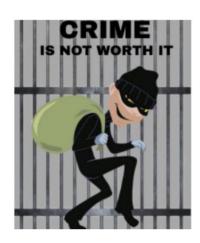


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Acronyms

ZIMSTAT Zimbabwe National Statistics Agency

ZPCS Zimbabwe Prisons and Correctional Services

SADC Southern African Development Community

M Male

F Female

T Total

Preface

This report provides statistics on the number of persons who were in prison, new admissions and

those who were discharged from the country's prison facilities during the fourth quarter of 2023.

The information on new prisoners includes demographic characteristics, sentence status and

offences characteristics. It further discusses the number and reasons for discharge of prisoners that

were discharged from the prison facilities.

Prison statistics helps to inform policy development and planning in the Criminal Justice System.

Prison statistics are also used for reporting on the United Nations Crime Trends Survey (UNCTS)

and monitoring of Sustainable Development Goal 16.3.2. The offences are aggregated according

to the United Nations International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes (ICCS). The

information contained in this publication is based on data provided by the Zimbabwe Prisons and

Correctional Services (ZPCS).

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my appreciation to our technical partner, the ZPCS

for the provision of data.

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Chapter 1: Distribution of Prisons and Prison Population

1.1 Distribution of Prisons

The Zimbabwe Prisons and Correctional Services (ZPCS) operates 48 main and 24 satellite prisons throughout the country. Midlands Province has the highest number of main prisons (eight), followed by Manicaland and Harare with six main prisons each, while Mashonaland Central, Matabeleland South and Masvingo have the lowest number of main prisons, with three each. The list of all prisons in the ten provinces of Zimbabwe is shown in Appendix 1.

1.2 Prison Population

The total prison population is the ZPCS unlock figures, which is the total number of prisoners who slept in prisons on the night before the reporting date. As such, the total prison population is the unlock figures taken on 22 March 2024. The total prison population at the end of the 1st Quarter of 2024 was 24,068, (23,401 males and 667 females). Males thus constituted 97.2 percent of the prison population whilst women were 2.8 percent. The national imprisonment rate was 159 prisoners per 100,000 people. The imprisonment rate for males and females was 321 per 100,000 and 8 per 100,000, respectively.



Figure 1. 1: Prison Population and Imprisonment Rates, 1st Quarter 2024

1.3 Prison Population, 2nd quarter 2023 – 1st quarter 2024

The prison population increased from 23,017 at the end of the fourth quarter of 2023 to 24,068 of at the end of the first quarter of 2024. During the same period the male prison population increased from 22,366 to 23,401 and the female population increased from 651 to 667. Table 1.1 illustrates the trend of the prison population.

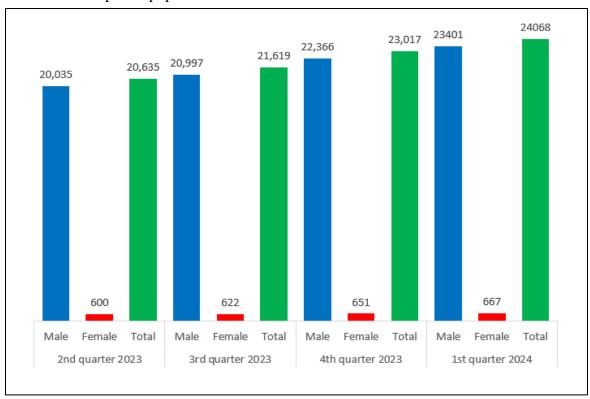


Figure 1.2: Trend of the prison population, 2^{nd} quarter $2023 - 1^{st}$ quarter 2024

1.4 Sentenced and Unsentenced Prisoners

Out of the 24,068 persons who were in prison, 18,736 (77.8 %) were sentenced and 5,332 (22.2 %) were unsentenced. The proportion of un-sentenced male and female prisoners was 21.8% and 35.7% respectively. The number and proportion of sentenced and unsentenced prison population are illustrated in Figure 1.2.

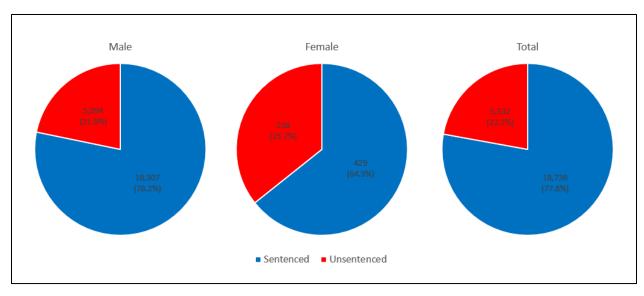


Figure 1. 3: Number and Proportion of sentenced and unsentenced Prisoners, 1st Quarter 2023

1.5 Sentenced and Unsentenced Prison Population, 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

At the end of the first quarter of 2024, the sentenced prisoner population had increased from 17,050 that was observed at the end of the fourth quarter of 2023 to 18,736. The unsentenced prisoner population increased from 5,967 to 5,332. Table 1.2 illustrates the trend of the sentenced and unsentenced prison population.

Table 1.1: Sentenced and unsentenced prison population, 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

Corr	Sent	enced	Unsente	enced	Total		
Sex	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Second quarter 2023							
Male	14,988	74.8	5,047	25.2	20,035	100.0	
Female	341	56.8	259	43.2	600	100.0	
Total	15,329	74.3	5,306	25.7	20,635	100.0	
Third quarter 2023							
Male	15,838	75.4	5,159	24.6	20,997	100.0	
Female	378	60.8	244	39.2	622	100.0	
Total	16,216	75.0	5,403	25.0	21,619	100.0	
Fourth quarter 2023							
Male	16,666	74.5	5,700	25.5	22,366	100.0	
Female	384	59.0	267	41.0	651	100.0	
17,050	74.1	5,967	25.9	23,017	100.0	17,050	
First quarter 2024							
Male	18,307	78.2	5,094	21.8	23,401	100.0	
Female	429	64.3	238	35.7	667	100.0	
Total	18,736	77.8	5,332	22.2	24,068	100.0	

Chapter 2: New Admissions and Discharges

This chapter focuses on prison admissions and discharges. Information on prisoners that were admitted into or discharged from prison is analysed by the prisoners' sentences status and province of usual residence. Demographic characteristics reported in this chapter are recorded on admission of prisoners into prison.

2.1 New Admissions

As shown in Figure 2.1, a total of 16,180 new prisoners were admitted into the country's prisons during the first quarter of 2024. Of these, 15,048 (93%) were males and 1,132 (7%) were female.



Figure 2. 1: New Prisoners Admissions, 1st Quarter 2024

2.2 Trend of New Prisoner Population

The new prisoner population increased from 15,276 during the fourth quarter of 2023 to 16,180 in the first quarter of 2024. During the same period, the new male prisoner population increased from 14,201 to 15,048 while the female population increased from 1,075 to 1,132. Table 1.1 illustrates the trend of the prison population.

