# HATE MONITOR

SEPTEMBER 2013

Hate-motivated incidents are often violent manifestations of intolerance which instil fear and divide communities. Tackling underlying prejudice is essential in combating the spread of these divisive actions. The OSCE Mission to BiH supports the work of government institutions, the criminal justice system, local authorities and civil society to effectively respond to these incidents. The Hate Monitor provides a monthly update on incidents and responses throughout BiH.

## HATE INCIDENTS



# **RESPONSES**

MONTH

### TYPES OF INCIDENTS

**A** 4 Offensive graffiti

**A** 5 **A**4

Verbal

Displaying symbols

Damage to religious facilities / Desecration of graveyards

**A** 4 Insulting phone,

Internet and

Incidents can consist of several acts.
A single incident may be reported under multiple categories.

### TYPES OF RESPONSES

Public condemnation by officials

Repairing damaged property/Graffiti removal/Cleanup action

Public condemnation by religious leaders

Peaceful gathering / March

Public condemnation by civil society

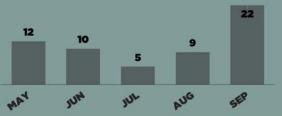
Other

## PREVENTION

Local strategies to prevent hate to date

### VICTIM CHARACTERISTICS:

90.91% 4.55 % ethnicity religion sexual orientation HATE-MOTIVATED INCIDENTS SINCE MAY 2013: 58



# SINCE MAY 2013:

Actions by local coalitions against hate

hate incidents with at least one response

Trials Ongoing Acquittals in 2013

Bihać 2/0 Bratunac 1/0 Doboj 1/1 Konjic 1/0 Livno 2/0 Neum 1/0 Prijedor 2/1 Vlasenica 1/1 Zenica 1/1

Bijeljina 1/0 Brčko Distrikt 2/1 Ilidža 1/0 Kotor Varoš 1/1 Mostar 1/0 Novi Grad 1/0 Višegrad 1/0 Zavidovići 1/6 Žepče 1/0



### Highlighted

On 26-27 September, 'Promote the Positives' network of NGOs from Brcko District organized a workshop for 50 volunteers about bias-motivated incidents and hate crimes. A representative of the Brcko District Police shared examples of hate crimes and incidents that occured in the past. Volunteers were encouraged to take photographs of offensive graffiti and report other bias-motivated incidents.

The Hate Monitor provides an update on all hate-motivated incidents and responses known to the OSCE Mission to BiH at the time of publishing the report each month.