





## Key Figures of Justice 2024





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<u>Warning</u>: the data presented in the 2024 edition of the Key Figures mainly refer to the reference year 2023. However, some data may be older for reasons of availability, or refer to January 1st 2024.

<u>Interpretation note</u>: unless stated otherwise, the data refers to France, excluding the French overseas territories.

For acronyms with an asterisk (\*), see the list of acronyms and abbreviations on page 35.

#### **MAIN FIGURES IN 2023**

2024 Budget

EUR 10.1 billion

**1,911,185** decisions in civil and commercial matters of which 185,931 summary proceedings

298,489 cases settled by administrative courts



**94,698** full-time equivalents worked

**Real Estate** 

5,712,564 m<sup>2</sup>



- 1 Court of Cassation
- 36 Courts of appeal
- 164 Ordinary courts
- 125 Local courts
- 211 Employment tribunals
  - 5 Labour courts
- 134 Commercial courts
  - 9 Mixed commercial courts
- 273 Agricultural land tribunals
- 156 Juvenile courts
- 102 Departement courts for felonies
- 104 Assize courts
- 168 Courts for misdemeanours
- 167 Police tribunals

#### Administrative courts

- 1 Council of State
- 9 Administrative courts of appeal
- 40 Administrative tribunals

Criminal Justice	Perpetrators	of which minors
Perpetrators in cases processed	1,945,745	179,113
Perpetrators in prosecutable cases	1,238,257	121,995
Perpetrators prosecuted or who have carried out an alternative measure or a conditional suspension	1,075,662	105,472
Criminal response rate	86.9%	86.5%
Convictions	Total	of which pronounced by a juvenile court
Felonies	2,221	434
Misdemeanours	511,928	28,548
5 <sup>th</sup> -class petty offences	29,702	245

#### Civil activity of juvenile judges

124,123 minors at risk for whom a juvenile judge has been appointed



179 prisons

**60,616** places on January 1st 2024

90,071 persons in prison

on January 1st 2024 of which **74,618** detainees

104,441 entering prison in 2023

98,495 released from prison in 2023

171,146 persons under supervision in the community on 12/31/2023



935,446 payments for legal aid

of which:

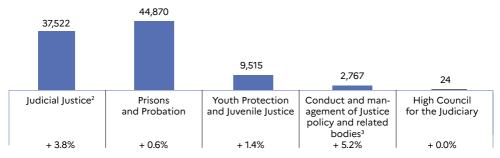
469,165 civil litigation 363,359 criminal litigation 102,922 administrative litigation



#### **RESOURCES OF JUSTICE**

#### Actual staff in 2024 (in full-time equivalents)

Staff of the Mission Justice<sup>1</sup> and variations 2023/24 (in %)



- 1. The job categories retained at the entry into force of the Organic Law on Finance Laws (LOLF) are: magistrates (judges and prosecutors) of the judiciary (Cat. 1); management staff (Cat. 2); court administration, rehabilitation and education staff (Cat. 3); administrative and technical staff B (Cat. 4); C supervisory staff (Cat. 5); administrative and technical staff C (Cat. 6).
- 2. Includes the staff of the Department for Access to Law and Justice and the court staff dedicated to the 'Judicial Justice' programme.
- 3. Includes the resources of the central administration and of departments or establishments of common interest to the Ministry, in particular the Public Agency for Judicial Real Estate (APIJ), as well as the mortgage credit of the central administration.

#### The Justice budget

						Amounts	(in EUI	R million)		2023/24		
								2023		2024		(in %)
Payment ap	propr	iations						9,578.8	3	10,084.	0	+ 5.3
of which	f which staff costs				4,688.	'	5,053	.1	+ 7.8			
Distribution	n by p	rogramr	me (in EUR	millio	n) and v	ariatio	on 20	<b>)23/24</b> (in %	6) - pay	ment appr	opri	iations
3,750.2		3,93	39.8									
37, 33.2												
					950.1			736.2		702.5		
								730.2		702.5		5.1
Judicial Just	tice <sup>1</sup>		ons and bation	an	h Protec d Juveni			ess to law	mana	nduct and agement of	· fo	High Council or the Judiciary
+ 10.7%		+ (	0.8%		Justice + 3.0%			Justice +3,1%		ice policy + 9.5%		+ 15.0%
Authorisati	on of	commit	ments (in	EUR m	nillion)			10,526.3	3	10,760.	9	2.2
Share of the Mission Justice in the general S budget - payment appropriations - (in %)						3.	1	3.	1	0.0		

<sup>1.</sup> The 'Judicial Justice' programme groups together all the resources relating to the judicial courts as well as the national criminal records, the National School for Registrars (ENG) and the National School for the Judiciary (ENM).

Sources: Initial finance laws of 2023 and 2024.

Variation

#### Real Estate in 2024<sup>1</sup>

	2	023	2024		
	Number of sites	Floor area (in m²)	Number of sites	Floor area (in m²)	
The whole Ministry <sup>2</sup>	1,773	6,025,483	1,653	5,712,564	
Central Administration <sup>3</sup>	24	102,536	31	106,326	
Judicial Services Directorate (DSJ) <sup>4</sup>	661	2,125,012	633	2,010,487	
Directorate of Prisons and Probation Administration (DAP) <sup>5</sup>	415	3,415,613	427	3,287,447	
Directorate of Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice (DPJJ) <sup>6</sup>	673	382,322	562	308,304	

- 1. The change in the number of sites and floor areas is mainly due to corrections made to the 2023 data.
- 2. Premises owned, rented and made available (excluding staff accommodation, car parks, garages, holiday centers and operators).
- 3. Ile de France (region including the capital, Paris) and Province (i.e. all the other regions).
- 4. "Palais de Justice" (i.e. tribunals, courts of appeal), regional administrative departments (SAR) of appeal courts, ENG\*.
- 5. Prisons, rehabilitation and probation services (SPIPs), inter-regional directorates of prison services (DISPs).
- 6. PJJ\* establishments and services (CEF\*, UEHC\*, UEHD\*, UEMO\*, UEAJ\*, etc.), PJJ\* interregional directorates of the PJJ, territorial directorates of the PJJ, ENPJJ\*.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, Office for Real Estate Strategy and Policy.

