Correctional institutions, namely; Maseru Central and Female Correctional institutions which receive separately male and female persons respectively.

## 2.0 Demographic and Socio-economic Characteristics of Persons Received

This section discusses the demographic and socio-economic information of the persons received in Lesotho correctional institutions for the period of 2021.

### 2.1 Number of Persons Received

An overview on the number of persons received in all the correctional institutions across the country through 2021 is discussed in this section. Thus, table 2.1 displays the number and percentage distribution of persons received in correctional institutions across the country. As indicated by the table, a total of 2,637 persons were received in correctional institutions across the country during 2021. Of all the 2,637, Maseru Central correctional institution reported the highest percentage (28.0 percent) of persons received. Leribe and Berea correctional institutions followed with 14.6 and 12.8 percent of persons received respectively. Female correctional institution reported 2.3 percent, Mohale's hoek reported 11.6 percent while Thaba-Tseka reported 8.1 percent of persons received in 2021. The least percentage was reported by JTC correctional institution with 0.9 percent

**Table 2.1: Number and Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Botha-Bothe	154	5.8
Leribe	384	14.6
Berea	338	12.8
Central	739	28.0
Female	60	2.3
JTC	23	0.9
Mafeteng	46	1.7
Mohale's hoek	306	11.6
Quthing	111	4.2
Qacha's nek	137	5.2
Mokhotlong	126	4.8
Thaba-tseka	213	8.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,637</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Furthermore, the number of persons received in all correctional institutions is categorized by duration of the year they were received. Hence, table 2.2 explains the percentage distribution of persons received in correctional institutions by quarter. As shown by the table, majority of persons received in correctional institutions across the country was recorded during the Fourth, First, and Second quarters of the year with 27.5, 25.4 and 25.1 percent respectively. However, different pattern was observed to

have happened in Maseru Central correctional institution where the largest proportion (28.4 percent) of persons received during the Fourth quarter was observed, followed by the proportion of 28.0 and 23.8 percent of those received during the First and Second quarters respectively. The Third quarter recorded the least proportion (19.8 percent) of persons received.

Furthermore, Female and JTC correctional institutions recorded the largest proportion (36.7 and 30.4 percent) of persons received during the Fourth quarter. On the First quarter Botha-Bothe and Qacha's nek correctional institutions recorded the highest percentages with 37.7 and 31.4 percent respectively while on the Second quarter Mokhotlong and Female reported to have received the highest percentages of 35.7 and 35.0 percent of persons respectively.

**Table 2.2: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Quarter – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Quarter				Total
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	
Botha-Bothe	37.7	22.1	18.2	22.1	100.0
Leribe	26.0	18.8	27.9	27.3	100.0
Berea	22.2	25.1	25.7	26.9	100.0
Central	23.8	28.0	19.8	28.4	100.0
Female	8.3	35.0	20.0	36.7	100.0
JTC	21.7	21.7	26.1	30.4	100.0
Mafeteng	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	26.8	27.5	20.3	25.5	100.0
Quthing	27.9	27.9	21.6	22.5	100.0
Qacha's nek	31.4	26.3	23.4	19.0	100.0
Mokhotlong	12.7	35.7	18.3	33.3	100.0
Thaba-tseka	15.0	20.2	25.4	39.4	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 2.2 Age of Persons Received

The age of the persons received in correctional institutions is conversed under this section. Thus, table 2.3 indicates the number and percentage distribution of the persons received in correctional institutions by age group. As shown by the table, majority (43.5 percent) of the persons received in correctional institutions across the country were recorded between the ages of 21 to 30 years old, followed by those aged between 31 to 40 years with 31.8 percent. Received persons aged Less than 15 years constituted the least proportion of 0.3 percent. The same pattern is observed in all the correctional institutions except for JTC correctional service where the majority (78.3 percent) of convicts received were aged between 15 to 20 years and the remaining 21.7 percent constituted convicts aged less than 15 years.

