

# Thermo-Staat



## Short Name

Thermo-Staat

## Formal Name

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## Website

<https://thermo-staat.nl/>

## Social Media

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## Summary

Since heat waves are becoming more common in the Netherlands, and they can have serious health consequences for vulnerable people, Thermo-staat opens the doors for scientific exploration, not just for data collection, but for co-creating knowledge and driving real-world impact. In Thermo-staat, citizen scientists collect data on how heat stress is experienced in their own houses in the Netherlands. Together with scientists and journalists they share data, report on the impact of heat stress and discuss ways to reduce its effects. Journalists of the Dutch public broadcaster VPRO follow the process and work with citizen scientists to create journalistic productions about it. By doing so, the project raises awareness of heat risk and bad housing situations, and to help people find solutions to these problems. The project considers citizen scientists as equal research partners and is designed to provide them with agency. This approach has the potential to collect a large amount of data and to engage a wide range of people in the full research process.