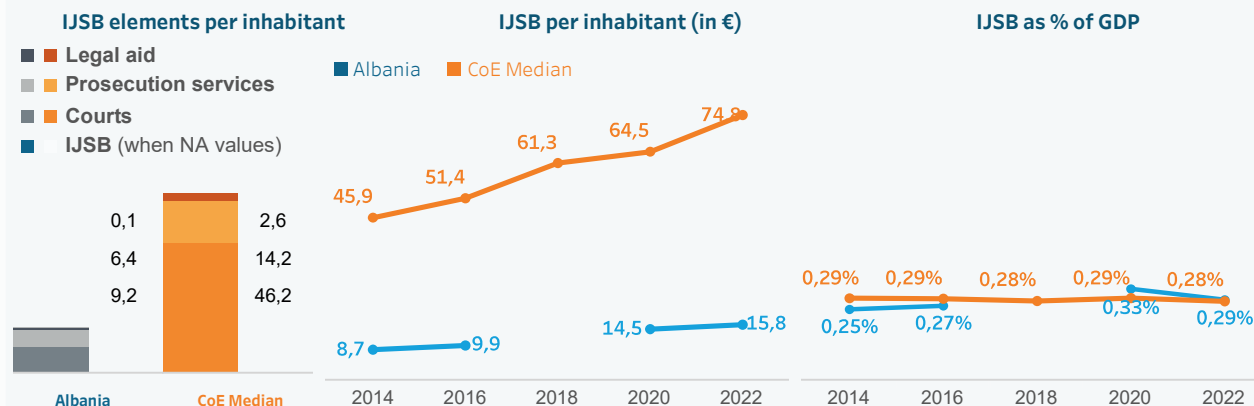## Inhabitants
2 793 592

GDP per capita
5 489 €
CoE Median 27 406 €

Average gross annual salary
6 888 €
CoE Median 22 878 €

Implemented Judicial System Budget (IJSB)

IJSB elements per inhabitant

Legal aid
Prosecution services
Courts
IJSB (when NA values)

Albania	CoE Median
0,1	2,6
6,4	14,2
9,2	46,2

Albania — CoE Median

IJSB per inhabitant (in €)

■ Albania ■ CoE Median

CoE Median: 45,9 (2014), 51,4 (2016), 61,3 (2018), 64,5 (2020), 74,8 (2022)

Albania: 8,7 (2014), 9,9 (2016), 14,5 (2020), 15,8 (2022)

2014 2016 2018 2020 2022

IJSB as % of GDP

CoE Median: 0,29% (2014), 0,29% (2016), 0,28% (2018), 0,29% (2020), 0,28% (2022)

Albania: 0,25% (2014), 0,27% (2016), 0,33% (2020), 0,29% (2022)

2014 2016 2018 2020 2022

Efficiency - Disposition Time (days)

1st instance DT

Civil	Criminal	Administrative
377	**93**	**179**

days to solve a case

	1st Instance	2nd Instance	Highest Instance
Civil	377	2272	NA
Criminal	93	531	902
Administrative	179	8680	1584

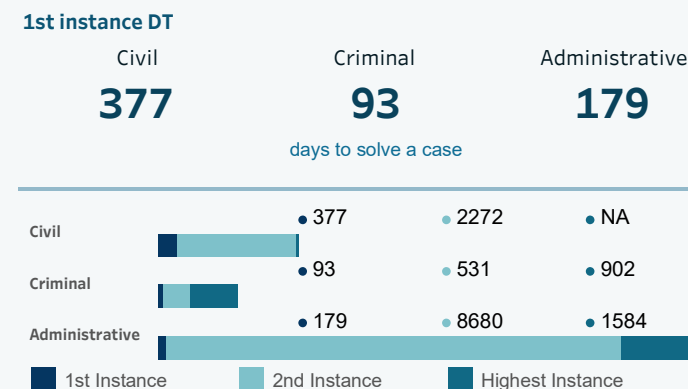■ 1st Instance ■ 2nd Instance ■ Highest Instance

Budget : In 2022, Albania's judicial system budget is 44 032 621 €, representing 15,8 € per inhabitant, well below the CoE median and one of the lowest in Europe. However, as a percentage of GDP at 0,29%, it aligns with the CoE median. The court budget is 9,2 € per inhabitant in 2022, up from 8,3 €. Despite this increase, Albania still has one of the lowest court budgets per inhabitant in Europe.