#### Legal expenses - Legal aid

				Variation
	2022	2023	2024	<b>2023/24</b> (in %)
Legal expenses	648.4	660.4	674.4	+ 2.1
Civil and commercial legal expenses	54.5	55.1	52.7	- 4.4
Social enquiry, expenses relating to guardianship proceedings, insolvency proceedings, etc.  Criminal fees (regardless of the seriousness of the offence)	539.9	605.3	621.7	+ 2.7
Remuneration of experts (psychiatrists, psychologists, etc.)				
Legal aid				
Authorisation of commitments, opened appropriations LFI*	615.2	641.0	658.5	+ 2.7
Actual expenditure (RAP*)	631.6	637.9	N/A	N/A

Sources: Ministry of Justice, DSJ\*, PAP\* 2022, 2023, 2024 (legal costs); Ministry of Justice, SADJAV, RAP\* 2022 and 2023, LFI\* 2023 and 2024 (legal aid).

#### **ACCESS TO LAW AND JUSTICE**

Lawyers' work paid for by legal aid and aid for assistance by a lawyer in non-judicial procedures in 2023

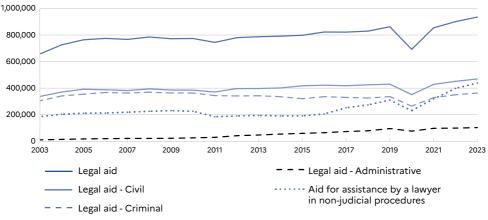
	2023	In %
TOTAL	1,374,428	100.0
Legal aid	935,446	68.1
In civil matters	469,165	34.1
Court of Appeal	65,188	4.7
Ordinary and commercial courts	266,254	19.4
of which family judge	125,157	9.1
liberty and custody judge <sup>1</sup>	97,380	<i>7</i> .1
Juvenile judge (children at risk)	91,105	6.6
Other civil proceedings	46,618	3.4
of which hearing of the child in court	21,861	1.6
In criminal matters	363,359	26.4
Court of Appeal	11,306	0.8
Proceedings in the field of felonies	19,646	1.4
Proceedings in the field of misdemeanours	302,725	22.0
Proceedings in the field of petty offences	1,641	0.1
Other criminal proceedings	28,041	2.0
of which enforcement of sentences	23,360	1.7
In administrative matters	102,922	<i>7</i> .5
of which proceedings concerning foreigners' rights	91,307	6.6
Aid for assistance by a lawyer in non-judicial procedures	438,982	31.9



<sup>1.</sup> Including appeals against liberty and custody judge (JLD\*) decisions on psychiatric care.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, UNCA data analysis - CARPA fund treasury statements.

#### Number of payments for legal aid and aid for assistance by a lawyer in non-judicial procedures since 2003



Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, UNCA data analysis - CARPA fund treasury statements.

## Amounts paid to lawyers as legal aid and aid for assistance by a lawyer in non-judicial procedures in 2023

	Amounts paid (in EUR million)
Total	603.3
Legal aid	497.8
In civil matters	270.3
In criminal matters	172.5
In administrative matters	55.0
Aid for assistance by a lawyer in non-judicial procedures	105.5

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, UNCA data analysis - CARPA fund treasury statements.

#### Compensation for pre-trial detention in 2023

Activity of the first presidents of the Courts of Appeal in relation to the compensation	
for pre-trial detention	
Number of applications	651
Number of appeals	50
Number of judgments handed down	603
of which rejected	5
complete or partial reversal	522
Average amount paid per case (in EUR)	28,606
Total amounts paid (in EUR)	14,932,309
Number of pending cases	701
National Commission for Compensation for Pre-trial Detention	
Number of appeals	51
Number of judgments handed down	34
of which rejection, inadmissibility and others	12
reversal	22
Average processing time (months)	11
Average duration of compensated pre-trial detention (days)	464
Number of pending cases	N/A

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, 'Cadres du parquet' survey and survey on the follow-up of compensation for wrongful pre-trial detention; Court of Cassation - Nomos.

#### Victims of offences in 2023

Victims compensation	
Number of open cases	23,485
Number of judgments handed down	25,046
Total amounts allocated (in EUR)	390,385,100
Number of compensation claims to be processed on December 31st 2023	25,747
Victims support associations	
Number of associations subsidised by the Ministry of Justice	213
Number of persons helped by these associations	463,106
in civil matters	64,193
in criminal matters	398,913

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, 'Cadres du parquet' survey and survey of victim's associations.

#### Access to law in 2023

3,029 point-Justice of which 145 MJDs\* with 1.4 million visitors in 2023<sup>1</sup> point-justice informer, orienter, aider

1 single phone number for access to law

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A budget of EUR 14.7 million in 2023 up by 19.5% over one year.

33% of the 2,700 France services provide legal advice<sup>1</sup>



1. On December 31st 2023.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, survey of MJD\*s; Service for Access to Law and Justice and Victim Support (SADJAV), survey on Department Councils for Access to Law (CDAD); 2023 Finance Bill.

#### THE ACTORS OF JUSTICE

Numbers on December 31st 2023					
2,687	Justice conciliators				
72,521	lawyers <sup>2</sup>				
952	appointed prosecutors				
345	mediators appointed by prosecutors				
29,714	police prosecutors				
237	commercial court registrars				
3,652	Justice commissioners				
168	insolvency practitioners <sup>3</sup>				
302	liquidators <sup>3</sup>				
17,528	notaries				

- 2. On December 31st 2021.
- 3. On January 1st 2023.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, survey of Justice conciliators, survey of appointed prosecutors and mediators appointed by prosecutors; Civil Affairs and Seals Directorate (DACS\*), PEJC\*.

#### **Activity of Justice conciliators in 2023**

Number of completed referrals	190,960
referrals by the litigant	183,345
referrals by the judge	7,615
Number of conciliated cases	91,341
Conciliation rate	47.8%

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, survey of Justice conciliators.

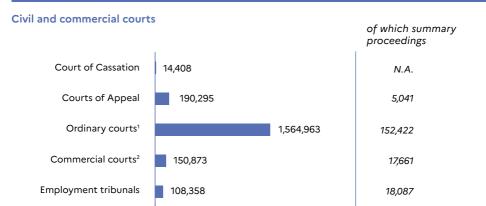
#### Activity of mediators appointed by prosecutors in 2023

Number of mediations completed	3,090
Number of successfully completed mediations	1,883
Mediation rate	60.9%

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, survey of appointed prosecutors and mediators appointed by prosecutors.

