

Buenos Aires' Facial Recognition System for Fugitives — Court Suspends and Conditions a Citywide Biometric Programme

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

A 2022 court ruling suspended and conditioned Buenos Aires' fugitive facial-recognition system: 9M+ identity queries far exceeded a ~40,000-record list; oversight bodies and a DPIA required first.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	1/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	0/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability beyond pilot	1/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-10-20

[Government of the City of Buenos Aires / ODIA](#) — accessed 2026-10-20

[Chequeado report](#) — accessed 2026-10-20

[Marval O'Farrell Mairal summary](#) — accessed 2026-10-20

[IAPP summary](#) — accessed 2026-10-20

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