

Supporting data-driven decision-making across the Irish Prison Service: The introduction of operational dashboards

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Presentation Overview



- Context and Objectives
- Process
- Sample dashboards: Live and Screenshots
- Challenges and benefits

Context



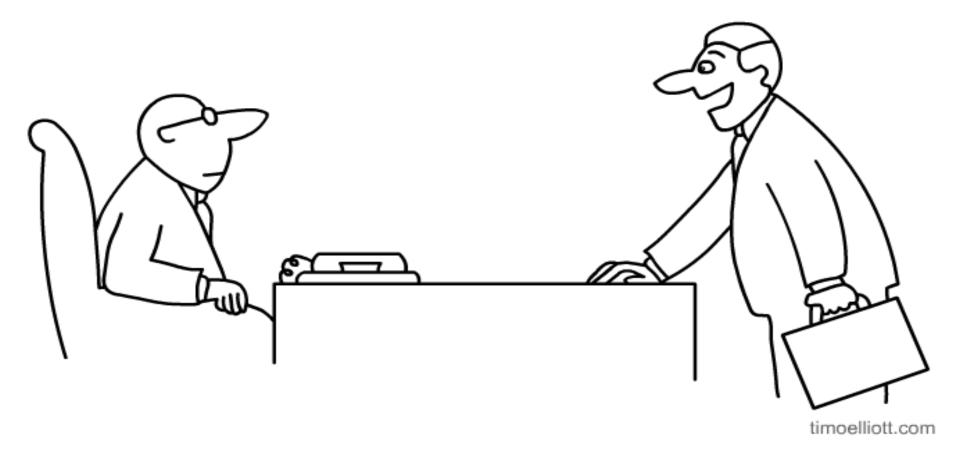
- Ernst & Young (EY) commissioned in Sept 2019 to build operational dashboards for use by management across the Irish prison service
- Current status: reaching the end of this project
- Previous practice: multiple spreadsheet reports at various intervals for management across the service
- Difficulty in trend analysis, risk identification and data discovery
- Potential of data not realised



Objectives



- Initiated under Corporate Governance Framework with a view to:
 - Enhancing performance through <u>implementation and monitoring of KPI's</u>
 - Facilitating trend analysis and the identification and management of risks
 - Supporting a key strategic objective of becoming a <u>data-driven organisation</u>
 - Supporting broader policy objectives of the CJS through provision of quality data and metrics that inform and support policy decision-making



"Our dashboards are so advanced, they automatically filter out any bad news"

Databases in Irish Prison Service



- Prisoner Information Management System (PIMS)
- Prisoner Education Management System (PEMS)
- National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- Prisoner Healthcare Management System (PHMS)
- Prisoner Account Management System (PAMS)
- Psychologist Case Tracking System (PCTS)
- Human Resources Management System (HRMS)
- Clockwise System
- CoreHR



Process



- Kick off session
- Project
 Authorisation
 Actions (e.g.
 Security
 Clearance)
- Schedule key 121s/interviews

Kick Off

Requirements Gathering

- Interviews
- Documentation and Prioritisation of Requirements
- Scope Agreement and Sign Off

- Data Extraction & Processing
- Visualisation Development
- Iteration & Enhancement
- User Acceptance Testing

Development

Close Out

- Demo and Workshop
- Sign Off & Next Steps (Phase 1)

Tableau Live Examples



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http://ipstableau.prisons.ie/#/views/PIMS 15972699966760/2 Demog raphics-General?:iid=2

http://ipstableau.prisons.ie/#/views/PIMS 15972699966760/6 AdmissionsOverTime?:iid=2



PIMS: 5. Prisoner Journey

Please select a Prisoner ID

Times in Custody

4

Select a Prisoner

Prisons Spent Time In

Total Days in Custody

2,138

Times Committed

Avg Length of Stay (Days)

4

534.50

Note: The prisoner journey dashboard includes all movements post PIMs go-live. If a prisoner was in system during PIMs go-live the journey will include their last *PRIS* custodial term.

Prisoner Details

Ethnicity: Caucasian Gender: Male Nationality:Irish Religion: Roman Catholic

Occupation Status: Unemployed Occupation: Unemployed

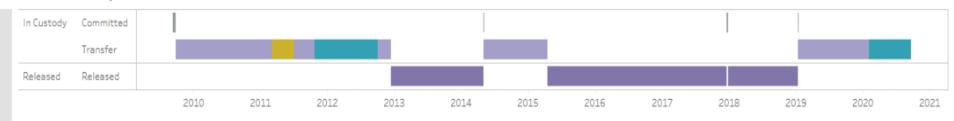
Age Group: 40 to < 50
Age Left School: 0
County: Dublin County
Sex Offender?:No

Prisons Spent Time In

Prison Term Current Establishment



Prisoner Journey



Prisoner Journey - Detail

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	In Custody	3/1/2011 5:20:00 PM	6/30/2011 6:11:59 PM		Transfer	121.0
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PIMS: 6. Admissions Over Time

Total # of Prisoners Selected # of Prisoners Number of Prisons Capacity Occupancy Rate Admissions (6 Months)
4,570 3,118 12 4,375 72.98%

Year Multiple values

Custodial Period

In Custody?

