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CoE Median

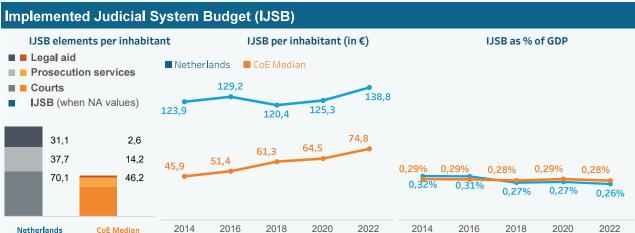
Inhabitants 17811291



GDP per capita 53817€ CoE Median 27 406 €



Average gross annual salary 66 900 € CoE Median 22 878 €

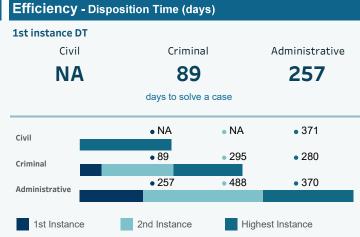


Budget: In 2022, the implemented budget of the judicial system of the Netherlands amounts to 2 472 714 000 €, or 138,8 € per inhabitant, well above the CoE median and 0,26% of GDP. The per inhabitant budget for courts rose to 70,1 € from 64,7 in 2020 €, and the budgets for public prosecution services and legal aid are also significantly higher than the CoE median.

Access to justice: The Netherlands has one of the highest legal aid budgets per inhabitant, which increased significantly from the previous cycle. The number of cases granted legal aid per inhabitant is well above the CoE median. To improve access to justice, the Netherlands reduced court fees in civil proceedings, continued the legal aid renewal program, and funded restorative justice and mediation initiatives.

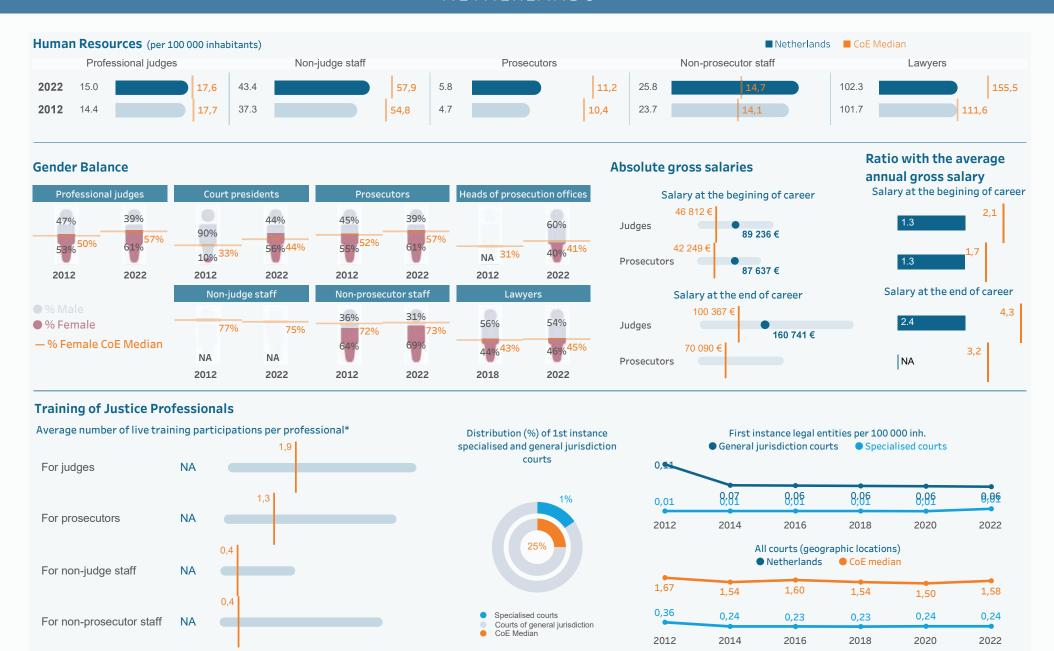
Courts efficiency: In 2019, the courts launched the 'Justice on Time' program, introducing a five-team 'firefighters brigade' to alleviate court backlogs. The brigade handles the oldest unresolved cases and delivers judgments on their behalf. In 2021, the teams issued about 3 000 judgments, increasing to 17 000 in 2022.

Innovative civil procedures: The judiciary is promoting local initiatives and best practices with a people-centred perspective. These initiatives, addressing for example complex divorces, debt issues or simplifying civil procedures are tested in pilot courts. Successful innovations are then scaled up nationwide for broader implementation.



