

# SIS 2023 - ANNUAL STATISTICS

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The **Schengen Information System (SIS)**, is the most widely used IT system in the EU's **area of freedom, security and justice**. It facilitates the free movement of people within the Schengen Area, supports border controls at external Schengen borders as well as law enforcement and judicial cooperation, ensuring a high level of security throughout Europe.

The March 2023 Recast introduced significant changes to the system, including *extended access rights and additional alert categories, along with expanded and altered data scopes*, making it challenging to compare with previous versions.



SEARCHES  
15 BILLION



ALERTS  
91 MILLION

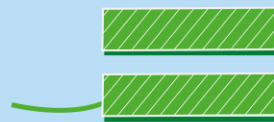


HITS  
357 THOUSAND



## TOTAL ALERTS IN THE DATABASE

1%  
increase compared to  
2021

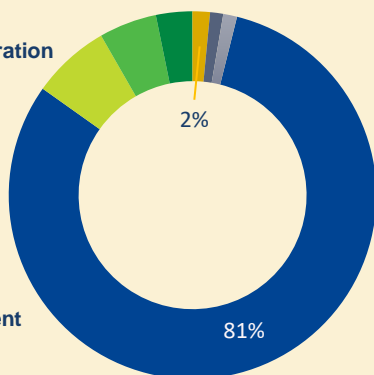


5%  
increase compared to  
2022



## ALERTS ON SIS BY TYPE

- Issued document
- Vehicle registration document
- Licence plate
- Vehicle
- Person
- Blank document
- Other



## ALERTS ON PERSONS\*

Art. 26 Reg. 2018/1862



Person for arrest and surrender or extradition

3%

Art. 24&25 Reg. 2018/1861



TCN to be refused entry and stay into the Schengen Area

43%

Art. 34 Reg. 2018/1862



Person to assist with a judicial procedure

8%

Art. 32 Reg. 2018/1862



Missing person, including children, and vulnerable person

9%

Art. 36. Reg 2018/1862



Person for discreet, specific or inquiry checks

13%

Art. 3 Reg. 2018/1860



TCN subject to a return decision

23%

\* Article 40 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1862, Unknown wanted persons for the purposes of identification under national law: 18 alerts.

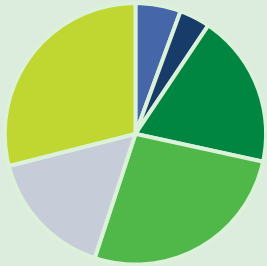


## HITS ON FOREIGN ALERTS

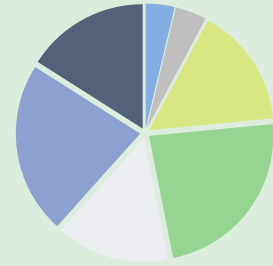
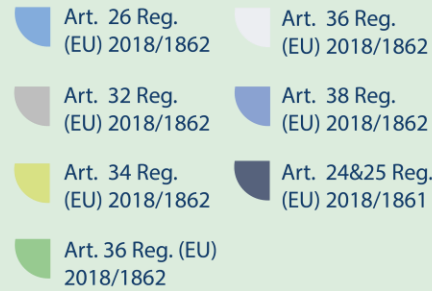
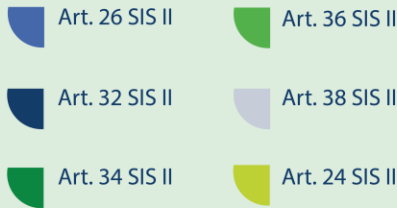
60%  
increase compared to  
2021



36%  
increase compared to  
2022



01/01 - 06/03



07/03 - 31/12

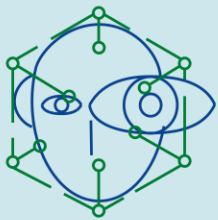


## TOTAL NUMBER OF SEARCHES

111%  
increase compared to  
2021

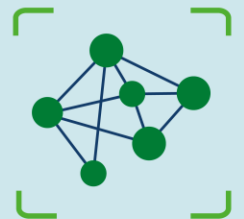


29%  
increase compared to  
2022



4,203,524  
Biometric searches

14,737,521,364  
Alphanumeric searches



The European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA), provides a long-term solution for the operational management of large-scale IT systems, which are essential instruments in the implementation of the asylum, border management and migration policies of the EU.

The Agency currently manages Eurodac, the Schengen Information System (SIS) and the Visa Information System (VIS). Further to these, eu-LISA is developing the Entry/Exit System (EES), the European Travel Information Authorisation System (ETIAS), the European Criminal Records Information System - Third-Country Nationals (ECRIS-TCN), and e-CODEX; all systems are being built and adapted to ensure interoperability - improving access to information stored in EU information systems and identity management at an EU level.

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