

Healthy cities: a citizen- and nature-centred approach in the city of Utrecht, the Netherlands



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Utrecht's main qualities



Rich history



City surrounded by landscapes



Centrally located in the Netherlands






Knowledge cluster

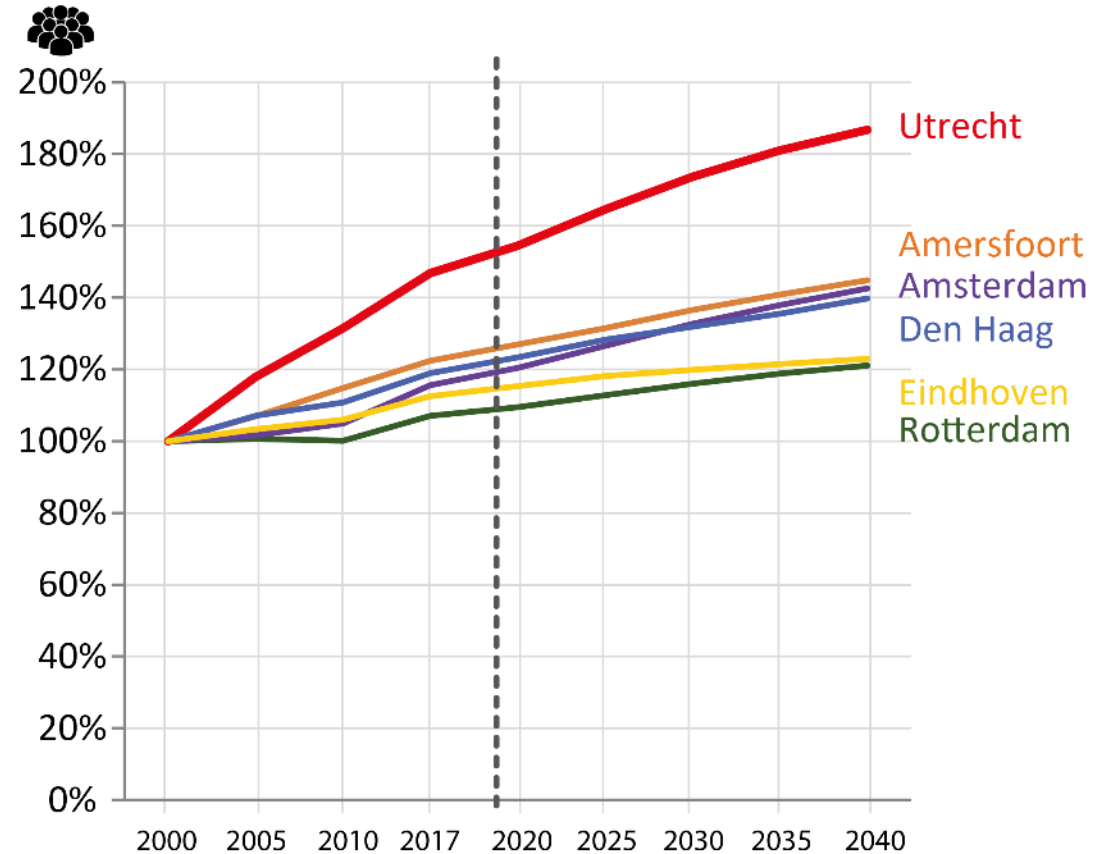


Large city with a human scale



Growth of the city

	2020	2040
 Inwoners	352.940	455.000
 Woningvoorraad	153.845	+ 60.000
 Banen	261.165	+ 70.000



Cities and citizens' needs are changing

- Changing housing market: increased inequalities
- Access to services: increasing inequalities and higher demands
- Increase of jobs, but changes in sectors and needs for offices
- Increase in mobility, deliveries, walking and biking, cleaner transportation, innovation
- Increase in (organised and free) sporting at sport facilities and in public space
- Energy transition: needs space above and under ground
- Digitalisation: smart city approaches