**Table 2.3: Number and Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Age Group – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Age Group						Total
	Less than 15	15 - 20	21 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	Above 50	
Botha-Bothe	0.0	1.9	42.9	38.3	13.6	3.2	100.0
Leribe	0.0	12.5	46.1	28.4	10.2	2.9	100.0
Berea	0.0	10.1	42.9	29.6	10.9	6.5	100.0
Central	0.0	8.7	43.6	33.7	11.8	2.3	100.0
Female	3.3	10.0	33.3	36.7	13.3	3.3	100.0
JTC	21.7	78.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	0.0	21.7	39.1	37.0	2.2	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	0.0	11.1	45.4	30.4	9.8	3.3	100.0
Quthing	0.0	7.2	42.3	35.1	8.1	7.2	100.0
Qacha's nek	0.0	8.8	51.1	25.5	5.8	8.8	100.0
Mokhotlong	0.0	6.3	41.3	34.9	12.7	4.8	100.0
Thaba-tseka	0.0	8.9	42.3	33.8	10.8	4.2	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>

The age and sex of the persons received in all correctional institutions is further elaborated in this section. Hence, Table 2.4 shows the Number and Percentage distribution of persons received by Age and Sex. The table designates that, majority (43.8 percent) of Male persons received in correctional institutions were aged between 21 to 30 years. This was followed by those aged between 31 to 40 years with 31.7 percent. The least proportions were observed in detainees aged 15 to 20, 41 to 50, those above 50 years as well as those Less than 15 years with 10.0, 10.5, 3.8 and 0.2 percent respectively.

The same pattern is observed with received Female persons where, those aged between Age 21 to 30 years constituted the largest (38.1 percent), followed by those aged between Age 31 to 40 years with 33.3 percent. The least proportion was observed in Females convicts ageing less than 15 years with 1.4 percent.

**Table 2.4: Number and Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Age Group and Sex – 2021**

Age	Sex		Total
	Male	Female	
Less than 15	0.2	1.4	0.3
15 - 20	10.0	10.2	10.0
21 - 30	43.8	38.1	43.5
31 - 40	31.7	33.3	31.8
41 - 50	10.5	12.2	10.6
Above 50	3.8	4.8	3.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 2.3 Sex of Persons Received

The sex category of all the persons received in Correctional institutions is examined in this section. Table 2.5 shows the Percentage Distribution of the Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Sex. According to the table, Male detainees constituted the higher percentage of the persons received in correctional institutions across the country with 94.4 percent to their Female counterparts with the proportion of 5.6 percent.

**Table 2.5: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Sex – 2020**

Correctional Institution	Sex		Total
	Male	Female	
Botha-Bothe	77.3	22.7	100.0
Leribe	93.8	6.3	100.0
Berea	98.2	1.8	100.0
Central	100.0	0.0	100.0
Female	0.0	100.0	100.0
JTC	100.0	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	100.0	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	100.0	0.0	100.0
Quthing	100.0	0.0	100.0
Qacha's nek	97.8	2.2	100.0
Mokhotlong	94.4	5.6	100.0
Thaba-tseka	94.4	5.6	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>94.4</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 2.4 Marital Status of Persons Received

The Marital Status of persons received is elaborated in this section. Hence, table 2.6 shows the Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institution by their marital status. According to the table, Single category recorded majority (65.6 percent) of persons received in correctional as opposed to 32.7 percent of Married persons received in 2021 year.

**Table 2.6: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Marital Status – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Marital Status					Total
	Single	Married	Widowed	Separated	Divorced	
Botha-Bothe	54.5	45.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Leribe	65.6	34.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Berea	47.0	41.4	2.4	8.6	0.6	100.0
Central	75.2	24.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Female	56.7	36.7	6.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
JTC	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	91.3	8.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	78.1	21.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Quthing	68.5	31.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Qacha's nek	77.4	22.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mokhotlong	45.2	54.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Thaba-tseka	48.4	51.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.6</b>	<b>32.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 2.5 Educational Attainment of Persons Received

The educational attainment of persons received in correctional institutions is examined under this section. Thus, table 2.7 shows the Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Educational Attainment. As depicted by the table, majority (47.4 percent) of the persons received had attained Primary level of education. About 22.8 percent of persons received in correctional institutions had attained Secondary level of education, 14.1 percent had attained High school level of education while 11.6 had attained No education. Lowest percentage (4.1 percent) of persons received in Correctional Institutions had attained Tertiary level of education.

Furthermore, Primary and Secondary levels of education attained by persons received in Mafeteng correctional institution constituted 52.2 percent while 26.1 and 21.7 percent represented those who had attained Secondary and No level of education respectively. None of convicts had attained either High school or Tertiary level of education categories.

