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PERPETRATORS OF MISDEMEANOUR, BY TYPE OF MISDEMEANOUR, 2021

In 2021, there were 95 436 accused adult perpetrators of misdemeanours, which represents an increase of 16.1% compared to 2020, while the number of those found guilty increased by 19.4% compared to the previous year.

The number of accused juvenile perpetrators of misdemeanours amounted to 1 885 in 2021, which represents a decrease of 2.1% compared to 2020, while the number of those found guilty increased by 5.9% compared to the previous year.

In 2021, there were 12 145 accused legal entities – perpetrators of misdemeanours, which represents an increase of 4.3% compared to 2020, while the number of those recognised as responsible increased by 10.7% compared to the previous year.

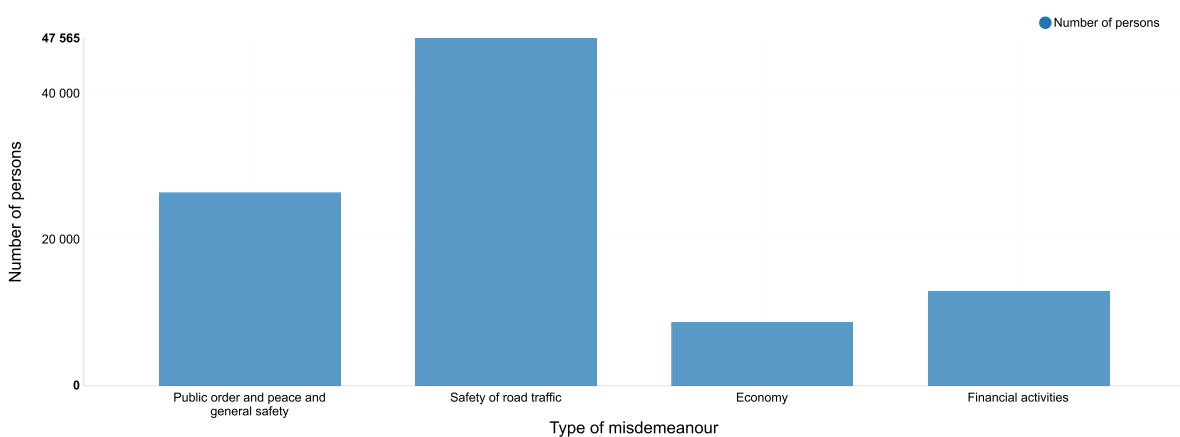
The number of accused persons in charge – perpetrators of misdemeanours amounted to 9 087 in 2021, which means it decreased by 13.5% compared to 2020, while the number of those who were found guilty decreased by 5.8% compared to the previous year.

Adult perpetrators of misdemeanours committed most misdemeanours in the field of safety in traffic (49.8%) and juvenile perpetrators in the field of public order and peace and general safety (54.0%). Legal entities committed most misdemeanours in the field of economy (45.5%), while persons in charge most often committed misdemeanours in the field of finance (51.4%).

1 MISDEMEANOUR PERPETRATORS

	Adult		Juvenile		Legal entities and persons in charge			
	Accused	Found guilty	Accused	Found guilty	Legal entities		Persons in charge	
					Accused	Found responsible	Accused	Found guilty
2020	82 186	67 067	1 926	34	11 639	7 935	10 505	7 696
2021	95 436	80 070	1 885	36	12 145	8 788	9 087	7 253
Indices <u>2021</u> 2020	116,1	119,4	97,9	105,9	104,3	110,7	86,5	94,2

