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HATE CRIME REPORTING

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## Summary

Romania regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. The Ministry of Administration and Interior, the Police, the Prosecutor's Office and the Superior Council of Magistracy collect hate crime data.

Amendments to the Criminal Code introduced in 2023 set out the constituent elements of hate crimes and the protected grounds therein.

In 2016, Romania implemented ODIHR's Training Against Hate Crimes for Law Enforcement (TAHCLE) Programme. A specialized hate crime unit was created in the Romanian Police in 2021.

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

## ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that Romania's law enforcement agencies have not recorded the bias motivations of hate crimes.

## Official Data

A year-to-year drop in numbers is due to increased ability to separate hate crime and hate speech data. Eight more incidents were reported as registered by the police, which however fall outside of the scope of the OSCE definition.

| Year | Hate crimes recorded by police | Prosecuted | Sentenced |
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| 2017 | 1 | 0 | 8 |

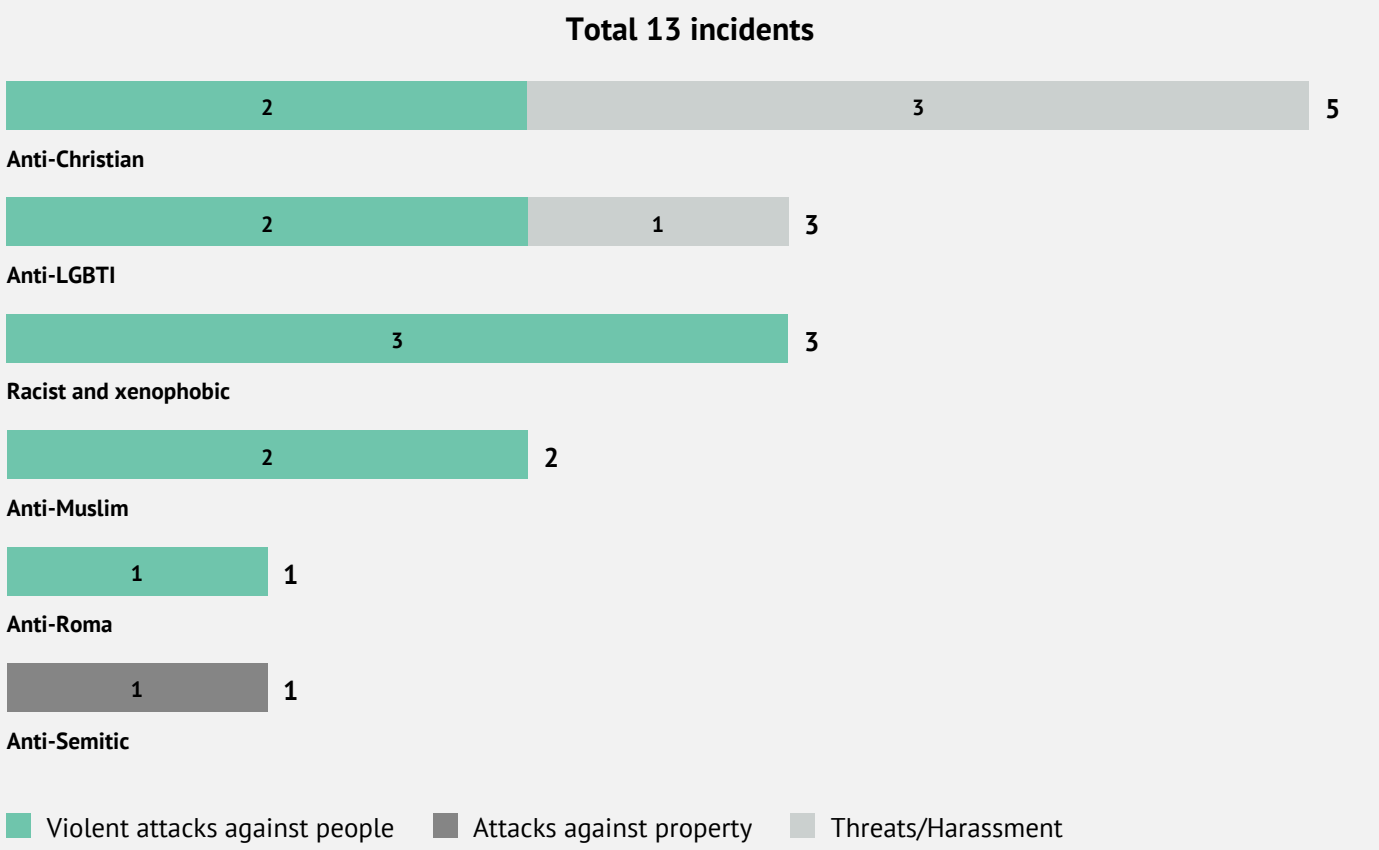
## National Developments

The Romanian Police has established a working group to guide implementation of a number of measures aimed at increasing the effectiveness of hate crime investigations, registration and data collection on hate crimes, and at furthering the hate crime training for officers.

