

Cultural Heritage Agency Ministry of Education, Culture and Science

Safe Heritage in the Netherlands

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Safe Heritage

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- 2. What we do
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- Large scale disasters
- Fire in cultural heritage
- Incident database





Listed monuments

60.000 Listed buildings

440 Conservation areas

9 World heritage sites





Archaeology

1.500 Archaeological sites listed as monuments

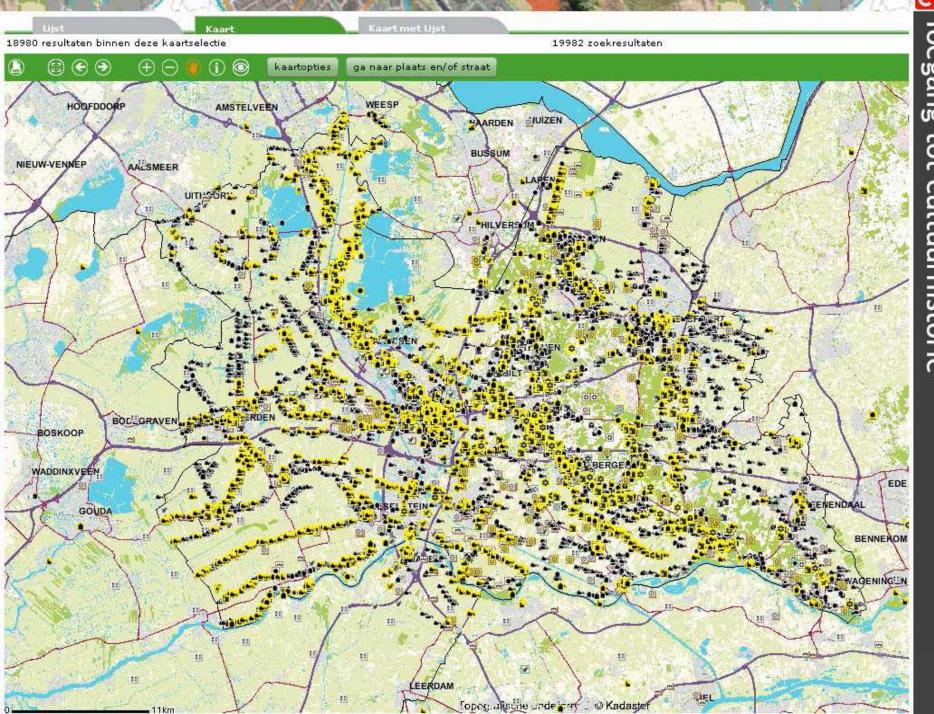






Archives & libraries





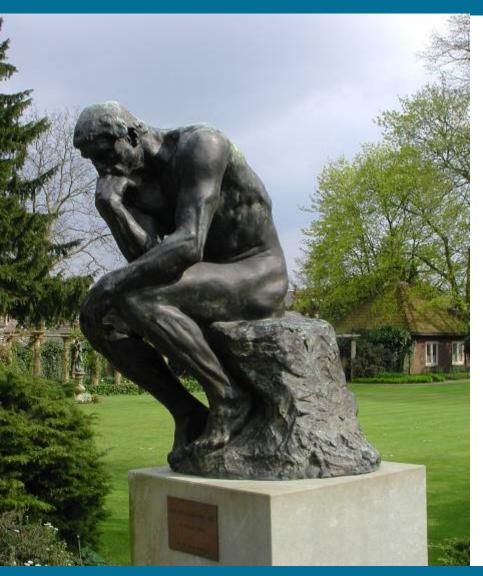


Who we are: Safe Heritage



- 2008 Safety & Security Centre founded by Ministry of Culture: a solid basis
- 2010 Part of Cultural Heritage Agency in Amersfoort
- 2011 New name: Safe Heritage
- Two specialists, connected with other specialisms
- Both movable and immovable heritage





Our Role

- Expertise on safety & security for cultural heritage:
 Knowledge & information
- Develop, collect & connect
- Secure it & pass it on
- Keep it up to date
- Stress the importance of safety
 & security, prevention &
 awareness





What we do

Awareness, knowledge & information

- Website
- Presentations & Publications
- Conferences
- Advice
- LinkedIn groups Safe Heritage

