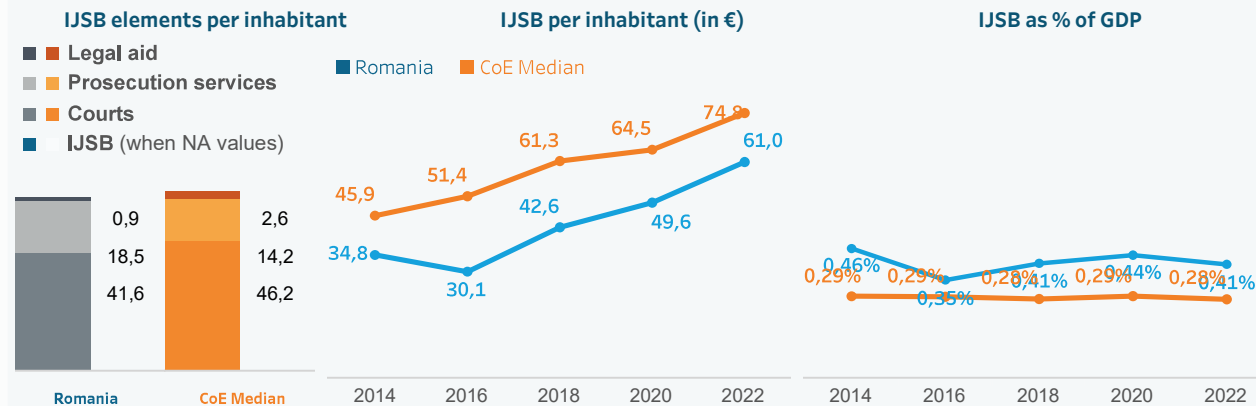Inhabitants
19 051 562

GDP per capita
15 010 €
CoE Median 27 406 €

Average gross annual salary
14 906 €
CoE Median 22 878 €

Implemented Judicial System Budget (IJSB)

IJSB elements per inhabitant

- Legal aid
- Prosecution services
- Courts
- IJSB (when NA values)

Romania
- 0,9
- 18,5
- 41,6

CoE Median
- 2,6
- 14,2
- 46,2

IJSB per inhabitant (in €)

- Romania
- CoE Median

Year	Romania	CoE Median
2014	34,8	45,9
2016	30,1	51,4
2018	42,6	61,3
2020	49,6	64,5
2022	61,0	74,8

IJSB as % of GDP

Year	Romania	CoE Median
2014	0,29%	0,46%
2016	0,35%	0,29%
2018	0,41%	0,28%
2020	0,44%	0,29%
2022	0,41%	0,28%

Efficiency - Disposition Time (days)

1st instance DT

Civil	Criminal	Administrative
160	**114**	**321**

days to solve a case

|	1st Instance	2nd Instance	Highest Instance
Civil	160	207	216
Criminal	114	123	50
Administrative	321	NAP	234

Budget : In 2022, the total implemented budget for judicial system is 1 162 228 862 €, which translates to 61,0 € per inhabitant, below CoE median. The budget represents 0,41% of GDP, which is well above the CoE median. The court budget per inhabitant increased significantly from 32,5 € (2020) to 41,6 € (2022), getting closer to the CoE median, but still below. Conversely, the public prosecution services' budget remain above the CoE median.

Court organisation: There are four levels of courts: judecatorii presented as 1st instance courts; tribunals and courts of appeal considered as 2nd instance courts and the High Court of Cassation and Justice. However, according to the procedural provisions, tribunals may sit as 1st and 2d instance courts and in certain procedural circumstances, the courts of appeal may judge in 1st instance. Moreover, the High Court of Cassation and Justice can judge in 1st instance for example in criminal cases, according to the personal competence rules of procedure.

Information and Communication Technologies (ICT): Romania has an ICT Deployment index of 8,1 which is among the highest in Europe and well balanced between the different legal matters and analysed ICT categories. However, there is a considerable difference between the deployment and the use of digital technology in courts, mainly due to unavailability of data on usage rate.