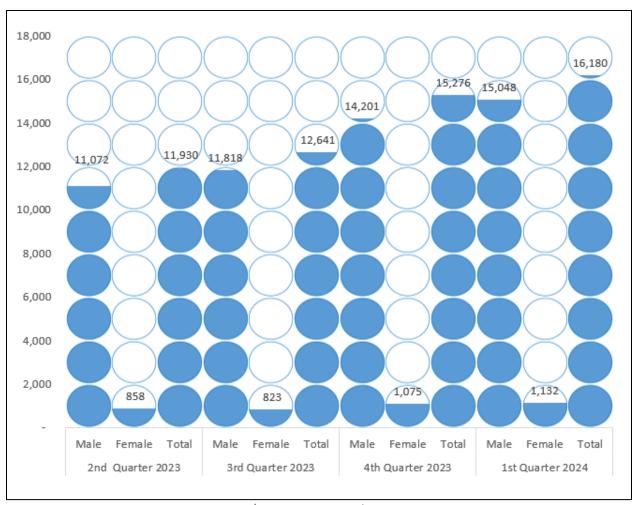


Figure 2. 2: New Prisoners Admissions, 2nd Quarter 2023 - 1st Quarter 2024

2.3 Sentenced and Unsentenced New Prisoners

Sentenced prisoners refer to those who were found guilty of at least one crime by the courts and were given sentences to serve. Sentenced prisoners from outside the prison systems include prisoners that were admitted into prison from courts. Unsentenced prisoners are those who were awaiting trial and those who were waiting to receive their sentences. These prisoners were admitted from outside the prison system and were remanded in custody as they waited their trial and sentences. In the fourth quarter of 2023, 84.3% of new male prisoners and 80.8 percent new female prisoners were admitted as unsentenced prisoners.

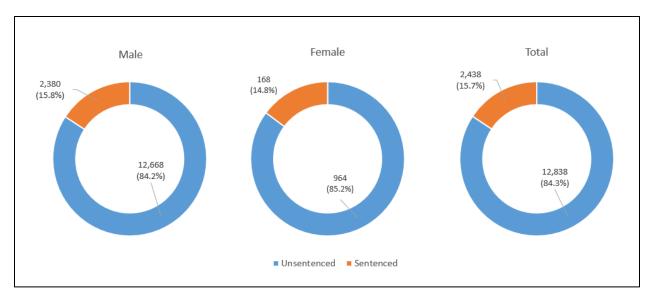


Figure 2. 3: Number and Percent of Sentenced and Unsentenced Prisoners, 1st Quarter 2024

2.4 Number of Discharges

A total of 14,945 prisoners were discharged from prison during the 1st Quarter of 2024. Of these, 13,964 (93.4 %) were male and 981 (6.6%) were female. Figure 2.4. depicts the distribution of prisoners that were discharged during the first quarter of 2024.

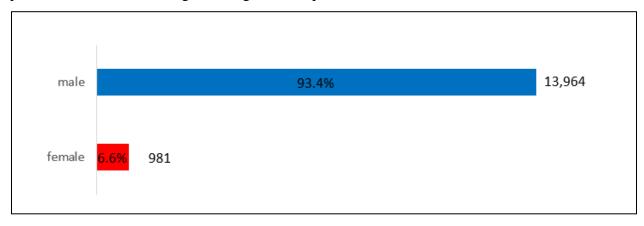


Figure 2. 4: Number and Percent of Discharged Prisoners and Sex, 1st Quarter 2024

2.5 Reason(s) for Discharge

Of the 14,945 prisoners that were discharged during the 1st quarter of 2024, 7.731 (51.7 %) were serving a sentence and 7,214 (48.3%) were unsentenced. Table 2.1 shows that 33.4 percent of sentenced prisoners were discharged after the expiry of their sentences, 32.6 percent of the prisoners in the same category were discharged after getting community service sentences and

16.1 percent were discharged after being given time to pay fine or restitution. Among unsentenced prisoners, 45.7 percent were discharged after getting bail (free or paid), 12.9 percent were discharged because they were found not guilty by courts, 12.0 percent were discharged because their cases were withdrawn and 11.1 percent were discharged after they were remanded out of custody. Table 2.1 shows the reasons for discharging prisoners.

Table 2.1: Reason for discharges of prisoners, 1st Quarter 2024

	M	ale	Fei	male	To	tal
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Sentenced prisoners						
Amnesty/parole	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Community service	2,330	32.2	188	37.5	2,518	32.6
Community service with time to	430	5.9	29	5.8	459	5.9
pay						
Fine paid	356	4.9	23	4.6	379	4.9
Sentence expired	2,475	34.2	104	20.8	2,579	33.4
Time to pay restitution or fine	1,150	15.9	96	19.2	1,246	16.1
Other	489	6.8	61	12.2	550	7.1
Total	7,230	100.0	501	100.0	7,731	100.0
Un-sentenced prisoners						
Bail paid or free bail pending trial	3,034	45.1	261	54.4	3,295	45.7
Found not guilty by court(s)	906	13.5	22	4.6	928	12.9
Further remand refused	625	9.3	37	7.7	662	9.2
Released to immigration	412	6.1	54	11.3	466	6.5
Remanded out of custody	753	11.2	51	10.6	804	11.1
Case Withdrawn	839	12.5	24	5.0	863	12.0
Other	165	2.5	31	6.5	196	2.7
Total	6,734	100.0	480	100.0	7,214	100.0

2.6 Reasons for Discharging Prisoners: 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

Sentenced prisoners that were discharged because their sentences had expired increased from 2,390 in the fourth quarter of 2023 to 2,579 in the first quarter of 2024. Those who were discharged to do community service increased from 2,039 to 2,518 during the same period. Unsentenced prisoners that were discharged after paying bail decreased from 3.771 in the fourth quarter of 2023 to 3,295 in the first quarter 2024. Those who were discharged because they were found not guilty

by courts increased from 591 to 928 during the same period. Tables 2.2 show the distribution of the reasons for discharging prisoners from the second quarter of 2023 to the first quarter of 2024.

Table 2.2 Reason(s) for discharging sentenced prisoners, 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

	2 nd Quarter 2023		3 rd	Quarter 2	2023	4 th	Quarter 2	2023	1 st Quarter 2024			
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Sentenced												
Amnesty/parole	4,166	104	4,270	-	-	-	-	=.	-	-	-	=
Community service	1,633	173	1,806	1,934	51	2,085	1,828	211	2,039	2,330	188	2,518
Community service with time to pay	137	17	154	212	18	230	227	29	256	430	29	459
Fine paid	475	31	506	336	36	372	366	40	406	356	23	379
Sentence expired	1,661	73	1,734	2,072	99	2,171	2,294	96	2,390	2,475	104	2,579
Time to pay restitution or fine	695	36	731	803	39	842	1,158	74	1,232	1,150	96	1,246
Other	378	33	411	521	32	553	339	37	376	489	61	550
Total	9,145	467	9,612	5,878	375	6,253	6,212	487	6,699	7,230	501	7,731
Unsentenced												
Bail paid or free bail pending trial	2,799	175	2,974	2,347	205	2,552	3,475	296	3,771	3,034	261	3,295
Found not guilty by court(s)	553	18	571	452	25	477	561	30	591	906	22	928
Further remand refused	321	15	336	469	17	486	616	26	642	625	37	662
Released to immigration	169	83	252	352	69	421	336	49	385	412	54	466
Remanded out of custody	403	30	433	416	34	450	655	48	703	753	51	804
Case Withdrawn	-	-	-	-	-	-	687	28	715	839	24	863
Other	619	56	675	735	39	774	191	109	300	165	31	196
Total	4,864	377	5,241	4,771	389	5,160	6,521	586	7,107	6,734	480	7,214

Chapter 3 : Profile of New Prisoners

This and ensuing chapters describe characteristics of prisoners who were admitted during the first quarter of 2024 and their socio-economic backgrounds such as age group, nationality, level of education completed and employment status.

