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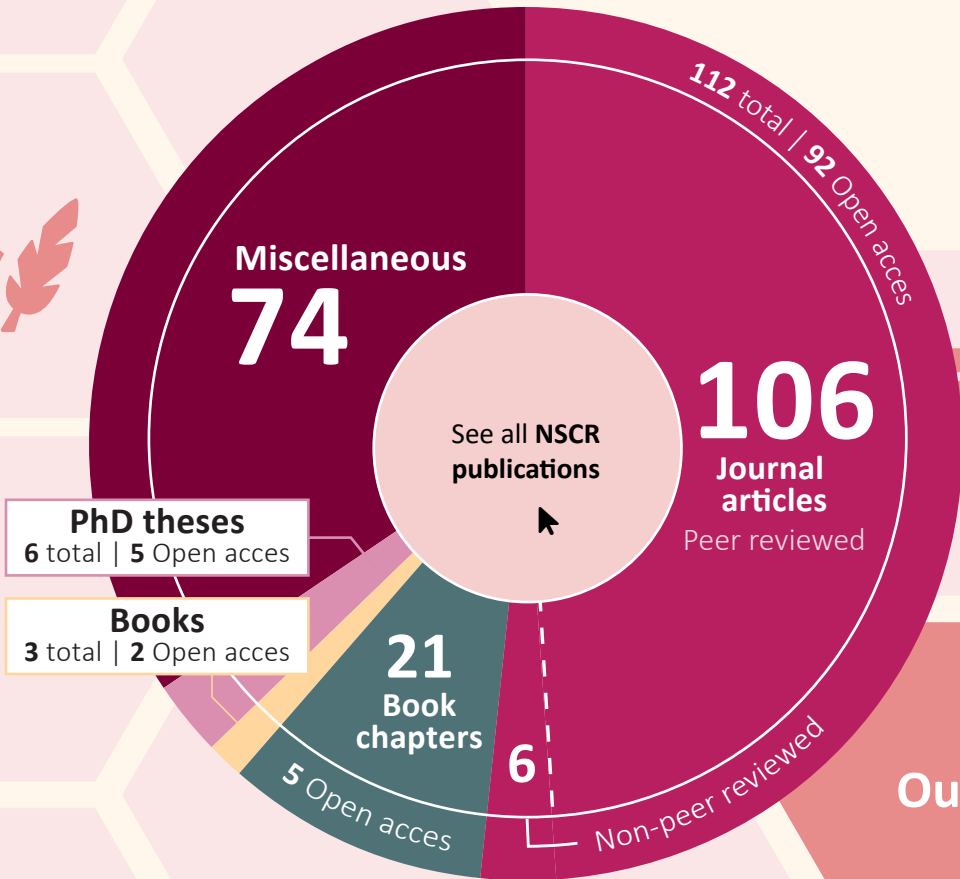
NSCR conducts fundamental scientific research into crime and law enforcement. Our research is substantively innovative, methodologically state-of-the-art and contributes to the solution of major societal issues in the field of security and justice. NSCR operates at the intersection of theory, practice and policy. We focus on traditional and new manifestations of crime, testing existing theories and developing new investigative tools.

