DATABASE 2012-2024 ON ANTI-MUSLIM HATRED

Research findings

Country code	Year	Reference details title	Reference details URL	Main thematic focus	Institution	Key findings - Short summary	Methodology (Qualitative/Quantitative and exact type used, questionnaires etc)	Sample details and representativeness	Area/location of interest - NUTS3 level
Bulgaria	2024	Council of Europe (2024), Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities - Fifth Opinion on Bulgaria, 29 May 2024.	https://rm.coe.int/5th-op-bulgaria-en/1680b1c747	Hate crime	Bulgaria, European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe	The report highlights ongoing challenges for national minorities, especially Roma and Turks. Despite legislative gains and better access to education, issues like systemic discrimination, poor housing, and lack of identity documents persist. Hate rhetoric – including anti-Roma, anti-Muslim, and antisemitic speech – continues from some politicians and media. A Friedrich Ebert Foundation study shows growing ethnocentrism, with only 22% of respondents open to co-residing with Turks and 15% to family ties. Although Muslims make up 10.8% of the population, mosque availability is limited, and halal food has been denied in Turkish-majority kindergartens. Minority language education remains low, with a sharp drop in Turkish language instruction despite 8.7% reporting it as their mother tongue. The Committee calls for urgent action to safeguard minority cultures, expand healthcare access, improve participation in decision-making, and increase funding for cultural programs, alongside structural reforms for equality and inclusion.	Mixed Methods (a combination of qualitative and quantitative approaches): surveys, questionnaires, thematic analysis	N/A - not applicable/available	Not applicable - national level

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