

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2020 Hate Crime Report.

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Summary

The Czech Republic regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Hate crime data are published annually in the government's Report on "Extremism and Prejudicial Hatred". In 2023, the Czech Republic introduced Actions Plans on Combating Extremism and Prejudicial Hatred, which were developed in close co-operation with civil society.

The Czech Republic has been implementing ODIHR's Prosecutors and Hate Crime Training (PAHCT) program since 2020.

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ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR recognizes the Czech Republic's efforts to build prosecutors' capacities in addressing hate crimes. However, based on the available information, it observes that its hate crime recording and statistics do not sufficiently distinguish hate crimes from other crimes. In addition, ODIHR observes that the Czech Republic would benefit from raising the awareness and building the capacity of police about hate crimes.

Official Data

The authorities monitored and reported on 134 "offences with a hostility background", a category that includes criminal forms of intolerance other than hate crimes. While the numbers presented here only represent hate crimes according to the OSCE definition, the breakdown by bias motivation below is based on these offences. The reported number of prosecuted hate crimes represents the number of people charged. The sentencing figure represents the number of people convicted, some of whom may have committed more than one hate crime.

| Year | Hate crimes recorded by police | Prosecuted | Sentenced |
|------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| 2020 | 32 | 28 | 59 |

Police data by bias motivation

The breakdown below includes records of crimes with respect to three specific bias motivations: anti-Semitic hate crimes; anti-Roma hate crimes; and anti-Muslim hate crimes. Records of crimes based on 56 other bias motivations were not reported.

27

Anti-Semitic hate crime

This number may include hate speech incidents.

19

Anti-Roma hate crime

This number may include hate speech incidents.

9

Anti-Muslim hate crime

This number may include hate speech incidents.

4

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

This category includes exclusively offences committed with a bias against persons of Arab descent. The number may include hate speech incidents.