G-1 ACCUSED ADULT PERSONS, BY TYPE OF MISDEMEANOUR, 2021



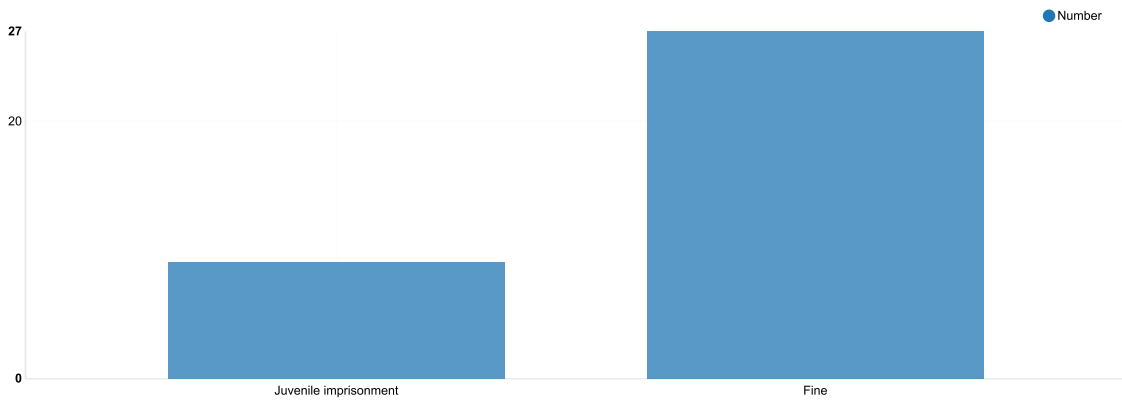
2. DECISIONS MADE BY COMPETENT MISDEMEANOUR BODIES AND PRONOUNCED SANCTIONS, BY TYPE OF MISDEMEANOUR, 2021

	Total	Type of misdemeanour			
		Public order and peace and general safety	Safety of road traffic	Economy	Financial activities
Adult persons					
Total	95 436	26 350	47 565	8 615	12 906
Women	16 934	4 480	7 769	2 599	2 086
Not found guilty	15 366	4 984	6 904	3 007	471
Women	3 975	1 244	1 539	1 047	145
Terminated proceeding	435	142	134	70	89
Judgement rejecting charges	3 607	1 157	1 083	1 160	207
Judgement of acquittal	11 324	3 685	5 687	1 777	175
Found guilty	80 070	21 366	40 661	5 608	12 435
Women	12 959	3 236	6 230	1 552	1 941
Imprisonment - total	5 171	3 355	1 816	-	-
Suspended	3 786	2 640	1 146	-	-
Fine	70 050	17 358	35 493	4 825	12 374
Admonition	3 592	239	2 951	401	1
Found guilty, but no penal sentence	1 257	414	401	382	60
Security measure applied	12 753	2 284	10 461	3	5
Juvenile persons					
Total	1 885	1 018	811	56	-
Female persons	220	142	64	14	-
Not found guilty	1 849	997	797	55	-
Female persons	220	142	64	14	-
Terminated proceeding	281	192	81	8	-
Not found guilty but educational and/or security measure applied	1 568	805	716	47	-
Found guilty	36	21	14	1	-
Female persons	-	-	-	-	-
Juvenile imprisonment	9	5	4	-	-
Suspended	8	4	4	-	-
Fine	27	16	10	1	-
Educational measure applied	1 564	802	715	47	-
Of that, with security measure	42	10	32	-	-
Female persons	171	108	51	12	-
Reprimand	1 361	656	658	47	-
Special obligations	191	142	49	-	-
Assignment to disciplinary centre	12	4	8	-	-
Security measure applied	53	17	36	-	-
Female persons	4	4	-	-	-
Of that, with educational measure	42	10	32	-	-
Of that, with sentence	7	4	3	-	-
Legal entities and persons in charge					
Total – Legal entities	12 145	390	957	5 527	5 271
Legal entities not found responsible	3 357	100	313	2 283	661
Proceedings terminated	882	12	14	447	409
Judgement rejecting charges	1 472	47	52	1 223	150
Judgement of acquittal	1 003	41	247	613	102
Legal entities found responsible	8 788	290	644	3 244	4 610
Fine	8 216	272	555	2 835	4 554
Admonition	16	-	10	5	1
Found responsible but no penal sentence	556	18	79	404	55
Security measure applied	2	-	-	1	1
Total – Persons in charge	9 087	137	374	3 902	4 674
Women	2 309	20	47	1 040	1 202
Persons in charge not found guilty	1 834	49	116	1 357	312
Women	454	8	8	352	86
Proceedings terminated	147	2	1	41	103