3.1 Age Group of New Prisoners

The distribution of prisoners by age group is shown in Figure 3.1. The highest proportion of new prisoners were in the 20 to 24 years followed by those of age 25 to 29 years. The highest share of new male prisoners was also between 20 to 24 years, followed by those aged 25 to 29. Most new female prisoners were in the 25 to 29 age group followed by those who were in the 20 to 24 age group. It can be observed that from the age group 25 to 29 going up, the number of new prisoners decreased with increasing age.

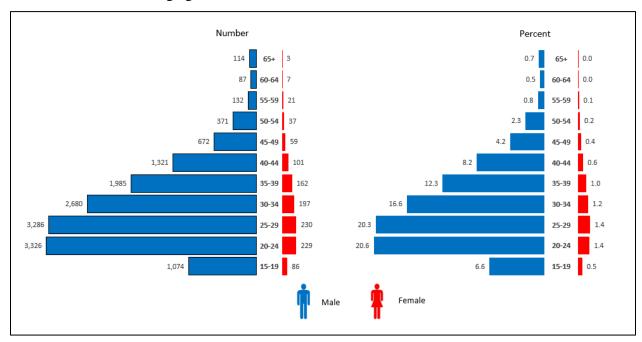


Figure 3.1: Number and Proportion of New Prisoners by Age Group, 1st Quarter 2024

3.2 New Prisoner Population by Age Group: 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

There was a notable increase in the number of prisoners in the broad age group 20-34 years during the period between the fourth quarter of 2023 and the 1st quarter of 2024. The distribution of prisoners who were admitted from the beginning of the second quarter of 2023 and the first quarter of 2024 by age group is shown on Table 3.1

Table 3.1: New prisoner population by age group, 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

Age	2nd	Quarter	2023	3rd	3rd Quarter 2023		4th Quarter 2023			1st Quarter 2024		
group	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т
15-19	857	72	929	931	70	1,001	1,124	75	1,199	1,074	86	1,160
20-24	2,668	197	2,864	2,854	202	3,056	3,228	262	3,490	3,326	229	3,555
25-29	2,477	180	2,657	2,644	157	2,801	3,253	214	3,467	3,286	230	3,516
30-34	1,883	151	2,034	1,994	133	2,127	2,389	175	2,564	2,680	197	2,877
35-39	1,377	122	1,499	1,524	121	1,645	1,845	151	1,996	1,985	162	2,147
40-44	865	55	920	893	61	954	1,163	90	1,253	1,321	101	1,422
45-49	458	47	505	494	39	533	582	61	643	672	59	731
50-54	252	11	263	256	27	283	312	29	341	371	37	408
55-59	90	8	98	113	5	118	136	12	148	132	21	153
60-64	57	9	66	47	2	49	87	1	88	87	7	94
65+	88	6	94	68	6	74	82	5	87	114	3	117
Total	11,072	858	11,930	11,818	823	12,641	14,201	1,075	15,276	15,048	1,132	16,180

3.3 Province of Usual Residence

The highest proportion of new prisoners usually lived in Harare, Mashonaland West, Midlands and Mashonaland East provinces. Most of the new female prisoners usually lived Outside Zimbabwe (9.7%). The least proportion of prisoners usually lived in Matabeleland South (4.4%).

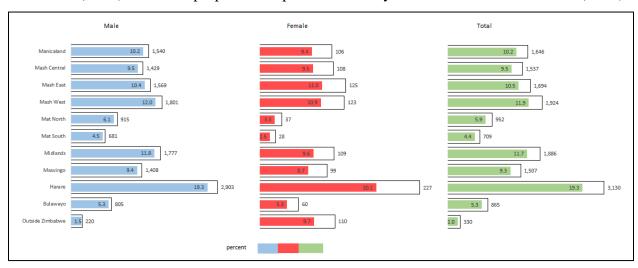


Figure 3.2: New Prisoners by Province of Usual Residence, 1st quarter 2024

3.4 Nationality of Prisoners

A total of 419 non-Zimbabwean prisoners were admitted into Zimbabwe's prisons during the 1st Quarter of 2024. This translated to a proportion of 2.6 percent of the new prisoner population. Most of the foreign prisoners were from other Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries (333). Of these 231 were male and 102 were female. The number of prisoners from other African countries and outside Africa was 58 and 28, respectively. Figure 3.4 depicts new prisoners by their nationality.

Table 3.2: Number of Prisoners by Nationality, 1st Quarter 2024

Nationality	M	ale	Fen	nale	Total		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Zimbabwe	14,743	98.0	1,018	89.9	15,761	97.4	
Other SADC Countries	231	1.5	102	9.0	333	2.1	
Other African Countries	52	0.3	6	0.5	58	0.4	
Outside Africa	22	0.1	6	0.5	28	0.2	
Total	15,048	100.0	1,132	100.0	16,180	100.0	

3.5 New Prisoner Population by Nationality, 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

The number of new prisoners from Zimbabwe increased from 15,276 in the fourth quarter of 2023 to 16,180 in the first quarter of 2024. Non-Zimbabwean new prisoners decreased from 520 in the fourth quarter of 2023 to 419 during the first quarter of 2023. Non-Zimbabwean female prisoners decreased from 164 during the fourth quarter of 2023 to 114 in the first quarter of 2024.

Table 3.3: Nationality of New Prisoners, 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

	N	Iale	Fe	male	Total		
Nationality	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
2 nd Quarter 2023							
Zimbabwe	10,734	96.9	758	88.3	11,492	96.3	
Other SADC Countries	280	2.5	86	10.0	366	3.1	
Other African Countries	22	0.2	4	0.5	26	0.2	
Outside Africa	36	0.3	10	1.2	46	0.4	
Total	11,072	100.0	858	100.0	11,930	100.0	
3 rd Quarter 2023							
Zimbabwe	11,343	96.0	768	93.3	12,111	95.8	
Other SADC Countries	332	2.8	50	6.1	382	3.0	
Other African Countries	75	0.6	4	0.5	79	0.6	
Outside Africa	68	0.6	1	0.1	69	0.5	
Total	11,818	100.0	823	100.0	12,641	100.0	
4 th Quarter 2023							
Zimbabwe	13,845	97.5	911	84.7	14,756	96.6	
Other SADC Countries	250	1.8	159	14.8	409	2.7	
Other African Countries	60	0.4	2	0.2	62	0.4	
Outside Africa	46	0.3	3	0.3	49	0.3	
Total	14,201	100.0	1,075	100.0	15,276	100.0	
1st Quarter 2024							
Zimbabwe	14,743	98.0	1,018	89.9	15,761	97.4	
Other SADC Countries	231	1.5	102	9.0	333	2.1	
Other African Countries	52	0.3	6	0.5	58	0.4	
Outside Africa	22	0.1	6	0.5	28	0.2	
Total	15,048	100.0	1,132	100.0	16,180	100.0	

3.6 Highest Level of Education Completed

The distribution of prisoners by their highest level of education attained prior to their admission to prison is shown in Figure 3.7. Among all prisoners, 70.7 percent had attained lower secondary or some secondary education. Those who had not attended school and those who had completed primary or some primary education were 22.1%. New prisoners with tertiary education constituted 2.2 percent of the total admissions.

