

European judicial systems: 2008 findings and regional analysis

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- 45 Member States are included
- Report presents data year 2006
- Based on replies questionnaire received from Member States
- 3rd report (previous reports 2004 and 2006)



- Financing of the judicial systems
- Access to justice and legal aid
- Court locations and use of ICT in the courts
- Mediators
- Facts concerning professional judges and prosecutors
- Court performance
- Facts concerning lawyers, enforcement agents and notaries

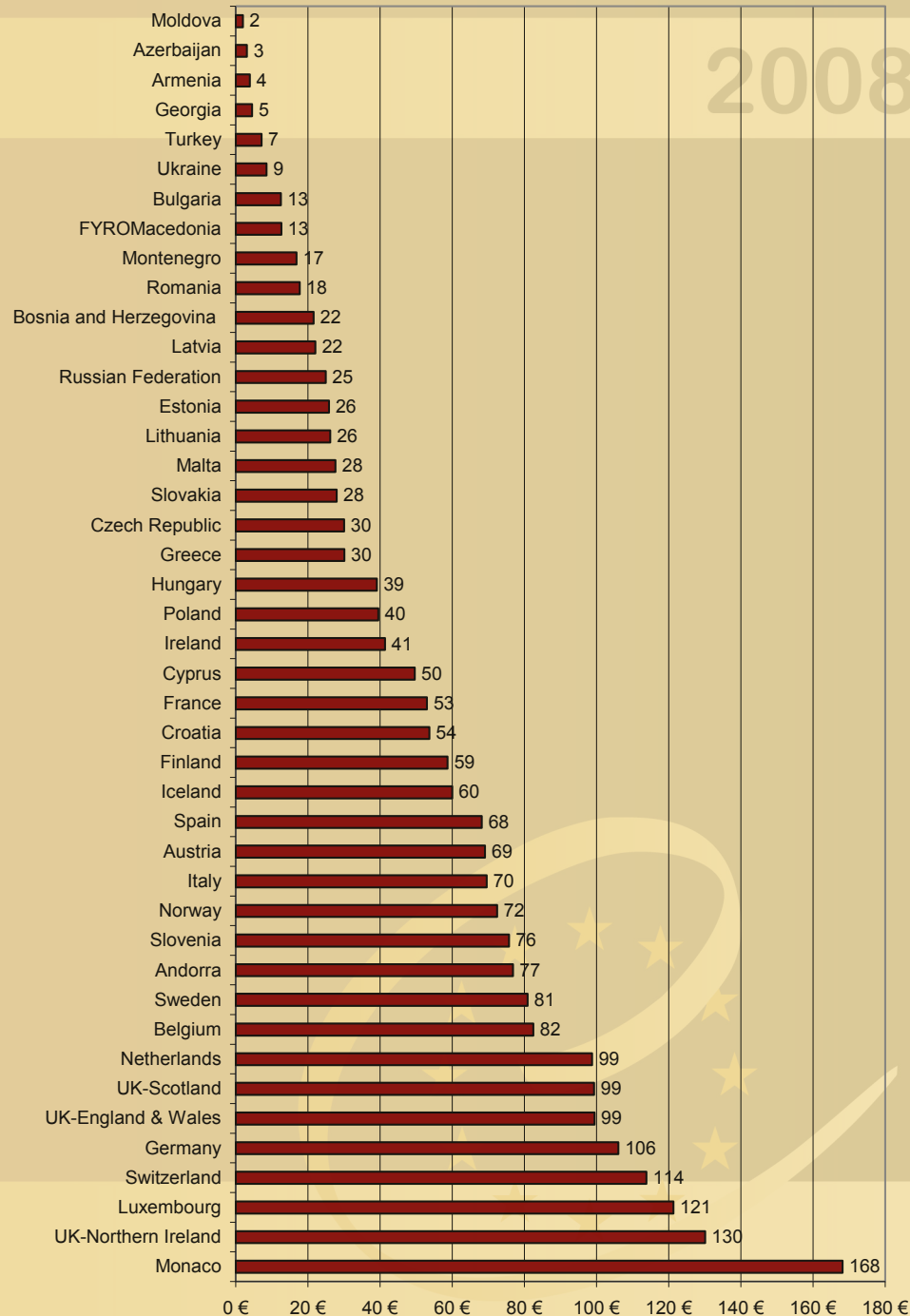


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- Public budget allocated to the judicial systems (courts, public prosecution and legal aid) per inhabitant



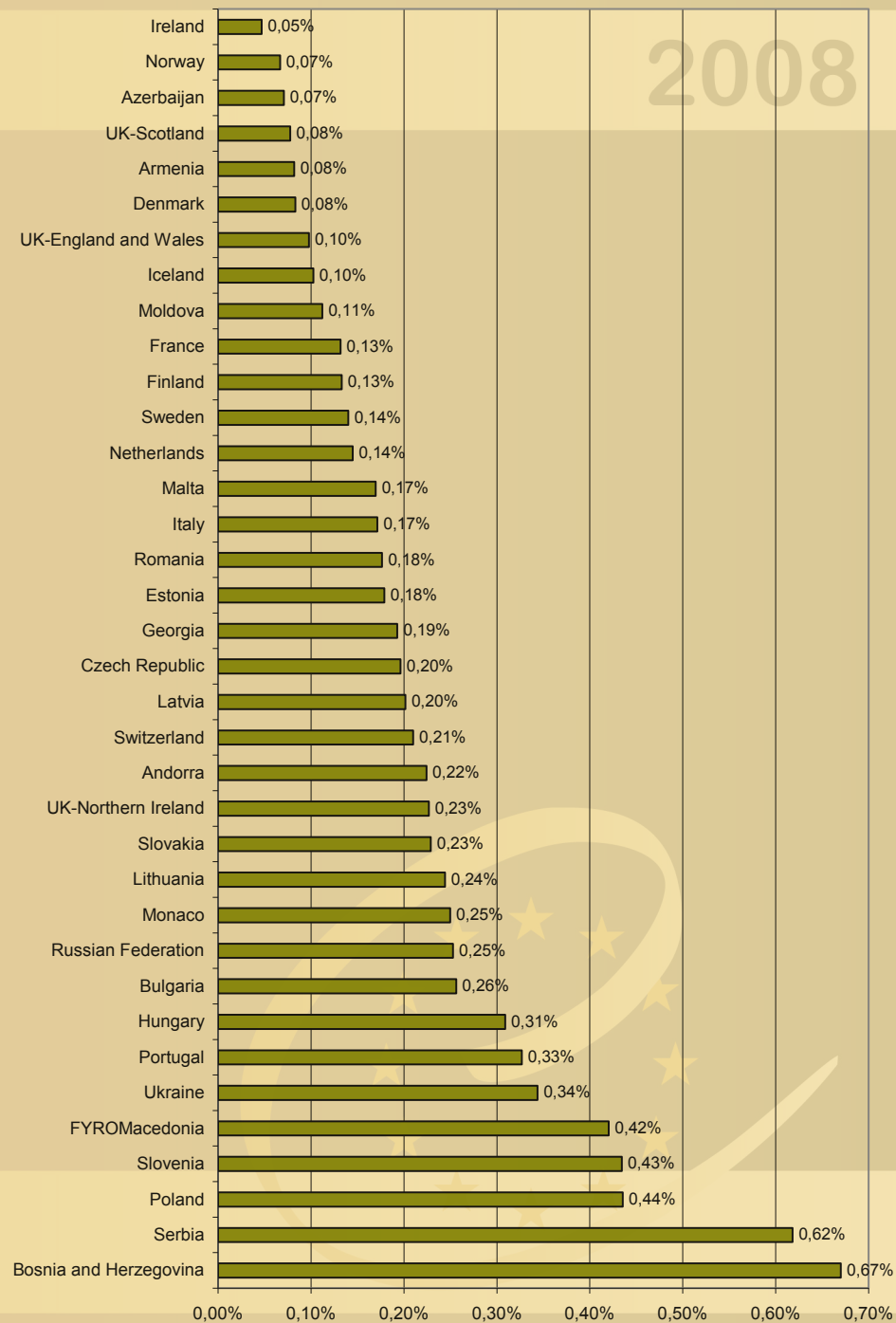
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- Total court budget allocated to the judicial system (excl. legal aid and prosecution) per inhabitant as percentage per capita GDP

