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HATE CRIME REPORTING

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2017 Hate Crime Report.
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Summary

Georgia regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Since 2020, Georgia has published an annual report on hate crime data following an inter-agency memorandum on co-operation. Georgia implemented ODIHR's Training Against Hate Crime for Law Enforcement (TAHCLE) programme in 2019 and the Prosecutors and Hate Crime Training Programme (PAHCT) in 2017.

In 2023, Georgia introduced the National Strategy for the Protection of Human Rights 2022-2030, which covers fundamental rights and freedoms with a particular focus on protecting vulnerable groups. In October 2023, a new memorandum was signed by state institutions representing the police, prosecution and judiciary to reflect additional responsibilities on collecting and publishing statistical data on hate crime.

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

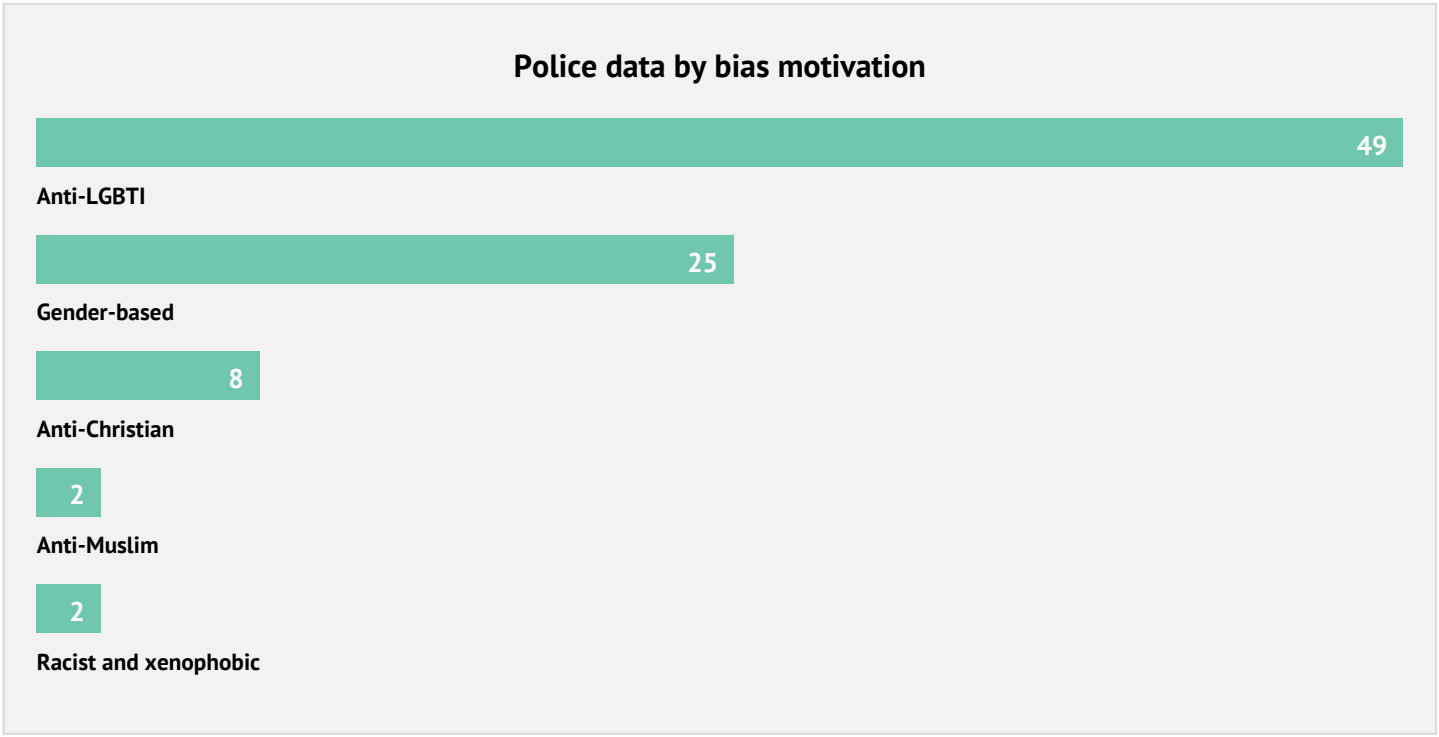
ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that Georgia has not made public reliable data and statistics on hate crimes.