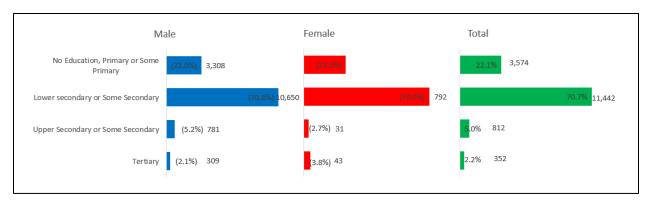


Figure 3.3: Distribution of Prisoners by Educational Level, 1st Quarter 2024

3.7 New prisoner population by level of Education: 2nd Quarter 2023 – 1st Quarter 2024

The distribution of new prisoners by level of education is shown in table 3.4, from the table, it is notable that the majority of new prisoners that were admitted during the four quarters had completed lower secondary or some secondary level of education.

Table 3.4: Distribution of new prisoner population by level of education and sex, 2^{nd} Quarter $2023 - 1^{st}$ Quarter 2024

Education level	Ma	ile	Fem	ale	Total		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
2nd Quarter 2023							
No Education, Primary or Some Primary	2,654	24.0	196	22.8	2,850	23.9	
Lower secondary or Some Secondary	7,565	68.3	614	71.6	8,179	68.6	
Upper Secondary or Some Secondary	613	5.5	28	3.3	641	5.4	
Tertiary	240	2.2	20	2.3	260	2.2	
Total	11,072	100.0	858	100.0	11,930	100.0	
3rd Quarter 2023							
No Education, Primary or Some Primary	2,722	23.0	186	22.6	2,908	23.0	
Lower secondary or Some Secondary	8,151	69.0	563	68.4	8,714	68.9	
Upper Secondary or Some Secondary	623	5.3	33	4.0	656	5.2	
Tertiary	322	2.7	41	5.0	363	2.9	
Total	11,818	100.0	823	100.0	12,641	100.0	
4th Quarter 2023							
No Education, Primary or Some Primary	3,365	23.7	255	23.7	3,620	23.7	
Lower secondary or Some Secondary	9,683	68.2	745	69.3	10,428	68.3	
Upper Secondary or Some Secondary	777	5.5	37	3.4	814	5.3	
Tertiary	376	2.6	38	3.5	414	2.7	
Total	14,201	100.0	1,075	100.0	15,276	100.0	
1st Quarter 2024							
No Education, Primary or Some Primary	3,308	22.0	266	23.5	3,574	22.1	
Lower secondary or Some Secondary	10,650	70.8	792	70.0	11,442	70.7	
Upper Secondary or Some Secondary	781	5.2	31	2.7	812	5.0	
Tertiary	309	2.1	43	3.8	352	2.2	
Total	15,048	100.0	1,132	100.0	16,180	100.0	

3.8 Employment Status

The distribution of prisoners by employment status is shown in Figure 3.8. Most of the prisoners who were admitted into prison during the first quarter of 2024 were employed (54.5%). The proportion of unemployed new male prisoners was 44.4 percent whilst among new female prisoners it was 59.5 percent.

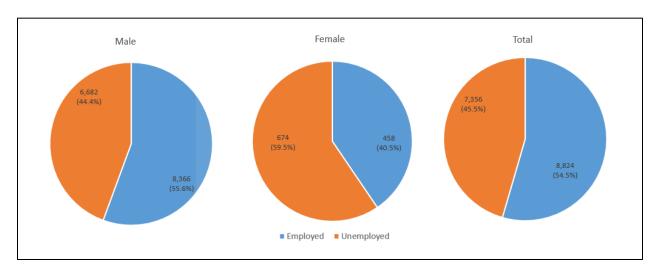


Figure 3.4: Distribution of Prisoners by Employment status, 1st Quarter 2024

3.9 New Prisoner Population by Employment Status, 2nd Quarter 2023 to 1st Quarter 2024

When compared to the fourth quarter of 2023, the proportion of employed prisoners increased slightly from 54.1 percent to 54.5 percent. The proportion of unemployed male prisoners too decreased from 44.7 percent to 44.4 percent. On the other hand, the share of unemployed female prisoners decreased from 61.7 percent to 59.5 percent.

Table 3.5: Distribution of Prisoners by Employment Status, 2^{nd} Quarter $2023-1^{st}$ Quarter 2024

	Ma	Male		nale	To	tal
Employment status	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
2nd Quarter 2023						
Employed	4,067	36.7	277	32.3	4,344	36.4
Unemployed	7,005	63.3	581	67.7	7,586	63.6
Total	11,072	100.0	858	100.0	11,930	100.0
3 rd Quarter 2023						
Employed	5,412	45.8	297	36.1	5,709	45.2
Unemployed	6,406	54.2	526	63.9	6,932	54.8
Total	11,818	100.0	823	100.0	12,641	100.0
4 th Quarter 2023						
Employed	7,855	55.3	412	38.3	8,267	54.1
Unemployed	6,346	44.7	663	61.7	7,009	45.9
Total	14,201	100.0	1,075	100.0	15,276	100.0
1st Quarter 2024						
Employed	8,366	55.6	458	40.5	8,824	54.5
Unemployed	6,682	44.4	674	59.5	7,356	45.5
Total	15,048	100.0	1,132	100.0	16,180	100.0

Chapter 4: Crimes

In this chapter, the crimes/offences of prisoners are analysed according to the International Classification of Crimes for Statistical purposes.

4.1 Crime Type and Counts

The crimes/ offences that the prisoners were imprisoned for are shown in Table 4.1. Most of the new prisoners were admitted into prison for committing theft, assaults, burglary, robbery (without firearm), domestic violence and other criminal acts not elsewhere classified. This distribution seems to mirror that of crimes that led to the imprisonment of new male prisoners. The crimes that were mostly committed by new female prisoners were theft, assault, migration related offences, fraud and unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors.