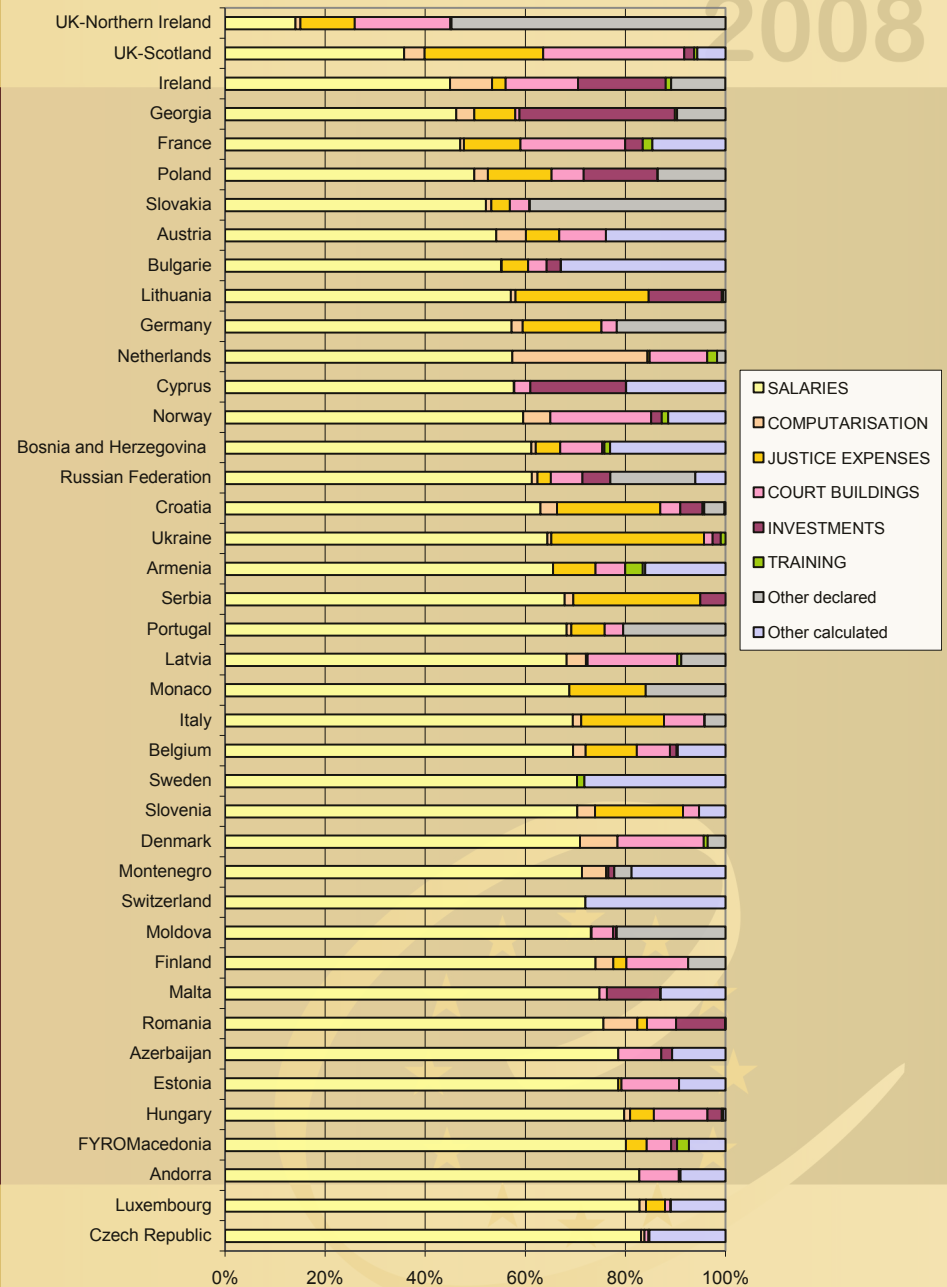
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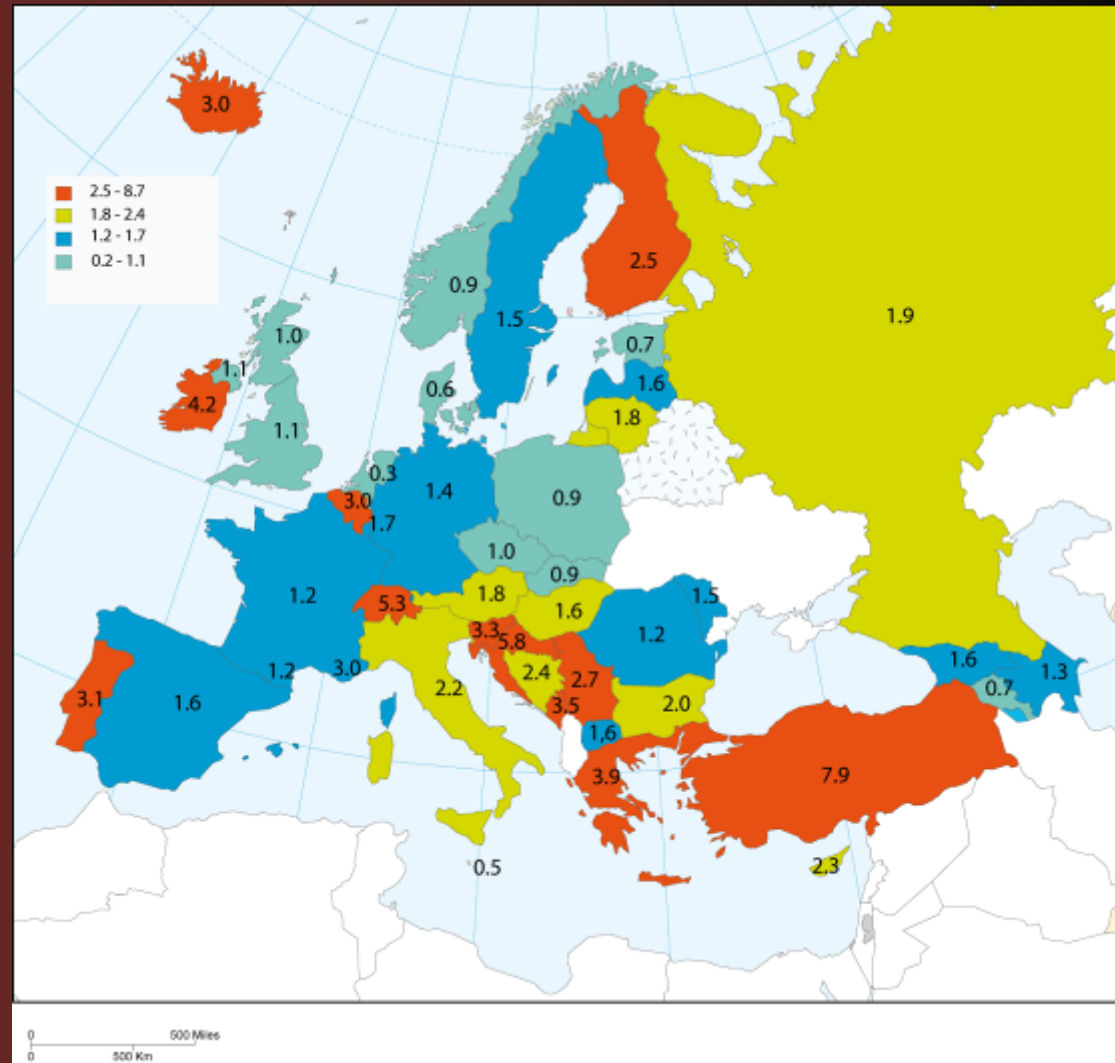
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- Distribution of the budgetary components



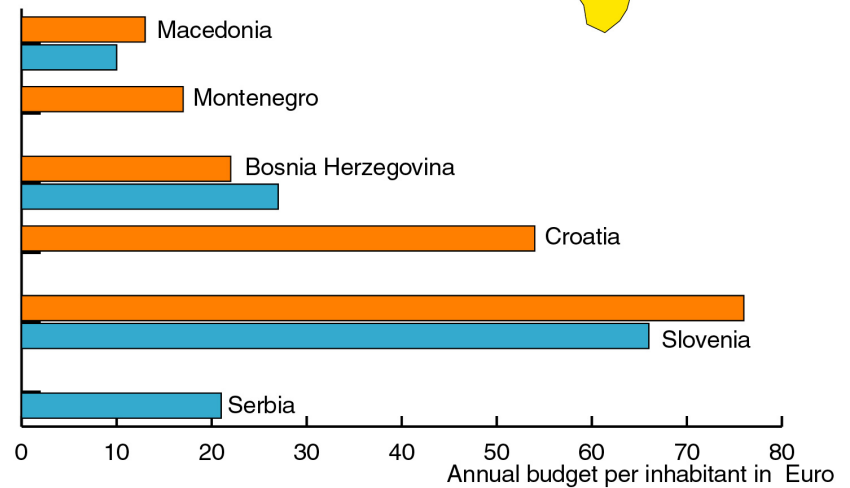
- Court infrastructure
(number of geographic
court locations per
100.000 inhabitants)