**Table 2.7: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Educational Attainment – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Educational Level					Total
	No Education	Primary	Secondary	High School	Tertiary	
Botha-Bothe	5.2	51.3	28.6	12.3	2.6	100.0
Leribe	5.5	46.1	27.6	15.4	5.5	100.0
Berea	6.8	49.7	24.3	15.1	4.1	100.0
Central	11.8	39.8	24.9	17.5	6.1	100.0
Female	0.0	28.3	35.0	23.3	13.3	100.0
JTC	21.7	34.8	39.1	4.3	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	21.7	52.2	26.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	13.4	51.6	22.9	10.1	2.0	100.0
Quthing	15.3	49.5	16.2	18.0	0.9	100.0
Qacha's nek	13.1	65.0	9.5	12.4	0.0	100.0
Mokhotlong	15.1	58.7	11.1	12.7	2.4	100.0
Thaba-tseka	26.3	50.7	13.1	7.5	2.3	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>47.4</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## 2.6 Place of Residence of Persons Received

The place of residence of the persons received in correctional institutions is discussed in this section. This is classified in accordance to the districts of Lesotho, and for those not residing in Lesotho are categorised as Residing Outside Lesotho, not necessarily mentioning their exact place of residence. Thus, Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Place of Residence is illustrated in table 2.8 below. According to the table, the major percentage (25.1 percent) of the persons received in

various correctional institutions resides in Maseru district, followed by Leribe district with 14.9 percent. Those residing in Berea and Mohale's hoek districts constituted 14.3 and 9.3 percent of received persons in correctional institutions respectively. The least percentage (0.2 percent) of received persons in various correctional institutions reside Outside Lesotho.

Likewise, it was observed that, persons received in correctional institutions were predominantly located in their place of residence. Observing Leribe and Mokhotlong correctional institution for instance, 89.3 and 94.4 percent of persons received were found to be originated from the same districts (Leribe and Mokhotlong). Those residing in Leribe and Berea constituted 13.0 and 3.3 percent of received persons respectively. About 0.8 percent of persons received in Leribe correctional institution were recognized to have originated Outside Lesotho.

**Table 2.8: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Place of Residence – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>District of Residence</b>											<b>Total</b>
	<b>Botha-Bothe</b>	<b>Leribe</b>	<b>Berea</b>	<b>Maseru</b>	<b>Mafeteng</b>	<b>Mohale's hoek</b>	<b>Quthing</b>	<b>Qacha's nek</b>	<b>Mokhotlong</b>	<b>Thaba-tseka</b>	<b>Outside Lesotho</b>	
Botha-Bothe	89.0	3.2	1.9	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	3.9	0.6	100.0
Leribe	1.6	89.3	4.4	2.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.8	100.0
Berea	0.6	1.8	88.8	7.4	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	100.0
Central	0.8	3.1	6.4	76.3	4.1	4.7	0.9	0.5	0.4	2.4	0.3	100.0
Female	1.7	3.3	15.0	53.3	5.0	11.7	6.7	0.0	1.7	1.7	0.0	100.0
JTC	4.3	13.0	8.7	34.8	4.3	4.3	26.1	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	0.0	0.7	0.0	4.2	33.0	61.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	100.0
Quthing	0.9	2.7	0.0	3.6	1.8	0.0	90.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Qacha's nek	0.0	0.7	0.0	1.5	0.0	9.5	2.2	84.7	1.5	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mokhotlong	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	94.4	0.8	0.0	100.0
Thaba-tseka	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	2.3	95.3	0.0	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### 3.0 Persons Received and Offence Group

The persons received in Correctional institutions and Offence Groups is discussed under this section. Hence, Table 3.1 displays the Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Offence Group. As indicated by the table, the largest proportion (65.4 percent) of persons received in correctional institutions across the country were in line with Offence Against Person while 26.9 and 4.7 percent of persons received were in line with Offence Against Property and Other offences respectively. The same pattern is observed in most correctional institutions across the country.