Establishment All

Prisoner ID All

Committal Status All

Life Sentence All

Sex Offender All

Drug Offender All

Gender All Ethnicity

All

Nationality All

Age Group All

Has Children

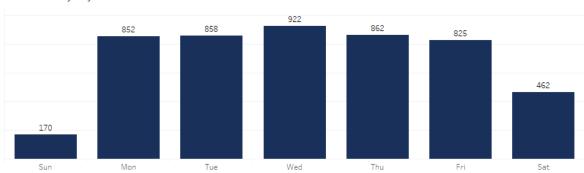


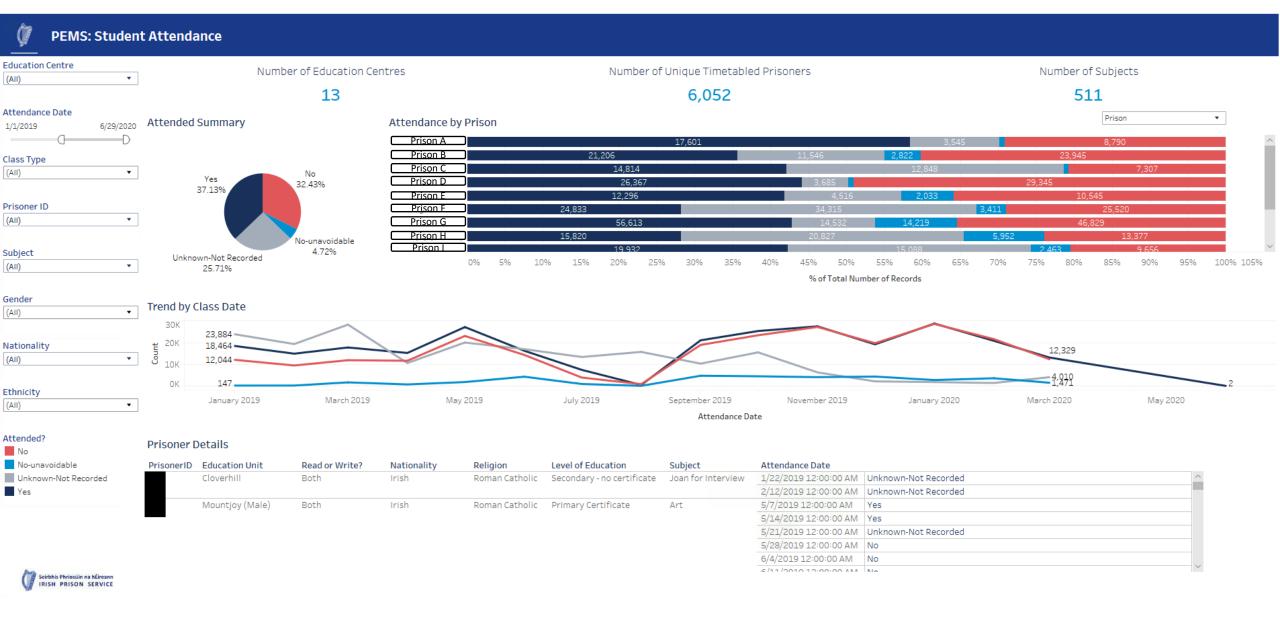
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Committed by Month



Committed by Day of the Week







Completion and Roll Out



- To be completed and rolled out by mid-October
- Senior management in Headquarters and across the Prison Estate to have access to relevant dashboards

Challenges



- Uncertainty from key stakeholders
- Real-time solutions
- Data Quality
- Covid-19!
- Additional Requirements

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Benefits



- Easily accessible data
- Data Discovery through drill down capability and data visualisation
- Timesaving efficiency
- Reduce the Cognos Reporting Burden on IT
- Easily monitor key KPIs
- Facilitate forecasting to assist resource management

Benefits



"Quick analysis of data to respond to Audit queries, Senior Management queries — to get this information currently involves manipulation of data in excel which is time consuming"

"Easy to use for non PAMS users who can access understandable data without the need for a 'middleman' in Finance or IT, therefore, freeing up resources"

Finance Team Super User

Benefits

"Being able to respond to PQ's, press queries, public accounts with quickly accessible data; Being able to produce an annual infographics to improve transparency, to promote our work and improve recruitment; To review flow of referrals, waiting lists/waiting times and service delivery output of the psychology service to help the manage service"

Psychology Service Super User



"What we really need in IT is someone who has super powers."



Thank you for your attention!

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