#### **CIVIL JUSTICE**

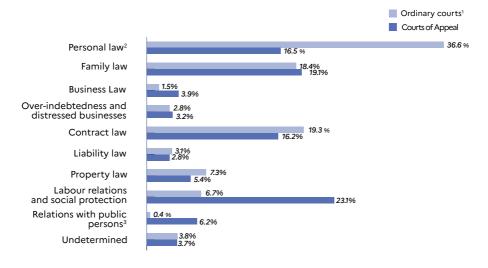
#### New cases in 2023



- 1. Excluding conjugal breakdowns.
- 2. Commercial chambers of the Ordinary courts (TJs)\*, commercial courts and mixed commercial courts.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SEM, SSER, General Civil Register; Court of Cassation - Nomos.

#### Nature of new cases (excluding summary proceedings)



- 1. Excluding conjugal breakdowns and special procedures (payment orders, preliminary attempts at conciliation, attachment of earnings and political election disputes).
- 2. Includes, for example, incapacity of minors and legal protection of adults.
- 3. Includes, for example, disputes over the liability of public persons.

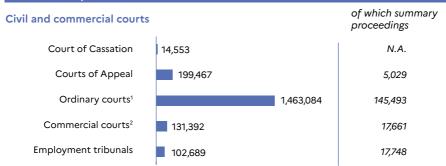
#### Pending cases on December 31st 2023

	All cases	Average age of pending cases (months)
Court of Cassation	20,088	11.2
Courts of Appeal	236,182	18.3
Ordinary courts <sup>1</sup>	1,102,592	18.3
Employment tribunals	129,286	16.1

<sup>1.</sup> Excluding local court orders.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, General Civil Register; Court of Cassation - Nomos.

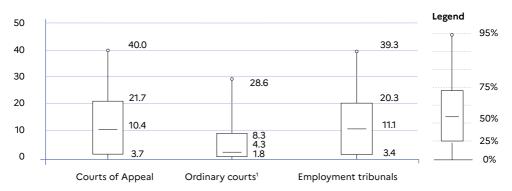
#### Cases completed in 2023



- 1. Excluding conjugal breakdowns.
- 2. Commercial chambers of the Ordinary courts (TJs)\*, commercial courts and mixed commercial courts.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, General Civil Register; Court of Cassation - Nomos.

#### Duration of civil litigation in 2023 (months)



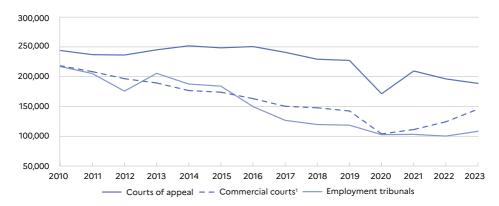
Interpretation: before the courts of appeal,

- 25% of cases are completed in less than 3.7 months 75% of cases are completed in less than 21.7 months
- 50% of cases are completed in less than 10.4 months 95% of cases are completed in less than 40 months

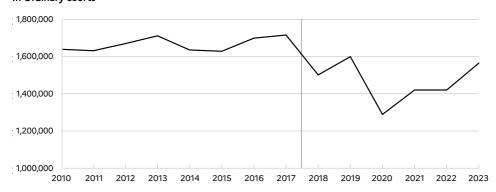
<sup>1.</sup> Excluding petitions and conjugal breakdowns.

#### Variation in the volume of new cases

#### Courts of appeal, employment tribunals and commercial courts



#### In Ordinary courts <sup>2</sup>



- 1. Commercial chambers of the Ordinary courts (TJs)\*, commercial courts and mixed commercial courts.
- 2. Excluding breakdowns from 2018. For years prior to 2020, former proximity courts (TI\*) and former ordinary courts (TGI\*) volumes have been added together. The data has been revised compared with previous editions.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, General Civil Register.

#### Rate of appeal against judgments on the merits pronounced at first instance in 2022

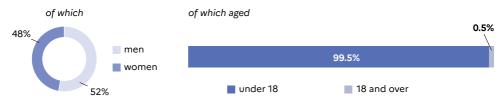


- 1. Rate of appeal = the number of decisions on the merits handed down in the 1st instance in 2022 divided by the number of referrals to the courts of appeal in 2022 and 2023 on initial decisions handed down in 2022.
- 2. Commercial chambers of the Ordinary courts (TJs)\*, commercial courts and mixed commercial courts.
- 3. Excluding conjugal breakdowns.

#### Some indicators in 2023

#### Nationality<sup>1</sup>

37,478 acquisitions of French citizenship by declaration (including advance declaration)



2,119 acquisitions without official acts (certificates issued on the basis of birth and residence)

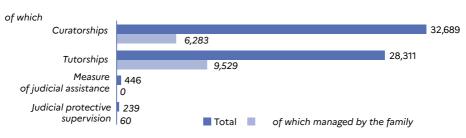
1. Acquisitions of citizenship by decree (naturalisation and reinstatement) and by declaration (by marriage or by ascendants and siblings) do not fall within the remit of the Ministry of Justice.

#### **Protection of liberties**

137,805 applications before the liberty and custody judge
 of which 89,880 relating to psychiatric care without consent
 47,925 relating to decisions on the administrative detention of foreign persons
 133,686 decisions handed down by the liberty and custody judge

#### Legal protection for adults

61,685 legal protection measures opened

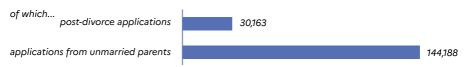


39,262 family authorization granted

1,718 mandate of future protection drawn up (by notarial deed or private deed)

#### Family matters

183,774 applications for custody of minor children after parental separation<sup>2</sup>



63,309 applications relating to the incapacity of minors

**15,602** applications relating to filiation

10,788 applications relating to undivided co-ownership and division

6,378 applications for protection orders in cases of domestic violence

2. Applications relating to parental authority, children's habitual residence, visiting rights and child maintenance.

#### Non-payments

#### Litigation for non-payments (excluding injunction to pay)

214,145 procedures relating to litigation for non-payments

of which... 160,757 before the ordinary courts

53,388 before the commercial courts

#### Orders for payment

348,689 applications for payment orders

of which... 183,783 for debt claims relating to loans, leases or guarantee deposits

87,986 for debt claims relating to a service

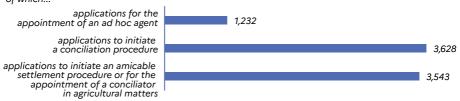
8,150 objections to payment orders

#### Over-indebtedness of individuals

27,921 referrals to the judge in charge of protection-litigation relating to over-indebtedness of which... 10,852 referrals during examination of the case by over-indebtedness commissions 17,069 other referrals relating to the activities of the over-indebtedness commissions