NSCR Research program

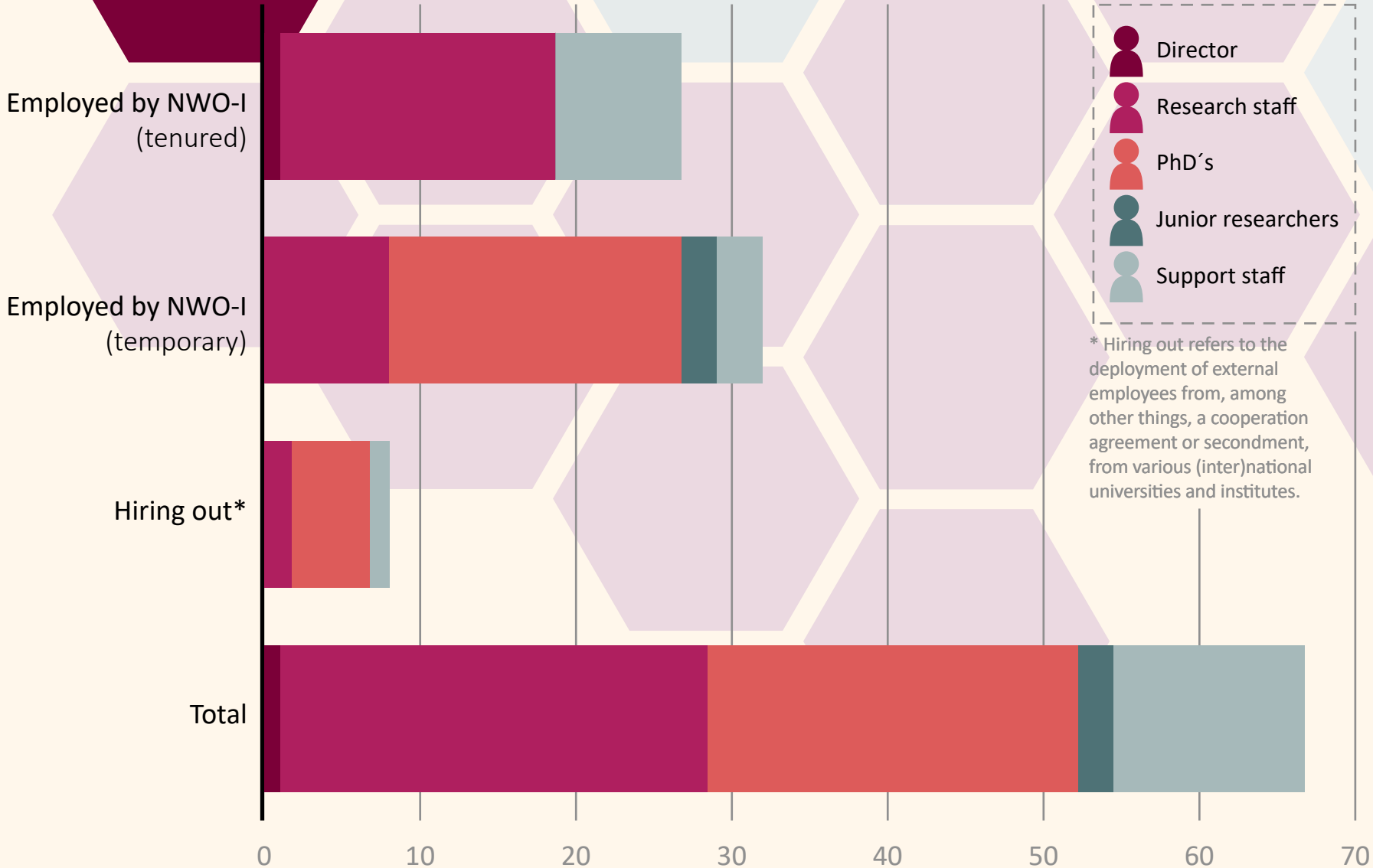
Our research program is based on four leading questions: Who commits crime and why? Where, when and how is crime committed? What are the consequences for victims? How does society respond to crime? Those four research questions form the basis for our research groups. In addition, we have a fifth research group that conducts research into evidence-based policing.