It's getting more crowded



Utrecht during the corona pandemic



Utrecht: during corona pandemic

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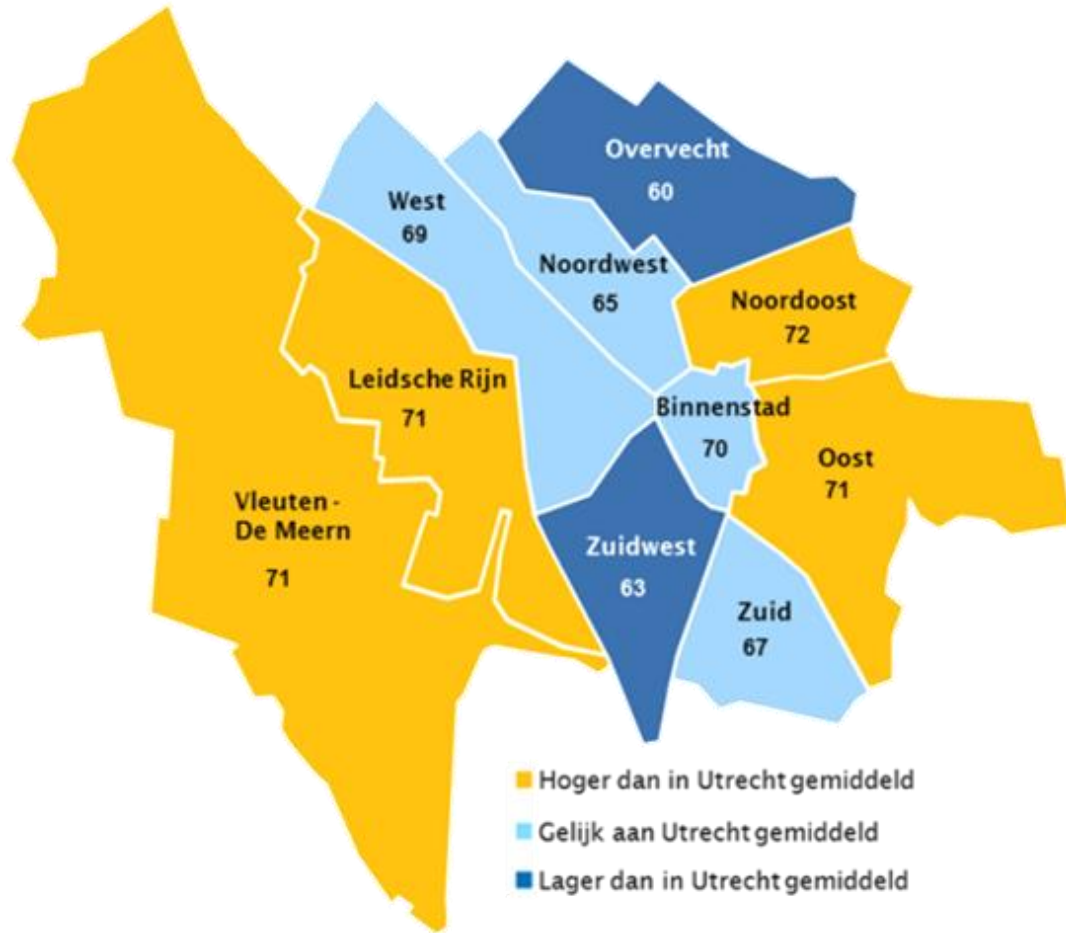


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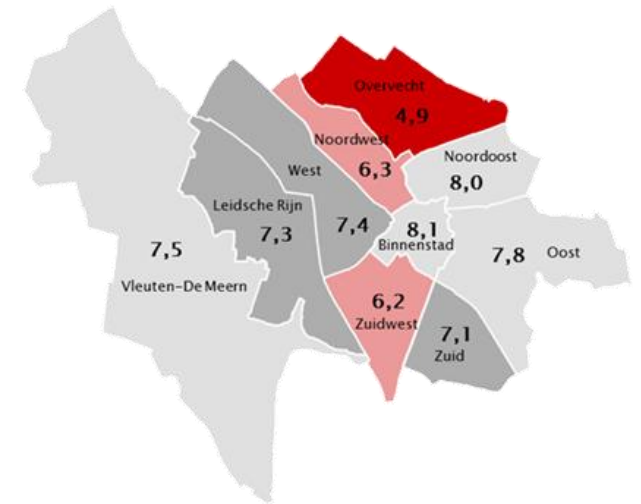


