

25.—Population of Penal Institutions, 1940-42—concluded

Year and Type of Institution	In Custody, Beginning of Year	Admitted during Year	Discharged during Year	In Custody, End of Year
1941				
Penitentiaries.....	3,772	1,625	1,709	3,688
Reformatories and training schools.....	4,847	8,001	8,589	4,259
Gaols.....	4,332	56,432	56,948	3,816
Totals, 1941.....	12,951	66,058	67,246	11,763
1942				
Penitentiaries.....	3,688	1,241	1,697	3,232
Reformatories and training schools.....	4,269	7,887	8,283	3,863
Gaols.....	3,816	55,040	55,500	3,256
Totals, 1942.....	11,773	64,168	65,480	10,451

Tables 26 to 28 give the more important penitentiary statistics as reported to the Bureau of Statistics. The number of convicts in penitentiaries was 1,865 in 1910, rose to 2,118 in 1916 and declined to 1,468 in 1918. After demobilization and the depression of 1921, the number of convicts rose to 2,640 in 1922, declined to 2,225 in 1924 and 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, from 1939 to 1943 there was a decrease of 22 p.c. below the previous year. The number of paroles (ticket-of-leave), as shown in Table 26, was 264 in 1943.

26.—Movement of Convicts in Penitentiaries, Fiscal Years 1939-43

Item	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
In Custody, Beginnings of Years.....	3,580	3,803	3,772	3,688	3,232
Received—					
From jails.....	1,696	1,607	1,422	1,094	1,154
By transfer.....	434	203	199	145	143
By cancellation of ticket-of-leave.....	4	10	4	1	Nil
By recapture.....	1	17	Nil	Nil	"
Revocation of licence.....	Nil	Nil	"	1	"
Escape—at large.....	"	"	"	Nil	"
From Military authorities (prisoners of war).....	"	"	"	"	2
Totals, Received.....	2,135	1,837	1,625	1,241	1,299
Discharged—					
By expiry of sentence.....	1,131	1,087	1,264	1,258	1,081
By transfer.....	438	211	200	145	143
By ticket-of-leave.....	280	373	164	232	264
By deportation.....	24	29	9	9	15
By unconditional release.....	16	71	18	18	28
By death.....	13	13	25	14	11
By pardon.....	7	52	24	14	13
By escape.....	2	-	1	1	Nil
Struck off register.....	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	"
By release on order of court.....	Nil	5	1	5	4
By conditional pardon (to mental hospitals).....	"	18	Nil	Nil	Nil
By revocation temporary licence, recommitted.....	"	Nil	"	"	"
By return to provincial authorities.....	"	7	3	1	3
Totals, Discharged.....	1,912	1,866	1,709	1,697	1,562
In Custody, Ends of Years.....	3,803	3,772	3,688	3,232	2,969