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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

Austria regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Implemented in 2021, Austria's new hate crime recording system represents a good practice in the region. The Austrian Ministry of the Interior is also a member of the civil society network "Hate Crime Kontern", which strengthens hate crime co-ordination and victim support, and co-operates directly with civil society organizations. Hate crime statistics collected by the Ministry are published online each year.

In January 2023, Austria implemented ODIHR's Diagnostic Workshop to Assess National Structures and Services for Hate Crime Victim Support.

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

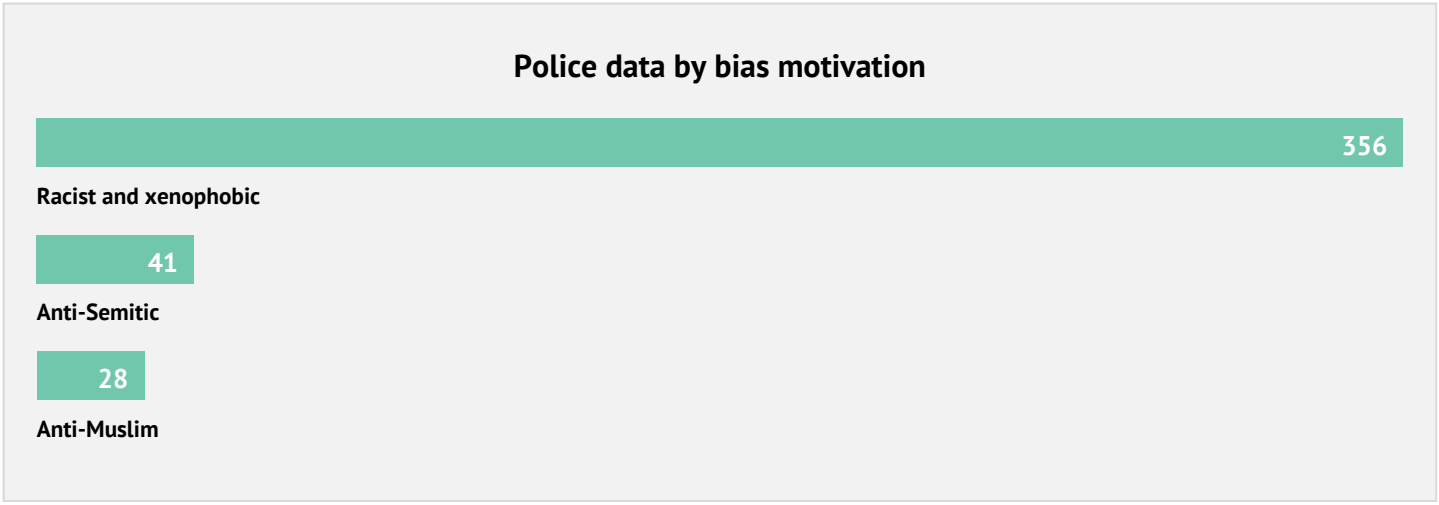
ODIHR's Key Observation

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

Official Data

Figures include the crime of incitement to hatred, which falls largely outside the OSCE's definition of hate crime.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2016	425	not available	not available


Police data by bias motivation
356
Racist and xenophobic
41
Anti-Semitic
28
Anti-Muslim