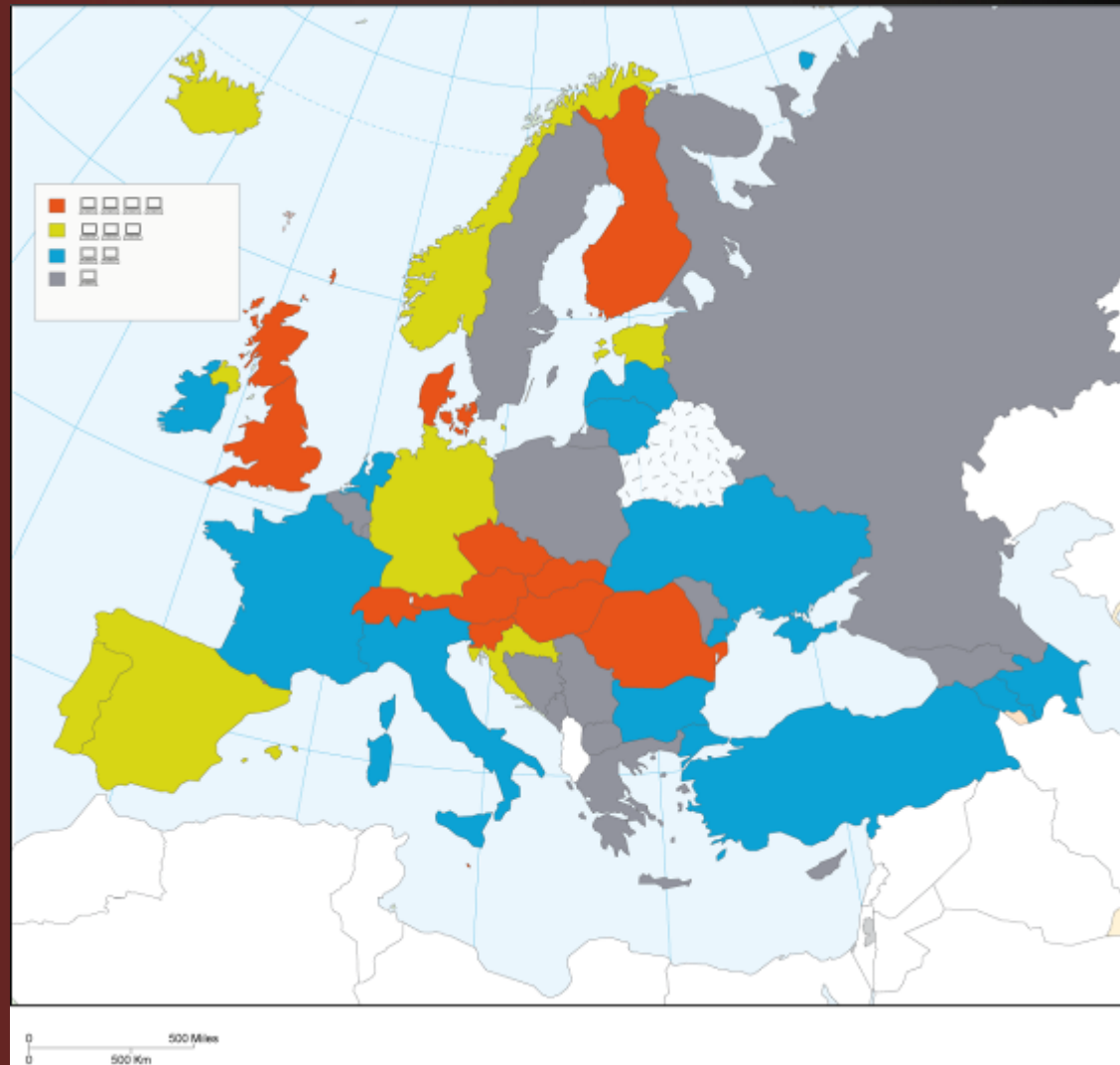
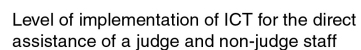
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- Court locations per inhabitant regionally compared
- and the court/judicial budgets (courts, public prosecution and legal aid)



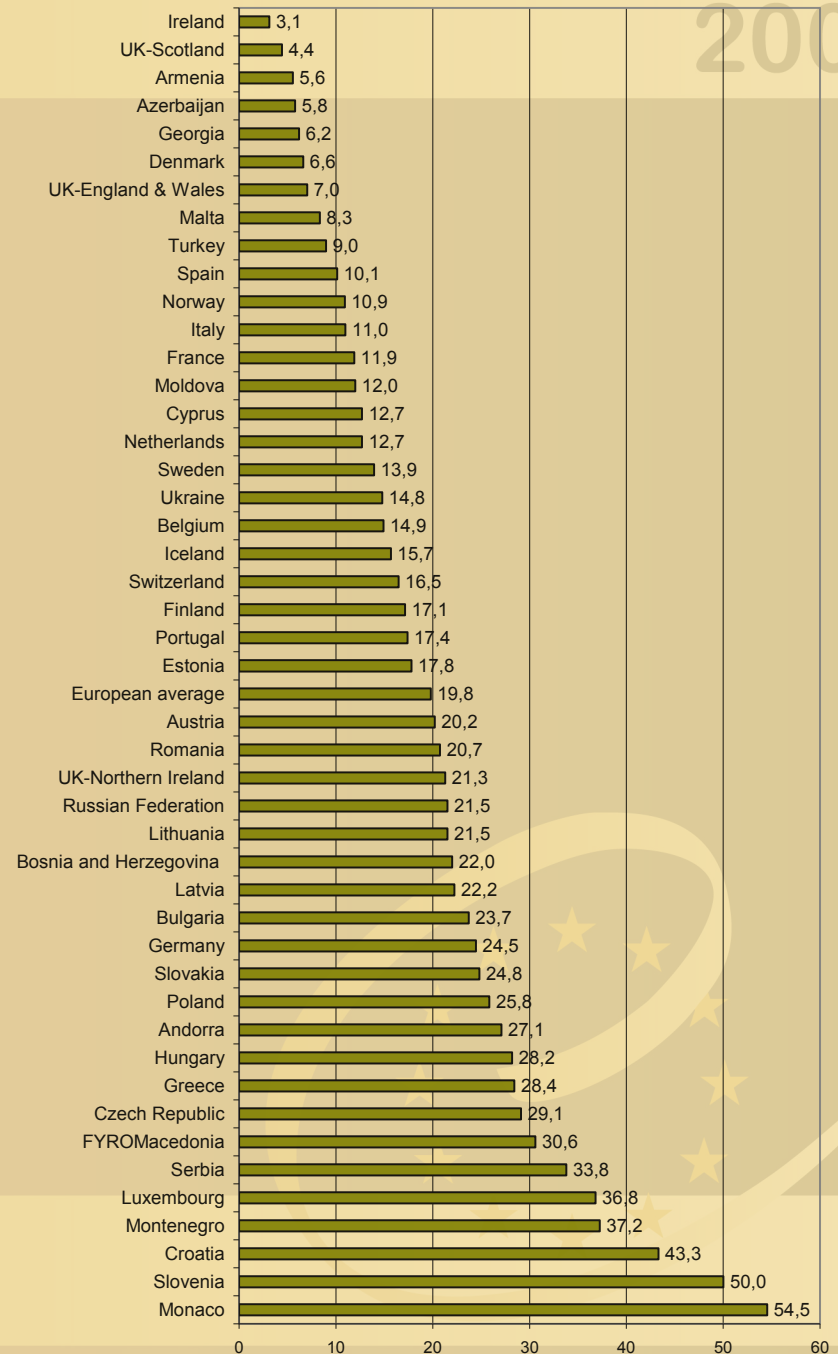
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- Number of professional judges per 100.000 inhabitants