Table 4.1: Crime Type and Counts Committed by New Prisoners, 1st Quarter 2024

Crime/ Offence	Male	Female	Total
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death			
Murder	337	24	361
Murder (intimate partner)	1	2	3
Infanticide	0	4	4
Attempted intentional homicide	324	27	351
Non-intentional homicide	49	7	56
Assisting or instigating suicide	1	0	1
Illegal feticide	0	4	4
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person			
Assaults	3,303	273	3,576
Domestic Violence	861	42	903
All threats	143	7	150
Kidnapping	39	3	42
Acts against liberty	0	1	1
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	4	2	6
Coercion	22	1	23
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	29	3	32
Other acts of negligence	13	6	19
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences))	24	1	25
Dangerous acts (Non-traffic related offences)	10	3	13
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	25	0	25
Defamation or insult	60	5	65
Discrimination	1	0	1
Injurious acts of a sexual nature			
Rape	795	12	807

Table 4.1: Crime Type and Counts Committed by New Prisoners, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

Crime/ Offence	Male	Female	Total
Attempted Rape (Adult)	51	0	51
Indecent assault (adult victim)	177	7	184
Other sexual or indecent offences against young people	174	10	184
Sexual exploitation	4	3	7
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person			
Robbery (firearm)	79	2	81
Robbery (without firearm)	1,347	30	1,377
Acts against property only			
Burglary	1,925	60	1,985
Theft	4,127	317	4,444
Theft	0	1	1
Intellectual property offences	0	0	0
Property damage	598	30	628
Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances			
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	364	71	435
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	63	5	68
Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption			
Fraud	382	83	465
Forgery/counterfeiting	6	2	8
Corruption	72	2	74
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	5	2	7
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State			
Acts against public order sexual standards	29	3	32
Acts contrary to public revenue or regulatory provisions	36	6	42
Acts related to migration	263	125	388
Acts against the justice system	190	29	219
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	92	14	106
Acts against public safety and state security			
Acts related to possession and handling of firearms	21	2	23
Acts involving other weapons, explosives and destructive materials	42	0	42
Acts against computer systems	5	0	5
Acts against state security	10	0	10
Terrorism	3	1	4
Non-injurious traffic violations	120	7	127
Acts against the natural environment			
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	251	7	258
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	162	9	171
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified			
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts on minors	27	3	30
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	924	83	1,007
Mental patient	0	2	2
Total	17,590	1,343	18,933

4.2 Crime Type and Counts by Age Group

Theft, assaults, burglary, robbery (without firearms) and other criminal acts not elsewhere classified were the most frequent crimes for prisoners aged between 20 to 44. For males aged 65 years and above, the most common crimes were rape and assault. Table 4.2 shows the number of crime counts committed by prisoners and age group.

Table 4.2: Crime Type and Counts by Age Group, 1st Quarter 2024

		15-19			20-24			25-29			30-34			35-39			40-44	
Crime/Offence	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death																		
Murder	37	1	38	89	2	91	69	2	71	45	6	51	50	4	54	21	4	25
Murder (intimate partner)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Infanticide	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Attempted intentional homicide	27	3	30	84	2	86	73	5	78	55	7	62	35	6	41	21	0	21
Non-intentional homicide	1	0	1	4	2	6	13	1	14	8	1	9	6	0	6	5	1	6
Assisting or instigating suicide	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illegal feticide	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person																		
Assaults	225	17	242	738	54	792	795	66	861	613	45	658	420	39	459	277	18	295
Domestic Violence	15	3	18	134	6	140	163	10	173	180	9	189	141	7	148	133	2	135
All threats	10	2	12	17	3	20	33	0	33	29	1	30	23	0	23	21	0	21
Kidnapping	1	0	1	6	1	7	3	0	3	7	1	8	10	1	11	4	0	4
Acts against liberty	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	2
Coercion	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	4	6	0	6	3	0	3	2	1	3
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	0	0	0	3	2	5	10	0	10	6	1	7	4	0	4	5	0	5
Other acts of negligence	1	0	1	2	1	3	2	2	4	3	1	4	3	0	3	1	2	3
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences))	0	0	0	3	0	3	12	0	12	4	0	4	4	1	5	0	0	0
Dangerous acts (Non-traffic related offences)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	3	6
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	0	0	0	3	0	3	4	0	4	8	0	8	3	0	3	5	0	5
Defamation or insult	2	0	2	6	2	8	13	0	13	8	1	9	13	0	13	8	1	9
Discrimination	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 4.2: Crime Type and Counts by Age Group, 4th Quarter 2023 (Cont'd)

	15-19			20-24			25-29			30-34			35-39			40-44		
Crime/Offence	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т
Rape	92	3	95	163	1	164	121	3	124	89	2	91	99	2	101	79	1	80
Attempted Rape (Adult)	7	0	7	8	0	8	15	0	15	6	0	6	5	0	5	7	0	7
Indecent assault (adult victim)	25	0	25	27	1	28	28	1	29	30	0	30	23	3	26	17	1	18
Other sexual or indecent offences against young people	45	2	47	63	6	69	27	1	28	15	0	15	9	1	10	5	0	5
Sexual exploitation	1	0	1	0	3	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person																		
Robbery (firearm)	1	0	1	17	0	17	17	0	17	20	1	21	17	0	17	3	1	4
Robbery (without firearm)	100	5	105	380	3	383	355	6	361	250	9	259	154	4	158	62	0	62
Acts against property only																		
Burglary	212	3	215	543	15	558	422	19	441	315	10	325	208	8	216	120	4	124
Theft	291	40	331	974	71	1,045	972	70	1,042	770	45	815	509	46	555	311	20	331
Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property damage	28	2	30	112	5	117	155	4	159	135	11	146	76	3	79	57	1	58
Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances																		
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	14	3	17	73	12	85	75	9	84	87	9	96	38	18	56	36	15	51
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	5	0	5	14	0	14	13	4	17	13	1	14	10	0	10	5	0	5
Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption																		
Fraud	4	0	4	32	7	39	60	8	68	57	19	76	87	12	99	48	9	57
Forgery/counterfeiting	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	2
Corruption	0	0	0	6	0	6	6	0	6	22	1	23	13	1	14	13	0	13
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State																		

Table 4.2: Crime Type and Counts by Age Group, 4th Quarter 2023 (Cont'd)

		15-19			20-24			25-29			30-34			35-39			40-44	
Crime/Offence	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т
Acts against public order sexual standards	6	1	7	1	1	2	4	0	4	6	1	7	4	0	4	4	0	4
Acts contrary to public revenue or regulatory provisions	1	0	1	7	0	7	7	1	8	2	1	3	10	2	12	4	1	5
Acts related to migration	40	11	51	79	37	116	48	32	80	39	23	62	23	14	37	16	4	20
Acts against the justice system	4	1	5	27	1	28	27	2	29	29	11	40	32	5	37	38	7	45
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	2	1	3	17	4	21	22	2	24	25	3	28	14	3	17	6	1	7
Acts against public safety and state security																		
Acts related to possession and handling of firearms	0	0	0	5	0	5	3	0	3	1	0	1	3	1	4	3	1	4
Acts involving other weapons, explosives and destructive materials	3	0	3	11	0	11	17	0	17	5	0	5	3	0	3	0	0	0
	1	0	1	1	0	11	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Acts against computer systems Acts against state security	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
Terrorism	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	3	0	3	22	0	22	28	1	29	25	1	26		4	20	10	0	10
Non-injurious traffic violations Acts against the natural environment	3	U	3	22	0	22	28	1	29	25	1	26	16	4	20	10	U	10
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	13	0	13	44	2	46	36	0	36	46	1	47	23	1	24	33	0	33
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	7	1	8	23	2	25	27	0	27	30	5	35	35	1	36	18	0	18
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified								-										
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts on minors	2	0	2	8	1	9	3	0	3	5	0	5	4	0	4	1	0	1
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	36	1	37	160	11	171	148	10	158	140	6	146	128	2	130	84	3	87
Mental patient	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	5	1	6	18	11	29	25	5	30	23	1	24	23	7	30	18	9	27
Total	1,269	103	1,372	3,930	274	4,204	3,865	266	4,131	3,161	234	3,395	2,288	198	2,486	1,508	116	1,624

