



Antisemitism overview - Estonia

Overview of antisemitic incidents recorded in Estonia in 2014-2024

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1. Estonia

The country overview provides a descriptive analysis of the available official and unofficial data. ‘Official data’ refers to those collected by law enforcement agencies, authorities that are part of criminal justice systems and relevant state ministries. ‘Unofficial data’ refers to those collected by civil society organisations, including Jewish community organisations. All data presented are based on the countries and organisations’ own definitions and categorisations of antisemitism. Some of these draw on the IHRA Working definition of antisemitism, which was endorsed by all EU member states, except Malta. Albania, North Macedonia and Serbia also adopted the IHRA Working definition on antisemitism. ⁽ⁱ⁾ Where available, the country overview provides a breakdown of the data by month following 7 October 2023, showing stark increases in recorded antisemitic incidents following the Hamas attacks and the and the ensuing military intervention in Gaza.

This publication is part of a larger series of overviews of antisemitic incidents. FRA and its predecessor (the EU Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia) have monitored antisemitism since 2004.

1.1. Official data

A system to collect data on antisemitic incidents is in place. In 2024, one crime and one misdemeanor were recorded in Estonia based on Penal Code § 151 (Incitement of hatred). Neither of these offences was motivated by antisemitism, compared with two incidents in 2023 (neither of which were officially classified as antisemitic either), and one recorded incident in 2021, involving a misdemeanour offence. In 2019, the authorities recorded two antisemitic incidents. In all other years (2016–2018 and 2020), no antisemitic incidents or crimes were recorded, and no statistics have been provided to FRA concerning 2014–2015 (Table 1).

Table 1: Number of antisemitic incidents reported to Estonian authorities, 2014–2024

Year	Antisemitic incidents
2014	n.a.
2015	n.a.

Year	Antisemitic incidents
2016	0
2017	0
2018	0
2019	2
2020	0
2021	1
2022	0
2023	0
2024	0

NB: n.a., not available.

Source: Data from NLO, 2014-2024.

1.2. Unofficial data

No unofficial data were available when this report was compiled.

(i) See an overview of EU Member States and accession countries that adopted the [working definition of antisemitism](#) by the 2016 International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance.