

# HATE MONITOR

MAY 2017

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

HATE-MOTIVATED  
**INCIDENTS**  
THIS MONTH

**8**

### TYPES OF INCIDENTS

**3**  
Physical violence

**4**  
Property damage

**0**  
Offensive graffiti

**1**  
Damage to religious facilities / Desecration of graveyards

**3**  
Verbal assault

**0**  
Displaying symbols

**1**  
Insulting phone, Internet and sms messages

**1**  
Other

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

## RESPONSES

**RESPONSES**  
TO HATE INCIDENTS  
THIS MONTH

**0**

### TYPES OF RESPONSES

**0**  
Public condemnation by officials

**0**  
Public condemnation by religious leaders

**0**  
Public condemnation by civil society

**0**  
Repairing damaged property/Graffiti removal/Cleanup action

**0**  
Peaceful gathering / March

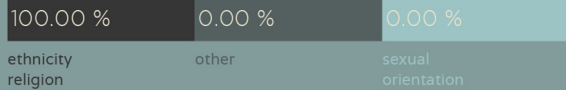
**0**  
Other

### PREVENTION

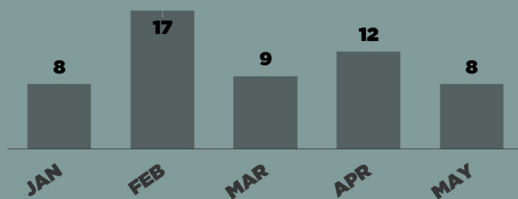
**19**  
Local activities against hate

**11**  
Local strategies to prevent hate to date

### VICTIM CHARACTERISTICS:



HATE-MOTIVATED INCIDENTS SINCE JANUARY 2017: **54**



### SINCE JANUARY 2017:

**9**

responses

**7**

hate incidents with at least one response

### HATE CRIME CASES

Trials Ongoing	7
Convictions in 2017	0
Acquittals in 2017	0

### INCIDENTS / RESPONSES THIS MONTH

Bratunac 1/0  
Gornji Vakuf 1/0  
Široki Brijeg 1/0  
Vitez 1/0

Drvar 1/0  
Konjic 1/0  
Tomislavgrad 1/0  
Zvornik 1/0



### Highlighted

On 21 May, numerous activities organized by Coalitions against Hate were held in Banja Luka, Bijeljina, Drvar, Gornji Vakuf/Uskoplje, Jajce, Livno, Novo Sarajevo, Srebrenica, and Tuzla celebrating the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. Activities promoted public awareness, engaging with local communities and the benefits of diversity and dialogue among youth in BiH.

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.