

Foreign inmates in European prisons

What could statistics add in?

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FNP across Europe in 2015

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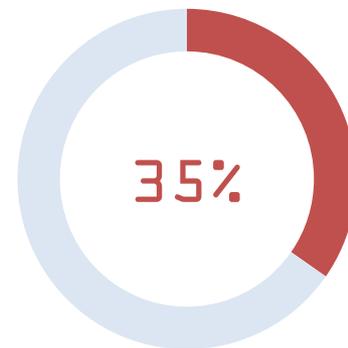
GENERAL SITUATION :

- ⚖ FNP = 13.7% [median] in 46 CoE countries*
- ⚖ FNP = **7.5%** [median] in 37 countries with more than 1mio inhabitants.

Total number of FNP across CoE*

152'400 

- a. * BiH excluded (no data available for the whole country)
- b. ** BiH, FRA, RUS, SWE, SCO excluded (no data available)



34'000 of all FNP were in pre-trial detention**

Geographical distribution in 2015

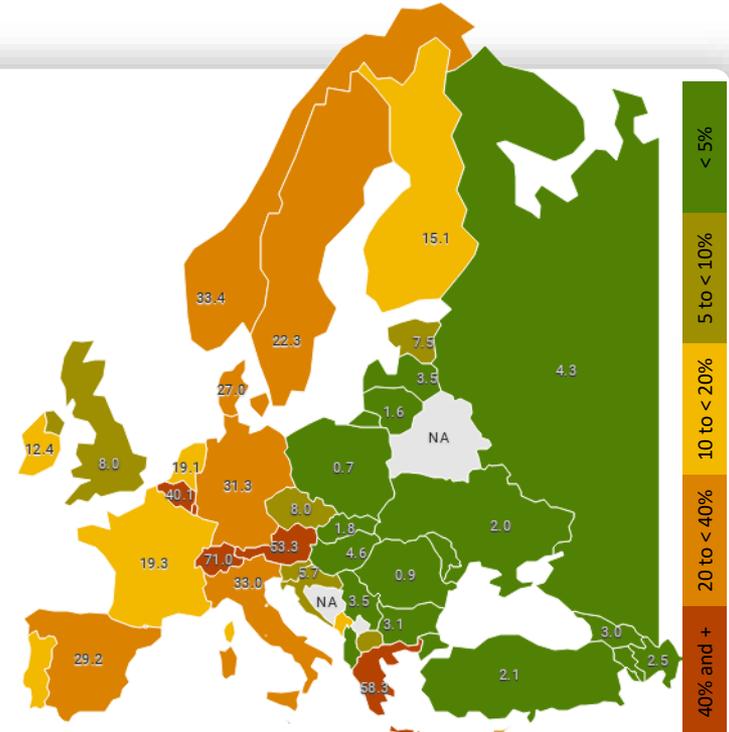
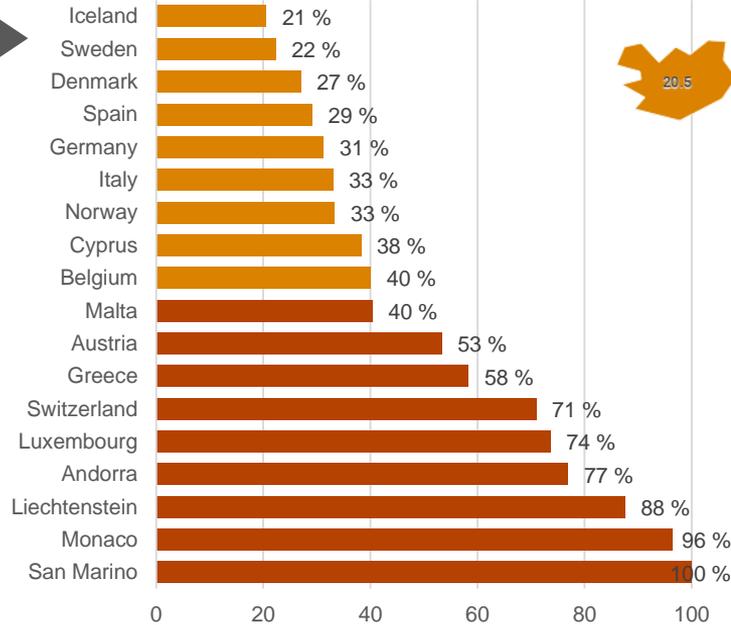
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Pre-trials among FNP

