

# Netherlands

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Roma population	Estimate in the document	20 000 - 40 000
	<i>Council of Europe estimates</i>	<i>Approximately 40 000 i.e. 0.24% of the population</i>
Approach		Integrated set of policy measures

	KEY ELEMENTS	IDENTIFIED GAPS
Education	<p>The strategy includes in particular the following positive elements:</p> <p>Goal of increasing the overall participation of Roma in the education system, and in particular ensure that all young Roma finishes school.</p> <p>Decentralised implementation (at the level of municipalities).</p> <p>Creation of a specific platform gathering interested local authorities that have important Roma communities, in order to work on how to increase school attendance among Roma children.</p>	<i>Measuring the impact of the equal treatment approach on the situation of Roma people is necessary.</i>
Employment	Individual support is provided to jobseekers.	<i>Measuring the impact of the equal treatment approach on the situation of Roma people is necessary.</i>
Health	There is a comprehensive legislation relating to non discriminatory access to healthcare in place.	<i>Measuring the impact of the equal treatment approach on the situation of Roma people is necessary.</i>
Housing	Everyone with a low income who resides legally in the Netherlands, including Roma, is eligible for social housing.	<i>Measuring the impact of the equal treatment approach on the situation of Roma people is necessary.</i>
Structural requirements and funding	The primary responsibility for dealing with the problems of the local Roma population lies with municipalities. Municipalities are encouraged to make effective use of existing measures to deal with problems within certain segments of local Roma communities. For the preparation of the document, the Roma Platform of Municipalities has been consulted.	<i>Measuring the impact of the equal treatment approach on the situation of Roma people is necessary.</i>