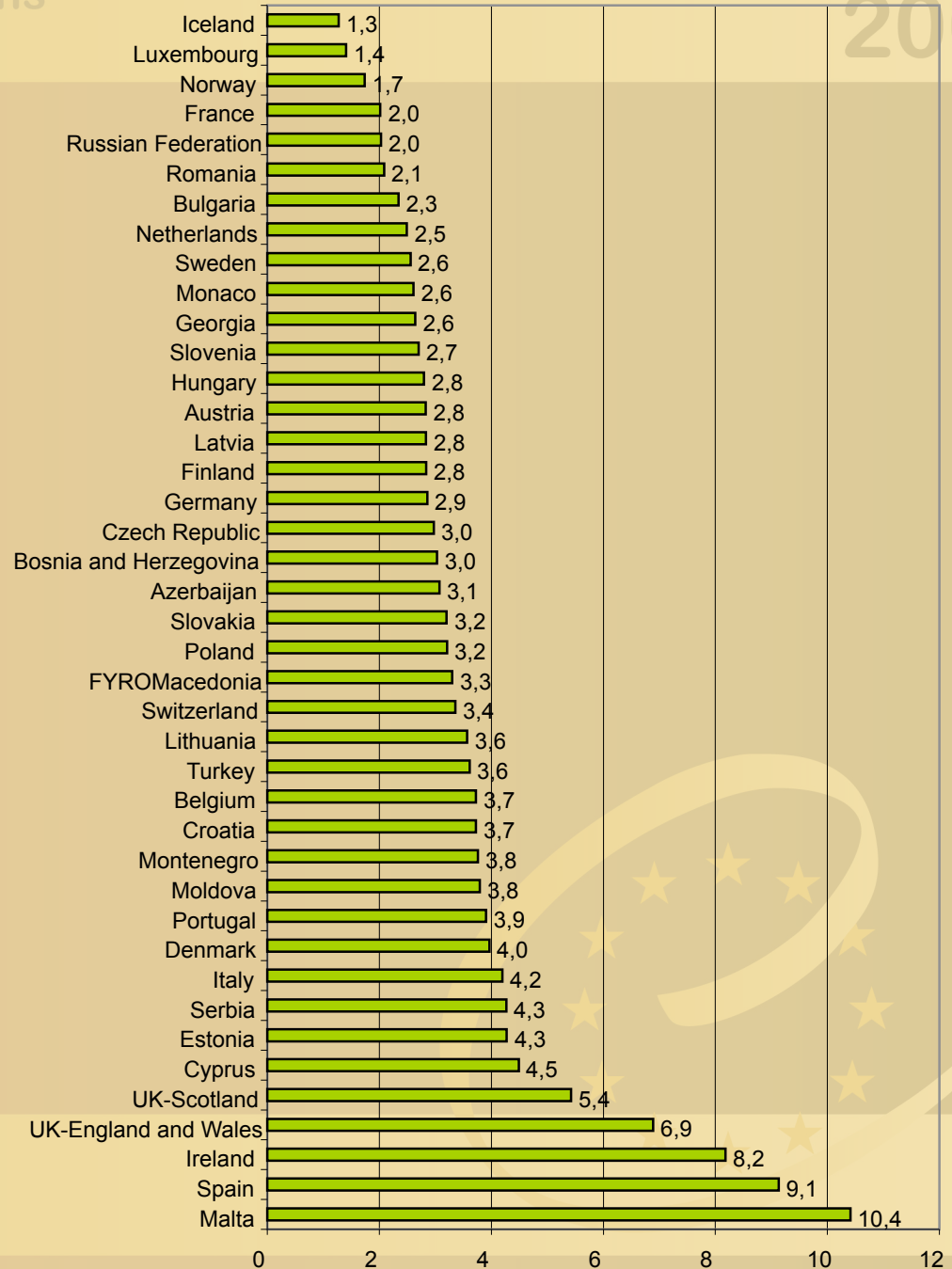


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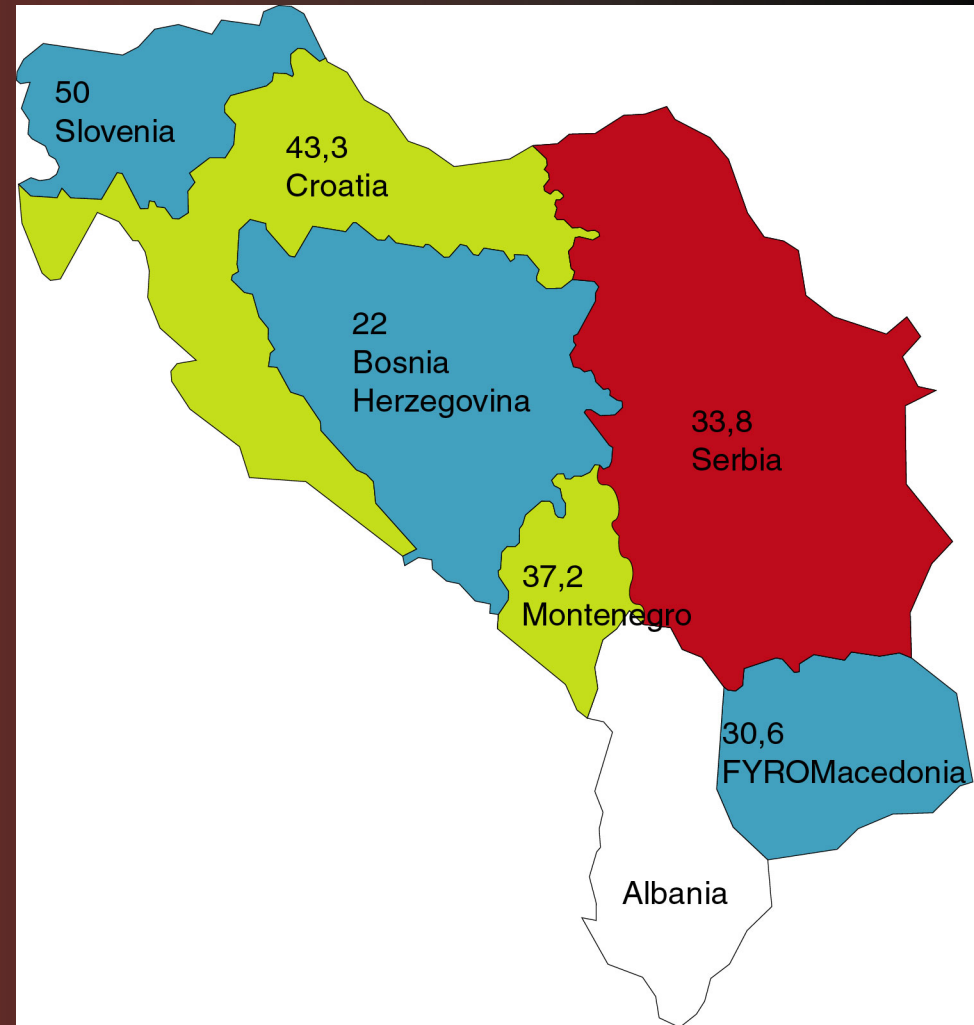
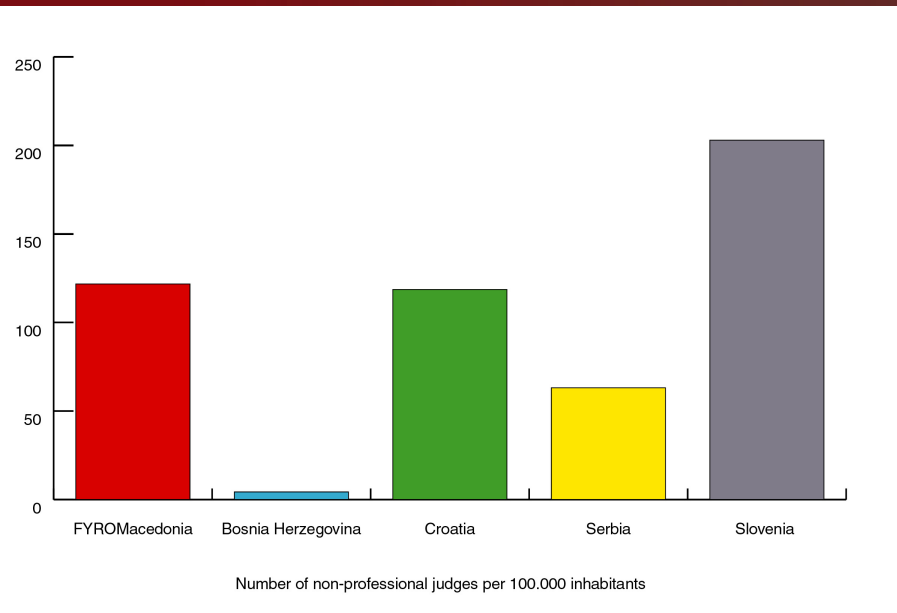
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- Number of non-judge staff per professional judge