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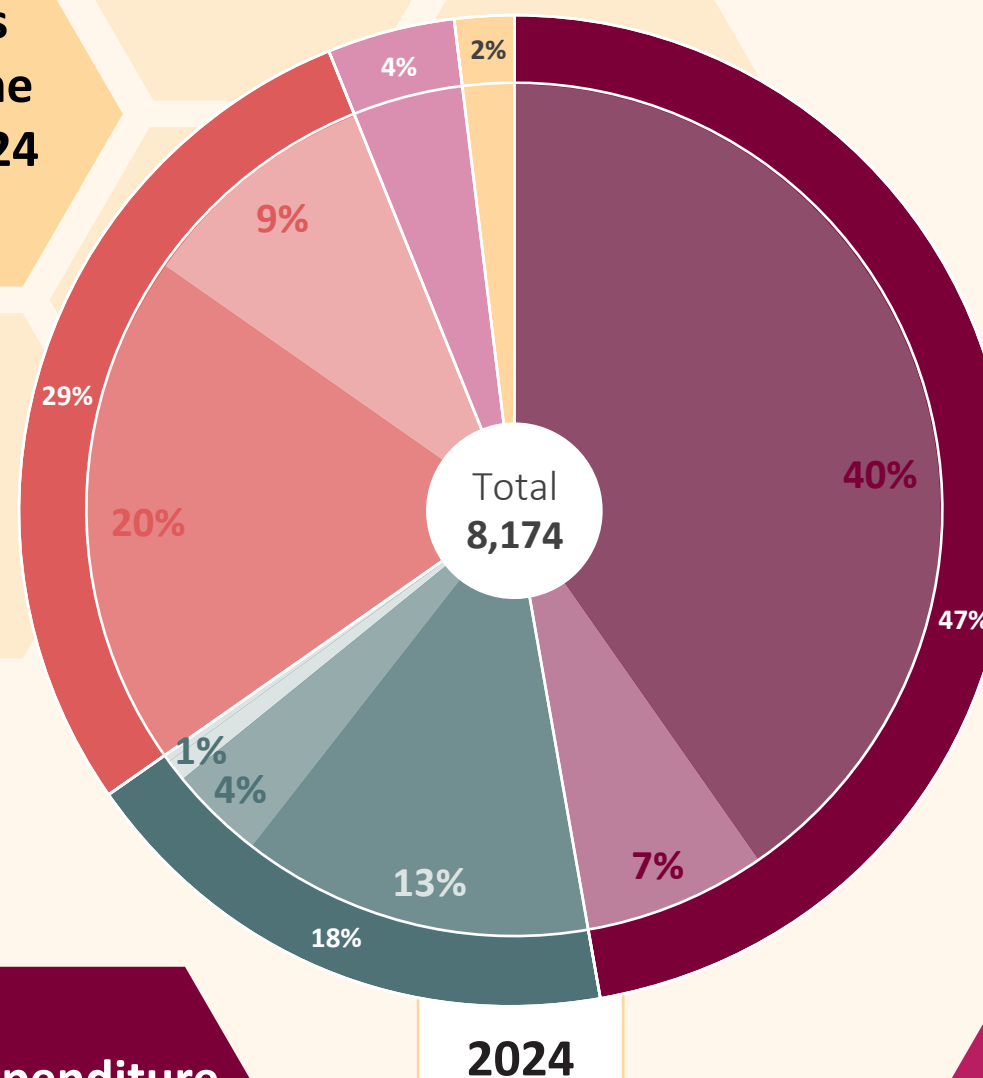
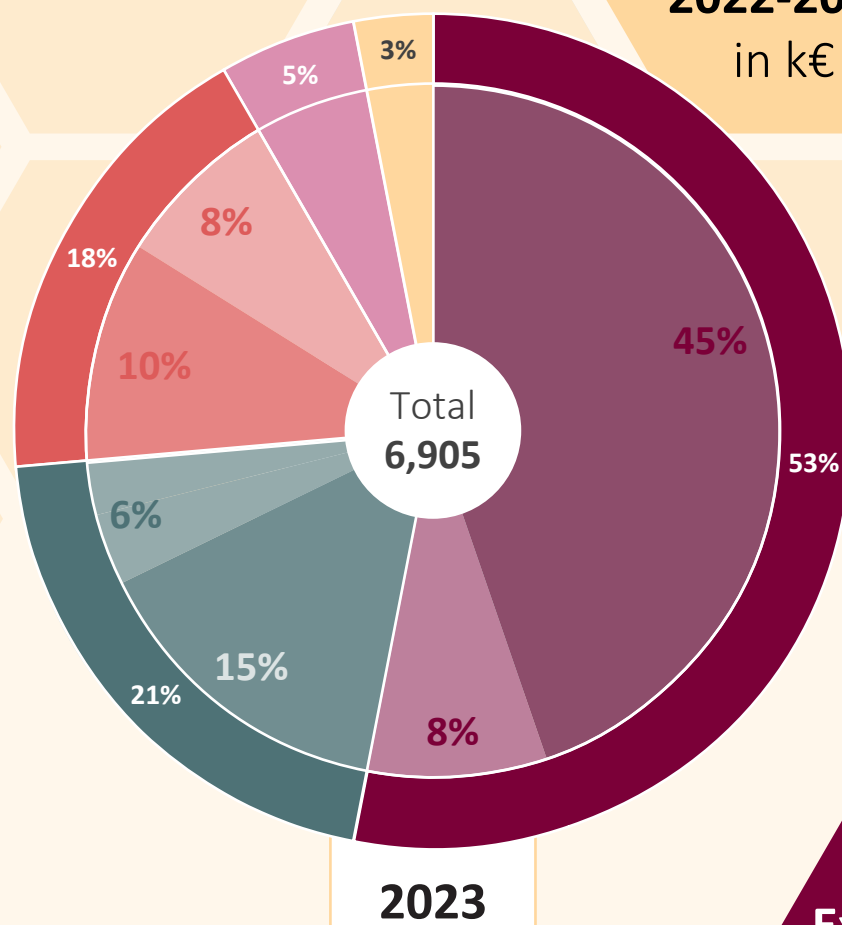
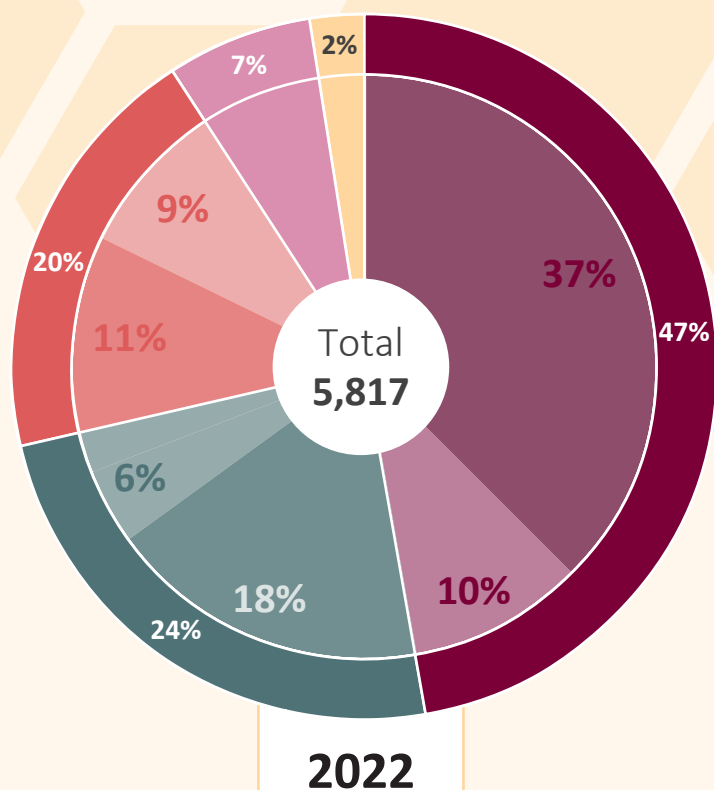
Staff (in fte) 2024 average