#### Distressed businesses (TC\*, TJ\*, TMC\*)

**8,403** applications for initiating preventive procedure of which...

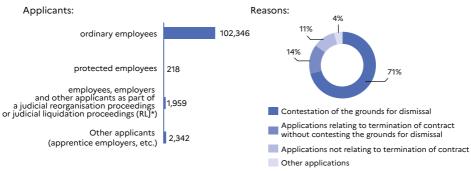


65,557 applications to open insolvency proceedings1

1. Safeguard, judicial reorganisation proceedings, judicial liquidation proceedings and business recovery.

#### **Employment litigation**

106,865 applications before employment tribunals



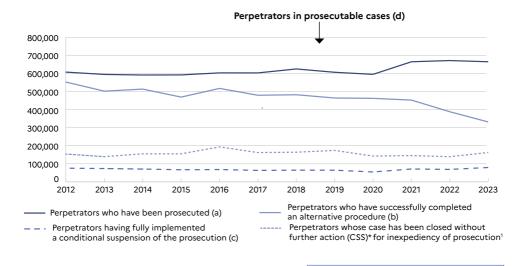
2. Insolvency practitioners, creditors representatives and liquidators.

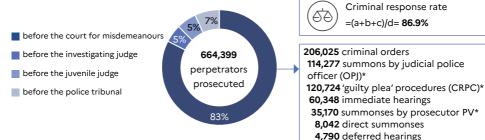
#### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

#### Activity of public prosecutors' offices in 2023

New cases registered	4,255,735
Cases processed	3,920,526
without perpetrator	2,185,688
with a perpetrator	1,525,735
with two or more perpetrators	209,103







1. Reasons: failed searches, complaint withdrawn or failure to act by the complainant, defective mental state, behaviour of the victim, victim compensated ex officio, ex officio regularisation, non-proportionate or inappropriate prosecution.

#### The activity of investigating judges in 2023

16,629 new cases, of which...



14,779 cases for which a closing order was issued during the year

16,629 new cases, of which...

**23,561** persons referred to a trial court, of which...



27,471 persons placed under formal investigation

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Cassiopée data file.

#### Cases for which a settlement order was issued during the year according to the method of closure

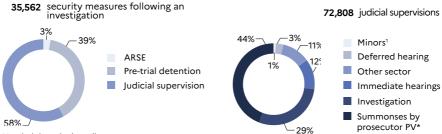
	Number of perpetrators	Median duration <sup>1</sup> of investigation (months)
Total	30,639	30
Indictment before the Assize Court	2,302	29
Indictment before the departement court for felonies	1,811	25
Referral to the court for misdemeanours	17,051	29
Referral to the juvenile court or juvenile judge	1,823	30
Decision to drop the case	7,117	37
Referral for CRPC*	535	31

<sup>1.</sup> Between the initial submission by the public prosecutor and the closing order by the investigating judge. <u>Interpretation:</u> in 2023, half of the cases that were dropped lasted less than 37 months.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Cassiopée data file.

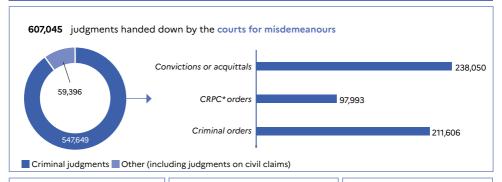
## Precautionary measures taken in 2023 by the JLD\*, the investigating judge, the court for misdemeanours or the juvenile courts

Precautionary measures ordered during investigation Sector in which judicial supervisions were handed down



1. Handed down by juvenile courts.

#### Judgments pronounced by criminal courts in 20231



7,623 judgments handed down by the

**50,160** judgments handed down by police tribunals<sup>2</sup>

1,742 judgments handed down by Assize Courts of first instance of which 589 appealed

95,015 judgments handed down by the Courts of Appeal
Chamber of criminal appeals 40,117
Chamber for the enforcement of sentences 8,931
Investigation Chamber 45,483
Assize courts of appeal 484
of which 157 appealed against in cassation

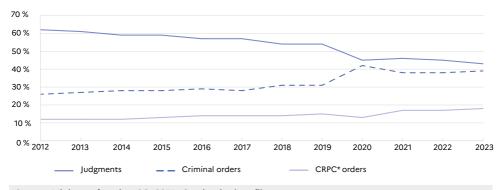
426 judgments handed down by the departement courts for felonies of which 112 appealed

**47,416** judgments handed down by juvenile courts and judges

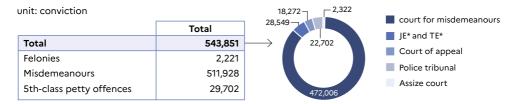
- 1. In judgment-persons for courts for misdemeanours, police tribunals, local courts and juvenile courts and judges. In judgments for the Court of Cassation, the courts of appeal and the assize courts. A judgment involving two persons is worth two judgment-persons, i.e. as many judgments as persons involved.
- 2. Data from the police tribunals on 5th Class petty offences have been unavailable since 2018.
- 3. Concerns only the courts for felonies sitting at the Court of Appeal.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER. 'Cadres du parquet' survey, juvenile court dashboards, Cassiopée data file; Court of Cassation - Nomos.

#### Judgments handed down by courts for misdemeanours



#### **Convictions in 2023**



Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, data analysis of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons (provisional data).

## Convictions and conditional suspensions of the prosecution in 2023 by type of main offence

	Convictions	of which handed down by juvenile courts¹	Conditional suspensions of the prosecution
Total	543,851	29,227	59,311
Felonies	2,221	434	N.A.
Rape	1,304	285	N.A.
Intentional homicide and violence	670	64	N.A.
Aggravated theft	219	78	N.A.
Other felonies	28	7	N.A.
Misdemeanours	511,928	28,548	55,847
Road traffic and transport	206,695	1,406	28,332
Offences against property	83,954	12,288	3,405
Theft, receiving stolen goods	61,731	9,58 <i>7</i>	1,983
Swindling, breach of trust	11,331	1,088	585
Destruction, damage	10,892	1,613	837
Personal injury	115,465	7,536	16,639
Assault and battery	78,285	5,105	12,513
Involuntary manslaughter or unintentional injury	7,194	121	927
Sexual misdemeanours	9,257	1,332	312
Other personal injuries	20,729	978	2,887
Drug offences	49,635	5,433	2,218
Economic and financial offences	9,738	97	954
Administrative and judicial order offences	24,528	1,142 404	1,620 814
Trade and transport of weapons Forgery of public or private documents	8,147 5,771		525
Environmental offences	2,202	np <5	859
Other misdemeanours	5,793	227	481
Other misdemeanours	,	227	401
5 <sup>th</sup> -class petty offences	29,702	245	3,464
Road traffic	17,231	10	1,202
Low-level intentional or unintentional violence	5,242	176	911
Offences against property	1,988	49	227
Environmental offences	1,813	0	572
Other petty offences	3,428	10	552

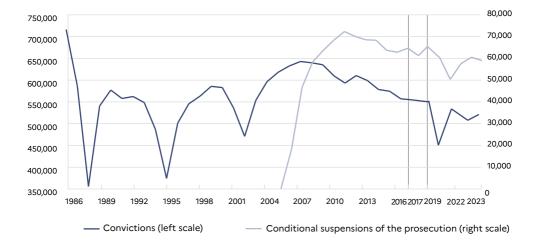
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Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, data analysis of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons (provisional data).

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<sup>1.</sup> Unlike previous years, the data include juvenile assize courts, juvenile appeal assize courts and appeal courts with a special juvenile division.

#### Convictions and conditional suspensions of prosecution since 1986



Note 1: the decreases in 1988, 1995 and 2002 are due to amnesty laws.

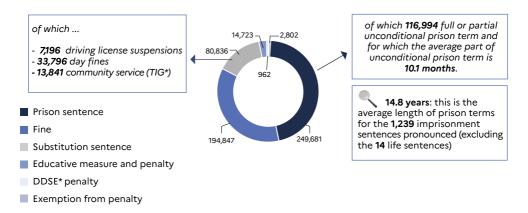
Note 2: the 2022 data are semi-definitive, the 2023 data are provisional.

Note 3: vertical bars indicate a break in the series due to the unavailability of data from police tribunals for 2017, 2018 and 2019.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, statistical data of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons.

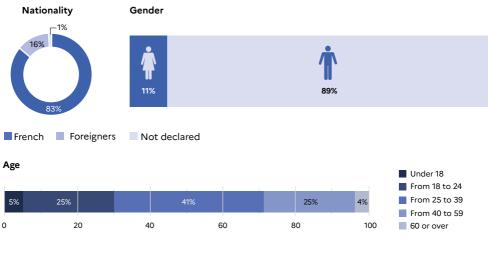
### Convictions in 2023¹ (excluding conditional suspensions of the prosecution) Felonies, misdemeanours, 5th-class petty offences

#### 543,851 main sentences and measures handed down



Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, data analysis of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons.

#### > Sociodemographic characteristics of the 453,889 convicted persons



1. Provisional data.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, data analysis of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons.

## Recidivists and repeat offenders among convicted persons in 2023¹ (excluding conditional suspensions of the prosecution)

The recidivism rate is the proportion of convicted persons in 2023 who subsequently re-offended in the sense of articles 132-8 to 132-10 of the Criminal Code.

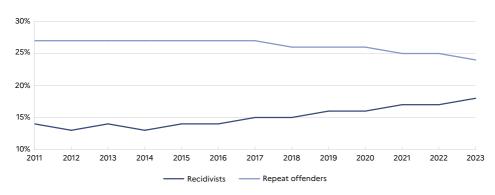
The repeat offence rate corresponds to the proportion of convicted persons in 2023 who were not recidivists in the legal sense but who had already been convicted of a misdemeanour or felony in the previous five years (2018 - 2023).

Recidivists and repeat offenders among those convicted in 2023				
Nature of the main offence punished	Recidivism rate (%) (a)	Repeat offence rate (%) (b)	Recidivism and repeat offence rate (%) (a+b)	
All types of felonies	10.1	N.A.	N.A.	
Intentional homicide	11.8			
Rape	6.0			
Aggravated theft	26.4			
All types of misdemeanours	18.1	23.8	41.9	
of which theft, receiving stolen goods	25. <i>7</i>	24.1	49.8	
destruction, damage	8.3	33.2	41.5	
drink driving	22.1	11.4	33.5	
assault	19.1	20.1	39.2	
sexual misdemeanours	7.0	10.4	17.4	
contempt and resisting arrest	10.3	48.6	58.9	
drug misdemeanours (ILS*)	20.5	30.2	50.7	

<sup>1.</sup> Provisional data.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, data analysis of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons.

#### Recidivists and repeat offenders among convicted persons since 2011 (misdemeanours)



Note: The 2022 data are semi-definitive, the 2023 data are provisional.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, data analysis of the National Criminal Record of Natural Persons.

#### PRISONS AND PROBATION

#### Secure facilities (in prison and oustide prison)

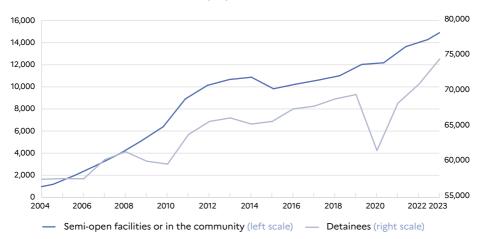
		90,071 detainees / on community sanctions, of which			
Prison facilities admitting prisoners on December 31st 2023	Number of facilities	Convicted detainees	Convicted in semi-open facilites or offender centers in the community	Defendants (on pre-trial detention)	Prison occupancy rate (%)
Combined	179	51,746	15,453	22,872	123.1
Remand prison <sup>1</sup>	75	12,231	6,137	8,946	143.7
Penitentiary center <sup>2</sup>	59	27,915	7,719	13,639	126.1
Prison <sup>3</sup>	38	11,466	1,590	107	92.5
Juvenile prison facilities	6	94	7	165	73.6
National public health institution <sup>4</sup>	1	40	0	15	65.5

- 1. Receiving remand prisoners and convicts whose sentence or remaining sentence does not exceed two years.
- 2. Mixed establishment composed of at least two units with differentiated detention regimes.
- 3. Receiving convicts whose sentence exceeds two years.
- 4. Under the authority of the Ministry of Health.

Source: Ministry of Justice, Prisons and Probation Administration, EX3, quarterly statistics of persons imprisoned in France.

#### Variation in the population in secure facilities

#### Number of people on December 31st



Note: 'detainees' includes those in prison, those placed in open prison facilities and those in semi-detention. 'Semi-open facilities or in the community' includes detainees placed under electronic supervision or placed in open facilities without accommodation. 'Defendants' includes persons placed under pre-trial detention.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Genésis data file.