Official Data

The police number indicates investigations into incidents where the alleged bias motivation was detected, launched in 2017. The prosecution figure indicates the number of prosecuted individuals. Furthermore, some of the prosecutions included here were initiated before 2017.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2017	86	44	11


Police data by bias motivation
49
Anti-LGBTI
25
Gender-based
8
Anti-Christian
2
Anti-Muslim
2
Racist and xenophobic

Police data by type of crime

86

Unspecified crime type

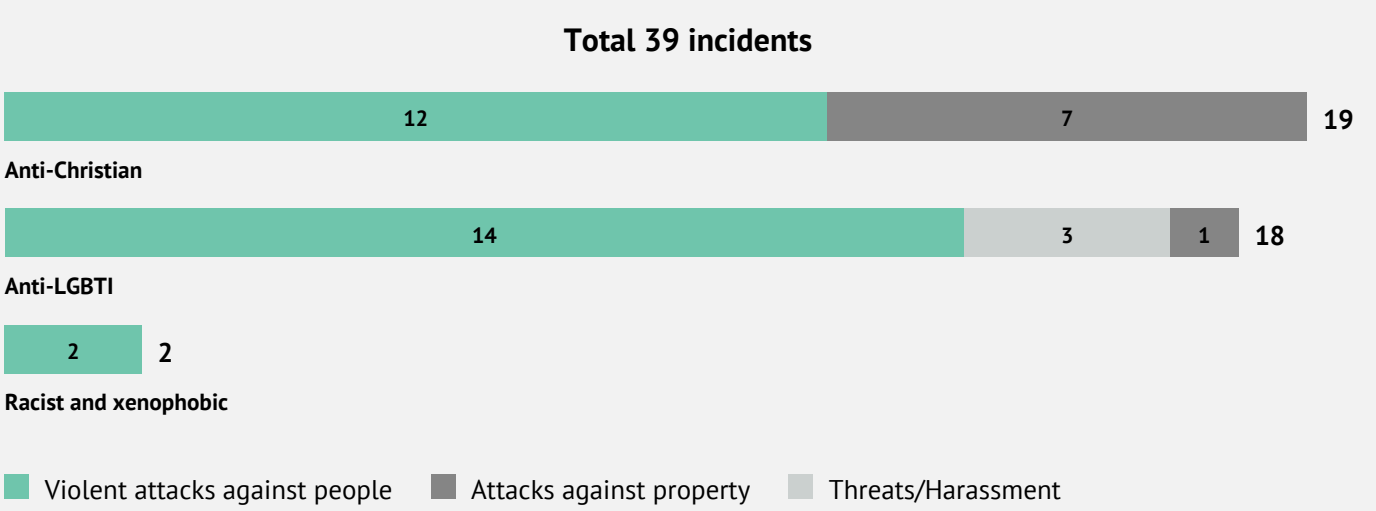
National Developments

The **Chief Prosecutor's Office of Georgia** has continued implementing the Prosecutors and Hate Crime Training (PAHCT) programme, based on a MoU signed with ODIHR in 2016.

The **Chief Prosecutor's Office of Georgia** has begun implementing a development strategy for 2017 – 2021, containing a section on countering discrimination and hate crimes. The strategy envisions the elaboration of recommendations on crimes committed with religious biases, the introduction of specialized hate crime prosecutors within the Prosecutor's Office, and increasing public awareness of hate crimes, including through the publication of notable cases on the official webpage of Prosecutor's Office.

