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Population 19 186 201



GDP per capita 11 290 € CoE Median 20 301 €



Efficiency

Avg gross annual salary 13 385€

CoE Median 20 612 €

Implemented judicial system budget **Judicial system Prosecution services** Courts

Legal aid 0.44% of GDP 49.6 per inh. 32.5 per inh. 16.2 per inh. 0.85 per inh. CoE Median: 0,30% CoE Median: 64,50 CoE Median: 43,53 CoE Median: 13,86 CoE Median: 3,08



Budget: In 2020, Romania spent 951 252 278€ on the implemented judicial system budget: 49.6€ per inhab. (below the CoE median) and 0.44% of the GDP (above the median). 66% were spent on courts, 33% on prosecution, and 2% on legal aid. The legal aid budget which was 0,85€ per inhabitant in 2020 is significantly below the CoE median.

Court organisation

Different levels of courts exist: "judecatorii", tribunals, courts of appeal and the High Court of Cassation and Justice. Only the judges of the "judecatorii" are counted as 1st instance judges, while those of tribunals and courts of appeal - as 2nd instance, even though the tribunals and appellate courts can intervene at 1st instance. Interestingly, in some cases even the High Court can act in the first instance.

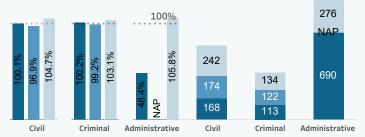
Information for users

Romania is among the 12 member States where the parties must be informed on the foreseeable timeframes of their proceedings. For this reason, the statistical reports include monitoring of the duration of court trials on different levels - total time, preliminary proceedings, delays between the sessions, time for drafting the decision, the number of pending cases, backlogs.

Public prosecution services

Since 2019, a specialised network of prosecutors has been dealing with cases concerning minors (perpetrators and victims), analysing the case-law of prosecutors' offices and drafts proposals for taking over complex cases. These prosecutors are responsible for decentralised trainings on the newest national, ECHR or international case-law on human rights.





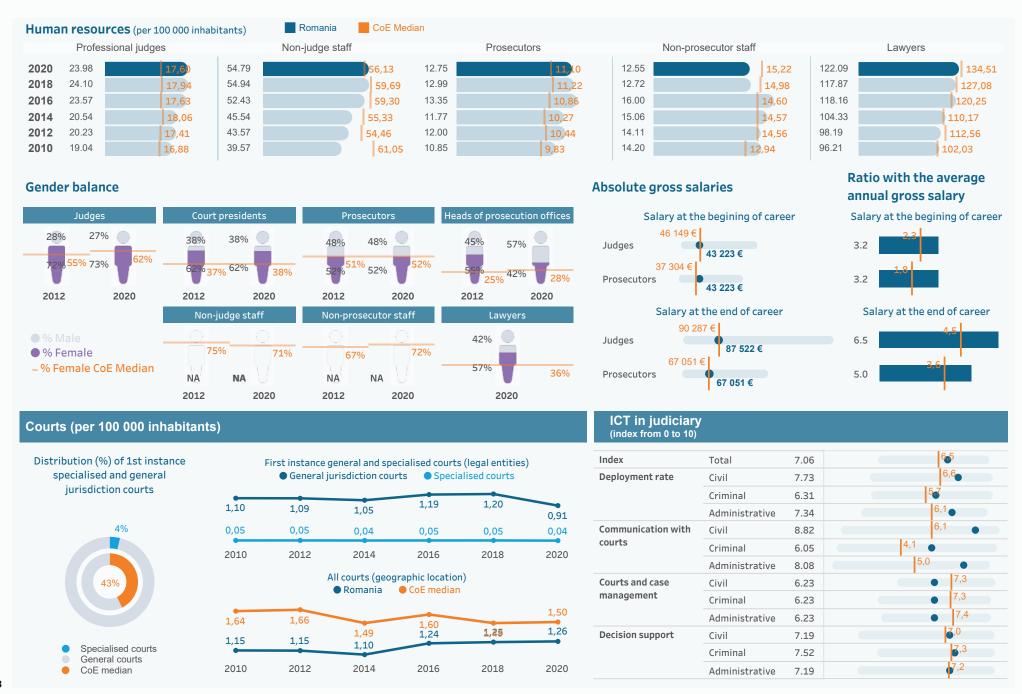
Efficiency: In 2020, courts treated cases fastest at the second instance, while the most efficient area of law were the criminal matters. Specifically, the DT was the lowest in first instance criminal cases. Contrary, the DT was the highest in the first instance administrative cases and it is above the respective CoE medians for all third instance cases.

The efficiency of courts decreased in 2020 in first and second instances, mainly due to a decrease in the number of resolved cases in the COVID-19 pandemic context.

The activity of all courts was partially suspended for almost 3 months and hearings were postponed. Nevertheless, in the highest instance, the efficiency improved in the civil and commercial litigious and criminal cases.

Contrary, the efficiency decreased in respect of third instance administrative cases but for reasons unrelated to the pandemic. Reportedly, this decrease is caused by procedural amendments on 1st instance which generated later effects on the 3rd instance.

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CEPEJ efficiency indicators

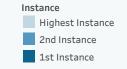
Clearance Rate (CR) = (Resolved cases / Incoming cases) *100

 ${\sf CR>100\%, court/judicial\ system\ is\ able\ to\ resolve\ more\ cases\ than\ it\ received\ =>\ backlog\ is\ decreasing\ dec$

CR < 100%, court/judicial system is able to resolve fewer cases than it received => backlog is increasing

Dispostion Time (DT) = (Pending cases / Resolved cases) *365

The Disposition Time (DT) is the theoretical time for a pending case to be resolved, taken into consideration the current pace of work



		Clearance Rate			Dis	sposition Time (in days)	Evolution of Disposition Time						
								2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020
Civil	Highest Instance	104.7%		100% 103,0%	242	172	Civil	138	188	143	170	246	242
	2nd Instance	96.9%		104,2%	174	177		221	218	299	131	128	174
	1st Instance	100.1%		98,1%	168	237		217	193	146	153	157	168
Criminal	Highest Instance	103.1%		101,0%	134	120	Criminal	37	78	■ 84	66	222	134
	2nd Instance	99.2%		99,4%	122	121		1 01	250	131	115	1 06	122
	1st Instance	100.2%		94,7%	113	149		8 5	1 72	111	111	98	113
Administrative	Highest Instance	105.8%		101,2%	276	249	Administrative	137	411	117	185	149	276
	2nd Instance	NAP		100,9%	NAP	253		• NA	- NAP	• NAP	• NAP	• NAP	• NAP
	1st Instance	48.4%		97,5%	690	358		269	272	179	170	117	690

Public prosecution services

Total number of criminal cases of 1st instance per 100 inhabitants Distribution of processed cases per 100 inhabitants



Discontinued during the reference year

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

Cases closed by the public prosecutor for other reasons

Cases brought to court

Distribution of discontinued cases per 100 inhabitants



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Note: There are different methodologies on calculating number of cases in prosecution statistics by event or by perpetrator. CEPEJ collects data per case (event) but some countries present it by perpetrator.

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Judiciary related websites

1. Legal texts

www.just.ro; www.csm1909.ro; www.scj.ro; www.mpublic.ro

2. Case-law of the higher court/s

http://portal.just.ro/SitePages/acasa.aspx; www.rolii.ro; www.scj.ro

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