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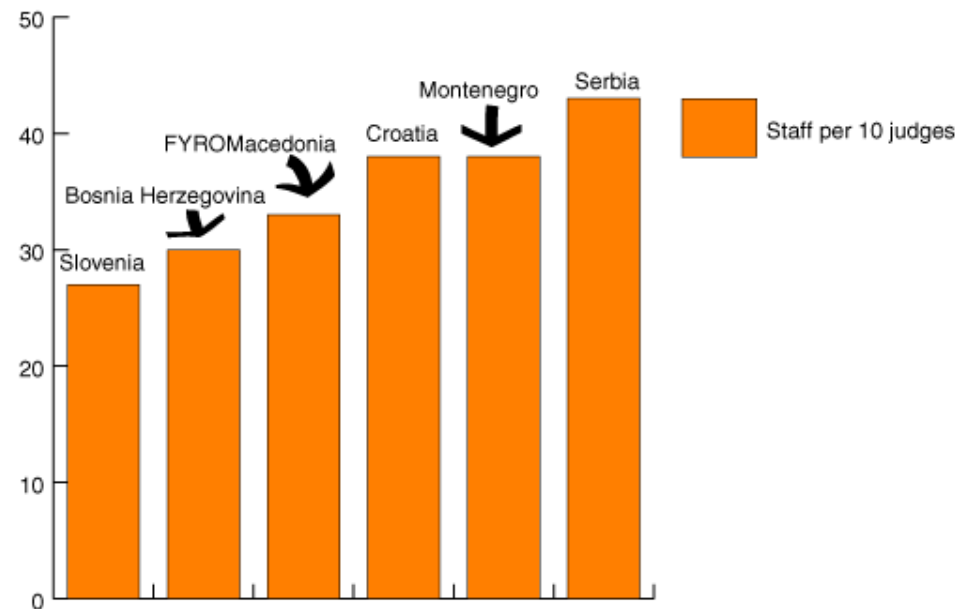
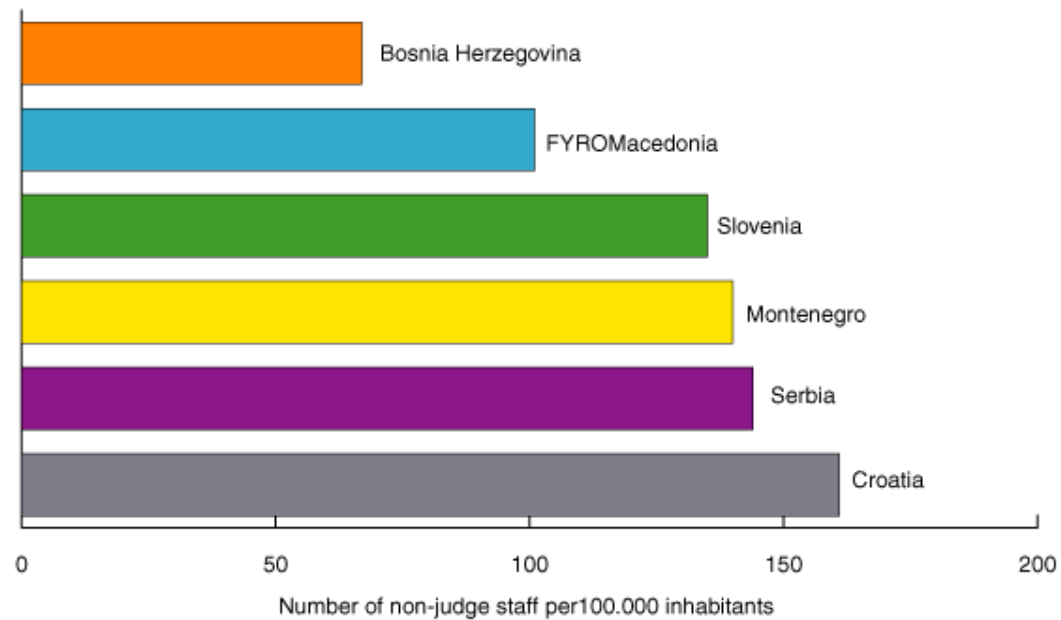
- (Non-)professional judges per 100.000 inhabitants regionally compared



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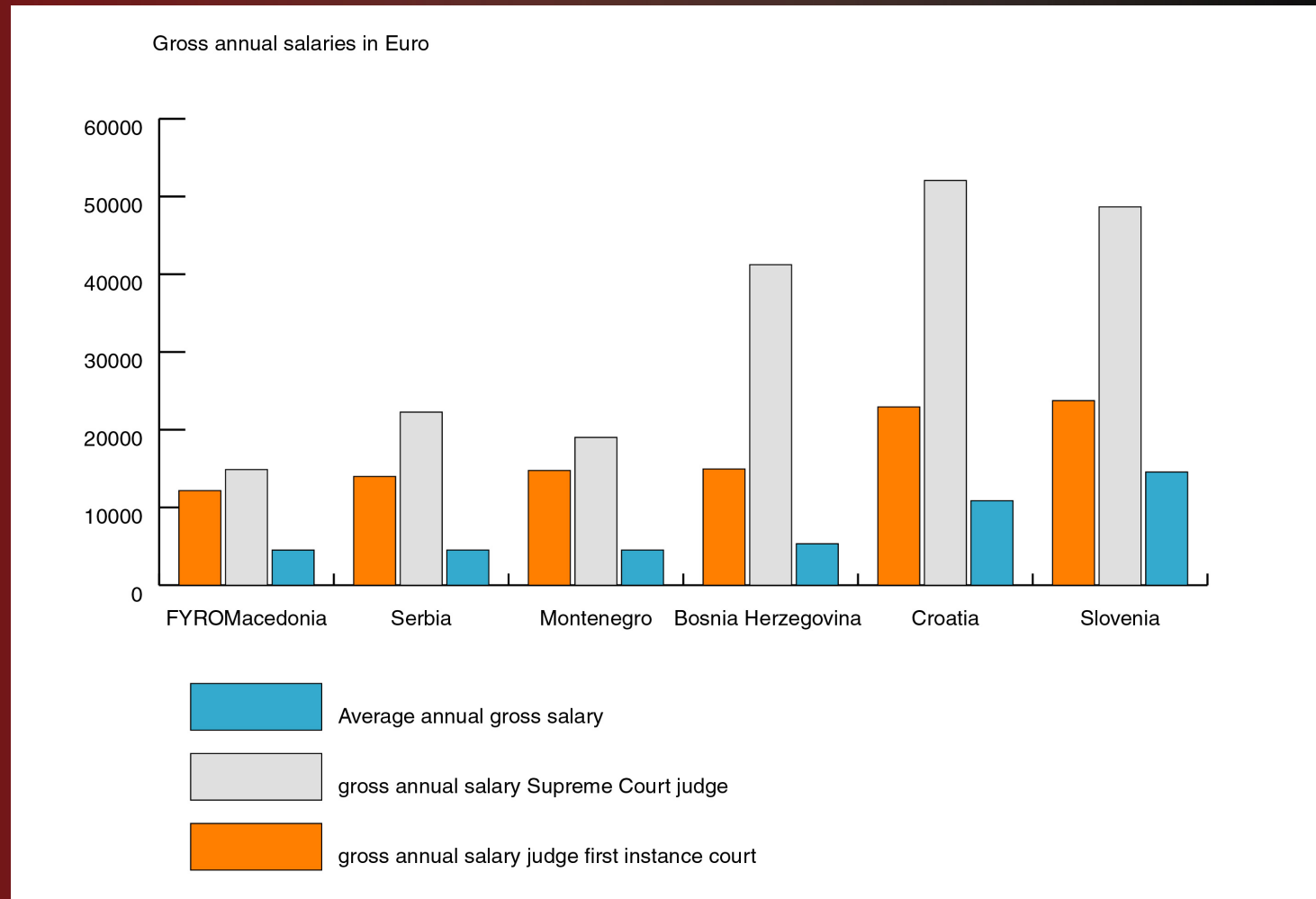
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- Court staff compared