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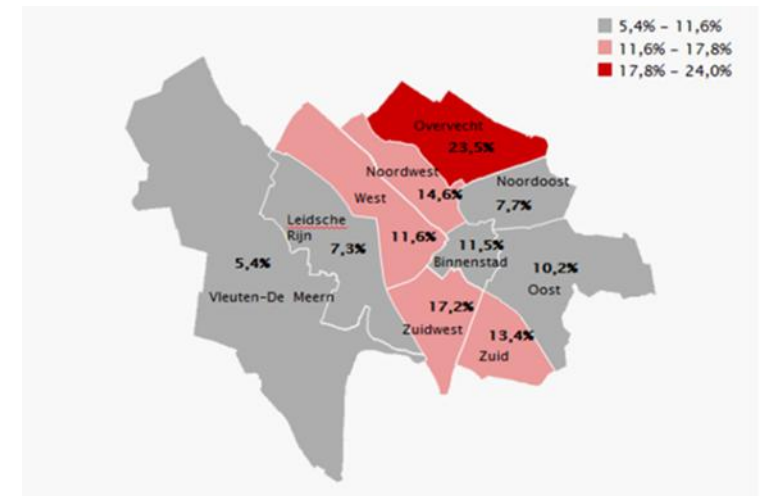
Health inequalities increased due to corona



- Hoger dan in Utrecht gemiddeld
- Gelijk aan Utrecht gemiddeld
- Lager dan in Utrecht gemiddeld



Appreciation of neighbourhood



Income

Life expectancy in perceived good health



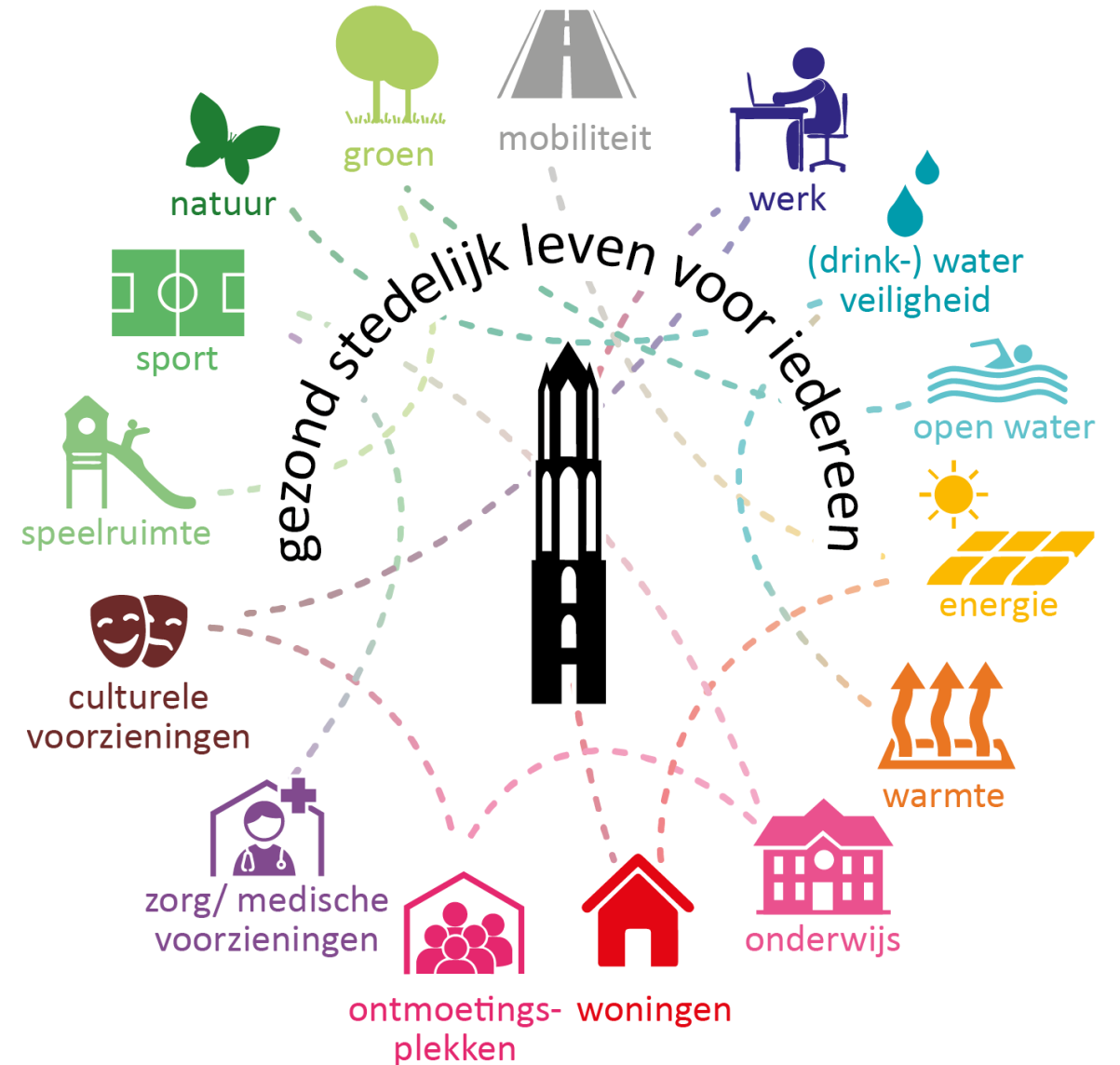
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Connecting the dots