Table 4.2: Crime Type and Counts by Age Group, 4th Quarter 2023 (Cont'd)

Crime (Offeren		45-49			50-54			55-59			60-64			65+			Total	
Crime/Offence	M	F	T	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	Т
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death																		
Murder	12	1	13	5	1	6	3	2	5	2	1	3	4	0	4	337	24	361
Murder (intimate partner)	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Infanticide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Attempted intentional homicide	18	1	19	4	1	5	0	2	2	3	0	3	4	0	4	324	27	351
Non-intentional homicide	8	1	9	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	49	7	56
Assisting or instigating suicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Illegal feticide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person																		
Assaults	126	14	140	67	12	79	19	5	24	9	1	10	14	2	16	3,303	273	3,576
Domestic Violence	50	1	51	26	4	30	10	0	10	3	0	3	6	0	6	861	42	903
All threats	4	0	4	4	0	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	143	7	150
Kidnapping	1	0	1	2	0	2	3	0	3	1	0	1	1	0	1	39	3	42
Acts against liberty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	6
Coercion	2	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	22	1	23
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	3	32
Other acts of negligence	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	6	19
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences))	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1	25
Dangerous acts (Non- traffic related offences)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	10	3	13
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	25
Defamation or insult	4	1	5	5	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	60	5	65
Discrimination	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Injurious acts of a sexual nature																		
Rape	59	0	59	30	0	30	20	0	20	9	0	9	34	0	34	795	12	807
Attempted Rape (Adult)	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	51	0	51

Table 4.2: Crime Type and Counts by Age Group, 4th Quarter 2023 (Cont'd)

Colored 10ff and a		45-49			50-54			55-59			60-64			65+			Total	
Crime/Offence	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	Т
Indecent assault (adult victim)	3	0	3	18	0	18	2	0	2	0	1	1	4	0	4	177	7	184
Other sexual or indecent offences against young people	5	0	5	0	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	1	0	1	174	10	184
Sexual exploitation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	7
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person																		
Robbery (firearm)	3	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	2	81
Robbery (without firearm)	34	2	36	7	1	8	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	1,347	30	1,377
Acts against property only																		
Burglary	67	1	68	23	0	23	7	0	7	3	0	3	5	0	5	1,925	60	1,985
Theft	151	12	163	90	11	101	32	2	34	14	0	14	13	0	13	4,127	317	4,444
Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Property damage	22	2	24	10	2	12	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	598	30	628
Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances																		
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	21	1	22	11	2	13	1	1	2	4	0	4	4	1	5	364	71	435
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	63	5	68
Acts involving fraud,																		
deception or corruption																		
Fraud	32	14	46	34	9	43	14	2	16	7	3	10	7	0	7	382	83	465
Forgery/counterfeiting	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	8
Corruption	4	0	4	4	0	4	1	0	1	2	0	2	1	0	1	72	2	74
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	7
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State																		
Acts against public order sexual standards	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	29	3	32

Table 4.2: Crime Type and Counts by Age Group, 4th Quarter 2023 (Cont'd)

Cuimo /Offense		45-49			50-54			55-59			60-64			65+			Total	
Crime/Offence	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	Т
Acts contrary to public revenue or regulatory provisions	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	36	6	42
Acts related to migration	7	2	9	5	1	6	2	0	2	2	1	3	2	0	2	263	125	388
Acts against the justice system	13	1	14	11	0	11	6	1	7	0	0	0	3	0	3	190	29	219
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	2	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	92	14	106
Acts against public safety and state security																		
Acts related to possession and handling of firearms	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	21	2	23
Acts involving other weapons, explosives and destructive materials	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	42
Acts against computer systems	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Acts against state security	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	10	0	10
Terrorism	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	4
Non-injurious traffic violations	5	1	6	2	0	2	4	0	4	1	0	1	4	0	4	120	7	127
Acts against the natural environment																		
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	35	3	38	14	0	14	1	0	1	6	0	6	0	0	0	251	7	258
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	9	0	9	7	0	7	3	0	3	2	0	2	1	0	1	162	9	171
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified																		
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts on minors	0	1	1	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	3	30
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	39	5	44	17	2	19	7	1	8	8	0	8	5	0	5	772	41	813
Mental patient	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	15	3	18	10	1	11	6	3	9	3	0	3	6	1	7	152	42	194
Total	776	71	847	419	48	467	153	22	175	91	7	98	130	4	134	17,590	1,343	18,933

4.3 Crime Type and Counts by Nationality

, The most frequent crimes committed by new Zimbabwean prisoners were theft, assault, burglary and robbery (without firearms). Immigration related offences and trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora accounted for most of the reasons that led to the imprisonment of foreign nationals. Table 4.3.

Table 4.3: Crime Type and Counts by Nationality, 1st Quarter 2024

	2	Zimbaby	we		ther SA Countri			her Afri Countri		Ou	tside Af	rica		Total	
Crime/Offence	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	T
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death															
Murder	336	24	360	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	337	24	361
Murder (intimate partner)	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Infanticide	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Attempted intentional homicide	324	27	351	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	324	27	351
Non-intentional homicide	49	7	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	7	56
Assisting or instigating suicide	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Illegal feticide	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person															
Assaults	3,302	272	3,574	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,303	273	3,576
Domestic Violence	859	42	901	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	861	42	903
All threats	143	7	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	143	7	150
Kidnapping	39	3	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	3	42
Acts against liberty	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	6
Coercion	22	1	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	1	23
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	29	3	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	3	32
Other acts of negligence	13	6	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	6	19
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences))	24	1	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1	25
Dangerous acts (Non traffic related offences)	10	3	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	3	13
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	25	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	25
Defamation or insult	60	5	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	5	65
Discrimination	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

Table 4.3: Crime Type and Counts by Nationality, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

	Z	Zimbabw	ve		her SAl Countrie			ner Afri Countrie		Out	tside Af	rica		Total	
Crime/Offence	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	Т	M	F	Т	M	F	Т
Injurious acts of a sexual nature															
Rape	792	12	804	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	795	12	807
Attempted Rape (Adult)	51	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	51
Indecent assault (adult victim)	177	7	184	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	177	7	184
Other sexual or indecent offences against young people	174	10	184	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	174	10	184
Sexual exploitation	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	7
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person															
Robbery (firearm)	79	2	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	2	81
Robbery (Other)	1,347	30	1,377	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,347	30	1,377
Acts against property only															
Burglary	1,920	60	1,980	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,925	60	1,985
Theft	4,114	317	4,431	8	0	8	4	0	4	1	0	1	4,127	317	4,444
Theft	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Intellectual property offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property damage	598	30	628	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	598	30	628
Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances															
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	361	71	432	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	364	71	435
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	62	5	67	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	5	68
Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption															
Fraud	379	83	462	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	382	83	465
Forgery/counterfeiting	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	8
Corruption	72	2	74	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	2	74
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	7

Table 4.3: Crime Type and Counts by Nationality, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