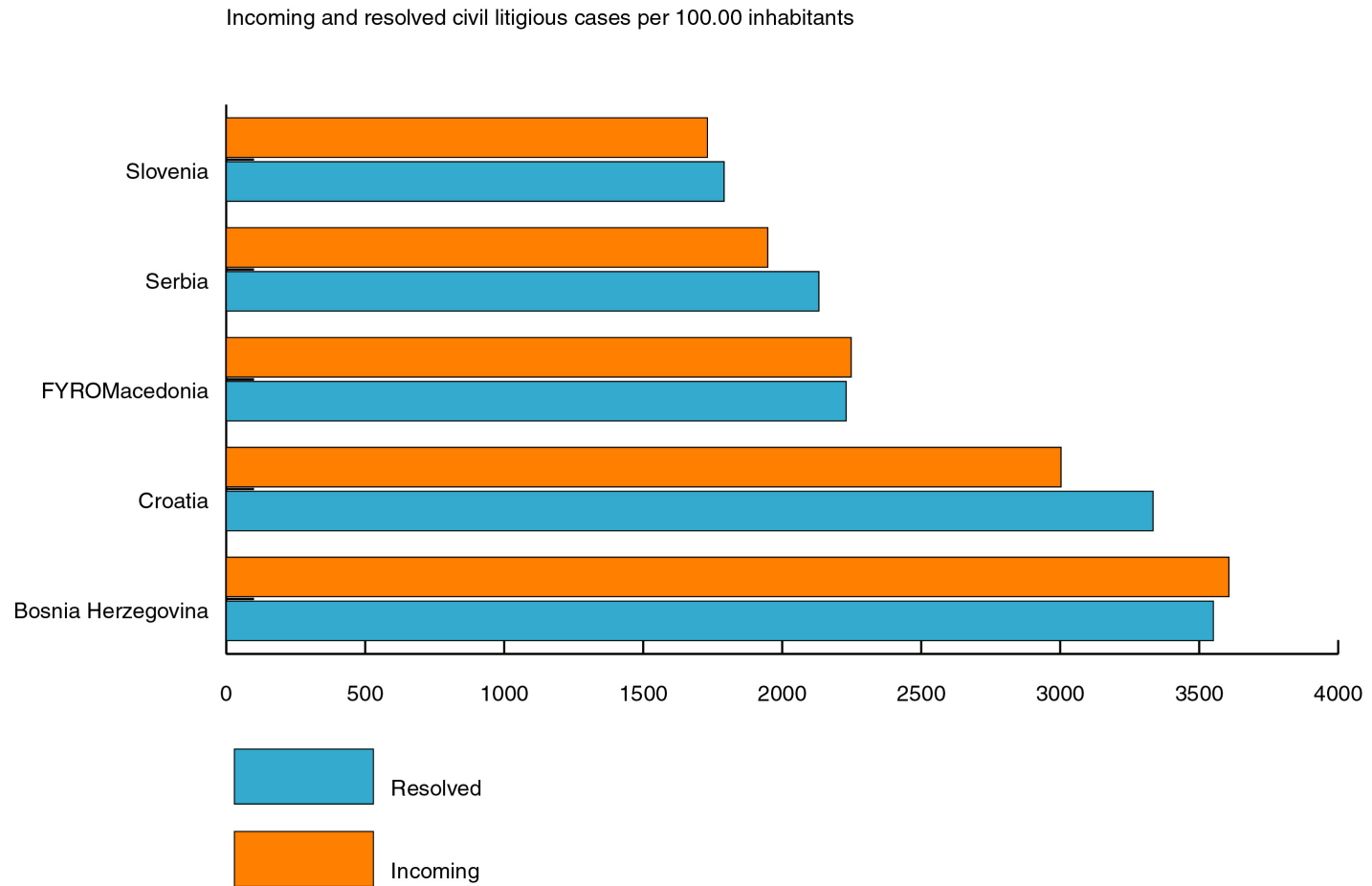


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- Judges' salaries

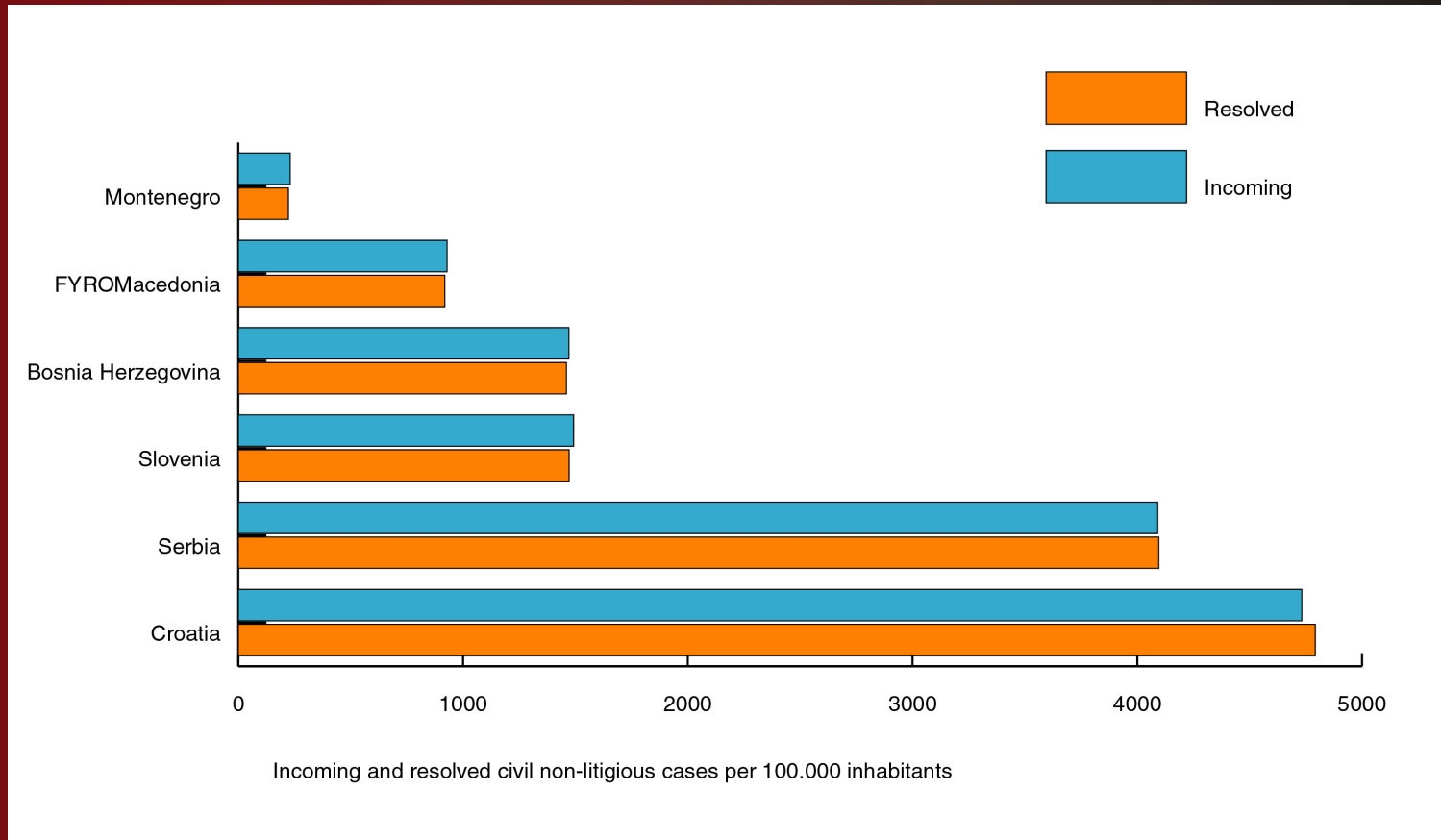


- Number of incoming and resolved civil litigious cases per 100.000 inhabitants





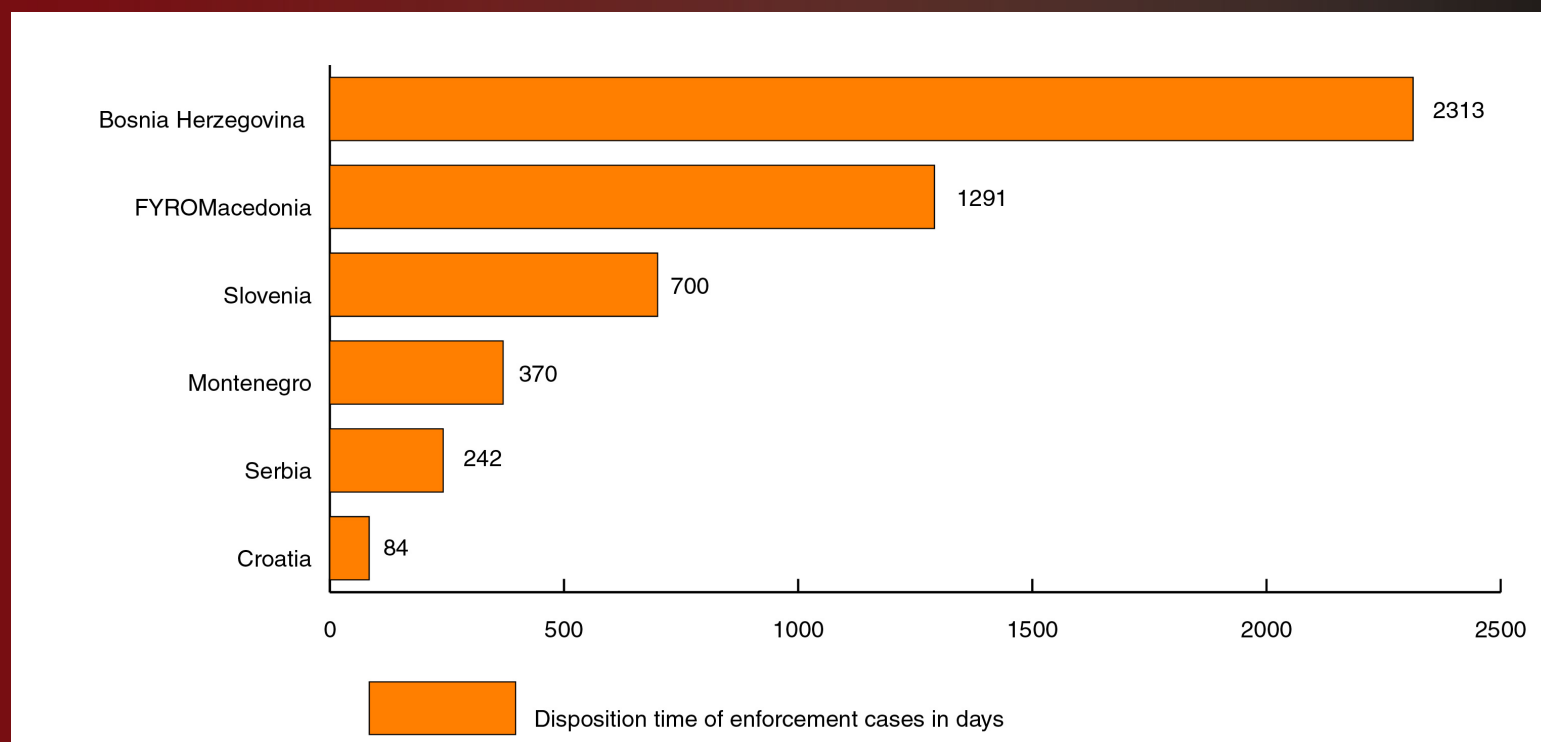
- Number of incoming and resolved civil non-litigious cases and decisions per 100.000 inhabitants (in the region)



