

then increased to 4,164 in 1932. The increase was particularly rapid after 1929, amounting to 1,395 or 44 p.c. in three years. The number of convicts in 1936, at 3,098, was lower than in any year since 1929, but in 1937 there was an increase of 5.4 p.c. with further increases of 9.7 p.c. in 1938 and 6.2 p.c. in 1939. However, in 1940 a decrease of 0.8 p.c. was recorded, and in 1941 there was a further decline of 2.2 p.c. below the previous year. The number of paroles (tickets-of-leave), as shown in Table 26, was 164 in 1941.

### 26.—Movement of Convicts in Penitentiaries, Fiscal Years 1937-41

Item	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>In Custody, Beginnings of Years.....</b>	<b>3,097</b>	<b>3,264</b>	<b>3,580</b>	<b>3,803</b>	<b>3,772</b>
<b>RECEIVED—</b>					
From jails.....	1,332	1,457	1,696	1,607	1,422
By transfer.....	176	246	434	203	199
By cancellation of ticket-of-leave.....	12	4	4	10	4
By recapture.....	1	9	1	17	Nil
Revocation of licence.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	"
Escape—at large.....	"	2	"	"	"
<b>TOTALS, RECEIVED.....</b>	<b>1,521</b>	<b>1,718</b>	<b>2,135</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>1,625</b>
<b>DISCHARGED—</b>					
By expiry of sentence.....	738	897	1,131	1,087	1,264
By transfer.....	178	247	438	211	200
By ticket-of-leave.....	351	187	280	373	164
By deportation.....	35	19	24	29	9
By unconditional release.....	Nil	Nil	16	71	18
By death.....	17	16	13	13	25
By pardon.....	34	18	7	52	24
By escape.....	1	12	2	2	1
Struck off register.....	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil
By release on order of court.....	"	4	Nil	5	1
By conditional pardon (to mental hospitals).....	"	1	"	18	Nil
By revocation temporary licence, recommitted... ..	"	1	"	Nil	"
By return to provincial authorities.....	"	Nil	"	7	3
<b>TOTALS, DISCHARGED.....</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>1,402</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>1,868</b>	<b>1,709</b>
<b>In Custody, Ends of Years.....</b>	<b>3,264</b>	<b>3,580</b>	<b>3,803</b>	<b>3,772</b>	<b>3,688</b>

Table 27 shows the ages of convicts by groups. In 1941, of the total of 3,688, almost 13 p.c. were under 21 years of age; 40 p.c. between 21 and 30 years of age; thus 53 p.c. were 30 years of age or less. In 1914, there were 2,003 convicts of whom 9.3 p.c. were under 20 and 44.4 p.c. between 20 and 30, a total of 53.7 p.c. under 30. In 1923, there were 2,486 convicts and 11.3 p.c. were under 20, 46.6 p.c. between 20 and 30, or 57.9 p.c. under 30 years of age. Detailed statistics of the place of birth, conjugal state, sex and religion of convicts are presented in Table 28.

### 27.—Ages of Convicts in Penitentiaries, as at Mar. 31, 1934-41

Age Group	1934 <sup>1</sup>	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Under 21 years.....	409	325	280	317	194	421	377	465
21 to 30 years.....	1,916	1,677	1,471	1,515	1,632	1,714	1,719	1,473
31 to 40 years.....	941	861	740	806	1,008	955	989	995
41 to 50 years.....	538	433	361	378	431	423	429	477
51 to 60 years.....	214	167	178	174	211	200	173	191
Over 60 years.....	202	89	63	74	104	90	85	87
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>4,220</b>	<b>3,552</b>	<b>3,098</b>	<b>3,264</b>	<b>3,580</b>	<b>3,803</b>	<b>3,772</b>	<b>3,688</b>

<sup>1</sup> See footnote 1, Table 28.