

North Macedonia Hate Crime Report 2009

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Summary

North Macedonia regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. North Macedonia implemented ODIHR's Training Against Hate Crimes for Law Enforcement (TAHCLE) Programme in 2014, training more than 2,000 police officers under the programme by 2018. Following changes to the hate crime provisions in 2018, a refresher training-of-trainers session for police was conducted by ODIHR in December 2021. North Macedonia implemented ODIHR's Prosecutors and Hate Crime Training (PAHCT) programme in 2019, and in 2022 completed a training on hate crimes for the judiciary together with the OSCE Mission to Skopje.

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Official Data

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2009	not available	not available	not available

No data reported to ODIHR.

National Developments

The Government established a working group to propose amendments to the Criminal Code through a wide process of consultations. In co-operation with the OSCE Spillover Monitor Mission to Skopje, ODIHR provided legislative assistance to help ensure compliance of legislation with international standards and OSCE commitments. The Criminal Code was amended by adding a new aggravating-circumstances provision to Article 39 that covers the grounds of “national or social background, political or religious affiliation, property or social status, gender, race or colour of skin”. Article 319(1) prescribes punishment for, among other acts, “mistreatment...of national, ethnic or religious symbols, by damaging other people’s objects, and by desecration of monuments, graves”.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

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