	Z	Zimbabw	ve .		ther SA Countric			her Afri Countrie		Ou	tside Af	rica		Total	
Crime/Offence	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	Т
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State															
Acts against public order sexual standards	29	3	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	3	32
Acts contrary to public revenue or															
regulatory provisions	25	6	31	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	6	42
Acts related to migration	10	3	13	185	115	300	50	5	55	18	2	20	263	125	388
Acts against the justice system	190	29	219	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190	29	219
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	92	14	106	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92	14	106
Acts against public safety and state security															
Acts related to possession and handling of firearms	21	1	22	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	21	2	23
Acts involving other weapons, explosives and destructive materials	42	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	42
Acts against computer systems	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Acts against state security	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10
Terrorism	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	4
Non-injurious traffic violations	120	7	127	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	7	127
Acts against the natural environment															
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	229	7	236	22	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	251	7	258
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	159	9	168	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	162	9	171
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified			100				Ü			Ü	Ü	Ü	102		
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts															
on minors	27	3	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	3	30
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	920	79	999	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	4	4	924	83	1,007
Mental patient	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Total	17,265	1,215	18,480	245	116	361	58	6	64	22	6	28	17,590	1,343	18,933

4.4 Crime Type and Counts by Highest Level of Education Completed

The distribution of crime counts of new prisoners by highest level of education completed is shown in Table 4.3. New prisoners who did not complete any level of education and those who completed non-tertiary levels of education were mostly imprisoned for theft, assault, burglary and robbery (without firearm). Prisoners that completed tertiary levels of education were mostly imprisoned for theft and fraud. Table 4.4.

Table 4.4: Crime Type and Counts by Level of Education Completed, 1st Quarter 2024

Crime/Offence	Prim	Educat ary or S Primary	Some		econdary econdar	y or Some ry		r Secon ne Seco	dary or ndary	Т	ertiary			Total	
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death															
Murder	111	7	118	215	16	231	6	0	6	5	1	6	337	24	361
Murder (intimate partner)	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Infanticide	0	1	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Attempted intentional homicide	118	10	128	197	17	214	8	0	8	1	0	1	324	27	351
Non-intentional homicide	8	3	11	33	4	37	3	0	3	5	0	5	49	7	56
Assisting or instigating suicide	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Illegal feticide	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person															
Assaults	749	69	818	2,357	200	2,557	153	0	153	44	4	48	3,303	273	3,576
Domestic Violence	181	10	191	630	29	659	36	2	38	14	1	15	861	42	903
All threats	34	2	36	100	5	105	6	0	6	3	0	3	143	7	150
Kidnapping	4	0	4	30	2	32	3	0	3	2	1	3	39	3	42
Acts against liberty	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	0	1	1	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	6
Coercion	3	0	3	16	0	16	2	0	2	1	1	2	22	1	23
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	1	0	1	24	0	24	1	1	2	3	2	5	29	3	32
Other acts of negligence	2	0	2	9	5	14	2	1	3	0	0	0	13	6	19
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences))	5	0	5	16	1	17	2	0	2	1	0	1	24	1	25
Dangerous acts (Non-traffic related offences)	0	0	0	9	2	11	1	0	1	0	1	1	10	3	13
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	5	0	5	18	0	18	1	0	1	1	0	1	25	0	25
Defamation or insult	12	2	14	44	3	47	4	0	4	0	0	0	60	5	65
Discrimination	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

Table 4.4: Crime Type and Counts by Level of Education Completed, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

Crime/Offence	Prim	Educat ary or S Primary	Some		econdary Secondar	y or Some ry		r Secon ne Seco	dary or ndary	7	Tertiary			Total	
	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	Т
Injurious acts of a sexual nature															
Rape	295	5	300	476	7	483	14	0	14	10	0	10	795	12	807
Attempted Rape (Adult)	14	0	14	34	0	34	3	0	3	0	0	0	51	0	51
Indecent assault (adult victim)	51	2	53	118	4	122	6	1	7	2	0	2	177	7	184
Other sexual or indecent offences against young people	46	1	47	118	9	127	10	0	10	0	0	0	174	10	184
Sexual exploitation	0	0	0	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	7
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person															
Robbery (firearm)	9	1	10	54	0	54	12	0	12	4	1	5	79	2	81
Robbery (Other)	303	9	312	978	19	997	51	1	52	15	1	16	1,347	30	1,377
Acts against property only															
Burglary	471	19	490	1,358	38	1,396	80	3	83	16	0	16	1,925	60	1,985
Theft	773	46	819	3,010	247	3,257	268	12	280	76	12	88	4,127	317	4,444
Theft	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Intellectual property offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property damage	104	6	110	442	24	466	36	0	36	16	0	16	598	30	628
Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances															
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	50	15	65	264	49	313	39	5	44	11	2	13	364	71	435
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	12	0	12	47	5	52	4	0	4	0	0	0	63	5	68
Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption								_							
Fraud	17	9	26	235	55	290	58	2	60	72	17	89	382	83	465
Forgery/counterfeiting	0	0	0	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	8
Corruption	15	1	16	42	1	43	9	0	9	6	0	6	72	2	74
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	0	2	2	4	0	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	2	7

Table 4.4: Crime Type and Counts by Level of Education Completed, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

Crime/Offence	Prim	Educat ary or S Primary	Some	Lower secondary or Some Secondary or Some Secondary Tertiary			Total								
	M	F	T	M	F	Т	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State															
Acts against public order sexual standards	6	0	6	21	2	23	0	1	1	2	0	2	29	3	32
Acts contrary to public revenue or regulatory provisions	4	0	4	31	5	36	1	1	2	0	0	0	36	6	42
Acts related to migration	115	48	163	120	70	190	9	3	12	19	4	23	263	125	388
Acts against the justice system	38	6	44	142	21	163	5	0	5	5	2	7	190	29	219
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	11	1	12	67	13	80	9	0	9	5	0	5	92	14	106
Acts against public safety and state security															
Acts related to possession and handling of firearms	6	1	7	11	0	11	3	0	3	1	1	2	21	2	23
Acts involving other weapons, explosives and destructive materials	12	0	12	29	0	29	1	0	1	0	0	0	42	0	42
Acts against computer systems	1	0	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Acts against state security	4	0	4	4	0	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	10	0	10
Terrorism	1	0	1	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	4
Non-injurious traffic violations	11	1	12	103	6	109	6	0	6	0	0	0	120	7	127
Acts against the natural environment															
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	87	3	90	152	4	156	8	0	8	4	0	4	251	7	258
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	42	3	45	111	6	117	8	0	8	1	0	1	162	9	171
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified															
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts on minors	4	0	4	23	2	25	0	1	1	0	0	0	27	3	30
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	174	24	198	684	56	740	43	1	44	23	2	25	924	83	1,007
Mental patient	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Total	3,909	309	4,218	12,398	946	13,344	915	35	950	368	53	421	17,590	1,343	18,933

4.5 Crime Counts, Type and Employment Status

The counts of crimes committed in relation to employment status are shown in Table 4.5. Employed and unemployed males committed mostly theft, assault, burglary, domestic violence and rape. Unemployed female prisoners were mostly imprisoned for theft, assaults and migration related offences, burglary, other criminal acts not elsewhere classified and unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors.