Professionals: The re-evaluation of judges and prosecutors (vetting process) that started in 2014 and is ongoing has impacted their numbers. Many were dismissed or resigned voluntarily. In 2022, Albania had significantly fewer judges than the CoE median: 11,38 per 100 000 inhabitants. However, between 2020 and 2022, the total number of Supreme Court judges increased from 4 to 16.

Court users: In 2022, the Tirana Court introduced a "Questionnaire for Court User Satisfaction" for lawyers and non-legal users. This pilot phase precedes potential expansion of the initiative.
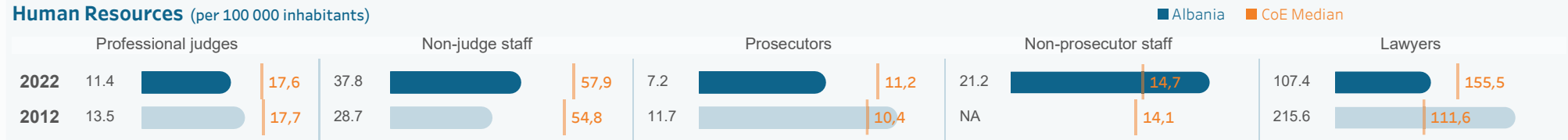
Judicial map reform: A reform concerning the reorganization of the country's courts is implemented since 2022 and was finalised in 2023. This reorganization led to the closure of 18 courts, leaving 13 courts of first instance of general jurisdiction, along with 1 Court of Appeal of General Jurisdiction and 2 administrative courts of first instance.
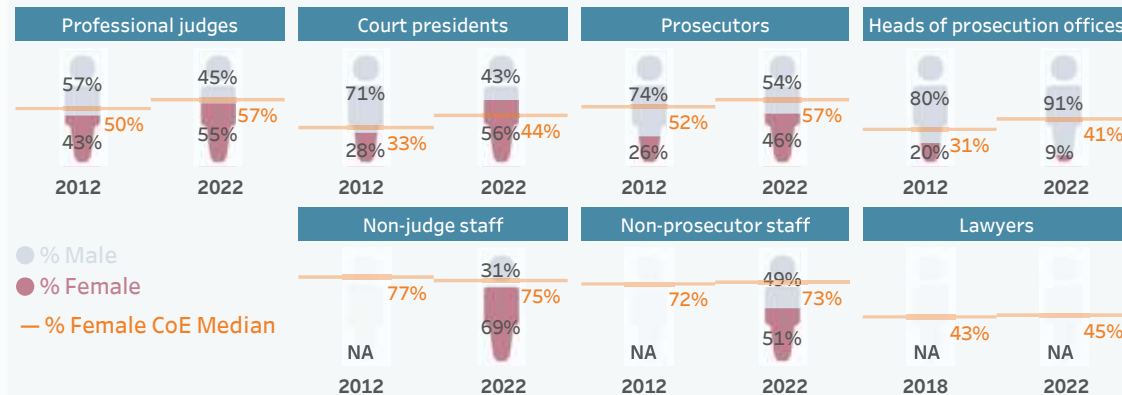
Efficiency : In 2022, first instance courts continue to exhibit significantly higher efficiency compared to second instance courts. Extremely long Disposition Times are found in second instance courts, particularly in civil and commercial litigious, and administrative cases, because of a lack of judges due to the vetting process. Criminal justice appears to be the area of law where the combined efficiency of all three instances is most pronounced, while administrative law remains the least efficient domain. Improvements in Disposition Times are noticeable for first instance criminal cases and first instance administrative cases, as well as for second instance criminal cases.
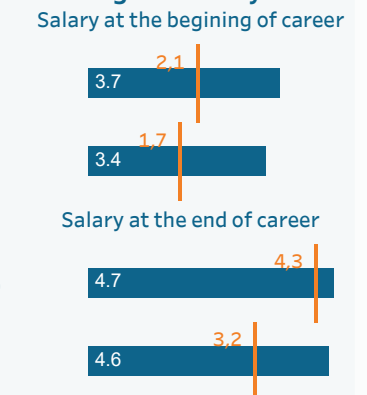
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Human Resources (per 100 000 inhabitants)