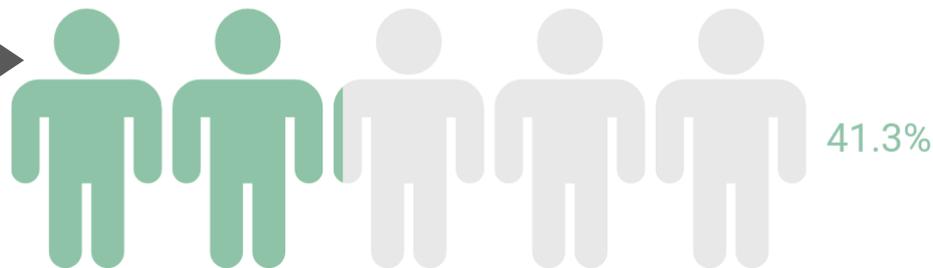
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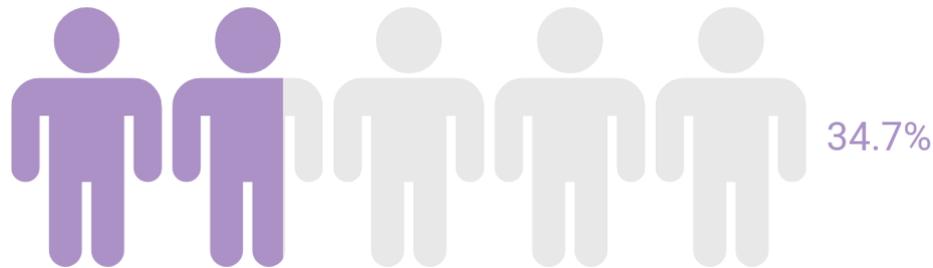
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● Average



● Median

32%

Median for
countries
with 1mio+
inhabitants

FNP among pre-trials

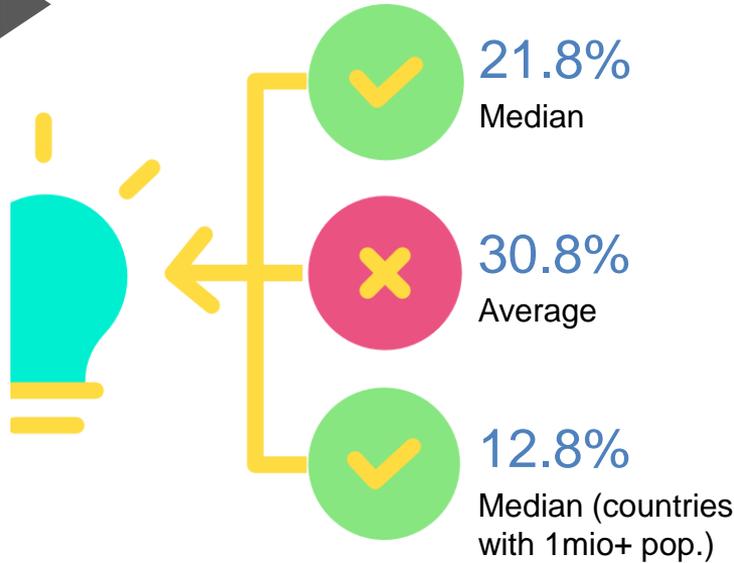
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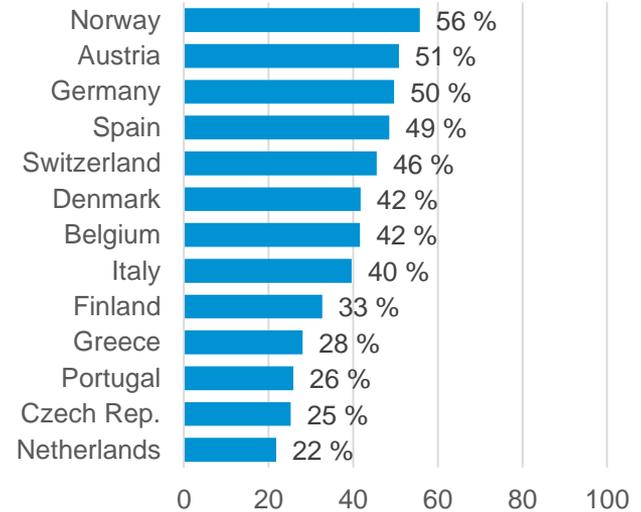
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20% and more FNP among pre-trial detainees (1mio+ countries)