Efficiency: In 2022, the Netherlands was not able to calculate the number of civil/commercial litigious pending cases. Therefore, the Disposition Time for this category cannot be calculated. The courts are the most efficient in the first instance of criminal cases, while the Disposition Time is highest in the second instance of administrative cases. Disposition times remained stable or decreased, compared to the previous evaluation cycle, generally staying below the CoE median in the first instance and above the median in the second instance.

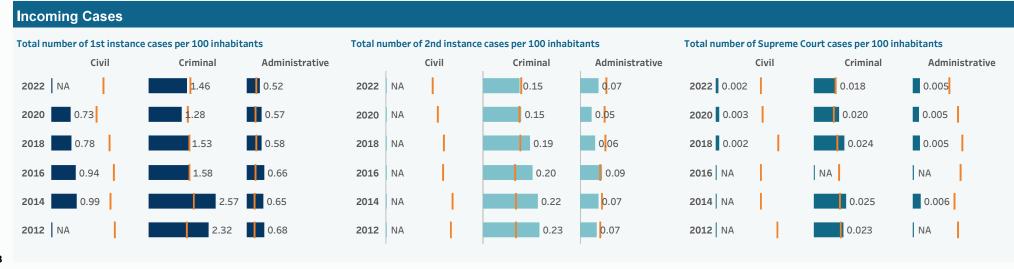
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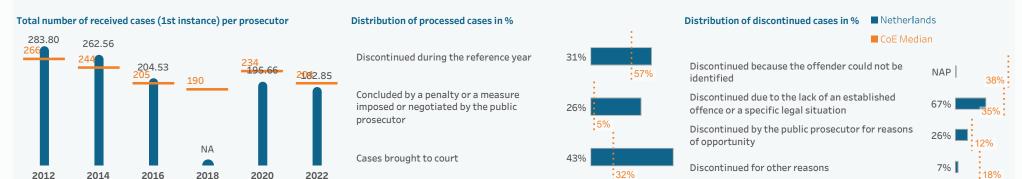
^{*} This indicator is calculated as follows: the number of participants in live trainings is divided by the number of professionals for that category. For example, if the CoE Median for judges is 3,9, this means that, each judge in Europe participated to 3,9 live trainings (as mid value). Indeed, this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

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CEPEJ Efficiency Indicators Clearance Rate (CR) = (Resolved cases / Incoming cases) *100 Instance CR > 100%, the court/judicial system is able to resolve more cases than it received => backlog is decreasing ■ Netherlands 1st Instance CR < 100%, the court/judicial system is able to resolve fewer cases than it received => backlog is increasing ■ CoE Median 2nd Instance Dispostion Time (DT) = (Pending cases / Resolved cases) *365 Highest Instance The Disposition Time (DT) is the theoretical time for a pending case to be resolved, taken into consideration the current pace of work of the courts Clearance Rate Disposition Time (in days) **Evolution of Disposition Time** 2012 2016 2018 2020 2014 2022 100% Civil 121 Civil 1st Instance NA NA NA 110 127 NA 99% 239 NA NA - NA - NA NA NA - NA - NA 2nd Instance 99% 200 Highest Instance 107% 371 NA NA NA 105% Criminal 1st Instance 96% 89 Criminal 117 128 99% 133 100% 295 197 187 208 245 295 2nd Instance 99% 90% Highest Instance 280 NA NA NA 100% Administrative 1st Instance 99% 257 Administrative 163 171 2nd Instance 85% 488 103% Highest Instance 80% 370 NA NA 102%

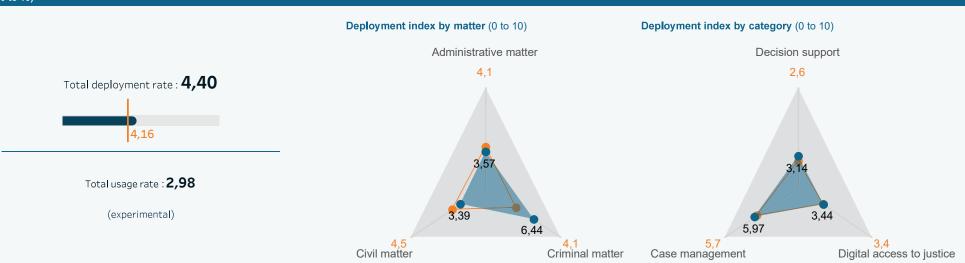


Public Prosecution Services



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

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Legal texts

https://wetten.overheid.nl/

Case-law of the higher court/s

https://uitspraken.rechtspraak.nl/

Information about the judicial system

www.rechtspraak.nl