

CROATIA

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Roma population	Estimate in the document
	9463
	Council of Europe estimates
	approximately 30-40 000 i.e. 0.1 % of the population
Approach	National strategy

	Key elements	Identified gaps
Education	The strategy includes, in particular, the following positive elements: Focus on pre-school education; After-school programmes; Raising awareness among Roma parents and teachers; Roma assistants; Scholarships to support secondary education.	<i>A focus on desegregation measures towards inclusive education at all levels would be needed. Measures to reduce early school leaving, including promotion of vocational training and education should be considered. The implementation timeframe could have been more detailed.</i>
Employment	Social inclusion of Roma is part of the Cypriot government's overall strategy for the effective social inclusion of all vulnerable groups. Assistance, including vocational guidance, counselling and training programmes, is provided through public employment services.	<i>The impact of policies should be measured in order to ensure that the needs of the Roma are met.</i>
Health	Healthcare is offered free of charge to all Turkish Cypriots, including Roma, regardless of whether they reside in the government-controlled part of the island or the part occupied by Turkey.	<i>The impact of health policy measures should be measured in order to ensure that the needs of the Roma are met.</i>
Housing	Legalisation of current Roma settlements as the legal condition for the construction of basic infrastructure. Renovation and construction of houses for Roma.	<i>Housing interventions should be part of an integrated approach with the long-term objective of desegregation. Supporting Roma access to social housing would further improve the strategy.</i>
Structural requirements and funding	Representatives of the Roma civil society participated in the preparation of the strategy. Their participation in the implementation of measures and monitoring is planned. The implementation of the strategy will be monitored by the members of a Monitoring Commission composed of all relevant stakeholders, including representatives of Roma communities, in addition to civil servants. Under the IPA IV various no specific	<i>The strategy would benefit from a detailed description of clear targets, responsibilities, budget allocations as well as from a robust result-oriented monitoring and evaluation system. The cooperation with local and regional self-government should be reinforced. The synergy between actions supported by EU funds and national funds and mainstream policies should be ensured.</i>

	<p>amount has been allocated exclusively for Roma integration but has been supported by national and EU funds under various mainstream policy measures including social inclusion measures.</p>	
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