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# Judiciary at a glance in Bulgaria

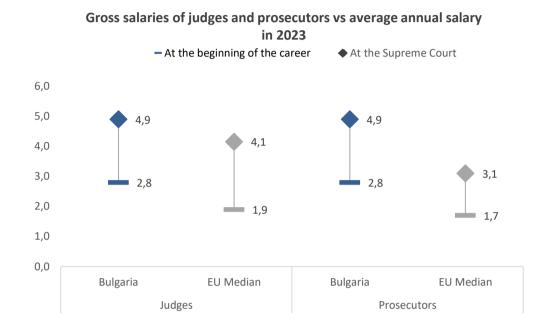
(2023 data)

### **General data**

Population: 6 445 481 GDP per capita: 14 580 € Average annual 12 518 € salary:

#### **Professionals**

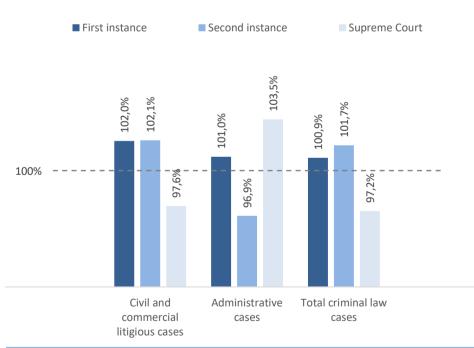
# Professional judges Non-judge staff Prosecutors Non-prosecutor staff Lawyers Professional judges 34,7 21,5 102,5 102,5 47,8 10,6 210,0

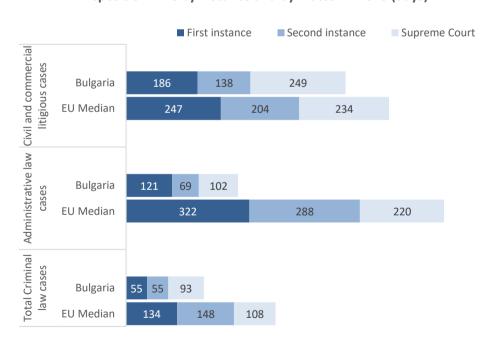


#### **Efficiency**

#### Clearance Rate by instance and by matter in 2023 (%)

#### DispositionTime by instance and by matter in 2023 (days)





#### Incoming cases per 100 inhabitants

#### Incoming Civil (and commercial) litigious cases per 100 inhabitants\*



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0,50				0,12	NA NA <sup>0,12</sup>	NA NA 0,12	NA NA <sup>0,12</sup>	NA NA <sup>0,10</sup>	NA NA <sup>0,11</sup>	0,12	0,12	
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0,00	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	

<sup>\*</sup> Please note that the Supreme Court data prior to 2014 were not collected.

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Economic and demographic data	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend . 2013-2023	Variat 2013-2023	2022-2023
Population	7 245 677	7 202 198	7 153 784	7 101 859	7 050 034	7 000 039	6 951 482	6 916 548	6 838 937	6 447 710	6 445 481		-11,0%	0,0%
GDP per capita	5 493	5 808	6 152	6 645	7 099	7 855	8 779	8 845	9 868	13 271		III	165,4%	9,9%
Exchange rate (local currency needed to	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96	1,96		0,0%	0,0%
obtain 1€) Average annual salary		.,	.,	.,,	.,		7 814	8 509	9 514	10 861	12 518	- 8	5,676	15,3%
Resources per 100 000 inh.	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend	2013-2023	2022-2023
Professional judges	30,24	30,82	31,10	31,75	31,70	31,76	31,86	31,58	32,05	33,93	34,66	2013-2023	14,6%	2,1%
Non-judge staff	82,23	83,50	85,87	86,93	88,11	89,46	90,96	91,51	94,68	102,16			24,6%	0,3%
Public prosecutors	,	,	,	,	,		,	21,98	22,33	23,92	24,03			0,5%
Non-prosecutors staff								43,68	42,21	45,85	47,80			4,3%
Lawyers	165,75	176,28	181,90	190,09	194,61	194,86	199,67	201,89	198,93	209,18	209,96		26,7%	0,4%
Mediators	NA		NA	NA										
First instance incoming cases per 100 inhab.	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trends 2012-2021	2013-2023	2022-2023
Civil and commercial litigious cases	NA	2,00		NA	NA 									
Administrative law cases	0,36	0,34	0,37	0,35	0,44	0,44	0,50	0,42	0,42	0,44	0,45	111111111	24,2%	3,6%
Total criminal law cases									1,92	1,93	2,04			5,7%
First instance performance indicators (Clearance Rate)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trends 2012-2021	2013-2023 (percentange points)	2022-2023 (percentange points)
CR civil and commercial litigious cases	NA	102%		NA	NA									
CR administrative law cases	109%	101%	99%	104%	95%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%		-7,69	0,16
CR total criminal law cases								98%	100%	102%	101%			-0,88
First instance performance indicators	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend	2013-2023	2022-2023
(Disposition Time)  DT civil and commercial litigious cases												2013-2023		
(days)	NA	186		NA	NA									
DT administrative law cases (days)	110	124	122	108	116	112	107	124	125	129	121		10,1%	-6,2%
DT total criminal law cases (days)								66	65	61	55			-9,8%
First instance pending cases per 100 inhab. on 31 dec.	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend 2013-2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
Civil and commercial litigious cases	NA	1,04		NA	NA									
Administrative law cases	0,12	0,12	0,12	0,11	0,13	0,14	0,14	0,14	0,14	0,16	0,15		29,0%	-2,7%
Total criminal law cases								0,34	0,34	0,33	0,31			-5,5%
Second instance performance indicators (Clearance Rate)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend 2013-2023	2013-2023 (percentange points)	2022-2023 (percentange points)
CR civil and commercial litigious cases				NA	102%			NA						
CR administrative law cases				102%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	102%	97%			-5,41
CR total criminal law cases								99%	99%	100%	102%			1,37
Second instance performance indicators (Disposition Time)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend 2013-2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
DT civil and commercial litigious cases (days)				NA	138			NA						
DT administrative law cases (days)				62	62	59	57	64	61	57	69			21,8%
DT total criminal law cases (days)								56	63	66	55			-15,5%
Supreme court performance indicators (Clearance Rate)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend 2013-2023	2013-2023 (percentange points)	2022-2023 (percentange points)
CR civil and commercial litigious cases				97%	101%	96%	98%	103%	89%	98%	98%		points)_	-0,51
CR administrative law cases				95%	105%	100%	114%	110%	100%	96%	104%			7,54
CR total criminal law cases								103%	97%	103%	97%			-6,18
Supreme court performance indicators (Disposition Time)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Trend 2013-2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
DT civil and commercial litigious cases				172	161	184	190	205	247	237	249			4,8%
(days)				181	1/13	1/11	84	83	103	127	102			-10 3%

DT administrative law cases (days)

DT total criminal law cases (days)

-19,3%

3,4%

#### 1. Judicial organisation in Bulgaria (2023 data)

In Bulgaria in 2023, the number of courts considered as legal entities is 180. Namely, there are 147 courts of general jurisdiction and 33 specialised courts.

Among the 147 legal entities of general jurisdiction, 113 District courts act as main first instance courts. They have jurisdiction over all cases except those which are statutorily assigned to another court. They deal with civil, criminal and administrative-criminal cases. The decisions of the district courts are subject to appeal before the respective Regional court.

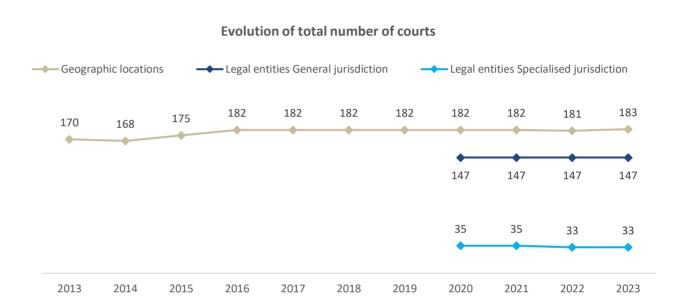
The 28 Provincial/Regional Courts act as courts of first and second instance. As courts of first instance, they examine a precisely defined categories of cases involving significant sums or substantial societal interest. When acting as a second (appellate) instance, they re-examine decisions taken by the District courts. In the frame of question 42, they are included in the number of courts of second instance with general jurisdiction, the decisive indicator used is the number of incoming cases. At second instance, besides the Regional courts, there are in Bulgaria 5 Courts of appeal.

The Supreme Cassation Court is the highest instance court of general jurisdiction. Its equivalent in administrative matters is the Supreme Administrative Court. Among the 33 specialised courts, 31 act at first instance, while 2 are higher instance courts (see below for more details).

In terms of geographic locations, there are 181 courts among which 145 are of first instance. Indeed, the Sofia Appellate Court, Sofia City Court and Sofia District Court are housed in two court buildings each, where sessions are held.

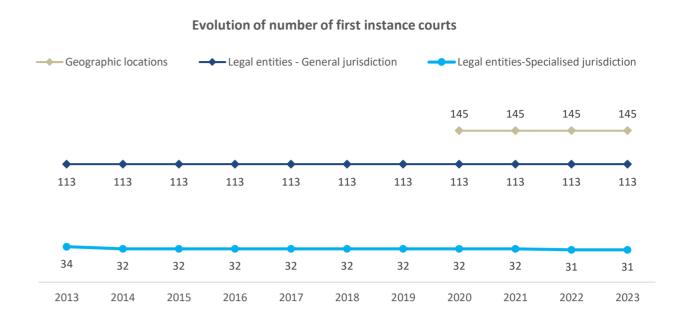
# **Evolution of total number of courts**

Total number of	Coographic	Legal er	ntities
courts	Geographic locations	General jurisdiction	Specialised jurisdiction
2013	170		
2014	168		
2015	175		
2016	182		
2017	182		
2018	182		
2019	182		
2020	182	147	35
2021	182	147	35
2022	181	147	33
2023	183	147	33

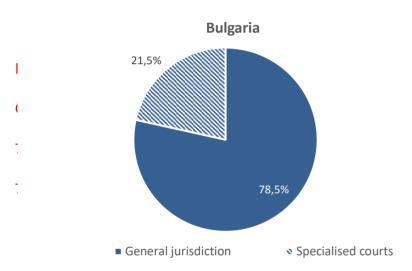


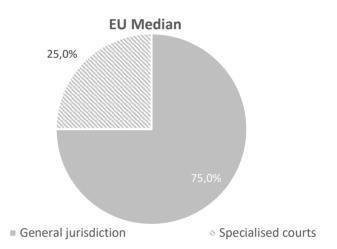
# **Evolution of number of first instance courts**

	0	Legal er	ntities
First instance courts	Geographic locations	General jurisdiction	Specialised jurisdiction
2013		113	34
2014		113	32
2015		113	32
2016		113	32
2017		113	32
2018		113	32
2019		113	32
2020	145	113	32
2021	145	113	32
2022	145	113	31
2023	145	113	31



#### Distribution of first instance general jurisdiction and specialised courts





The distribution between first instance general jurisdiction courts and first instance specialised courts in Bulgaria is 78,5% - 21,5% which is similar to the distribution tendency in EU: 75,0% - 25,0%.

# **Specialised Courts**

Specialised courts	First instance	Higher instance
Total	31	2
Commercial courts (excluded insolvency courts)	NAP	NAP
Insolvency courts	NAP	NAP
Labour courts	NAP	NAP
Family courts	NAP	NAP
Rent and tenancies courts	NAP	NAP
Enforcement of criminal sanctions courts	NAP	NAP
Fight against terrorism, organised crime and corruption	NAP	NAP
Internet related disputes	NAP	NAP
Administrative courts	28	1
Insurance and / or social welfare courts	NAP	NAP
Military courts	3	1
Juvenile courts	NAP	NAP
Other specialised courts	NAP	NAP

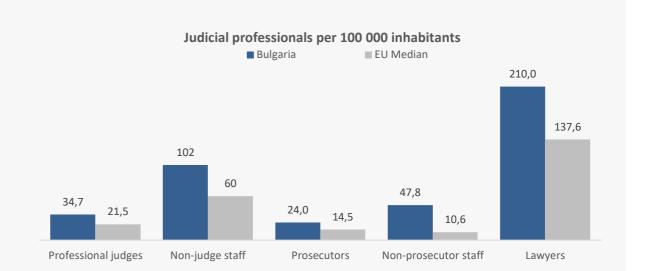
In 2023, the 33 specialised courts encompass 28 first instance administrative courts, 3 military courts, the Supreme Administrative Court and the Military Court of Appeal.

