

Greece Hate Crime Report 2017

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Summary

Greece regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR.

In 2017, Greece implemented ODIHR's Prosecutors and Hate Crime Training (PAHCT). In June 2018, an "Agreement on inter-agency co-operation on addressing racist crimes" was concluded by relevant state authorities and a network of civil society organizations (CSOs) as part of ODIHR's project on "Building a Comprehensive Criminal Justice Response to Hate Crimes". Consequently, the agreement has led to improved hate crime recording and data collection. On February 2022, ODIHR held an online diagnostic workshop with government representatives, criminal justice actors and CSOs to assess structures and services for hate crime victim support in Greece.

In 2022, an office within the Ministry of Justice was tasked with overseeing the systematic collection of statistical data on hate crimes.

[Hate crime data collection in Greece](#)

[Support for hate crime victims in Greece](#)

[Hate crime capacity building in Greece](#)

[Greece's hate crime legislation](#)

ODIHR's Key Observation

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

Official Data

The police number includes an unspecified number of hate speech incidents, falling outside the OSCE definition of hate crimes, which are not presented in the breakdown below.

| Year | Hate crimes recorded by police | Prosecuted | Sentenced |
|------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| 2017 | 128 | 46 | 6 |

Police data by bias motivation

Police numbers presented here refer to incidents, which may include more than one crime.

72

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

A further 29 hate speech cases were reported but are not presented here.

13

Anti-LGBTI hate crime

This number consists of five homophobic and eight transphobic crimes. A further ten cases of hate speech were reported but are not presented here.

6

Anti-Roma hate crime

4

Anti-Semitic hate crime

A further three hate speech cases were reported but are not presented here.

4

Disability hate crime

A further three cases of hate speech were reported but are not presented here.

4

Other hate crime based on religion or belief

A further four cases of hate speech were reported but are not presented here.

3

Anti-Muslim hate crime

2

Anti-Christian hate crime

Police data by type of crime

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43

Physical assault

20

Threats/ threatening behaviour

14

Damage to property

12

Theft/ robbery

5

Disturbance of the peace

4

Homicide

This category includes crimes of illegal violence.

4

Incitement to violence

3

Arson

3

Unspecified

This category includes crimes of torture and deprivation of liberty.

National Developments

The Hellenic Police with the co-operation of Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights and the Prosecutor's Office of the Court of First Instance of Athens developed a new template to ease tracking of hate crime cases progressing through the criminal justice system.

