

COUNTRY FACT SHEET ON RBs: NETHERLANDS

NETHERLANDS			
	1980	1980	2010
Name	RBs for higher income households	RBs for minimum income households	Consensual budget standards for the Netherlands
Year of first construction	<1980a	<1980b	2010
State of use	In use	In use	In use
Key moments	RBs used for acceptance criteria mortgages (2000: Gurantee Fund) (2007 Code of conduct) (2013 Legal basis)	2009: RBs used for alternative poverty measurements 2009: RB for social participation developed 2010"RB used for acceptance criteria consumer credit (code of conduct)	2007: Start project 2008: Focus groups 2009: Publication in Dutch 2010: Publication in English 2017: Revision/ Recalibration
Geographical focus	- Entire country	- Entire country; in 2015 also Bonaire	- Netherlands
Data used	- Household budget data (Statistics Office) - Field research	- Household budget data (Statistics Office) - Pricing data (Statistics office) - Expert knowledge - Focus group decisions - Field research	- Expert knowledge - Focus group decisions (consensual)
Household types	All households possible (RBS are calculated based on various characteristics of the household involved)	All households possible (RBS are calculated based on various characteristics of the household involved)	All households possible, using equivalence-scales
Institutions involved	National Institute for Family Finance Information (Nibud)	National Institute for Family Finance Information (Nibud)	Netherlands Institute for Social Research (SCP) (2010 & 2018) National Institute for Family Finance Information (Nibud) (2010)
Key publications	Budgethandboek (yearly, since 1982) Calculation Tools (since < 1990)	Budgethandboek (yearly, since 1982) Prijzengids voor de Bijzondere Bijstand (yearly since 1997) Calculation Tools (since < 1990)	2010: The minimum agreed upon 2010-2014: annually 'Armoedesignalement' (Poverty Survey) 2016: digital cardstack on poverty 2018: Revision/ Recalibration
Updates			
Last update	2018	2018	2018 (major)

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