Police data by type of crime

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59

Unspecified

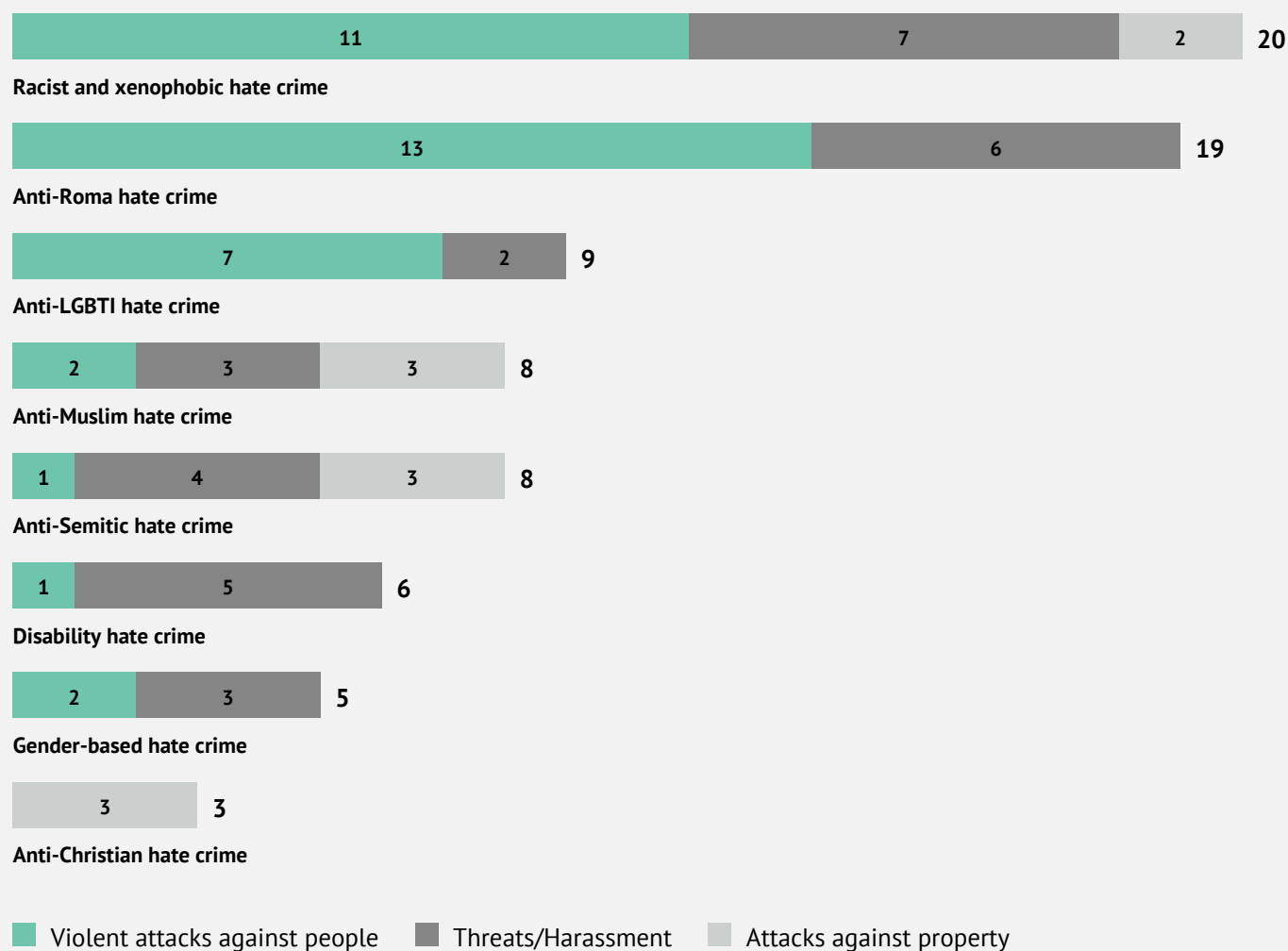
National Developments

In 2020, the **Ministry of Justice** continued to financially support the NGO "In Iustitia", in particular its work supporting to victims of hate crimes. The funding is based on Law no. 45/2013 Coll. on victims of crime which transposed the EU "Victims Directive" (Directive 2012/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 establishing minimum standards on the rights, support, and protection of victims of crime, and replacing the Council Framework Decision 2001/220/JHA).

The **Ministry of Justice's Institute for Criminology and Social Prevention** further conducted a research project entitled "Criminological Analysis of Hate Crimes" which addresses the social and psychological backgrounds of perpetrators committing hate crimes motivated by racist, ethnic, religious, and other similar forms of bias.

