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HATE CRIME REPORTING

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2016 Hate Crime Report.
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Summary

Switzerland regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Switzerland's Criminal Code contains no hate crime provision, and hate crimes are addressed under anti-discrimination criminal provisions. The Federal Commission against Racism partners with the association 'humanrights.ch' in the Counselling Network for Victims of Racism, which publishes annual analytical reports on hate crime.

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

ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that Switzerland has not reported on hate crimes separately from cases of hate speech and/or discrimination.

Official Data

Figures consist of hate crimes committed in public, of crimes of incitement to hatred and crimes involving discrimination. As such, many of incidents listed here fall outside the scope of the OSCE definition of a hate crime.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2016	164	0	50

Incidents reported by civil society

Total 29 incidents

8		6	1	15

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

3	3	4	10

Anti-Semitic hate crime

2	2
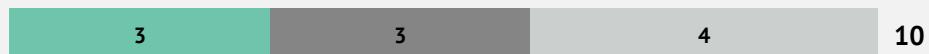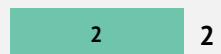
Anti-Muslim hate crime

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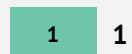
Anti-Christian hate crime

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Anti-LGBTI hate crime

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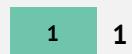
Disability hate crime

1	1

**Other hate crime based on religion or belief**

■ 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.

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Targeted properties

Total 4 incidents targeting properties

Public space		
2	1	3

Community facility	
1	1

Monument	
1	1

■ Anti-Semitic hate crime   ■ Racist and xenophobic hate crime
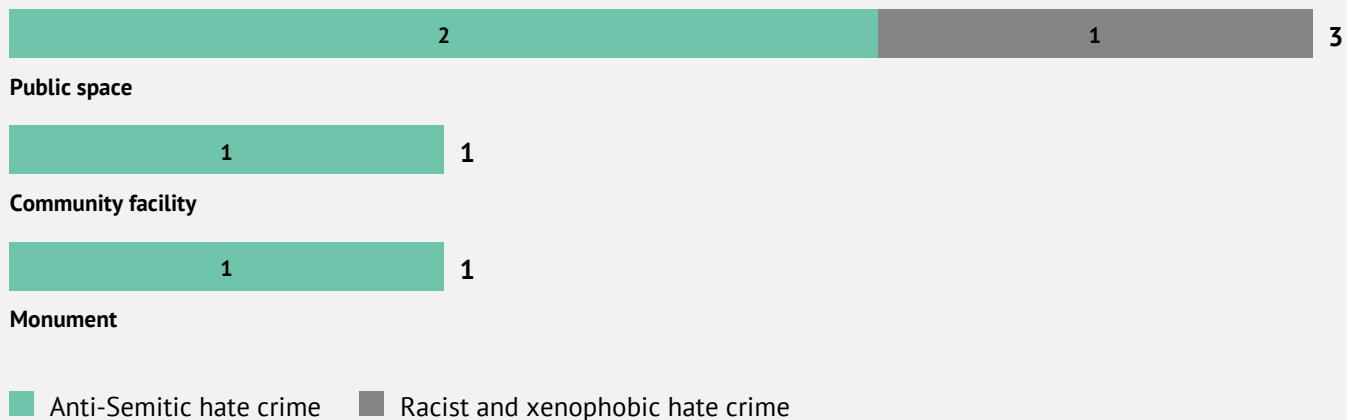
Type of property attack

Total 4 incidents targeting properties

4	1	5

Vandalism

■ Anti-Semitic hate crime ■ Racist and xenophobic hate crime

View civil society incidents for Switzerland, 2016