#### 2. Professionals of justice in Bulgaria (2023 data)

# Judicial professionals (summary)

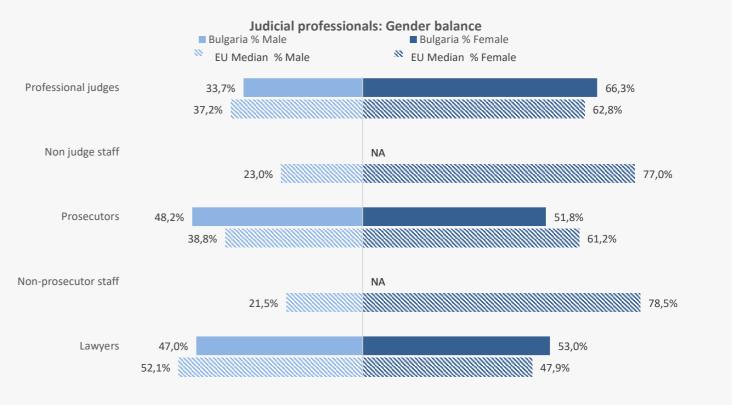
#### Judicial professionals in absolute number and per 100 000 inhabitants

	Absolute number	Per 100 000 inhabitants	EU Median
Professional judges	2 234	34,7	21,5
Non-judge staff	6 606	102	60
Prosecutors	1 549	24,0	14,5
Non-prosecutor staff	3 081	47,8	10,6
Lawyers	13 533	210,0	137,6



#### Judicial professionals: Gender balance

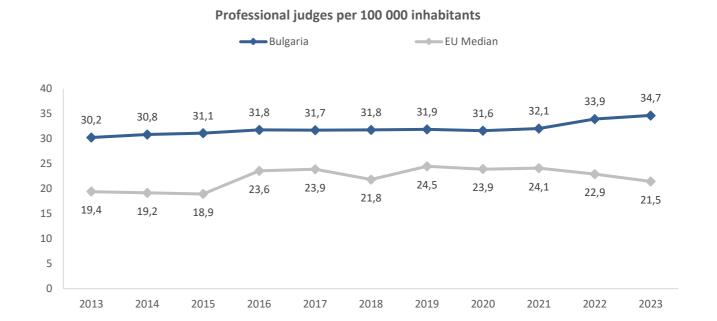
	% Male	% Female
Professional judges	33,7%	66,3%
Non judge staff	NA	NA
Prosecutors	48,2%	51,8%
Non-prosecutor staff	NA	NA
Lawyers	47,0%	53,0%



#### Professional judges

#### Evolution of the number of professional judges since 2012 (Q46)

Number of professional	Absolute Number	Per 100 000	inhabitants
judges	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	2 191	30,2	19,4
2014	2 220	30,8	19,2
2015	2 225	31,1	18,9
2016	2 255	31,8	23,6
2017	2 235	31,7	23,9
2018	2 223	31,8	21,8
2019	2 215	31,9	24,5
2020	2 184	31,6	23,9
2021	2 192	32,1	24,1
2022	2 188	33,9	22,9
2023	2 234	34,7	21,5

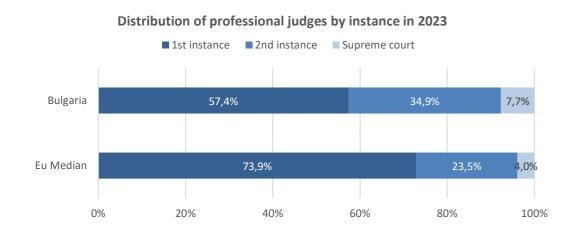


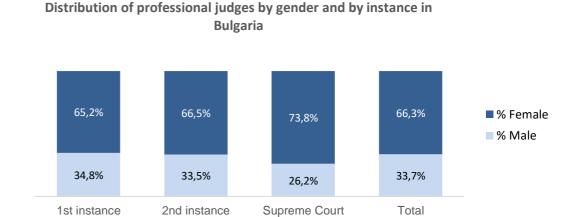
According to 2023 data, the total number of professional judges sitting in courts (all instances) in Bulgaria is 2 234, which is 2,1% more than in previous cycle.

More precisely, in Bulgaria, there are 34,7 professional judges per 100 000 inhabitants (this figure is above the EU median of 21,5 judges per 100 000 inhabitants)

#### Absolute number of professional judges by instance and gender

Professional judges 2023	Total	Distribution by instance	Male	Female	% Male	% Female
1st instance	1 282	57,4%	446	836	34,8%	65,2%
2nd instance	780	34,9%	261	519	33,5%	66,5%
Supreme Court	172	7,7%	45	127	26,2%	73,8%
Total	2 234		752	1 482	33,7%	66,3%





In this cycle, the total number of female professional judges (all instances) is 1 482, which represents 66,3% of the total number of judges.

The total number of judges is distributed among the different judicial instances in the following way: 1 282 are sitting in the first instance courts (of which 836 are female); 780 are sitting in the second instance courts (of which 519 are female) and 172 are sitting at the Supreme Court (of which 127 are female).

Compared with the EU distribution of professional judges per instance, first instance judges are the most numerous, but they are less prevalent than in the EU. Conversely, the percentage of second instance judges is significantly higher than in the EU. At the Supreme Court level, there are more judges in Bulgaria compared with the EU median.

As regards the distribution of the number of judges among the different judicial instances, Bulgaria presents some peculiarities which should be mentioned. The number of first instance professional judges encompasses the judges of the first instance courts as follows - 113 district, 28 administrative, 3 military-district. Are counted as second instance judges, judges of the 28 regional/provincial, 5 appellate and the Military Court of Appeal. It is worth recalling here that the Regional courts have mixed competences as first and second instance for certain categories of cases, but given their predominant competences, they are categorized as courts of second instance. At third instance there are judges of the Supreme Court of Cassation and the Supreme Administrative Court.

As regards the distribution male/female, it has to be specified that female judges represent more than 65% at all three instances.

#### Absolute number of professional judges by instance and matter

Professional judges 2023	Total	Civil and commercial	Criminal	Administrative	Other
1st instance	1 282	NA	NA	308	9
2nd instance	780	460	269	NAP	5
Supreme Court	172	64	23	84	NAP
Total	2 234	NA	NA	392	14

In Bulgaria, the distribution of judges by categories of cases is possible for administrative and other matters. For civil and criminal matters, this distribution can be carried out only at second and third instance.

#### Distribution of professional judges by instance and matter

Distribution of Professional judges by instance and matter 2023	Civil and commercial	Criminal	Administrative	Other
1st instance	NA	NA	24,0%	0,7%
2nd instance	59,0%	34,5%	NAP	0,6%
Supreme Court	37,2%	13,4%	48,8%	NAP
Total	NA	NA	17,5%	0,6%

The category "other" refers to military judges.

It should be specified that the total number of 1 282 first instance judges includes 965 district judges for whom no information regarding specialization is available.

The total number of 780 second instance judges includes 46 junior judges for whom no information regarding specialization is available.

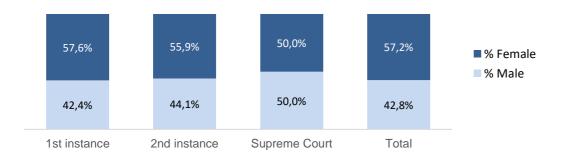
Regarding the Supreme Court of Cassation, the total number of 172 judges also includes the president of the court, for whom no information is available regarding specialization.

# **Court presidents**

#### Absolute number of court presidents by instance and gender

Court presidents 2023	Total	Distribution by instance	Male	Female	% Male	% Female
1st instance	144	80,0%	61	83	42,4%	57,6%
2nd instance	34	18,9%	15	19	44,1%	55,9%
Supreme Court	2	1,1%	1	1	50,0%	50,0%
Total	180		77	103	42,8%	57,2%

Distribution of court presidents by gender and by instance in Bulgaria

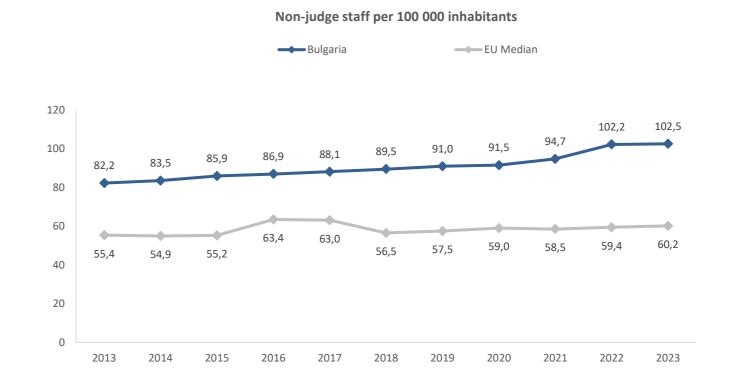


In this cycle, the total number of female court presidents (all instances) is 103, which represents 57,2% of the total number of court presidents.

The total number of court presidents is distributed among the different judicial instances in the following way: 144 are sitting in first instance courts (of which 83 are female); 34 are sitting in second instance courts (of which 19 are female) and 2 are sitting in Supreme Court (of which 1 is female).

# Non-judge staff

Number of non-judge	Absolute Number	Per 100 000	inhabitants
staff	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	5 958	82,2	55,4
2014	6 014	83,5	54,9
2015	6 143	85,9	55,2
2016	6 174	86,9	63,4
2017	6 212	88,1	63,0
2018	6 262	89,5	56,5
2019	6 323	91,0	57,5
2020	6 329	91,5	59,0
2021	6 475	94,7	58,5
2022	6 587	102,2	59,4
2023	6 606	102,5	60,2



In 2023, Bulgaria has 6 606 non-judge staff. The distribution by gender cannot be carried out. The total number of non-judge staff in comparison with the previous cycle reveals an increase of 0,3%.

In 2023, the number of non-judge staff per 100 000 inhabitants has increased (from 102,2 in 2022 to 102,5 in 2023).

During the same period, the number of judges per 100 000 inhabitants evolved from 33,9 judges per 100 000 inhabitants in 2022 to 34,7 in 2023.

Number of non-judge staff by category in 2023	Absolute number	in %
Total	6 606	
Rechtspfleger	NAP	NAP
Non-judge staff assisting the judge	4 936	74,7%
Staff in charge of administrative tasks	994	15,0%
Technical staff	636	9,6%
Other	40	0,6%

In this cycle, the non-judge staff is broken down as follows:

- $\,{}^{\circ}\,4$  936 non-judge staff whose task is to assist the judges such as registrars;
- ${\scriptstyle \circ}$  994 staff in charge of different administrative tasks and of the court management;
- ∘ 636 technical staff;
- ∘ 40 other;

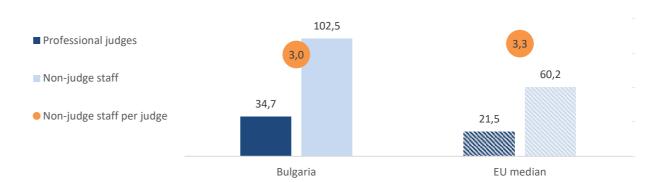
The category "other" encompasses the number of non-judge staff employees working in the recreational field. The total number of judicial employees in the courts does not include trainee judges.

The Judges' College of the Supreme Judicial Council does not maintain data on the gender distribution of the court clerks (non-judge staff) in the courts, since each court of the respective level (a total of 180 courts) is an independent legal entity and their employer is the president of the respective court.

# Ratio between professional judges and non-judge staff

Per 100 000 inhabitants	Bulgaria	EU median
Professional judges	34,7	21,5
Non-judge staff	102,5	60,2
Non-judge staff per judge	3,0	3,3

#### Professional judges and non-judge staff per 100 000 inhabitants, and their ratio

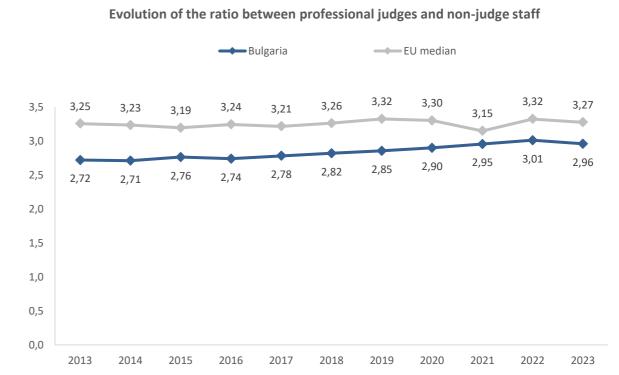


In Bulgaria, there are 34,7 professional judges per 100 000 inhabitants (this figure is above the EU median of 21,5 judges per 100 000 inhabitants) and about 3,0 non-judge staff per judge.

There is no significant difference compared with previous cycle when this ratio was also at 3,0 non-judge staff per judge.

#### Evolution of the ratio between professional judges and non-judge staff

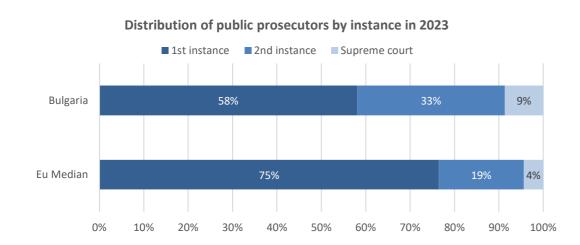
Cycle	Judges per 100 000 inh.	Non-judge staff per 100 000 inh.		fessional judges and dge staff
	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU median
2013	30,2	82,2	2,72	3,25
2014	30,8	83,5	2,71	3,23
2015	31,1	85,9	2,76	3,19
2016	31,8	86,9	2,74	3,24
2017	31,7	88,1	2,78	3,21
2018	31,8	89,5	2,82	3,26
2019	31,9	91,0	2,85	3,32
2020	31,6	91,5	2,90	3,30
2021	32,1	94,7	2,95	3,15
2022	33,9	102,2	3,01	3,32
2023	34,7	102,5	2,96	3,27



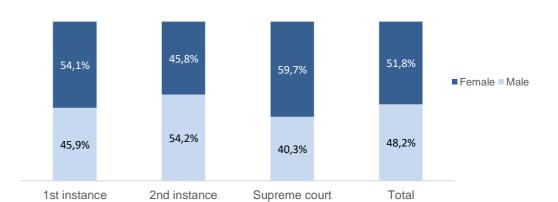
#### **Public prosecutors**

#### Absolute number of public prosecutors by instance and gender

2023	Total	Distribution by instance	Male	Female	Male	Female
1st instance	900	58,1%	413	487	45,9%	54,1%
2nd instance	515	33,2%	279	236	54,2%	45,8%
Supreme court	134	8,7%	54	80	40,3%	59,7%
Total	1 549		746	803	48,2%	51,8%







In this cycle, the total number of Female prosecutors (all instances) is 803, which represents 51,8% of the total number of prosecutors.

The total number of prosecutors is distributed among the different judicial instances in the following way: 900 in first instance (of which 487 are female); 515 are in second instance (of which 236 are female) and 134 in final instance (of which 80 are female).

As regards the methodology of presentation of data in respect of the number of public prosecutors, it should be noticed that the provided data refer to the actual number of employed persons for the year of reference.

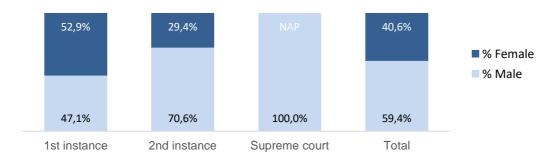
As regards the distribution male/female, it has to be specified that female prosecutors do not represent the majority only at second instance.

#### **Heads of prosecution services**

#### Absolute number of Heads of prosecution services by instance and gender

Heads of prosecution services 2023	Total	Distribution by instance	Male	Female	% Male	% Female
1st instance	34	49,3%	16	18	47,1%	52,9%
2nd instance	34	49,3%	24	10	70,6%	29,4%
Supreme court	1	1,4%	1	NAP	100,0%	NAP
Total	69		41	28	59,4%	40,6%

# Distribution of Heads of prosecution services by gender and by instance in Bulgaria



In this cycle, the total number of female heads of prosecution services (all instances) is 28, which represents 40,6% of the total number of heads of prosecution services.