The working group comprising representatives of the Romanian Police, General Prosecutor's Office and the civil society organization ACCEPT has developed a methodology on the investigation of hate crimes, pending approval in 2018.

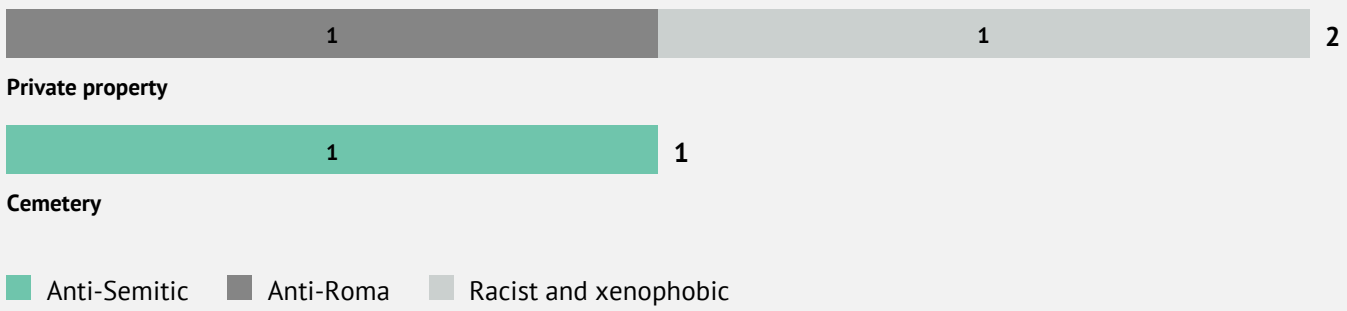
The Police have been implementing the project "Integrated action for combating hate crimes, particularly against Roma communities and ensuring a high quality standard of police service", funded by the Norwegian Financial Mechanism. The project aims to, among other things, improve structures for addressing hate crimes, train police officers, and learn from experiences of other countries in addressing hate crimes.

## Incidents reported by civil society

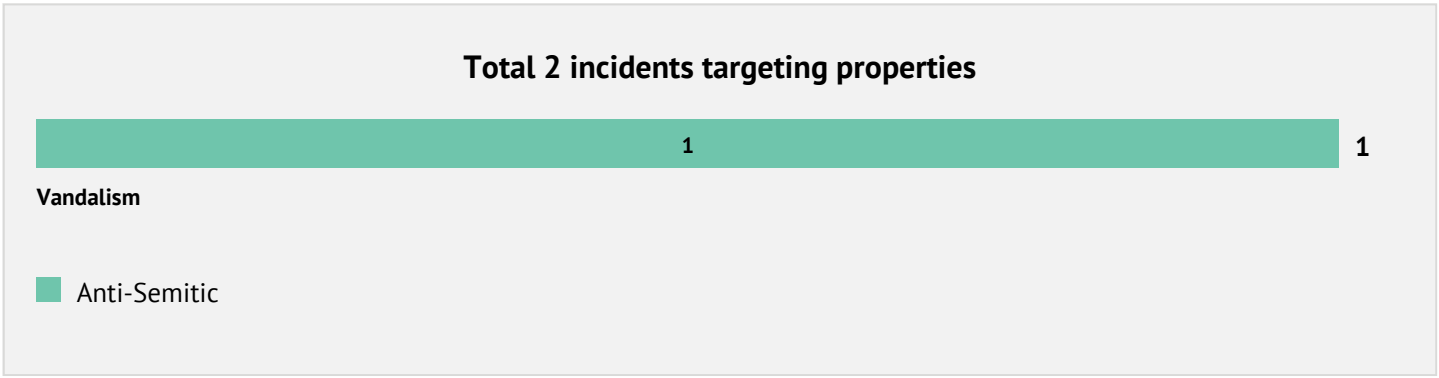



Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

## Targeted properties



## Type of property attack




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