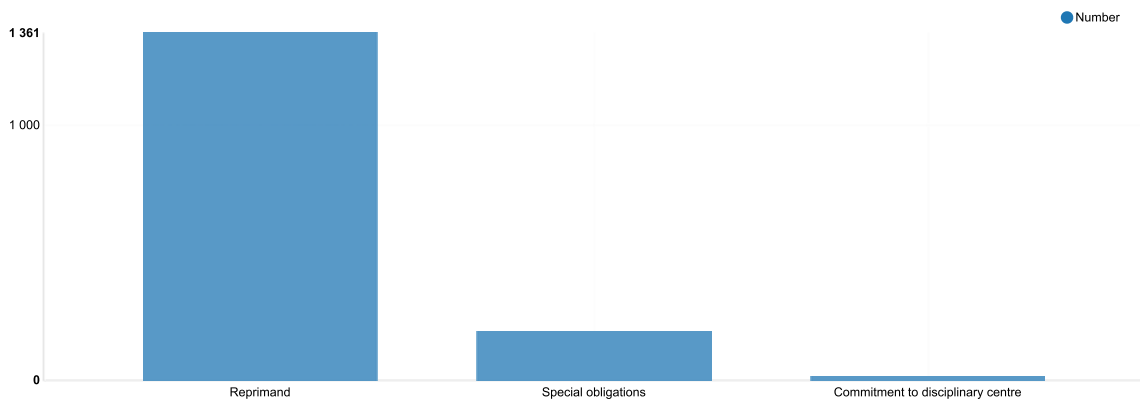
Judgement rejecting charges	1 082	24	22	932	104
Judgement of acquittal	605	23	93	384	105
Persons in charge found guilty	7 253	88	258	2 545	4 362
Women	1 855	12	39	688	1 116
Fine	6 875	75	213	2 266	4 321
Admonition	27	1	16	8	2
Found guilty but no penal sentence	351	12	29	271	39
Security measure applied	1	-	-	1	-