Gender balance: Women constitute more than 70% of the total number of professional judges at each of the three court instances. Moreover, 59% of court presidents are female. Women also constitute 51% of the total number of prosecutors, but still do not have the majority at last instance and as heads of prosecution services.
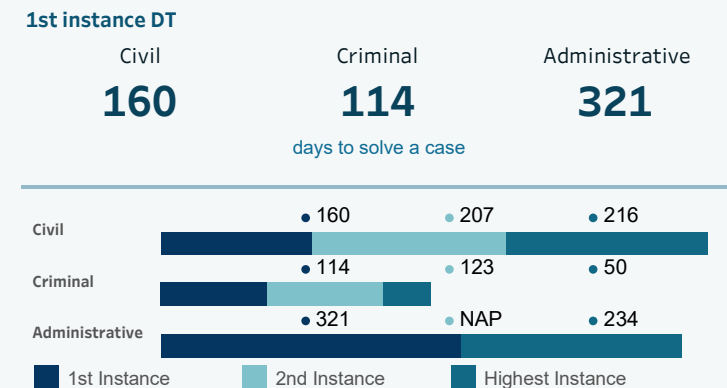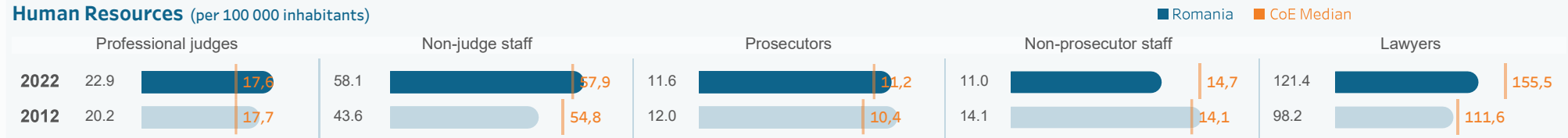
Efficiency : The courts remain most efficient in criminal matters, consistent with the previous evaluation cycle. Separately, the courts are most efficient in 3rd instance criminal cases with a CR high above the 100% threshold and a DT twice below the CoE median. The Disposition Time is the highest in 1st instance administrative cases, albeit with a significant improvement over 2020, namely, it decreased more than twice.
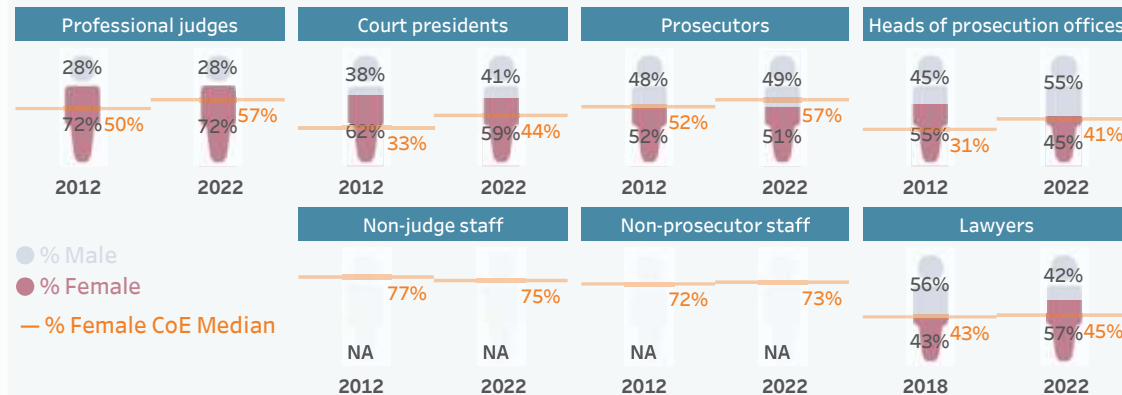
The DT values are below the respective CoE medians in 1st instance civil cases and 1st and 3rd instance criminal cases.