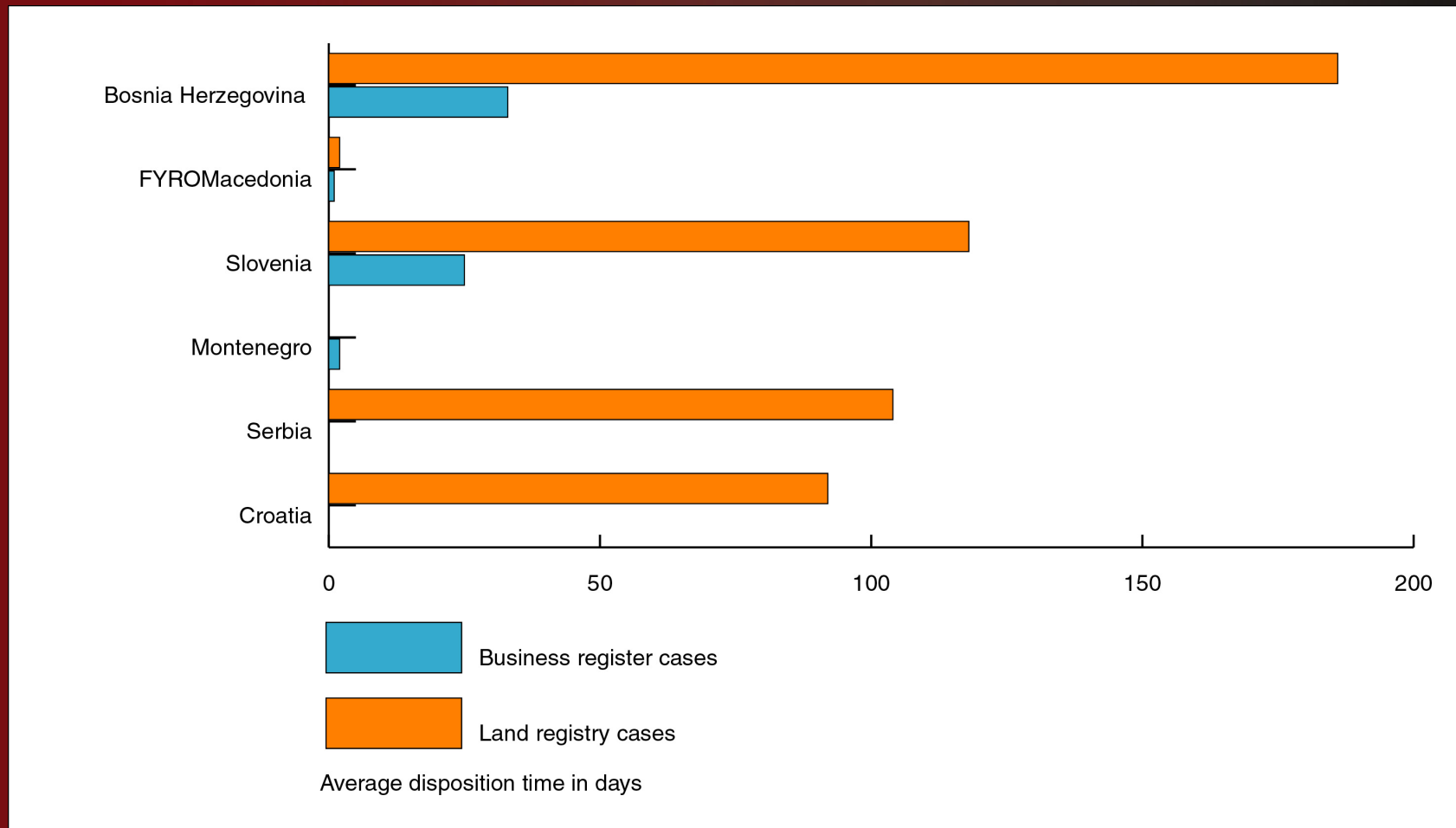
Average calculated disposition time (in days)

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the number of days that cases are outstanding, or remain unresolved in court