#### Secure facilities

#### Characteristics of detainees / on community sanctions on December 31st 2023

	Defendants (detainees)	Convicted defendants (detainees)	Convicted detainees	Convicted in semi-open facilities or in the community	Total
Total	19,755	3,117	51,746	15,453	90,071
Women	909	65	1,530	853	3,357
Men	18,846	3,052	50,216	14,600	86,714
Under 18	447	17	253	54	771
18 to 19	1,070	168	1,468	262	2,968
20 to 24	3,746	795	8,729	2,459	15,729
25 to 29	3,437	682	9,219	2,926	16,264
30 to 34	3,001	499	8,127	2,672	14,299
35 to 39	2,595	401	7,285	2,268	12,549
40 to 44	1,901	244	5,714	1,767	9,626
45 to 49	1,270	146	3,766	1,061	6,243
50 to 54	911	76	2,800	809	4,596
55 to 59	578	45	1,866	567	3,056
60 or over	799	44	2,519	608	3,970
French	13,914	2,524	39,355	13,933	69,726
Foreigners	5,816	592	12,339	1,508	20,255
Stateless and not documented	25	1	52	12	90

Note: 'detainees' includes those placed in simple detention, those placed in the community and those in semi-detention. 'Convicted in semi-open facilities or in the community' includes detainees placed under electronic supervision or placed in open facilities without accommodation.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Genésis data file.

#### Convicted persons on December 31st 2023 according to the length of the unconditional imprisonment pronounced

	Convicted detainees <sup>1</sup>	Convicted in semi- open facilities or in the community	Total
Combined	54,863	15,453	70,316
6 months or less	3,692	3,934	7,626
More than 6 months up to 1 year	8,414	6,374	14,788
More than 1 year up to 2 years	12,502	2,633	15,135
More than 2 years up to 5 years	13,733	1,518	15,251
More than 5 years up to 10 years	6,231	522	6,753
More than 10 years up to 20 years	6,960	341	7,301
More than 20 years up to 30 years	1,968	65	2,033
Life imprisonment	483	13	496
Not specified	880	53	933

<sup>1.</sup> Including convicted-defendants.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Genésis data file.

#### Number of releases and length of placement sous écrou<sup>1</sup> in 2023

	Releases
Total	98,495
of which on parole	9,742
of which "libération sous contrainte" <sup>2</sup>	1,143

Indicators of average length³ of placement sous écrou (months)		
Convicted detainees	10.5	
Convicted in semi-open facilities or in the community	8.6	
Defendants (on pre-trial detention)	5.2	

- 1. Act by which a person on pre-trial detention or convicted to a prison sentence is under the supervision of the Prisons and Probation Administration.
- 2. Special procedure allowing a person to execute the end of their prison term as an external placement,
- a semi-detention, a placement under electronic supervision or parole.
- 3. <u>Calculation method</u>: the difference between the date of admission and the date of release in 2023, depending on the penal situation on release.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Genésis data file; Ministry of Justice, Directorate of Prisons and Probation Administration, EX3\*, quarterly statistics on persons sous écrou in France.

#### Outside of prison facilities

Convicted persons serving their sentences outside of prison are subject to various obligations, under the supervision of the sentence enforcement judge, assisted by one of the **104** Rehabilitation and Probation Services (SPIPs).

#### Characteristics of persons under the supervision of SPIPs\* outside of prison

Adults under the supervision of on December 31st 2023	Convicted <sup>1</sup>	Convicted subject to a security measure <sup>2</sup>	Defendants <sup>3</sup>	Total
Total	157,856	7,248	6,042	171,146
Women	11,563	186	490	12,239
Men	146,293	7,062	5,552	158,907
18 to 24	28,911	305	1,459	30,675
25 to 29	24,139	448	1,014	25,601
30 to 39	46,377	1,471	1,597	49,445
40 or over	58,422	5,024	1,965	65,411
Not specified	7	0	7	14
French	142,736	6,820	5,222	154,778
Foreigners	15,120	428	820	16,368

- 1. Person under a post-trial measure, excluding security measures.
- 2. Person under a security measure as part of their sentence.
- 3. Person as part of a pre-trial measure.

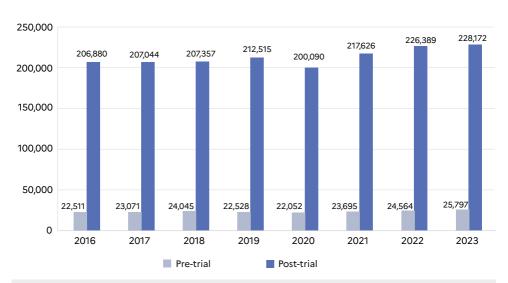
Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, APPI\* data file.

#### Orders of terms in the community

		Measures ongoing on December 31st 2023	Measures imposed in 2023	Average follow-up time of measures closed in 2023 (months)
Combined		195,306	133,739	20.5
Pre-trial measures	Combined ARSE* / ARSEM* CJ*	<b>7,131</b> 654 6,477	<b>5,418</b> 828 4,590	<b>8.0</b> 6.1 8.8
	Combined	179,975	125,948	20.7
Post-trial measures	Probation Parole (LC*)	143,750 3,949	79,540 8,614	22.8 3.7
	Community service (TIG*) Other measures	17,929 14,347	18,099 19,695	13.9 25.4
	Combined	8,200	2,373	47.9
Security measures following a conviction	PSEM* SJ*	32 220	19 110	17.3 24.8
	Socio-judicial probation (SSJ*)	7,948	2,244	50.7

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, APPI\* data file.

#### People under supervision inside and outside of prison on December 31st



Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, APPI data file (outside of prison facilities) and Genésis data file (prison facilities).

#### **JUVENILE JUSTICE**

	in civil matters	in criminal matters
Number of new cases in 2023 <sup>1</sup>	92,772	161,316

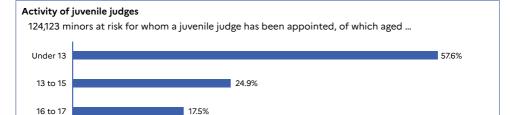
<sup>1.</sup> Number of referrals to the juvenile judge for children at risk services (in initial proceedings) and to the public prosecutor in criminal cases.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Dashboard of juveline courts (civil matters), Cassiopée data file (criminal matters).

#### Minors at risk in 2023

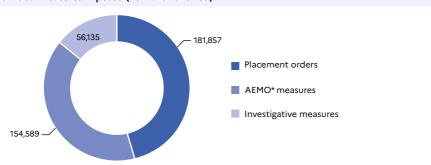
# Origin of reports in 2023 Total 124,123 Child Welfare Office (ASE) 78,840 Police, gendarmerie 4,316 National Education system 3,883 Medical community 2,414 The minor or a relative 15,713 Other or unknown origin 18,957

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Dashboards of juvenile courts.