The total number of heads of prosecution services is distributed among the different judicial instances in the following way: 34 at first instance level (of which 18 are female); 34 at second instance level (of which 10 are female) and 1 at the highest instance level who is a man.

It should be mentioned that the process of merging the district prosecutor's offices ended on July 27, 2022. Starting from this date the number of first instance public prosecution offices is 34.

# Non-prosecutor staff

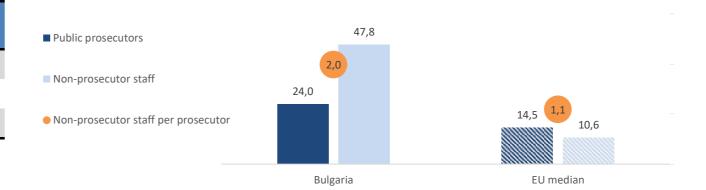
Non-prosecutor staff	Total	Male	Female
2020	3 021	NA	NA
2021	2 887	NA	NA
2022	2 956	NA	NA
2023	3 081	NA	NA

The Prosecutors' College of the Supreme Judicial Council does not maintain data on the gender distribution of the prosecutor's office clerks (non-prosecutor staff) in the prosecutor's offices, since each prosecutor's office of the respective level (a total of 69 prosecutor's offices) is an independent legal entity and their employer is the administrative head of the respective prosecutor's office.

# Ratio between non-prosecutor staff and public prosecutors

Public prosecutors and non-prosecutor staff per 100 000 inhabitants, and their ratio

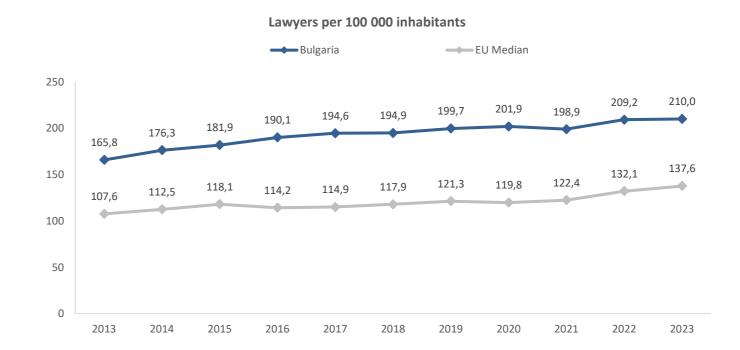
Per 100 000 inhabitants	Bulgaria	EU median
Public prosecutors	24,0	14,5
Non-prosecutor staff	47,8	10,6
Non-prosecutor staff per prosecutor	2,0	1,1



In 2023, in Bulgaria, the ratio between non-prosecutor staff and prosecutors of 2,0 was quite above the EU median of 1,1

# Lawyers

	Absolute Number	Per 100 000	inhabitants
Lawyers	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	12 010	165,8	107,6
2014	12 696	176,3	112,5
2015	13 013	181,9	118,1
2016	13 500	190,1	114,2
2017	13 720	194,6	114,9
2018	13 640	194,9	117,9
2019	13 880	199,7	121,3
2020	13 964	201,9	119,8
2021	13 605	198,9	122,4
2022	13 487	209,2	132,1
2023	13 533	210,0	137,6

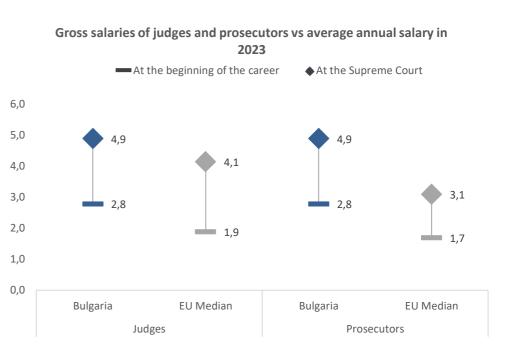


In 2023, there are 13 533 lawyers, which is 0,3% more than in 2022. There are 7 171 female lawyers which is 53% of the total.

Bulgaria has 210,0 lawyers per 100 000 inhabitants, which is above the EU median of 137,6 lawyers per 100 000 inhabitants.

#### Salaries of professional judges and prosecutors at beginning of a career and at the highest instance

Salaries of professional judges and prosecutors	Average gross annual salary in €	Average net annual salary in €		average annual gross lary
	Bulgaria		Bulgaria	EU median
First instance professional judge at the beginning of his/her career	34 867€	31 381€	2,8	1,9
Judge of the Supreme Court or the Highest Appellate Court	61 202€	55 082€	4,9	4,1
Public prosecutor at the beginning of his/her career	34 867€	31 381€	2,8	1,7
Public prosecutor of the Supreme Court or the Highest Appellate Instance	61 202€	55 082€	4,9	3,1



In the European Union, the absolute gross salary for a judge at the beginning of career ranges from a minimum of 25 759€ to a maximum of 144 856€.

According to 2023 data, the absolute gross salary of a judge at the beginning of his/her career in Bulgaria is 34 867€, which is rather below the EU median of 58 128€. (-40% below)

Compared with the annual average salary in the country, the salary for a judge at the beginning of his/her career is 2,8 times higher. (the EU median is 1,9)

At the highest level, the range of the EU absolute gross salary for a judge is from 58 623€ to 266 974€. Bulgaria's absolute gross salaries for judges at the highest level is -48% below the EU median of 118 595€

For the public prosecutors, the range for the absolute gross salary at the beginning of career is from a minimum of 25 759€ to a maximum of 101 592€.

In 2023, the absolute gross salary of a public prosecutor at the beginning of his/her career in Bulgaria of 34 867€ is rather below the EU median of 49 953€. (-30% below)

Compared with the annual average salary in the country, the salary for a public prosecutors at the beginning of his/her career is 2,8 times higher. (the EU median is 1,7)

At the highest level, the minimum absolute gross salary for prosecutors in the European Union is 51 456€ and the maximum is 199 670€. Bulgaria's absolute gross salaries for prosecutors at the highest level is -35% below the EU median of 93 759€

According to Art. 218, paragraph 3 of the Judiciary System Act (JSA), the remuneration of judges, prosecutors and investigators is determined by a decision of the General Assembly of the Supreme Judicial Council (SJC) and the Supreme Prosecutorial Council (SPC) that adopts "Table No. 1 - for determination of the maximum basic monthly salaries of judges, prosecutors and investigators", which is applicable for all magistrates equally. In this regard, data for judges and prosecutors match completely.

The gross monthly remuneration of judges, prosecutors and investigators is formed by adding to the basic monthly remuneration the remuneration for rank (from Table No. 1) and time served (according to Article 219 of the JSA).

#### 3. System of compensating users in Bulgaria (2023 data)

#### System for compensating users

2023	Number of requests for compensation	Number of compensations granted	Total amount of compensations granted (in €)
Total	NA	NA	NA
Excessive length of proceedings	567	213	311 320 €
Non-execution of court decisions	NA	NA	NA
Wrongful arrest/detention	NA	NA	1 443 937 €
Wrongful conviction	NA	NA	NA
Other	NA	NA	NA

Year	Number of requests for compensation	Number of compensations granted	Total amount of compensations granted (in €)
2021	NA	NA	NA
2022	NA	NA	NA
2023	NA	NA	NA

The Act on the Liability for Damage Incurred by the State and the Municipalities sets out the procedure for liability for activity of the Administration, law-enforcement authorities, Commission for Forfeiture of Unlawfully Acquired Assets and Liability for actions of the judiciary bodies, for violation of the right to a hearing and pronouncement of judgment within a reasonable time.

Chapter Three "a" of the Judiciary System Act (JSA) establishes a procedure for the examination of applications submitted by citizens or legal persons against instruments, actions or omissions of the judicial authorities which infringe the right to have the case thereof heard and disposed of within a reasonable time. The verification of the applications is carried out by the Inspectorate to the Supreme Judicial Council, and after its completion the documents in the file are sent to the Minister of Justice. The verification of the circumstances and the ruling on the application shall be carried out within 6 months from its receipt. The maximum amount of compensation may not exceed BGN 10,000. The persons who have received compensation under the Judiciary System Act may not seek compensation on the same grounds in court.

Pursuant to the Act on the Liability for Damage Incurred by the State and the Municipalities (ALDISM), the state and the municipalities shall be liable for any damage inflicted on individuals and legal persons by legally non-conforming acts, actions or omissions of State bodies and municipal authorities and officials upon or in connection with the performance of administrative activity, as well as for the damages caused by the action of repealed as illegal or declared as null and void legal acts (Art. 1, para 1). Art. 2, para. 1 and para. 2 of the ALDISM, lists the cases in which the State shall be liable for any damage inflicted on citizens by criminal investigation authorities, public prosecution authorities or court. The scope of the ALDISM includes the responsibility for illegal acts, actions or omissions of the bodies and officials under the Anti-Corruption and Confiscation of Illegally Acquired Property Act, performed during or on the occasion of exercising their powers or service, as well as the responsibility of the bodies of the judiciary for violation of the right to consider and resolve the case within a reasonable time.

In the Republic of Bulgaria, there are two mechanisms for indemnification for damages, in relation to the criminal proceedings.

The first mechanism is regulated in the Liability of the State and Municipalities for Damages Act described before.

Statistics are not maintained in the Prosecutor's Office in compliance with the CEPEJ categories. Only the total amount of the indemnifications awarded under actions brought against the Prosecutor's Office in accordance with the procedure of the Liability of the State and Municipalities for Damages Act is available for year 2023: BGN 2 824 095.16 (EUR 1 443 937).

#### 4. Performance of courts in Bulgaria (2023 data)

#### • Efficiency indicators

Clearance Rate (CR) and Disposition Time (DT)

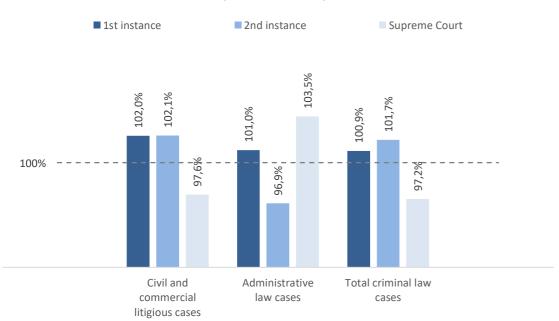
The Clearance Rate shows the capacity of a judicial system to deal with the incoming cases. A Clearance Rate of 100% and higher does not generate backlog.

The Disposition Time determines the estimated number of days necessary for a pending case to be solved in a court.

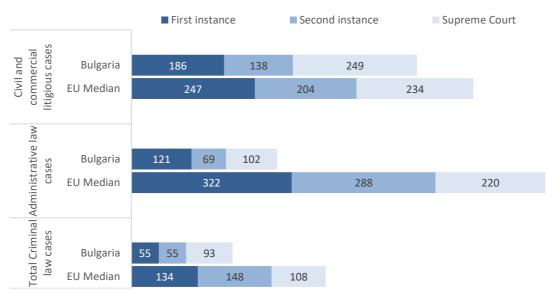
#### Overall efficiency by instance and by case matter

Overall efficiency by instance and by case matter		Civil and commercial litigious cases		Administrative law cases		Total criminal law cases	
		Bulgaria	EU Median	Bulgaria	EU Median	Bulgaria	EU Median
	1st instance	102,0%	96,6%	101,0%	100,9%	100,9%	99,6%
Clearance Rate (%)	2nd instance	102,1%	101,3%	96,9%	97,7%	101,7%	100,0%
	Supreme Court	97,6%	102,9%	103,5%	106,0%	97,2%	99,0%
	1st instance	186	247	121	322	55	134
Disposition Time (days)	2nd instance	138	204	69	288	55	148
	Supreme Court	249	234	102	220	93	108





#### DispositionTime by instance and by matter in 2023 (days)



At the outset, it should be highlighted that for the first time, data on civil and commercial litigious cases at first and second instance are available, allowing measuring both efficiency indicators – Clearance Rate and Disposition Time.

In 2023, similarly to the EU trend, the shortest total length of proceedings (all instances combined) in Bulgaria is registered in criminal matters. Indeed, at all three instances, the Disposition Time for criminal cases is considerably below the respective EU medians.

Conversely, while administrative proceedings are the longest in the EU, civil and commercial litigious cases take the longest in Bulgaria. However, the Disposition Time remains below the respective EU medians except at the Supreme Court level, where the DT is slightly above the EU value.

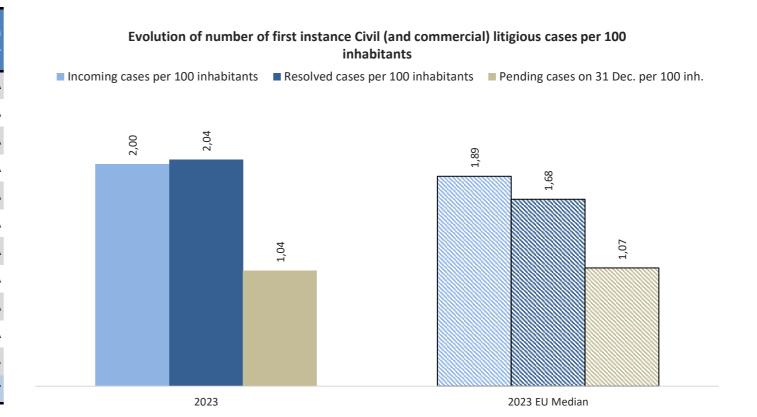
In administrative matters, the Disposition Time is significantly below the respective EU values at all three instances.

In 2023, second instance courts appear as the most efficient, while the lowest Disposition Time is registered for first and second instance criminal cases.

#### First instance Civil (and commercial) litigious cases

#### Incoming, resolved and pending cases

First instance Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	Incoming cases per 100 inhabitants	Resolved cases per 100 inhabitants	Pending cases on 31 Dec. per 100 inh.
2013	NA	NA	NA
2014	NA	NA	NA
2015	NA	NA	NA
2016	NA	NA	NA
2017	NA	NA	NA
2018	NA	NA	NA
2019	NA	NA	NA
2020	NA	NA	NA
2021	NA	NA	NA
2022	NA	NA	NA
2023	2,00	2,04	1,04
2023 EU Median	1,89	1,68	1,07



The number of incoming cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (2,00 per 100 inhabitants) is slightly above the EU median (1,89 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of resolved cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (2,04 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat above the EU median (1,68 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of pending cases at the end of 2023 in Bulgaria (1,04 per 100 inhabitants) is slightly below the EU median (1,07 per 100 inhabitants).