■ Albania ■ CoE Median

	Professional judges		Non-judge staff		Prosecutors		Non-prosecutor staff		Lawyers	
2022	11.4	17,6	37.8	57,9	7.2	11,2	21.2	14,7	107.4	155,5
2012	13.5	17,7	28.7	54,8	11.7	10,4	NA	14,1	215.6	111,6

Gender Balance

Professional judges
2012	2022
57% / 43%	45% / 55%
50% → 57%

Court presidents
2012	2022
71% / 28%	43% / 56%
33% / 44%

Prosecutors
2012	2022
74% / 26%	54% / 46%
52% / 57%

Heads of prosecution offices
2012	2022
80% / 20%	91% / 9%
31% / 41%

Non-judge staff
2012	2022
NA	31% / 69%
77% / 75%

Non-prosecutor staff
2012	2022
NA	49% / 51%
72% / 73%

Lawyers
2018	2022
NA	NA
43% / 45%

● % Male
● % Female
— % Female CoE Median

Absolute gross salaries

Salary at the begining of career
- Judges: 46 812 € / **25 304 €**
- Prosecutors: 42 249 € / **23 507 €**

Salary at the end of career
- Judges: 100 367 € / **32 420 €**
- Prosecutors: 70 090 € / **31 673 €**

Ratio with the average annual gross salary

Salary at the begining of career
- 3.7 / 2.1
- 3.4 / 1.7

Salary at the end of career
- 4.7 / 4.3
- 4.6 / 3.2

Training of Justice Professionals

Average number of live training participations per professional*

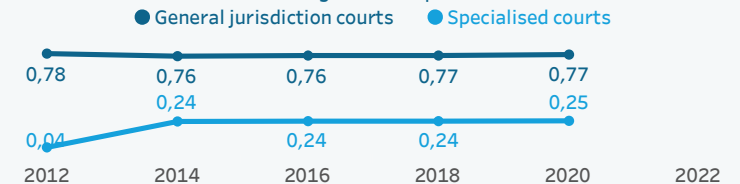|	Albania	CoE Median
For judges	2.8	1,9
For prosecutors	3.5	1,3
For non-judge staff	0.1	0,4
For non-prosecutor staff	0.2	0,4
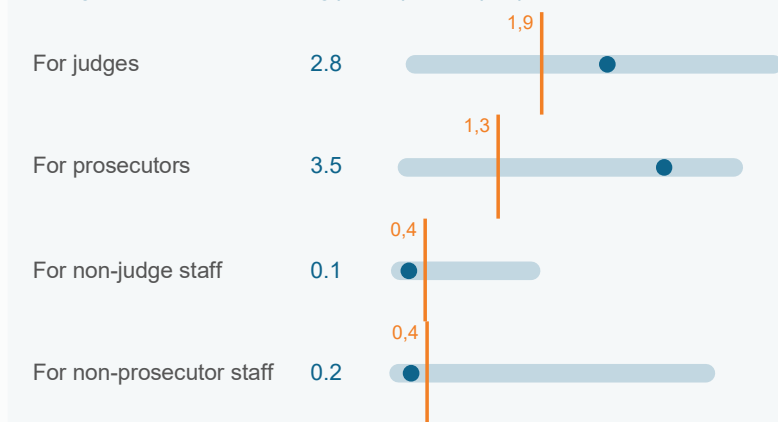
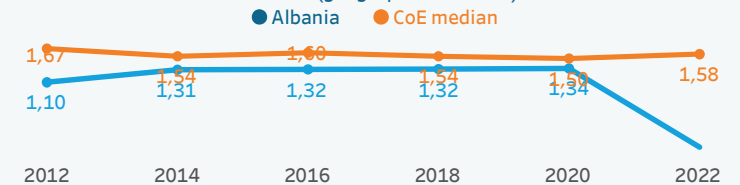### Distribution (%) of 1st instance specialised and general jurisdiction courts

NA

25%
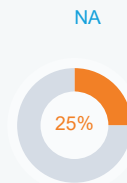
● Specialised courts
● Courts of general jurisdiction
● CoE Median

First instance legal entities per 100 000 inh.