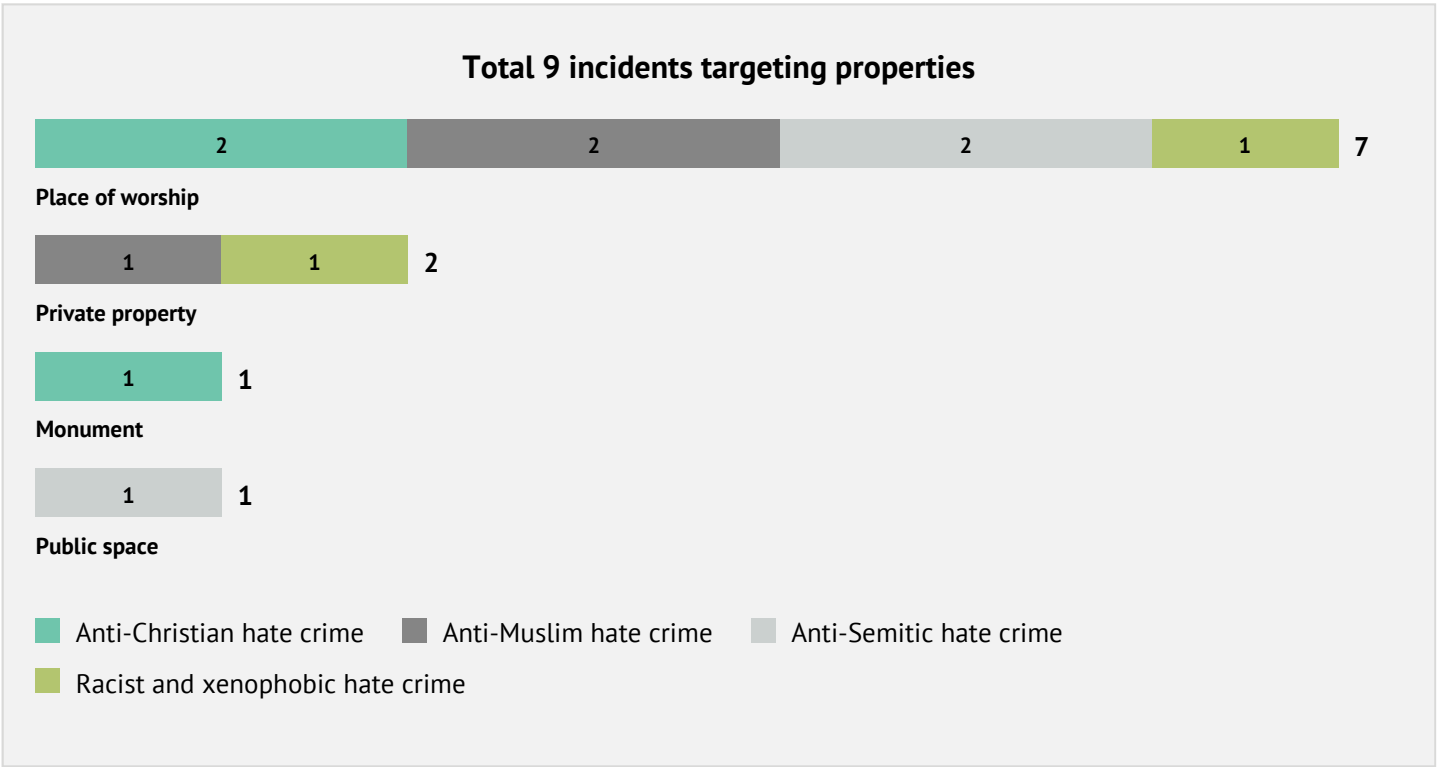
Incidents reported by civil society

Total 64 incidents

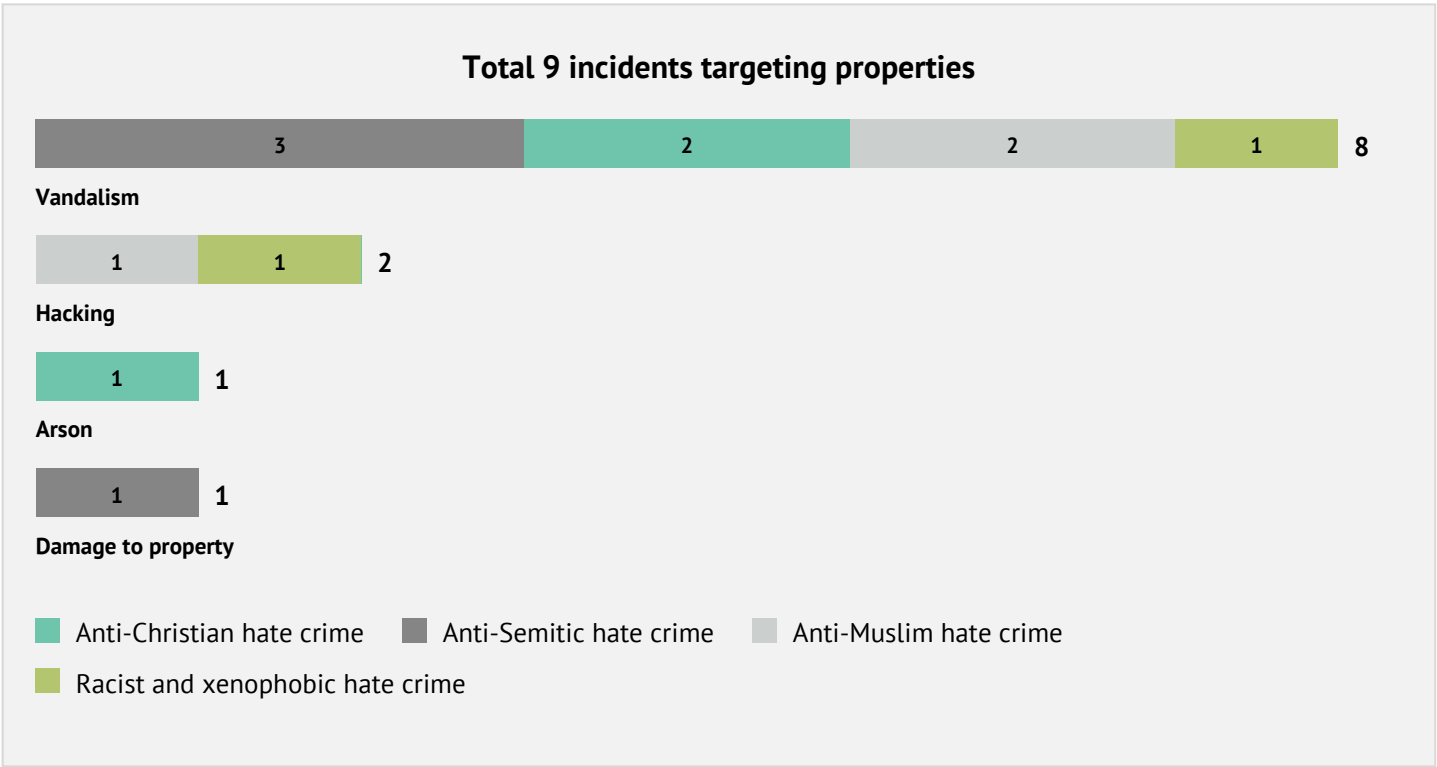


Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

Targeted properties



Type of property attack



[View civil society incidents for Czech Republic, 2020](#)