#### Clearance Rate and Disposition Time

First instance	Clearanc	e Rate (%)	Disposition Time (days)	
Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	Bulgaria	EU Median	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	NA	101,2%	NA	247
2014	NA	101,8%	NA	201
2015	NA	102,3%	NA	190
2016	NA	102,0%	NA	196
2017	NA	101,3%	NA	204
2018	NA	101,2%	NA	220
2019	NA	99,9%	NA	213
2020	NA	98,5%	NA	221
2021	NA	102,5%	NA	234
2022	NA	100,5%	NA	239
2023	102,0%	96,6%	186	247

With a Clearance Rate calculated at 102,0% in 2023 Bulgaria seems to be able to deal with its first instance Civil (and commercial) litigious cases.

It is not possible to measure the evolution of this indicator between 2022 and 2023, since data on civil an commercial litigious cases are available starting from 2023.

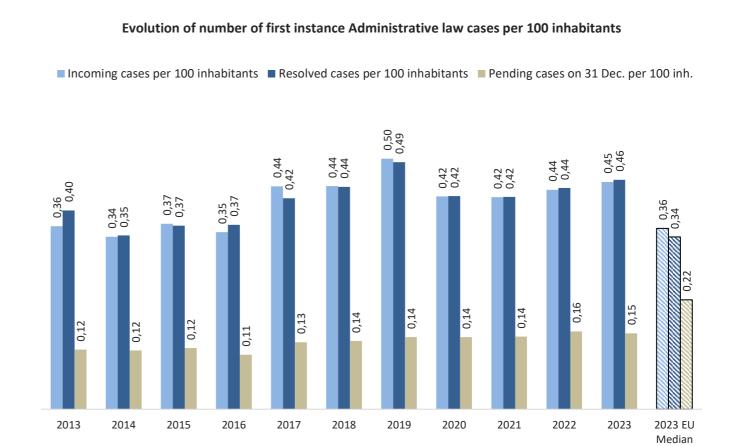
In 2023, first instance Civil (and commercial) litigious cases are solved approximately in 186 days, which is significantly below the EU median of 247 days.

The analysis of the 2022 - 2023 period cannot be carried out since data on civil an commercial litigious cases are available starting from 2023.

#### First instance Administrative law cases

#### Incoming, resolved and pending cases

First instance Administrative law cases	Incoming cases per 100 inhabitants	Resolved cases per 100 inhabitants	Pending cases on 31 Dec. per 100 inh.
2013	0,36	0,40	0,12
2014	0,34	0,35	0,12
2015	0,37	0,37	0,12
2016	0,35	0,37	0,11
2017	0,44	0,42	0,13
2018	0,44	0,44	0,14
2019	0,50	0,49	0,14
2020	0,42	0,42	0,14
2021	0,42	0,42	0,14
2022	0,44	0,44	0,16
2023	0,45	0,46	0,15
2023 EU Median	0,36	0,34	0,22



The number of incoming administrative cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (0,45 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat above the EU median (0,36 per 100 inhabitants).

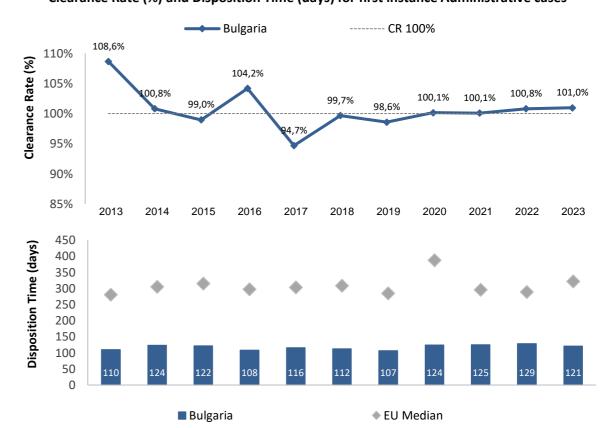
The number of resolved administrative cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (0,46 per 100 inhabitants) is also above the EU median (0,34 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of pending administrative cases at the end of 2023 in Bulgaria (0,15 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat below the EU median (0,22 per 100 inhabitants).

#### Clearance Rate and Disposition Time

First instance	Clearanc	e Rate (%)	Disposition	Time (days)
Administrative law cases	Bulgaria	EU Median	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	108,6%	100,3%	110	281
2014	100,8%	99,6%	124	305
2015	99,0%	103,7%	122	315
2016	104,2%	103,0%	108	297
2017	94,7%	102,1%	116	303
2018	99,7%	99,7%	112	308
2019	98,6%	102,1%	107	284
2020	100,1%	100,1%	124	388
2021	100,1%	101,7%	125	296
2022	100,8%	98,8%	129	288
2023	101,0%	100,9%	121	322

# Clearance Rate (%) and Disposition Time (days) for first instance Administrative cases



With a Clearance Rate calculated at 101,0% in 2023 Bulgaria seems to be able to deal with its first instance administrative law cases.

Between 2022 and 2023, the Clearance Rate has increased by 0,2 points.

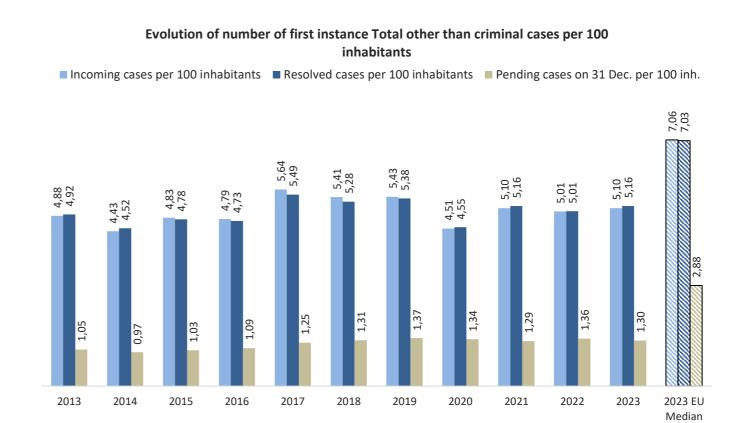
In 2023, first instance administrative law cases are solved in approximately 121 days, which is significantly below the EU median of 322 days.

The analysis of the 2022 - 2023 period reveals a -6,2% decrease of the Disposition Time.

#### First instance Total of other than criminal cases

#### Incoming, resolved and pending cases

First instance Total other than criminal cases	Incoming cases per 100 inhabitants	Resolved cases per 100 inhabitants	Pending cases on 31 Dec. per 100 inh.
2013	4,88	4,92	1,05
2014	4,43	4,52	0,97
2015	4,83	4,78	1,03
2016	4,79	4,73	1,09
2017	5,64	5,49	1,25
2018	5,41	5,28	1,31
2019	5,43	5,38	1,37
2020	4,51	4,55	1,34
2021	5,10	5,16	1,29
2022	5,01	5,01	1,36
2023	5,10	5,16	1,30
2023 EU Median	7,06	7,03	2,88



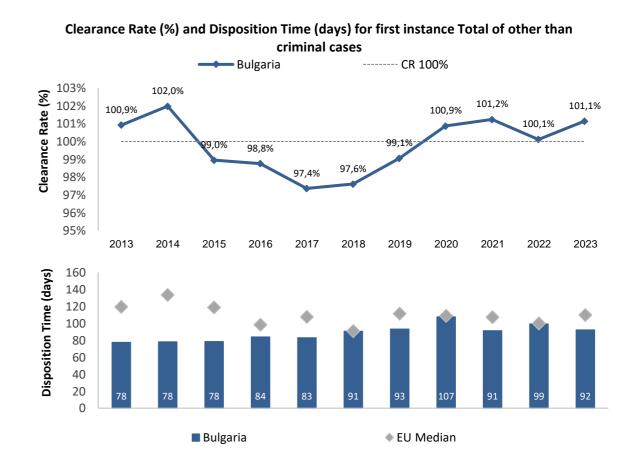
The number of incoming cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (5,10 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat below the EU median (7,06 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of resolved cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (5,16 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat below the EU median (7,03 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of pending cases at the end of 2023 in Bulgaria (1,30 per 100 inhabitants) is significantly below the EU median (2,88 per 100 inhabitants).

#### Clearance Rate and Disposition Time

First instance	Clearanc	Clearance Rate (%)		Time (days)
Total other than criminal cases	Bulgaria	EU Median	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	100,9%	100,7%	78	119
2014	102,0%	101,9%	78	133
2015	99,0%	101,0%	78	119
2016	98,8%	101,5%	84	98
2017	97,4%	100,6%	83	107
2018	97,6%	100,6%	91	91
2019	99,1%	99,8%	93	111
2020	100,9%	98,7%	107	109
2021	101,2%	101,2%	91	107
2022	100,1%	99,8%	99	100
2023	101,1%	99,9%	92	110



With a Clearance Rate calculated at 101,1% in 2023 Bulgaria seems to be able to deal with its other than criminal cases.

Between 2022 and 2023, the Clearance Rate has increased by 1,0 points.

In 2023, other than criminal cases are solved in approximately 92 days, which is slightly below the EU median of 110 days.

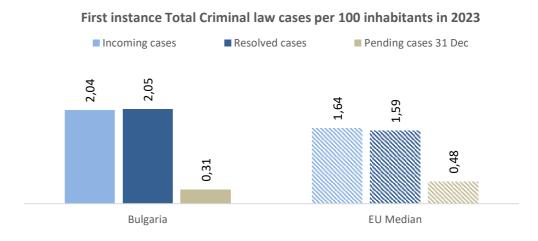
The analysis of the 2022 - 2023 period reveals a -7,0% decrease of the Disposition Time.

#### **First instance Criminal Law Cases**

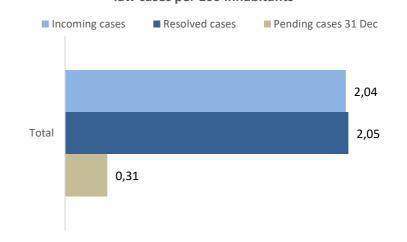
#### Incoming, resolved and pending cases

First instance Criminal Law Cases	Pending cases 1 Jan	Incoming cases	Resolved cases	Pending cases 31 Dec
Total	21 006	131 222	132 382	19 846
Severe criminal cases	NA	NA	NA	NA
Misdemeanour and/or minor cases	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other criminal cases	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP

First instance Criminal Law Cases Per 100 inh.	Pending cases 1 Jan	Incoming cases	Resolved cases	Pending cases 31 Dec
Total	0,33	2,04	2,05	0,31
Severe criminal cases	NA	NA	NA	NA
Misdemeanour and/or minor cases	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other criminal cases	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP



Severe, Misdemeanour and/or minor criminal cases, and other criminal law cases per 100 inhabitants



The number of total incoming criminal cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (2,04 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat above the EU median (1,64 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of total resolved criminal cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (2,05 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat above the EU median (1,59 per 100 inhabitants).

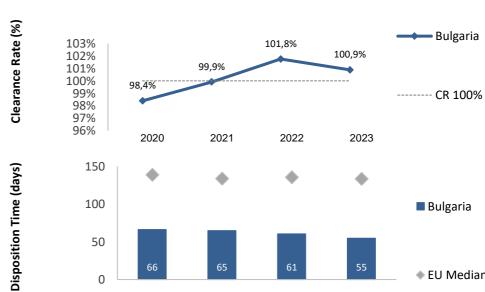
The number of total pending criminal cases at the end of 2023 in Bulgaria (0,31 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat below the EU median (0,48 per 100 inhabitants).

It has to be specified that for most of the crimes, the Bulgarian Criminal Code provides for a deprivation of liberty, which makes the distinction between serious and minor offences hard to be made. The offences could be divided into two categories: common offences and offences subject to private prosecution.

#### Clearance Rate and Disposition Time

First instance Total	Clearance	Clearance Rate (%)		Time (days)
criminal law cases	Bulgaria	EU Median	Bulgaria	EU Median
2020	98,4%	95,2%	66	139
2021	99,9%	100,0%	65	134
2022	101,8%	100,0%	61	136
2023	100,9%	99,6%	55	134

# Clearance Rate (%) and Disposition Time (days) for First Instance Total criminal law cases



With a Clearance Rate calculated at 100,9% in 2023 Bulgaria seems to be able to deal with its first instance total criminal law cases.

Between 2022 and 2023, the Clearance Rate has decreased by -0,9 points.

In 2023, first instance total criminal law cases are solved in approximately 55 days, which is significantly below the EU median of 134 days.

The analysis of the 2022 - 2023 period reveals a -9,8% decrease of the Disposition Time.

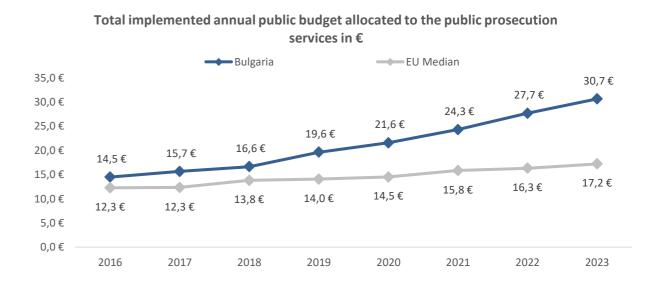
"Total criminal cases" includes all criminal cases - criminal cases of a general nature, criminal cases of a private nature, cases of exemption from criminal liability with the imposition of an administrative penalty in accordance with Art. 78a of the Criminal Code, private criminal cases, interrogation and administrative-criminal cases heard by the first instance courts.

#### 5. Public prosecution services in Bulgaria (2023 data)

#### Public prosecution implemented budget

Total implemented annual public budget allocated to the	Absolute Number	Per inh	abitant
public prosecution services in €	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
2016	102 876 460 €	14,5€	12,3 €
2017	110 387 845 €	15,7€	12,3 €
2018	116 412 630 €	16,6€	13,8 €
2019	136 392 502 €	19,6€	14,0 €
2020	149 281 332 €	21,6€	14,5€
2021	166 149 076 €	24,3€	15,8 €
2022	178 508 426 €	27,7€	16,3€
2023	197 617 281 €	30,7€	17,2€

Implemented annual public budget allocated to training of	Absolute Number	Per inh	abitant
public prosecution services in € (included in the total)	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
2020	3 646 €	0,00€	0,01€
2021	9 569 €	0,00€	0,02€
2022	7 224 €	0,00€	0,01€
2023	9 353 €	0,00€	0,02€



The Prosecutor's Office prepares a consolidated budget for all units, namely district, regional, appellate, military-appellate prosecutor's offices, the administration of the European delegated prosecutors, training and rest bases and submits it to the Supreme Judicial Council (SJC). Pursuant to Article 361 of the Judicial System Act, the budget of the PRB includes all revenues from the activity, maintenance costs, relations with the central budget and other budgets.