It should be noted that second instance courts encountered some difficulties in civil law matters, due to a large number of judges retiring in 2022.
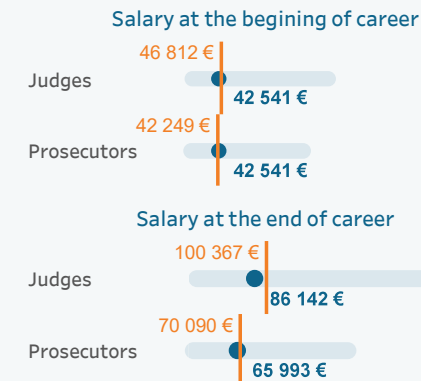
ROMANIA

Human Resources (per 100 000 inhabitants)

■ Romania ■ CoE Median

	Professional judges	Non-judge staff	Prosecutors	Non-prosecutor staff	Lawyers
2022	22.9 — 17,6	58.1 — 57,9	11.6 — 11,2	11.0 — 14,7	121.4 — 155,5
2012	20.2 — 17,7	43.6 — 54,8	12.0 — 10,4	14.1 — 14,1	98.2 — 111,6

Gender Balance

● % Male
● % Female
— % Female CoE Median

Professional judges
- 2012: 28% / 72% 50%
- 2022: 28% / 72% 57%

Court presidents
- 2012: 38% / 62% 33%
- 2022: 41% / 59% 44%

Prosecutors
- 2012: 48% / 52% 52%
- 2022: 49% / 51% 57%

Heads of prosecution offices
- 2012: 45% / 55% 31%
- 2022: 55% / 45% 41%

Non-judge staff
- 2012: 77% NA
- 2022: 75% NA

Non-prosecutor staff
- 2012: 72% NA
- 2022: 73% NA

Lawyers
- 2018: 56% / 43% 43%
- 2022: 42% / 57% 45%

Absolute gross salaries

Salary at the begining of career
- Judges: 46 812 € / 42 541 €
- Prosecutors: 42 249 € / 42 541 €

Salary at the end of career
- Judges: 100 367 € / 86 142 €
- Prosecutors: 70 090 € / 65 993 €

Ratio with the average annual gross salary

Salary at the begining of career
- Judges: 2,1 / 2.9
- Prosecutors: 1,7 / 2.9

Salary at the end of career
- Judges: 4,3 / 5.8
- Prosecutors: 3,2 / 4.4

Training of Justice Professionals

Average number of live training participations per professional*

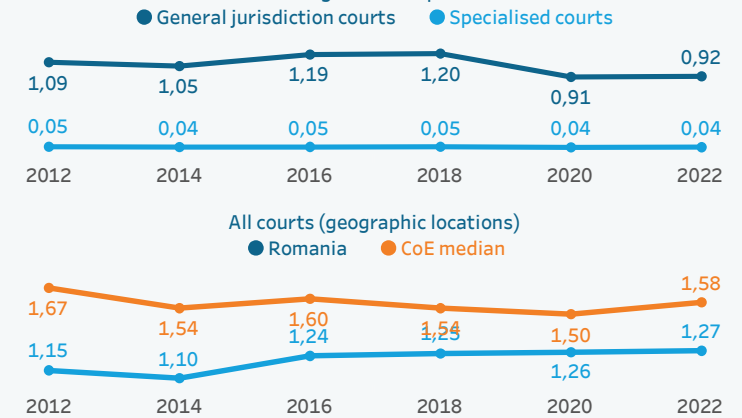|	Romania	CoE Median
For judges	0.6	1,9
For prosecutors	0.8	1,3
For non-judge staff	0.1	0,4
For non-prosecutor staff	0.3	0,4

Distribution (%) of 1st instance specialised and general jurisdiction courts

4% — 25%
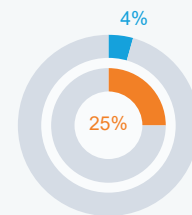
● Specialised courts
● Courts of general jurisdiction
● CoE Median