● General jurisdiction courts   ● Specialised courts

2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
0,78	0,76	0,76	0,77	0,77	
0,04	0,24	0,24	0,24	0,25	

All courts (geographic locations)

● Albania   ● CoE median

2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
1,67	1,60	1,60	1,54	1,54	1,58
1,10	1,31	1,32	1,32	1,34	

* This indicator is calculated as follows: the number of participants in live trainings is divided by the number of professionals for that category. For example, if the CoE Median for judges is 3,9, this means that, each judge in Europe participated to 3,9 live trainings (as mid value). Indeed, this analysis allows to better understand quantity of training per professional if all were trained.

CEPEJ Efficiency Indicators

Clearance Rate (CR) = (Resolved cases / Incoming cases) *100
CR > 100%, the court/judicial system is able to resolve more cases than it received => backlog is decreasing
CR < 100%, the court/judicial system is able to resolve fewer cases than it received => backlog is increasing
Dispostion Time (DT) = (Pending cases / Resolved cases) *365
The Disposition Time (DT) is the theoretical time for a pending case to be resolved, taken into consideration the current pace of work of the courts
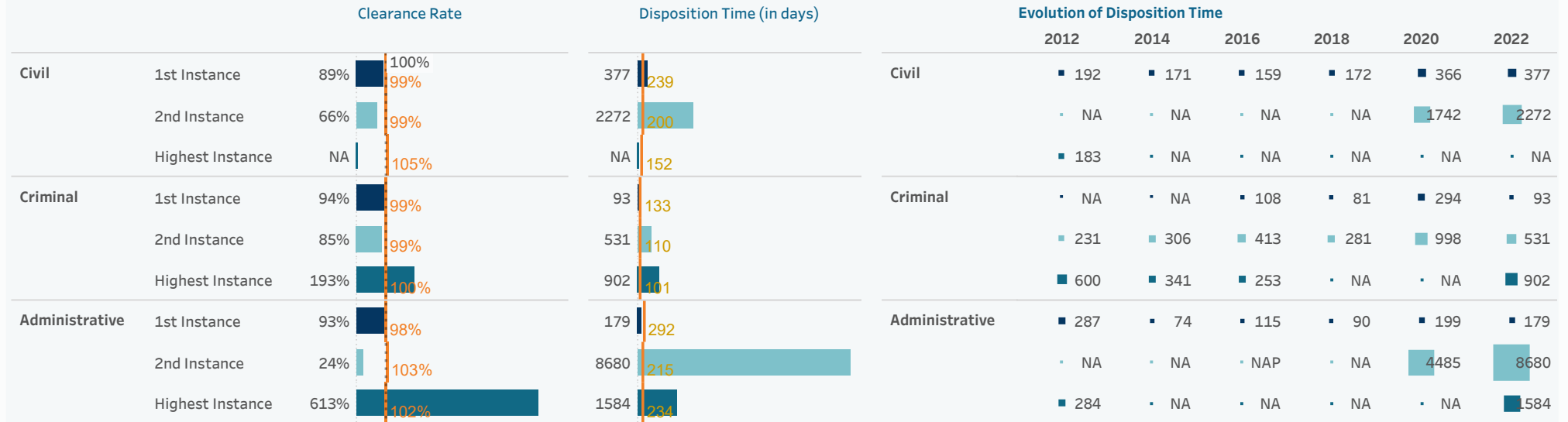
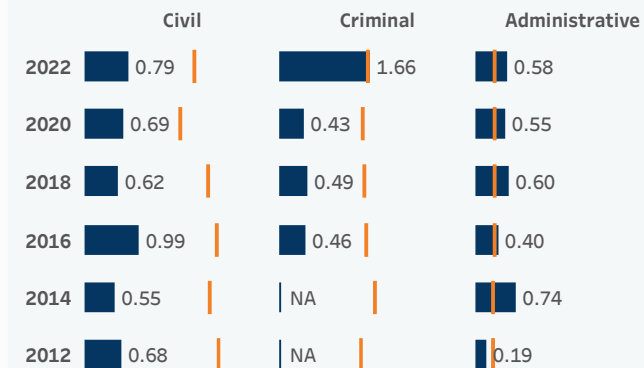■ Albania
■ CoE Median