There are objective reasons for the high growth in the approved (and respectively implemented) training budget in 2023 compared to 2022. On the one hand, there was higher activity of magistrates in organizing and participating in external trainings (organized by other institutions, forums, etc. with participation fees) after the lifting of the COVID 19 quarantine. On the other hand the in-person trainings in the learning facilities and training centers of the Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Bulgaria were minimized or not conducted during the coronavirus period according to the internal training calendar.

In addition, by Decision under Protocol No. 8/10.03.2022, p. 3 of the Plenum of the Supreme Judicial Council a positive opinion was expressed that the Prosecutors' Training Base - Recreational Facility "Izgrev" in the town of Byala, assigned to be managed by the Prosecutor General of the Republic of Bulgaria, should be provided for temporary use by evacuating representatives of the judiciary in the Republic of Ukraine and their family members and/or Bulgarian citizens and Bulgarians with Ukrainian citizenship living in Ukraine, including in the event of evacuation. In 2022, due to the accommodation of refugees from Ukraine, the base in Byala could not be used for conducting trainings/seminars, which is also the reason for the higher increase in funds for training magistrates planned for 2023 after the base is emptied of refugees.

#### Public prosecution caseflow: Number of first instance criminal cases

	Public prosecution caseflow: Number of first instance criminal cases		Absolute Number *		Per 100 inhabitants	
			% Var 2022 -		Bulgaria	Eu Median
1. Pending case	1. Pending cases on 1 Jan. ref. year			0,1%	0,07	0,92
2. Incoming/rec	eived cases	95 471	•	-1,5%	1,48	2,96
3. Processed ca	ses (3.1 + 3.2 + 3.3 + 3.4)	176 116		8,8%	2,73	3,16
3.1. Disconti	nued during the reference year	148 471		11,2%	2,30	2,10
	3.1.1 Discontinued by the public prosecutor because the offender could not be identified	NAP		NAP	NAP	0,66
	3.1.2 Discontinued by the public prosecutor due to the lack of an established offence or a specific legal situation	113 687		15,6%	1,76	0,79
	3.1.3 Discontinued by the public prosecutor for reasons of opportunity	NAP		NAP	NAP	0,13
	3.1.4 Discontinued for other reasons	34 784	•	-1,1%	0,54	0,35
3.2. Conclud	ed by a penalty or a measure imposed or negotiated by the public prosecutor	NAP		NAP	NAP	0,17
3.3. Cases b	rought to court	27 645	•	-2,8%	0,43	0,57
4. Pending case	s on 31 Dec. ref. year	4 163	•	-1,1%	0,06	0,88

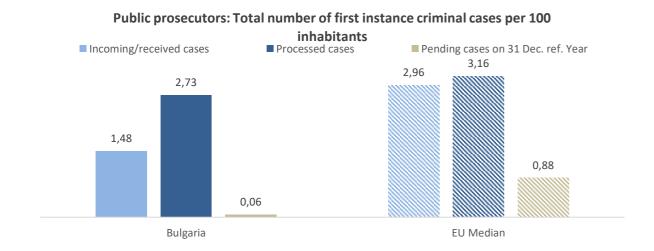
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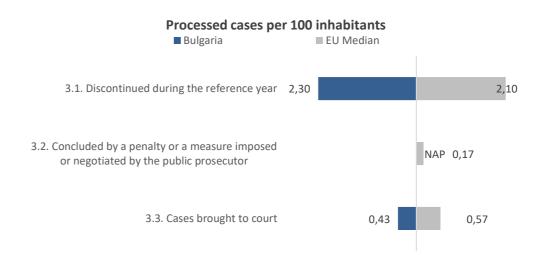
- "1. Pending cases on 1 January" pre-trial proceedings (PTP) pending with the prosecutor as of 1 January for which the investigation has been completed by an investigative body and sent to the prosecutor.
- 2. Received/Incoming cases" pre-trial proceedings in which an investigation by an investigative body was completed and sent to the prosecutor for adjudication (the so-called closed PTP).
- "3. Processed cases" PTP decided on merits by the prosecutor (by act of bringing the cases to court or by act of termination the pre-trial proceedings), and PTP decided by the prosecutor by act of suspending them or sending by competence during the reporting period to another prosecutor's office. Cases suspended and sent by competence are reported as resolved.
- "3.1.2. Terminated by the prosecutor due to the lack of an established offence or a specific legal situation": PTP terminated because the act was not committed or did not constitute an offence, pursuant to Art. 243(1), in conjunction with Art. 1(1) of the CPC, and PTPs terminated due to the statute of limitations.
- "3.1.4 Discontinued for other reasons": suspended PTPs and the PTP sent by competence during the reporting period.
- "3.3. Cases brought to court" PTP brought to court with a prosecutor's report in the reference year.
- "4. Pending cases on 31 December of the reference year" PTP pending with the prosecutor on 31 December of the reference year where the investigation has been completed by an investigating authority and sent to the prosecutor.

Regarding the cases sent by competence, the mathematical calculation for collecting the values is not applicable for the two prosecutor's offices - one that sent it by competence, for which the case was decided "discontinued case for other reasons" and the other, which accepted it within its competence, if at the end of the year the same case remained pending, the latter is included in the above data.

For statistical reporting purposes in the PTP (and not pursuant to the CCP), a pretrial proceeding is reported as resolved when any of the following prosecutor's decisions are made: a decree to send the PTP to the competent jurisdiction, a decree to suspend the PTP, a decree of discontinuance, a prosecutor's act to bring the case to court – indictment, a proposal for a settlement under Article 381 CCP, a proposal under Article 375 CCP, in conjunction with Article 78a CCP, for exemption from criminal responsibility with the imposition of an administrative penalty, and a proposal for a settlement under Article 375a(1) CCP.

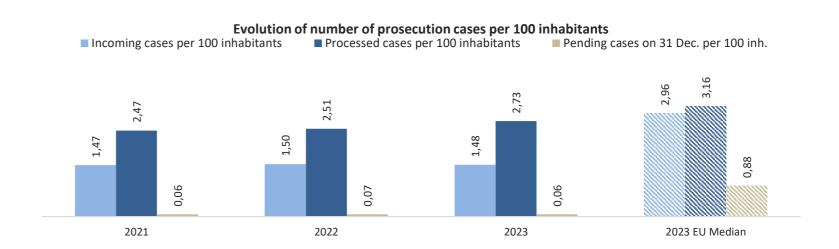
The statistical analysis distinguishes between the total number of cases decided in which one of the above-mentioned prosecutor's acts was handed down and the cases decided on the merits. Cases decided on the merits are only those decided by a decision to discontinue the criminal proceedings or by a prosecutor's act to bring the case to court, which concludes the pre-trial phase. PTPs decided by a decision to suspend and refer are not included as they do not end the pre-trial phase/criminal proceedings. PTPs sent to the jurisdiction are reported by the sending prosecutor's office as monitored PTPs and resolved PTPs, but are not reported as PTPs closed by the investigating authority. PTPs discontinued due to the expiry of the statutory limitation period (under Article 24(1)(3) CCP) shall be counted as PTPs observed and decided, but shall not be counted in the number of PTPs discontinued as they were already counted as such when they were discontinued. Suspended PTPs in previous periods are not counted in the total number of PTPs observed during the reference period, except in cases where the suspended PTP is resumed, where it is included in the number of PTPs observed and according to its current status at the end of the period.





#### • Evolution of incoming, processed and pending cases

First instance Total other than criminal cases	Incoming cases per 100 inhabitants	Processed cases per 100 inhabitants	Pending cases on 31 Dec. per 100 inh.
2021	1,47	2,47	0,06
2022	1,50	2,51	0,07
2023	1,48	2,73	0,06
2023 EU Median	2,96	3,16	0,88



The number of incoming cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (1,48 per 100 inhabitants) is somewhat below the EU median (2,96 per 100 inhabitants).

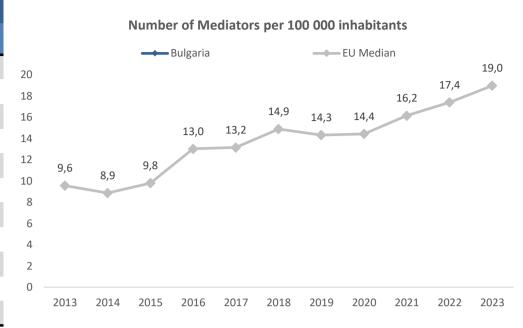
The number of resolved cases in 2023 in Bulgaria (2,73 per 100 inhabitants) is slightly below the EU median (3,16 per 100 inhabitants).

The number of pending cases at the end of 2023 in Bulgaria (0,06 per 100 inhabitants) is significantly below the EU median (0,88 per 100 inhabitants).

#### 6. Mediators and notaries in Bulgaria (2023 data)

#### Number of mediators in 2023

Madiatan	Absolute Number Per 100 000 inhabitants		inhabitants
Mediators	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
2013	NA	NA	9,6
2014	NA	NA	8,9
2015	NA	NA	9,8
2016	NA	NA	13,0
2017	NA	NA	13,2
2018	NA	NA	14,9
2019	NA	NA	14,3
2020	NA	NA	14,4
2021	NA	NA	16,2
2022	NA	NA	17,4
2023	NA	NA	19,0



The information about the number of registered court-related mediators is not available. As of December 2023, the total number of mediators registered in the Unified Register of Mediators at the Ministry of Justice is 4692 (for 2023 the number of newly registered is 862).

The requirements that a person must meet in order to be registered as a mediator, according to the Bulgarian legislation, are to be a capable person who has not been convicted of crimes of a general nature; have successfully completed a training course for a mediator; not be deprived of the right to exercise a profession or activity; has a permit for long-term or permanent residence in the Republic of Bulgaria, if the person is a foreign citizen and is entered in the Unified Register of Mediators to the Minister of Justice. A person applying for a mediator must have successfully completed a training course for a mediator in an organisation approved by the Minister of Justice, and those who pass the exam are issued with a certificate of completion of mediation training. Under the current Bulgarian legislation, no work experience is required in connection with the entry of a mediator in the Unified Register of Mediators. As a requirement for registration as a mediator, the person must have legal capacity, not have been convicted of a crime of a general nature and if he is a foreign citizen to have a permit for long-term or permanent residence in the Republic of Bulgaria.

A person applying for a mediator shall submit to the Ministry of Justice an application for registration in the ERN in accordance with a form approved by the Minister of Justice. The application shall be accompanied by: 1. a certificate according to a standard form for successfully completed training course for mediator in an organization approved by the Minister of Justice; 2. a criminal record document, where the person is not a Bulgarian citizen, as the data on the criminal record of the Bulgarian citizens shall be established ex officio; 3. a declaration that the person has not been placed under guardianship, has not been deprived of the right to exercise a profession or activity and does not perform functions of administration of justice in the system of the judiciary; 4. a document for paid state fee, except when it is paid electronically. Where the requirements of the Act are met, the Minister of Justice shall, within 30 days of the submission of the application, issue a certificate to the mediator for his/her entry in the Unified Register of Mediators kept by the Ministry of Justice.

#### Number of notaries in 2023

Natarian	Absolute Number	) inhabitants	
Notaries	Bulgaria	Bulgaria	EU Median
Total	702	10,9	7,3
1.Private professionals	NAP	NAP	NA
2.Holders of public offices appointed by the State	702	10,9	7,5
3.Civil servants	NAP	NAP	1,6
4.Other	NAP	NAP	10,8

In 2023, there are 702 notaries which represents 10,9 notaries per 100 000 inhabitants.

Notaries and Notarial Practice Act regulates the legal status of notaries and of the Notary Chamber, the organisation of the notarial practice and notarial fees. Notaries are private persons who are entrusted by the State with the performance of notarial acts as provided for in the laws. They are independent in the performance of their duties and comply solely with the law. The Minister of Justice exercises control over the practice of each notary as to the implementation of the law and the Statute of the Notary Chamber of Bulgaria. The Council of Notaries also has the power to monitor compliance with the obligations of the notaries and the assistant notaries, and may take part through its representatives in disciplinary proceedings against such notaries and assistants in the prescribed cases. The notary procedures are stipulated by the Civil Procedure Code (Articles 569-594).

#### 7. ICT tools of courts in Bulgaria (2023 data)

#### The ICT questions

The answers to the ICT questions in 2023 can be summarised to:

#### Writing assistance tools

Deployment rate Usage rate

Civil and/or commercial	Administrative	Criminal	
95-100 %	95-100 %	95-100 %	
95-100 %	95-100 %	95-100 %	

#### Features of the writing assistance tools

**Templates** 

Automatically generated text

Automatically suggested decision

Speech-to-text

Electronic signature

Other special functionality

Civil and/or commercial	Administrative	Criminal
Yes	Yes	Yes
No	No	No
No	No	No
Yes	Yes	Yes
No	No	No
No	No	No

#### **Recording of court hearings**

Deployment rate Usage rate

Civil and/or commercial	Administrative	Criminal	
95-100 %	95-100 %	95-100 %	
95-100 %	95-100 %	95-100 %	

#### Features of the recording of court hearings

Audio recording Video recording

Systematic recording for all hearings

Automatically indexed recording

Automatic transcript from recording

Possibility to request a copy of the recording

Other special functionality

Civil and/or commercial	Administrative	Criminal
Yes	Yes	Yes
No	No	No

#### Comments on writing assistance tools

In 2023, the administrative courts and the Supreme Administrative Court started to use the Unified Case Management Information System, which allows for the relevant functionalities.

By Decision of the Plenum of the Supreme Judicial Council under protocol No. 25/29.09.2023, the designed software for accelerated creation and reproduction of acts and other documents through dictation and automatic conversion of voice recording into text /voice-totext/ and accompanying processing systems are approved and implemented in all judicial bodies.