Utrecht nearby: ten-minutes city

- Growth is used to strengthen qualities of city and surrounding landscapes
- Urban planning means applying Utrecht barcode
- Proximity is crucial
- Network of green and mobility structures
- Merging and combining of functions



Utrecht ten-minutes city: city profiles



Green city



Connected city



Compact city



Inclusive city



Future proof city

vertraagde stad

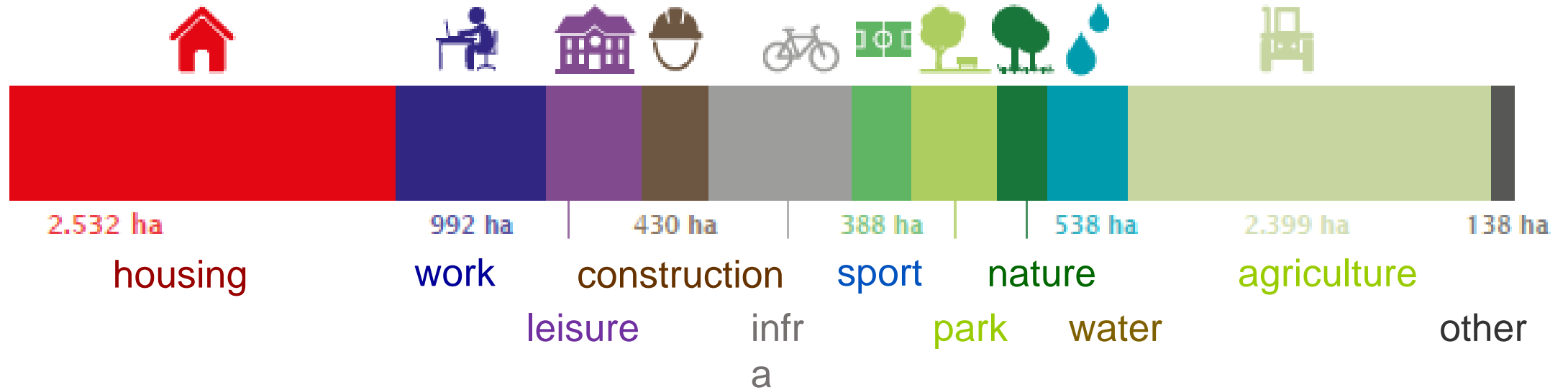