**Table 3.1: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Offence Group – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Offence Group				Total
	Offence Against Person	Offence Against Property	Offence Against Administration and Public Order	Other Offences	
Botha-Bothe	42.9	25.3	2.6	29.2	100.0
Leribe	63.5	30.2	2.3	3.9	100.0
Berea	71.0	24.9	2.1	2.1	100.0
Central	62.8	30.0	3.0	4.2	100.0
Female	55.0	26.7	16.7	1.7	100.0
JTC	69.6	30.4	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	76.1	19.6	4.3	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	70.9	25.2	2.3	1.6	100.0
Quthing	67.6	22.5	5.4	4.5	100.0
Qacha's nek	65.7	27.7	1.5	5.1	100.0
Mokhotlong	69.8	27.8	1.6	0.8	100.0
Thaba-tseka	73.2	19.2	4.2	3.3	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.4</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### 4.0 Previous Conviction of Persons Received

This section examines the number in which the persons received in correctional institutions in 2021 had been convicted not considering the year they were convicted. Thus, Table 4.1 shows the Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Previous Conviction. As indicated by the table, majority 89.6 percent of persons received in 2021, were convicted for the first time. The proportion of 8.5 and 1.6 percent of persons received in correctional institutions in 2021 constituted those convicted once and twice respectively. The least percentage (0.3 percent) constituted those received for more than twice in correctional institutions. The same pattern is observed in all the Correctional institutions across the country.

**Table 4.1: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Previous Conviction – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Previous conviction				Total
	Nil	Once	Twice	More than twice	
Botha-Bothe	94.8	5.2	0.0	0.0	100.0
Leribe	89.6	8.6	1.6	0.3	100.0
Berea	87.9	9.8	2.4	0.0	100.0
Central	92.6	6.1	1.1	0.3	100.0
Female	96.7	3.3	0.0	0.0	100.0
JTC	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	84.8	0.0	13.0	2.2	100.0
Mohale's hoek	82.7	16.0	1.0	0.3	100.0
Quthing	97.3	2.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Qacha's nek	74.5	19.7	5.1	0.7	100.0
Mokhotlong	92.9	6.3	0.8	0.0	100.0
Thaba-tseka	89.7	8.0	1.9	0.5	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>89.6</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>

#### 4.1 Persons Received and Case Status

Persons received in correctional institutions are eventually Discharged from the correctional institutions, Remanded or Sentenced. Hence this section puts more emphasis on the persons received in correctional institutions and the action taken thereafter. Table 4.2 presents the Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Disposal. As seen from the table, the largest proportion (79.3 percent) of the persons received in correctional institutions in 2021 was on Remand. Those who were Sentenced constituted 17.8 percent, those who were Released constituted 2.8 percent while others even though not large proportion Died on custody. The same pattern is observed in most correctional institutions, for instance, about (84.6 percent) of received persons in Leribe correctional institution were on Remand, while those Sentenced and Released constituted 14.1, 1.0 percent respectively. The least proportion (0.3 percent) of the Deceased detainees was from Leribe correctional Institution.

JTC correctional institution showed the highest proportion (87.0 percent) of the detainees on Remand, 8.7 were Sentenced while 4.3 percent were Released. The percentage of the sentenced convicts was shown to be high in Mafeteng correctional institution with 80.4 percent. This was followed by Female correctional, Qacha's Nek correctional, Mokhotlong, Quthing, Maseru Central and Mohale's hoek correctional institutions with 38.3, 32.8, 20.6, 19.8, 16.4 and 15.7 percent respectfully. On the other hand, Mafeteng correctional institution had the major proportion (19.6 percent) of persons received who were Released, followed by Botha-Bothe, Mokhotlong and Quthing correctional institutions by 7.8, 7.1 and 4.5 respectfully. Mafeteng showed no convicts on Remand in 2021.

**Table 4.2: Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Disposal – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Case Status				Total
	Released	Remanded	Sentenced	Deceased	
Botha-Bothe	7.8	78.6	13.6	0.0	100.0
Leribe	1.0	84.6	14.1	0.3	100.0
Berea	3.3	84.6	12.1	0.0	100.0
Central	1.2	82.4	16.4	0.0	100.0
Female	3.3	58.3	38.3	0.0	100.0
JTC	4.3	87.0	8.7	0.0	100.0
Mafeteng	19.6	0.0	80.4	0.0	100.0
Mohale's hoek	2.6	81.7	15.7	0.0	100.0
Quthing	4.5	75.7	19.8	0.0	100.0
Qacha's nek	0.7	66.4	32.8	0.0	100.0
Mokhotlong	7.1	72.2	20.6	0.0	100.0
Thaba-tseka	1.9	84.0	14.1	0.0	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>79.3</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

As discussed previously that persons received in correctional institutions are eventually Discharged from the correctional institutions, Remanded or Sentenced. Table 4.3 and 4.4 demonstrate how the detainees were being Discharged or Sentenced. There were 1,185 persons discharged in 2021. Discharged through Bail paid displayed the highest percentage with 85.0 percent. This was followed by those released on Own Recognizance (O/R) with 6.8 percent, while those released on Speedy Court Trial Act constituted 1.6 percent. The least percentages was on detainees released on Warning and those Released on Settlement with 0.3 percent each and detainees who were released to their parents constituted 0.1 percent.