# 8. Systems for measuring and evaluating the performance of courts and public prosecution services in Bulgaria (2023 data)

In Bulgaria, quality standards are determined for the judicial system at national level (e.g. quality systems for the judiciary and/or judicial quality policies). Specialised personnel within the courts and the public prosecution services is entrusted with implementation of these national level quality standards.

The Inspectorate to the SJC checks the organization of the initiation and movement of judicial, prosecutorial and investigative cases, as well as the closing of cases within the established terms and in case of violations, signals the administrative head of the relevant body of the judiciary and the relevant College of the Supreme Judicial Council; sends signals, proposals and reports to other state bodies, including the competent bodies of the judiciary; examines applications against violation of the right to examine and resolve cases within reasonable time.

The Judges' College of the SJC annually analyses and reports the degree of workload of the bodies of the judiciary; requests and summarizes every 6 months information from courts about their activity; resolves questions about the organization of the activity of the relevant system of judicial authorities; adopts rules for the allocation of cases between the judges who consider cases allocated according to Art. 9, para. 3, in order to equalize their total workload; determines the number of judicial officers according to the degree of workload on the proposal of or after agreement with the administrative heads of the bodies of the judiciary, and may open new and lays off positions.

The Plenary of the SJC on the proposal of one of the Colleges, after coordination with the administrative heads of the bodies of the judiciary, determines the number of judges, prosecutors and investigators in all courts, prosecutor's offices and investigative departments according to the degree of workload; hears and accepts the annual reports of the bodies of the judiciary under Art. 84, item 16 of the Constitution.

Approved by the Prosecutor General/ chief prosecutor is the Directive on the control activity of the Prosecutor's Office, aimed at ensuring the exact and uniform application of the laws in the performance of the functional duties of the prosecutors and investigators. The Directive regulates the conditions, order and procedures for carrying out control activities through audits, checks and analyzes of the work of the prosecutor's offices, the National Investigation Service, as well as individual prosecutors and investigators, outside of the institutional and official verification of the legality of their acts.]

#### Systems for measuring and evaluating courts' performance

A regular monitoring system of court activities is in place conc			
Number of incoming cases	<b>⊘</b>	Satisfaction of users (regarding the services delivered by the courts)	8
Length of proceedings (timeframes)	<b>⊘</b>	Costs of the judicial procedures	8
Number of resolved cases	<b>⊘</b>	Number of appeals	
Number of pending cases	<b>⊘</b>	Appeal ratio	
Backlogs		Clearance rate	8
Productivity of judges and court staff	8	Disposition time	8
Satisfaction of court staff	8	Other	8
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Quantitative performance targets do not exist for judges.	<b>&amp;</b>		
Without disciplinary procedure	×	With disciplinary procedure	
	NAP	With disciplinary procedure  Warning by court's president	NAP
Without disciplinary procedure			NAP NAP
Without disciplinary procedure Warning by court's president	NAP	Warning by court's president	
Without disciplinary procedure  Warning by court's president  Temporary salary reduction	NAP NAP	Warning by court's president  Temporary salary reduction	NAP

#### Systems for measuring and evaluating public prosecution services' performance

#### A regular monitoring system of public prosecution services activities is in place concerning:

Number of incoming cases	<b>②</b>	Satisfaction of users (regarding the services delivered by the public prosecution)	8
Length of proceedings (timeframes)	<b>⊘</b>	Costs of the judicial procedures	8
Number of resolved cases	<b>②</b>	Clearance rate	
Number of pending cases	<b>②</b>	Disposition time	
Backlogs		Percentage of convictions and aquittals	
Productivity of prosecutors and prosecution staff		Other	
Satisfaction of prosecution staff	<b>8</b>		

Other: the Inspectorate to the Supreme Judicial Council, pursuant to Art. 54 of the Judiciary System Act, examines the organization of the administrative duties of the courts, prosecutor's offices and investigative bodies; reviews the organization of the initiation and motions of court, prosecutor's and investigative proceedings, as well as the closure of cases within the established deadlines; analyzes and summarizes the cases that have been closed by a final court act, as well as the closed files and cases of prosecutors and investigators, adopting a procedure for regular reporting and publication of the results of the analysis and summary of the closed cases; in the event of contradictory judiciary practices, observed in the execution of work pursuant to Article 54(1)(3) of the Judiciary System Act, notifies the respective authorities to request the adoption of interpretative decisions or interpretative rulings; performs integrity and conflict of interest checks for judges, prosecutors and investigators on their property declarations, as well as on the detection of actions that violate the reputation of the judiciary and those related to the breach of the independence of judges, prosecutors and investigators; reviews applications against the hearing and settlement of cases within a reasonable timeline, prepares an annual programme for planned inspections and an annual report on its activities, submitted to the Plenum of the Supreme Judicial Council; adopts a model for reporting on the settlement of cases within the legal timeline in the performance of duties under Article 54, (1)(2) of the Judiciary System Act, in coordination with the Supreme Judicial Council; prepares annual summaries of good and bad practices in terms of compliance with the ethical rules in accordance with the relevant European and international standards in relation to the abovementioned checks and provides the information to the relevant Colleges of the Supreme Judicial Council.

In Bulgaria, there is a system to regularly evaluate the activity of each public prosecutor both quantitatively and qualitatively.

Quantitative	pertormance	targets do	not exist	tor public
prosecutors.				



Without disciplinary procedure		With disciplinary procedure	
Warning by head of prosecution	8	Warning by head of prosecution	8
Temporary salary reduction	8	Temporary salary reduction	8
Reflected in the individual assessment	8	Reflected in the individual assessment	8
Other	8	Other	8

Bulgaria (2013-2023) data tables Variations for quantitative questions 2018 2022 Question 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2019 2020 2021 2023 2013-2023 2022-2023 Table General Data: Economic and demographic data, in absolute values (Q1, Q3, Q5) **Q1 Number of inhabitants** 7 245 677 7 202 198 7 153 784 7 101 859 7 050 034 7 000 039 6 951 482 6 916 548 6 838 937 6 447 710 6 445 481 -11,0% 0,0% Q.3 GDP Per capita (in €) in current prices 5 493 5 808 6 152 6 645 7 099 7 855 8 779 8 845 9 868 13 271 14 580 165,4% 9,9% Q5. Exchange rate of Nat currency to € on 1 Jan 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 0,0% 0,0% Indicator 1: Systems for measuring and evaluating the performance of courts and prosecution services (Q66, Q67, Q77, Q78, Q77-1, Q78-1, Q73-0, Q73-1, Q73-2, Q73-3, Q73-4, Q73-5, Q73-6, Q70, Q70-1, Q71, Q72, Q83-2, Q83-3, Q120 and Q120-1) False False False False 66 Qlty standards formulated\_jud system No True True True True No False False False True 67 Specialised court staff entrusted\_qlty standards No No False True True True Yes Yes Yes True True True True True True True True 070.1.1 number of incoming cases 070.1.2 length of proceedings (timeframes) Yes Yes Yes True True True True True True True True 070.1.3 number of resolved cases Yes Yes Yes True True True True True True True True 070.1.4 number of pending cases True True True True True 070.1.5 backlogs True True True True True 070.1.6 productivity of judges and court staff False False False False False 070.1.7 satisfaction of court staff False False False False False 070.1.8 satisfaction of users (regarding the services delivered by the False False False False False courts) 070.1.9 costs of the judicial procedures False False False False False 070.1.10 number of appeals True True True True True 070.1.11 appeal ratio True False False False True False False False 070.1.12 clearance rate True False True True 070-1.1.1 Number of incoming cases True 070-1.1.2 Length of proceedings (timeframes) True True True True 070-1.1.3 Number of resolved cases True True 070-1.1.4 Number of pending cases True True True True True True 070-1.1.5 Backlogs 070-1.1.6 Productivity of prosecutors and prosecution staff False True True 070-1.1.7 Satisfaction of prosecution staff False False False 070-1.1.8 Satisfaction of users (regarding the services delivered by False False False the public prosecution) 070-1.1.9 Costs of the judicial procedures False False False 070-1.1.10 Clearance rate True True True 070-1.1.11 Disposition time True True True 070-1.1.12 Percentage of convictions and aquittals True True True 070-1.1.13 Other True False True 071.1.1 Monitoring backlogs in Civil law cases True True True 071.1.2 Monitoring backlogs in Criminal law cases True True True 071.1.3 Monitoring backlogs in Administrative law cases True True True 072.1.1 Monitoring timeframes Within the courts False False False 072.1.2 Monitoring timeframes Within the public prosecution False False False 083-2.1.1 Quantitative performance tagets defined for each False False False prosecutors

083-3.1.1 Body responsible - Executive power (for example the

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for quest	
												2013-2023	2022-2023
083-3.1.2 Body responsible - Prosecutor General /State public prosecutor									NAP	NAP	NAP		
083-3.1.3 Body responsible - Public Prosecutorial Council									NAP	NAP	NAP		
083-3.1.4 Body responsible - Head of the organisational unit or hierarchically superior public prosecutor									NAP	NAP	NAP		
083-3.1.5 Body responsible - Other									NAP	NAP	NAP		
120.1.1 Qualitative individual assessment of the public prosecutors' work									-	-	-		
120-1.1.1 Feequency - Annual									False	False	False		
120-1.1.2 Feequency - Less frequent									True	False	False		
120-1.1.3 Feequency - More frequent									False	False	False		
				Indicator 2:	The judicial o	organisation							
				(Q4	12, Q43 and Q	44)							
Q42.1.1Total number of all courts - legal entities									182	180	180	-	0,0%
Q42.1.2 Total number of courts of general jurisdiction - legal entities									147	147	147	-	0,0%
Q42.1.3 First instance courts of general jurisdiction - legal entities	113	113	113	113	113	113	113	113	113	113	113	0,0%	0,0%
Q42.1.4 Second instance courts of general jurisdiction - legal entities									33	33	33	-	0,0%
Q42.1.5 Highest instance courts of general jurisdiction - legal entities									1	1	1	-	0,0%
Q42.1.6 Total number of specialised courts - legal entities									35	33	33	-	0,0%
43.1.1 Total number of specialised courts of first instance	34	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	31	31	-8,8%	0,0%
43.1.2 Commercial courts (excluded insolvency courts)	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.3 Insolvency courts	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.4 Labour courts	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.5 Family courts	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.6 Rent and tenancies courts	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.7 Enforcement of criminal sanctions courts	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	_
43.1.8 Fight against terrorism, organised crime and corruption	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.9 Internet related disputes	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.10 Administrative courts	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	0,0%	0,0%
43.1.11 Insurance and / or social welfare courts	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for quest	
Question	2013	2014	2010	-0.0	2017	2010	2013	2020	2021	2022	2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
43.1.12 Military courts	5	3	3	3	3	3	:	3 3	3	3	3	-40,0%	0,0%
43.1.13 Juvenile courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.1.14 Other specialised courts	1	1	1	1	1	1		1 1	1	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.1 Total number of specialised courts of higher instances									3	2	2	-	0,0%
43.2.2 Commercial courts (excluded insolvency courts)									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.3 Insolvency courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.4 Labour courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.5 Family courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.6 Rent and tenancies courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.7 Enforcement of criminal sanctions courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.8 Fight against terrorism, organised crime and corruption									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.9 Internet related disputes									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.10 Administrative courts									1	1	1	-	0,0%
43.2.11 Insurance and / or social welfare courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.12 Military courts									1	1	1	-	0,0%
43.2.13 Juvenile courts									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
43.2.14 Other specialised courts									1	NAP	NAP	-	-
44.1.1 First instance courts geographic locations									145	145	145	-	0,0%
44.1.2 All courts geographic locations	170	168	3 175	182	182	182	18.	2 182	182	181	183	7,6%	1,1%
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Indicator 3: The performance of courts at all stages of the proceedings													
First instance other than criminal cases (Q91)													
91.1.1 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)	79 157	76 155	69 865	73 159	77 396	82 931	91 896	95 459	92 645	88 192	87 849	11,0%	-0,4%
91.1.2 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	NA	69 909	-	-									
91.1.3 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)			NA	7 911	-								
91.1.4 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases	NA	NAP	NA	NA	7 870	-							
91.1.5 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)			NAP	41	-	-							
91.1.6 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non litigious land registry cases	NA	NAP	-										

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for quest	_
												2013-2023	2022-2023
91.1.7 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non-litigious business registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.1.8 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other registry cases			NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	41	-	-
91.1.9 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other non-litigious cases			NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.1.10 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Administrative law cases	10 909	8 642	8 460	8 759	7 743	9 426	9 509	9 999	9 932	10 244	10 029	-8,1%	-2,1%
91.1.11 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)	68 248	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
91.2.1 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)	353 415	319 414	345 327	340 272	397 399	378 948	377 325	312 117	348 759	322 794	328 867	-6,9%	1,9%
91.2.2 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	129 124	-	-
91.2.3 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	170 521	-	-
91.2.4 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	170 231	-	-
91.2.5 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)			NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	290	-	-
91.2.6 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Non litigious land registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.2.7 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Non-litigious business registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.2.8 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Other registry cases			NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	290	-	-
91.2.9 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Other non-litigious cases			NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.2.10 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Administrative law cases	26 441	24 757	26 472	25 072	31 333	31 146	34 724	29 349	28 924	28 217	29 222	10,5%	3,6%
91.2.11 1st inst courts_Incoming cases_Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)	326 974	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
91.3.1 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)	356 677	325 754	341 715	336 056	386 923	369 915	373 760	314 849	353 084	323 177	332 640	-6,7%	2,9%
91.3.2 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	131 762	-	-
91.3.3 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	171 377	-	-
91.3.4 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	171 069	-	-
91.3.5 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)			NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	308	-	-
91.3.6 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Non litigious land registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.3.7 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Non-litigious business registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.3.8 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Other registry cases			NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	308	-	-
91.3.9 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Other non-litigious cases			NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
91.3.10 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Administrative law cases	28 727	24 955	26 196	26 117	29 666	31 044	34 226	29 388	28 946	28 442	29 501	2,7%	3,7%
91.3.11 1st inst courts_Resolved cases_Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)	327 950	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for quest		
												2013-2023	2022-2023	
91.4.1 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)	75 895	69 815	73 477	77 375	87 872	91 964	95 461	92 727	88 320	87 809	84 076	10,8%	-4,3%	
91.4.2 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	67 271	-	-	
91.4.3 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)			NA	7 055	-	-								
91.4.4 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	7 032	-	-	
91.4.5 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)			NAP	23	-	-								
91.4.6 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non litigious land registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-	
91.4.7 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non-litigious business registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-	
91.4.8 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other registry cases			NAP	23	-	-								
91.4.9 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other non-litigious cases			NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-	
91.4.10 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Administrative law cases	8 623	8 444	8 736	7 714	9 410	9 528	10 007	9 960	9 910	10 019	9 750	13,1%	-2,7%	
91.4.11 1st inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)	67 272	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-	
Clearence rate and Disposition time for first instance other than criminal cases (Q91)														
CR Total of other than criminal law cases	100,9%	102,0%	99,0%	98,8%	97,4%	97,6%	99,1%	100,9%	101,2%	100,1%	101,1%	0,22	1,03	
CR Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	102,0%	-	-	
CR Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)	-	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	100,5%	-	-	
CR General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	100,5%	-	-	
CR Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)	-	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	106,2%	-	-	
CR Non litigious land registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-	
CR Non-litigious business registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-	
CR Other registry cases	-	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	106,2%	-	-	
CR Other non-litigious cases	-	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-	
CR Administrative law cases	108,6%	100,8%	99,0%	104,2%	94,7%	99,7%	98,6%	100,1%	100,1%	100,8%	101,0%	(7,69)	0,16	
CR Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)	100,3%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-	
DT Total of other than criminal law cases	78	78	78	84	83	91	93	107	91	99	92	18,8%	-7,0%	
DT Civil (and commercial) litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	186	-	-	
DT Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)	-	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	15	-	-	
DT General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	15	-	-	

