

Video  
Conferencing  
in court

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Criminal Courts of Justice

# Video Conferencing in Court



Videolink  
usage (pre-  
Covid)



2009	134
2010	380
2011	344
2012	435
2013	621
2014	1879
2015	2185
2016	2955
2017	3094
2018	3362
2019	3798

Videolink  
usage (post-  
Covid)

\* Q1 and Q2 only

2020	13417
2021*	10058



## Benefits/Issues

Financial Savings

Prisoner Welfare

Reduced Risk (weapons/drugs/escape)

Carbon emissions

Suspended Sentences

Returns for Trial

Further  
Developments ?

Garda Stations to Court

Children

Probation Service

Domestic Violence

# LEGISLATION

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(Criminal Evidence Act 1992 s. 13)

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Civil Law and Criminal Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (S.23)

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Practice Direction (DC 20) regarding District Court applications

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Practice Direction (HC 98) regarding High Court bail applications