

***A Further break down of what prisons each prisoner was released from in the figures represented in this table (1995-2010)***

Prisons from which each prisoner was released between 1995 - 2010:

Maghaberry	-	157
Maze	-	136
Magilligan	-	1
Hydebank Wood	-	1

***If they were male or female***

Gender of prisoners released between 1995 - 2010:  
Seven were female. The rest were male.

***What they were sentenced for***

285 were sentenced for murder;  
5 were sentenced for conspiracy to cause explosions;  
2 were sentenced for manslaughter;  
2 were sentenced for attempted murder;  
1 was sentenced for causing an explosion.

***What their original sentence was and how long they served***

In all cases the sentence was one of life imprisonment.  
Period served: See table below.

***Provide me with the same up to date information for the year 2011.***

Lifers released under NI (Sentences) Act 1998 - 0  
Lifers released under other legislation/the LSO - 8  
All were released from Maghaberry  
All were male  
All were sentenced to life imprisonment for murder  
Period served: See table below.

<b>Period of Imprisonment Served by Life Sentence Prisoners</b>				
<b>(1995-2010 &amp; 2011)</b>				
<b>(Legislation Released Under)</b>				
<b>Period</b>	<b>Prison Act*</b>	<b>NI (Sentences)</b>	<b>Life Sentences</b>	<b>LSO</b>
<b>Served Years</b>	<b>(NI) 1953</b>	<b>Act 1998</b>	<b>(NI) Order 2001 (LSO)</b>	<b>2011</b>
2/3	-	6	-	-
3/4	-	6	-	2
4/5	-	2	-	-
5/6	3	5	-	-
6/7	-	13	-	-
7/8	-	9	-	1
8/9	1	23	1	-
9/10	2	25	3	-
10/11	5	18	1	1
11/12	4	9	-	-
12/13	11	8	3	1
13/14	7	15	3	-
14/15	24	16	6	1
15/16	18	8	2	-
16/17	5	-	5	1
17/18	6	-	2	-
18/19	5	-	3	-
19/20	1	-	1	-
20/21	2	-	1	1
21/22	1	-	-	-
22/23	1	-	1	-
23/24	-	-	-	-
24/25	-	-	1	-
25/26	-	-	-	-
26/27	-	-	-	-
27/28	-	-	2	-
28/29	-	-	-	-
29/30	-	-	-	-
30/31	-	-	-	-
31/32	-	-	1	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>8</b>

NB: \* Includes figures for life sentence prisoners released under the Children & Young Persons (NI) Act 1968 & the Criminal Justice (Children) (Northern Ireland) Order 1998.

The information drawn upon in the provision of these answers relates to the 'first time' release from prison of life sentence prisoners under the three main pieces of legislation providing for their release – the Prison Act (NI) 1953; the NI (Sentences) Act 1998 and the Life Sentences (NI) Order 2001. This is with the exception of four persons who were first released under the Prison Act and who were recalled to prison under that legislation but who then subsequently applied for accelerated release under the Sentences Act and were re-released under that legislation.

It excludes information about lifer releases from Northern Ireland prisons in Home Office /National Offender Management Service cases subject to review by the Parole Board for England and Wales under the Crime (Sentences) Act 1997 on which only limited information is available. It excludes also information relating to life sentence prisoner's released on life licence who subsequently had their licenses revoked and who resumed serving their life sentences and who were then released again under the various pieces of legislation.