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HATE CRIME REPORTING

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2017 Hate Crime Report.

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Summary

Austria regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Implemented in 2021, Austria's new hate crime recording system represents a good practice in the region. The Austrian Ministry of the Interior is also a member of the civil society network "Hate Crime Kontern", which strengthens hate crime co-ordination and victim support, and cooperates directly with civil society organizations. Hate crime statistics collected by the Ministry are published online each year.

In January 2023, Austria implemented ODIHR's Diagnostic Workshop to Assess National Structures and Services for Hate Crime Victim Support.

Hate crime data collection in Austria
Support for hate crime victims in Austria
Hate crime capacity building in Austria
Austria's hate crime legislation

ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that Austria has not reported on hate crimes separately from cases of hate speech.

Official Data

Figures include the crime of incitement to hatred, which largely falls outside the OSCE's definition of hate crime.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2017	302	not available	not available

Police data by bias motivation

Racist and xenophobic 227

Anti-Semitic 39

Anti-Muslim 36

Police data by type of crime
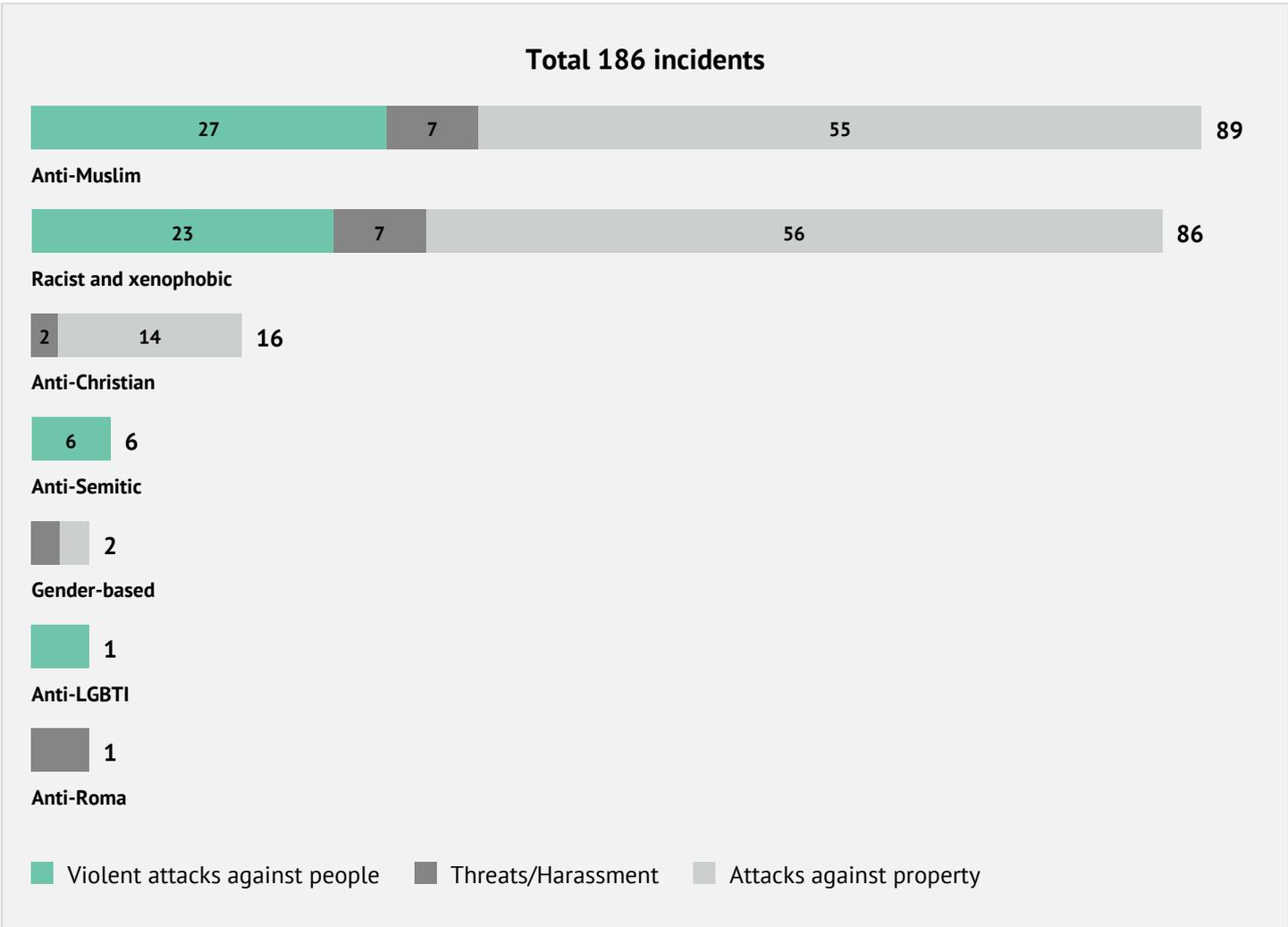
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Unspecified crime type

National Developments

Police officers participated in a Prevention and Awareness Workshop on hate crimes.