EU-nationals as FNP in European prisons

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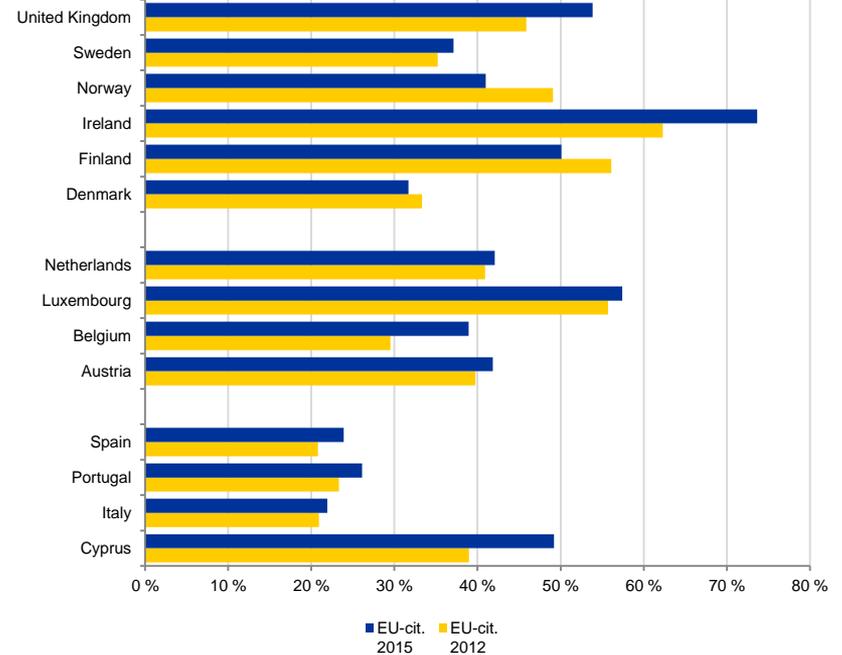
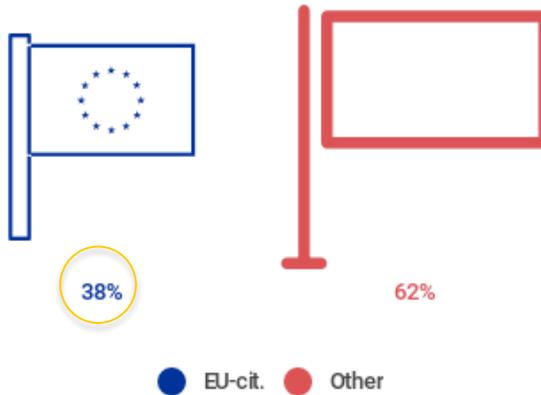
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Part of EU-citizens among FNP increases **+2%** between 2012 and 2015