**Table 4.3: Number and Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Discharge – 2021**

Discharge Method	Number	Percent
Bail paid	1,007	85.0
Released on Own Recognition	81	6.8
Released on Speedy Court Trial Act	19	1.6
Released on Time Expiring	6	0.5
Released on Amnesty	10	0.8
Released on Court Order	7	0.6
Released on Suspension	6	0.5
Released on Warning	3	0.3
Case withdrawn	42	3.5
Settlement	3	0.3
Released to Parents	1	0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Besides, there were 467 detainees sentenced in 2021. Out of 434 persons sentenced in correctional institutions across the country in 2021, majority (36.4 percent) were sentenced for a period ranging from 1 year to 5 years, followed by those sentenced for a period ranging from 5 years but less than 10 years, 10 years and above sentence, and Fine paid sentence with 21.0, 16.7 and 13.7 percent respectfully. The least percentage was with those on Detention with 0.2 percent.

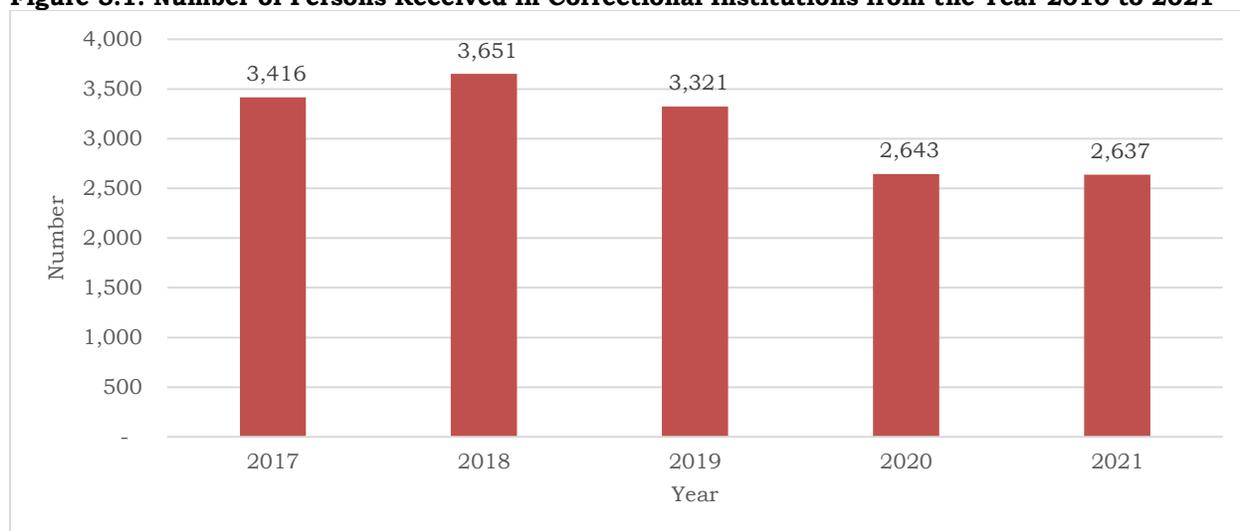
**Table 4.4: Number and Percentage Distribution of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Sentence – 2021**

Type of Sentence	Number	Percent
Fine paid	64	13.7
Less than 12 months	56	12.0
1 Year but Less than 5 Years	170	36.4
5 Years but Less than 10 Years	98	21.0
10 Years and Above	78	16.7
Detention	1	0.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### 5.0 Trend in Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions, 2016 – 2020

This section examines the level and trend in all received persons from 2017 to 2021. Hence, the number of persons received in correctional institutions from the year 2017 to 2021 is illustrated in figure 5.1 below. As depicted by the figure, an increase of 6.4 percent of received persons is noticed from 2017 to 2018. Then, a slight decrease of 9.9 percent of received persons is noticed from 2018 to 2019. A further significant decrease of 25.7 percent of received persons in correctional institutions is observed in 2019 to 2020. An added decrease of 0.2 percent is observed from 2020 to 2021.