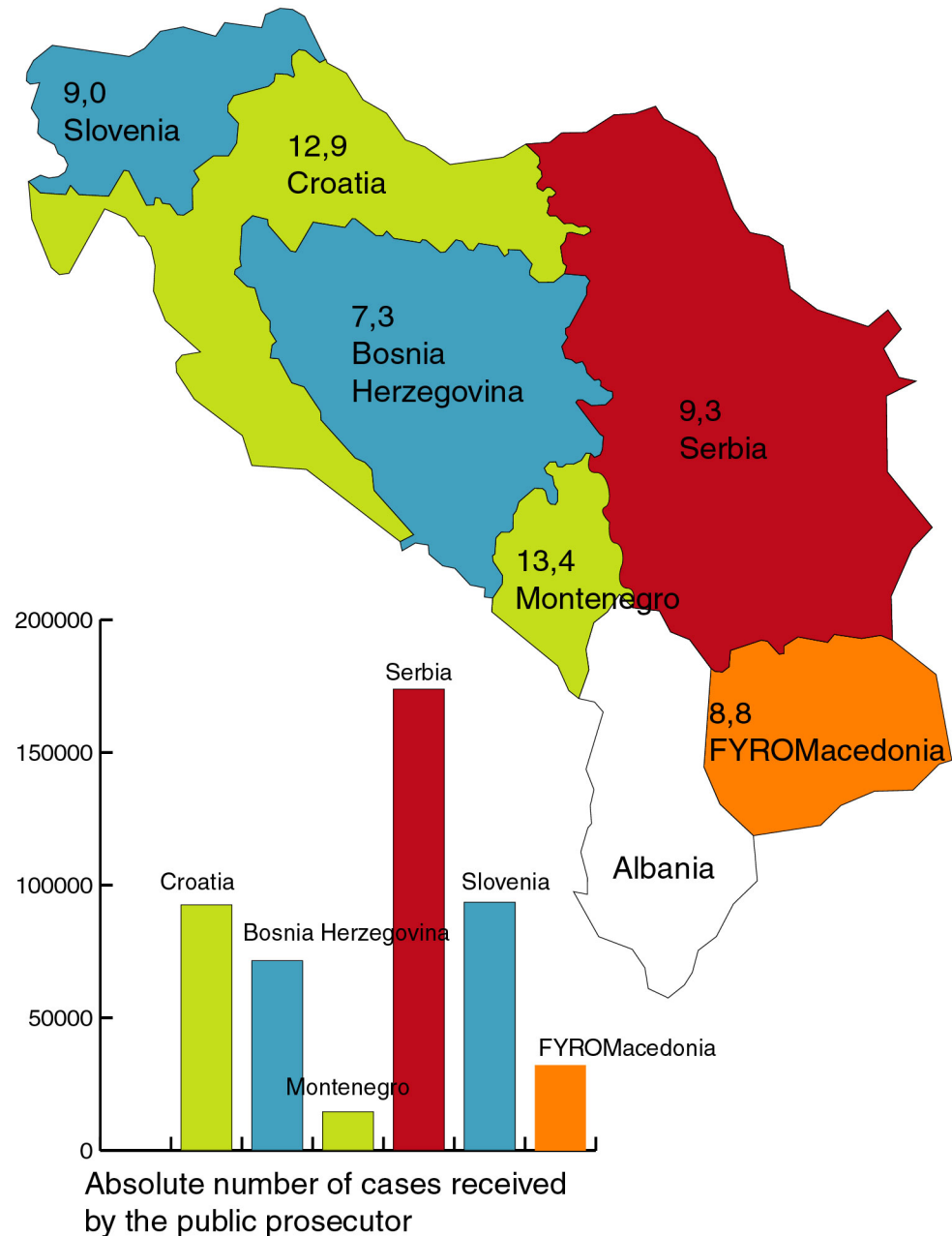


- Average disposition time land register and business register cases

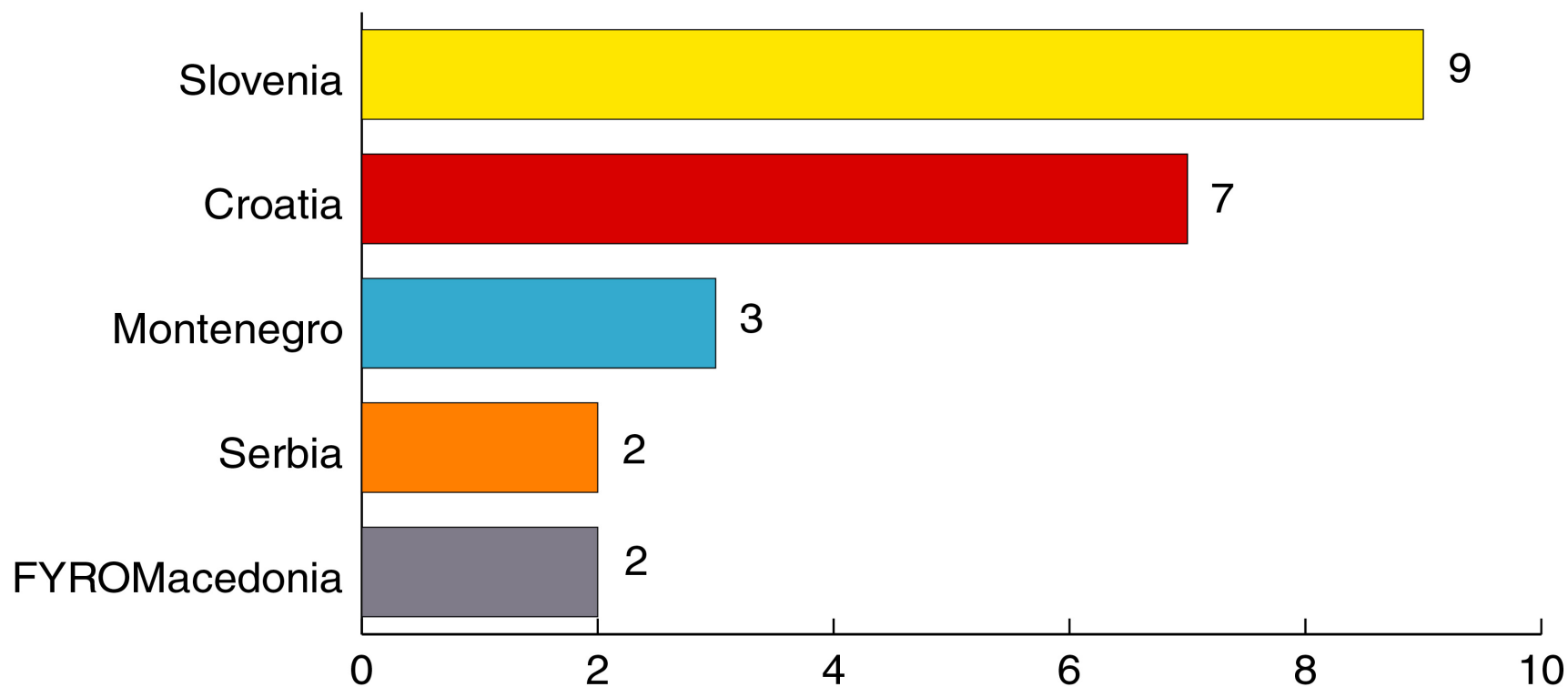


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- Number of public prosecutors per 100.000 inhabitants
- (and cases received)



- Annual budget for the public prosecution per inhabitant in €



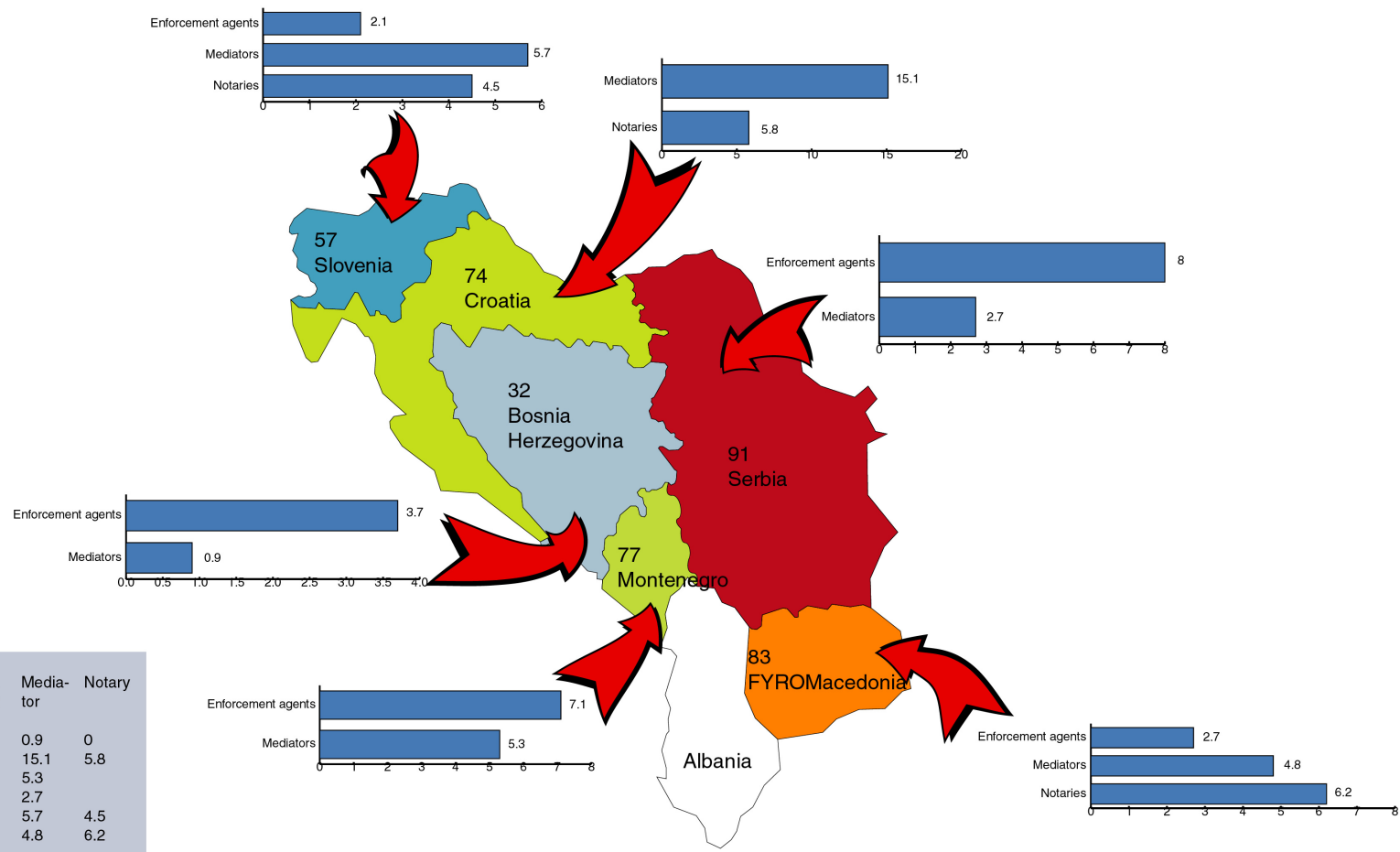
Annual budget allocated to the prosecution services in Euro

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Legal professionals per 100.000 inhab

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General conclusions: trends in Europe

- Reduction geographic court locations
- Stimulation of the application of e-justice
- More use of ADR (especially mediation)
- Increase of the budget allocated to judicial systems
- More attention to the monitoring of cases with an exceptional duration
- Increase of the introduction of quality measures in the courts



- Full report can be downloaded from the cepej website (from 8 October 2008)
- <http://www.coe.int/cepej>