Table 4.5: Crime Type and Counts by Employment Status and Sex, 1st Quarter 2024

Crime/ Offence	Employed				Unemploye	d	Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death									
Murder	182	2	184	184	22	206	366	24	390
Murder (intimate partner)	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	2
Infanticide	0	2	2	1	5	6	1	7	8
Attempted intentional homicide	203	10	213	176	13	189	379	23	402
Non-intentional homicide	24	0	24	14	0	14	38	0	38
Assisting or instigating suicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illegal feticide	0	2	2	0	3	3	0	5	5
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person									
Assaults	1,634	68	1,702	1,421	103	1,524	3,055	171	3,226
Domestic Violence	477	12	489	431	30	461	908	42	950
All threats	72	5	77	68	2	70	140	7	147
Kidnapping	36	3	39	27	5	32	63	8	71
Acts against liberty	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	4	1	5	1	3	4	5	4	9
Coercion	13	2	15	7	0	7	20	2	22
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	19	0	19	11	0	11	30	0	30
Other acts of negligence	8	9	17	4	14	18	12	23	35
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences)	3	0	3	8	0	8	11	0	11
Dangerous acts (Non-traffic related offences)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	19	0	19	6	0	6	25	0	25
Defamation or insult	17	10	27	14	1	15	31	11	42
Discrimination	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Injurious acts of a sexual nature									
Rape	372	4	376	421	6	427	793	10	803
Attempted Rape (Adult)	24	0	24	31	0	31	55	0	55

Table 4.5: Crime Type and Counts by Employment Status and Sex, 1st Quarter 2024

Crime/ Offence		Employed			Unemploye	d	Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death									
Murder	142	7	149	195	17	212	337	24	361
Murder (intimate partner)	1	1	2	0	1	1	1	2	3
Infanticide	0	1	1	0	3	3	0	4	4
Attempted intentional homicide	141	9	150	183	18	201	324	27	351
Non-intentional homicide	32	4	36	17	3	20	49	7	56
Assisting or instigating suicide	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Illegal feticide	0	3	3	0	1	1	0	4	4
Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person									
Assaults	1,791	106	1,897	1,512	167	1,679	3,303	273	3,576
Domestic Violence	415	15	430	446	27	473	861	42	903
All threats	63	1	64	80	6	86	143	7	150
Kidnapping	21	2	23	18	1	19	39	3	42
Acts against liberty	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	2	1	3	2	1	3	4	2	6
Coercion	12	0	12	10	1	11	22	1	23
Negligence related to driving a vehicle	23	3	26	6	0	6	29	3	32
Other acts of negligence	7	3	10	6	3	9	13	6	19
Dangerous acts (Traffic related offences))	17	1	18	7	0	7	24	1	25
Dangerous acts (Non-traffic related offences)	8	3	11	2	0	2	10	3	13
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	22	0	22	3	0	3	25	0	25
Defamation or insult	36	1	37	24	4	28	60	5	65
Discrimination	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Injurious acts of a sexual nature									
Rape	393	2	395	402	10	412	795	12	807

Table 4.5: Crime Type and Counts by Employment Status and Sex, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

Crime/ Offence	Employed				Unemployed	i	Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Attempted Rape (Adult)	17	0	17	34	0	34	51	0	51
Indecent assault (adult victim)	95	2	97	82	5	87	177	7	184
Other sexual or indecent offences against young people	74	5	79	100	5	105	174	10	184
Sexual exploitation	1	0	1	3	3	6	4	3	7
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person									
Robbery (firearm)	34	1	35	45	1	46	79	2	81
Robbery (Other)	774	22	796	573	8	581	1,347	30	1,377
Acts against property only									
Burglary	975	26	1,001	950	34	984	1,925	60	1,985
Theft	2,434	159	2,593	1,693	158	1,851	4,127	317	4,444
Theft	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Intellectual property offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property damage	345	14	359	253	16	269	598	30	628
Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances									
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	222	31	253	142	40	182	364	71	435
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	34	4	38	29	1	30	63	5	68
Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption									
Fraud	279	55	334	103	28	131	382	83	465
Forgery/counterfeiting	4	0	4	2	2	4	6	2	8
Corruption	56	1	57	16	1	17	72	2	74
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	5	0	5	0	2	2	5	2	7
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State									
Acts against public order sexual standards	18	0	18	11	3	14	29	3	32
Acts contrary to public revenue or regulatory provisions	13	1	14	23	5	28	36	6	42
Acts related to migration	43	7	50	220	118	338	263	125	388

Table 4.5: Crime Type and Counts by Employment Status and Sex, 1st Quarter 2024 (Cont'd)

Crime/ Offence		Employed			Unemployed	i	Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Acts against the justice system	111	14	125	79	15	94	190	29	219
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	58	5	63	34	9	43	92	14	106
Acts against public safety and state security									
Acts related to possession and handling of firearms	12	1	13	9	1	10	21	2	23
Acts involving other weapons, explosives and destructive materials	20	0	20	22	0	22	42	0	42
Acts against computer systems	4	0	4	1	0	1	5	0	5
Acts against state security	5	0	5	5	0	5	10	0	10
Terrorism	0	0	0	3	1	4	3	1	4
Non-injurious traffic violations	58	1	59	62	6	68	120	7	127
Acts against the natural environment									
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	104	1	105	147	6	153	251	7	258
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	95	2	97	67	7	74	162	9	171
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified									
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts on minors	19	1	20	8	2	10	27	3	30
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	634	38	672	290	45	335	924	83	1,007
Mental patient	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2
Total	9,670	556	10,226	7,920	787	8,707	17,590	1,343	18,933

Appendix 1: List of main prisons and their satellites in Zimbabwe

	Manicaland		Matabeleland North		Masvingo
1	Chipinge	1	Binga	1	Chiredzi
2	Little Kraal	2	Hwange	1a	Zaka
3	Mutare	2a	Lupane	2	Masvingo
4	Mutare Farm	2b	Victoria Falls	2a	Bikita
4a	Inyanga	3	Nkayi	2b	Chivi
5	Rusape	4	Tsholotsho	2c	Gutu
5a	Murambinda	5	Anju	2d	Mwenezi
6	Chipinge	5a	Ntabazinduna	3	Mutimurefu
	Mashonaland Central		Matabeleland South		Harare
1	Bindura	1	Beitbridge	1	Chikurubi Farm
1a	Guruve	2	Gwanda	1a	Telstar
2	Mazowe	2a	Esigodini	2	Chikurubi Female
3	Mt Darwin	2b	Filabusi	3	Chikurubi Max
		2c	Kezi	4	Harare Central
	Mashonaland East	3	Plumtree	4a	Kentucky
1	Chivhu			5	Harare Remand
2	Marondera		Midlands	6	Chikurubi Psychiatric Unit
2a	Goromonzi	1	Connemara Open		
3	Murewa	2	Gokwe		
3a	Mutawatawa	3	Kwekwe		Bulawayo
4	Mutoko	4	Mberengwa	1	Bulawayo
4a	Tabudirira	5	Shurugwi	1a	Imbizo
5	Ridigita	6	Whawha	1b	Woodville
		7	Whawha Med	2	Khami Max
	Mashonaland West	7a	Thornhill	3	Khami Med
1	Chinhoyi	8	Zvishavane	4	Khami Remand
1a	Banket			5	Mlondolozi
2	Kadoma				
3	Karoi				
3a	Kariba				
4	Hurungwe				

^{*} Prisons marked a, b and c are satellites of the main prisons