#### 263,752 minors at risk under the supervision of the juvenile judge<sup>1</sup> on December 31st 2023





#### Judicial measures to help with managing the family budget (MJAGBF)

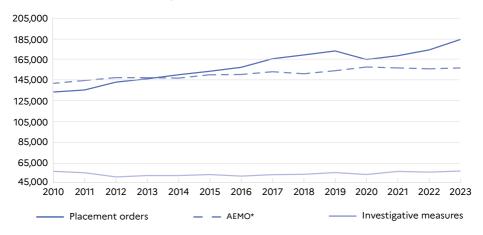
Number of families subject to a MJAGBF\* (new and renewed) 12,852

Number of minors belonging to these families 31,059

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Dashboards of juvenile courts.

<sup>1.</sup> Excluding legal measures to help with managing the family budget (MJAGBF).

#### Number of individual measures imposed



Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Dashboards of juvenile courts.

#### Average case processing time in 2023 (months)

Educational care for children at risk <sup>1</sup>	6.6
Cases concerning children at risk services, between the referral to the juvenile judge and the 1st decision on the merits	3.9

<sup>1.</sup> Average duration of civil measures (Art. 375 Civil Code) of investigation, placement and judicial measures of educational support at home completed in 2023.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Dashboards of juvenile courts; Ministry of Justice, DPJJ\*.

#### Juvenile offenders in 2023

#### Origin of the referral

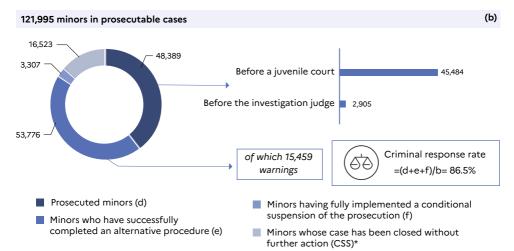
Police	90,064
Gendarmerie	52,070
Justice	1,534
Other origin	17,648
Total	161,316

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Cassiopée data file.

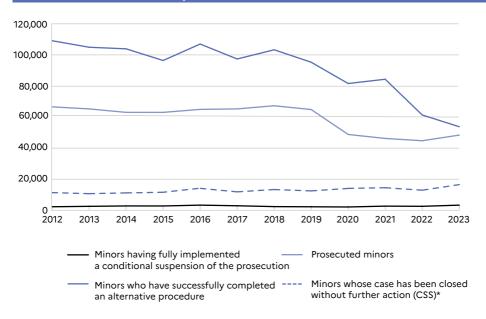
#### Activity of public prosecutors concerning minors in 2023

All cases processed	140,214
with a minor perpetrator	103,777
with several perpetrators including at least one minor	36,437

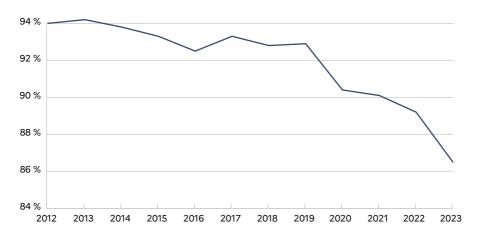




#### Distribution of minors in prosecutable cases

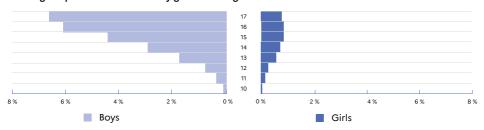


#### Variation in the criminal response rate = (d+e+f)/b



#### Juvenile offenders in 2023

#### Percentage of prosecutable minors by gender and age



Interpretation: in 2023, for every 100 boys aged 17 (age at the time of the facts), 7 were involved in prosecutable cases. Note: a single minor is counted as many times as he/she appeared in court in 2023.

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Cassiopée data file.

#### Activity of juvenile judges and juvenile courts

Juvenile offenders referred to the 1st instance juvenile courts	47,385
Provisional measures pronounced <sup>1</sup>	28,263
Provisional judicial educational measure	20,017
Judicial supervision	6,527
Pre-trial detention	1,719
Minors judged on guilt	47,416
Hearings in the juvenile judge's office	29,551
Hearings in the juvenile court	17,865
Minors fully acquitted	4,556
Minors found guilty	42,860
Minors convicted <sup>2</sup>	37,819
Main sentences and measures pronounced	48,075
Exemption from penalty, measure or declaration of educational success	4,456
Judicial warning	11,870
Judicial educational measure	9,810
Prohibition, confiscation, other penalties	4,802
Citizenship course	2,165
Community service	2,421
Fine or suspended fine	967
Fully suspended prison sentence	4,612
Fully suspended prison sentence with probation	2,596
Fully or partial unconditional prison sentence	2,884
Unidentified penalty or measure	1,492

<sup>1.</sup> Measures pronounced by juvenile judges and liberty and custody judges, excluding investigative procedures.

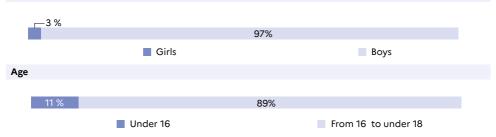
<sup>2.</sup> Juveniles found guilty in court are counted once their sanction has been pronounced, following their educational probation.

#### Minors in prison or in the community on December 31st 2023

Total	771
Defendants (detainees)	447
Convicted-defendants (detainees)	17
Convicted detainees	253
Convicted in semi-open facilities or in the community	54
Proportion of pre-trial detention	58%
Average duration <sup>1</sup> of placement sous écrou <sup>2</sup> (months)	4.0

- 1. Average duration on December 31st 2023 for those placés sous écrou on that date.
- 2. Act by which a person on pre-trial detention or convicted to a prison sentence is under the supervision of the Prisons and Probation Administration.

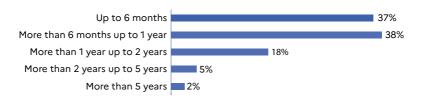
#### Gender



#### Minors detained on December 31st 2023 by type of facility



#### Length of unconditional prison sentences pronounced (convicted persons)



Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, Genésis data file.