Police data by type of crime

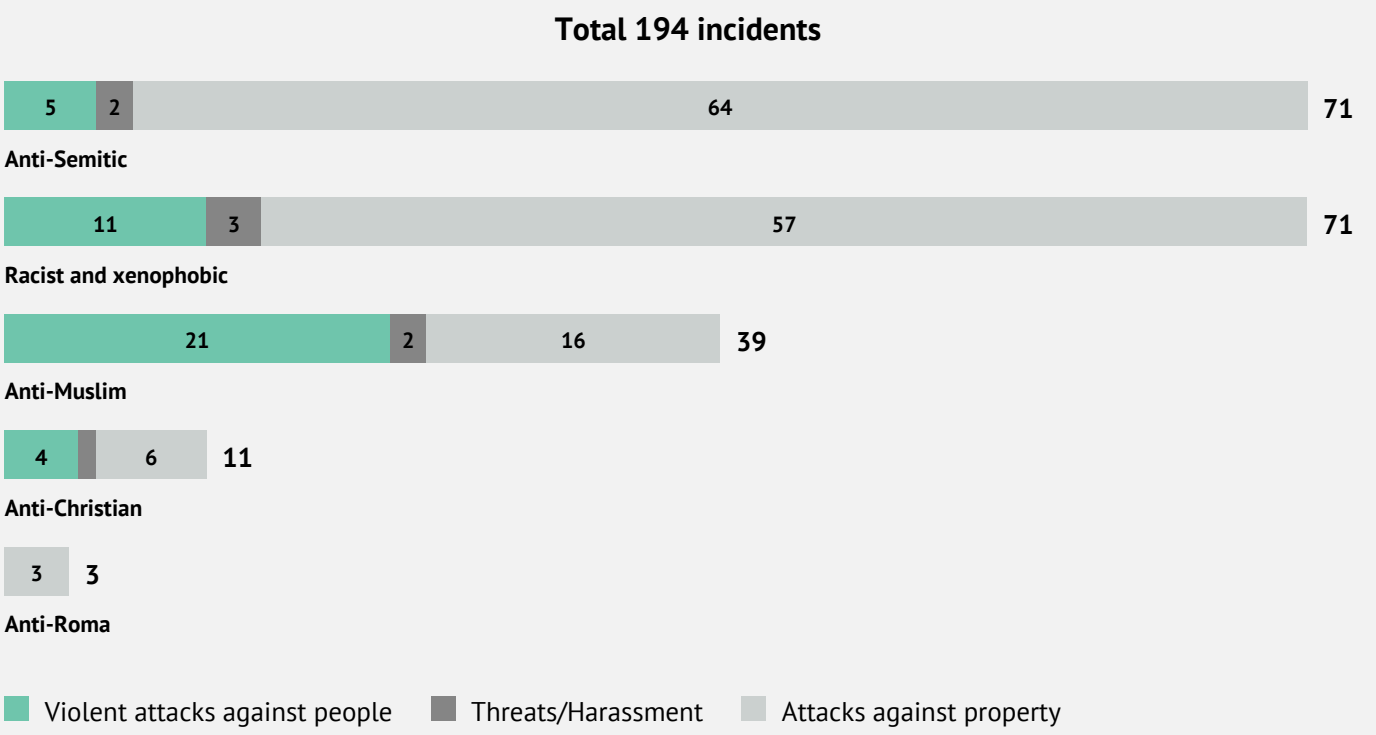
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Unspecified crime type

National Developments

Police officers participated in a workshop on prevention and sensitization.

