

Fact sheet | The Amateur Arts in the Netherlands 2010

Table A | Proportion amateur artists in the Dutch population (for example: in the Netherlands 14 percent of people 65 years or older participate in the visual arts)

Characteristic	Total active participants in the arts	Visual arts	Music	Dance	Theatre	Writing	New media
Dutch - 6 years and older	52%	21%	21%	15%	5%	11%	16%
Absolute	8.000.000	3.150.000	3.150.000	2.250.000	750.000	1.650.000	2.400.000
6 - 11 years old	79%	42%	33%	26%	11%	15%	11%
12 - 19 years old	48%	18%	35%	26%	2%	20%	27%
20 - 34 years old	52%	23%	19%	21%	7%	13%	17%
35 - 49 years old	50%	17%	12%	10%	8%	9%	17%
50 - 64 years old	52%	22%	24%	10%	2%	9%	11%
65+ years old	43%	14%	16%	6%	2%	8%	14%

Table B | Profile amateur artists - the distribution among amateur artists is given for each characteristic (for example: 25 percent of all amateur artists are in the age group 35 to 49 years old)

Male	Female	Education level		Membership, classes and enrolments		Time spent	
3.520.000	4.480.000	Low	11%	Enrolled at art institute	8%	< 50 minutes per week	43%
44%	56%	Medium	38%	Followed classes or courses	15%	> 50 minutes per week	57%
		High	38%	Member of club or association	15%		
		Younger than 12 years/ Not given	14%				
Age category				Average expenditure per active participant in the arts *		Regional distribution	
6 - 11 years old	14%			Membership fee per year	e 132,-	4 major cities	13%
12 - 19 years old	9%			Class/course fee	e 195,-	Rest West	31%
20 - 34 years old	20%			Travel costs	e 91,-	North	12%
35 - 49 years old	25%			Instrument costs	e 251,-	East	23%
50 - 64 years old	21%			Clothing and equipment costs	e 76,-	South	21%
65+ years old	13%						

* Average expenditure of active participants in the arts who spent more than e 0 per year

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