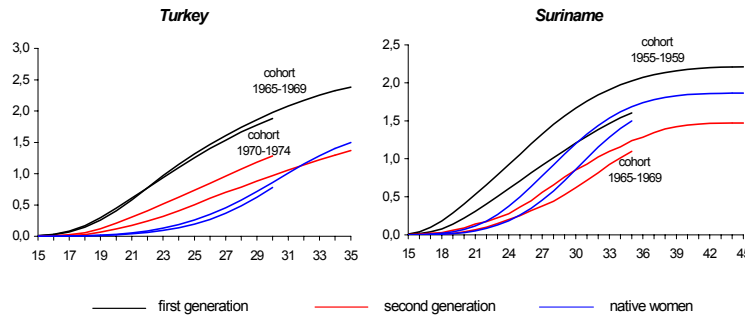


# Fertility of second generation foreigners decreases

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Realised cohort fertility of native and foreign women in the Netherlands, 1 January 2005



## Fertility of second generation close to native level

The fertility of second generation foreigners in the Netherlands clearly different from that of their parents, the first generation. The fertility level of young Turkish women of the second generation is much lower than that of their parents, although it still higher than that of native women. The fertility of the Surinamese second generation is even lower than that of native women.

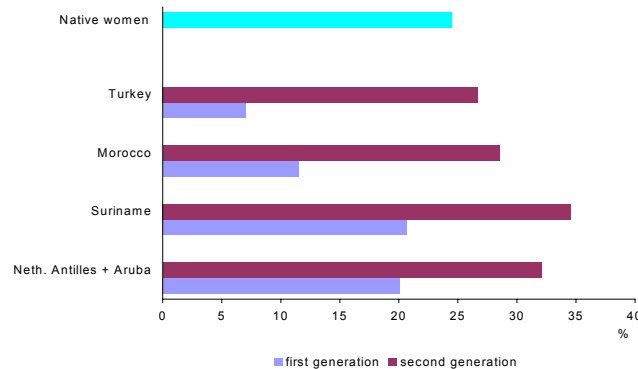
Mean age of mothers at first birth



## Foreign women also delay first child

Mothers in the Netherlands are amongst the oldest in the world. Their mean age at first birth approaches 30 years. Like native women, foreign women, in particular those of the second generation, delay childbearing as well. Second generation Antillean mothers have their first child at an even higher age than native women.

Proportion of 35-year old childless women, 1 January 2005



## Second generation more often childless

Among first generation Turks and Moroccans childlessness is still exceptional. Second generation foreigners, however, are more often childless than their parents. Today, childlessness of second generation Turkish, Moroccan, Surinamese and Antillean women is even more common than among native women.