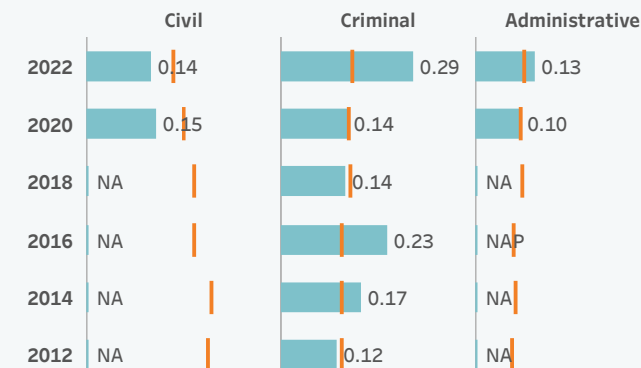**Instance**
■ 1st Instance
■ 2nd Instance
■ Highest Instance

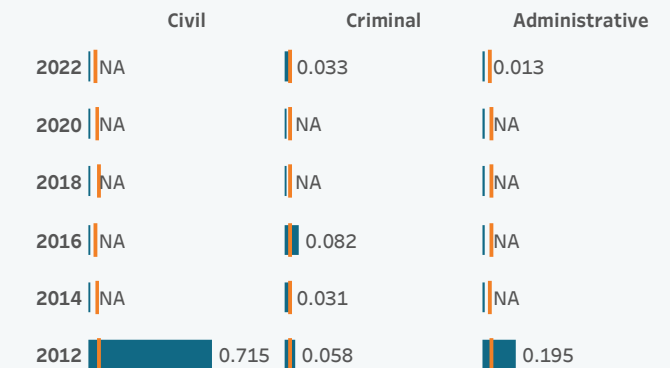### Clearance Rate / Disposition Time (in days)

		CR Albania	CR CoE Median	DT Albania	DT CoE Median
Civil	1st Instance	89%	100% / 99%	377	239
	2nd Instance	66%	99%	2272	200
	Highest Instance	NA	105%	NA	152
Criminal	1st Instance	94%	99%	93	133
	2nd Instance	85%	99%	531	110
	Highest Instance	193%	100%	902	101
Administrative	1st Instance	93%	98%	179	292
	2nd Instance	24%	103%	8680	215
	Highest Instance	613%	102%	1584	234

Evolution of Disposition Time

	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
Civil	192	171	159	172	366	377
	NA	NA	NA	NA	1742	2272
	183	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Criminal	NA	NA	108	81	294	93
	231	306	413	281	998	531
	600	341	253	NA	NA	902
Administrative	287	74	115	90	199	179
	NA	NA	NAP	NA	4485	8680
	284	NA	NA	NA	NA	1584

Incoming Cases

Total number of 1st instance cases per 100 inhabitants

	Civil	Criminal	Administrative
2022	0.79	1.66	0.58
2020	0.69	0.43	0.55
2018	0.62	0.49	0.60
2016	0.99	0.46	0.40
2014	0.55	NA	0.74
2012	0.68	NA	0.19

Total number of 2nd instance cases per 100 inhabitants

	Civil	Criminal	Administrative
2022	0.14	0.29	0.13
2020	0.15	0.14	0.10
2018	NA	0.14	NA
2016	NA	0.23	NAP
2014	NA	0.17	NA
2012	NA	0.12	NA

Total number of Supreme Court cases per 100 inhabitants

	Civil	Criminal	Administrative
2022	NA	0.033	0.013
2020	NA	NA	NA
2018	NA	NA	NA
2016	NA	0.082	NA
2014	NA	0.031	NA
2012	0.715	0.058	0.195

