

NETHERLANDS

Was an Annual Report submitted by 31 May 2017?	Yes
Was the report made public?	Yes
Was a nil report submitted for exports or imports in 2016?	No
Was data withheld for 'commercial sensitivity/national security-related' reasons?	Yes



Good practice:

The Netherlands provided clear and disaggregated data for each reported export and import in 2016.

The Netherlands provided descriptions for selected items of imports and exports in 2016.

The Netherlands did not report on voluntary national categories in its 2016 Annual Report, but it did provide details and links to its national report as well as monthly data on export licenses.



Room for improvement:

The Netherlands did not include comments on the transfers.

Transfer summary - 2016: Export Data

- The Netherlands reported exports to 30 countries and territories in 2016.
- Of these, 23 were ATT States Parties, two were Signatories and two were non-members (Canada and Jordan).¹
- The Netherlands reported the export of 87 major weapon items, covering four categories. It indicated it was not the state of origin for most reported major weapon exports.
- The Netherlands reported the export of 2,132 SALW items in 2016, covering six sub-categories.
- The vast majority of reported SALW exports were either revolvers and self-loading pistols (50 per cent), or rifles and carbines (41 per cent).
- The majority of the Netherlands' exports of SALW were to Belgium (50 per cent), the United Kingdom (14 per cent) and Germany (10 per cent).

Reporting practice summary - 2016

The Netherlands indicated that it had changed its definition of the term 'export' to 'Physical transfer of items across a national border' in 2016. In 2015 it also indicated that 'Transfer of title' was part of its definition.

The Netherlands reported on **Actual Numbers** of exports and imports for major weapons and SALW in 2016. This is the same reporting practice as for 2015.

Transfer summary - 2016: Import Data

- The Netherlands reported imports from 22 countries in 2016.
- Of these, 20 were ATT States Parties, one was a Signatory and one a non-member (Canada).
- For major weapons, the Netherlands reported the import of 12 armoured combat vehicles, one battle tank and five large-calibre artillery systems.
- In total, the Netherlands reported the import of 10,600 SALW, spanning seven sub-categories.
- The majority of SALW imports were revolvers and self-loading pistols (63 per cent).
- The major exporters of SALW to the Netherlands were Austria (44 per cent), Belgium (18 per cent) and Germany (16 per cent).

¹ The Netherlands also reported exports to non-UN members Bonaire, Curacao and St Martin, territories partly or wholly under its sovereignty.