

KAZAKHSTAN



Population 18 879 552



GDP per capita
7 991 €
CoE Median 20 301 €



Clearance rate (%)

Efficiency

Avg gross annual salary 5 424 €

Disposition time (days)

CoE Median 20 612 €

Implemented judicial system budget **Prosecution services Judicial system** Courts Legal aid 0.13% of GDP 10.0 per inh. 5.8 per inh. 4.1 per inh. 0.18 per inh. CoE Median: 43,53 CoE Median: 3,08 CoE Median: 0.30% CoE Median: 64,50 CoE Median: 13,86 0.30% 12,1 0.13% 3,2 3,1 10,0 4.5 0,26 **3**0,18 2020 2018 2020 2018 2020 2018 2020 2018 2020

Budget: In 2020, Kazakhstan spent 189 602 746 € on the implemented judicial system budget, which is 10,04 € per inhabitant and 0,13% of the country's GDP. In 2020, 58 % was spent on all courts, 40 % on prosecution services, and 2 % on legal aid.

Promotion of judges and the quality of justice

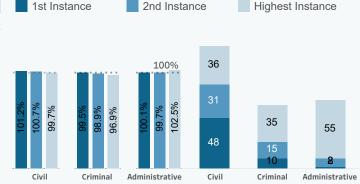
Starting with 2019, the promotion of judges is carried out through a competitive procedure in Kazakhstan. To this end, a new Commission on the Quality of Justice made of judges has been set up in the Supreme Court. It considers a number of professional performance aspects, including the quality of the decisions and compliance with ethical standards, along with the results of the interviews for the positions.

Organisation

The number of courts per 100,000 inhabitants in Kazakhstan continues to be above the CoE median in 2020, as the number of general jurisdiction courts increased. The number of specialized courts decreased on the account of abolishing some military courts reported in 2020.

Professionals and gender balance

The number of judges per 100,000 inhabitants (12,68) is lower than the CoE median. Conversely, the number of prosecutors (30,28) is significantly higher than the median. The number of non-judge staff per judge is almost on a par with the CoE median. While 47% of judges are female, in 2020 only 14% of court presidents are women. No gender-disaggregated data on prosecutors and non-prosecution staff was available for 2020.



Efficiency: First instance courts in Kazakhstan appear to be the most efficient courts in 2020. The number of incoming other than criminal cases per 100 inhabitants decreased significantly compared to 2018. Pandemic-related measures, as well as access to mediation getting momentum seem to explain the decrease. These courts kept a 100% clearance rate and they solve cases considerably faster compared to the CoE median. The second instance courts have a Clearance Rate above 100% in civil and commercial litigious cases; and the Supreme court – in administrative cases. The Disposition Time increased compared to

civil and commercial litigious cases; and the Supreme court – in administrative cases. The Disposition Time increased compared to 2018 most notably in the administrative cases and in criminal law cases in the Supreme Court, although it remains significantly lower than the CoE median. This can be explained by binding time limits set by law for the examination of cases in courts in Kazakhstan.

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