G-2 JUVENILES, BY PRONOUNCED SENTENCES, 2021

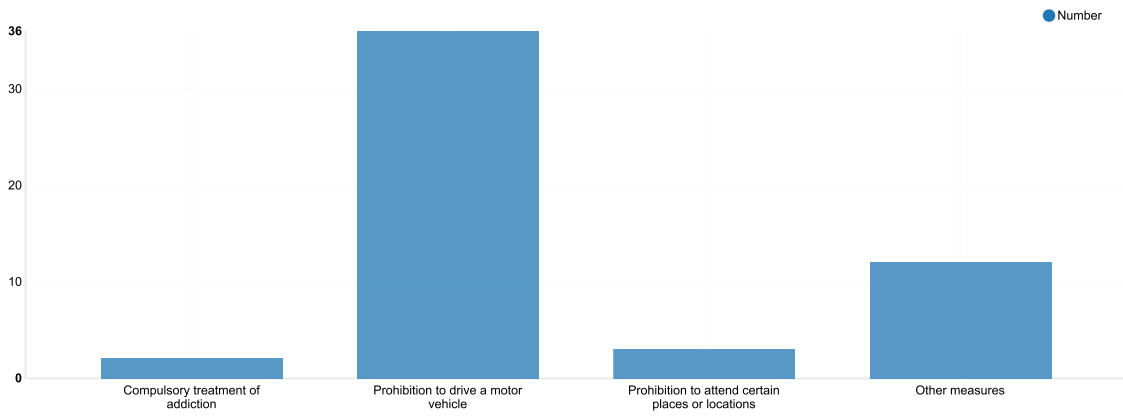
Types of pronounced sentences



Types of educational measures applied

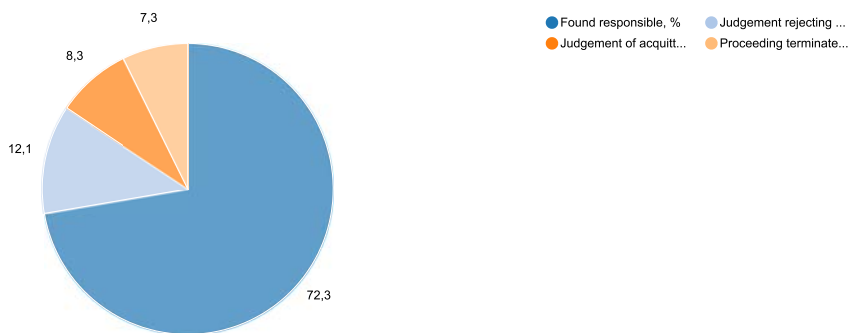


Types of security measures applied

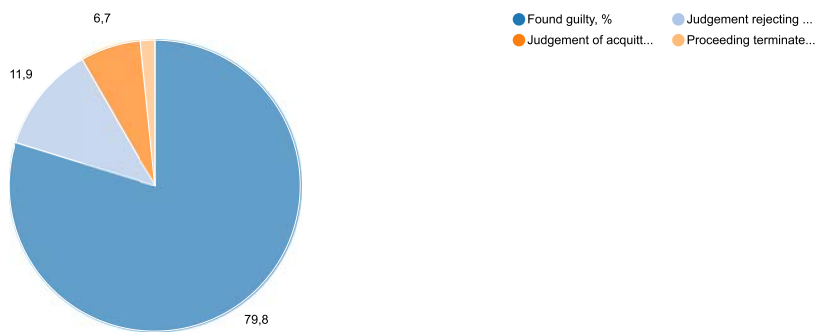


G-3 LEGAL ENTITIES AND PERSONS IN CHARGE, BY TYPE OF DECISION, 2021

Legal entities



Persons in charge



NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Source and methods of data collection

On the basis of the Official Statistics Act (NN, No. 25/20), data on misdemeanours committed by adult and juvenile persons as well as by legal entities and persons in charge are collected by regular statistical surveys, which use the following statistical reports: the Statistical Report for Accused Adult against Whom Misdemeanour Proceedings Have Been Validly Concluded (SPK-1 form), the Statistical Report for Accused Juvenile against Whom Misdemeanour Proceedings Have Been Validly Concluded (SPK-2 form) and the Statistical Report for Legal Entity and Person in Charge against Whom Misdemeanour Proceedings Have Been Validly Concluded (SPK-3 form).

Statistical reports are filled in by competent municipal courts as well as by competent state administration bodies, authorised to adjudicate in misdemeanour proceedings: tax administration offices, regional customs offices, harbour master's offices, management body of air traffic and financial inspectorate.

The Misdemeanour Act (NN, Nos 107/07, 39/13, 157/13, 110/15, 70/17 and 118/18) was put into effect on 1 January 2008 and, since then, it has been applied in statistical surveys.

Coverage

Statistical surveys cover all perpetrators of misdemeanours – adults, juveniles, legal entities and persons in charge – in order to examine the volume and spread of misdemeanours for the whole territory of the Republic of Croatia.

Definitions

Misdemeanours are conducts that violate or threaten public order, social discipline or other social values guaranteed and protected by the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia, national and international laws, the protection of which is not possible without the misdemeanour system of sanctions and is not achieved through the penal coercion.

In regard of statistical surveys, misdemeanours cover an occurrence that starts with reporting a committed misdemeanour and ends with a valid conclusion of proceedings done by a competent misdemeanour body.

Adult perpetrator of misdemeanour is a person who turned 18 at the time of committing a misdemeanour, and against whom misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on termination of the proceedings, judgement on rejection of charges, judgement of acquittal, or a decision by which a person is found guilty.

Juvenile perpetrator of misdemeanour is a person who, at the time of committing a misdemeanour, turned 14 but not yet 18 years of age, and against whom misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on termination of the proceedings, decision by which person is found guilty (juveniles between 16 and 18 years of age who were sentenced by juvenile imprisonment or fine).

According to the Misdemeanour Act (NN, Nos 107/07, 39/13, 157/13, 110/15, 70/17 and 118/18), educational measure is applied to a juvenile perpetrator of misdemeanour by court's decision. In the pronouncement of the decision, it is only stated which measure is applied, but the juvenile perpetrator is not pronounced guilty of the committed misdemeanour.

Person in charge – perpetrator of misdemeanour is a person in charge (director, accountant manager, cashier etc.) in a **legal entity** (trade company, state body etc.) against whom misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on termination of the proceedings, judgement on rejection of charges, judgement of acquittal, or a decision by which person is found guilty.

Legal entities – perpetrators of misdemeanours are domestic legal entities (for example, trade companies, state bodies, unions and alike) as well as foreign entities considered as legal entities under Croatian law, against which misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on termination of the proceedings, judgement on rejection of charges, judgement of acquittal, or a decision by which legal entity has been found responsible.

Abbreviations

NN Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia

Symbols

- no occurrence

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