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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

Moldova regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. In 2017, ODIHR and the OSCE Mission to Moldova co-organized a workshop for police, prosecutors and civil society on understanding and improving hate crime recording and data collection, which led to a set of recommendations for relevant state authorities.

Following a request by Moldova's Ministry of Justice, in 2016 ODIHR provided a legal opinion on draft amendments related to bias-motivated offences. ODIHR's recommendations were largely reflected in amendments to the Criminal Code adopted by the Moldovan Parliament and published on 3 June 2022. In 2024, ODIHR held a national hate crime data workshop in Moldova.

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

ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that the law enforcement agencies of Moldova have not recorded the bias motivations of hate crimes.

Official Data

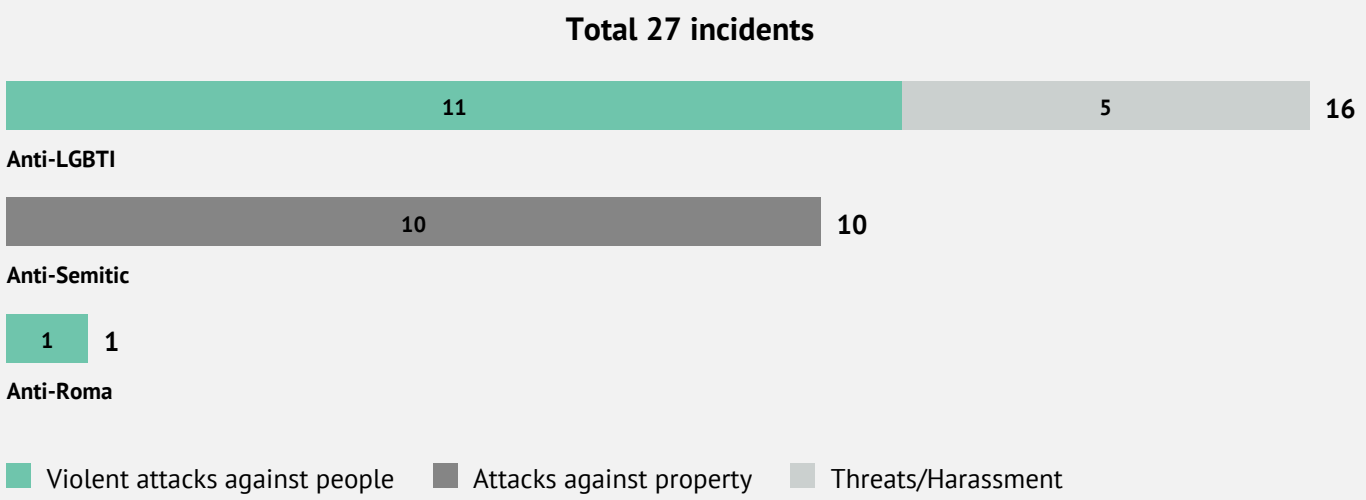
All the cases reported here relate to "extremist crimes" motivated by bias, related to participation in armed conflict, recruitment of others to participate in an armed conflict, and/or undermining the constitutional system.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2016	5	5	5

National Developments

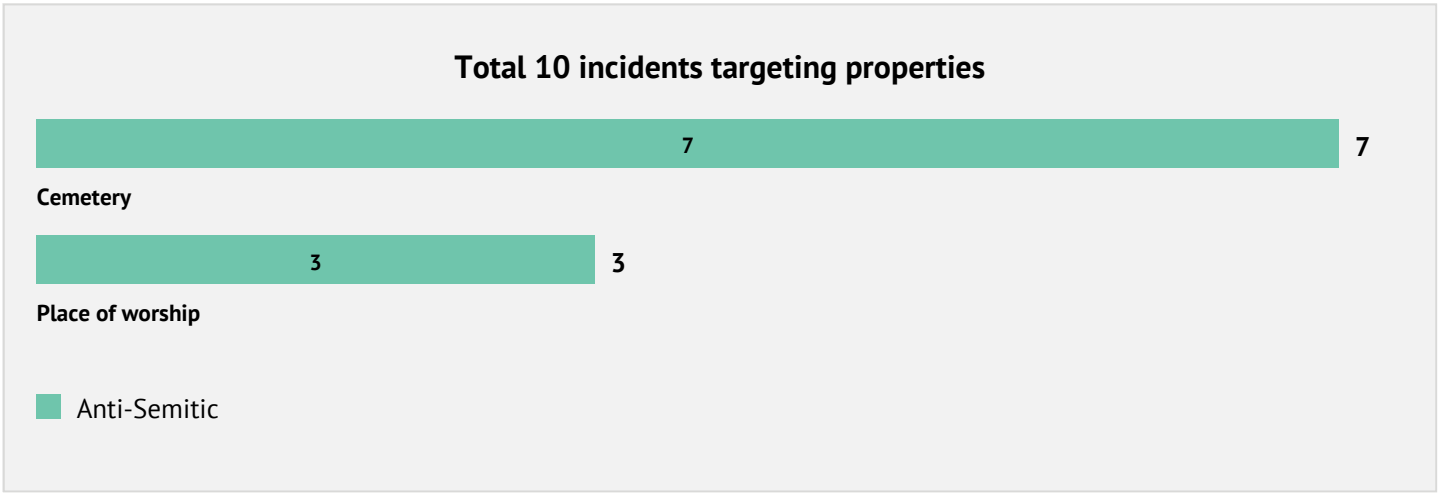
Parliament passed amendments to Moldova's Criminal Code which will alter the existing hate crime provisions in the first reading. The bill expected to pass into law in 2017.

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.

Targeted properties



Type of property attack



View civil society incidents for Moldova, 2016