Activity of the Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice in 2023				
	at the expense of the State-DPJJ* and entrusted to		Orders of placement with the ASE* or judicial measures of	
	public sector	voluntary sector	educational support at home	
	Measures impo	osed in 2023	Ongoing measures on December 31 <sup>st</sup> 2022	
Measures in place during the year				
Investigation	69,634	24,822		
for juvenile offenders	1,525	6		
under the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	57,440	6		
for children at risk	10,669	24,810		
for the protection of young adults	0	0		
Placement orders	4,881	3,358	162,600	
for juvenile offenders	268	211		
under the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	4,577	3,123		
for children at risk	6	<5		
for the protection of young adults	30	np		
Measures outside of prison	117,758	9,549	121,300	
for juvenile offenders <sup>1</sup>	12,895	3,677		
under the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	103,716	5,865		
for children at risk	1,007	<5		
for the protection of young adults	140	np		
Sentences adjustments	155	0		
for juvenile offenders <sup>1</sup>	9	0		
under the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	146	0		
Day center	1,517	<5		
for juvenile offenders <sup>1</sup>	<5	<5		
under the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	np	<5		
Total	193,945	37,731	283,900	
for juvenile offenders	14,698	3,895		
under the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	167,395	8,995		
for children at risk	11,682	24,815		
for the protection of young adults	170	26		
Minors under supervision of the Justice system during the year,	, all measures/order	s and all legal gr	ounds combined	
Under 13		27.6%	57.5%	
from 13 to 15		17.2%	22.4%	
from 16 to 17	27.1%			
18 or over		28.1%		
Boys Girls		74.3% 25.7%		
Number of minors under supervision of the Justice system		137,510	N/A	

<sup>1.</sup> The voluntary sector makes sure that the remedial measures are effective, while the public sector carries out all categories of educational measures in the community.

Sources: Ministry of Justice, DPJJ\*; Ministry of Health, Directorate for Research, Studies, Evaluation and Statistics (DREES)\*, Social Assistance Survey.

<sup>2.</sup> According to assistance to children at risk, the Juvenile Criminal Justice Code, delegation of parental authority, partial withdrawal of parental authority or tutorship referred to the ASE\*.

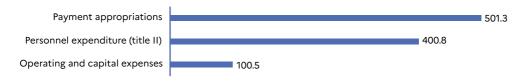
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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE JUSTICE**

#### Resources in 2023

In EUR millions



Source: 2024 Finance Bill regarding the Council of State and other administrative jurisdiction.

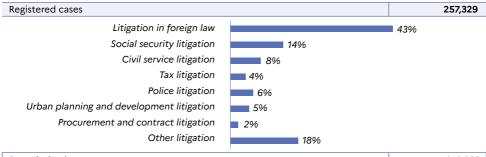
#### Lawyers' work paid for under the legal aid in 2023

	Number of paid work	Amount paid (in EUR millions)
All administrative courts	102,922	55.0

Source: Ministry of Justice, SG, SSER, UNCA\* data analysis - CARPA\* fund treasury statements.

#### Activity of administrative courts in 20231

#### Activity of the 40 administrative tribunals<sup>2</sup>



Cases judged	243,089
Cases pending on December 31st	214,292
Disposition time <sup>3</sup> (months)	10.6
Registered applications for a priority preliminary ruling on the issue of constitutionality	266

#### Activity of the 9 administrative courts of appeal<sup>2</sup>



Cases judged	32,144
Cases pending on December 31st	28,303
Disposition time <sup>3</sup> (months)	10.6
Registered applications for a priority preliminary ruling on the issue of constitutionality	115

#### **Activity of the Council of State**



Settled cases	9,746
Cases pending on December 31st	5,205
Disposition time <sup>3</sup> (months)	6.4
Registered applications for a priority preliminary ruling on the issue of constitutionality	156

- 1. Several applications based on the same text may be grouped into one case. The data also covers the French overseas territories and New Caledonia.
- 2. The number of administrative courts has been modified in relation to 2022 due to a change in the enumeration of legal entities, and not a reduction in the number of administrative courts.
- 3. Equal to the ratio between the number of pending cases and the average number of cases closed per month.

Source: Council of State, Public report on the administrative courts' legal and advisory activities in 2023.

#### List of acronyms and abbreviations

AEMO	Judicial measures of educational	LOLF	Organic Law on	
AJ	support at home for children at risk  Legal aid	MJAGBF	Finance Laws  Judicial measure to help with managing	
APPI	Sentence enforcement, probation	MJD	the family budget Legal advice center	
ARSE	and rehabilitation  Curfew order with electronic	OPJ	Judicial police officer	
	supervision	PAP	Annual performance project	
ARSEM	Curfew order whith mobile electronic supervision	PEJC	Civil Justice evaluation unit	
ASE	Child Welfare Office	PIM	Immediate summons	
BAJ	Legal aid office	PJJ	Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice	
CARPA	Lawyers' Compliance and Clients' Funds Handling Services	PSEM	Placement with mobile electronic supervision	
CCD	Department court for felonies	PV	Report	
CDAD	Department Councils for	RAP	Annual performance report	
CEF	Access to Law Secure educational center	SADJAV	Service for Access to Law and Justice and Victim Support	
CJ	Judicial supervision	SJ	Judicial surveillance	
CJPM	Juvenile Criminal Justice Code	SPIP	Rehabilitation and probation service	
CRPC	Appearance after prior admission of guilt	SSJ	Socio-judicial surveillance	
DACG	Directorate of Criminal Affairs and Pardons	TC	Commercial court	
		TE	Juvenile court	
DACS	Directorate of Civil Affairs and Seals	TGI	Former ordinary court	
DAP	Directorate of Prisons and Probation	TI	Former proximity court	
DDSE	Administration  Home detention under	TIG	Community service	
2202	electronic supervision	TJ	Ordinary cout	
DPJJ	Directorate of Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice	TMC	Maritime commercial court	
DREES	Directorate for Research, Studies, Evaluation and Statistics	TMFPO	Mandatory prior family mediation attempts	
ENG	National School for Registrars	UEAJ	Educational day care center Collective accommodation educational unit	
DSJ	Judicial Services Directorate	UEHC		
ENPJJ	National Academy for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice	UEHD	Diversified accommodation educational unit	
EX3	Data, Research and Evaluation Office	UEMO	Educational unit in the community	
ILS	Drug offences	UNCA	National Union of Lawyer's Payment Funds (CARPAs) Not provided due to statistics confidentiality	
JE	Juvenile judge	NP		
JEX	Enforcement judge	N1/A		
JLD	Liberty and custody judge	N/A	Not available	
LC	Parole	N.A.	Not applicable	
LFI	Initial Finance Law			

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