Slowed down,
tranquil city

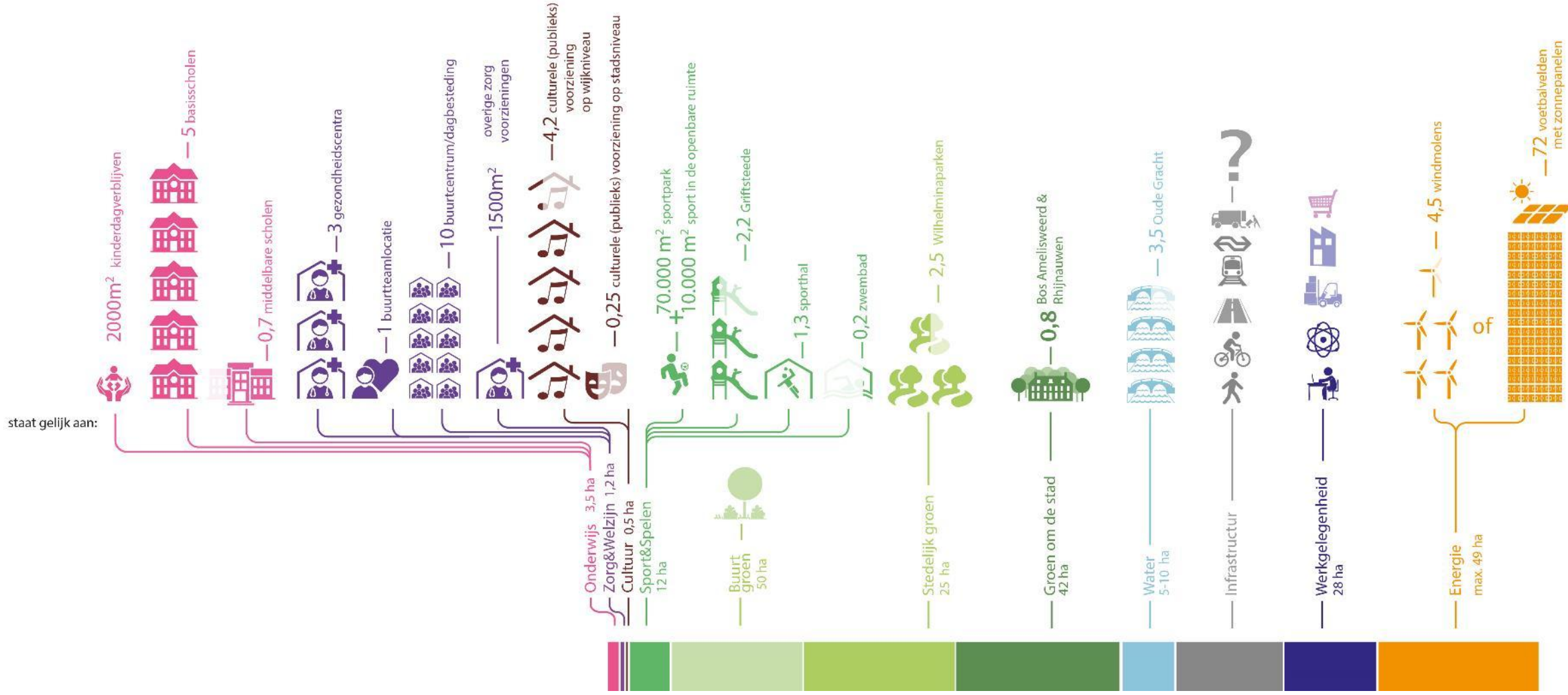


Utrecht Barcode

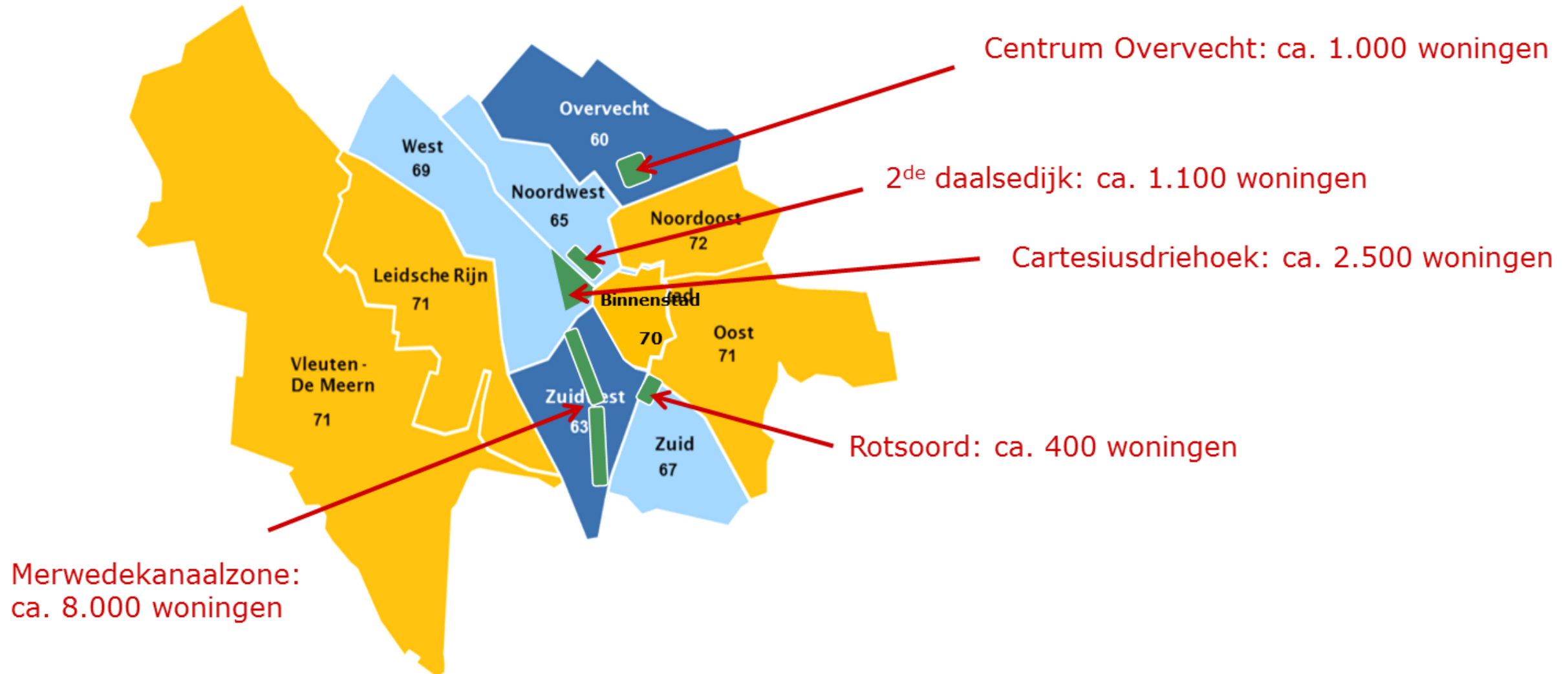
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10.000 extra dwellings means as well...