**Figure 5.1: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions from the Year 2016 to 2021**



## **6.0 Summary**

In 2020, a total of 2,643 persons were received in correctional institutions across the country and out of that, 30.5 percent of them were received in Maseru central. Persons in various correctional Institutions were mostly received in Fourth and First quarters of the year. The majority (46.4 percent) of received persons were aged between Age 21 and 30. Majority (93.9 percent) of persons received in Correctional Institutions were Males and Single persons. For Educational background, 47.8 percent of the persons received in correctional institutions had attained Primary level of education. Most persons in Correctional Institutions were received within their Place of Residence and majority (42.9 percent) of them across the country were received in accordance with Offence Against person. About 90.6 percent of persons received in correctional institutions in 2020 were convicted for the first time.

Of all the 2,643 persons received in correctional institutions across the country, 1,239 of them were Discharged, 965 were on Remand while 434 were Sentenced. Almost half (41.2 percent) of the Sentenced persons in Correctional Institutions were Sentenced for a period ranging from 1 to 5 Years.

## 7.0 Annex

**Table 1: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>Number</b>
Botha-Bothe	154
Leribe	384
Berea	338
Central	739
Female	60
JTC	23
Mafeteng	46
Mohale's hoek	306
Quthing	111
Qacha's nek	137
Mokhotlong	126
Thaba-tseka	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 2: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Quarter – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>Quarter</b>				<b>Total</b>
	<b>First</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Third</b>	<b>Fourth</b>	
Botha-Bothe	58	34	28	34	154
Leribe	100	72	107	105	384
Berea	75	85	87	91	338
Central	176	207	146	210	739
Female	5	21	12	22	60
JTC	5	5	6	7	23
Mafeteng	46	0	0	0	46
Mohale's hoek	82	84	62	78	306
Quthing	31	31	24	25	111
Qacha's nek	43	36	32	26	137
Mokhotlong	16	45	23	42	126
Thaba-tseka	32	43	54	84	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 3: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Age Group – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Age Group						Total
	Less than 15	15 - 20	21 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	Above 50	
Botha-Bothe	0	3	66	59	21	5	154
Leribe	0	48	177	109	39	11	384
Berea	0	34	145	100	37	22	338
Central	0	64	322	249	87	17	739
Female	2	6	20	22	8	2	60
JTC	5	18	0	0	0	0	23
Mafeteng	0	10	18	17	1	0	46
Mohale's hoek	0	34	139	93	30	10	306
Quthing	0	8	47	39	9	8	111
Qacha's nek	0	12	70	35	8	12	137
Mokhotlong	0	8	52	44	16	6	126
Thaba-tseka	0	19	90	72	23	9	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>1,146</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 4: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Age Group and Sex – 201**

Age	Sex		Total
	Male	Female	
Less than 15	5	2	7
15 - 20	249	15	264
21 - 30	1,090	56	1,146
31 - 40	790	49	839
41 - 50	261	18	279
Above 50	95	7	102
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,490</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 5: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Sex – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Sex		Total
	Male	Female	
Botha-Bothe	119	35	154
Leribe	360	24	384
Berea	332	6	338
Central	739	0	739
Female	0	60	60
JTC	23	0	23
Mafeteng	46	0	46
Mohale's hoek	306	0	306
Quthing	111	0	111
Qacha's nek	134	3	137
Mokhotlong	119	7	126
Thaba-tseka	201	12	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,490</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 6: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Marital Status – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Marital Status					Total
	Single	Married	Widowed	Separated	Divorced	
Botha-Bothe	84	70	0	0	0	154
Leribe	252	132	0	0	0	384
Berea	159	140	8	29	2	338
Central	556	183	0	0	0	739
Female	34	22	4	0	0	60
JTC	23	0	0	0	0	23
Mafeteng	42	4	0	0	0	46
Mohale's hoek	239	67	0	0	0	306
Quthing	76	35	0	0	0	111
Qacha's nek	106	31	0	0	0	137
Mokhotlong	57	69	0	0	0	126
Thaba-tseka	103	110	0	0	0	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,731</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 7: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Educational Attainment – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Educational Level					Total
	No Education	Primary	Secondary	High School	Tertiary	
Botha-Bothe	8	79	44	19	4	154
Leribe	21	177	106	59	21	384
Berea	23	168	82	51	14	338
Central	87	294	184	129	45	739
Female	0	17	21	14	8	60
JTC	5	8	9	1	0	23
Mafeteng	10	24	12	0	0	46
Mohale's hoek	41	158	70	31	6	306
Quthing	17	55	18	20	1	111
Qacha's nek	18	89	13	17	0	137
Mokhotlong	19	74	14	16	3	126
Thaba-tseka	56	108	28	16	5	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>1251</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 8: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Place of Residence – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>Botha-Bothe</b>	<b>Leribe</b>	<b>Berea</b>	<b>Maseru</b>	<b>Mafeteng</b>	<b>Mohale's hoek</b>	<b>Quthing</b>	<b>Qacha's nek</b>	<b>Mokhotlong</b>	<b>Thaba-tseka</b>	<b>Outside Lesotho</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Botha-Bothe	137	5	3	1	0	0	0	0		1	6	1	154
Leribe	6	343	17	8	2		0	0		1	4	3	384
Berea	2	6	300	25	2	1				0	2	0	338
Central	6	23	47	564	30	35	7	4		3	18	2	739
Female	1	2	9	32	3	7	4			1	1	0	60
JTC	1	3	2	8	1	1	6					0	23
Mafeteng	0	0	0	0	46	0	0	0		0	0	0	46
Mohale's hoek	0	2	0	13	101	187	2			0	1	0	306
Quthing	1	3	0	4	2	0	100	1			0	0	111
Qacha's nek	0	1	0	2	0	13	3	116		2	0	0	137
Mokhotlong	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	0		119	1	0	126
Thaba-tseka	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	1		5	203	0	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2,637</b>	