First instance legal entities per 100 000 inh.
● General jurisdiction courts ● Specialised courts

2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
1,09	1,05	1,19	1,20	0,91	0,92
0,05	0,04	0,05	0,05	0,04	0,04

All courts (geographic locations)
● Romania ● CoE median

2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
1,67	1,54	1,60	1,54	1,50	1,58
1,15	1,10	1,24	1,25	1,26	1,27

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

CEPEJ Efficiency Indicators

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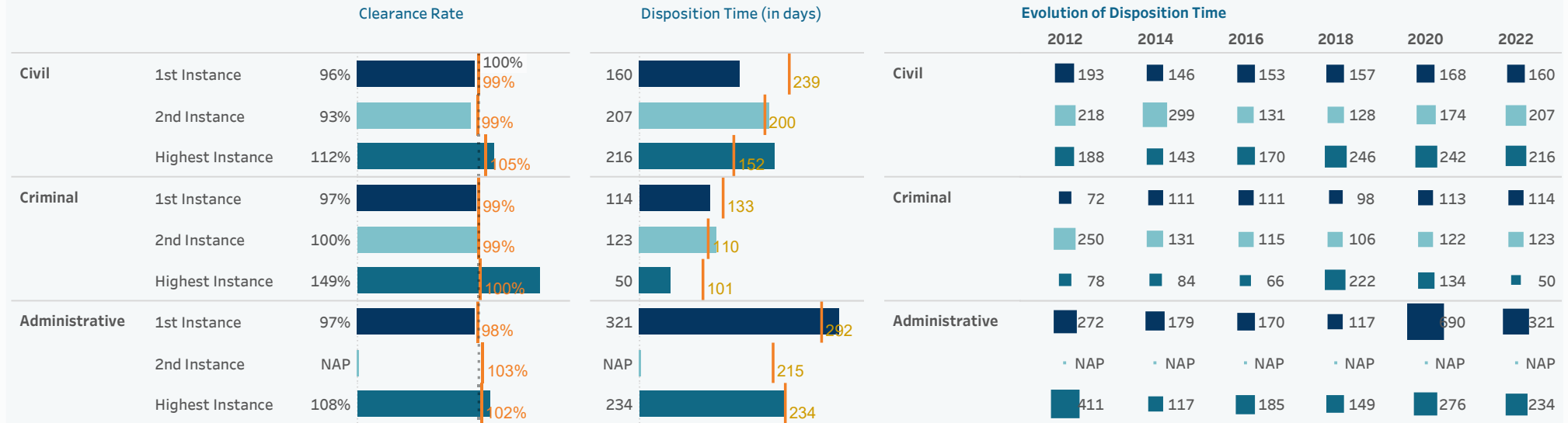CR < 100%, the court/judicial system is able to resolve fewer cases than it received => backlog is increasing
Dispostion Time (DT) = (Pending cases / Resolved cases) *365
The Disposition Time (DT) is the theoretical time for a pending case to be resolved, taken into consideration the current pace of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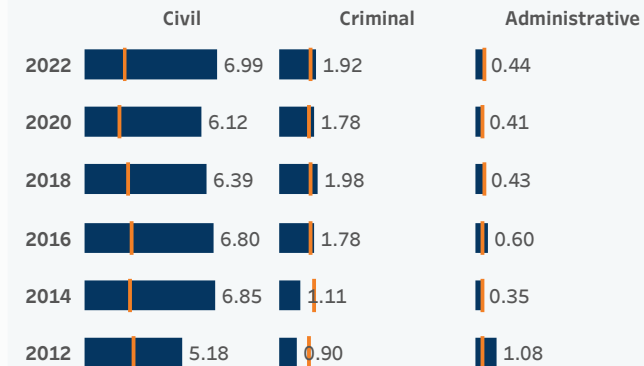
■ Romania
■ CoE Median

