

Appendix One: The proportion of sentences served at first release for sentenced prisoners released each month since the beginning of the 2019/20 financial year.

Table notes:

- Those on short-term sentence of two years imprisonment or less are automatically released on conditions, as set by the sentencing judge, after serving one-half of the sentence imposed in accordance with Section 86 of the Parole Act 2002.
- Those on long-term sentences of imprisonment of more than two years are eligible to be considered for release by the New Zealand Parole Board after serving one-third of their sentence, or after any minimum non-parole period imposed by the sentencing Judge.
- Decisions to grant parole are made by the New Zealand Parole Board, which is an independent statutory body.
- This table does not include people with indeterminate sentences, including those sentenced to life imprisonment without parole or preventive detention.
- This data does not take into account instances where people are later recalled to prison following a breach of their parole conditions.

Release month	Short-term sentences (less than two years)	Long-term sentences (more than two years)
July 2019	0.48	0.73
August 2019	0.48	0.74
September 2019	0.48	0.73
October 2019	0.48	0.75
November 2019	0.48	0.75
December 2019	0.46	0.74
January 2020	0.48	0.74
February 2020	0.48	0.76
March 2020	0.48	0.70
April 2020	0.48	0.81
May 2020	0.48	0.76
June 2020	0.48	0.74
July 2020	0.48	0.78
August 2020	0.48	0.73
September 2020	0.48	0.73
October 2020	0.47	0.78
November 2020	0.47	0.74
December 2020	0.46	0.74
January 2021	0.48	0.78
February 2021	0.48	0.76
March 2021	0.48	0.77
April 2021	0.48	0.76
May 2021	0.47	0.76

Release month	Short-term sentences (less than two years)	Long-term sentences (more than two years)
June 2021	0.48	0.77
July 2021	0.48	0.78
August 2021	0.48	0.74
September 2021	0.48	0.77
October 2021	0.48	0.74
November 2021	0.48	0.76
December 2021	0.46	0.77
January 2022	0.47	0.78
February 2022	0.48	0.74
March 2022	0.48	0.78
April 2022	0.48	0.76
May 2022	0.48	0.78
June 2022	0.48	0.78
July 2022	0.48	0.76
August 2022	0.48	0.78
September 2022	0.47	0.76
October 2022	0.48	0.77
November 2022	0.48	0.79
December 2022	0.47	0.73
January 2023	0.48	0.74
February 2023	0.48	0.76
March 2023	0.48	0.79
April 2023	0.48	0.77
May 2023	0.48	0.76
June 2023	0.48	0.80
July 2023	0.47	0.75
August 2023	0.48	0.76
September 2023	0.48	0.78
October 2023	0.48	0.77
November 2023	0.48	0.79
December 2023	0.47	0.82
January 2024	0.48	0.77
February 2024	0.47	0.77
March 2024	0.47	0.77
April 2024	0.48	0.79
May 2024	0.48	0.81
June 2024	0.48	0.75