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for ques 2013-2023	r quantitative tions 2022-2023
DT Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)		NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	27		-
DT Non litigious land registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Non-litigious business registry cases	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Other registry cases	-	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	27	-	-
DT Other non-litigious cases	-	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Administrative law cases	110	124	122	108	116	112	107	124	125	129	121	10,1%	-6,2%
DT Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)	75	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
			Seco	nd instance o	ther than crin	ninal cases (Q	(97)						
97.1.1 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				12 788	12 457	12 512	13 611	15 876	18 713	19 082	17 629	-	-7,6%
97.1.2 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	15 681	-	-
97.1.3 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
97.1.4 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
97.1.5 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.1.6 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.1.7 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.1.8 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.1.9 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other non-litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.1.10 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Administrative law cases				2 932	2 688	2 526	2 411	2 264	2 244	2 230	1 948	-	-12,6%
97.1.11 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.2.1 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				59 309	58 503	57 281	59 922	56 644	55 193	50 579	51 377	-	1,6%
97.2.2 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	38 622	-	-
97.2.3 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
97.2.4 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	-	-
97.2.5 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.2.6 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	_	-
97.2.7 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.2.8 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-

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Question	2013 2014 2015		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for ques	_	
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97.2.9 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Other non-litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.2.10 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Administrative law cases				15 481	14 793	14 705	14 421	12 717	13 419	12 225	12 755	-	4,3%
97.2.11 2nd inst courts_Incoming cases_Other cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.3.1 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				59 636	58 446	56 180	57 658	53 814	54 821	52 031	51 783	-	-0,5%
97.3.2 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				NA	39 425	-	-						
97.3.3 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NA	NAP	-	-						
97.3.4 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NA	NAP	-	-						
97.3.5 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.3.6 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.3.7 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.3.8 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.3.9 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Other non-litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.3.10 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Administrative law cases				15 724	14 954	14 819	14 567	12 744	13 430	12 506	12 358	-	-1,2%
97.3.11 2nd inst courts_Resolved cases_Other cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.4.1 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				12 461	12 514	13 613	15 875	18 706	19 085	17 630	17 223	-	-2,3%
97.4.2 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				NA	14 878	-	-						
97.4.3 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NA	NAP	-	-						
97.4.4 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NA	NAP	-	-						
97.4.5 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.4.6 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.4.7 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.4.8 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	-	-						
97.4.9 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other non-litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
97.4.10 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Administrative law cases				2 689	2 527	2 412	2 265	2 237	2 233	1 949	2 345	-	20,3%
97.4.11 2nd inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	
97.5.1 2nd inst courts_Pending more than 2 years - Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				NA	NA	-	-						
97.5.2 2nd inst courts_Pending more than 2 years - Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				NA	NA	-	-						

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for ques	_
												2013-2023	2022-2023
99.1.3 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NAP	NAP	3	NA	3	3	-	1	-	-
99.1.4 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	-	NA	NA	3	-	1	-	-
99.1.5 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.1.6 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.1.7 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.1.8 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.1.9 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	3	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.1.10 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Administrative law cases				6 220	6 972	6 199	6 146	4 937	3 514	3 612	4 107	-	13,7%
99.1.11 High inst courts_Pending cases on 1 Jan. Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.2.1 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				23 443	23 479	24 176	23 075	20 862	20 789	20 087	20 270	-	0,9%
99.2.2 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				8 605	8 441	8 138	8 015	6 693	7 798	7 581	7 460	-	-1,6%
99.2.3 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NAP	NAP	151	NA	139	160	182	174	-	-4,4%
99.2.4 High inst courts_Incoming cases_General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	58	NA	NA	160	182	174	-	-4,4%
99.2.5 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.2.6 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.2.7 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.2.8 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.2.9 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Other non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	93	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.2.10 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Administrative law cases				14 838	15 038	15 887	15 060	14 030	12 831	12 324	12 636	-	2,5%
99.2.11 High inst courts_Incoming cases_Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.3.1 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				22 474	24 297	23 868	25 085	22 473	19 946	19 445	20 534	-	5,6%
99.3.2 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				8 388	8 485	7 774	7 846	6 876	6 940	7 435	7 278	-	-2,1%
99.3.3 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NAP	NAP	152	NA	139	163	181	175	-	-3,3%
99.3.4 High inst courts_Resolved cases_General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	58	NA	NA	163	181	175	-	-3,3%
99.3.5 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.3.6 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.3.7 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		r quantitative tions
question	2010	2014	2010	2010	2017	2010	2013	2020	2021	2022	2020	2013-2023	2022-2023
99.3.8 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.3.9 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Other non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	94	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.3.10 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Administrative law cases				14 086	15 812	15 942	17 239	15 458	12 843	11 829	13 081	-	10,6%
99.3.11 High inst courts_Resolved cases_Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.4.1 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				10 925	9 934	10 061	8 053	7 375	8 311	8 940	8 621	-	-3,6%
99.4.2 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				3 953	3 735	3 915	4 086	3 863	4 699	4 832	4 958	-	2,6%
99.4.3 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NAP	NAP	2	NA	3	-	1	-	-	-
99.4.4 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	-	NA	NA	-	1	-	-	-
99.4.5 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.4.6 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.4.7 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.4.8 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.4.9 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	2	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.4.10 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Administrative law cases				6 972	6 199	6 144	3 967	3 509	3 612	4 107	3 663	-	-10,8%
99.4.11 High inst courts_Pending cases on 31 Dec. Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
99.5.1 High inst courts_Pending more than 2 years - Total of other than criminal law cases (1+2+3+4)				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	199	285	-	43,2%
99.5.2 High inst courts_Pending more than 2 years - Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	98	146	-	49,0%
99.5.10 High inst courts_Pending more than 2 years - Administrative law cases				479	248	81	85	53	66	101	139	-	37,6%
		Clearance ra	te and dispos	ition time for S	upreme cour	rts' other than	criminal law	cases (Q97)					
CR Total of other than criminal law cases				95,9%	103,5%	98,7%	108,7%	107,7%	95,9%	96,8%	101,3%	-	4,50
CR Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				97,5%	100,5%	95,5%	97,9%	102,7%	89,0%	98,1%	97,6%	-	(0,51)
CR Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NAP	NAP	100,7%	NA	100,0%	101,9%	99,5%	100,6%	-	1,12
CR General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	100,0%	NA	NA	101,9%	99,5%	100,6%	-	1,12
CR Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
CR Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
CR Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
CR Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
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CR Other non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	101,1%	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
CR Administrative law cases				94,9%	105,1%	100,3%	114,5%	110,2%	100,1%	96,0%	103,5%	-	7,54
CR Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Total of other than criminal law cases				177	149	154	117	120	152	168	153	-	-8,7%
DT Civil (and commercial) litigious cases				172	161	184	190	205	247	237	249	-	4,8%
DT Non litigious cases (2.1+2.2+2.3)				NAP	NAP	5	NA	8	-	2	-	-	-
DT General civil (and commercial) non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	-	NA	NA	-	2	-	-	-
DT Registry cases (2.2.1+2.2.2+2.2.3)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Non litigious land registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Non-litigious business registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Other registry cases				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Other non-litigious cases				NAP	NAP	8	NA	NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT Administrative law cases				181	143	141	84	83	103	127	102	-	-19,3%
DT Other cases (e.g. insolvency registry cases)				NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
				First instance	criminal law	cases (Q94)							
094.1.1 Total - pending 1 Jan								21 184	23 281	23 195	21 006	-	-9,4%
094.1.2 Severe cases - pending 1 Jan								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.1.3 Misdemeanour cases - pending 1 Jan								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.1.4 Other - pending 1 Jan								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
094.2.1 Total -incoming								130 282	131 575	124 178	131 222	-	5,7%
094.2.2 Severe cases - incoming								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.2.3 Misdemeanour cases - incoming								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.2.4 Other - incoming								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
094.3.1 Total - resolved								128 186	131 463	126 366	132 382	-	4,8%
094.3.2 Severe cases -resolved								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	
094.3.3 Misdemeanour cases - resolved								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.3.4 Other - resolved								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for ques	r quantitative tions
question	2010	2014	2010	2010	2011	2010	2013	2020	2021	2022	2020	2013-2023	2022-2023
094.4.1 Total - pending 31 Dec								23 280	23 393	21 007	19 846	-	-5,5%
094.4.2 Severe cases - pending 31 Dec								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.4.3 Misdemeanour cases - pending 31 Dec								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.4.4 Other - pending 31 Dec								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
094.5.1 Total - pending more then 2 years								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
094.5.2 Severe cases - pending more then 2 years								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.5.3 Misdemeanour cases - pending more then 2 years								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
094.5.4 Other - pending more then 2 years								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
		Clear	rance rate and	l disposition	time for first i	nstance crimi	nal law cases	(Q94)					
CR of Total								98%	100%	102%	101%	-	(0,9)
CR of Severe cases								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
CR of Misdemeanour cases								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
CR of Other								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
DT of Total								66	65	61	55	-	-9,8%
DT of Severe cases								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
DT of Misdemeanour cases								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
DT of Other								NA	NA	NAP	NAP	-	-
				Second insta	nce criminal I	aw cases (Q9	8)						
098.1.1 Total - pending 1 Jan								1 611	1 704	1 862	1 825	-	-2,0%
098.1.2 Severe cases - pending 1 Jan								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
098.1.3 Misdemeanour cases - pending 1 Jan								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
098.1.4 Other - pending 1 Jan								NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
098.2.1 Total -incoming								11 268	11 003	10 121	10 624	-	5,0%
098.2.2 Severe cases - incoming								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
098.2.3 Misdemeanour cases - incoming								NA	NA	NAP	NA	-	-
098.2.4 Other - incoming								NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
098.3.1 Total - resolved								11 174	10 841	10 158	10 808	-	6,4%

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100.2.2 Severe cases - incoming

525

609

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4,3%

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	ques	
												2013-2023	2022-2023
3. Processed cases (3.1 + 3.2 + 3.3 + 3.4)								142 299	168 588	161 905	176 116		8,8%
3.1. Discontinued during the reference year (3.1.1+3.1.2+3.1.3+3.1.4.)								74 567	101 626	133 466	148 471	-	11,2%
3.1.1 Discontinued by the public prosecutor because the offender could not be identified								NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
3.1.2 Discontinued by the public prosecutor due to the lack of an established offence or a specific legal situation								74 567	101 626	98 306	113 687	-	15,6%
3.1.3 Discontinued by the public prosecutor for reasons of opportunity								NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
3.1.4 Discontinued for other reasons								NAP	NAP	35 160	34 784	-	-1,1%
3.2. Concluded by a penalty or a measure imposed or negotiated by the public prosecutor								NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
3.3. Cases brought to court								27 879	28 975	28 439	27 645	-	-2,8%
4. Pending cases on 31 Dec. ref. year								4 119	4 205	4 208	4 163	-	-1,1%
Public prosecution: Ratio of processed cases with incoming cases								1,42	1,68	1,67	1,84	-	10,5%
Public prosecution: Ratio of pending cases with incoming cases								0,04	0,04	0,04	0,04	-	-1,1%
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - Total								19 155	21 346	21 326	21 806	-	2,3%
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - Total - Severe criminal cases								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - Total - Misdemeanour and / or minor criminal cases								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - Before the main trial - Total								8 934	10 504	10 785	11 115	-	3,1%
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - Before the main trial - Severe criminal cases								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - Before the main trial - Misdemeanour and / or minor criminal cases								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - During the main trial - Total								10 221	10 842	10 541	10 691	-	1,4%
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - During the main trial - Severe criminal cases								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
Number of cases concluded with the guilty plea procedure - During the main trial - Misdemeanour and / or minor criminal cases								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	_
			В	udget of publ	ic prosecutio	n services (Q	13)						

Our attent	2042	2044	2045	2040	2047	2040	2040	2020	2024	2022	2022	Variations for quest	
Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
Total approved annual public budget allocated to the public prosecution services in €	83 191 279 €	93 698 490 €	95 590 817 €	103 474 815 €	111 702 235 €	117 132 394 €	137 635 835 €	152 917 818 €	168 983 884 €	180 015 668 €	204 259 036 €	145,5%	13,47%
Total implemented annual public budget allocated to the public prosecution services in €	-	93 356 800 €	94 966 603 €	102 876 460 €	110 387 845€	116 412 630 €	136 392 502 €	149 281 332 €	166 149 076 €	178 508 426 €	197 617 281 €		10,70%
Approved annual public budget allocated to training of public prosecution services in € (included in the total)	-	-	-	-	-	11 000 €	12 850 €	3 840 €	9 569 €	12 169 €	17 472 €	-	43,58%
Implemented annual public budget allocated to training of public prosecution services in € (included in the total)	-	-	-	-	-	10 480 €	12 799 €	3 646 €	9 569 €	7 224 €	9 353 €	-	29,47%