Evolution between 2005 and 2015

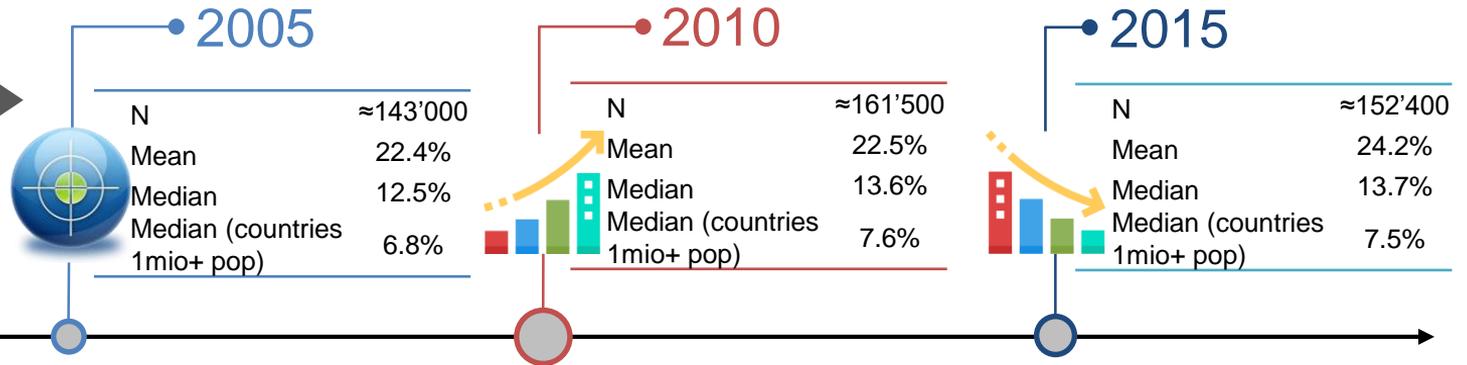
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Between 2000 and 2010, the **number of foreigners** held in prison increased about **1.5 times**. In the later period, the number get down...

...yet, this was without incidence on the proportion in the FNP in the total stock of prison population

Evolution of pre-trial FNP (2005-15)

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2005

- Mean = 43.3%
- Median = 39.5%
- Median (1mio+) = 39.5



2015

- Mean = 41.3%
- Median = 34.7%
- Median (1mio+) = **31.5%**

Average annual variations between 2000 and 2015

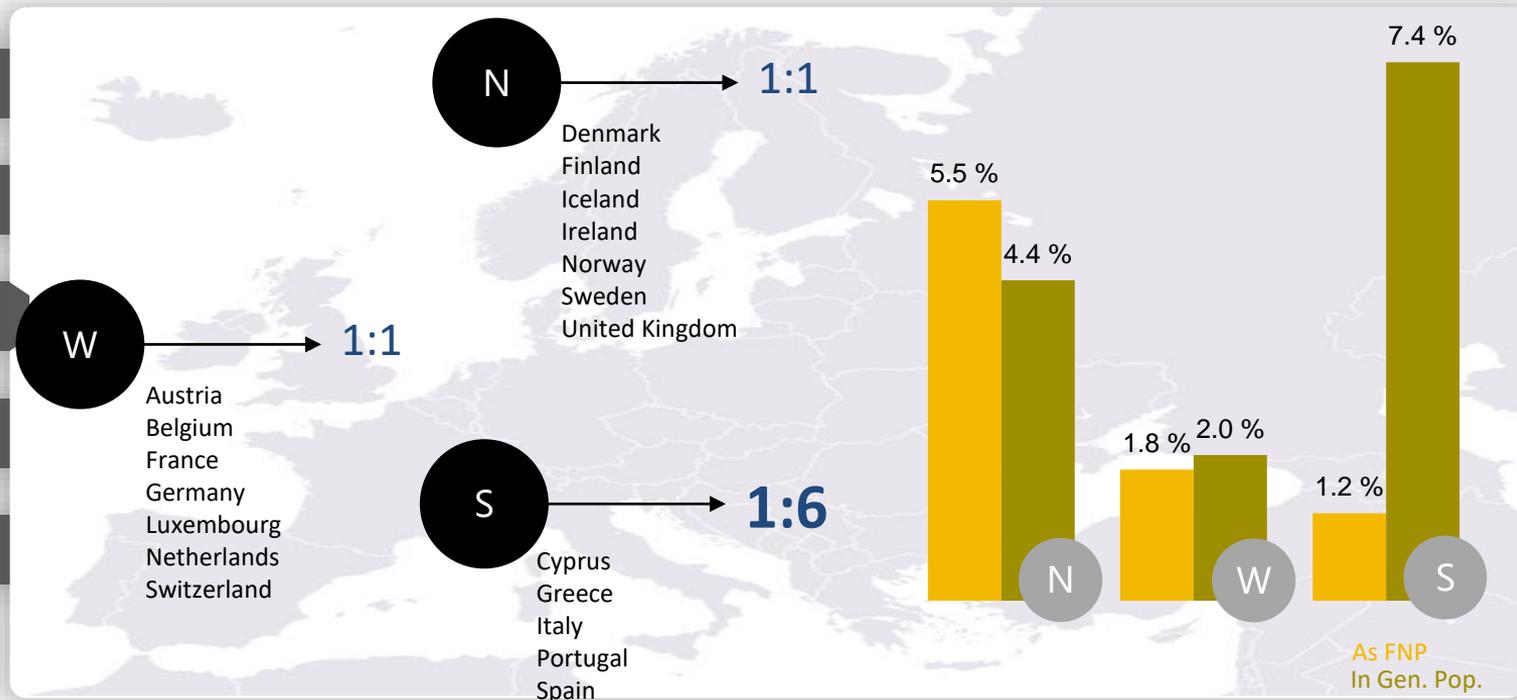
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Correlation between migrant stock and FNP