Incidents reported by civil society

Total 186 incidents

	Violent attacks against people	Threats/Harassment	Attacks against property	Total
Anti-Muslim	27	7	55	89
Racist and xenophobic	23	7	56	86
Anti-Christian		2	14	16
Anti-Semitic	6			6
Gender-based				2
Anti-LGBTI	1			1
Anti-Roma		1		1

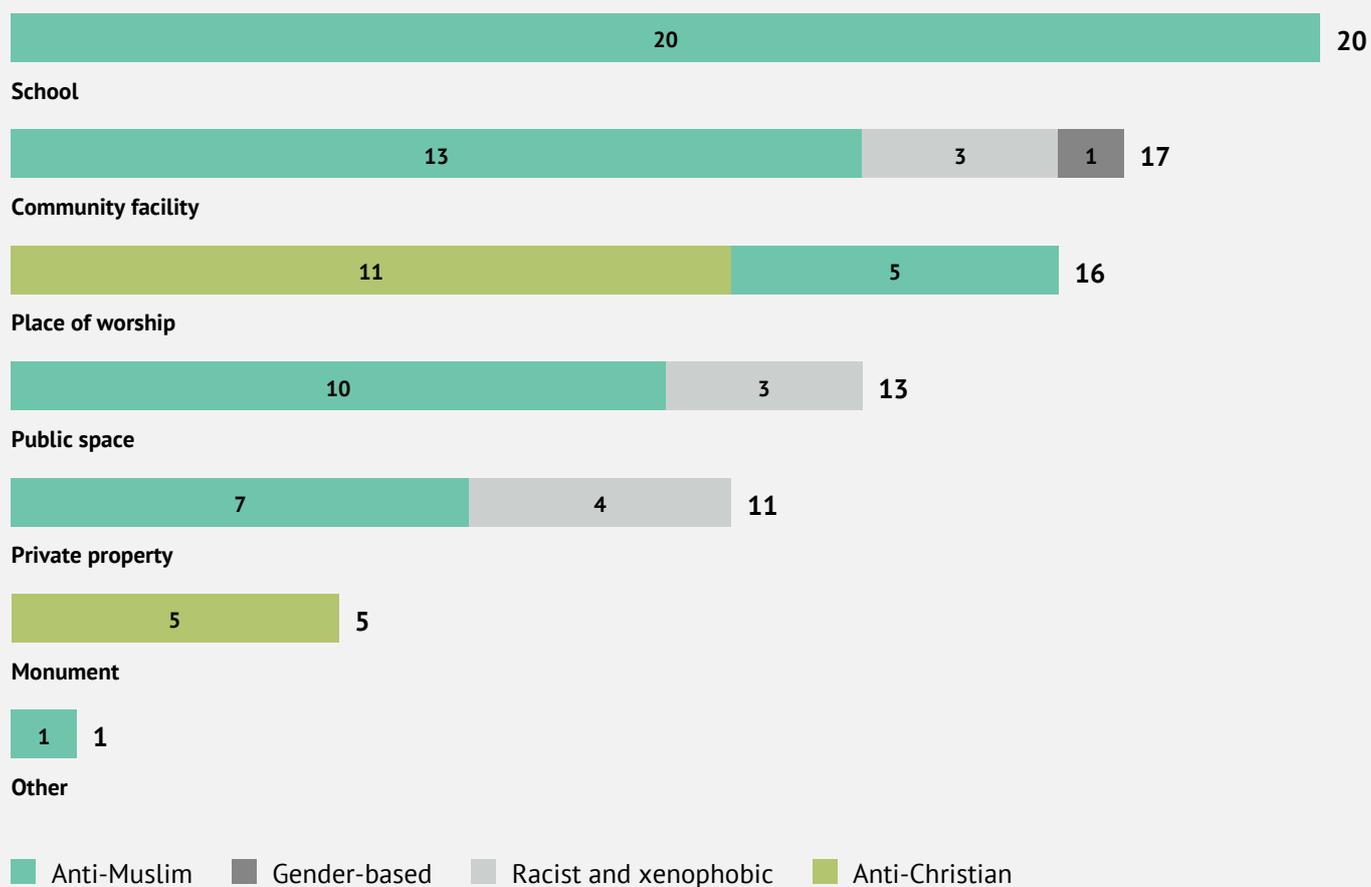**Legend:** ■ Violent attacks against people ■ Threats/Harassment ■ Attacks against property

Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

The Forum Against anti-Semitism (FAAS) reported descriptive incidents as well as statistical data. This explains the discrepancy between the graphic above and the incidents included below.

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Targeted properties

Total 77 incidents targeting properties

Property	Value
School	20 — 20
Community facility	13 / 3 / 1 — 17
Place of worship	11 / 5 — 16
Public space	10 / 3 — 13
Private property	7 / 4 — 11
Monument	5 — 5
Other	1 — 1

Legend: ■ Anti-Muslim ■ Gender-based ■ Racist and xenophobic ■ Anti-Christian

Type of property attack

Total 77 incidents targeting properties

53		9	8	71

Vandalism

6	2	9

Damage to property

2	3

Arson

3	3

Theft

2	2
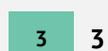
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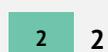
■ Anti-Christian   ■ Anti-Muslim   ■ Racist and xenophobic   ■ Gender-based

View civil society incidents for Austria, 2017

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