

## Serbia Hate Crime Report 2013

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### Summary

Serbia regularly reports data on hate crimes to ODIHR. In 2018, the Office of the Prosecutor General, with the support of the OSCE Mission to Serbia and ODIHR, developed *Guidelines for the prosecution of hate crimes in the Republic of Serbia*. A network of contact persons working on hate crime within the prosecution services was established and, with the OSCE Mission's assistance, the Judicial Academy has developed, integrated and implements a hate crime training plan and programme.

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### ODIHR's Key Observation

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

# Official Data

Figures include crimes of incitement to hatred.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2013	64	24	16

## National Developments

On 1 January 2013, the new provision on aggravating circumstances of the Criminal Code of Serbia entered into force. Section 54a provides for an enhanced penalty when a crime has been committed based on hatred towards race, religion, national or ethnic origin, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity.

The **Public Prosecutor's Office**, in co-operation with the British Embassy, launched a project establishing an information service for victims and witnesses within the prosecutor's office. In addition, a pilot service was established within the High Public Prosecutor's Office in Belgrade.

# Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

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