Provinces and Nature



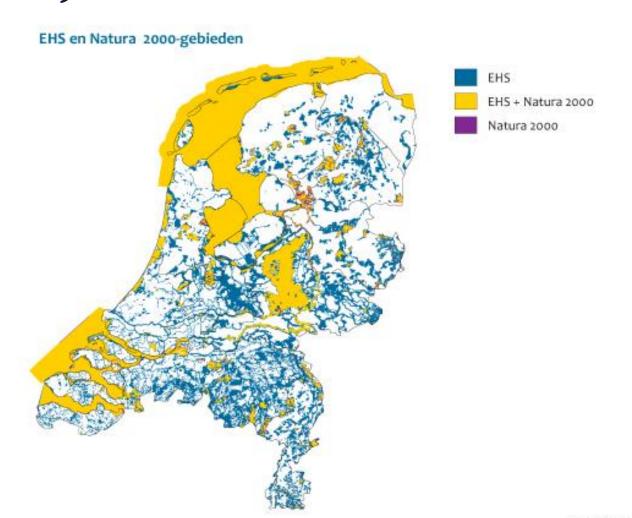
12 provinces in the Netherlands



Provincial Tasks

- Regional spatial planning
- Water and environment
- Roads and public transport
- Regional economy
- Cultural heritage
- And, since 2011: Nature!

National Ecological Network (NEN)



= NEN

Started in 1990

Idea: a connected network is stronger

In 2011 goal decreased from 730.000 ha to 600.000 ha → still 80.000 ha transformation

In 2011 responsibility to provinces

In 2016: 27.000 ha added

In 2027: 80.000 ha added



Nature 2000

Provinces:

- Management plans
- Measures to meet goals
- Permits to new activities



National Programm on Nitrogen

National government: reduction of emission

Provinces: Effect reduction measures

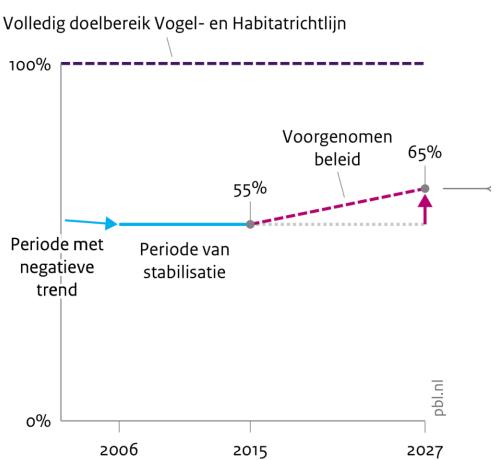
- e.g.: waterlevels up against drought
 - extra removal of growth on heathlands
 - adding chalk or stonemeal on acid soils





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Effect on biodiversity



Bron: PBL

Needed for >65%

Solution for:

- Drought
- Acidicifation
- Too many nutrients (N, P)
- Isolation
- → Structural change in agriculture

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Gelderland

Future

- Increase biodiversity outside NEN: agricultural areas, cities, roads, companies, etc
- More focus on quality instead of quantity of Nature in NEN



