

<b>Garda Strengths</b>																	
<b>Rank</b>	31/12/2005	31/12/2006	31/12/2007	31/12/2008	31/12/2009	31/12/2010	31/12/2011	31/12/2012	31/12/2013	31/12/2014	31/12/2015	31/12/2016	31/12/2017	31/12/2018	31/12/2019	31/12/2020	31/12/2021
<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1
<b>D/COMMISSIONER</b>	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	-	2	2	2	1	1	1	2
<b>A/COMMISSIONER</b>	12	11	12	12	11	10	7	9	8	8	5	8	9	9	8	9	8
<b>C/SUPERINTENDENT</b>	47	46	52	52	39	45	37	41	44	39	42	45	43	45	47	46	48
<b>SUPERINTENDENT</b>	173	166	185	187	167	170	149	153	147	140	160	165	165	165	168	168	168
<b>INSPECTOR</b>	288	287	330	344	317	336	319	262	270	297	247	308	270	297	379	438	410
<b>SERGEANT</b>	1,926	1,945	2,083	2,229	2,078	2,135	2,024	1,903	1,860	1,919	1,835	1,944	1,873	1,996	1,966	1,980	1,881
<b>GARDA</b>	9,815	10,496	11,090	11,585	11,932	11,679	11,355	11,053	10,762	10,395	10,524	10,470	11,189	11,518	11,737	11,848	11,717
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,264</b>	<b>12,954</b>	<b>13,755</b>	<b>14,412</b>	<b>14,547</b>	<b>14,377</b>	<b>13,894</b>	<b>13,424</b>	<b>13,093</b>	<b>12,799</b>	<b>12,816</b>	<b>12,943</b>	<b>13,551</b>	<b>14,032</b>	<b>14,307</b>	<b>14,491</b>	<b>14,235</b>
<b>Of which female</b>	<b>2,180</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>2,834</b>	<b>3,130</b>	<b>3,402</b>	<b>3,446</b>	<b>3,402</b>	<b>3,363</b>	<b>3,335</b>	<b>3,306</b>	<b>3,324</b>	<b>3,392</b>	<b>3,592</b>	<b>3,759</b>	<b>3,863</b>	<b>3,983</b>	<b>3,949</b>
<b>Garda Reserves (Revised data)</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>1,164</b>	<b>1,124</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>423</b>
<b>Of which female</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>Garda Staff (WTE)</b>	<b>1,166</b>	<b>1,282</b>	<b>1,689.5</b>	<b>2,099.1</b>	<b>2,104.7</b>	<b>2,098.2</b>	<b>2,073.7</b>	<b>2,027.9</b>	<b>2,071.2</b>	<b>2,054.0</b>	<b>2,006.8</b>	<b>1,998.9</b>	<b>2,191.8</b>	<b>2,429.4</b>	<b>2,944.9</b>	<b>3,112.6</b>	<b>3,167.6</b>
<b>Garda Staff (Headcount)</b>				<b>2,694</b>	<b>2,659</b>	<b>2,617</b>	<b>2,546</b>	<b>2,457</b>	<b>2,458</b>	<b>2,406</b>	<b>2,332</b>	<b>2,308</b>	<b>2,490</b>	<b>2,709</b>	<b>3,198</b>	<b>3,353</b>	<b>3,389</b>
<b>Of which female</b>					<b>2,019</b>	<b>1,998</b>	<b>1,955</b>	<b>1,899</b>	<b>1,910</b>	<b>1,881</b>	<b>1,825</b>	<b>1,822</b>	<b>1,944</b>	<b>2,068</b>	<b>2,337</b>	<b>2,422</b>	<b>2,438</b>

Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) numbers are provided to indicate that Garda Staff work on a number of different work-sharing patterns of varying hours. The WTE number reflects the number of whole time staff required to work the number of hours provided by the staff actually employed.

Please note:

The Government committed to an overall Garda workforce of 21,000 personnel by 2021 comprising 15,000 Garda members, 2,000 Reserve members and 4,000 civilians.

A moratorium on Garda recruitment was imposed in 2010 and lifted in 2014. Since the Garda College re-opened in September 2014 to end-2021 some 3,636 new recruits have been assigned to mainstream duties nationwide.

The distribution of Gardaí is a policing matter determined by An Garda Síochána based on a range of factors including population, crime trends etc.

Garda management keeps the distribution of resources under continual review.

Funding has been provided to An Garda Síochána to recruit up to 400 additional Garda staff per annum to address skills gaps and free up Gardaí for other duties.

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