		Indica	tor 5: Access t	o justice						
		System	for compensa	ting users						
			(Q37)							
Number of requests for compensation										
037.1.1 Total					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.1.2 Excessive length of proceedings					NA	575	536	567	-	5,8%
037.1.3 Non-execution of court decisions					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.1.4 Wrongful arrest/detention					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.1.5 Wrongful conviction					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.1.6 Other					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
Number of compensations granted										
037.2.1 Total					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.2.2 Excessive length of proceedings					NA	300	204	213	-	4,4%
037.2.3 Non-execution of court decisions					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.2.4 Wrongful arrest/detention					NA	257	230	NA	-	-
037.2.5 Wrongful conviction					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.2.6 Other					NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
Amount of compensations granted (in €)										
037.3.1 Total					NA	NA	NA	NA		-
037.3.2 Excessive length of proceedings					NA	416 526 €	316 392 €	311 320 €		-1,6%

Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations fo	r quantitative stions
Question	2013	2014	2013	2010	2017	2010	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
037.3.3 Non-execution of court decisions								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.3.4 Wrongful arrest/detention								NA	1 041 345 €	1 311 388 €	1 443 937 €	-	10,1%
037.3.5 Wrongful conviction								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
037.3.6 Other								NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
			Indicat	or 6: The ICT	tools of court	ts and for cou	ırt users						
				(Q62-23, (	Q62-24, Q62-2	5, Q62-26)							
Writing assistance tools													
062-23.1.1.1 Deployment rate in civil and/or commercial matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-23.1.2.1 Usage rate in civil and/or commercial matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-23.1.3.1 Deployment rate in administrative matter										NAP	95-100 %		
062-23.2.1.1 Usage rate in administrative matter										NAP	95-100 %		
062-23.2.2.1 Deployment rate in criminal matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-23.2.3.1 Usage rate in criminal matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
Features of the writing assistance tools													
Civil and/or commercial matter													
062-24.1.1.1 Templates										True	True		
062-24.1.1.2 Automatically generated text										False	False		
062-24.1.1.3 Automatically suggested decision										False	False		
062-24.1.1.4 Speech-to-text										False	True		
062-24.1.1.5 Electronic signature										False	False		
062-24.1.1.6 Other special functionality										False	False		
Administrative matter													
062-24.1.2.1 Templates										False	True		
062-24.1.2.2 Automatically generated text										False	False		
062-24.1.2.3 Automatically suggested decision										False	False		
062-24.1.2.4 Speech-to-text										False	True		
062-24.1.2.5 Electronic signature										False	False		

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations fo ques	r quantitative tions
<b>Question</b>	2013	2014	2013	2010	2017	2010	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2013-2023	2022-2023
062-24.1.2.6 Other special functionality										False	False		
Criminal matter													
062-24.1.3.1 Templates										True	True		
062-24.1.3.2 Automatically generated text										False	False		
062-24.1.3.3 Automatically suggested decision										False	False		
062-24.1.3.4 Speech-to-text										False	True		
062-24.1.3.5 Electronic signature										False	False		
062-24.1.3.6 Other special functionality										False	False		
Recording of court hearings													
062-25.1.1.1 Deployment rate in civil and/or commercial matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-25.1.2.1 Usage rate in civil and/or commercial matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-25.1.3.1 Deployment rate in administrative matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-25.2.1.1 Usage rate in administrative matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-25.2.2.1 Deployment rate in criminal matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
062-25.2.3.1 Usage rate in criminal matter										95-100 %	95-100 %		
Features of the recording of court hearings													
Civil and/or commercial matter													
062-26.1.1.1 Audio recording										True	True		
062-26.1.1.2 Video recording										False	False		
062-26.1.1.3 Systematic recording for all hearings										False	False		
062-26.1.1.4 Automatically indexed recording										False	False		
062-26.1.1.5 Automatic transcript from recording										False	False		
062-26.1.1.6 Possibility to request a copy of the recording										False	False		
062-26.1.1.7 Other special functionality										False	False		
Administrative matter													
062-26.1.2.1 Audio recording										True	True		
062-26.1.2.2 Video recording										False	False		

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		r quantitative tions
<u> </u>	20.0	2011	20.0	20.0	2011	20.0	2010	_0_0	_0		2020	2013-2023	2022-2023
062-26.1.2.3 Systematic recording for all hearings										False	False		
062-26.1.2.4 Automatically indexed recording										False	False		
062-26.1.2.5 Automatic transcript from recording										False	False		
062-26.1.2.6 Possibility to request a copy of the recording										False	False		
062-26.1.2.7 Other special functionality										False	False		
Criminal matter													
062-26.1.3.1 Audio recording										True	True		
062-26.1.3.2 Video recording										False	False		
062-26.1.3.3 Systematic recording for all hearings										False	False		
062-26.1.3.4 Automatically indexed recording										False	False		
062-26.1.3.5 Automatic transcript from recording										False	False		
062-26.1.3.6 Possibility to request a copy of the recording										False	False		
062-26.1.3.7 Other special functionality										False	False		

			lr	ndicator 7: P	rofessionals c	of justice							
		(Q46,	Q46-2, Q52, 0	Q52-1, Q55, (	Q60, Q4, Q132,	Q133, Q144, Q	Q145, Q146)						
46.1.1 Total Number of professional judges	2 191	2 220	2 225	2 255	2 235	2 223	2 215	2 184	2 192	2 188	2 234	2,0%	2,1%
46.1.2 Number of 1st inst professional judges	1 614	1 753	1 760	1 789	1 745	1 750	1 898	1 246	1 258	1 230	1 282	-20,6%	4,2%
46.1.3 Number of 2nd inst professional judges	396	277	277	276	299	289	134	760	750	778	780	97,0%	0,3%
46.1.4 Number of Supreme court professional judges	181	190	188	190	191	184	183	178	184	180	172	-5,0%	-4,4%
46.2.1 Number of professional judges_males	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	749	732	742	743	752	-	1,2%
46.2.2 Number of 1st instance professional judges_males	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	655	435	440	432	446	-	3,2%
46.2.3 Number of 2nd instance professional judges_males	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	50	255	254	263	261	-	-0,8%
46.2.4 Number of Supreme court professional judges_males	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	44	42	48	48	45	-	-6,3%
46.3.1 Number of professional judges_females	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1 466	1 452	1 450	1 445	1 482	-	2,6%
46.3.2 Number of 1st inst professional judges_females	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1 243	811	818	798	836	-	4,8%
46.3.3 Number of 2nd inst professional judges_females	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	84	505	496	515	519	-	0,8%
46.3.4 Number of Supreme court professional judges_females	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	139	136	136	132	127	-	-3,8%

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for ques	
												2013-2023	2022-2023
046-2.1.1 Number of professional judges (FTE) - Total									2 192	2 188	2 234	-	2,1%
046-2.1.2 Professional judges of first instance (FTE) - Total									1 258	1 230	1 282	-	4,2%
046-2.1.3 Professional judges of second instance (FTE) - Total									750	778	780	-	0,3%
046-2.1.4 Professional judges of supreme court (FTE) - Total									184	180	172	-	-4,4%
046-2.2.1 Number of professional judges (FTE) - Civil and commercial									NA	NA	NA	-	-
046-2.2.2 Professional judges of first instance (FTE) - Civil and commercial									NA	NA	NA	-	-
046-2.2.3 Professional judges of second instance (FTE) - Civil and commercial									432	461	460	-	-0,2%
046-2.2.4 Professional judges of supreme court (FTE) - Civil and commercial									62	65	64	-	-1,5%
046-2.3.1 Number of professional judges (FTE) - Criminal									NA	NA	NA	-	-
046-2.3.2 Professional judges of first instance (FTE) - Criminal									NA	NA	NA	-	-
046-2.3.3 Professional judges of second instance (FTE) - Criminal									254	275	269	-	-2,2%
046-2.3.4 Professional judges of supreme court (FTE) - Criminal									27	24	23	-	-4,2%
046-2.4.1 Number of professional judges (FTE) - Administrative									330	389	392	-	0,8%
046-2.4.2 Professional judges of first instance (FTE) - Administrative									236	299	308	-	3,0%
046-2.4.3 Professional judges of second instance (FTE) - Administrative									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
046-2.4.4 Professional judges of supreme court (FTE) - Administrative									94	90	84	-	-6,7%
046-2.5.1 Number of professional judges (FTE) - Other									15	14	14	-	0,0%
046-2.5.2 Professional judges of first instance (FTE) - Other									10	9	9		0,0%
046-2.5.3 Professional judges of second instance (FTE) - Other									5	5	5		0,0%
046-2.5.4 Professional judges of supreme court (FTE) - Other									NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
52.1.1 Total Number of non judge staff who are working in courts	5 958	6 014	6 143	6 174	6 212	6 262	6 323	6 329	6 475	6 587	6 606	10,9%	0,3%
52.1.2 Number of Non judge staff (Rechtspfleger)	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-
52.1.3 Number of Non-judge staff assisting the judges	4 445	4 468	4 395	4 478	4 492	4 656	4 689	4 697	4 840	4 936	4 936	11,0%	0,0%
52.1.4 Number of Staff in charge of administrative tasks	1 458	1 491	1 191	1 162	1 118	1 006	979	968	970	983	994	-31,8%	1,1%
52.1.5 Number of Technical staff	NA	NA	502	481	568	585	617	627	627	629	636	-	1,1%
52.1.6 Number of Other non judge staff	55	55	55	53	34	35	38	37	38	39	40	-27,3%	2,6%
52.2.1 Total Number of non judge staff who are working in courts(men)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Variations for quantitative questions			
	2013											2013-2023	2022-2023		
52.2.2 Number of Non judge staff (Rechtspfleger)(men)	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-		
52.2.3 Number of Non-judge staff assisting the judges(men)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.2.4 Number of Staff in charge of administrative tasks(men)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.2.5 Number of Technical staff(men)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.2.6 Number of Other non judge staff(men)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.3.1 Total Number of non judge staff who are working in courts(women)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.3.2 Number of Non judge staff (Rechtspfleger)(women)	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NA	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	-	-		
52.3.3 Number of Non-judge staff assisting the judges(women)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.3.4 Number of Staff in charge of administrative tasks(women)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.3.5 Number of Technical staff(women)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
52.3.6 Number of Other non judge staff(women)	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-									
052-1.1.1 Non-judge staff (Total)									6 475	6 587	6 606	-	0,3%		
052-1.1.2 Non-judge staff at first instance (total)									4 176	4 263	4 272	-	0,2%		
052-1.1.3 Non-judge staff at second instance (total)									1 875	1 893	1 890	-	-0,2%		
052-1.1.4 Non-judge staff at Supreme court (total)									424	431	444	-	3,0%		
052-1.2.1 Non-judge staff (Males)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.2.2 Non-judge staff at first instance (males)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.2.3 Non-judge staff at second instance (males)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.2.4 Non-judge staff at Supreme court (males)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.3.1 Non-judge staff (females)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.3.2 Non-judge staff at first instance (females)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.3.3 Non-judge staff at second instance (females)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
052-1.3.4 Non-judge staff at supreme court (females)									NA	NA	NA	-	-		
055.1.1 Prosecutors (total)									1 527	1 542	1 549	-	0,5%		
055.1.2 Prosecutors (1st inst.)									904	883	900	-	1,9%		
055.1.3 Prosecutors (2nd inst.)									507	528	515	-	-2,5%		
055.1.4 Prosecutors (Highest instance)									116	131	134	-	2,3%		
055.2.1 Prosecutors - Males -total									738	745	746	-	0,1%		

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Question	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 -	Variations for quantitative questions	
												2013-2023	2022-2023
055.2.2 Prosecutors - Males, 1st inst.									393	400	413	-	3,3%
055.2.3 Prosecutors - Males, 2nd inst.									292	290	279	-	-3,8%
055.2.4 Prosecutors - Males, Supreme courts									53	55	54	-	-1,8%
055.3.1 Prosecutors - Females, Total									789	797	803	-	0,8%
055.3.2 Prosecutors - Females, 1st inst.									511	483	487	-	0,8%
055.3.3 Prosecutors - Females, 2nd inst.									215	238	236	-	-0,8%
055.3.4 Prosecutors - Females, Supreme courts									63	76	80	-	5,3%
057 Other with similar duties as public prsecutors											False	-	-
056.1.1 Heads of prosecution (total)										69	69	-	0,0%
056.1.2 Heads of prosecution (1st inst.)										34	34	-	0,0%
056.1.3 Heads of prosecution (2nd inst.)										34	34	-	0,0%
056.1.4 Heads of prosecution (Highest instance)										1	1	-	0,0%
056.2.1 Heads of prosecution - Males -total										41	41	-	0,0%
056.2.2 Heads of prosecution - Males, 1st inst.										16	16	-	0,0%
056.2.3 Heads of prosecution - Males, 2nd inst.										24	24	-	0,0%
056.2.4 Heads of prosecution - Males, Supreme courts										1	1	-	0,0%
056.3.1 Heads of prosecution - Females, Total										28	28	-	0,0%
056.3.2 Heads of prosecution - Females, 1st inst.										18	18	-	0,0%
056.3.3 Heads of prosecution - Females, 2nd inst.										10	10	-	0,0%
056.3.4 Heads of prosecution - Females, Supreme courts										0,0%	NAP	-	-
060.1.1 Number of non-prosecutor staff Total							-	3 021	2 887	2 956	3 081	-	4,2%
060.2.1 Number of non-prosecutor staff Males							-	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
060.3.1 Number of non-prosecutor staff Females							-	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-
004 Annual average salary in the country							7 814 €	8 509 €	9 514 €	10 861 €	12 518 €	-	15,3%
132.1.1 Gross annual salary, in € - Professional judge at the beginning of career							22 957 €	24 990 €	27 867 €	30 085 €	34 867 €	-	15,9%
132.1.2 Gross annual salary, in € - Judge of the Supreme Court							39 583 €	44 214 €	48 222 €	53 144 €	61 202 €	-	15,2%
132.1.3 Gross annual salary, in € - Public prosecutor at the beginning of career							22 957 €	24 990 €	27 867 €	30 085 €	34 867 €	-	15,9%
132.1.4 Gross annual salary, in € - Public prosecutor of the Supreme Court or the Highest Appellate Instance							39 583 €	44 214 €	48 222 €	53 144 €	61 202 €	-	15,2%