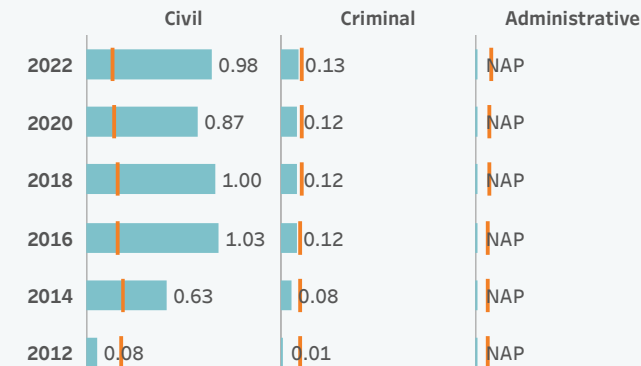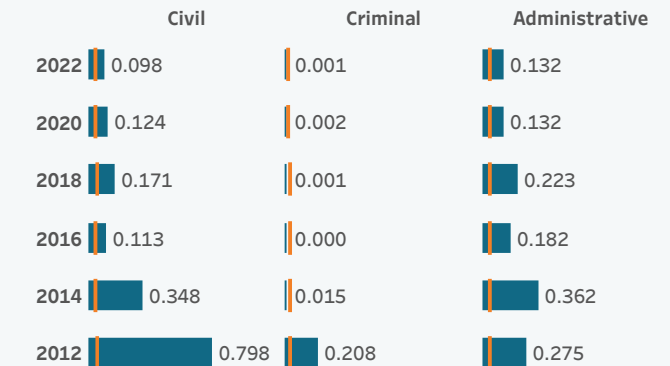**Instance**
■ 1st Instance
■ 2nd Instance
■ Highest Instance

Clearance Rate / Disposition Time (in days) / Evolution of Disposition Time

		Clearance Rate (Romania)	Clearance Rate (CoE Median)	Disposition Time (Romania)	Disposition Time (CoE Median)	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022
Civil	1st Instance	96%	100% / 99%	160	239	193	146	153	157	168	160
	2nd Instance	93%	99%	207	200	218	299	131	128	174	207
	Highest Instance	112%	105%	216	152	188	143	170	246	242	216
Criminal	1st Instance	97%	99%	114	133	72	111	111	98	113	114
	2nd Instance	100%	99%	123	110	250	131	115	106	122	123
	Highest Instance	149%	100%	50	101	78	84	66	222	134	50
Administrative	1st Instance	97%	98%	321	292	272	179	170	117	690	321
	2nd Instance	NAP	103%	NAP	215	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP	NAP
	Highest Instance	108%	102%	234	234	411	117	185	149	276	234

Incoming Cases

Total number of 1st instance cases per 100 inhabitants

	Civil	Criminal	Administrative
2022	6.99	1.92	0.44
2020	6.12	1.78	0.41
2018	6.39	1.98	0.43
2016	6.80	1.78	0.60
2014	6.85	1.11	0.35
2012	5.18	0.90	1.08

Total number of 2nd instance cases per 100 inhabitants

	Civil	Criminal	Administrative
2022	0.98	0.13	NAP
2020	0.87	0.12	NAP
2018	1.00	0.12	NAP
2016	1.03	0.12	NAP
2014	0.63	0.08	NAP
2012	0.08	0.01	NAP

Total number of Supreme Court cases per 100 inhabitants

	Civil	Criminal	Administrative
2022	0.098	0.001	0.132
2020	0.124	0.002	0.132
2018	0.171	0.001	0.223
2016	0.113	0.000	0.182
2014	0.348	0.015	0.362
2012	0.798	0.208	0.275