**Table 9: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Offence Group – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>Offence Against Person</b>	<b>Offence Against Property</b>	<b>Offence Against Administration and Public Order</b>	<b>Other Offences</b>	<b>Total</b>
Botha-Bothe	66	39	4	45	154
Leribe	244	116	9	15	384
Berea	240	84	7	7	338
Central	464	222	22	31	739
Female	33	16	10	1	60
JTC	16	7	0	-	23
Mafeteng	35	9	2	-	46
Mohale's hoek	217	77	7	5	306
Quthing	75	25	6	5	111
Qacha's nek	90	38	2	7	137
Mokhotlong	88	35	2	1	126
Thaba-tseka	156	41	9	7	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,724</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 10: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Previous Conviction – 2021**

<b>Correctional Institution</b>	<b>Previous conviction</b>				<b>Total</b>
	<b>Nil</b>	<b>Once</b>	<b>Twice</b>	<b>More than twice</b>	
Botha-Bothe	146	8	0	0	154
Leribe	344	33	6	1	384
Berea	297	33	8	0	338
Central	684	45	8	2	739
Female	58	2	0	0	60
JTC	23	0	0	0	23
Mafeteng	39	0	6	1	46
Mohale's hoek	253	49	3	1	306
Quthing	108	3	0	0	111
Qacha's nek	102	27	7	1	137
Mokhotlong	117	8	1	0	126
Thaba-tseka	191	17	4	1	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,362</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 11: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Sentence – 2021**

<b>Type of Sentence</b>	<b>Number</b>
Fine paid	64
Less than 12 months	56
1 Year but Less than 5 Years	170
5 Years but Less than 10 Years	98
10 Years and Above	78
Detention	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>467</b>

**Table 12: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Disposal – 2021**

Correctional Institution	Disposal Group				Total
	Released	Remanded	Sentenced	Deceased	
Botha-Bothe	12	121	21	0	154
Leribe	4	325	54	1	384
Berea	11	286	41	0	338
Central	9	609	121	0	739
Female	2	35	23	0	60
JTC	1	20	2	0	23
Mafeteng	9	0	37	0	46
Mohale's hoek	8	250	48	0	306
Quthing	5	84	22	0	111
Qacha's nek	1	91	45	0	137
Mokhotlong	9	91	26	0	126
Thaba-tseka	4	179	30	0	213
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>2,091</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2,637</b>

**Table 13: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions by Discharge – 2021**

Discharge Method	Number
Bail paid	1,007
Released on Own Recognition	81
Released on Speedy Court Trial Act	19
Released on Time Expiring	6
Released on Amnesty	10
Released on Court Order	7
Released on Suspension	6
Released on Warning	3
Case withdrawn	42
Settlement	3
Released to Parents	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,185</b>

**Table 14: Number of Persons Received in Correctional Institutions from the Year 2016 to 2021**

Year	Number
2017	3,416
2018	3,651
2019	3,321
2020	2,643
2021	2,637