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BACKGROUND

Since the Announcement of the federal Government to decongest the correctional centers in light of the Covid-19 pandemic, coordinated efforts has been made by various key stakeholders and actors in the criminal justice administration across the states and the federal capital territory to implement the decongestion directives and advisory (in relation to federal and state offences respectively).

This is the maiden edition of the Data and Strategy Series on Corrections. It contains information on the number of inmates released across the various states of the federation and the Federal Capital Territory as at April 30, 2020 and the analysis of this information according to other demographics.

The analysis provide information on the impact of the exercise on the prison population and the potential of this helping towards decongestion of the correctional centers and promoting opportunity for social distancing. It also provides information on the number of persons released in relation to the various states and Geopolitical zones.

The data shows that as at April 30th, 2020 only twenty-six (26) states and Federal Capital Territory effected the release directive/advisory. Abia, Imo, Enugu, Gombe, Zamfara, Bayelsa, Niger, Adamawa, Taraba and Jigawa states are yet to effect the directive/advisory. All the states in south west region has complied with the directive/advisory. Percentage of those released in relation to the total inmate population of the country is 4.03%, while that of Lagos is 2.38%

It is hoped that the above information will provide the needed guidance for key decision makers, criminal justice administration and heads of justice institutions to do the needful and address the observed gaps.

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Table 1
Fig1; National Outlook of Released and Incarcerated Persons as at April 30, 2020

Percentage of Released Person: 4.03%

Total Percentage of Incarcerated Persons: 95.97%
## AMNESTY RELEASE ACROSS ALL THE CUSTODIAL CENTERS IN NIGERIA,
### APRIL 30, 2020

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| National Lockup | 67364 |
| released %      | 4.03% | 95.97% |

Table 2; General Amnesty Release across The federation
Fig 2a; Graphical Representation for all States
Fig 2b; Graphical Representation for all States
### Table 3; Geopolitical Distribution of Amnesty Release

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**Fig 3a; Geopolitical Distribution of Amnesty Release**
Fig 3b; Geopolitical Distribution of Amnesty Release
STATE DISTRIBUTIONS

Distribution for Lagos state as at April 30, 2020

Fig 4a; Distribution For Lagos state

Fig 4b; Distribution For Lagos state
DISTRIBUTION FOR FCT AS AT APRIL, 2020

Fig 5a FCT distribution

DISTRIBUTION FOR FCT AS AT APRIL, 2020

TOTAL LOCKUP: 1309 PERSONS (94.65%)

NO. OF RELEASED PERSONS
70 (5.35%)

Fig 5b FCT distribution