In January 2018, the Human Rights Protection and Monitoring Department was established in the **Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia**, which monitors hate crimes and oversees the initial stages of investigation.

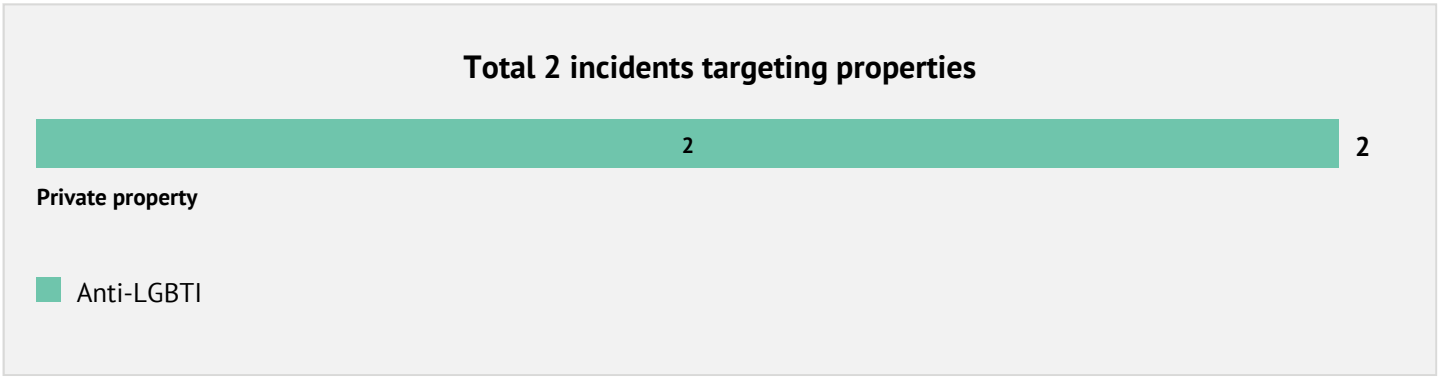
Incidents reported by civil society



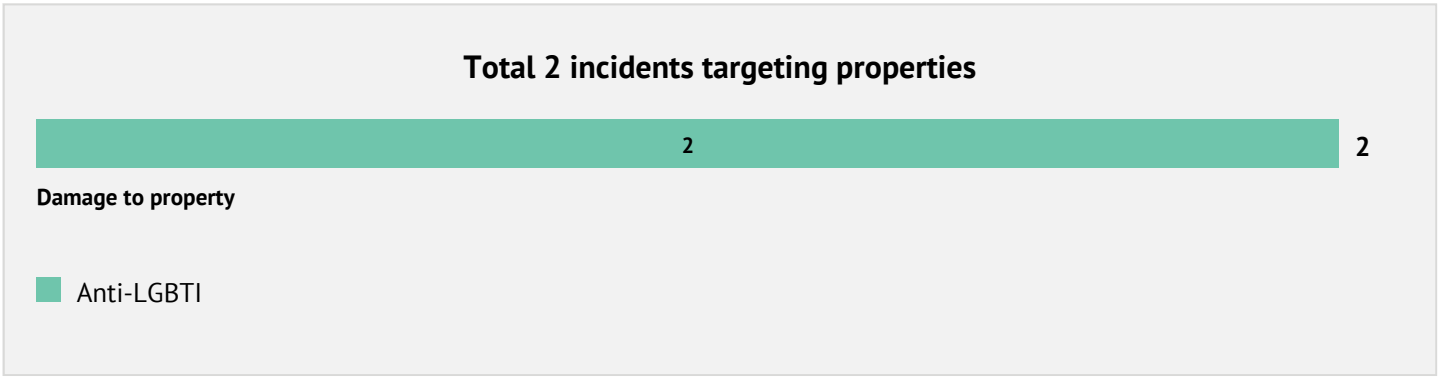
Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

The UNHCR reported descriptive 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 Georgia, 2017