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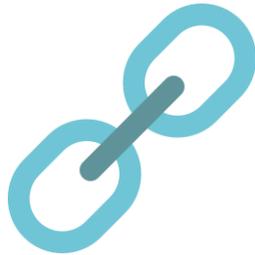
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Year	Correlation (r)	Determination (r ²)	Sig.	Level
2005	.69	.48	**	0.01
2010	.82	.68	**	0.01
2015	.79	.64	**	0.01



Very strong link between non-assimilated part of migrant stock in general population and percentage of FNP held in custody across Europe

How to explain? → Look at r^2 !

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Exceptions are not the rule!

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New minorities produce insecurity
... **result: “perceived” overrepresentation**



- Where to expel?
- What is the country of origin?
- Are they vulnerable?
- Is any social support in/out?
- Who cannot stay?
- Coping strategies



Individual case-studies on restrictive national policies (e.g. Switzerland, Greece, Italy)

Alternatives

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1. Conditions attached in accessing alternatives (++) compared to nationals)
2. Disproportion of “good risk” cases
3. Mainly applied to complying & socially integrated persons

C1 Selected nationalities

C3 “Low risk” of expelling

C2 Unconditional identification

C4 At the later stages of serving sentence

Forthcoming results SPACE II

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The report is to be published in November 2018

→ % of foreigners under CSM is far lower than in prison

Discussion... with audience!

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1. More than 1/3 of all foreigners are EU-citizens...
 - ❑ In your country, do you have official figures on how many are treated under the regime of FD?
2. Across Europe, foreigners under alternatives represent less than 20% of all probation population...
 - ❑ What forms of community supervision are commonly and largely applied to foreigners in your country?
3. The absolute number of FNP is slightly decreasing across Europe. Yet, the proportion of FNP compared to national inmates grows...
 - ❑ Do you have in your CJ system special establishments especially designed for FNP? (what kind of regimes: administrative, high security, medical)?

Conclusion

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- Raw data on FNP became **more reliable** over time. Yet, there are still countries with no detail on status (e.g. FR – lack of data on FN inmates in pre-trial detention).
- Statistical models are likely to **partly confirm the economic attractiveness** of a country when it comes to explaining the proportion of FNP.
- Recently, alternatives started to be used on foreigners. According to statistics available, a general rule could hardly set up, and no reliable trends can be observed as far.

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