

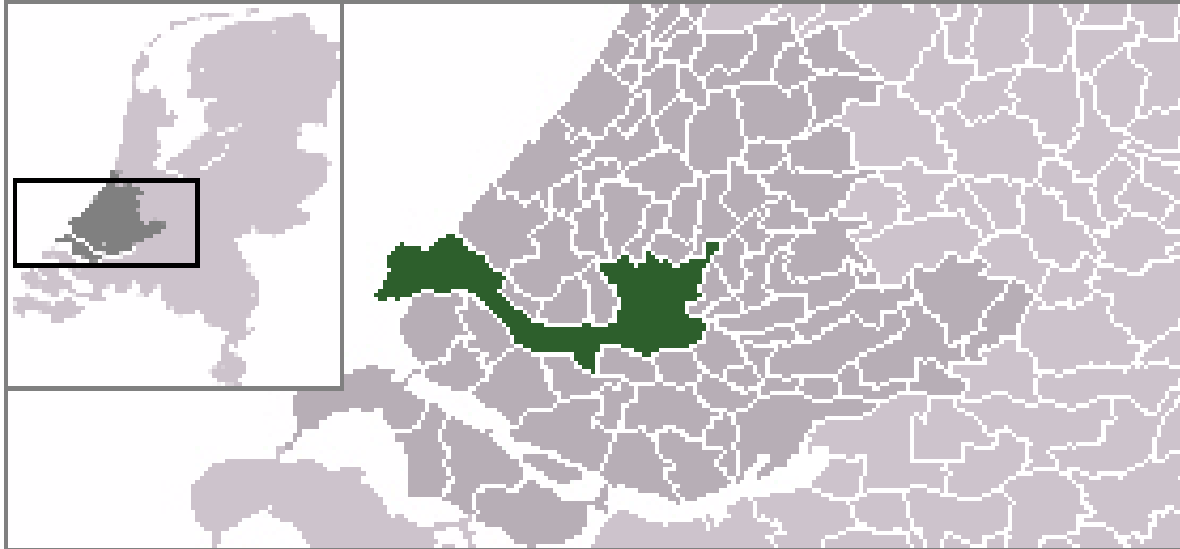
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# Health and Urban Agriculture in Rotterdam

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# City of Rotterdam: some figures

**Rotterdam is the second largest city of The Netherlands.**



## **Population:**

**City: 616.500**

**Region: 1.2 million**

People die younger in Rotterdam:

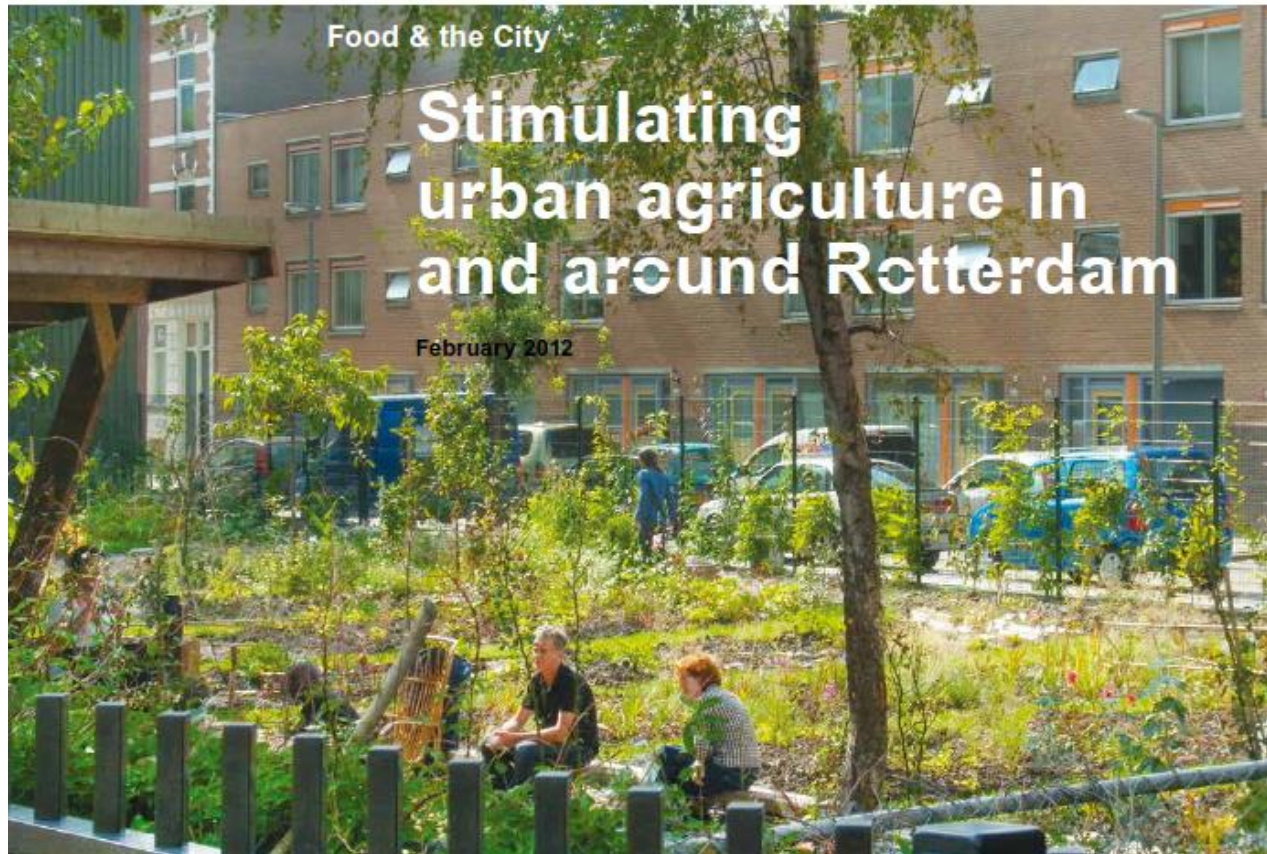
*Women die 1.6 years younger in Rotterdam*

*Men die 1.3 years younger in Rotterdam*

## Overweight and obesity (in %)

	The Netherlands	Rotterdam
overweight	32	36
obesity	10	14

(source: CBS 2011,GGD 2012)



# Urban Agriculture: targets

- **improving health of citizens**
- **reinforce sustainable economic development**
- **improving quality of public space**



## What is happening on the Rotterdam Urban Architecture initiatives?

Three “social” fields:

1. Participation and employment
2. Social cohesion
3. Health



## Community Garden Schiemond:

**Initiative: Welfare Department, City of Rotterdam**

**Start: December 2010**

**Edible crops: herbs**

# Gemeenschapstuin Schiemonnd



## The “In Between” Garden

**Initiative: residents**

**Start: June 2010**

**Edible crops: herbs, some vegetables**



# De Tussentuin





## The “Food Garden”

**Initiative: volunteers / activists**

**Start: September 2011**

**Edible crops: vegetables, fruits**



# De Voedseltuin



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## Urban Agriculture Schiebroek South

**Initiative: housing corporation**

**Start: April 2011**

**Edible crops: vegetables, fruits**



# Stadslandbouw Schiebroek Zuid



## “Skill City Rotterdam”

**Initiative: primary school Bloemhof &  
academic philosopher @ Erasmus University**

**Start: 2007**

**Edible crops: vegetables, fruits**

# Rotterdam Vakmanstad



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## Urban Farm: “From Your Own City”

**Initiative:**

**2 entrepreneurs and 1 activist (turned entrepreneur)**

**Start: September 2012**

**Edible produce:**

**vegetables, fruits, fish, chicken and eggs**

# Uit je eigen stad



**Thank you!**

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