Public Prosecution Services

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

Year	Value	CoE Median
2012	265.62	266
2014	301.17	244
2016	260.78	205
2018	247.11	190
2020	233.65	234
2022	277.93	204
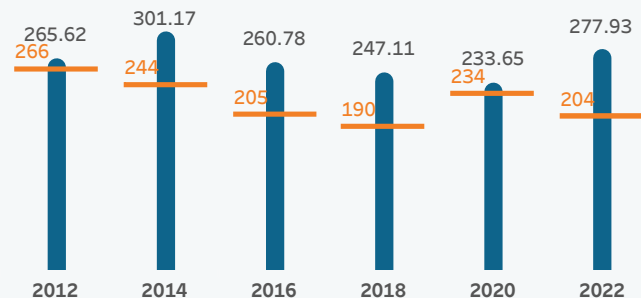
Distribution of processed cases in %

|	Romania	CoE Median
Discontinued during the reference year	79%	57%
Concluded by a penalty or a measure imposed or negotiated by the public prosecutor	13%	5%
Cases brought to court	8%	32%
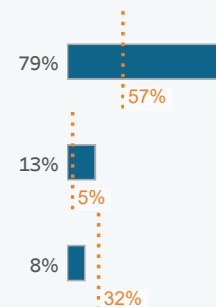
Distribution of discontinued cases in % — ■ Romania ■ CoE Median

	Romania	CoE Median
Discontinued because the offender could not be identified	NA	38%
Discontinued due to the lack of an established offence or a specific legal situation	NA	35%
Discontinued by the public prosecutor for reasons of opportunity	NA	12%
Discontinued for other reasons	NA	18%
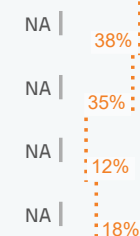
Note: There are different methodologies for calculating the number of cases in the prosecution services' statistics: by event or by perpetrator. The CEPEJ collects data per case (event), but some countries present it per perpetrator.
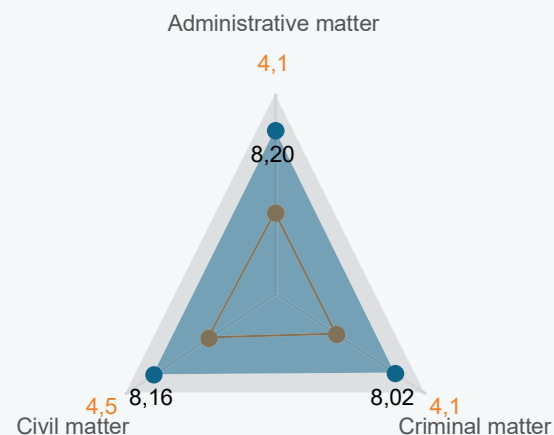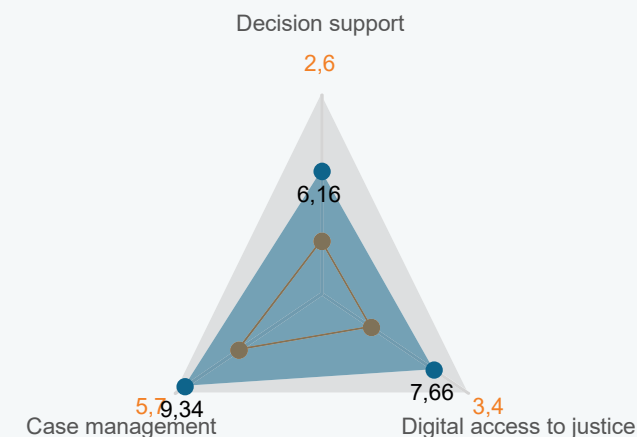
ICT Deployment and Usage Index
(from 0 to 10)

Total deployment rate : **8,13**

4,16

Total usage rate : **4,40**

(experimental)

Deployment index by matter (0 to 10)

Administrative matter
4,1
8,20

Civil matter
4,5
8,16

Criminal matter
4,1
8,02

Deployment index by category (0 to 10)

Decision support
2,6
6,16

Case management
5,7
9,34

Digital access to justice
3,4
7,66

Judiciary Related Websites

Legal texts	Case-law of the higher court/s	Information about the judicial system
www.just.ro	http://portal.just.ro/SitePages/acasa.aspx	https://www.csm1909.ro/
www.csm1909.ro	www.rejust.ro	www.just.ro
www.scj.ro	www.scj.ro	www.scj.ro