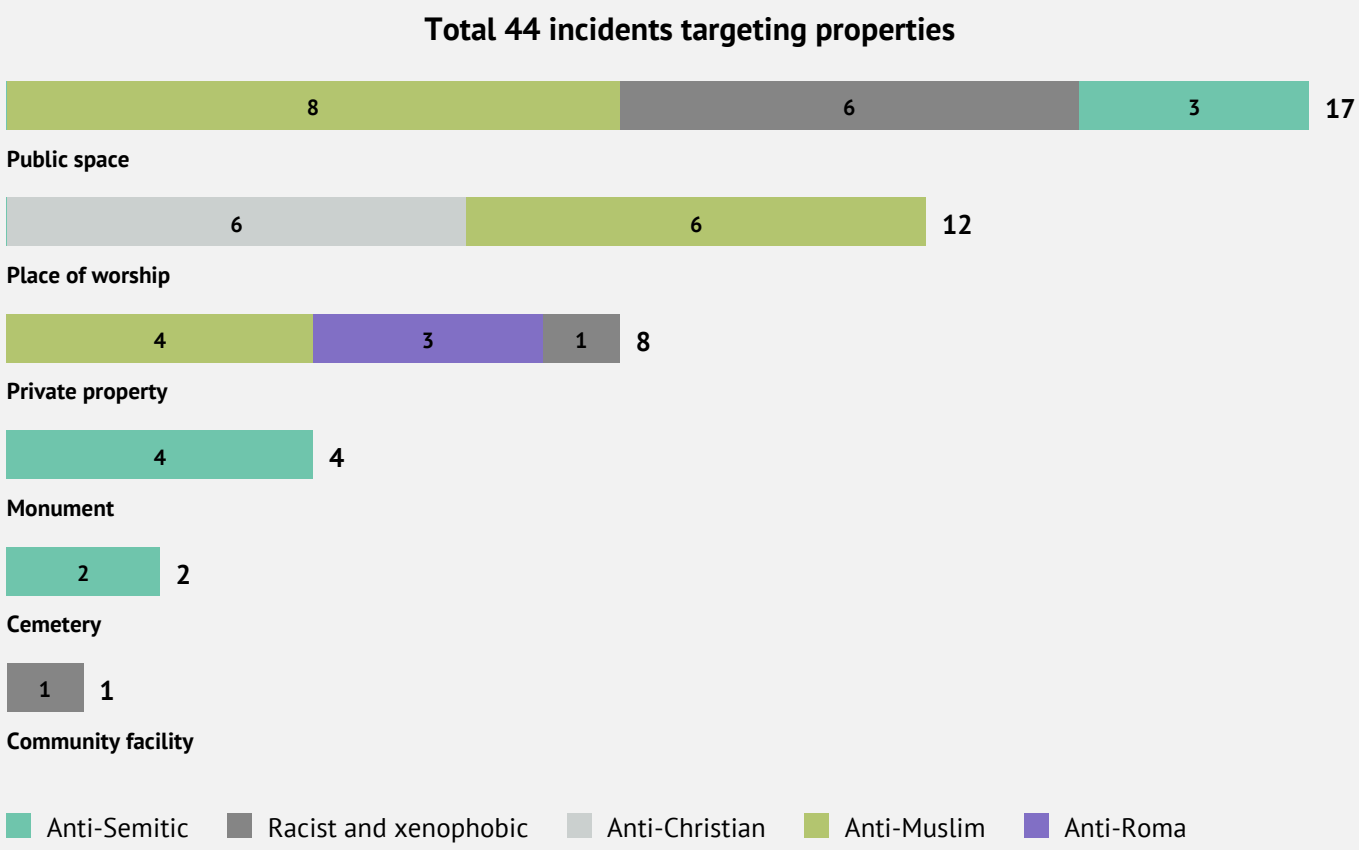
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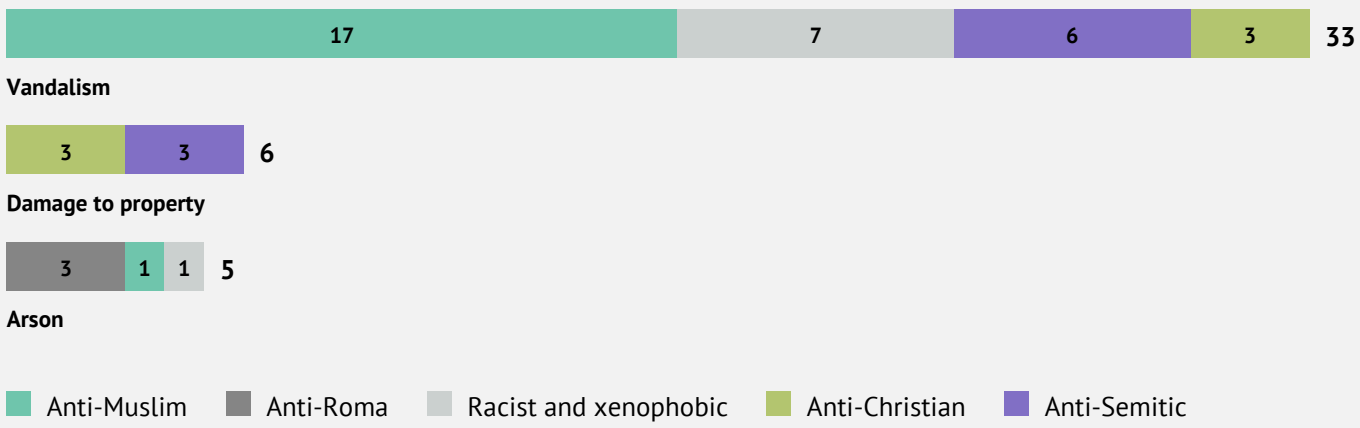
Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

ZARA and the Forum Against Anti-Semitism reported descriptions of incidents as well as statistical data. This explains the discrepancy between the graphic above and the incidents included below.

Targeted properties



Type of property attack



View civil society incidents for Austria, 2016