Public Prosecution Services

Total number of received cases (1st instance) per prosecutor

266   244
          205   190   234
                                     204

84.73   133.96   132.07   NA   NA   127.41

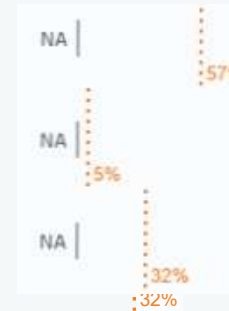2012   2014   2016   2018   2020   2022
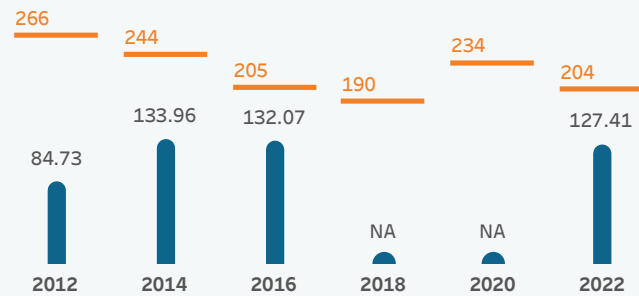
Distribution of processed cases in %

Discontinued during the reference year

Concluded by a penalty or a measure imposed or negotiated by the public prosecutor

Cases brought to court

NA ⋮57%

NA ⋮5%

NA ⋮32%
⋮32%

Distribution of discontinued cases in %   ■ Albania
                                                ■ CoE Median

Discontinued because the offender could not be identified

Discontinued due to the lack of an established offence or a specific legal situation

Discontinued by the public prosecutor for reasons of opportunity

Discontinued for other reasons

NA ⋮38%

NA ⋮35%

NA ⋮12%

NA ⋮18%
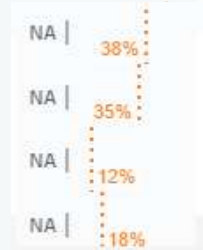
Note: There are different methodologies for calculating the number of cases in the prosecution services' statistics: by event or by perpetrator. The CEPEJ collects data per case (event), but some countries present it per perpetrator.
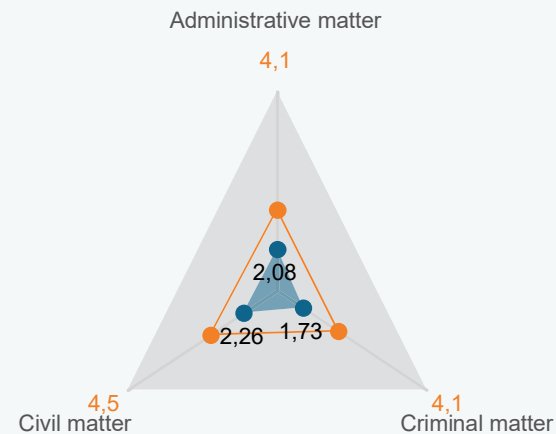
ICT Deployment and Usage Index
(from 0 to 10)
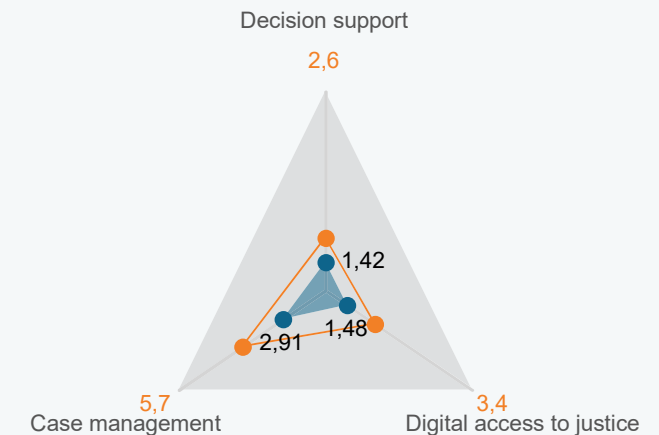
Total deployment rate : **2,04**

4,16

Total usage rate : **1,61**

(experimental)

Deployment index by matter (0 to 10)

Administrative matter
4,1

2,08

4,5   2,26   1,73   4,1
Civil matter   Criminal matter

Deployment index by category (0 to 10)

Decision support
2,6

1,42

5,7   2,91   1,48   3,4
Case management   Digital access to justice

Judiciary Related Websites

Legal texts

NA

Case-law of the higher court/s

NA

Information about the judicial system

NA