

# The Netherlands

The Dutch Global Health Strategy and Africa Strategy were published in October 2022 and May 2023 respectively, both of which maintain sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) as a policy priority. More specifically, the Global Health Strategy states the intention to intensify contributions to SRHR. In 2023, the Dutch government coalition fell due to lack of agreement over the asylum policy. Consequently, elections took place and brought in a victory from the right-wing Party for Freedom. At time of writing, the Party for Freedom are leading coalition negotiations with the Liberal party, the Farmer's party and the new party New Social Contract. It is still uncertain if these negotiations will succeed and how long they will take.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2022, Dutch investments in sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) increased by 16%, amounting to **298 million Euros**. This is equivalent to 4.8% of the country's ODA, which is the highest ratio of SRH/FP spending within the country's total assistance among European donors – and even though this decreased from 5.7% in 2021. As in the previous year, the Netherlands significantly contributed to the agenda through international organisations and initiatives, as the Dutch government started implementing Strategic Partnership Agreements with alliances of NGOs since 2016.

The Netherlands also increased investments in SRHR, by 7%. In 2022, the country disbursed **364 million Euros** for SRHR, which represented 5.9% of the country's ODA. Once again, this is highest weight attributed to European donor countries, and even though it is a decrease compared to the previous year. In addition to UNFPA, the country's most significant core contributions to SRHR were allocated to the GFATM and UNAIDS. This allocation reflects the Netherlands' commitment to include HIV/AIDS related issues in the country's respect for, protection and provision of universal access to SRHR.

Funding to UNFPA remained steady, totalling 83 million Euros to benefit SRH/FP and 87million in favour of SRHR. Core support remains stable since 2018, at the level of 33 million Euros. Funding to the Supplies Partnership slightly increased in 2022, offsetting the small reductions observed in investments channelled through earmarked programmes.

## FORECAST

Starting in 2023, the budget line covering SRHR also includes global health. Total official expenditure by the Dutch government for global health and SRHR for 2023 is set at 507 million Euros and 508 million in 2024, which represents a decrease from previous budget lines. This budget reduction is due to the increased allocation of resources for first year asylum seekers instead.

### %ODA SRH/FP IN 2022

4,8%

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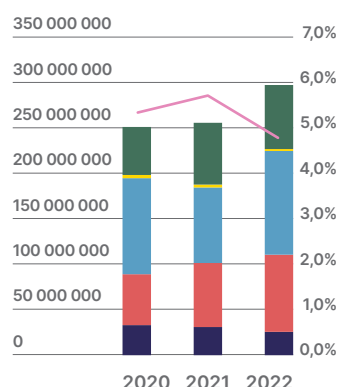
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### LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY

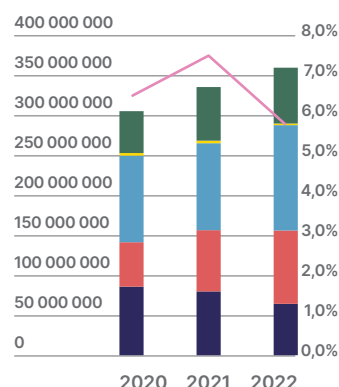


## THE NETHERLANDS' FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

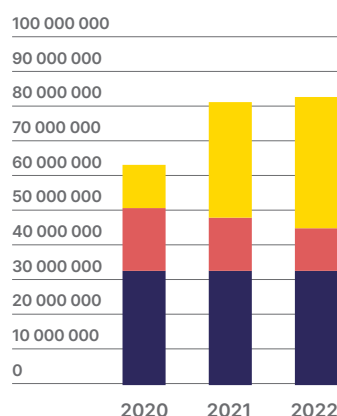
### SRH/FP SPENDING



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### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



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