Everyone benefits from the growth of the city





Green structure: some examples

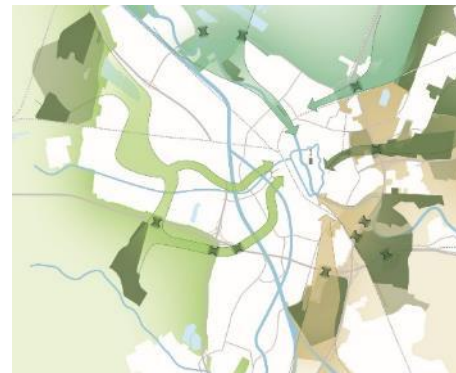
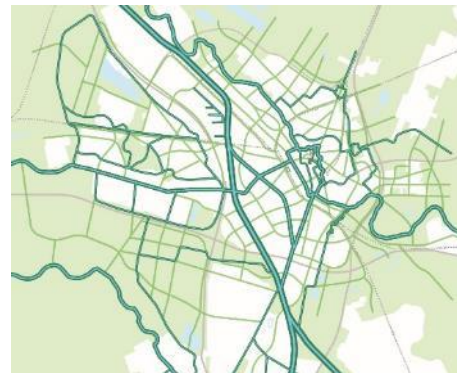
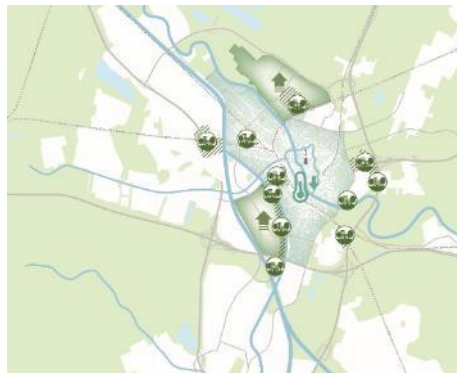
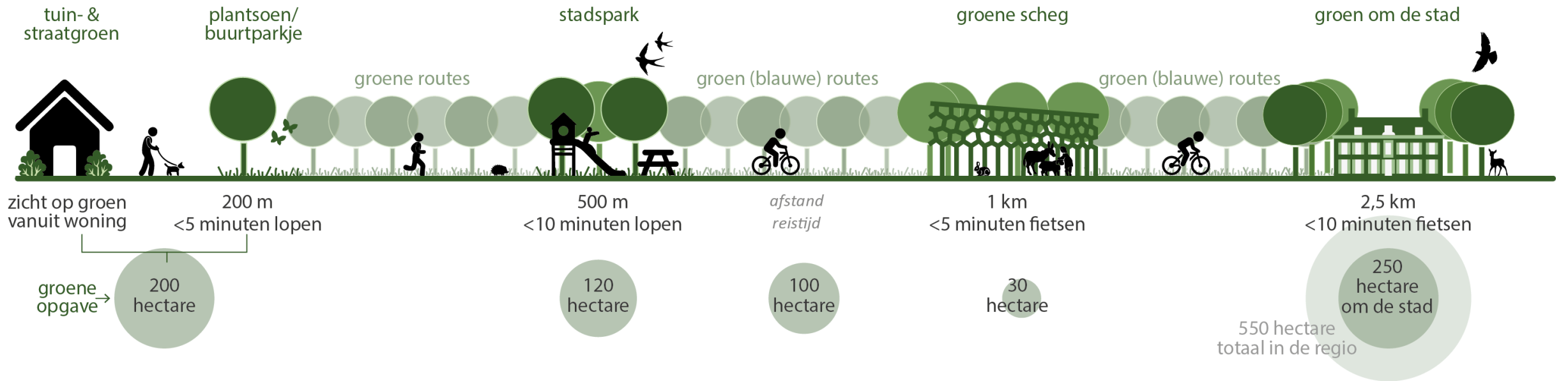
Alle getoonde artist impressions van Cartesius Utrecht dienen slechts ter indicatie.

Green and climateproof

- Increase of green at house, street, neighbourhood and city level
- At walking and biking distance
- Goal: minimum of 40% green in every neighbourhood
- Green unless....
- Every urban development (plan) invests in increased local biodiversity
- Increasing accessibility of existing green
- Multifunctional green



Green and climate proof







Singel

from 8 lane highway to restored waterway







Wonderwoods





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Mobility structure: some examples

Parking facility for 12.500 bicycles





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Lessons learned....

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government see (in English)
<https://www.government.nl/topics/c/coronavirus-covid-19>