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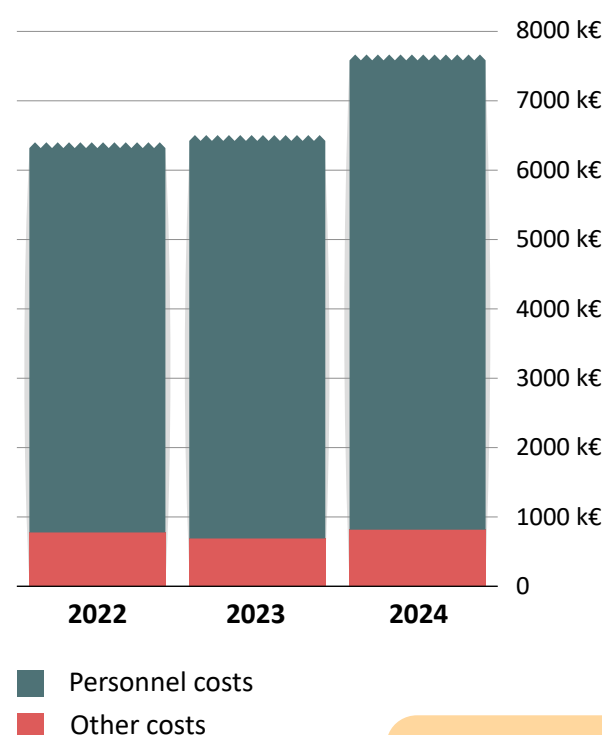
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Sources of Income 2022-2024 in k€



- Direct funding**
 - NWO
 - VU Amsterdam, cash & in-kind contributions
- Program funding**
 - De Nationale Politie & Politieacademie
 - Fonds Slachtofferhulp Stichting Slachtofferhulp NL
 - Ministerie van J&V
 - Halt
 - J&V - Raad voor de kindbescherming
 - De 3 Reclasseringsorganisaties
- Research grants**
 - NWO
 - Other subsidy providers
- Contract research**
- Other**

Expenditure 2022-2024 in k€



PhD's awarded in 2024

On Aggression & Offending: Quantitative Analyses on Biopsychosocial Risk Factors for Antisocial Behavior | NSCR & Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam

Using various quantitative methods, the thesis of forensic psychiatrist and criminologist Pascalie Spaan investigated potential biopsychosocial risk factors for aggression and crime.

Procedural justice and criminal behavior | NSCR & Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

In his thesis, criminologist Matthias van Hall investigated the treatment of inmates. "The way inmates are treated influences their perception of justice and their compliance with the law."

Unraveling the threads of a digital cloth. A study into online disclosure of sexual violence victimization | NSCR & Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

The #MeToo movement has brought about a global shift in how survivors of sexual violence share their experiences. Doctoral research by criminologist and victimologist Marleen Gorissen reveals that online platforms play a crucial role in sharing experiences and finding support.

In anticipation of a future period of incapacity: the Dutch 'levenstestament' from a legal-normative, empirical and comparative perspective | NSCR, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam & A-LAB

With the help of the Dutch *levenstestament*, since 2010, people can take measures for a possible period of incapacity, for example due to dementia. In her doctoral research, Rieneke Stelma-Roorda zoomed in on the regulation of the *levenstestament*.

From extreme beliefs to actual violence: A mixed-methods study into terrorist suspects | NSCR, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam & A-LAB

The dissertation of Fabienne Thijs addressed the question of what factors and processes explain an individual's trajectory from extreme beliefs to different outcomes.

Alternative criminal sanctions for international crimes in transitional contexts | NSCR & Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam & A-LAB

Lawyer Beatriz Mayans Hermida examined from a doctrinal, theoretical and empirical perspective whether 'alternative criminal sanctions' can be 'adequate' to punish international crimes in post-conflict or post-authoritarian contexts.



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