Incidents reported by civil society

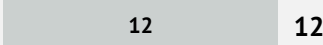
Total 105 incidents



Racist and xenophobic hate crime



Anti-LGBTI hate crime



Anti-Semitic hate crime



Anti-Muslim hate crime



Anti-Christian hate crime



Anti-Roma hate crime



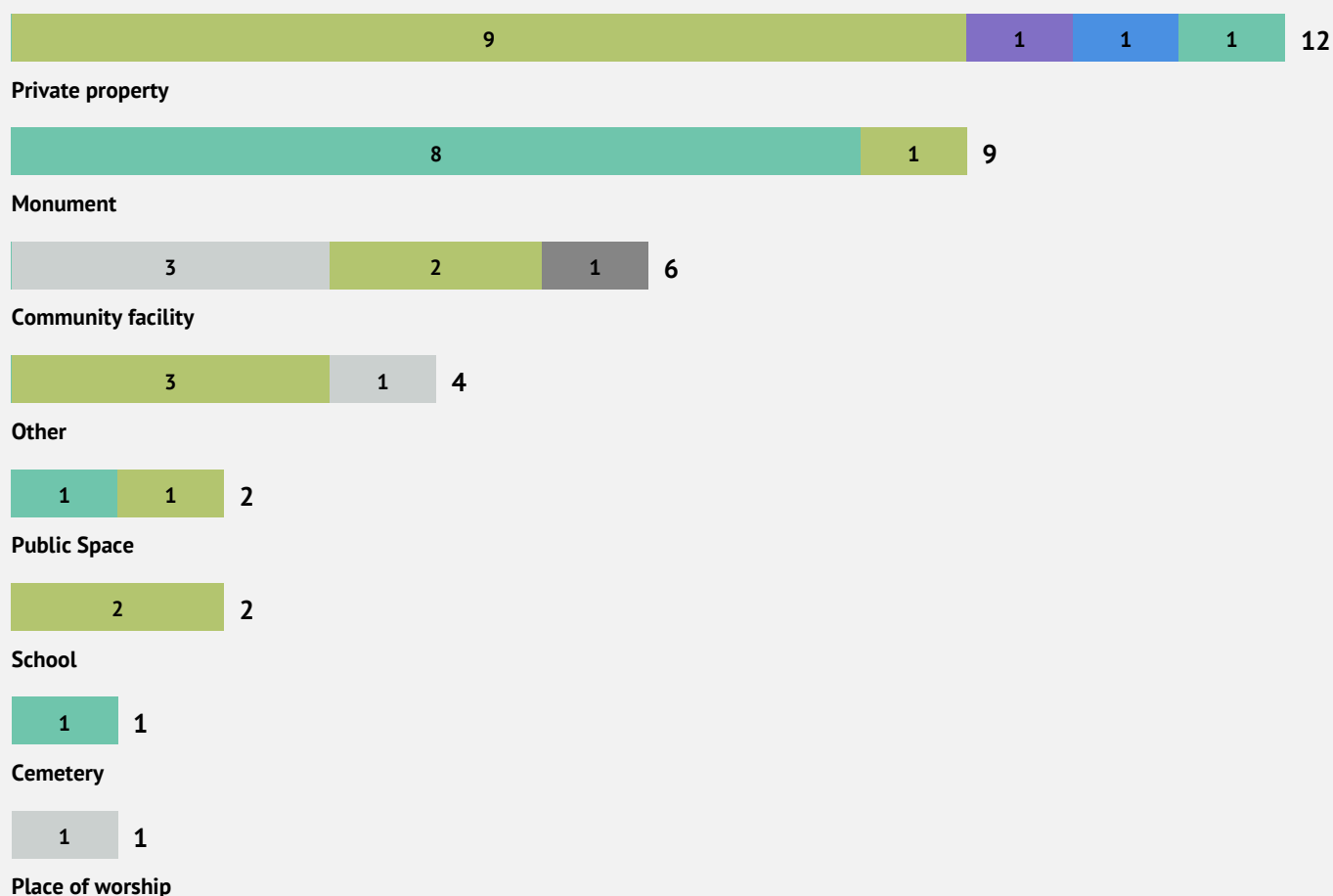
Disability hate crime

■ Violent attacks against people
 ■ Threats
 ■ 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.

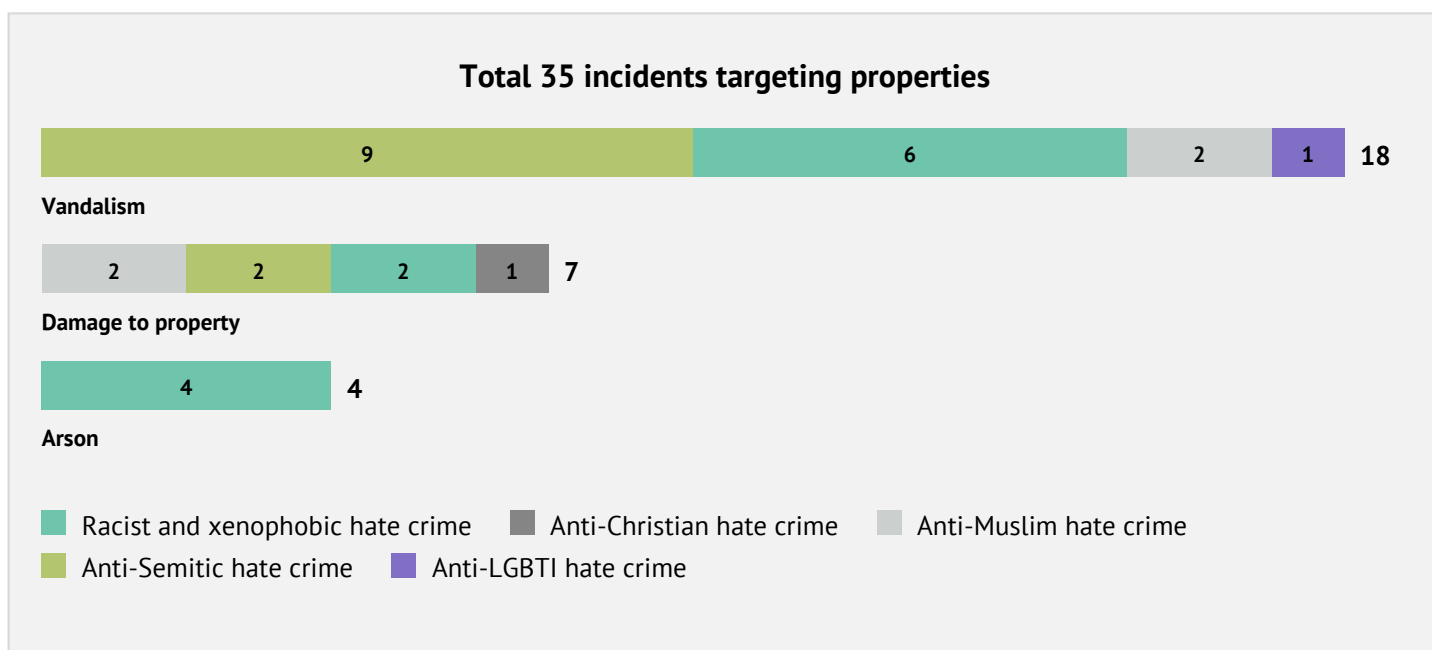
Targeted properties

Total 35 incidents targeting properties



■ Anti-Semitic hate crime
 ■ Anti-LGBTI hate crime
 ■ Anti-Muslim hate crime
■ Racist and xenophobic hate crime
 ■ Anti-Christian hate crime
 ■ Anti-Roma hate crime

Type of property attack



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