Some projects

- Special themes: Water and Theft
- Project with Safety Region Utrecht
- Network Fire Brigade & Cultural Heritage
- Incident Database

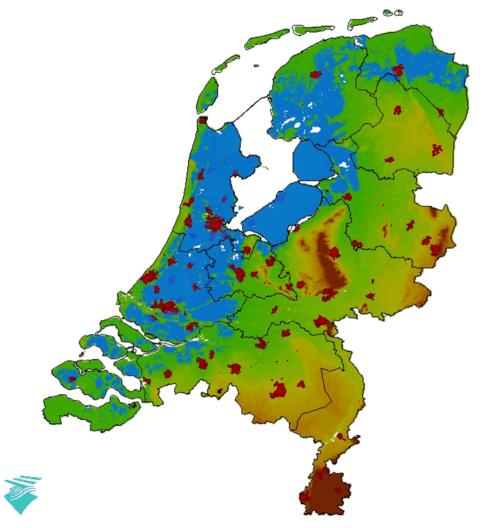


Large scale disasters

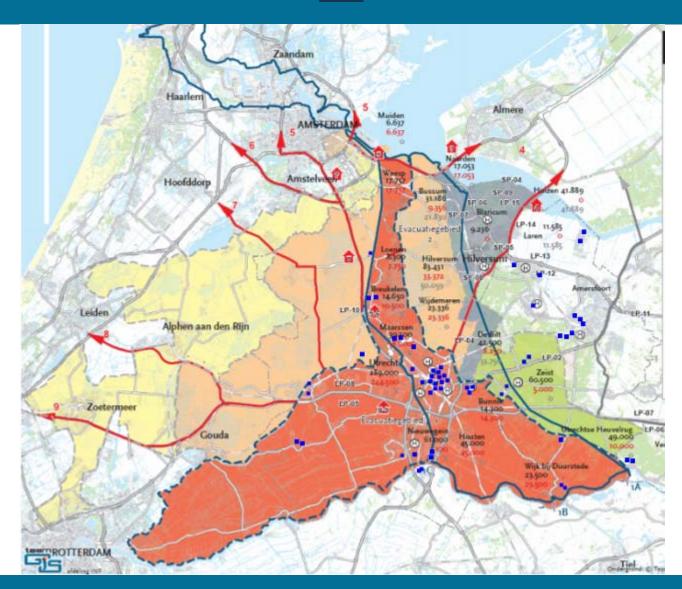
Water in The Netherlands

Below sealevel Lowest point **-6,76 m** Highest point **+322,2 m**

Flooding: sea, rivers, rain









Safety Regions in the Netherlands



Disaster and crisis management is a local responsibility

Regional collaboration of emergency services: fire and medical services, police, local authorities

Nr. 9 Province of Utrecht: Cultural heritage in the regional risk profile – a model for large scale disasters



Large scale disasters and collections



Not: a list of the 25 most important museums but scenario-based

Prevention: integrated risk management, priority lists, evacuation of the collection, possibly an early warning

Awareness for both Fire brigade and museum

A chapter on cultural heritage in the guidelines for the risk profiles of the safety regions



Database of Incidents in Cultural Heritage



Sharing experiences

- Type of incidents
- Cause and consequence
- Frequency
- Damage (money & time)
- Successful preventative measures
- Lack of measures

Scope is to get a grip on incidents, generate knowledge and improve safety & security







Rijksdienst voor het Cultureel Erfgoed Ministerie van Onderwijs, Cultuur en Wetenschap

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Home > Inhoud toevoegen > Incident: Collecties aanmaken

Incident: Collecties aanmaken

Registratie van een incident met betrekking tot: Collectiebeherende instellingen (aanpassen)

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Causes of Fire

2010: 36 fires

2011: 46 fires

2012: 30 fires up till now

- Short circuit
- Chimney fire
- Melted transformer
- Kitchen fire
- Arson
- Cannabis cultivation
- Roofing with open fire
- Firework
- Fire next-door
- Lightning



Fire brigade and cultural heritage



- Collaboration with Fire brigade
- Meetings:
 2011 Fire in Collections
 2012 Fire in Monuments
 2013 Fire and Insurance
- A challenge to understand each other – important to work together



Fire Prevention Wheel







Scope (Dream)



Less incidents and disasters



Cultural heritage is safe



Preservation of our heritage

Safety & Security is a matter of course